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## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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### REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

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*To the Board of Aldermen:*

In accordance with the requirements of the city ordinance, I herewith submit for your consideration the report of the Fire Department for the year 1912.

The department responded to 63 bell alarms and 192 still alarms.

In addition two fires occurred in Penacook for which no alarms were given, making a total for the year of 257, a decrease of 58 compared with the record of the previous year.

	Bells.	Still.	No Alarm.	Total.
Precinct,	33	150		183
Penacook,	21	26	2	49
East Concord,	5	7		12
West Concord,	4	9		13
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	63	192	2	257

This report will be found to contain statements in detail embracing the amount of expenditures, a complete roll of the department with residence and occupation of each member, a record of all fires and alarms which have occurred during the year and the causes thereof as nearly as could be ascertained, with the names of the owners or occupants and the value, loss, insurance, and insurance recovered in each case.

No particularly dangerous fires occurred during the year and there was a marked decrease in the number of forest fires.

The largest loss accompanying one fire was that entailed by the lumber yard fire at Penacook June 29th.

The apparatus is in good condition and no extensive repairs were required during the year.

The fire alarm telegraph systems of the city proper and Penacook are in good condition.

It was found necessary to renew the battery elements of the former in June.

Two boxes, 131, 191, for use in the northwest section of the city were purchased but not delivered in time to be placed in position before the close of the year.

Eight hundred feet of 2½-inch hose and three horses were purchased.

The Alert Station was remodeled and the wagon is now running as a two-horse wagon.

This leaves but one one-horse wagon in the precinct and I respectfully recommend that this be made a two-horse wagon.

I also recommend the purchase of at least 500 feet of 2½-inch hose during the coming year. One noticeable improvement made during the year was the installing of a standpipe in the Central Station with hose connections in basement and on first and second floors.

The expense of this as well as that attending remodeling the Alert Station was borne by the Committee on Lands and Buildings. During the month of September, I had the pleasure of attending the convention of the International Association of Fire Engineers held at Denver, Col., a report of which I rendered at that time. The convention was a largely attended and instructive one and for the privilege afforded me to learn I was sincerely grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. GREEN,  
*Chief Engineer.*

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## APPROPRIATIONS.

Appropriation,	\$26,503.00
Joint resolution, horse,	325.00
pair horses,	600.00
outstanding claims,	1,492.95
	<hr/> \$28,920.95

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Permanent men,	\$8,114.00
Vacations,	834.60
Rent, Veterans' Association,	150.00
Call men,	8,640.00
Forage,	2,245.33
Fuel,	968.49
Lights,	706.42
Incidentals,	2,351.97
Horse shoeing,	358.50
Horses purchased,	925.00
Horse hire,	890.53
Laundry,	52.00
Fire alarm,	1,422.18
Supplies, chemical engine,	45.14
Hose,	800.00
Water,	119.50
House man,	100.00
Penacook fire alarm,	197.29
	<hr/> \$28,920.95

## ALARMS.

## PRECINCT.

Box 25. January 3, 9.14 p. m. Fire on third floor of Governor Hill block, 64 North Main Street, owned by Harry G. Emmons, C. C. Hill and Mary W. Ladd. Occupied by various parties. Fire originated in room used by W. W. Hill for the storage of furniture. Caused by defective

smoke pipe which ran through the room. Fire confined to room. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$30,000.00	\$40.00	\$20,000.00	\$40.00
Contents,	2,000.00	377.62	1,700.00	377.62

Box 413. January 4, 12.30 p. m. False alarm. Recall 12.35 p. m. Culprit heavily fined the following day.

STILL. January 4, 12.31 p. m. Alarm occasioned by charring of piece of meat in oven in residence of James O. Lyford, 11 Pitman Street. Attended to by members of Alert Hose Company. No loss.

STILL. January 6, 7.27 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. H. Cox, 147 North State Street. Extinguished by chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 6, 10.21 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Earl Newton, 50 North Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 6, 10.58 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of B. W. Couch, 7 Merrimack Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 6, 2.56 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of F. Cote, 49 Thorndike Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 6, 7.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of B. A. Kimball, 44 South Main Street. Extinguished by members of Good Will Company. No loss.

STILL. January 7, 9.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. A. K. Goodale, 44 South Main Street. Members of Good Will Company responded. See next alarm.

STILL. January 7, 9.48 a. m. A call for assistance from the scene of preceding fire. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 7, 2.13 p. m. A. C. Cochrane, 6 Montgomery Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 7, 2.31 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Sherman Comstock, 5 Monroe Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 8, 2.13 p. m. Slight fire in residence of Frank O'Brien, 16 Water Street. Caused by attempt to thaw pipe with fire. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Loss trifling.

STILL. January 12, 10.17 a. m. Alarm occasioned by report that the city crematory was afire. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. Employees burning brush. No loss.

STILL. January 13, 4.25 p. m. Alarm occasioned by smoking of stove in Home Realty Block, 34 Warren Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No fire.

STILL. January 14, 11.00 a. m. Alarm occasioned by blowing up of water front in stove in residence of Mrs. J. C. Ordway, 13 Center Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No fire.

STILL. January 14, 3.55 p. m. Set of buildings consisting of house, combined barn, shed and ice house, on the shore of Penacook Lake owned and occupied by Frank E. Horner destroyed. Cause probably overheated chimney. No apparatus sent as it would have been of no avail.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Buildings,	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00
Contents,	1,000.00	1,000.00	400.00	300.00

2-2-2. January 15, 11.30 a. m. School signal.

STILL. January 17, 6.38 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of George Stallers, 6 Lewis Court. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 20, 1.13 p. m. Reported chimney fire at 3 Turner Avenue. Chemical Company responded. No fire. No loss.

STILL. January 20, 4.47 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. Marcus, 3 Curtice Avenue. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 35. January 20, 8.08 p. m. Burning of awning on building, 2 North Main Street, owned by Nancy L. Dutton, and occupied by George W. Nutter, druggist. Caused

probably by throwing of cigarette stub from above. Recall, 8.15 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$20,000.00	\$7.01	\$5,000.00	\$7.01
Contents,	14,600.00	57.30	2,000.00	57.30

STILL. January 21, 8.16 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Robert J. Macquire, 88 Pleasant Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 25, 3.50 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of George Perry, 45 Bradley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 25, 5.25 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. E. E. Blair, 105 School Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 25, 8.08 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. E. P. Clark, 79 South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 28, 12.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. H. Currier, 24 Maple Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 28, 3.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Wilfred Struthers, 37 Concord Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. January 28, 5.34 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Woodbury Hunt, 10 Court Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 29, 6.50 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Fred Charette, 14 Ferry Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 3, 6.55 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Abbott, 236 North Main Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. February 6, 11.23 p. m. Slight fire in residence, 13 Oak Street, owned and occupied by Henry Chandler. Cause unknown. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,500.00	\$5.00	\$1,500.00	\$5.00

STILL. February 8, 2.05 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. M. Stearns, 220 North Main Street. Extinguished by detail from Central Station. No loss.

STILL. February 10, 8.26 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of F. W. Brown, 77 North Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 10, 2.12 p. m. Fire in frame building rear 68 North Main Street owned by the Nathaniel Jenkins' heirs and occupied by C. H. Swain & Co., builders. Caused probably by defective chimney. Chemical Company responded, but the fire had assumed such proportions that an alarm was ordered from Box 25.

Box 25. February 10, 2.15 p. m. Box pulled for preceding fire. Three hundred feet of hose wet. One man injured. Recall 3.26 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,000.00	\$350.00	\$325.00	\$325.00
Contents,	2,000.00	1,069.15	1,200.00	1,069.15

STILL. February 10, 5.37 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. G. O. Dickerman, 64 South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 11, 7.56 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Guido Schinella, 12 Perkins Court. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 11, 5.05 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. C. Robinson, 22 Pierce Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 35. February 11, 9.41 p. m. Fire in block 1-5 Odd Fellows Avenue, owned by L. A. Brown & Co., liquor dealers. Cause unknown. Recall 10.01 p. m. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$10,000.00	\$80.00	\$6,000.00	\$80.00
Contents,	9,000.00	229.96	5,500.00	229.96

Box 413. February 15, 6.59 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Miss Louisa Morrill, 87 South Main Street.

Needless alarm. Extinguished with pony chemical. Recall 7.09 p. m. No loss.

STILL. February 15, 7.25 p. m. Reported chimney fire at scene of preceding fire. Detail from Good Will Company responded, but found no fire.

STILL. February 17, 11.40 a. m. Slight fire on roof of residence, 7 Turner Avenue, owned by Miss Louisa Morrill and occupied by J. P. Conway. Caused probably from spark from chimney. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$800.00	\$7.00	\$500.00	\$7.00

STILL. February 17, 11.49 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of S. Ash, 1 Lewis Court. Extinguished by detail sent with Kearsarge wagon. No loss.

STILL. February 17, 12.20 p. m. Chimney fire reported at residence 27 South State Street. Chemical Company responded, but found no fire.

STILL. February 18, 9.10 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. A. Donigan, 60 Washington Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 18, 9.17 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. E. Bacon, 19 Prince Street. Extinguished by detail sent with Kearsarge wagon. No loss.

Box 35. February 24, 5.27 p. m. Slight fire in building rear of 15 North Main Street, owned by the J. H. Chase Associates and occupied by W. G. C. Kimball, photographer. Caused by igniting of chemicals in sink. Extinguished by occupants. Recall 5.33 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$6,000.00	\$15.00	\$4,500.00	\$15.00

STILL. February 28, 12.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Eli Langlois, 5 Perry Avenue. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Margaret Sheehan owner.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,200.00	\$15.82	\$1,500.00	\$15.82

STILL. March 1, 7.50 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. H. Stoneham, 44 Bradley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 4, 5.41 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Orr, 8 Union Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 5, 9.35 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of H. J. Angwin, 47½ North Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 55. March 5, 8.49 p. m. Slight fire under car in passenger train shed, Railroad Square. Cause, employees filling gas tank probably too near lighted lantern. No assistance required. Loss trifling. Recall 8.57 p. m.

STILL. March 9, 9.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Joseph King, 2 Jefferson Street. Extinguished by members of Good Will Company. No loss.

STILL. March 11, 9.26 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of D. H. Goodhue, 50 Hall Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 51. March 16, 12.51 a. m. Fire on roof of blacksmith shop at the new plant of the Boston & Maine R. R. at the South End. Cause unknown. One thousand, four hundred feet of hose wet by the city department. Four hundred feet by the Boston & Maine department. Recall 2.49 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$14,000.00	\$1,159.11	\$10,000.00	\$1,159.11
Contents,	13,000.00	966.12	7,550.00	966.12

Box 42. March 18, 11.56 p. m. Fire in Lee Block, 51-57 South Main Street, owned by Kate G. Lee and Mary A. Lee and occupied by the Central Pharmacy, Lee Brothers Grocery and Concord Pipe Co., on the first floor and by various parties overhead as residences. Fire originated in wooden waste barrel in rear of grocery store from cause unknown. Fourteen hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 12.31 a. m., 19th instant.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$15,000.00	\$712.00	\$8,000.00	\$712.00
Contents:				
Central				
Pharmacy,	\$1,300.00	300.00	1,100.00	300.00
Lee Bros.				
Grocery,	1,350.00	350.00	1,350.00	350.00
Concord				
Pipe Co.,	10,000.00	368.20	3,150.00	368.20

Box 42. March 19, 3.27 a. m. Rekindling of fire in Lee Block, scene of preceding fire. Recall 4.20 a. m. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 42. March 20, 2.51 p. m. Fire in residence 39 South State Street, owned and occupied by John W. Sleeper. Cause, defective chimney. Four hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 3.10 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,000.00	\$224.00	\$1,600.00	\$224.00
Contents,	1,500.00	40.00	900.00	40.00

STILL. March 20, 8.05 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of C. H. Bresnahan, 94 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 20, 8.50 p. m. Chimney fire in residence at 11 Holt Street owned by Frank Adams and occupied by Fred Proctor. Chemical Company being in service, Kear-sarge wagon and detail sent.

STILL. March 20, 9.10 p. m. A call for assistance from scene of preceding fire. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Loss trifling.

STILL. March 23, 5.50 p. m. Slight fire in barn connected with the residence of Alice Pratt, Loudon Road. Chemical Company responded, but were stopped at the Eagle Hotel by information that assistance was not required. Extinguished by passer-by. Cause of fire, children and matches. No loss.

STILL. March 24, 4.28 p. m. Slight gasoline fire in basement of store, 14 School Street, conducted by G. H.

Hodgman. Cause unknown. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 25, 10.22 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. G. Libbey, 18 Walker Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 25, 6.45 p. m. Fire in bed in room 88, Endicott Block, 3 South Main Street, owned by and furnished by Hon. John B. Smith. Cause, dropping of gas mantle into bed. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Contents,	\$100.00	\$22.00	None.	None.

STILL. March 26, 4.07 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles Byron, 11 Washington Street. Extinguished by members of Alert Company. No loss.

STILL. March 26, 6.14 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. F. B. Clark, 47 Green Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 1, 7.22 a. m. Slight fire on roof of New England Granite Company's shed north of Ferry Street. Caused by sparks from chimney. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. Extinguished by employees. Loss trifling.

STILL. April 8, 8.12 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. W. Brew, 44 Perley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 9, 7.20 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of H. J. Durgin, 19 Downing Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 11, 5.44 p. m. Chimney fire in Chadbourne's studio, 98 North Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 47. April 12, 12.45 a. m. Barn connected with set of buildings corner of South and Clinton Streets, owned by Miss Mari F. Putnam and occupied by owner, W. P. Fellows and Mrs. A. J. Fellows; destroyed. Cause unknown. Nine hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 1.55 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,600.00	\$410.00	\$1,200.00	\$410.00
Contents:				
W. P. Fellows,	200.00	200.00	None.	None.
Mrs. A. J. Fellows,	1,000.00	120.00	800.00	120.00

STILL. April 13, 3.12 p. m. Brush fire east of Pembroke Road in rear of old brick yard. Chemical Company responded. See next alarm.

4-4-4. April 13, 3.46 p. m. A call for assistance from scene of preceding fire. Barge and detail from the department sent under command of Engineer J. J. McNulty. Labored one hour. No loss.

STILL. April 15, 12.15 p. m. Chimney fire in McShane Block, 1-5 Odd Fellows Avenue. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 22, 3.22 p. m. Fire in residence 23 Maple Street owned by J. S. Hubbard and occupied by James H. Fagan and Charles Sullivan. Cause unknown. Chemical Company responded, but the fire had reached such proportions that a bell alarm was ordered. See next alarm.

Box 26. April 22, 3.25 p. m. Box pulled for preceding fire. Twenty-three hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 4.04 p. m. Fire confined to the Fagan tenement.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,000.00	\$428.00	\$1,300.00	\$428.00
Contents:				
J. H. Fagan,	300.00	100.00	None.	None.

STILL. April 23, 3.23 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Bluto, 6 Winter Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 25, 1.24 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Harry Shapiro, 40 Merrimack Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 26, 7.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Hickey, 70 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 28, 1.50 a. m. Grass fire in White's Park. Extinguished by Chemical Company and police. No loss.

STILL. April 28, 8.08 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. H. Blossom, 57½ South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 28, 11.46 a. m. Grass fire in rear of 18 Hall Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. Extinguished by railroad employees. No loss.

Box 42. April 28, 2.25 p. m. Fire in basement of residence 55 South State Street owned by Alphonse Belleveau and Mrs. Hubert Isabel. Cause, attempt to rob gas meter, using matches for light. Concord Light and Power Co. lost two gas meters. Two hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 2.36 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid
Building,	\$3,500.00	\$40.00	\$2,500.00	\$40.00
Contents:				
Meters,	20.00	20.00	None.	None.

STILL. May 1, 9.12 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of William Martin, 75 South State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 4, 9.04 a. m. Fire on roof of residence 136 Warren Street owned and occupied by Mrs. Elizabeth Sullivan. Caused by spark from chimney. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,000.00	\$25.00	\$1,200.00	\$25.00

4-4-4. May 4, 10.40 a. m. Brush fire west of Ridge Road. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer J. J. McNulty. Labored one hour. Cause unknown. No loss.

4-4-4. May 4, 12.29 p. m. Brush fire in same locality as preceding fire. Cause unknown. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. J. Coffin. Labored two hours.

STILL. May 8, 9.58 p. m. Slight fire in waste barrel in storehouse in Railroad Square southeast of passenger station. Cause unknown. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 20, 5.31 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of H. F. Ferrin, 104 South State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 20, 8.47 p. m. Outbuilding in rear of 16 Perkins Court destroyed. Cause unknown. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Loss trifling.

STILL. May 23, 11.20 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. H. Urann, 38 Thompson Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 23, 12.18 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Edwin Abbott, 7 Bradley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 3, 1.17 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. H. E. Reardon, 78 Washington Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 3, 8.23 p. m. Fire in Fowler building, corner State and Pleasant Streets, owned by W. P. Fowler and occupied by various parties. Fire occurred on second floor, Room C, occupied by Ida Louise Swain as a hat store. Caused by broken gas mantle falling into assortment of hats. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$40,000.00	\$82.75	\$30,000.00	\$82.75
Contents,	2,000.00	1,239.83	1,500.00	1,239.83

STILL. June 6, 1.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Frank O'Brien, 16 Water Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 6, 10.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. A. Donigan, 60 Washington Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 7, 12.19 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Martha Morrill, 78 Franklin Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 10, 6.50 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of N. M. Kayes, rear of 114 South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 10, 12.16 p. m. A call for help from Bow. Grass fire near the Perrigo place. Set by sparks from road roller. Detail sent in auto with pony extinguishers. Chemical engine followed as soon as extra horses could be secured. No loss.

STILL. June 10, 8.52 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. Delucca, 15 Forest Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 13, 3.12 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Frank Watts, 112 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 51. June 14, 10.06 a. m. Alarm occasioned by explosion of gasoline in the tin department Boston & Maine R. R. shops. No fire. No loss. Recall 10.17 a. m.

STILL. June 16, 9.55 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of N. B. Cole, 111 South State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 22, 9.07 p. m. Fire in abandoned carriage shed south of Kimball playground North State Street. Chemical responded, but upon arrival pulled in alarm from box 12.

Box 12. June 22, 9.15 p. m. Box pulled for preceding fire. Eight hundred feet of hose wet. Cause of fire unknown. Recall 9.32 p. m. Loss trifling.

STILL. June 29, 1.48 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Margaret Casey, 11 Waverly Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

11-11. June 29, 10.47 p. m. A call for assistance from Penacook. Eagle wagon, Kearsarge engine, twelve hundred feet of hose and detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. J. Coffin. Engine worked two hours. All of the hose sent used in addition to that used by the Penacook and Boscawen departments and Concord Mfg. Co. Detail returned at 4.00 a. m., 30th instant. (See Penacook report.)

STILL. July 2, 1.10 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Peter Derouin, 12 Tuttle Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

4-4-4. July 4, 5.50 p. m. Alarm given in answer to a call from East Concord for assistance in extinguishing a brush fire near the Canterbury line. Detail from the department sent in command of Engineer W. J. Coffin. After proceeding some three miles it was stopped and ordered to return, word having been received at headquarters from the scene of the fire that it was under control. Hardly had the return trip been made when word was received that it had broken out afresh and the detail was started again. During the evening details were sent from Penacook and West Concord. Men were kept at work on this fire until the evening of the 7th instant. (See East Concord report.)

STILL. July 5, 4.46 p. m. Fire in dump in rear of heating plant of the Boston & Maine R. R. yard opposite north end of passenger station. The heat had ignited a window casing causing alarm. Chemical wagon and Eagle wagon sent. No assistance required. Extinguished by employees. Loss trifling.

STILL. July 7, 3.27 p. m. Grass fire in rear of 234 North State Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. July 15, 10.07 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Dr. E. A. Rowe, 85 South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 13. July 26, 1.13 p. m. One-story shed owned and occupied by Ellery Cass, north of Franklin and west of Rumford Street destroyed. A small quantity of hay and one pig lost. Cause unknown. Five hundred and fifty feet of hose wet. Recall 1.49 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$15.00	\$15.00	None.	None.
Contents,	55.00	55.00	None.	None.

STILL. August 1, 9.27 a. m. Chimney fire in residence

of George A. Laraba, 11 Center Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. August 4, 12.01 p. m. Chimney fire in the John Clinton restaurant, 8 Pleasant Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. August 7, 3.00 p. m. Slight fire on roof of dry bridge, Bridge Street. Caused by sparks from locomotive. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Loss trifling.

Box 48. August 10, 2.48 p. m. Alarm occasioned by kettle of pitch on oil stove boiling over and igniting in broom factory of H. Thompson, rear of 56 South Street. Son of proprietor severely burned on arm in throwing kettle and stove outside. What little fire remained on arrival of the department easily extinguished with pony extinguisher. Recall 2.59 p. m. Loss trifling.

STILL. August 17, 8.27 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. Lapierre, west of Auburn Street, near junction of Penacook Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 47. August 23, 12.56 p. m. Slight fire in residence 20 Broadway, owned by Frank Butterfield and occupied by E. B. Greenleaf. Caused by child and matches. Extinguished with chemicals. Recall 1.16 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Contents,	\$800.00	\$25.00	None.	None.

STILL. August 25, 12.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. L. Woods, 61 Downing Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 24. August 29, 7.14 p. m. Alarm occasioned by smoking of stove in stable rear of opera house. Needless alarm. Recall 7. 28 p. m.

STILL. August 30, 11.39 a. m. Grass fire in rear of 58 Hall Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. September 5, 9.45 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Peter Derouin, 12 Tuttle Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 25. September 5, 7.10 p. m. Alarm occasioned by automobile taking fire at Johnson's garage rear of Eagle Hotel. Cause unknown. Machine owned by W. A. Hasseltine of Claremont, N. H., and contained auto supplies which owner had just purchased. Recall 7.27 p. m. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Auto,	\$950.00	\$600.00	\$800.00	\$600.00
Contents,	350.00	350.00	None.	None.

STILL. September 14, 8.27 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. D. Smith, 4 Fuller Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. September 16, 9.29 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Asa Gee, 211½ North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. September 17, 9.23 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles Sennott, 76 South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. September 17, 10.39 a. m. Chimney fire reported at residence of Mrs. F. G. Mason, 46 Washington Street. Chemical Company responded. No fire.

STILL. September 29, 8.02 a. m. Chimney fire reported at McShane's Block, 13 Warren Street. Chemical Company responded, but found on fire. Escaping steam. No loss.

STILL. September 29, 10.40 a. m. Chimney fire in residence 116 Pleasant Street owned by Mrs. Carrie Storrs and occupied by W. C. Levy. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$7,000.00	\$40.62	\$6,000.00	\$40.62

STILL. October 2, 11.00 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of B. A. French, 17 Dakin Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 12, 2.47 a. m. Fire in Unitarian chapel, owned and occupied by the Second Congregational (Uni-

tarian) Society, corner Green and Capitol Streets. Caused by defective fireplace. Chemical Company responded, but the fire had assumed such proportions that a bell alarm was sent in. See next alarm.

Box 28. October 12, 2.50 a. m. Box pulled for preceding fire. One thousand eight hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 4.32 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$40,000.00	\$2,431.00	\$17,500.00	\$2,431.00
Contents,	3,000.00	788.52	1,000.00	788.52

STILL. October 14, 10.54 a. m. Chimney fire in Commercial House, 143 North Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 17, 3.27 p. m. Grass fire near railroad track, west of Hall Street south of Hammond Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required, the section men having it well in hand. No loss.

STILL. October 18, 9.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Dora Durgin, 19 Downing Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 22, 5.31 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. J. McFarland, 109 South Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 22, 6.22 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of G. H. Colby, 2 Chandler Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 23, 7.15 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of R. M. Clark, 7 Myrtle Street. Extinguished by members of Good Will Company. No loss.

STILL. October 27, 8.05 a. m. Chimney fire in the W. S. Kimball stable, corner Green and Warren Streets. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 30, 4.21 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Nelson Forrest, 23 Thorndike Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 31, 11.04 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of George Perry, 45 Bradley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 2, 7.38 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles Horn, 227 North Main Street. Extinguished by detail from Central Station. No loss.

STILL. November 2, 8.14 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Riley, 14 Walker Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 3, 1.09 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. S. Dutton, 21 Lyndon Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 3, 2.15 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of C. W. Young, 6 Pearl Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 3, 3.16 p. m. Fire in residence 9 Marshall Street owned and occupied by E. E. Sinter. Caused by overheated chimney. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,000.00	\$63.50	\$1,500.00	\$63.50

Box 55. November 3, 6.26 p. m. Slight fire in coal hoister in Boston & Maine R. R. yard opposite Chandler Street. Cause unknown. Four hundred and fifty feet of hose wet. Recall 6.56 p. m. Loss trifling.

Box 48. November 6, 9.37 a. m. Fire in tenement block 6-14 Pierce Street owned by W. D. Nutting and occupied by various parties. Fire originated on second floor of tenement No. 8 occupied by Frank Spring. Caused by rats and matches. Slight damage by water resulted in tenement No. 6 occupied by Mrs. A. M. Spokesfield. Four hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 9.53 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$3,00.00	\$50.00	\$2,500.00	\$50.00
Contents:				
A. M. Spokes-				
field,	700.00	10.00	300.00	10.00
Frank Spring,	500.00	50.00	None.	None.

STILL. November 9, 10.29 a. m. Chimney fire in resi-

dence of Miss Addie Leighton, 17 Monroe Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 12, 9.38 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Peter Jennings, 174 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 54. November 16, 4.20 a. m. Slight fire in residence 39 Stone Street owned by George L. Theobald and occupied by Fred Peters. Caused by overheated chimney. Extinguished with chemicals. Recall 5.20 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$200.00	\$35.00	\$700.00	\$35.00

STILL. November 22, 12.46 a. m. Fire in wooden ash barrel corner of Spring and Pleasant Streets. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 19. November 23, 3.37 p. m. Slight fire in residence, 20 Forest Street owned and occupied by Mrs. Melvina Tarantino. Caused by clothes hanging too near stove taking fire and dropping into wood box. Extinguished with chemicals and garden hose. Recall 4.10 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,800.00	\$25.00	\$1,500.00	\$25.00
Contents,	1,200.00	20.00	900.00	20.00

STILL. November 24, 10.02 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. L. B. Morrill, 87 South Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 25, 6.30 p. m. Alarm occasioned by back firing of automobile in the Gilford garage rear of 77 South Main Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance required. No loss.

STILL. November 29, 11.03 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of F. L. Gilford, 75 South Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 1, 9.56 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. Avanosee, 3 Foster Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 1, 7.45 p. m. Chimney fire in resi-

dence of H. A. Cutting, 30½ Center Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 2, 7.01 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Ada Kelley, 7 Harrod Street. Extinguished by members of Alert Hose Company. No loss.

STILL. December 6, 7.16 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Frank H. Smith, 17 Valley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 9, 5.17 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles L. Ash, 86 Broadway. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. December 10, 4.18 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. Lapierre, near junction of Long Pond road and Penacook Street. Chemical Company responded, four horses being required to make the run. No assistance required. No loss.

STILL. December 10, 8.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Joseph Massuckette, 15 Monroe Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 13, 12.38 p. m. Grass fire south of the Page Belting Company plant, East Penacook Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 14, 4.16 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of F. E. Gilford, 75 South Main Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. December 14, 10.25 p. m. Slight fire in flooring of the Currier and Atkins saloon, 7 Depot Street. Caused by contact of floor and steam pipe. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Loss trifling.

STILL. December 18, 8.25 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Thomas Connors, 6 Maitland Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 18, 10.34 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. E. Clark, 297 Pleasant Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 19, 3.31 p. m. Chimney fire in resi-

dence of Mrs. Carrie McDaniels, 22 Beacon Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 19, 5.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Dr. F. A. Stillings, 42 Pleasant Street. Chemical Company responded, but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. December 19, 7.14 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. F. Smart, 32 Stone Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 22, 4.59 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Napoleon Roy, 32 Woodman Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 22, 9.50 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of G. L. Turcotte, 4 Oak Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 23, 7.22 p. m. Alarm occasioned by collision of two locomotives in the Boston & Maine R. R. yard opposite Chandler Street, the desire being the extinguishing of the fires in both fire boxes. Chemical Company responded, but as there was a heavy fire in both engines, it was deemed a little expensive to extinguish them by that method, there being a hydrant close by.

STILL. December 23, 7.36 p. m. A call for assistance from scene of preceding fire. Kearsarge wagon and detail from Good Will Hose Company sent. Three hundred and fifty feet of hose wet. No loss.

STILL. December 25, 8.28 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. C. Chapman, 300 Pleasant Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. December 26, 7.48 a. m. Fire in basement of Colonial Block, 9-15 South Main Street owned by H. Shapiro and occupied on the first floor by the owner as clothing and shoe stores and the Mohican Company as a food department store. The upper floors were occupied by various tenants, most of whom were fortunate enough to escape loss from the gas and smoke which poured in dense volume from the basement. The fire originated un-

der the clothing store at No. 15 from spontaneous combustion of soft coal of which there were some fifty tons together with several tons of hard coal, most of which the firemen were compelled to remove in order to reach the seat of the trouble. Upon the arrival of the Chemical Company the extent of the task in hand was realized and a call for assistance sent in.

STILL. December 26, 7.55 a. m. Kearsarge wagon sent to Colonial Block and one high service laid as a precautionary measure but no water used. Chemical Company dismissed and detail from the department started to remove the coal. On account of the gas it was necessary to work the men in short shifts. One man was overcome soon after operations commenced and sent to the hospital, and later in the day another was overcome. At noon another detail of men was added to the force at work.

STILL. December 26, 1.26 p. m. Increased heat indicated near approach to the fire and the Chemical Company was again summoned.

Box 35. December 26, 1.31 p. m. Hardly had the Chemical Company entered the basement when a large quantity of gas was released which immediately ignited and the whole basement was aflame. Holes were cut in the floor above and a deluge of water soon ended the trouble as far as danger to the block was concerned. Nineteen hundred fifty feet of hose wet. Recall 2.54 p. m. Detail labored removing the coal until 5.00 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$40,000.00	\$842.71	\$35,000.00	\$842.71
Contents:				
H. Shapiro,	24,830.40	1,280.42	11,000.00	1,280.42
Mohican Co.,	11,801.55	532.76	10,621.40	543.76
M. D. Aldrich,	1,050.00	98.00	500.00	98.00
J. B. McLeod,	1,500.00	75.00	1,000.00	75.00

STILL. December 30, 7.08 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Benjamin Kachdoorian, 10 Foster Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

PENACOOK.

STILL. January 5, 5.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence owned by Frank E. Bean, 4 Charles Street. No loss.

STILL. January 6, 11.55 a. m. Chimney fire in residence 2 Fowler Street owned by Dr. E. E. Graves. No loss.

STILL. January 13, 8.50 a. m. Chimney fire in residence 22 Summer Street owned by John H. Rolfe. No loss.

Box 48. January 26, 6.45 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Samuel McClinton, 46 Rolfe Street. No loss.

No ALARM. January 31. House at Mast Yard owned by Herbert Long and occupied by Fred Davis discovered on fire at 9.30 p. m. House and contents total loss. Cause unknown.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$500.00	\$500.00	None.	None.
Contents:				
Fred Davis,	250.00	250.00	None.	None.
* Mrs. Long,	150.00	150.00	None.	None.

STILL. February 12, 4.50 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 5 Merrimack Street owned by Charles Barnett. No loss.

STILL. February 22, 4.13 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 9 Webster Street owned by Contocook Mfg. Co. No loss.

Box 35. February 29, 12.40 a. m. Chimney fire Boscawen side. Recall 1.30 a. m.

STILL. March 1, 6.15 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Henry Rolfe, 26 Penacook Street. No loss.

STILL. March 5, 12.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 61 South Main Street owned by Miss Lizzie Rolfe. No loss.

STILL. March 6, 9.30 p. m. Slight fire in block 11 Main Street owned by New Hampshire Spinning Company. Caused by defective chimney. Extinguished by members of Pioneer Company with chemicals.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,000.00	\$12.00	\$1,000.00	\$12.00

\* Goods in storage.

Box 47. March 21, 9.33 a. m. Alarm occasioned by burning of chair in residence of John Ferrin, 14 Rolfe Street. Recall 9.42 a. m.

Box 35. March 31, 11.45 a. m. Slight fire in Chadwick Block, 10 East Canal Street. Building owned by John Chadwick and occupied by J. Vezina as meat market and bakery. Fire originated in the meat market from an oil stove. Extinguished with chemicals. Recall 11.57 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$3,000.00	\$20.00	\$1,500.00	\$20.00
Contents,	2,000.00	45.00	1,700.00	45.00

Box 35. April 3, 11.35 a. m. Fire in residence 20 Merrimack Street owned and occupied by John McGirr, Jr. Caused by defective chimney. Eight hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 12.40 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,500.00	\$90.00	\$2,500.00	\$90.00
Contents,	500.00	40.00	500.00	40.00

Box 38. May 5, 12.27 a. m. Fire in barn 16 West Main Street owned and occupied by Isaac Tetreault. Cause unknown. Upper portion of barn destroyed. Rear of house adjoining also owned by Isaac Tetreault slightly damaged by heat. One thousand feet of hose wet. Recall 2.18 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Barn,	\$500.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
House,	2,700.00	20.00	1,500.00	20.00

STILL. May 14, 2.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 20 Penacook Street owned by C. D. Ingraham. No loss.

4-4-4. June 9, 7.32 p. m. Brush fire on the Plains on the Brown lot, so called. Labored one hour and twenty minutes. Loss trifling. Recall 8.50 p. m.

STILL. June 14, 11.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 104 Merrimack Street owned by Miss Lizzie Rolfe. No loss.

STILL. June 15, 2.20 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Isaac Tetreault. 20 West Main Street. No loss.

Box 38. June 15, 2.26 p. m. Box pulled for preceding fire. Recall 4.30 p. m.

4-4-4. June 23, 3.38 p. m. Brush on Plains opposite the J. H. Harriman place. Three hundred feet of hose wet. Labored forty-five minutes. Recall 4.22 p. m. No loss.

4-4-4. June 29, 6.58 p. m. Brush fire near the Contoocook River Park. Labored one hour and three quarters. Recall 8.45 p. m.

Box 37. June 29, 10.10 p. m. Fire discovered in lumber yard owned by C. M. & A. W. Rolfe on Washington Street which soon extended to the storehouse of the Central New Hampshire Power Company. Sparks also set fire to the roof of the Borough bridge and also endangered other buildings in the neighborhood. Assistant Engineer Dodge at this time deemed it prudent to send a call to the city proper for assistance. Upon the arrival of the steamer and hose company from the precinct the danger to surrounding buildings was over, but valuable aid was rendered in extinguishing the fire in the lumber. Recall 3.25 a. m., 30th instant. Detail left with hydrant stream until 5.30 a. m. Hose wet, Penacook, 2,400 feet, Boscawen 700 feet, Precinct, 1,200 feet. Between 250,000 and 300,000 feet of lumber destroyed.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$200.00	\$200.00	None.	None.
Contents:				
C. N. H. P.				
Co.,	4,000.00	4,000.00	None.	None.
C. M. & A. W.				
Rolfe,	9,000.00	6,000.00	None.	None.

STILL. June 30, 10.20 a. m. Brush fire near Contoocook River Park. Labored thirty minutes. No loss.

4-4-4. July 1, 1.05 p. m. Brush fire near Contoocook River Park. One thousand feet of hose wet. Labored two and one-quarter hours. No loss.

Box 25. July 3, 2.30 p. m. Alarm occasioned by ignition of oil in blacksmith shop owned by the Hoyt Electrical

Instrument Works, Washington Street. Shop detached from main plant. Extinguished by employees. Recall 2.35 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$200.00	\$25.00	\$200.00	\$25.00

4-4-4. July 3, 5.55 p. m. Brush fire near Contoocook River Park. Labored fifty minutes. Recall 6.45 p. m. No loss

STILL. July 4, 5.05 p. m. Brush fire near Outlet, Washington Street. Labored forty minutes. No loss.

11-11. July 4, 7.52 p. m. Brush fire at East Concord. Detail sent. Labored thirteen and one-half hours.

STILL. July 4, 9.00 p. m. Grass fire near Outlet, Washington Street. Labored forty-five minutes. No loss.

11-11. July 5, 11.40 a. m. Brush fire at East Concord. Detail sent. Labored five and one-half hours.

STILL. July 22, 5.10 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 8 West Main Street. owned by Joseph Stone. No loss.

STILL. July 24, 7.10 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of William Hoyt, 12 Summit Street. No loss.

No ALARM. July 24, 2.30 p. m. Tent on island at Contoocook River Park owned and occupied by Gale Brothers for camping purposes destroyed with contents, Cause unknown.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Tent,	\$12.00	\$12.00	None.	None.
Contents,	90.00	90.00	None.	None.

Box 37. August 11, 6.02 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Charles Rowe, 75 Washington St. Recall 6.40 a. m. No loss.

STILL. August 24, 4.00 p. m. Chimney fire in Eastman Block, 39 Summer Street. No loss.

Box 45. September 22, 12.45 p. m. Needless alarm. Fumigating Summer Street school house. Recall 12.49 p. m.

STILL. October 16, 7.20 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 6 Union Street owned by Mrs. Bowen. No loss.

Box 35. October 31, 1.20 p. m. Fire on Boscawen side.  
Recall 1.37 p. m.

STILL. November 17, 10.10 a. m. Chimney fire in residence 12 Center Street owned by J. E. Symonds. No loss.

STILL. November 17, 5.15 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 12 Center Street owned by J. E. Symonds. No loss.

STILL. November 18, 6.00 a. m. Chimney fire in Post Office, Main Street. No loss.

Box 47. November 30, 11.30 a. m. Fire on roof of store house owned and occupied by C. M. & A. W. Rolfe near passenger depot. Caused by spark from locomotive. Six hundred feet of hose wet. Recall 12.10 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$400.00	\$30.83	\$400.00	\$30.83
Contents,	\$2,200.00	275.40	2,100.00	275.40

STILL. December 7, 4.30 a. m. Chimney fire in block 8 Walnut Street owned by Contoocook Mfg. Co. No loss.

STILL. December 7, 10.50 a. m. Chimney fire in block 5 Main Street owned by Mrs. W. C. Spicer. No loss.

STILL. December 7, 2.20 p. m. Chimney fire in block 5 Main Street owned by Mrs. W. C. Spicer.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,000.00	\$6.50	\$2,000.00	\$6.50

Box 34. December 9, 4.55 a. m. Fire on roof of block 44-48 Charles Street owned by Mrs. Mary Baty. Caused by spark from chimney. Three hundred and fifty of feet hose wet. Recall 6.30 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$4,000.00	\$1.98	\$2,000.00	\$1.98

STILL. December 10, 6.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 38 Rolfe Street owned by Mrs. Wales. No loss.

STILL. December 21, 7.00 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Martin Nolan near passenger depot. No loss.

## EAST CONCORD.

STILL. January 6, 9.05 a. m. Chimney fire in residence owned by Mary F. Robinson on Portsmouth Street. No loss.

BELL. January 6, 12.10 p. m. Set of buildings owned and occupied by Joseph Wilcox on Pecker Street destroyed with contents. Caused by defective chimney.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Contents,	300.00	300.00	None.	None.

STILL. January 6, 1.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Joseph King, Pecker Street. No loss.

STILL. January 23, 6.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles Carter, Penacook Street. No loss.

STILL. January 26, 4.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. J. Lyle, Pembroke Street. No loss.

BELL. February 22, 10.30 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Sarah Gardner, Pembroke Street. Needless alarm. No loss.

STILL. February 22, 2.15 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Fred S. Farnum, Penacook Street. No loss.

STILL. March 18, 2.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence, corner of Penacook and Shawmut Street owned by Mrs. Perkins, Tilton, N. H. No loss.

STILL. May 7, 8.30 a. m. Chimney fire in residence owned by C. E. Staniels, Penacook Street. No loss.

BELL. July 4, 7.30 a. m. Brush fire on land owned by David Sanborn and others, near the Canterbury line. Labored four hours. No loss.

BELL. July 4, 2.15 p. m. Brush fire in same locality as preceding fire. Labored five hours. No loss. See precinct report.

BELL. December 13, 12.45 p. m. Brush fire on land owned by Albert Stevens, on the mountain. Labored one hour. No loss.

WEST CONCORD.

STILL. January 17, 5.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of James Girard, 452 North State Street. No loss.

STILL. February 19, 6.45 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Bernard Donahue, 514 North State Street. No loss.

STILL. March 25, 11.45 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Matherson, 5 Lake Street. No loss.

STILL. April 28, 9.00 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of David Piper, 9 Peabody Street. No loss.

BELL. May 4, 10.00 a. m. Brush fire on land owned by John Swenson and the city. Labored two hours. No loss.

STILL. June 14, 9.00 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Fred Tucker, 454 North State Street. No loss.

STILL. June 24, 8.00 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of James H. Harrington, 533 North State Street. No loss.

BELL. July 4, 8.30 p. m. Brush fire at East Concord. Detail from Cataract Company sent by order of Chief Green. See precinct report.

BELL. August 9, 4.30 a. m. Wooden building, 526 North State Street, owned by Clinton O. Partridge and occupied by James M. Crossman, blacksmith, and Harry Danforth, potato chip maker. Cause unknown.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Contents:				
J. M. Crossman,	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
H. Danforth,	400.00	400.00	225.00	225.00

BELL. August 22, 11.20 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Walter G. Fuller, 499 North State Street. No loss.

STILL. November 1, 6.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Eva Silva, Hutchins Street. No loss.

STILL. November 13, 10.30 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of James H. Harrington, 533 North State Street. Loss trifling.

STILL. November 27, 1.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Benjamin H. Kemp, 461 North State Street. No loss.

## SUMMARY.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Insurance paid.	Net loss.
<b>BUILDINGS.</b>					
Precinct.....	\$250,065.00	\$9,203.52	\$161,725.00	\$3,763.52	\$440.00
Penacook.....	17,012.00	1,218.31	11,400.00	506.31	712.00
East Concord.....	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
West Concord.....	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	.....
Total.....	\$268,977.00	\$12,321.83	\$174,525.00	\$10,669.83	\$1,652.00
<b>CONTENTS.</b>					
Precinct.....	\$105,606.95	\$9,755.88	\$41,850.00	\$3,233.88	\$1,522.00
Penacook.....	18,190.00	10,850.40	4,300.00	360.40	10,490.00
East Concord.....	300.00	300.00	.....	.....	300.00
West Concord.....	700.00	700.00	525.00	525.00	175.00
Total.....	\$124,796.95	\$21,606.28	\$46,675.00	\$9,119.28	\$12,487.00
Buildings.....	268,977.00	12,321.83	174,525.00	10,669.83	1,652.00
Buildings and contents	\$393,773.95	\$33,928.11	\$221,200.00	\$19,789.11	\$14,139.00

## APPARATUS AND FORCE.

The apparatus and force of the department is as follows:

Precinct, located at the Central Fire Station, one first-class Amoskeag engine, "Eagle," with modern hose wagon, attached to Eagle Steam Fire Engine Company (13 men); one second-class Amoskeag engine, "Kearsarge," and modern hose wagon, attached to the Kearsarge Steam Fire Engine Company (14 men); one second-class Amoskeag engine, "Governor Hill," relief engine, in charge of an engineer and firemen and one double 60-gallon-tank Holloway chemical engine, in charge of two permanent men; one ladder truck, "City of Concord," attached to Hook and Ladder Company (21 men); one house man at Central Fire Station. There are twelve horses kept at this station. There are six permanent men located at the Central Fire Station and one permanent man at each fire station within the precinct.

The Alert Hose Company (11 men), located on Washington Street, has a modern hose wagon with permanent man and two horses.

The Good Will Hose Company (11 men), located on the corner of Concord and South State Streets, has a modern hose wagon with permanent man and two horses.

Veterans' Auxiliary Company (30 men).

One hook and ladder truck, one hose reel and one wagon in reserve.

The "Pioneer" Engine Company, No. 3 (28 men), at Penacook, has a third-class Metropolitan engine, with two hose wagons.

The Cataract Company (30 men), at West Concord, has a Hunneman 6-inch cylinder hand engine and a modern hose wagon.

Old Fort (30 men), East Concord, has a 4½-inch cylinder Hunneman hand engine and hand ladder truck, and one hand-drawn chemical engine, 50-gallon, single tank.

## HOSE.

Precinct,	9,400 feet.
Penacook,	3,000 "
West Concord,	1,400 "
East Concord,	500 "
	14,300 feet.

## PUBLIC RESERVOIRS.

	Capacity cubic feet.
1. Main Street, opposite Abbot-Downing Co.'s,	1,000
2. Main Street, middle front State House yard,	1,500
3. Main Street, rear Court House,	2,000
4. State Street, corner Washington Street,*	2,000
5. Rumford Street, near Mrs. Josiah Minot's,	1,000
6. Orchard Street, corner of Pine Street,*	4,000
7. School Street, corner of Summit Street,*	3,500

\* Brick cemented.

## FIRE-ALARM TELEGRAPH.

## NUMBER, LOCATION, ETC.

For the purpose of uniformity in numbering the fire-alarm boxes, the city is divided into six districts, viz.:

DISTRICT 1. Embraces that section of the city north and west of Washington Street, Box 17 of this division being located on the south side of the street.

DISTRICT 2. Embraces all between School and Washington Streets.

DISTRICT 3. Embraces all between Pleasant and School Streets.

DISTRICTS 4, 5, AND 6. Embrace all south of Pleasant Street.

The first figure of the box number will indicate the district.

## DISTRICT No. 1.

- 9. New Hampshire State Prison.
- 12. Curtice Avenue.
- 13. Franklin and Rumford.
- 14. Bradley and Walker.
- 15. Main and Church.
- 16. Franklin and Jackson.
- 17. Alert Hose House.
- 18. C. S. Gale's Store.
- 19. Centre and Liberty.
- 131. Franklin and Charles.
- 191. Auburn and Granite.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

- 21. State, opposite Court.
- 23. Main and Chapel.
- 24. Main and Centre.
- 25. Main and School.

26. Centre and Union.
27. School and Merrimack.
28. School and Spring.
29. Centre and Essex.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

32. Warren and Pine.
34. Central Fire Station.
35. Martin's Drug Store.
36. Pleasant and Spring.
37. Pleasant and North Fruit.
38. Orchard and Merrimack.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

41. South and Thompson.
42. Good Will Hose House.
43. Main and Fayette.
45. Nelson & Durrell's Store.
46. Perley and Grove.
47. South, opposite Downing.
48. Thorndike and South.
49. West and Mills.
412. Wall and Elm.
413. Main, opposite Thorndike.
414. State and West.
471. Clinton and South Fruit.

## DISTRICT No. 5.

51. Boston & Maine Railroad, new shops.
52. South Main and Allison.
53. Hall and Hammond.
54. Broadway and Pillsbury.
56. St. Paul's School.

- 57. Pleasant View.
- 521. Broadway and Rockingham.
- 522. South Main and Holly.

## DISTRICT No. 6.

- 62. South Main, opposite Holt Bros.

## PRIVATE BOXES.

- 5. Boston & Maine Railroad, north end passenger depot.
- 6. The Abbot-Downing Company.
- 7. New Hampshire State Hospital.
- 8. Page Belting Company.
- 9. Three boxes inside New Hampshire State Prison.
- 33. State House.
- 39. Odd Fellows' Home.
- 55. Boston & Maine Railroad, old repair shops.

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 FIRE-ALARM SIGNALS.

Alarms rung in from Boxes 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 412, 413, 414, 471, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 62, 521 and 522, will not be responded to by the Alert Hose Company until signaled. The signal to proceed to the fire will be four blows or second alarm, excepting alarms rung in from Box 56.

Alarms rung in from Boxes 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 131, 191, 21, 23, 26, 27, 29, 32, 37, 39 and 56 will not be responded to by the Good Will Hose Company until signaled. It will be governed by the same signals governing Alert Hose Company. The Alert Hose and Good Will Hose Companies will hitch up and remain in readiness 20 minutes after the first alarm, to all boxes not responded to on first alarm. Then, receiving no signal, the officers in charge shall dismiss their companies.

Alarms rung in from Boxes 12, 37, 53, 54, 57, 191, 471 and 521 will not be responded to by the Kearsarge Company on first alarm.

The signal to proceed to the fire will be two blows, four blows, or second alarm, as circumstances may warrant.

Kearsarge Steamer to all calls except 51.

Eagle Hose Company to all calls.

Eagle Steamer to Box 6, on first alarm; to Boxes 23, 24, 25, 33, 34, 35, 42, 43, 45 and 413, on second; to all others on third, except 9 and 56.

Governor Hill Steamer will respond to Boxes 7, 8, 9 and 39 on first alarm; to Boxes 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 131, 191, 21, 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 36, 37, 38, 41, 46, 47, 48, 49, 412, 414, 471, 52, 54, 55, 57, 62, 521 and 522, on second; to all others on third.

Chemical Engine will respond to all box alarms except 8, 9, 51, 56, 57 and 521.

Veterans' Auxiliary Company will respond to all third alarms occurring before the recall, whether emanating from same box or not.

Two rounds of 11 strokes each will signalize the requirement of assistance out of town, and will be responded to by a detail of three men from each company, appointed for the purpose, and by those alone.

Two additional blows will indicate that the call for assistance emanates from East Concord. Such apparatus will be detailed as circumstances warrant. In case further aid is necessary, Box 34 (Central Station) will follow.

All-out signal, three strokes of the bell.

#### BRUSH FIRE SIGNAL.

Three rounds of four strokes each will be sounded on the bells and will be responded to by a detail of four men from each company, appointed for the purpose, and by those alone.

## MILITARY SIGNAL.

Two rounds of 3-1-2.

## SIGNALS FOR CLOSING SCHOOLS.

Two strokes of the bell given three times, with a pause of 15 seconds between the rounds.

The signal to close for the forenoon session will be given at 8 o'clock. a. m.

The signal to close for the afternoon session will be given at 1 o'clock p. m.

The signal to close all schools for one session will be given at 11.30 a. m.

## TESTING SIGNALS.

For the purpose of testing the condition and accuracy of the fire-alarm telegraph, a box alarm will be rung in every Monday afternoon at 4.30 o'clock precisely. It will be one single round only, indicating by the strokes on the bells the number of the box. The boxes used for this purpose will vary each week, alternating in the circuits.

Upon each other week-day a single blow upon the bells will be rung in from a box, alternating as before mentioned.

## THE FIRE-ALARM TELEGRAPH.

is the "Gamewell" patent. It embraces 42 miles of wire.

On the lines are 46 fire-alarm boxes belonging to the city, and 10 private boxes—in all, 56. There are three alarm bells, one of 3,724 pounds (bell metal), one of 3,740 pounds (bell metal), and one of 2,000 pounds (American steel). There are also 16 mechanical tappers, 40 direct action tappers, one four-circuit repeater, and six indicators.

The battery consists of 252 storage battery cells.

The alarm system was installed in 1880 by the Gamewell Fire-alarm Telegraph Company.

## DIRECTIONS FOR GIVING AN ALARM.

Above all things, keep cool.

To obtain the key to the box, break the glass in the key box located beneath the alarm box.

In each box there is a small bell called a "tell-tale," designed expressly for the purpose of informing you whether an alarm is being transmitted the instant you open the door.

Open the box, and if this bell is not heard, pull down the hook once only and let go.

But if this bell should be heard, it would indicate that another box had been pulled, and it would be useless to attempt to pull another until the one already pulled had performed its mission.

Wait until 20 seconds have elapsed after the "tell-tale" has stopped ringing, close the door, which will restore the armature to the position it left when the door was opened.

Open the door, pull down the hook once only and let go. Should there be no response, pull it again.

Then should there be no response, go to the next box.

Unless your presence is most urgently required at the scene of the fire, remain at the box to direct the department.

Never open the box or touch anything pertaining to it except in case of fire.

Never give an alarm for a fire seen at a distance.

Be reasonably sure that there is a fire before giving an alarm.

Never give an alarm for a chimney fire unless there is imminent danger of the building catching.

## PENACOOK FIRE-ALARM TELEGRAPH.

## NUMBER, LOCATION, ETC.

*W. C. Green, Chief Engineer:*

I herewith submit for your consideration the following report of the Penacook fire-alarm telegraph system. The system is the Gamewell patent, and consists of four and one-half miles of No. 9 iron wire. On the lines are eleven boxes owned by the city, two private boxes, one 1,500-pound bell, one indicator, three mechanical gongs and three direct-action tappers. The battery consists of thirty-six storage battery cells. One new box was added the past year. I would respectfully recommend the addition to the system of two new boxes the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED M. DODGE,  
*Superintendent of Fire Alarm.*

## LOCATION OF BOXES.

31. Elm Street, near S. N. Brown's house.
34. Charles Street.
35. Washington Square.
37. Washington Street, near outlet.
38. Junction of West Main and South Main Streets.
39. South Main Street, near cemetery.
41. Corner of Centre and East Canal streets.
42. High Street, opposite Maple Street.
45. Summer Street, opposite Church Street.
47. Merrimack Street, opposite Hose House.
48. Corner Penacook and Rolfe streets.

## PRIVATE BOXES.

25. Hoyt Electrical Instrument Works.
62. Concord Axle Works.

ALL-OUT SIGNAL.

Three strokes of the bell.

BRUSH FIRE SIGNAL.

Three rounds of four strokes each.

OUT-OF-TOWN SIGNAL.

Two rounds of eleven strokes each.

FOR FIRE ON BOSCAWEN SIDE.

Box 35, with two additional strokes.

SIGNALS FOR CLOSING SCHOOLS.

Two strokes of the bell given three times, with a pause of 15 seconds between the rounds.

The signal to close all schools for the forenoon session will be given at 7.30 a. m.

The signal to close for the forenoon session at the Charles Street building will be given at 8.00 a. m.

The signal to close all schools for the afternoon session will be given at 12.15 p. m.

The signal to close for the afternoon session at the Charles Street building will be given at 12.45 p. m.

TESTING SIGNALS.

For the purpose of testing the condition and accuracy of the fire-alarm telegraph, a box alarm will be rung in every Saturday afternoon at 12.50 o'clock precisely. It will be one single round only, indicating by the strokes on the bells the number of the box. The boxes used for this purpose will vary each week, alternating in the circuits.

Upon each other week-day a single blow upon the bells will be rung in from a box, alternating as before mentioned.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR GIVING AN ALARM.

To open the box, break the glass and turn the key.

In each box there is a small bell called a "tell-tale," designed expressly for the purpose of informing you whether an alarm is being transmitted the instant you open the door.

Open the box, and if this bell is not heard, pull down the hook the whole length of the slot, once only, and let go.

But if this bell should be heard, it would indicate that another box had been pulled, and it would be useless to attempt to pull another until the one already pulled had performed its mission.

Unless your presence is most urgently required at the scene of the fire, remain at the box to direct the department. Never open the box or touch anything pertaining to it except in case of fire.

Never give an alarm for a fire seen at a distance.

Be reasonably sure that there is a fire before giving an alarm.

Never give an alarm for a chimney fire unless there is imminent danger of the building catching.

The Penacook fire-alarm system was installed in June, 1908, under direction of the chief engineer.

REVISED ORDINANCE.

CHAPTER XVIII.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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SECTION 1. The fire department shall consist of a chief engineer, two assistants within the precinct, one engineer each from Ward 1, Ward 2, and Ward 3; two steamer and hose companies, one company to consist of thirteen men, including driver, and one company to consist of fourteen men, including driver, one relief steamer (company) to consist of two men; two hose companies to consist of eleven men, including driver; a chemical engine company to consist of two men; a hook and ladder company to consist of twenty-one men, including driver, a house man at Central Fire Station; steamer Pioneer, not less than twenty nor more than forty men; hand engine companies No. 2 and No. 3, not less than twenty nor more than thirty men each. Each company shall be allowed three substitutes, except Hook and Ladder company, No. 1, which shall have five, to be approved by the chief-engineer. The engineers shall exercise the powers of fire wards, and those within the precinct shall constitute the board of engineers.

SECT. 2. The chief engineer and assistant engineers and all other members of the fire department shall hold their respective offices and places until they are removed, or their offices or places are otherwise vacated. The board of mayor and aldermen, for cause, and after a due hearing, may at any time remove from office or place the chief engineer, any assistant engineer, or any officer or member of the department. In case of vacancies from any cause in the department, of officers or men connected in any manner with the fire service, such vacancies shall be filled by the board of mayor and aldermen.

SECT. 3. The chief engineer shall give his entire time to the duties of his office, unless herein otherwise provided, and shall not engage in or be connected with any other business or occupation, and shall reside in a house to be furnished by the city free from rent. He shall receive in full for his services as chief, in addition to the use of said house, rent free, the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

SECT. 4. The chief engineer shall have the sole command at fires over all persons, whether members of the fire department or not. He shall direct all proper measures for extinguishing fires, protecting property, preserving order, and enforcing the laws, ordinances and regulations respecting fires; and shall examine into the condition of the fire engines and all other fire apparatus, and of the fire engine houses, and other houses belonging to the city and used by the department, and by the companies thereto attached, as often as once a week, and whenever directed to do so by the mayor, or the committee on fire department through its chairman. He shall certify all bills and submit the same for inspection monthly to the joint standing committee on fire department. He shall report to the board of aldermen annually a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the fire department, the condition of the fire engines and all other fire apparatus, a detailed schedule of the property in his charge, the names of the officers and members, and all other facts in relation to the department. Whenever the fire engines or other fire apparatus require repairs he shall, under the direction of the committee on fire department, cause the same to be made, and as far as practicable he shall examine into the location and condition of fire apparatus belonging to corporations or private individuals within the limits of the city. He shall require permanent men, when not otherwise engaged, to perform such other duties and do such other work as in his judgment may be deemed proper. He shall be responsible for the proper care of all property connected with the fire department. He shall keep fair and exact rolls of the respective companies, specifying the time of admission and discharge, and the age of each member, and shall report annually, or oftener if directed, all accidents by fire which may happen within the city, with the causes thereof, the number and description of the buildings destroyed or injured and the amount of loss and insurance on the same, together with the names of owners or the occupants and

shall make returns as required by the public statutes. He shall visit each department house as often as practicable, and inspect the men, the books of the house, and see that the quarters are properly conducted and in good order. He shall have the power to suspend any officer or member of the department for insubordination, disorderly conduct, or neglect of duty, said suspension to continue pending the action of the mayor and aldermen. The chief engineer shall examine all places where shavings and other combustible materials may be collected or deposited, and cause the same to be removed by the tenants or occupants of such places, or at their expense, whenever in his opinion such removal is necessary for the security of the city against fires.

SECT. 5. In the absence of the chief engineer, the next assistant engineer in rank, who may be present, shall have the powers and perform the duties of the chief engineer, and the seniority in rank of the engineers shall be determined by the board of engineers at their first meeting.

SECT. 6. The captain of each engine, hose, and hook and ladder company, immediately after every fire at which said company may have attended, shall examine into the condition of the fire apparatus belonging to his respective company, and report any deficiency which may exist to the chief engineer. He shall keep, or cause to be kept by the clerk of his company, exact rolls, specifying the time of admission, discharge, and age of each member, and accounts of all city property entrusted to the care of the several members, and of all cases of absence and tardiness, in a book provided for that purpose by the city, which rolls and record books are always to be subject to the order of the chief engineer and mayor. They shall also make, or cause to be made, to the chief engineer, true and accurate returns of all members, with their ages, and of the apparatus entrusted to their care, whenever called upon so to do.

SECT. 7. The captain of each company shall, under the direction of the chief engineer, have charge and management of his company at fires; the lieutenant shall assist the captain in the discharge of his duties and act as clerk of the company, and in the absence of the captain assume his authority. The captain and lieutenant shall be appointed by the chief engineer.

SECT. 8. The stewards of the Alert and Good Will Hose companies shall act as drivers of hose carriages, take charge of and properly care for and exercise the horses used by each company. They shall be permanently engaged and devote their whole time to the department, and sleep in their respective stations at night; and for the proper execution of all duties required of them shall be subject to the direction of the chief engineer.

SECT. 9. It shall be the duty of every engine, hose, and hook and ladder company to have its engine, hose and other apparatus cleaned

washed, oiled, reeled and housed immediately after its return from any fire or service, and at all times to maintain the same in good condition, and the members of the several companies shall perform any necessary duties which the chief engineer or their respective captain may direct.

SEC. 10. All members of the department when on duty shall wear some suitable badge, to be designated by the board of engineers. The chief and permanent members shall wear at all times when on duty the regulation uniform worn by the fire department.

SEC. 11. The pay-rolls for the board of engineers and the several fire companies shall be made up by the chief and clerk of the board of engineers semi-annually, on the first day of January and July. Captains and clerks of companies will forward their pay-rolls to the board of engineers for approval, and after the action of said engineers and the committee on accounts and claims, said pay-rolls shall be passed over to the city tax collector, under whose sole direction all sums for services of call firemen shall be disbursed.

SEC. 12. No charge for extra services will be allowed any member of the department unless upon an order of a member of the board of engineers.

SEC. 13. No engine, hose or hook and ladder carriage shall be taken to a fire out of the city without permission from the chief engineer, except steamer Pioneer, which may be taken to any fire in the village of Penacook, not shall any apparatus of the fire department be taken from the city except in case of fire without permission from the board of mayor and aldermen; and in sending any apparatus to aid in extinguishing fires in neighboring localities, the chief in all cases will authorize his assistant next in rank available to take charge of the direction of such apparatus, and not allow any firemen, at such an emergency, to leave the city, except such a number as is actually required to man the apparatus, and no member to leave without permission or direction from the chief engineer.

SEC. 14. It shall be the duty of engineers and firemen, whenever there is an alarm of fire in the city, to repair immediately to the place of such fire, wearing a suitable badge, and the engineers shall take proper measures that the several engines and other apparatus be arranged and duly worked for the speedy and effectual extinguishment of the fire. The engineers shall inspect and make themselves familiar with all shops, hotels, tenement blocks, and all public buildings, halls, churches, school-houses and asylums once in each six months, and study the location of all hydrants and reservoirs in the city, and generally inform themselves in all matters pertaining to their duties as engineers. No engineer shall interfere with or attempt to give orders relative to the location or use of a line of hose, when he has ascertained that another has command of it, unless by consent of the engineer in command of it, or by orders of

the officer in command at the fire; and it shall be his duty to enquire if there is an officer in charge.

SEC. 15. For each absence from fire, or neglect of duty, the chief engineer, the assistant engineers, and engineers of steamers shall be fined three dollars, and each other member of the department one dollar; provided, however, that any fireman liable as above may in case of sickness have power of substitution by giving notice, each assistant engineer to the chief, each captain to an engineer, and each other member to the captain of his company. All fines shall be paid to the clerks of respective companies at the first regular meeting after they are incurred. The clerks of companies shall disburse the fines to substitutes answering for absent members in cases where there were substitutes. In cases where there were no substitutes the fines shall be paid to the city.

SEC. 16. Any volunteer company using the apparatus of the city at any fire shall be under the control and command of the chief engineer and his assistants, agreeably to the foregoing provisions of this chapter.

SEC. 17. The department shall appear for public parade, drill and inspection at such times as the chief engineer and committee on fire department shall order, for which purpose three hundred dollars may be expended annually. The companies in Ward 1, 2, and 3 will attend by invitation and voluntarily. Each company in the department under the direction of the chief engineer or assistants shall take out their respective engines and apparatus for exercise and drill as often as he shall direct, such exercise and drill to take place in public, not oftener than once a month, and at least once in two months, between the first of April and November.

SEC. 18. The engineers shall have control of all persons appointed to serve in any company of the fire department and power to direct and control the labor of all persons present at any fire. An engineer may and shall cause any fire deemed by him to be dangerous in any place to be extinguished or removed.

SEC. 19. The engineers may establish such regulations respecting the kindling, guarding, and safe keeping of fires, and for the removal of shavings and other combustibles from any building or place, as they shall think expedient. Such regulations shall be signed by a majority of the engineers. Such regulations shall be approved by the mayor and aldermen, recorded by the city clerk, and copies attested by him posted up in two or more places in the city thirty days, when they shall take effect. Penalties not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence may be prescribed by the engineers for the breach of such regulations, and such regulations shall remain in force until altered or annulled.

SEC. 20. The board of engineers may from time to time make and enforce such regulations for the government of the department as may be deemed proper, subject to the approval of the board of mayor and aldermen.

SEC. 21. If any member of any of the several companies shall wilfully neglect or refuse to discharge his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct or disobedience to any officer or to any engineer, he shall for any such offence be forthwith dismissed from the department by direction of the chief engineer. No person shall be a member of, or serve in, the fire department, who is under the age of twenty years, and no person whose occupation is carried on outside the city shall be appointed a member of the fire department.

SEC. 22. All applicants for membership shall be nominated by the chief engineer, and shall receive pay and be considered members of the department from the date of their confirmation by the board of mayor and aldermen.

No person shall hereafter be appointed to any position in the fire department unless and until the committee on fire department shall have certified in writing to the board of mayor and aldermen that such person has been examined by them, or under their supervision, and is in their opinion qualified to perform the duties of the position to which he is nominated.

No officer or member of the permanent, or officer of the call force shall attend any political convention as a delegate, distribute tickets at any election, or take any part whatever in political matters other than to exercise the right of suffrage, and no political or religious discussion shall be permitted in any of the department houses.

SEC. 23. The chief engineer shall have the care and management of the rooms, apparatus, machinery, wires, poles, and signal boxes connected with the fire-alarm telegraph. He shall prepare rules and directions for giving alarms of fire through the telegraph. He shall have the superintendence, and under the direction of the joint standing committee on the fire department have control, of the several stations, the apparatus, the furniture therein, and all other property appertaining to the department. He shall, with the assistance of the permanent men at the Central station, make the necessary repairs and take care of the fire-alarm system, including the batteries, all alarm boxes, and everything pertaining to the fire-alarm system. He shall personally be able to master the fire-alarm in every particular, and every permanent man at the Central station shall be obliged to understand the fire-alarm system in order that the chief engineer may call upon any of them to attend to and repair any part of the same. This provision shall not be construed to prevent the chief engineer from employing extra linemen when necessary, or from acting promptly in any emergency.

SEC. 24. Permanent officers and men of the department shall be entitled to a vacation without loss of pay of fourteen days in each year. In addition they shall be entitled to be off duty without loss of pay two days in each month, such two days not to be taken in the same week. In the weeks that they are not off duty for a day, under the above

provision, they shall be entitled to be off duty for one night without loss of pay. All vacations and absences from duty under the above to be under the direction of the chief engineer.

SEC. 25. The standing committee on fire department, subject to the board of mayor and aldermen, shall by themselves or agent purchase all supplies in connection with the fire department, and direct all repairs of apparatus; and all bills contracted for the department must receive their approval before being passed on by the committee on accounts and claims. They shall hold stated meetings at least once each month at the Central fire station, and all communications to the city government from the fire department must come through said committee, and annually at the call of the finance committee, in connection with the chief engineer, they shall make recommendations as to the amount of appropriations the wants of the department will require for the coming year.

SEC. 26. The city marshal and regular police officers shall have in charge all matters relating to the removal and protection of personal property endangered by fire, and any person entering a building or removing property contrary to the orders of the city marshal or such police officers shall be fined five dollars; and in the absence of firemen at fires from their respective department houses, the policemen in that vicinity will take charge of said houses.

SEC. 27. It shall be the duty of the chief engineer to cause all snow and ice or other obstructions to be removed from and around all fire hydrants owned by the city, so that at all times the fire department can make immediate connection of the hose to the hydrants.

SEC. 28. The annual pay of the members of the fire department shall be as follows, and in full for all services in said department:

Chief, twelve hundred and fifty dollars per annum and house-rent; permanent force at Central fire station, eight hundred and forty dollars each, drivers at Good Will and Alert hose houses, eight hundred and forty dollars each, the members of the chemical company nine hundred and twelve dollars each, per annum, payable semi-monthly; assistant engineers, within the precinct, one hundred and forty-five dollars each; engineers of steamers, within the precinct, one hundred and thirty-five dollars each; captains of companies, within the precinct, each one hundred and ten dollars per annum; lieutenants of companies, within the precinct, one hundred and five dollars per annum; members of steamer, hose, and hook and ladder companies, within the precinct, and house man at Central fire station one hundred dollars per annum; outside the precinct, engine companies Nos. 2 and 3, three hundred and forty dollars each, and Pioneer Steamer company No. 3, six hundred dollars, said sums to be divided among the members as each company shall direct; engineer of steamer at Penacook, seventy-five dollars per annum; assistant engineer at Penacook, twenty-five dollars; assistant

engineer at East Concord, twenty dollars; and assistant engineer at West Concord, twenty dollars.

SEC. 29. The several engineers residing in Wards 1, 2 and 3 shall have the entire care and control, under the direction of the chief engineer, of the buildings and appurtenances occupied in part by the fire department situated in said wards, respectively, to whom all applications for the use of the halls, or any other part of such building, shall be made. Said engineers may severally appoint janitors, at annual salaries not to exceed fifteen dollars, who shall serve under the exclusive direction of the engineer having the care and control of the building where said janitor shall be appointed. Each of said engineers shall annually, in the month of December, render a detailed statement, in writing, to the mayor and aldermen, of all receipts and expenditures for the preceding year on account of such buildings.

SEC. 30. Stewards for the Pioneer Steamer company and engine companies Nos. 2 and 3 shall be appointed by the mayor and aldermen, and shall receive for all services performed by them in that capacity the following sums: For Pioneer Steamer company, thirty dollars per annum, and when performing the duties of janitor of the building an additional sum of forty-five dollars per annum; and for stewards of engine companies Nos. 2 and 3, thirty dollars per annum each. No steward shall be allowed to purchase supplies for such building, or for the department, unless by the authority and direction of the committee on fire department; and in no case shall he have any care or control of the building or its appurtenances occupied by the company of which he is a member, except in the immediate service of the company, unless he shall be appointed janitor thereof, when he shall be under the direction of the engineer, as provided in the foregoing section.

SEC. 31. The permanent men and horses at all of the fire stations in Concord shall at all times be on duty at their respective stations to attend to fire alarm calls; and neither the permanent men nor the permanent horses connected with the fire department shall engage in any work for any other department of the city.

The men at the different fire stations shall do such work in connection with the station and apparatus as the chief engineer or his assistants may direct. All permanent men shall lodge in their respective stations (except the chief), and in all cases of absence a substitute must be furnished; and in all cases when any extra service is required, the chief, with the sanction of the committee on fire department shall have power to hire the same; the chief may also increase as far as possible the number of call men who wish to lodge at any fire station, subject to the regulations of the fire department. The chief engineer shall be furnished with a horse and wagon, to be maintained by the city, for his use at all times.

SEC. 32. All alarms for brush or for forest fires shall be responded