

WASHINGTON HYDRANT COMPANY, NO. 1.

HOUSE IN SALEM STREET.

Members.	Age.	Residence.
Dunton Charles E., <i>Foreman</i> ,	32	24 Cooper street.
Gross Edward, <i>Ass't Foreman</i> ,	30	1 Margaret "
Williams Alfred, <i>Clerk</i> ,	34	5 Carroll place.
Delano George H., <i>Steward</i> ,	32	3 Margaret street.
Allen Hosea,	33	7 Beverly "
Adams William E.	30	4 North square.
Britton Thomas S. R.	29	134 Prince street.
Brownell Benjamin C.	31	1 Margaret "
Baston Andrew J.	23	2 Webster court.
Crosby Charles J.	25	2 Carroll place.
Hammond John S.	24	84 Auburn, cor. Cambr'ge st.
Helms Samuel L.	30	2 Carroll place.
Jackman Jehiel B.	30	2 Webster court.
Moore Sanford L.	25	2 Arch place.
Pratt Edwin B.	23	344 Hanover street.
Shattuck Samuel B.	37	26 Andover "
Woodman Thomas,	31	2 Carroll place.

17 Members.

Condition of House and Apparatus.

The condition of the House is good. There are attached to this Company, two Hose Carriages, 4 Buckets, 2 Axes, 1700 feet of Leading Hose, in good order.

UNION HYDRANT COMPANY, NO. 2.

HOUSE IN HUDSON STREET.

Members.	$\frac{p}{q}$	Residence.
Thompson Moses C., <i>Foreman</i> ,	26	81 Tyler street.
Houghton H. L., <i>Ass't Foreman</i> ,	25	24 Oak "
Newton George, <i>Clerk</i> ,	37	81 Tyler "
Smith Jacob, <i>Steward</i> ,	57	49 Hudson street.
Abbott Samuel,	32	132 Tyler "
Bell John,	24	125 Albany "
Dandley James H.	33	116 " "
Graves Frederick D.	22	44 Hudson "
Holton Henry,	31	138 " "
Hunkins John H.	22	79 " "
Holton James S.	33	138 " "
Holt Thomas P.	23	44 " "
King Benjamin,	25	24 Curve "
Lamb Charles H.	27	79 Hudson "
Merritt Thomas,	23	5 Etna place.
Perkins Elbridge,	25	79 Hudson street.
Pike John G.	22	44 " "
Woodis George P.	23	47 South "

18 Members.

Condition of House and Apparatus.

The condition of the House is good. There are attached to this Company, 2 Hose Carriages, 4 Buckets, 2 Axes, 1500 feet of Leading Hose, in good order.

FRANKLIN HYDRANT COMPANY, NO. 3.

HOUSE IN WALL STREET.

Members.	Age.	Residence.
Nevins Jerome, <i>Foreman</i> ,	26	5 Cushman place.
Ryan John S., <i>Ass't Foreman</i> ,	38	70 High street.
Colter John, <i>Clerk</i> ,	36	22 Causeway street.
Orcutt Henry M., <i>Steward</i> ,	28	17 North Russell street.
Anderson William W.	27	1 Harrison place.
Brooks George F.	23	5 Cushman place.
Gibson James,	23	18 Garden street.
Goodale George C.	22	10 Billings court.
Harper Edmund,	28	10 North Margin street.
Jenness Albro R.	22	26 Minot "
King John H.	21	5 Lowell "
Moore Lewis	30	1 Billerica "
Morse George B.	25	5 Lowell "
Mason Nathaniel,	26	42 " "
Perkins Elisha K.	39	4 Chapel place.
Sharon Charles A.	36	171 Cambridge street.
Simmonds David M.	29	10 Blossom "
Sedgley Jeremiah,	36	23 Pitts "
Staniels Ira,	27	2 Cotting court.
Young Joseph,	34	1 Billerica street.

20 Members.

Condition of House and Apparatus.

The condition of the House is good. There are attached to this Company, 2 Hose Carriages, 6 Buckets, 2 Axes, 1650 feet of Leading Hose, in good order.

SUFFOLK HYDRANT COMPANY, NO. 5.

HOUSE IN SHAWMUT AVENUE.

Members.	Age.	Residence.
Ford William H., <i>Foreman</i> ,	37	11 Faben street.
Fernald George C., <i>Ass't Fore.</i>	22	Plympton court.
Ross Samuel E., <i>Clerk</i> ,	43	31 West Canton street.
Lovell Silas, <i>Steward</i> ,	30	80 West Dedham "
Cornell Edwin,	28	Canton court.
Clark William H.	24	178 Harrison avenue.
Champney William L. jr.	23	76 West Canton street.
Gardner William H.	23	50 " " "
Green Samuel A.	23	Porter "
Jellison Howard M.	22	1171 Washington "
Lincoln Amos,	37	1 Newland "
Leeds Warren N.	39	Garland "
Tufts Lewis C.	22	9 Rochester "
Wentworth Seth,	22	9 " "

14 Members.

Condition of House and Apparatus.

The condition of the House is good. There are attached to this Company, 2 Hose Carriages, 4 Buckets, 2 Axes, 1550 feet of Leading Hose, in good order.

DELUGE HYDRANT COMPANY, NO. 6.

HOUSE IN PARIS STREET, EAST BOSTON.

Members.	Age.	Residence.
Barnes Joseph, <i>Foreman</i> ,	41	Liverpool street.
Tilton Thomas B., <i>Ass't Fore.</i>	28	Princeton "
Hill Walter R., <i>Clerk</i> ,	30	Decatur "
Ely Horatio, <i>Steward</i> ,	40	Wesley place.
Ayers James B.	23	Border street.
Battis William L.	54	Sumner "
Battis Josiah S.	21	Liverpool "
Crosby Seth P.	26	Cottage "
Fenno John, jr.	27	" "
Garney John,	45	Decatur "
Hamilton Benjamin F.	23	Marion "
Jones David H.	20	Decatur "
Jones George E.	32	Wesley place.
Lewis Calvin,	35	Saratoga street.
Rand William B.	26	Meridian "
Rymell William B.	35	Lexington "
Spencer Warren B.	37	Brooks "
Smith George H.	23	Cottage "
Tewksbury John L.	25	Princeton "
Underwood Jonas,	29	" "

20 Members.

Condition of House and Apparatus.

The condition of the House is good. There are attached to this Company, 2 Hose Carriages, 8 Buckets, 2 Axes, 1800 feet of Leading Hose, in good order.

HOOKS AND LADDERS, AT VARIOUS PLACES.

Where Deposited.	Ladders.	Hooks.	Condition.
Engine House No. 1, South Boston,	4	2	Good.
Engine House No. 4,	4		Good.
Franklin School House,	3		Good.
Hydrant House No. 5, } Shawmut avenue, }	4		Good.
	15	2	

RELIEF ENGINES.

There are three Engines not in use ; those formerly used by Engine Companies, No. 10 and No. 20, and are kept in good order under the Reservoir in Derne street. Engine No. 13, with Hose Carriages and 900 feet of Hose attached, is at present without a Company, but a company is ready to be formed, when the new house in Sumner street, East Boston, is finished.

PAY OF THE DEPARTMENT.

Engineers,	\$250	each	per	ann.				
Foremen,	150	"	"	"	Foremen,	\$75	each	per ann.
Ass't Foremen,	125	"	"	"	Ass't Foremen,	60	"	"
Clerks,	125	"	"	"	Clerks,	60	"	"
Stewards,	125	"	"	"	Stewards,	60	"	"
Members,	100	"	"	"	Members,	50	"	"

EXPENDITURES

ON ACCOUNT OF THE BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT,

FOR THE YEAR 1855-56,

Commencing 1st September, 1855, and ending 31st August, 1856.

AS SHOWN BY THE AUDITOR'S BOOKS.

OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE.	AMOUNTS.
Am't. paid for Services of Firemen, - - -	63,529 08
" " New Engines and Hose Carriage,	495 00
" " Fuel, Oil and Soap, - - -	1,286 91
" " Warming Apparatus for Engine Houses, - - - - -	231 77
" " Furniture for do do -	130 25
" " Special Police officers for attendance at fires, - - - - -	634 00
" " Printing and Stationery, - -	232 23
" " Rep'g. Hose, Caps, Bkts., &c.,	2,035 28
" " Rep'g. Machines, - - - -	4,799 81
" " New Hose, Caps, Buckets and Lanterns, - - - - -	4,231 21
" " Drawing Machines to and from fires, &c., - - - - -	2,528 37
" " Miscellaneous Expenses of Chief Engineer's Department, -	51 21
" " Ladders and Hydrant Signs, -	339 93
" " Refreshments for out of town Companies, &c., - - - -	346 12
" " Water for Eng. Houses and for Motive Pw'r. for 6 Al'm. Stn's.,	336 00
" " Rin'g and Rep'g. Bells and Ct'g.,	187 46
" " Care of Reservoirs, - - - -	25 00
" " Rm'g. Ice and Snow f'm. Hdnt's,	88 00
	81,507 58
STEAM FIRE ENGINE, MILES GREENWOOD.	
Incidental Expenses, - - - - -	1,910 49
New Hose Carriage, - - - - -	300 00
	2,210 49
TELEGRAPHIC FIRE ALARM.	
Incidental Expenses, - - - - -	2,408 86
Salaries, - - - - -	4,365 19
	6,774 05
	\$90,492 12

LOCATION OF RESERVOIRS.

Where Water can be obtained in case of Fire within the City of Boston.

September, 1856.

- 1 Atkinson, near High street.
- 2 Auburn, corner of Livingston street.
- 3 Bowdoin square—Lid in the centre.
- 4 Bowdoin square, corner of Bulfinch street.
- 5 Beach, corner of Hudson street.
- 6 Beach, near United States Hotel.
- 7 Batterymarch, near Broad street.
- 8 Broad, near State street.
- 9 Blossom, corner of McLean street.
- 10 Brattle street, corner of Brattle square.
- 11 Clinton, opposite Fulton street.
- 12 Cambridge, corner of Butolph street.
- 13 Cambridge, corner of Hancock street.
- 14 Chambers, corner of Poplar street.
- 15 Chestnut, corner of Walnut street.
- 16 Chestnut, opposite West Cedar street.
- 17 Canton street, opposite J. M. Albert's Bake House.
- 18 Church street, in front of the Church.
- 19 Court square, opposite Williams' court.
- 20 Charlestown, corner of Medford street.
- 21 Charlestown, at the junction of Beverly street.
- 22 Causeway, opposite Merrimack street.
- 23 Concord street, opposite Dwight School House.
- 24 Chauncey place, near Church.
- 25 Derne, corner of Temple street.
- 26 Dedham street, opposite Fitzpatrick's store.
- 27 Dover, opposite Emerald street.
- 28 East street, opposite Engine House No. 5.
- 29 Edinboro', near Essex street.
- 30 Franklin place, in front of School House.
- 31 Franklin place, near Hawley street.

- 32 Federal, corner of Channing street.
- 33 Fayette street, opposite Lincoln court.
- 34 Friend, corner of Traverse street.
- 35 Green, opposite Leverett street.
- 36 Hanover, corner of Clark street ; in front of the Church.
- 37 Hanover street, in front of Old Hancock School House.
- 38 Hanover, at the junction of Salem and Endicott streets.
- 39 Hanover, between Portland and Friend street.
- 40 Haymarket square—Lid near the centre.
- 41 Hudson, corner of Curve street.
- 42 Hawkins street, in front of the Mayhew School House.
- 43 Harrison avenue, opposite Kneeland street.
- 44 Harrison avenue, opposite Bennett street.
- 45 Harrison avenue, near Curve street.
- 46 Harrison avenue, corner of Asylum street.
- 47 Harrison avenue, near Gate to City Stable Yard.
- 48 Kneeland, corner of Hudson street.
- 49 Liberty square, near the corner of Kilby street.
- 50 Leverett, opposite Spring street.
- 51 Lancaster, corner of Merrimack street.
- 52 Mount Vernon street, opposite the State House.
- 53 Mount Vernon street, near Louisburg square.
- 54 Myrtle, corner of Butolph street.
- 55 North square—Lid in the centre.
- 56 Pearl street, opposite Sturgis place.
- 57 Pleasant, corner of Carver street.
- 58 Pleasant, opposite Eliot street.
- 59 Porter street, at the foot of the street.
- 60 Salem street, in front of Christ Church.
- 61 Salem street, corner of Cooper street.
- 62 Shawmut avenue, corner of Canton street.
- 63 Shawmut avenue, near Groton street.
- 64 Suffolk street, opposite Cherry street.
- 65 Suffolk street, near Castle street.
- 66 South Market street—Lid in the centre.
- 67 Sudbury square—Lid in the centre.
- 68 State street, in front of Old State House.
- 69 State street, corner of Kilby street.
- 70 Southac, corner of West Cedar street.

- 71 Summer street, opposite the Church.
- 72 Sea street, opposite Piper's wharf.
- 73 Somerset street, corner of Somerset place.
- 74 Tremont street, opposite Pemberton square.
- 75 Tremont street, corner of Park street.
- 76 Tremont street, corner of School street.
- 77 Tremont street, corner of Passageway to Mason street.
- 78 Tremont street, corner of Boylston street.
- 79 Tremont street, corner of Hollis street.
- 80 Tremont street, in front of the Johnson School House.
- 81 Thatcher street—Lid in the square.
- 82 Tyler, corner of Oak street.
- 83 Union, opposite North street.
- 84 West Centre street, opposite the Phillips School House.
- 85 Washington place, Fort hill, near Belmont street.
- 86 Warren, corner of Eliot street.
- 87 Washington street, corner of Milk street.
- 88 Washington street, corner of Franklin street.
- 89 Washington street, corner of Avon place.
- 90 Washington street, between Norfolk and Suffolk place.
- 91 Washington street, corner of Essex street—Lid in the street.
- 92 Washington street, opposite Common street.
- 93 Washington street, opposite Pleasant street.
- 94 Washington street, corner of Kneeland street.
- 95 Washington street, corner of Castle street.
- 96 Washington street, corner of Florence street.
- 97 Washington street, opposite Franklin School House.
- 98 Washington street, opposite the Gas House.
- 99 Washington street, near Malden street.
- 100 Washington street, corner of Brookline street.
- 101 Washington street, corner of Northampton street.
- 102 Washington street, near Arnold street.

SOUTH BOSTON.

- 103 Broadway, near Turnpike street.
- 104 Broadway, corner of A street—Lid opposite the Church.
- 105 Broadway, near B street.
- 106 Broadway, opposite the Baptist Church.

- 107 Broadway, opposite the Hawes School House.
- 108 Broadway, opposite the Stables at Mount Washington House.
- 109 B street, corner of Fourth street.
- 110 C street, opposite Bolton street.
- 111 D street, near Broadway.
- 112 Dorchester street, opposite Broadway.
- 113 E street, Northeast corner of Lyceum Hall.
- 114 E street, corner of Seventh street.
- 115 Fourth street, opposite Unitarian Church.
- 116 Fourth street, corner of Turnpike street.
- 117 Fourth street, corner of E street.
- 118 Fourth street, corner of Dorchester street.
- 119 Fifth street, corner of Turnpike street.
- 120 Second street, corner of Dorchester street.

EAST BOSTON.

- 121 Maverick square, Southeast from Maverick House.
- 122 Cottage, near Sumner street.
- 123 Liverpool, corner of Maverick street.
- 124 Lexington street, opposite Lexington place.
- 125 Webster street, nearly opposite B. Lamson's house.
- 126 Meridian street, opposite Lyman School House.
- 127 Central square, corner of Liverpool and Porter streets.
- 128 Saratoga street.
- 129 Chelsea street, nearly opposite Decatur street.
- 130 Sumner street, opposite School House.
- 131 Monmouth street, near corner of Marion street.
- 132 Trenton, between Marion and Brooks streets.
- 133 Meridian street, in front of Engine House, No. 10.

Besides the above, there are 867 Hydrants, which are located in various parts of the city proper—221 at South Boston, and 163 at East Boston, for the use of the Department, making a total of 1251, and an increase of 51 since last year. The average distance of the Hydrants from each other is about two hundred and fifty feet.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

LIST OF SIGNAL STATIONS.

DISTRICT No. 1.

East and North of Leverett, Green, Court and State Streets.

- Station No. 1.—Faneuil Hall.
 “ “ 2.—Marshall, near Hanover street.
 “ “ 3.—Richmond street, east of Hanover street.
 “ “ 4.—Eastern Railroad Wharf.
 “ “ 5.—Constitution Wharf.
 “ “ 6.—Corner of Charter street and Phipps place.
 “ “ 7.—Cooper street church.
 “ “ 8.—Boston and Maine Freight Depot.
 “ “ 9.—Corner of Lowell and Causeway streets.
 “ “ 10.—Corner of Leverett and Vernon streets.
 “ “ 11.—Corner of Sudbury and Hawkins streets.
 “ “ 12.—Corner of Hull and Snowhill streets.
 “ “ 13.—Engine House No. 6, Wall street.

DISTRICT No. 2.

West of Leverett, Green, Court, Tremont and Boylston Streets.

- Station No. 1.—Church in North Russell Street.
 “ “ 2.—Corner of West Cedar and Cambridge Street.
 “ “ 3.—Charles Street Church.
 “ “ 4.—Corner of West Centre and Pinckney Streets.
 “ “ 5.—Reservoir, Hancock Street.
 “ “ 6.—Corner of Bowdoin and Cambridge Streets.
 “ “ 7.—On Albion Hotel, Phillips Place.
 “ “ 8.—Poplar, corner of Spring Street.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Between THE WATER, Beach, Washington, Boylston, Tremont, Court, and State Streets.

- Station No. 1.—Old South Church.
 “ “ 2.—Corner of Broad and Central Streets.
 “ “ 3.—Corner of High and Belmont Streets.
 “ “ 4.—No. 21 Purchase Street.
 “ “ 5.—Corner of Lincoln and Summer Streets.
 “ “ 6.—Dr. Cabot's, Winter Street.
 “ “ 7.—Central Office, City Building.
 “ “ 8.—Engine House No. 7, Purchase Street.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Between Dover, THE WATER, Beach, Washington and Boylston Streets.

- Station No. 1.—Old Colony Depot.
 “ “ 2.—Hydrant House No. 2, Hudson Street.
 “ “ 3.—Corner of Seneca Street and Harrison Avenue.
 “ “ 4.—Indiana Place Church.
 “ “ 5.—Engine House No. 12, Warren Street.
 “ “ 6.—Providence Depot.
 “ “ 7.—Boylston Market.
 “ “ 8.—Tremont, opposite Dover Street.

DISTRICT No. 5.

South of Dover Street.

- Station No. 1.—Engine House No. 3, Washington Street.
 “ “ 2.—Corner of Shawmut Avenue and Waltham Street.
 “ “ 3.—Hydrant House No. 5. Shawmut Avenue.
 “ “ 4.—Corner of Shawmut Avenue and Chester Place.
 “ “ 5.—Corner of Harrison Avenue and Brookline Street.

DISTRICT No. 6.

South Boston.

- Station No. 1.—Corner of Broadway and Turnpike Street.
 “ “ 2.—Engine House No. 2, Broadway.
 “ “ 3.—Lyceum Hall, “
 “ “ 4.—Near corner of Broadway and Dorchester Street.
 “ “ 5.—Primary School House, Broadway, between L & M sts.
 “ “ 6.—Dorchester street, Washington Village.

DISTRICT No. 7.

East Boston. E. B. Ferry.

From September 1st, 1855, to September 1st, 1856, the alarms of fire came from the following Districts and Stations :

DISTRICT ONE, Station One, 7 times. Station Two, 5 times. Station Three, 5 times. Station Four, 6 times. Station Five, 6 times. Station Six, 3 times. Station Seven, 9 times. Station Eight, 9 times. Station Nine, twice. Station Ten, twice. Station Eleven, 10 times. Station Twelve, 3 times, and Station 13, once.

DISTRICT TWO, Station Two, twice. Station Three, twice. Station Five, twice. Station Six, once. Station Seven, 3 times, and Station Eight, once.

DISTRICT THREE, Station One, 7 times. Station Two, 4 times. Station Three, 3 times. Station Four, 3 times. Station Five, 3 times. Station Six, once. Station Seven, 6 times, and Station Eight, twice.

DISTRICT FOUR, Station One, 6 times. Station Two, twice. Station Three, 3 times. Station Four, 3 times. Station Seven, twice.

DISTRICT FIVE, Station One, 3 times. Station Three, 4 times. Station Four, 7 times, and Station Five, once.

DISTRICT SIX, Station One, 4 times. Station Two, 6 times. Station Four, 9 times, and Station Five, 3 times.

DISTRICT SEVEN, 6 times.

RECAPITULATION.

District 1,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68 times.
" 2,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11 "
" 3,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29 "
" 4,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16 "
" 5,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 "
" 6,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22 "
" 7,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6 "
TOTAL,										167 times.

RECAPITULATION.

No. of Assistant Engineers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
" Members,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	600
" Engines,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Feet of Leading Hose,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,200
" Suction Hose,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	408
No. of Hose Carriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
" Buckets,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130
" Axes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
" Hook and Ladder Carriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
" Hooks,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
" Ladders,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
" Crotch Poles,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
" Reservoirs,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
" Ladders not in use,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
" Hydrants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1251
" Engines not in use,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
" Hose Carriages not in use,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Feet of Suction Hose not in use,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75

FIRES, ALARMS, ETC.,

FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1855, TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1856.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1855. Sept. 1	C. C. Conley,	First street, So. Boston,			Trifling fire in shed conta'g charcoal.
5	Heirs of Jos. H. Toombs,	Fourth street.			An unoccupied dwelling house; loss trifling. Incendiary.
6	James T. Crofts,	91 Beverly street,			
	Peter Dunbar & Co.,	" "			
	Moses P. Stone,	87 " "			
	Matthew Hayes,	Medford street,	5,100	1,550	Supposed Incendiary.
	L. G. Leman,	" "			
	Sawyer & Co.,	" "			
	Charles Geven,	" "			
9	Jarves & Cormerais,	First street, So. Boston,	450		Defect in chimney.
9	Ambrose Lovia,	Second st., "	6,850	6,400	Supposed from a person smk'g a pipe.
10		44 Andover street,			Burning of a window curtain.
11	Merrill Cole,	Meridian street,			No alarm in city proper, cracking of
	James Lee & Co.,	East Boston,	5,700	5,700	kettle containing boiling oil.
17	Wm. McFarland,	Rear 23 Portland street,	200		Supposed Incendiary.

18	Thomas H. Ridlon,	133 Hanover street,			From flue of furnace.
	Albee & Co.,	129 "			
	David F. Austin,	131 "			
	Horace Partridge,	125 "	2,335	2,335	
20		Broad street,			Rubbish between buildings set on fire by a boy.
21	W. & F. H. Whittemore,	32 Broad street,			Slight damage from furnace.
23					False alarm.
26					False alarm.
26	Ross & Munroe,	Dorchester st., S. Boston,	800		Tar boiling over.
26	T. A. Ambrose & Co.,	9 Brattle square,	470	470	Lamp setting fire to curtain.
27		East Boston,			False alarm at East Boston only.
29	O. W. Merriam,	121 Fulton street,			Supposed spontaneous combustion.
			\$16,455	\$15,855	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Spontaneous combustion,	2	Total, 17 times.
	Supposed incendiary,	4	
	Defect in chimnies,	1	
	Smoking pipes,	1	
	curtain,	1	
	Fire at E. Boston	1	
	no alarm in city proper,	1	
	From furnaces,	2	
	False alarms,	2	
	Tar boiling over,	1	
	Lamp setting fire to bed,	1	
	False alarm at East Boston,	1	

During the month there were five fires discovered by the Police, and extinguished without creating an alarm.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Ins.	Cause, &c.
1855. Oct. 6	Stephen Tucker,	East Lenox street,	3,400	3,400	Supposed incendiary.
10	Otis W. Merriam,	116 Fulton "	277	277	Supposed spontaneous.
11	J. Benson,	Fessenden st., E. Boston,			Trifling damage; no alarm in city proper.
11		Morton street,			Burning chimney.
17		Commercial street,			Do do
27	Wm. Lowe & Son,	42 Devonshire street,			Floor taking fire from forge.
29		Washington street,			Smoke from tar kettle.
31	E. W. Sanborn,	Cr. Cross & Endicott st.,	231	181	From defect in chimney.
			\$3,908	\$3,858	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Incendiary,	1	Total, 8 times.
	Supposed spontaneous,	1	
	Alarm at East Boston only,	1	
	Burning chimney,	2	
	From forge,	1	
	Smoke from tar kettle,	1	
	Defect in chimney,	1	

The Police extinguished during the month 3 fires without creating an alarm.

Nov. 2	Snow & Litchfield,	Lewis st., East Boston,			Wharf under boiler taking fire.
6	Earl W. Johnson,	572 Commercial street,	1,241	1,241	Supposed from steam engine.
13	Wm. R. Carnes,	Broad street,			Tar kettle boiling over.
14		Battery "			Burning of window curtain, also a chimney.
17	David Austin,	219 Washington street,			Origin unknown.
	F. Herschenroder,	221 " "	2,950	2,650	
	Brown,	" "			
	D. R. Emerson,	223 " "			
19	Frederick Tudor,	Cor. Joy and Beacon st.	880		Trifling fire from furnace.
19	Eastern R. R. Co.,	55 Andover street,			Supposed from lamp.
21	Oliver Tenney,	Northampton "	200		Burning of cotton, supposed spontaneous combustion.
22	Henry Smith,	Tremont street,	1,525	1,525	Supposed incendiary.
23	John Holton,	Broadway, South Boston,			" "
24	Wm. Low & Son,	42 Devonshire street,			Trifling loss, from forge.
27		Commercial street,			Shavings near stove taking fire.
27	Oliver P. Drake,	Lincoln "			Benzole igniting.
28	Heirs Isaac P. Davis,	24 Hanover "	1,853	1,853	Supposed incendiary.
	Mrs. S. A. Benner,	24 Hanover "			
	S. W. Pease,	25 " "	1,800	1,800	
			\$9,899	\$9,099	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	From boiler,	1	—Total, 14 alarms.
	Steam engine,	1	
	Tar kettle,	1	
	Window curtain,	1	
	Chimney,	1	
	Origin unknown,	1	
	Furnace,	1	
	Lamp,	1	
	Spontaneous combustion,	1	
	Supposed incendiary,	2	
	Forge,	1	
	Shavings,	1	
	Benzole igniting,	1	

The Police during the month extinguished 5 fires without creating an alarm.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1855.					
Dec. 2	J. S. Leonard,	Fourth, near G street,			Shavings in cellar set fire to by a child.
4					False alarm.
4	Watson & Biebee,	Causeway street,			Cause unknown.
	E. Allen & Co.,	" "	5,600	2,900	
	A. G. Manning,	" "			
	H. Knowles,	" "			

4	Thomas Thompson,	Ferry street,			Supposed incendiary.
	James Farren,	" "			
	Fowle & Sons,	" "			
	Alley, Choate & Co.,	" "	4,049	1,149	
	Wm. Farren,	" "			
	E. Barlow,	" "			
	Collins Stevens,	" "			
	George Davenport,	" "			
4		Ferry street,			Repeating the alarm.
4		Causeway street,			Rekindling of ruins.
6		" "			" "
6	Oliver P. Drake,	Lincoln "			Benzole igniting.
7	A. Chisholm,	7 Kneeland street,			Sparks from forge.
7	Lucius Newell,	9 " "	125		
22		Corner Causeway and Lowell street,			Fire set in the cellar. Damage trifling.
24		21 Napier street,			Incendiary. Damage trifling.
24	Mrs. Granger,	39 Emerald street,	100	100	From stove.
29	Proprietors Brattle street church,	Brattle street,	420	420	From furnace in cellar.
			\$10,294	\$4,569	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Shavings,	1	Total, 13 times.
	False alarm,	1	
	Origin unknown,	1	
	Supposed incendiary,	8	
	Repeating alarm,	1	
	Bensole igniting,	1	
	From forge,	1	
	From stove,	1	
	From furnace,	1	
	Fires rekindling,	2	

During the month the Police extinguished 8 fires without an alarm.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1856.					
Jan. 1	Charlotte Jones,	362 Hanover street,	378	378	Supposed incendiary.
	Unoccupied,	Plymouth "			Slight damage, supposed incendiary.
3	H. & J. S. Bowworth,	Foot Allen "	2,818	2,818	Supposed incendiary.
5	J. C. Buchanan,	Cor. Camden place and			From a lamp left in closet.
		Washington street,	215	215	
6	Currier & Sturtevant,	Sturtevant's wharf, E.			
		Boston.	100		Slacking of lime setting fire to coal.
6	Franklin Evans,	Cor. Market and Friend			No alarm in city proper.
	Amos B. Keith,	street,	2,400	2,400	From furnace.
7		A street, South Boston,			Trifling damage to a building.

7	Alonso Crosby,	116 Meridian street, E.			Explosion of camphene lamp. No
		Boston,			alarm in city proper.
10	S. B. Sylvester,	94 Kneeland street,			Damage trifling, sparks from forge.
13	Union Baptist Society,	Merrimac "	150	150	From furnace.
16	Buttrick & Cobb,	53 Elm street,			Supposed incendiary.
	Hall, Merriek & Co.,	55 Elm street,			
	Richard Coverley,	" "	4,015	3,965	
	Meldrum,	57 " "			
	H. B. Clapp,	55 " "			Repeating the alarm for the above
16		Elm street,			fire.
16	Irish families,	Crescent court,	25	25	Defect in chimney.
20	Samuel O. Aborn,	95 Washington street,			Supposed from stove.
	Donaldson & Pickett,	93 " "	2,754	2,754	
	John Borland,	" "			
20	Unoccupied,	Gold street, S. Boston,			Trifling damage, took from a vessel
					used for drying plastering.
25		Cor. Castle and Tremont			Burning of rags in a shed.
		street,			
28	Unoccupied,	Scollay's building, corner			Set on fire in an upper room—ex-
		Court and Tremont st.,	20	20	tinguished without a general
					alarm. Damage trifling.
			\$12,870	\$12,720	

RECAPITULATION FOR JANUARY, 1866.

Department called out this month—	Supposed incendiary,	5	Total, 13 times.
	Lamp,	1	
	Furnace,	2	
	Oil igniting,	1	
	Sparks from forge,	1	
	Repeating alarm,	1	
	Spontaneous combustion.	1	
	Drying plastering,	1	

During the month there were 2 alarms at East Boston, which did not reach the city proper, and the Police extinguished 7 fires without calling the Department out.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1856.					
Feb. 4		Bridge street court,			Burning of a chimney.
6	S. B. Busted,	Third street,			Heat from cooking stove in cellar
	Levi Learnard,	" "	828	828	setting fire to a wooden fire
	J. Peirce,	" "			board.
9	Matthew Cobb,	34 Washington square,	1,900	1,800	Bursting of a fluid lamp.
	Cornelius Leary,	" "			
14	Benjamin Woodside,	Havre street, E. Boston,	850	850	Defect in chimney.
20	George Lawton & Co.,	489 Commercial street,			Supposed spontaneous combustion.
20	Harrison Loring,	First street, S. Boston,	20,000	20,000	Origin unknown.
21					Repeating the alarm for the above
					fire.

21	Wellman & Wood,	Broad street,	50		Supposed incendiary.
24	David Bryant,	Causeway street,	250		" " " "
28	Stevens & Holt,	Broad "	725	800	" " A horse perished in the flames.
			\$24,108	\$23,278	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Burning chimney,	1	Total, 10 alarms.
	From stove,	1	
	Bursting of a fluid lamp,	1	
	chimney	1	
	known,	1	
	alarm,	1	
	Supposed incendiary,	8	

During the month 7 fires were extinguished by the Police, without creating an alarm.

March 1	City of Boston,	Court square,			Heat from furnace setting fire to partition. No alarm.
3	S. H. Litchfield,	Lewis street, E. Boston,	500		Supposed from furnace.
3	City of Boston,	Old State House, State street,			Soot in chimney taking fire and setting fire to timbers. No alarm.
8	Roberts & Davis,	Mercer st., S. Boston,	4,050	2,800	Supposed incendiary.
4	Wilder & Co.	Water street,			From furnace. No alarm.
7	Upham & Sumner,	Second st., S. Boston,	3,500	3,000	Bursting of a still.
10	Ambrose Lewis,	Second st., S. Boston,			Damage trifling. From sparks.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1856.					
Mar. 11	Bay State Iron Works,	I street, S. Boston,			Damage trifling, from sparks.
14		District 1, station 12,			False alarm.
15	Engine House, No. 13,	Paris street, E. Boston,	20		No alarm in city proper. Incendiary.
	Sundry persons,	Sudbury street,			Damage trifling. Originated from the fire.
15	P. Cunningham,	District 3, station 2,			False alarm.
		Rear Lexington street,			Took from a vessel used for drying plastering. No alarm in city proper.
		East Boston,	200	200	Spontaneous combustion.
16	Joshua P. Thompson,	Wales wharf,	800	800	Origin unknown.
18	A. & A. Jacobs,	2 Commerce street,			
	Charles Lane,	3 " "			
	David Snow,	1 City wharf,			
	Dorr, Proctor & Co.,	2 Commerce street,			
	Yales & Drake,	2 " "			
	Bingham, Joy & Co.,	3 " "			
	Hicks & Hathaway,	3 " "			
	Briggs, Guild & Co.,	1 " "			
	Norcross, Mellen & Co.,	2 " "			
	Nickerson & Co.,	7 " "			
18	Russell G. Parker,	8 City wharf,	84,718	84,718	Repeating the alarm for the above fire.
		Commerce street,			
18	Peter C. Brooks,	16 Court street,	877	877	Supposed incendiary.

18	Samuel W. Sloan,	4 Franklin avenue,	160	160	From a lighted paper thrown on the floor, after lighting a cigar.
23	Charles H. Sheppard,	Border st., E. Boston,			A barrel of pitch set on fire.
24	Robert Jackson,	4 City Hall avenue,			Supposed incendiary.
	W. J. Niles,	4 " " "			
	Robert Weir,	2 " " "			
	Moore & Brothers,	2 corner School st.,			
	S. R. Menard,	81 School st.,	8,760	3,260	From stove.
27	R. Bisbee,	Camden place,			Incendiary.
27	Jona. L. Parker,	8 Union st.,			
	Moses Grant,	4 " "			
	E. A. Bradbrook & Co.,	4 and 6 Union st.,	464	464	
28	J. P. Thompson,	Wales wharf,	4,000	4,000	Spontaneous combustion. The same building was on fire on the 16th inst.
			\$52,044	\$49,274	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	From sparks,	2	Total, 17 times.
	Supposed incendiary,	4	
	Bursting of a still,	2	
	False alarms,	2	
	From fires,	1	
	Spontaneous combustion,	2	
	Cause unknown,	1	
	Repeating alarms,	1	
	A lighted paper thrown on the floor after lighting a cigar,	1	
	From stove,	1	

During the month there were three alarms of fire at East Boston which did not reach the city proper. The Police also extinguished 6 fires during the month without creating an alarm.

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Causes, &c.
1856.					
April 1	Dr. Ware,	52 Tremont Row,			Sparks from chimney setting fire to rubbish in the gutter. No damage.
2	Court House,	Court square,	4,000		A lighted cigar thrown into a spit box filled with saw dust.
2					Repeating the alarm for the above fire.
3	Wilson, Fairbanks & Co.	43 and 45 Hanover st.,	100	100	From furnace.
3	E. T. Cowdrey,	29 and 31 East'n avenue,	550	550	From stove.
7	Irish families,	Humphrey place,			Damage trifling, took from stove.
8		Griffith place,			Light from persons putting down carpets in a new house.
10	Lewis Wharf Co.,	Lewis wharf,			Supposed to have taken from persons smoking pipes among bales of cotton.
	Goddard & Pritchard,	" "			
	W. A. Brown & Co.,	" "	16,400	7,000	
	A. G. Farwell & Co.,	" "			
10					Repeating the alarm for the above fire.
11	Heirs of E. Tuckerman,	19 Washington street,			From a small furnace in upper story.
	Smith & Tarbell,	" " "			
	J. H. Abbott,	" " "			
	J. B. Brown,	" " "			
	Rand & Avery,	" " "			
	B. F. Richardson,	" " "	8,025	2,925	
12	Shute & Ayer,	Porter st., E. Boston,			Sparks from chimney setting fire to spout. No alarm in city proper.

12	Samuel Hall,	Border st., E. Boston,			From drying room.
	Manson & Co.,	" " " "			
	A. G. T. Sampson & Co.,	" " " "	1,700	500	
12	Geo. W. Gerrish,	Portland and Sudbury st.			Origin unknown, but is supposed to have originated among some varnish and spirits of turpentine in the upper stories. Engines from Roxbury, Cambridge, Charlestown and Chelsea were on duty and rendered efficient service. This was the first fire that the Steam Engine Miles Greenwood had played at, and was kept on duty till 1, A. M.
	Sanborn, Carter & Bazin,	Gerrish Market,			Several buildings at the north part of the city took fire from sparks carried by the wind, but the fire was extinguished with trifling damage. Some of the companies were kept on duty till 3, A. M.
	Miss E. Boyle,	" "			
	Snelling, Deland & Co.,	" "			
	Eaton, Palmer & Co.,	" "			
	John Gove & Co.,	" "			
	A. A. Butters,	" "			
	H. P. Dunnells,	" "			
	Manson & Co.,	" "			
	Charles E. Hill,	" "			
	Ira Hill,	" "			
	E. G. Holmes,	" "			
	Isaac Morse,	" "			
	J. S. Pope,	" "			
	C. H. Porter,	" "			
	S. F. A. Porter,	" "			
	Wm. Smith,	" "			
	C. B. Williams,	" "			
	O. N. Chase,	" "			
	S. Freeman,	" "			
	Cram & Swan,	" "			
	T. L. Hill,	" "			
	Marshall & Page,	" "			
	J. B. Winchester,	" "			
	L. Lewis,	" "			

Date.	Situation.	Owner or Occupant.	Loss.	Insurance.	Causes, &c.
1856.					
April 12	White & King,	Gerrish Market,			
	Barnard & Dillingham,	" "			
	J. Walcott,	" "			
	John Peak,	Friend street,			
	A. H. Allen,	" "			
	William Sargent,	" "			
	Sargent & Gunnison,	Sudbury street,			
	John P. Whittier,	Friend street,			
	Jerome Bolles,	84 Friend street,			
	Jeremiah Stimpson,	Portland street,			
	Mrs. Riley,	" "			
	J. W. Wetherbee,	" "	189,454	86,504	Repeat'g the alarm for the above fire.
12					Repeating the alarm for the above fire.
12					Unnecessary alarm from the burning of a barn in North Chelsea and the Salem and South Danvers oil works.
15					Supposed incendiary.
15	Mace Tisdale,	8 Chatham Row,			
	Wilder & Easterbrook,	" " "			
	Alanson Way,	" " "			
	Wm. Tucker & Son,	" " "			
	E. W. & S. W. Dana,	" " "	2,840	1,900	

16	S. B. Morse, G. W. Allan, Henry Sperry, Ansel Lathrop, Waldron & Murray, Hiram Curtis, Houston & Peirce,	Harrison avenue, " " " " " " " " " " Silver street,	1,400 100	100	Supposed incendiary. Bed taking fire and slightly damag- ing the building. Supposed from furnace.
18	J. W. Wheelwright, Henry J. Hunt,	89 and 91 Water street,	3,700	3,700	Origin unknown. Blowing off steam in the press room. Burning chimney. Smoke filling building from smoking hams.
18	Henry F. Cox & Co., Journal office,	Second st., S. Boston, State street, Cross street, Corner Portland and Traverse street,	250	200	Supposed incendiary.
20	Walker & Demmond,	97 State street,			
22	Revere Copper Co., Howard Banking Co., D. G. & W. R. Bacon, C. T. & W. P. Lyman, C. E. Parker, W. C. Otis, J. Jeffries, Nathaniel Jenkins,	97 " " 97 " " 97 " " 97 " " 97 " " 97 " " 97 " " Corner Court and Han- over street, Tremont street, " " " " " "	810	800	Burning of a drawer of papers, sup- posed from the spark of a lamp. Supposed incendiary.
25	Paul & McNutt, Hogan & Wetherbee, Ebeneser Morton, John J. Oliver,	" " " " " " 390 Commercial street,	6,050	1,750	[of a lamp. Slight fire in the cellar from a spark

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Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1856.					
April 28	George A. Otis,	Corner State and Devon- shire street,	748	748	Supposed incendiary.
29	Derby Range,	Sudbury street,			Attempt made to burn the building by placing fire under the stairs. Building undergoing repair set fire in the cellar.
29	James French & Co.,	78 Washington street,	8,040	8,040	A false alarm caused by the door of the signal box being out of order and the crank was turned by some boys.
29		Purchase street, district 3, station 3,			
			\$188,667	\$114,907	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Sparks from chimney, 1	Unknown, 2	Total, 20 times.
	Lighted cigar thrown into a spit box, 1	Alarm from out the city, 1	
	Repeating alarms, 4	Incendiary, 7	
	Heat from furnace, 3	Blowing off steam, 1	
	From stoves, 2	Chimney, 1	
	Light from a lamp in unoccupied house, 1	Smoking hams, 1	
	Smoking pipe, 1	Lamp, 1	
	From drying room, 1	False alarm, 1	

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May 1	H. D. Parker,	School street,			Soot in chimney taking fire.
4	Heirs Amos Binney, Geo. H. Lovejoy, I. W. Grant & Co., J. H. Cotterell, Upham & Simmons,	218 Commercial street, 218 " " 218 " " 216 " " First, corner A street, S. Boston,	440 440	440	Supposed incendiary. Bursting of a still.
7	Chaffee & Co.,	147 Tyler street,	8,200	2,000	Supposed incendiary.
11	City of Boston, S. H. Demarest, P. Hayden, David Bryant,	House of Correction, Yard, S. Boston, " " Causeway,	200 5,700	200	Supposed incendiary. Trifling loss. Supposed incendiary. Repeating the alarm.
11	Irish families,	85 Endicott street, 8 Stillman street,			Damage trifling. Defect in fireplace. d clothing in the room matches. liary. r.
25	David Bryant,	Causeway street,			
25	John Demarest & Co.,	Howe's wharf, 144 Sea st.	50		
25	Emery Dean & Davis, Cummings & Balfour, Edward Norton, J. W. Cutler, Wm. J. Walker, Arthur Pickering, Thomas Hogan, Otis Marston, W. C. Knowlton,	Sea street, " " " " " " " " " " Furnace street, Sea street, " "			

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Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Causes, &c.
1856. May 25	Hogan & Wetherbee, J. Myers, George Moulton, J. T. Dingley,	Sea street, " " " " Shaving street,	 \$32,800 \$42,300	 \$13,200 \$15,840	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Soot from chimney taking fire, 1	Total, 12 times.
	Supposed incendiary, 6	
	Bursting of a still, 1	
	Repeating alarm, 1	
	Defect in fireplace, 1	
	Supposed from matches, 1	
	Cause unknown, 1	

During the month there were 6 fires extinguished by the Police without creating an alarm.

June 2		Northampton street,			Burning of bemp.
11		Devens's wharf, Charles- town,			Burning of a wooden building used for storing saw dust and shavings to pack ice.
18	Seth Adams, John W. Crafts, Hathaway & Co., A. P. Morse,	Second st., S. Boston, " " " " " " " " " " " "	5,440	8,025	Supposed incendiary.

20	Suffolk Flour Mills,	Eastern avenue,	242	242	From boiler.
24	Samuel Y. Chase,	Princeton street,			Damage trifling. Caused by child- ren playing with matches. No alarm in city proper.
24	Irish families,	No. 8 Bridge st. court,			Burning of a bed. [from chimney.
26		12 E Canton street,			Trifling fire in woodshed; sparks
27	Mr. Chase,	29 Dover street,			Trifling damage from defect in flue.
28	W. D. A. Whitman & Co				Supposed incendiary.
30	Elias Howe, H. Bateman, W. R. Somers,	No. 7 Court street, 291 Washington street, 293 " " Princeton st., E. Boston,	850 850	850	Loss trifling. Supposed incendiary.
			\$6,532	\$5,017	Trifling fire. No alarm in city proper.

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Sparks from chimney, 1	Total, 9 times.
	Fire in Charlestown, 1	
	Supposed incendiary, 3	
	From boiler, 2	
	From matches, 1	
	Defect in flue, 1	

During the month the Police extinguished 14 fires, without creating an alarm.

July 1		Cambridgeport,			Burning of a lumber wharf and sev- eral buildings. Engines No. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, also Hy- drant Nos. 1 and 3, and Hook and Ladder, No. 1, were sent to the scene of destruction.
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Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Causes, &c.
1856. July 2	Richard Houghton,	Cottage st., E. Boston,			Damage trifling. No alarm in city proper.
8	James W. Brandon & Co.,	Gray's wharf,			Supposed to have taken from sparks from the chimney, lodging among cotton on the roof.
3	George Lawton,	" "	8,750	8,750	Repeating the alarm.
3					Repeating the alarm for the steam engine.
4		Corner Harrison avenue and Indiana street,			Trifling damage, caused by a bunch of fire crackers thrown into a window.
5		Cor. Brighton and Lev- erett streets,			Trifling fire in the cellar. Sup- posed incendiary.
6		Tremont road, Roxbury,			Burning of a junk shop. Geo. W. Warren, assistant foreman, and Jacob Spear, member of Hook and Ladder, No. 3, were badly injured by the falling of the building.
5		86 Sumner street, East Boston,			Trifling fire. No alarm in city proper.
5		Junction wharf, East Boston,			Burning of some wood. No alarm in city proper.
5		Halls' ship yard, East Boston,			Burning of a tar kettle set on fire by boys. No alarm in city proper.

10	Andrew Floyd, Benjamin Beal, John G. Loring & Co.,	78 Merrimac street, " " " " " "	105	105	Sparks from forge.
11	Fitchburg Railroad Co.,	Fitchburg depot,	150		Old wooden shed used for storing cars, wood, etc. Damage trifling. Supposed incendiary.
18	Wm. J. Niles,	Hanson street,	1,800	1,300	Burning of shavings in the attic.
23	Boston & Worcester R. R. Corporation,	Worcester depot,	25	25	Supposed incendiary. Struck by lightning.
28	Irish families,	63 Suffolk street,			Burning of clothing.
29	C. Doherty, Peter Collins, J. W. James, Mrs. Backley, Nathan Matthews, John Seaver, Lemuel Wood, P. Riley, W. Robinson, Barber heirs,	North street, " " " " " " " " Clark " " " " " " " North "	21,567	17,750	Charles W. Warren, a member of Hook & Ladder, No. 3, was killed by the falling of a chim- ney. Newell Harding, jr., a member of Engine Co. No. 11, received a small fracture of the shoulder blade by the falling of bricks; and Philip Hackett and James W. Regan, members of the same company were also slightly injured. The following persons were killed by jumping from windows: Margaret Sweeney, aged 45 years, and Mary Collins, aged 65. The following were burnt to death: Ellen Kalen, age 45 years, Mary Kalen, age

Date.	Owner or Occupant.	Situation.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cause, &c.
1856. July 29					21 years, Catharine Kalen, age 15 years, Ellen Wright, age 34 years, Emily Wright, age 4 years, John Wright, age 7 months. Engines from Charlestown, Cam- bridge, Chelsea, and Medford, were on duty and rendered effi- cient service. The origin for a certainty could not be ascertained, but is thought to have been caused either by gas pipe leaking and taking fire, or a lamp setting fire to a barrel of spirits.
29		North street,			Two alarms repeated to bring the Miles Greenwood into service. Origin unknown.
30	George & Thomas Welch, A. Salisbury, Silas Morse,	Eastern avenue, " " " "	1,600	1,500	Repeating alarm for steam engine. A bed set on fire by a child playing with matches.
30	Samuel Milliken,	13 West Orange street,			A wood pile set on fire. Loss trifling.
31	C. Hersey,	Corner Fulton and Rich- mond streets,	\$42,897	\$24,430	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Fire at Cambridgeport,	1	Fire at Roxbury,	1	Total, 20 times.
	Sparks from a burning chim- ney lodging among cotton,	1	Sparks from forge,	1	
	Repeating alarms,	5	Sparks lodging in s rings,	1	
	Bunch of fire crackers thrown into a window,	1	Struck i	1	
	Supposed incendiary,	4	Cloth'g tak'g fire from stove,	1	
			Origin not ascertained,	2	
			Child'n playing with matches,	1	

During the month there were three alarms at East Boston, which did not reach the city proper. The Police extinguished 12 fires during the month without creating an alarm.

August 4	Israel Moody, Miss White, Needle Woman's Friend Society, Joseph T. Brown, Dexter King & Co.,	290 Washington street, corner Bedford street, Dorchester,	195	185	Burning of a small building used for making varnish.
6	Peter Powers,	21 Bridge street,	11		Rats gnawing matches.
8	John Ballard, C. L. Waite & Co.,	131 Federal street,	3,200	3,200	Supposed from a lighted cigar thrown on the floor.
8					Repeating the alarm for the Hook and Ladder Companies, they hav- ing been misled by the alarm being given by the police from the wrong station.
13	J. M. Barnard & Co.,	Adams street,	300	300	Bursting of gas pipe, and taking fire.
18	Colored persons,	Rear of Endicott st.,			From furnace placed on the floor.

Date.	Situation.	Owner or Occupant.	Loss.	Insurance.	Cases, &c.
1856. Aug. 22		East street, Roxbury,			This alarm was given by order of the Chief Engineer of Roxbury Fire Department. There is an understanding between the engineers of the Boston Fire Department, and the surrounding cities, that in case they think the services of their departments are needed, they send a card which is given to a policeman who immediately gives the alarm.
23	John T. Prince & Co.,	112 State street,			Supposed from a lighted cigar.
	A. H. Adams,	114 " "	5,040	5,030	
31	Winalow Bros.,	114 " "			Trifling burning of an out building.
31		117 Friend "			James Quinn, a member of Engine Co., No. 11, was badly injured by being run over by an engine. Incendiary.
			\$8,746	\$8,415	

RECAPITULATION.

Department called out this month—	Supposed incendiary,	2	Bursting of a gas pipe,	1	Total, 9 times.
	Fire in Dorchester,	1	From a small furnace,	1	
	Repeating alarm,	1	Fire in Roxbury,	1	
	Rats gnawing matches,	1	Origin not ascertained,	1	

During the month the Police extinguished 9 fires without creating an alarm.

RECAPITULATION.

The whole number of alarms of fire the past year, ending August 31, was 167; of which there were

False alarms,	6	Burning chimneys,	6
Rekindling of ruins,	2	Supposed incendiary,	88
Alarms from fire out of the city,	5	Spontaneous combustion,	4
Repeating alarms,	13	Fires,	94

LOSS OF PROPERTY, \$409,355. INSURANCE, \$287,832.

Besides the above there were 21 alarms at East Boston which did not reach the city proper.

Fires extinguished by the Police without calling the Department out, 89.

