

Boston City Council

THE
MUNICIPAL REGISTER
FOR 1917,

CONTAINING

A REGISTER OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT,
RULES OF THE CITY COUNCIL,
AMENDED CITY CHARTER
OF 1909,

A SURVEY OF THE CITY DEPARTMENTS,

WITH

LISTS OF EXECUTIVE AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICERS;

ALSO

VARIOUS STATISTICS RELATING TO THE CITY.

COMPILED AND EDITED BY THE STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

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CITY OF BOSTON
PRINTING DEPARTMENT
1917.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Office, City Building, Bristol street.

[Stat. 1850, Chap. 262; Stat. 1895, Chap. 449, §§ 9-11; Rev. Ord. 1898, Chap. 17; Stat. 1909, Chap. 308; Ord. 1912, Chaps. 4, 6; Ord. 1913, Chap. 1; Stat. 1913, Chap. 800; Stat. 1914, Chap. 519; Rev. Ord. 1914, Chap. 16.]

JOHN GRADY, *Fire Commissioner*. Term ends in 1918. Salary, \$5,000.

PETER F. McDONOUGH, *Chief of Department*. Salary, \$4,500.

JOHN O. TABER, *Senior Deputy Chief*. Salary, \$3,500.

DANIEL F. SENNOTT, *Junior Deputy Chief*. Salary, \$3,500.

GEORGE L. FICKETT, *Superintendent of Fire Alarm Branch*. Salary, \$3,000.

CHARLES E. STEWART, *Supervisor of Motor Apparatus*. Salary, \$3,500.

EUGENE M. BYINGTON, *Superintendent of Construction and Supplies*. Salary, \$3,000.

BENJ. F. UNDERHILL, *Chief Clerk*. Salary, \$2,500.

The Boston Fire Department was organized in 1837. It is in charge of one Commissioner, who has entire control of the department, consisting of the Chief, two deputy chiefs, and fifteen district chiefs in charge of the fifteen fire districts, 59 captains, 88 lieutenants and 808 engineers, hosemen and ladder men, 66 fire stations, a fire alarm branch with 43 employees, operating 1,117 signal boxes, a repair shop with 63 employees, also a veterinary hospital. Annual reports have been published since 1838.

Yearly salaries, as increased in May, 1915: District chiefs, \$3,000; captains, \$2,000; lieutenants, \$1,800; engineers (first class), \$1,700. The maximum salary of assistant engineers, hosemen and ladder men remains at \$1,400.

In calendar year 1916, total alarms 4,531, or 906 less than in 1915; fires in buildings, 2,543, with total loss of \$2,372,489, or \$625,698 less than in 1915, all insured except \$222,010.

CHIEF AND DEPUTY CHIEFS.

CHIEF, PETER F. McDONOUGH. Headquarters, Engine House 26-35, Mason street. In charge of the fire protection for the whole of the City, which is divided into two main divisions, each in charge of a deputy chief.

FIRST DIVISION. In charge of **SENIOR DEPUTY CHIEF JOHN O. TABER.** Headquarters, Ladder House 8, Fort Hill square. Districts 1 to 7, inclusive. All that part of the City north and east of a line extending from Charles river through Massachusetts avenue to Roxbury canal, thence to South Bay, Midland Division of New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Willow court, Mt. Vernon street and Columbia road to Old Harbor.

SECOND DIVISION. In charge of **JUNIOR DEPUTY CHIEF DANIEL F. SENNOTT.** Headquarters, Ladder House 4, Dudley street. Districts 8 to 15, inclusive. All that part of the City south and west of the above stated line.

FIRST DIVISION — DISTRICTS, DISTRICT CHIEFS AND APPARATUS.

DISTRICT 1. ALBERT J. CAULFIELD, *Dist. Chief.* Headquarters, Ladder House 2, Paris street. All that part of Boston locally known as East Boston. *Apparatus* — Engines, [Nos. 5, 9, 11, 40, 47 (fireboat); Ladders 2, 21; Chemical, 7.]

DIST. 2. ALLAN J. MACDONALD, *Dist. Chief.* Headquarters, Ladder House 9, Main street. All that part of Boston locally known as Charlestown. *Apparatus.* — Engines, Nos. 27, 32, 36; Ladders, 9, 22; Chemicals, 3, 9.

DIST. 3. STEPHEN J. RYDER, *Dist. Chief.* Headquarters, Ladder House 18, Pittsburgh street. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of State and Devonshire streets, thence through State street to the water front, across the harbor to the extension of C street, South Boston, through C, Cypher, B and West First streets to Atlantic Avenue Bridge, through the latter and Atlantic avenue, Summer and Devonshire streets to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 25, 38, 39, 44 (fireboat); Ladders, 8, 18; Water Tower, 3.

DIST. 4. EDWARD J. SHALLOW, *Dist. Chief.* Headquarters, Engine House 4, Bulfinch street. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of State and Devonshire streets, thence through Devonshire, Water, Washington, School and Beacon streets to Charles street, through Charles and Pinckney streets to the Cambridge boundary line, along said line to its intersection with the tracks of the Eastern Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad, thence to the Warren Avenue Drawbridge, to the Charlestown Drawbridge around the water front to the extension of State street, thence to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 4, 6, 8, 31 (fireboat); Ladders, 1, 24; Chemical, 1; Water Tower, 1.

DIST. 5. WILLIAM COULTER, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 26-35, Mason street. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Devonshire and Water streets, thence through Water, Washington, School and Beacon to Charles street, through Charles and Pinckney streets to the Cambridge boundary line, thence along said line to the extension of Otter street, through Otter, Beacon, Arlington, Boylston, Church and Providence streets to Columbus avenue, through said avenue, Church, Tremont and Pleasant streets and Broadway extension to Fort Point channel, thence to Atlantic Avenue Bridge, through the latter and Atlantic avenue, Summer and Devonshire streets to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 7, 10, 26, 35; Ladder, 17; Chemical, 2.

DIST. 6. FRANCIS J. JORDAN, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 1, Dorchester street, South Boston. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Atlantic Avenue Bridge and Fort Point channel, thence to West First street, through West First, B, Cypher and C streets to the water front, thence to the extension of Columbia road, through Columbia road, Mt. Vernon street, Willow court and Massachusetts avenue to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad tracks, along said tracks to the South Bay, to Fort Point channel and through the latter to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 1, 2, 15, 43; Ladders, 5, 19, 20; Chemical, 8.

DIST. 7. PETER E. WALSH, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 22, Warren avenue. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Beacon and Otter streets, thence through Beacon, Arlington, Boylston, Church and Providence streets to Columbus avenue, thence through the latter, Church, Tremont and Pleasant streets and Broadway extension to Fort Point channel, through said channel to the Roxbury canal, through the canal to Massachusetts avenue, to the Cambridge boundary line, and along said line to a point opposite the extension of Otter street, through Otter street to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 3, 22, 33; Ladders, 3, 13, 15; Chemical, 4; Water Tower, 2.

SECOND DIVISION — DISTRICTS, DISTRICT CHIEFS AND APPARATUS.

DIST. 8. WILLIAM J. GAFFEY, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Ladder House 12, Tremont street. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Massachusetts avenue and the Cambridge boundary line, thence through said avenue and Washington, Marcella, Centre and New Heath streets to Heath square, thence through Heath street, South Huntington and Huntington avenues, to the Brookline boundary line, along said line to Cottage Farm Bridge, thence through Essex street to the Cambridge boundary line, and by said line to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 13, 14, 37; Ladders, 12, 26; Chemical, 12.

DIST. 9. JOSEPH H. KENNEY, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 12, Dudley street. The territory included within a line beginning at

the intersection of the extension of Columbia road and the Old Harbor, thence through Columbia road, Mt. Vernon street, Willow court and Massachusetts avenue to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad tracks, thence along said tracks to the South bay, along said bay to Roxbury canal, through the canal to Massachusetts avenue, thence through said avenue, Washington, Elmore, Munroe, Warren, Sunderland and Stanwood streets to Columbia road, thence through Columbia road, Stoughton and Pleasant streets and Savin Hill avenue to Evandale terrace, thence through said terrace to the water front and along the water front to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 12, 21, 23, 24; Ladder, 4; Chemical, 10.

DIST. 10. WALTER M. McLEAN, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 18, Harvard street, Dorchester. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of the extension of Evandale terrace and Dorchester bay, thence through Evandale terrace, Savin Hill avenue, Pleasant and Stoughton streets to Columbia road, thence through Columbia road, Blue Hill avenue, Canterbury and Morton streets to Blue Hill avenue, thence through said avenue, Lauriat avenue, Norfolk, Centre, Adams, Mill, Preston and Freeport streets to Dorchester bay, thence along the water front to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 17, 18; Ladders, 7, 29; Chemical, 11.

DIST. 11. HENRY A. FOX, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 41, Harvard avenue, Brighton. The territory included within the district known as Brighton, which is west of the Cottage Farm Bridge and Essex street. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 29, 34, 41; Ladders, 11, 14, 31.

DIST. 12. MICHAEL J. MULLIGAN, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 28, Centre street, Jamaica Plain. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Washington and Morton streets, thence through Morton and Canterbury streets to Blue Hill avenue, thence to Columbia road, thence through Stanwood, Sunderland, Warren, Munroe and Elmore streets to Washington street, thence through Washington, Marcella, Centre and New Heath streets to Heath square, thence through Heath square, Heath street, South Huntington and Huntington avenues to the Brookline boundary line, thence southeasterly along said boundary line to Perkins street, thence through Perkins and Prince streets to the Arborway, thence through the Arborway to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 28, 42; Ladders, 10, 23, 30; Chemical, 5.

DIST. 13. MICHAEL J. KENNEDY, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 45, corner Washington and Poplar streets, Roslindale. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Washington and Morton streets, thence through Morton, Harvard and Ashland streets to and across the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, thence southerly along said railroad to the boundary line of Ward 26, thence southwesterly along the said boundary line to the Dedham

boundary line, thence along the latter to the Newton boundary line, thence northeasterly along the latter to the Brookline boundary line, thence southeasterly and northerly along said line to Perkins street, thence to Prince street, thence to the Arborway, thence to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 30, 45; Ladders, 16, 25; Chemical, 13.

DIST. 14. MAURICE HEFFERNAN, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 46, Peabody square, Dorchester. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of Dorchester bay and Freeport street (Commercial Point), thence through Freeport, Preston, Mill, Adams, Centre and Norfolk streets to Lauriat avenue, thence through Lauriat and Blue Hill avenues, Morton, Harvard, Oakland and Rexford streets to Blue Hill avenue, through said avenue and Fremont street to the Neponset river, thence along the Neponset river and Dorchester bay to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 16, 20, 46; Ladders, 6, 27.

DIST. 15. JOSEPH A. DOLAN, *Dist. Chief*. Headquarters, Engine House 48, corner Harvard avenue and Winthrop street, Hyde Park. The territory included within a line beginning at the intersection of the extension of Fremont street and the Milton boundary line, thence through Fremont street, Blue Hill avenue, Rexford, Oakland and Ashland streets to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad tracks, thence along said tracks to the boundary line of Ward 26 and along said line to the Dedham boundary line, thence along that line to the Milton boundary line and along the latter to the point of beginning. *Apparatus* — Engines, Nos. 19, 48; Ladder, 28; Chemical, 14; Hose, 49.

FIRE-ENGINES (INCLUDING HOSE WAGON FOR EACH).

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
1.....	Dorchester st., cor Fourth, South Boston.....	Wm. F. Field, Capt. C. J. Hickey, Lieut.
2.....	Fourth st., cor. O, S. Boston,	E. Connors, Capt. E. J. Hartigan, Lieut.
3.....	Harrison ave., cor. Bristol st.	John N. Lally, Capt. William Peterson, Lieut.
4.....	Bulfinch street.....	William E. Riley, Capt. G. E. Darragh, Lieut.
5.....	Marion street, E. Boston...	Mellen R. Joy, Capt. R. W. Clark, Lieut.
6.....	Leverett street.....	F. A. Sweeney, Capt. M. L. Galvin, Lieut.
7.....	East street.....	Henry Krake, Capt. W. H. D. Nichols, Lieut.
8.....	Salem street.....	John F. Hines, Capt. ———, Lieut.
9.....	Paris street, East Boston...	J. F. Gillen, Capt. T. J. Flynn, Lieut.

NOTE.— Wherever a street, channel or bridge is named, the center line of each is the boundary line.

Inspections of these islands in Boston Harbor will be made under special orders of the Department Chief, viz.: Apple, Castle, Gallop's, George's, Governor's, Long, Lovell's, Rainsford, Deer, Thompson's and Spectacle.

FIRE-ENGINES.— *Continued.*

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
10 (With tractor and motor hose wagon.)	Mt. Vernon st., cor. River..	C. J. O'Brien, Capt. D. F. O'Brien, Lieut.
11 (Motor combination).....	Cor. Saratoga and Byron streets, East Boston.....	C. H. Leary, Capt. Lieut.
12.....	Dudley street, Roxbury....	W. H. McCorkle, Capt. J. T. Gillen, Lieut.
13.....	Cabot street, Roxbury.....	Thos. E. Conroy, Capt. Thos. Wyllie, Lieut.
14 (Motor combination).....	Centre street, Roxbury.....	C. C. Springer, Capt. Jacob Hyman, Lieut.
15.....	Cor. Broadway and Dorchester avenue.....	E. F. Richardson, Capt. J. J. Burke, Lieut.
16.....	River street, Dorchester....	Michael Boyle, Capt. D. W. Mahoney, Lieut.
17 (With tractor).....	Meeting House Hill, Dor...	Martin F. Mulligan, Capt. John F. Curley, Lieut.
18.....	Harvard street, Dorchester..	F. M. O'Lalor, Capt. Wm. Hart, Lieut.
19.....	Norfolk street, Dorchester...	F. J. Sheeran, Capt. Anthony J. Burns, Lieut.
20.....	Walnut street, Dorchester..	T. J. Muldoon, Capt. G. N. F. Getchell, Lieut.
21 (With tractor).....	Columbia road, Dorchester..	Michael Norton, Capt. W. B. Jennings, Lieut.
22.....	Warren avenue.....	T. H. Downey, Capt. J. E. Redman, Lieut.
23.....	Northampton street.....	P. J. V. Kelley, Capt. H. E. Richardson, Lieut.
24.....	Cor. Warren and Quincy sts.,	M. J. Teehan, Capt. M. N. Sibley, Lieut.
25 (With tractor, motor hose wagon and chemical.)	Fort Hill square.....	J. F. Ryan, Capt. G. A. Carney, Lieut.
26 (With tractor) and 35....	Mason street.....	A. B. Howard, Capt. William Levis, Lieut.
27.....	Elm street, Charlestown....	D. J. Hurley, Lieut. B. F. Hayes, Capt.
28 (With tractor).....	Centre st., Jamaica Plain...	D. W. Towle, Lieut. John J. Gavin, Capt.
29.....	Chestnut Hill ave., Brighton	T. J. Fitzgerald, Lieut. E. F. Doody, Capt.
30.....	Centre st., West Roxbury...	D. L. Cadigan, Lieut. T. M. McLaughlin, Capt.
31.....	Fireboat, 531 Commercial st.	B. J. Flaherty, Lieut. C. H. Long, Capt.
32.....	Bunker Hill st., Charlestown	John Williams, Lieut. F. I. Adams, Capt.
33 (With tractor, motor hose wagon and chemical.)	Boylston and Hereford sts..	H. J. Kelley, Lieut. M. J. Lawler, Capt.
34.....	Western avenue, Brighton..	G. W. Darling, Lieut. J. J. McCarthy, Capt.
36 (With tractor.....	Monument st., Charlestown	J. W. Shea, Lieut. J. P. Murray, Capt.
37 (With tractor and motor hose wagon.)	Longwood and Brookline avenues.....	P. F. Goggin, Lieut. Denis Driscoll, Capt.
38 and 39.....	Congress st., South Boston..	Daniel I. Bell, Lieut. J. J. Caine, Capt.
40.....	Sumner st., East Boston....	F. J. Sullivan, Lieut. J. H. Stout, Lieut.
41 (Motor combination).....	Harvard avenue, Brighton..	T. J. Lannery, Capt. P. P. Leahy, Lieut.
42.....	Egleston square.....	Gustave H. Nichols, Capt. F. R. Brophy, Lieut.
43 (With tractor, motor hose wagon and chemical.)	Andrew sq., South Boston..	George H. Hutchings, Capt. Lieut. V. H. Richer, Capt. J. A. Noonan, Lieut.

NOTE.— The "Motor combination" is a gasoline pumping engine, chemical engine and hose reel combined in one automobile.

FIRE-ENGINES.— *Concluded.*

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
44.....	Fireboat, Northern ave.....	{ W. S. Eaton, Capt. F. G. Avery, Lieut.
45 (Motor combination).....	Poplar street, Roslindale...	{ D. J. Dacey, Capt. Lieut.
46 (With tractor and motor hose wagon.)	} Dorchester ave., Ashmont..	{ H. M. Hebard, Capt. J. F. O'Connell, Lieut.
47.....		{ C. S. Moran, Capt. R. A. Nugent, Lieut.
48.....	Harvard ave. and Winthrop street, Hyde Park.....	{ F. W. Battis, Capt. Chas. A. Thompson, Lieut.

LADDER TRUCKS.

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
1.....	Friend street, Warrensquare	{ J. F. McMahon, Capt. H. J. Power, Lieut.
2.....	Paris street, East Boston...	{ E. J. McKendrew, Capt. P. F. McLeavey, Lieut.
3.....	Harrison ave., cor. Bristol st.	{ F. F. Leary, Capt. J. McCann, Lieut.
4 (Motor aerial truck).....	Dudley st., cor Winslow, Rox.....	{ C. T. Farren, Capt. John Hogan, Lieut.
5.....	Fourth st., near Dorchester st.....	{ E. D. Locke, Capt. M. F. Conley, Lieut.
6 (With tractor).....	River st., cor Temple, Dor..	McDarragh Flaherty, Lieut.
7 (Motor truck).....	Meeting House Hill, Dor...	J. J. Kelley, Lieut.
8 (Motor aerial truck).....	Fort Hill square.....	{ H. A. McClay, Capt. D. W. Baker, Lieut.
9 (With tractor).....	331 Main st., Charlestown..	John E. Cassidy, Capt.
10 (With tractor).....	659 Centre st., Jamaica Pl.,	F. L. Sargent, Lieut.
11.....	Chestnut Hill ave., Brighton,	P. J. Laffey, Lieut.
12 (With tractor).....	1046 Tremont st., Rox.....	{ M. F. Silva, Capt. P. H. Kenney, Lieut.
13 (With tractor).....	Warren avenue.....	J. P. Hanton, Lieut.
14 (With tractor).....	Harvard ave., Allston.....	T. H. Andreoli, Lieut.
15 (With tractor).....	Boylston st., cor. Hereford..	{ C. A. Donohoe, Capt. Dennis J. Bailey, Lieut.
16 (With tractor).....	Poplar st., Roslindale.....	M. J. Sullivan, Lieut.
17 (With tractor).....	157 Harrison ave.....	{ J. F. Watson, Capt. W. C. Swan, Lieut.
18 (With tractor).....	Pittsburgh st.....	{ DeWitt Lane, Capt. T. F. Donovan, Lieut.
19.....	E. Fourth st., near K, S. B.,	E. B. Chittick, Lieut.
20 (With tractor).....	Andrew sq., S. Boston.....	Michael J. Dacey, Lieut.
21 (Motor truck).....	Saratoga and Byron sts., E. B.	J. J. Sullivan, Lieut.
22.....	44 Monument st., Chas....	P. A. Tague, Lieut.
23.....	Grove Hall, Dor.....	D. M. Shaughnessy, Capt.
24.....	North Grove st.....	T. J. Hines, Lieut.

LADDER TRUCKS.—*Concluded.*

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
25.....	Centre st., near Bellevue, West Roxbury.	Hadwin Sawyer, Lieut.
26.....	Longwood and Brookline avenues.	Charles H. Cosgrove, Lieut.
27.....	Walnut street, Dor.....	W. S. Abbott, Lieut.
28.....	Harvard ave. and Winthrop st., H. P.	Florence Donahue, Lieut.
29 (Motor truck with chem- ical.)	Callender and Lyons sts., Dor.	L. D. Merrill, Capt.
30 (Motor truck with chem- ical.)	Egleston square, Rox.....	C. F. Driscoll, Lieut.
31 (Motor truck with chem- ical.)	Oak square, Brighton.....	T. E. Kiley, Lieut.

CHEMICAL ENGINES.

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
1.....	Bulfinch street.....	C. A. Fernald, Lieut.
2.....	25 Church street.....	W. F. Quigley, Lieut.
3.....	Winthrop st., Charlestown..	T. F. Quigley, Lieut.
4.....	398 Shawmut avenue.....	S. A. Dwight, Lieut.
5 (Motor, with Hose).....	Grove Hall, Dor.....	E. W. Fottler, Lieut.
7.....	Saratoga st., cor. Prescott, E. B.	John P. Walsh, Lieut.
8.....	B st., cor. Athens, S. B....	John McCarthy, Lieut.
9.....	333 Main st., Charlestown..	T. J. Heffron, Lieut.
10 (Motor).....	Dudley st., Roxbury.....	R. J. Carleton, Lieut.
11 (Motor, with hose).....	Callender and Lyons sts., Dor.	J. J. Lunny, Lieut.
12.....	1046 Tremont st., Rox.....	J. H. Leary, Lieut.
13 (Motor, with hose).....	Walk Hill and Wenham sts., F. H.	E. O. Haines, Lieut.
14.....	Harvard ave. and Winthrop st., H. P.	

WATER TOWERS.

Number, Etc.	Location.	Officers.
1 (With tractor).....	Bulfinch street.....	J. H. Laughlin, Lieut.
2 (With tractor).....	Bristol street.....	James Mahoney, Lieut.
3 (With tractor).....	Pittsburgh street.....	J. M. Ferreira, Lieut.
4 (With tractor), reserve....	Bristol street.....	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Touring cars, 6; roadsters, 26; 1-ton motor trucks, 2; light motor trucks, 2; one 3½-ton emergency motor truck; horses, 274 (16 less than in 1916); fuel wagons 41; other wagons, 11; hose and other pungs, 40. Leading hose, 122,545 feet, and suction hose, 1,671 feet.

BOSTON FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

By chapter 308, Acts of 1909, the Fire Commissioner and twelve members of the Fire Department, to be elected annually by the members of the department, are constituted a corporate body for the purpose of holding and administering the Firemen's Relief Fund. This incorporation supersedes that of 1880.

On February 1, 1917, the fund amounted to \$247,631.

CITY ORDINANCES.

ENACTED IN THE MUNICIPAL YEAR, 1913-14.

CHAPTER 1.

CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chapter four of the Ordinances of 1912 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words:

"Provided, however, that this ordinance shall not apply to those persons who had passed the civil service examination for fire service in Boston prior to June 5, 1912, and who were eligible for appointment on that date."

[Approved March 10, 1913.]

CORRECTIONS.

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LATEST DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS, CHANGES, ETC.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (See page 53).—Ordinance providing for one day off in three (instead of one in five, as before) for firemen passed by City Council on August 6, 1917, by a vote of six to three, to take effect February 1, 1918, approved by Mayor Aug. 22 after a public hearing.

Captain WILLIAM E. RILEY of Engine Company 4 promoted to be district chief (assigned to District 1), filling vacancy caused by retirement of Dist. Chief WILLIAM COULTER of Dist. 5, a member of the department for 35 years, serving as district chief since Jan., 1914, and as captain for 19 years previously; Dist. Chief A. J. CAULFIELD transferred from District 1 to 5, Capt. P. F. GOGGIN from Engine 36 to Engine 4, and Capt. H. J. POWER from Ladder 1 to Engine 8; Engine 1 and Ladder 5 of South Boston are now included in the motor apparatus, and Engines 22 and 36 each have a new motor-driven hose and chemical car.

HIGH PRESSURE FIRE SERVICE.

By the provisions of Chapter 312, Acts of 1911, the Commissioner of Public Works was authorized to install an efficient system of high pressure fire service for the City, appropriations therefor, amounting to \$1,000,000,

to be voted by the City Council in sums of not less than \$150,000 each year for six years. Up to February 1, 1917, the total of loans issued for this purpose was \$860,000 and the total expenditure \$655,024. The work completed to 1917, including the old salt-water fireboat line, makes 7.13 miles of pipe with 188 hydrants ready for use and supplied from the high service at Tremont street, near West. A pumping station is to be constructed on Commercial street, opposite North End Park, where six electrically operated centrifugal pumps will be installed, with capacity of 13,000 gallons per minute and pressure of 240 pounds to square inch, fresh water to be supplied from Charles river.