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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Office, City Building, Bristol street.

[Stat. 1850, Chap. 262; Stat. 1895, Chap. 449, §§ 9-11; Rev. Ord. 1898, Chap. 17.]

SAMUEL D. PARKER, Fire Commissioner. Salary, \$5,000. Term ends in 1910.

BENJ. F. UNDERHILL, Secretary. Salary, \$2,500.

JOHN A. MULLEN, Chief of Department. Salary, \$4,000.

JOHN GRADY, First Deputy Chief. Salary, \$2,400

PETER F. McDonough, Second Deputy Chief. Salary, \$2,200.

Brown S. Flanders, Superintendent of Fire Alarms. Salary, \$3,200.

ALFRED J. PORTER, Superintendent of Repairs. Salary, \$2,000.

GEORGE W. STIMPSON, Veterinary Surgeon. Salary, \$2,000.

The Boston Fire Department was organized in 1837. It is in charge of one Commissioner, who has entire control of the department, a Chief, First and Second Deputy Chiefs, twelve District Chiefs, each in charge of a Fire District, Superintendent of Fire Alarms, and officers, firemen, telegraph operators, etc. Annual reports have been published since 1838.

FIRE DISTRICTS AND CHIEFS.

- DISTRICT 1. JOHN W. GODBOLD, Chief. All that part of Boston known as East Boston.
- DIST. 2. C. H. W. POPE, Chief. All that part of Boston formerly known as Charlestown.
- DIST. 3. JOSEPH M. GARRITY, Chief. The territory bounded on the north and east by the water front, on the south by Summer street, and on the west by Washington street and Washington street North.
- DIST. 4. HENRY A. Fox, Chief. The territory bounded on the north by the Charles river, on the east by Washington street North and Washington street, on the south by Winter, Tremont, Boylston, Arlington, Beacon and Otter streets, and on the west by the Charles river.
- DIST. 5. DANIEL F. SENNOTT, Chief. The territory bounded on the north by Winter and Summer streets, Dorchester avenue, Congress street, Fort Point channel and the harbor to B street, on the east by B street, on the south by First street, across Dorchester avenue and Fort Point channel to Broadway extension, Pleasant street, Park square and Boylston street, and on the west by Tremont street.
- DIST. 6. EDWIN A. PERKINS, Chief. The territory bounded on the north by Broadway extension across Fort Point channel and Dorchester avenue to First street, through First street to B street, on the west by B street to harbor line, by harbor line to Locust street, on the south by Locust and Dorset streets to the South bay, and west by South bay to Broadway extension bridge.
- DIST. 7. STEPHEN J. RYDER, Chief. The territory bounded on the west by the Charles river, on the north by Otter, Beacon, Arlington and Boylston streets, Park square, Pleasant street and Broadway extension, on the east by Fort Point channel and South bay, and on the south by Massachusetts avenue and the Charles river.
- DIST. 8. PETER F. McDonough, Chief. The territory bounded on the north by the Charles river and Massachusetts avenue, on the east by Washington street, on the south by Atherton and Mozart streets, Chestnut avenue, Sheridan and Centre streets, Hyde square, Perkins street, South Huntington avenue, and Castleton street, across Jamaicaway to the Brookline line, and on the west by the Brookline line to Cottage Farm bridge.
- DIST. 9. MICHAEL J. KENNEDY, Chief. The territory bounded on the north by Massachusetts avenue, South bay, Dorset and Locust streets, on the east by Dorchester bay, on the south by Freeport, Hancock, Bowdoin and Quincy streets, Columbia road, and on the west by Seaver street, Columbus avenue and Washington street.
- DIST. 10. JOHN O. TABER, Chief. That part of Dorchester bounded on the north by Seaver street, Columbia road, Quincy, Bowdoin, Hancock and Freeport streets, on the east by Dorchester bay, on the south by the Neponset river and the Hyde Park line, and on the west by Harvard street and Blue Hill avenue.

DIST. 11. JOHN F. RYAN, Chief. All that part of Boston known as Brighton, and extending east as far as Cottage Farm bridge.

DIST. 12. MICHABL J. MULLIGAN, Chief. All that part of Boston known as West Roxbury, bounded on the north by a line from the Brookline line across Jamaicaway to Castleton street, through Castleton street, South Huntington avenue and Perkins street, Hyde square, Centre and Sheridan street, Chestnut avenue, Mozart and Atherton streets, Columbus avenue and Seaver street, on the east by Blue Hill avenue and Harvard street, on the south by the Hyde Park and Dedham lines, and on the west by the Newton and Brookline lines.

STEAM FIRE-ENGINES.

| Number. | Location. | Officers. |
|-----------|---|---|
| 1 | Dorchester street, cor. Fourth, So. Boston. | William Coulter, Capt. J. J. Burke, Lieut. |
| 2 | Fourth street, cor. O, South Boston | E. Connors, Capt. |
| 8 | Harrison avenue, cor. Bristol street | John W. Murphy, Capt. William F. Field, Lieut. |
| 4 | Bulfinch street | P. Callahan, Capt. A. B. Howard, jr., Lieut. |
| 5 | Marion street, East Boston | Michael Norton, Capt. M. F. O'Brien, Lieut. |
| 6 | Leverett street | F. J. Bheeran, Capt. D. J. Dacey, Lieut. |
| 7 | East street | J. F. Gillen, Capt. M. J. Techan, Licut. |
| 8 | Salem street | J. P. A. Grant, Capt. |
| 9 | Paris street, East Boston | William Lalley, Lieut. J. F. Hines, Capt. |
| | Mt. Vernon street, cor. River | T. J. Flynn, Lieut. |
| | Cor. Saratoga and Byron streets, E. B | C. J. Hickey, Lieut. C. H. Leary, Capt. |
| | Dudley street, Roxbury | A. R. Johnson, Capt. |
| | Cabot street, Roxbury | Michael Boyle, Lieut. W. J. Gaffey, Capt. |
| | - | T. E. Conroy, Lieut. George B. Norton, Capt. |
| | Centre street, Roxbury | D. Driscoll, Lieut. E. F. Richardson, Capt. |
| 15 | • | M. F. Mulligan, Lieut. John J. Flanagan, Capt. |
| | Temple street, Dorchester | John Baumeister, Lieut. |
| 17 | Meeting House Hill, Dorchester | M. Cronin, Capt. John F. Curley, Lieut. |
| 18 | Harvard street, Dorchester | F. J. Jordan, Capt. F. McArdle, Lieut. |
| 19 | Norfolk street, Dorchester | Maurice Heffernan, Capt. Anthony J. Burns, Lieut. |
| 20 | Walnut street, Dorchester | J. M. Littleton, Capt. |
| 21 | Columbia road, Dorchester | Irving Sparks, Capt. |
| 22 | Warren avenue | F. M. ()'Lalor, Capt. H. M. Hebard, Lieut. |
| 23 | Northampton street | M. Walsh, Capt. George H. Twiss, Lieut. |
| 24 | Cor. Warren and Quincy streets | John N. Lally, Capt. |
| 25 | Fort Hill square | R. J. Carleton, Lieut. C. J. O'Brien, Capt. |
| 26 and 35 | Mason street | G. A. Carney, Lieut. J. E. Madison, Capt. J. J. McCarthy, Lleut. De Witt Lane, Lieut. |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

STEAM FIRE-ENGINES. -- Concluded.

| Number. | Location. | Officers. | |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| 27 | Elm street, Charlestown | B. F. Hayes, Capt. | |
| 28 | Centre street, Jamaica Plain | W C Loonand Cant | |
| 29 | Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton | Joseph M. Gargan, Capt. T. E. Kiley, Lieut. | |
| 80 | Centre street, West Roxbury | T. M. McLaughlin, Capt. | |
| 32 ¹ | Bunker Hill street, Charlestown | John E. Redman, Lieut. | |
| 83 | Boylston street | M. P. Mitchell, Capt. M. D. Greene, Lieut. | |
| 84 | Western avenue, Brighton | Thomas H. Weltch, Capt. | |
| 86 | Monument street, Charlestown | M. J. Lawler, Capt. | |
| 87 | Longwood avenue | C. W. Conway, Capt. | |
| 38 and 89 | Congress street | J. J. Caine, Capt. W. M. Lynch, Lieut. M. A. Kenealy, Lieut. | |
| 40 | Sumner street, East Boston | T. J. Lannery, Capt. P. P. Leahy, Lieut. | |
| 41 | Harvard avenue, Brighton | M. R. Joy, Capt. L. D. Merrill, Lieut. | |
| 42 | Egleston square | J. T. Byron, Capt. | |
| 43 | Andrew square, South Boston | J. F. Ryan, Capt. M. J. Dacey, Lleut. | |
| 44 | Berth at Central Wharf, Fire-boat | Robert A. Ritchie, Capt. W. S. Eaton, Lieut. | |
| 45 | Poplar street, West Roxbury | R. E. Handy, Capt. | |
| 46 | Dorchester avenue, Ashmont | W. M. McLean, Capt. J. T. Prendergast, Lieut. | |

181. Spare fire-boat.

LADDER TRUCKS.

- No. 1. Friend street. E. J. Shallow, Captain; M. F. Silva, Lieutenant.
- No. 2. Paris street, East Boston. W. E. Riley, Captain; P. F. McLeavey, Lieutenant.
- No. 3. Harrison avenue, corner of Bristol street. Peter E. Walsh, Captain; J. McCann, Lieutenant.
- No. 4. Dudley street, Roxbury. J. P. McManus, Captain; John Hogan, Lieutenant.
- No. 5. Fourth street, near Dorchester street. E. D. Locke, Captain; C. A. Winchester, Lieutenant.
 - No. 6. River street, Dorchester. F. P. Stengel, Lieutenant.
 - No. 7. Meeting House Hill, Dorchester. G. H. Nichols, Lieutenant.
- No. 8. Fort Hill square. J. H. Kenney, Captain; P. F. Goggin, Lieutenant.
 - No. 9. Main street, Charlestown. John E. Cassidy, Captain.
 - No. 10. Centre street, Jamaica Plain. T. B. Flanagan, Lieutenant.
 - No. 11. Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton. P. J. Laffey, Lieutenant.

- No. 12. Tremont street, Roxbury. Duncan McLean, Captain; H. A. McClay, Lieutenant.
- No. 13. Warren avenue. M. J. Nolan, Captain; J. P. Murray, Lieutenant.
 - No. 14. Fort Hill square. P. W. Lanegan, Captain.
- No. 15. Boylston and Hereford streets. John S. Cleverly, Captain; F. I. Adams, Lieutenant.
 - No. 16. Poplar street, West Roxbury. M. J. Sullivan, Lieutenant.
- No. 17. Harrison avenue. Joseph A. Dolan, Captain; Henry Krake, Lieutenant.
- No. 18. Pittsburgh street. A. J. Macdonald, Captain; W. H. McCorkle, Lieutenant.
- No. 19. Fourth street, near K street, South Boston. W. C. Greely, Lieutenant.
 - No. 20. Andrew square, South Boston. A. J. Caulfield, Lieutenant.
- No. 21. Corner Saratoga and Byron streets, East Boston. E. J. McKendrew, Lieutenant.
 - No. 22. Monument street, Charlestown. D. L. Cadigan, Lieutenant.
 - No. 23. Grove Hall, Dorchester. John J. Gavin, Lieutenant.
 - No. 24. North Grove street. J. F. McMahon, Lieutenant.
 - No. 25. Centre street, West Roxbury. Hadwin Sawyer, Lieutenant.
 - No. 26. Longwood avenue. P. J. V. Kelly, Lieutenant.
 - No. 27. Walnut street, Dorchester. J. F. Mitchell, Lieutenant.

CHEMICAL ENGINES.

- No. 1. Bulfinch street. V. H. Richer, Lieutenant.
- No. 2. Church street. C. T. Farren, Lieutenant.
- No. 3: Winthrop street, Charlestown. T. F. Quigley, Lieutenant.
- No. 4. Shawmut avenue. D. M. Shaughnessey, Lieutenant.
- No. 5. Egleston square. C. F. Driscoll, Lieutenant.
- No. 6. Harvard avenue, near Cambridge street, Brighton. P. G. Flynn, Lieutenant.
 - No. 7. Saratoga street, East Boston. Thomas J. Hines, Lieutenant.
 - No. 8. B street, South Boston. T. J. Muldoon, Lieutenant.
 - No. 9. Main street, Charlestown. W. J. Toomey, Lieutenant.
 - No. 10. Eustis street, Roxbury. C. C. Springer, Lieutenant.
 - No. 11. Carlos street, Dorchester. J. F. Mooney, Lieutenant.
 - No. 12. Tremont street, Roxbury, in charge of Ladder 12.

WATER TOWERS.

- No. 1. Bulfinch street. C. H. Long, Lieutenant.
- No. 2. Bristol street. D. J. O'Brien, Lieutenant.
- No. 3. Pittsburgh street. P. A. Matthews, Lieutenant.

Wrecking Wagon, Bristol street.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

BRISTOL STREET, BOSTON, December 20, 1907.

HON. JOHN F. FITZGERALD,

Mayor of the City of Boston:

STR, — I present herewith the amounts necessary, conservatively estimated, for the running expenses of this department for the year 1908-09, together with the estimated expenditures for the year 1907-08.

I submit the following in explanation of the increase in the expenditure for the past year above the appropriation, which you will note may be exceeded by the sum of \$41,600.

To begin with, the estimate presented for the year was reduced by the amount of \$26,000. I enclose herewith the amount estimated for the year 1907-08 expenditures and the amount actually expended, and you will note that the estimate and the expenditures come very close, except in certain items where the increase in cost over price at time of estimate has increased the expenditure. The principal cause for the excess expenditure over the appropriation is found in the pay-roll account, fuel, hay and grain, horses and pensions.

The force has been kept down to the minimum for safety, and the items of fuel, hay and grain are necessarily fixed charges, and the amounts vary according to the cost of the product, which this year has shown a great increase in cost.

The number of alarms for the year has exceeded the alarms for 1906 by 56 per cent., and exceeds the average of the past four years by 52 per cent. This means an increase in the cost of repairs and horseflesh.

The item of "Purchase of Horses" exceeded the estimate by \$4,800; this is partly due to the increase in the price, and also because of the wear and tear and injuries to horses because of the great number of runs unfitting them for service.

The item of "Furniture and Bedding" exceeds the estimate by \$2,700. This is due to a change made necessary by the filthy and unsanitary condition of the comforters formerly furnished to the department, and the adoption of the regular army blanket in place of the blankets in use, which in most part were in poor condition. This change has been going on for the past two years, until the department is nearly equipped with the new standard bedding.

Owing to the severe weather of last year, horse hire and keeping increased some \$3,000 over the year before. These factors are the main cause of the excessive expenditures,

and are items which cannot be controlled.

In explanation of the increase in item "Repairs of Houses," at least \$2,000 of the increase is due to the unexpected forced removal from the old quarters to new quarters for the fire-boat crew.

The item for "New Hose" is reduced by about \$2,200 from the estimate; but this amount appears under item "Small Supplies," due to a change in charging certain items.

"Small Supplies," increase due to bringing over \$2,200 from the "Hose Account"—this for hose pipes, nozzles, etc., formerly charged to new hose.

"Construction and Material — Fire Alarm Branch." A larger number than estimated of new boxes was found necessary, and owing to certain building conditions, removal of poles, etc., extra work was required.

In explanation of the increase asked for the ensuing year,

I submit the following statement:

Pay Roll Account \$40,000 (53 weeks).

There will be fifty-three pay-rolls, thus \$22,000 is required for the extra roll; \$18,000 covers the increases coming to the new men who receive \$100 additional for each year of

service up to the fourth, and also for the slight addition in the regular force; the increase in pay for the Fire Alarm Branch and shop force, occasioned by the acceptance of the union scale in certain lines of work and on account of the addition to these forces by the enforcement of the eight-hour and six-day laws.

The increase in item "Underground Construction" is to average up for the small amount of work done this year.

I again refer to certain sections in Charlestown, East Boston, and along the valuable water front where wires should be placed underground without delay.

The other items have been kept down to an absolutely bed rock basis, and are figured on the expectation of somewhat lower prices for supplies.

| | Estimated Expendi- tures for 1907-08. | Actual Expendi- tures for 1907-08. | Estimated Expendi- tures for 1908-09. |
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| Salaries. Repairs of apparatus. Repairs of houses. New apparatus. New hose. Repairs of hose. Fuel Electric and gas lighting. Printing and stationery. Furniture and bedding. Small supplies Horses, purchase and exchange. Horse hire and keeping. Hay, grain and straw. Washing Shoeing Harness and repairs. Oils, chemicals, etc. Hats, badges and buttons. Ladders and repairs. Tools for repair shop and mechanics. Extra service. Contingencies Rents for buildings, telephones, etc. Construction and material, Fire Alarm Branch. | 25,000 00 15,000 00 1,500 00 1,500 00 2,000 00 2,000 00 2,000 00 10,000 00 13,000 00 4,000 00 22,000 00 2,000 00 2,500 00 1,500 00 1,500 00 1,000 00 2,000 00 2,000 00 2,000 00 1,500 00 1,500 00 5,000 00 | \$1,110,406 41 85,609 69 24,144 20 24,862 06 12,805 55 241 32 43,517 27 14,244 96 2,911 00 4,756 17 18,829 16 16,804 05 6,052 12 51,289 75 4,075 75 22,865 42 2,248 69 3,590 45 682 16 172 47 1,550 40 1,071 00 6,014 55 9,098 59 | \$1,150,100 00 30,000 00 20,000 00 20,000 00 12,000 00 1,000 00 14,000 00 3,000 00 13,000 00 13,000 00 47,000 00 47,000 00 2,500 00 2,500 00 2,500 00 2,500 00 2,500 00 2,500 00 2,500 00 7,000 00 |
| Underground construction | 15,000 00 | 3,188 41 67 09 | 20,000 00 |
| Pensions | \$1,406,800 00 82,000 00 | \$1,428,716 98 88,524 78 | \$1,452,100 00 90,000 00 |
| Received from Bath Department | \$1,488,800 00 | \$1,512,241 71 7,688 98 | \$1,542,100 00 7,700 00 |
| | | \$1,504,552 78 | \$1,584,400 00 |

Estimated income, \$2,200.

Respectfully submitted,

Benj. W. Wells, Commissioner.