CORRESPONDENCE.

LOSS OF PRESSURE IN HOSE.

To FIRE AND WATER ENGINEERING:

Please let me know the loss of pressure in hose from fifty to 1,000 feet, with eighty pounds pressure at the nozzle.

Chief.

[The following are figures showing the loss of pressure in hose from fifty to 1,000 feet:

Pressure at nozzle, eighty pounds, diameter of nozzle, one inch; gallons of water discharged per minute, 21.9.

Pressure at hydrant to maintain pressure at nozzle through two and one-half inch smooth, rubber-lined hose.

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Note: The figures are approximate and may vary depending on the actual conditions.
June 30, 1905.

Messrs. The Board of Fire Commissioners.

Auburn, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

The Water Board has requested, in an informal manner, that a test of the pressure in the water mains be made by the Fire Department; I therefore ask that you kindly co-operate with the Water Board in making the test.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Mayor.
Barth was formerly in Mr. Stupp's employ, and during weeks did about one week's work in the shop. He was not allowed a key to the shop, but seems to have possessed himself of one, in order to make a raid on the premises. He had sufficient plunder on him to admit of a charge of grand larceny—sufficient, without the charge of arson, to send him to State prison. He was too drunk to be examined this forenoon.

The Incendiary Committed to Jail.

Barth was arraigned in Police Court this afternoon, on charge of arson and grand larceny. He waived examination and was committed to jail to await the action of the grand jury, which sits in October next. The prisoner is a young man about twenty years of age, and has been under surveillance by the police for some time past. He has been seen under suspicious circumstances at the outbreak of incendiary fires heretofore, and is, without doubt, a fire-bug of the determined character.
ANOTHER INCENDIARY ATTEMPT.

An attempt was made on Saturday night at about ten o'clock, to burn the lumber yard of Mr. W. H. Derby, on Wall street, Mr. Josiah Hille, while residing home at the Grove house, saw a light in the yard, and gave an alarm of suspicious movements.

Approaching the spot, there was a lively stampede of some party, from the premises, and a large fireball, saturated with kerosene, was found, ready for application to the lumber.

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INCENDIARISM.—An incendiary attempt was made last evening burning Barton & Son's malt house on Water street, at an early hour this morning. It was discovered by Doc Purdy, inason to prevent damage. A fire had been kindled in the cellar, under the stairs, by a systematic arrangement of inflammable materials.

A still alarm of fire brought the department last night, caused by some lamp in the upper hallway of the Savings Bank building. What fire there was, was extinguished with a water blanket.

At 7 o'clock last evening, a barn of fire caused the boys a rain but proved to be bogus.

The room carpet and damaging the walls of the Grand Army I.

The interior of the barber shop was saved.

The stock of Mrs. Vechten & Lyon, on the floor and basement, was saved to some extent by ter, who was also the stock of Mears & Co., adjoining, but only a slight degree in the latter.

The stock of Mrs. Mears & Co., and a few wash buckets, were saved to the amount of $20,500 on stock, and $100 in the building.

Stupp carries no insurance.

All the companies of the department rallied with their usual promptitude and under the direction of Chief Morris, the fire was promptly assisted.

The building was not endangered.

The Hook & Ladder company crept the fire against the structure in front, which aroused the rapid firemen rapidly ascended and poured a torrent of water into the third story windows with saving effects. Ladders were also erected in the rear where additional streams were applied to the building, and thus attacked from front and rear it looked as though the fire would be short-lived and all fears of an extensive conflagration were quieted, and confidence was restored in the trouble by Shewer who was on the ragged edge of despair.

The gallant firemen soon had the fire under control, and partially subdued, when the hose feeding the principal streams burst in the vicinity of the premises on Wadsworth street, causing a general stampede in the crowd and a fearful excitement of the people of the portable pumping station.

All fortune never came more strangely, and thus instances formed no exception but materially strengthened the fire, in the same time they came, in the fire for in turning of the water at the buil

d's hose was intentionally exerted and the current before was so suddenly brought to a mere trickle that was absorbed in the earth in front of the Express Office, in which a boy antioxidanted himself, and was only disabled by the excitement of the bystanders. This break necessitated shifting three of the other hydrants.

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\textbf{ANOTHER INCENDIARY ATTEMPT.}—An attempt was made on Saturday night, at about ten o'clock, to burn the lumber-yard of Mr. W. H. Derby, on Wall street. Mr. Josiah Hill, while returning home at the late hour, saw a light in the yard, and noticed suspicious movements. Approaching and questioning, there was discovered a small store, and on examination it was found that the kindling had been kindled in the cellar or stock room. A still alarm of fire brought the department last evening, and was discovered by Doc Purdy, a man renowned for his resource in preventing damage. A small store, containing a quantity of inflammable materials, had been kindled in the stock room, in the second story, and had been extinguished by the dropping of a lighted match. The alarm was given from the Mutual Savings Bank building, by a man who said he saw smoke coming from the building.

\textbf{BULLETIN, SATURDAY.}—\textbf{More Incendiarism.}—Another incendiary fire was set last night, soon after nine o'clock, in a barn on the premises of Mr. S. L. Higginson, on the farm of Mr. Isaac E. Pearson. The alarm was given from station No. 1, Auburn Woolen Co.'s office, but the fire was quenched before it had gained sufficient headway to do much damage, and before the firemen could reach it.

The immunity enjoyed by incendiaries is becoming more hazardous to the community, while the helplessness of the authorities to check or punish the perpetrators is the subject of very general criticism.

\textbf{Fire.}—At half past 5 o'clock this morning an alarm was sounded from District No. 14, at the prison gate, occasioned by a fire at the frame dwelling No. 19 Garden street, owned by Mr. William Scott, and occupied by Mrs. Mathews, widow of the late Patrick J. Mathews, as a boarding house. The fire caught in the left over the kitchen, during the ignition of kindlings in the cook stove, and spread through the upper portion of the rear building. The winter bedding and woolens of the family, stored above, were destroyed. The firemen were on hand in good season. Mr. Byron Witham, a son of Mr. Scott, ran one's hose cart to the fire and got a stream of water to save the upper stories, and the frame house.

The house is insured for $200, which will more than cover the damages.

\textbf{More Fire Regress.}—Another incendiary attempt was frustrated on Thursday evening, at the time of the alarm of fire caused by the attempt to burn Mr. Pearson's barn on Owasco street. It seems that a quantity of kindling had been placed in the barn by Mrs. Lizette Worden, No. 95 Owasco street, but by reason of the alarm given for the other fire, the material was not ignited.

The firebugs still enjoy immunity, at the expense of property owners and lessors. How long they will reign depends, seemingly, only upon themselves. The authorities don't seem to have anything to do with the subject.
Last Run of the Year.

The fire department was given a long run, Tuesday night, by an alarm from box 42, corner South and Elizabeth streets. The fire was in the chimney house occupied by Louis S. Cornell street. Of course the did not amount to much.

President Moore reported that the addition to the building of hose 3, was completed and the bills were all before the board to be audited. Mr. Smith of the supply committee reported the purchase of chairs, shades and matting for Hose 3. Then came the report of Chief Engineer Jewhurst in regard to fires during the month of December and a report of the short-comings of the members of the department in regard to absence from duty. There was a long string of these delinquents who had absented themselves from fires and quarters without permission of the captains or proper excuse. On motion of Mr. Speares this latter matter was laid over until the next meeting.

When the subject was again taken up, Mr. Speares said that for several previous meetings the chief had reported these delinquents and nothing had been done about the lapse of discipline. Instead of the matter growing better it was constantly growing worse, until he believed that the time had come to take a decided stand in the matter.

Mr. Smith did not think that the matter was thorough covered by the rules and regulations of the department and he therefore moved an amendment. As the amendment did not seem to meet all the requirements of the case and a section of the regulations, which were thoroughly comprehended the trouble having been found, the amendment and further discussion of the subject was laid over until the special meeting of the board to be held next Monday evening.

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AGENTS AND ABSENTEES.

They Occupy the most Attention at the fire Wardens' Meeting.

It was a dull meeting which the board of fire commissioners held, last evening. The enlivening feature were the calls of various agents and the exhibition of patent devices which the board was requested to purchase.

A CHANCE TO ECONOMIZE.

Exempt Offer to Take 6's Place Without Charge.

Just at present there seems to be a slight disagreement between the Exempt Firemen's association and the fire commissioners. As the trouble is reported, it seems that some time ago a proposition was made to the commissioners that Alert hose 6 be disbanded and their quarters in State Street be turned over to the Exempts. The commissioners were to also provide a hose reel and the Exempts would form a company of thirty active men to run with it. Of course the Exempts declined to agree to the proposal. It was decided to bring the matter up at a general alarm. The veterans were not to receive any pay from the city for this work. They would pay for their own light, heat and water and make all necessary repairs to the building.

The proposition was looked upon by the commissioners with favor by the commissioners, so the promoters declared, in fact, the first suggestion in regard to the proposition was given by the board. It was intimated, so the Exempts say, that if thirty able-bodied members of the association would agree to assume the duties of again fighting fires, that the proposition would be adopted. The thirty signatures were obtained with the addition of fifteen more, making forty-five in all, who were willing to again go into the harness. These men had each served five years in the department as volunteers and were acquainted with the duties of a fireman and were the best kind of volunteers because experienced by years of service. That there might not be any hitch the members of the association declare that the application of the association will be the basis of the proposition.

Well, all this having been amicably settled the commissioners again approached. The promoters met by an entire change of front. The commissioners stated that the people that belong to the town demanded that a change was made that a team of horses be put in commission and so the Exempts would have to look elsewhere.

At present the matter stands quo while "influence" is being brought to bear.

The quarters of hose 6 are the only ones in the city which the municipality does not own. The building is the city's but the real estate belongs to the Central Railway company. It remains in the possession of the city, however, so long as it is occupied by a fire company. It is the aim of the commissioners to retain possession of this valuable piece of real estate at all hazards. It is claimed by the Exempts that their company would have fulfilled all the requirements, performed equally as much and as efficiently as the present company and that the commissioners would have been saved between $400 and $800 which at present costs to maintain the volunteer organization.

A LITTLE RAISE.

That's What the Fire Fighters Get For the New Year.

The fire commissioners held a regular adjourned meeting, last night, and made the permanent members of the department happy by an increase of salary all around. It isn't a very large increase but none of the men have as yet refused to accept it on that account.

The men are entitled to this increase and deserve even more salary which will probably be given to them as soon as the commissioners can see their way clear to such a move, course.

There is not a class of public servants in the world who give so much time and expose themselves to so much danger for so little pay, as the firemen.

Another matter settled at last night's meeting was the troublesome one of discipline among the personnel.

When the meeting was called to order Clerk Ramage read a communication from volunteer hose 3, asking that six new buggies be purchased at the company's expense to replace an equal number which had been lost. The request was ordered granted.

A number of bills which had been presented since the last meeting, together with some which were laid over from a previous session, were ordered paid.

Mr. Smith then moved the adoption of an amendment to the by-laws which was presented, in regard to the discipline
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Mr. Smith, did not think that the matter was union of the department and would be moved an amendment. As the matter was taken up by many of the members of the department, all the requirements of the case and the fact that the regulations through which the hose 8 was established the trouble having been found, the amendment and further action on the subject was laid over until the special meeting of the board to be held next Monday evening.

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A long schedule of bills was then read, the entire amount of the bills being $1,929.22, the exception of the claims which were all passed and paid. The bills were those for correction of the building of S. H. Barrett & Co. building, which was laid over until next Monday.

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The proposition was looked upon with suspicion by the commissioners, so the Exempts declared, in fact, the first suggestion in regard to the proposition was given by the board. It is, the Exempts, that if thirty able-bodied members of the association would agree to assume the duties of again fighting fires, that the proposition would be accepted.

The thirty signatures were obtained with the addition of fifteen more, making forty-five in all, who were willing to again fight fires. These men had each served five years in the department as volunteers and were acquainted with the duties of a fighting engine. In the best of volunteers because the lieutenant had experienced by years of service. That there might not be any hitch the firemen of Alert hose 8 were interviewed in regard to the change. They expressed the opinion that they had on previous occasions a perfect willingness to give way to any change the commissioners might see fit. They were willing to be displaced, but did not propose to do it on their own terms.

They were experts in regard to "good things" and during the present critical condition of the atmosphere were very anxious that these changes should be made.

At present the matter of the hose 8 was not to be in any way brought about being legislated out of the department; in fact rather consent to the motion, but to leave the present arrangement unchanged.
Mr. Speare suggested that the cap-
tains of the several companies be at once
notified of the new rule and that they be
instructed to inform all the men in their
companies and see that they thor-
oughly understood the new regulation and
that it would be enforced. He fur-
ther recommended that the captain
report to the chief engineer all viola-
tions of the rules immediately.

Then came the introduction of the
resolution of the meeting, at least so far as the firemen were con-
cerned. It was read by the clerk and was
favored by President Moore. It is as
follows:

Resolved, That beginning January 6,
1886, the salaries of the permanent mem-
bers of the hose companies in Fire department shall be as follows:

Captains $500 a year.

Drivers $350 a year.

Department carpenter and lineman $350.

Superintendent of hose $550.

Chemical engineer $410.

Hosemen and ledgersmen $355.

Salaries to be paid weekly.

The resolution was unanimously adopted. John C. Winsor of Hose 1, was designated as superintendent of hose, and D. L. Moul of the truck company was made department carp-
enter and lineman. Robert Nolan is the chemical engineer.

Frank D. Coffee, the substitute call-
manship of Hose 1, and a whole regular call-
man to fill a vacancy, and Bert Pitcher was elected substitute.

Chief Engineer Jewhurst reported that the damage at the quarters
of volunteer Hose 6, had become obstruc-
ted and the water had leaked through a
poor joint into the cellar. He was di-
rected to have the trouble repaired. Hose 6 is in State street, on the line of the new brick pavement put down last fall. It will be a serious matter if this new pavement has to be torn up so soon to
repair a drain of the city's own prop-
etory.

Chief Engineer Jewhurst was also di-
rected to procure a kip of chamomile skins.

The application of Charles M. Miles,
foreman of the volunteer Hose 1, for a discharge was granted and a cer-
tificate was ordered issued to him. The
board then adjourned.

J. H. BYRNE. [Central St.] 

James 1

$2,800, including furniture; outstanding $884.

real estate worth $1,600, clear; work on the

Providence $1,180, from the Providence ad

11 22 76

A Small Fire.

An overheated stove ignited the wood-
work in the back porch of Lanehart &
Garrett in their coal yards in lower

Brown street last evening. Fortunately
it was discovered in time and a message
was sent to the quarters of Hose 3.

The men responded and success-
fully in subduing the fire with one of
the small extinguishers carried on the

hose wagons. A hole was burned in the

wall but the damage was very slight.

JOHN J. HERSCOVITZ. [Clothing, 

Stock valued at $8,640 (shoes $800), ins. $4,000

The property is covered by a mortgage held by a

$8,640, ins. $4,000, depending upon the profits of the store to pay

JOHN NEWTON. [Dexter St.] Gent-

made and gent's furnishings in '82.

The Exempts Elect and Deny.

The Exempt Firemen's association held a regular meeting, last Thursday evening.

and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, W. H. Moon.

Vice-President, Pietro Morey.

Recording secretary, D. F. Lane.

Financial secretary, S. A. Allen.

Treasurer, Herbert Walsh.

Trustees, 3 years each term.

During the meeting, action was taken as

the articles published in the Advocate

on the firemen and the Exempt firemen;

that just at present there was a slight
disagreement between the Exempts and

fire commissioners; also that the Exempts

made a proposition to the commissioners
to dissolve Hose 6 and turn over to

then parties, and they would furnish thirty active men to work at

fires when required. It also stated that

the thirty signatures were secured and

with the additions to fifteen more, mak-

in forty-five in all.

Now in the first place there was never

any action taken in regard to forming a

company to work at fires when required.

Therefore such a proposition to the com-

missioners could not have been made and no disagreement exists.

It was therefore stated that the

Wanted to do such work at times re-

quired.

Hereafter, if the reporter can get on the

recording secretary when such reports

are current, he can assure their truth and reliability, and not be mis-

formed by uninformed individuals or

those who like to hear them for talk.

D. F. LANE, Secy.

There was nothing "malicious" in the

advocates arraignment of the companies

obtained from reliable sources and the

Advocate is not yet convinced that

they were erroneous, except in a

few minor details.

Who Owns the Company?

Began May, '92, previously worked twelve years in factory manufacturing

start $800; stock $800, ins. $1,600, outstandings 600; sell mostly for

$2,500, brother-in-law of J.

ill for cash; hose, in-

industries, but in 1

sales stated $8,200.

"Stock $3,500, ins. otes: rent $825; own

buys mainly of one

Providence.

THE INSURANCE TAX.

The season of the year has nearly ar-

volved when the volunteer firemen of the

city will make their annual "divid" of the

two per cent, fire insurance tax. This

annual cash donation of the insur-

ance companies is one of the preemi-

ments of the city. The names of the vol-

unteer firemen. This assessment of two per cent is levied on all foreign

insurance companies for business in

New York, and must be paid in full.

The tax is turned over for fire protection purposes, to the

cities in which the companies do business. A code of dispos-

ing of this tax is varied as there

are cities, but as a general thing

this money is devoted to the

form of bettering the condition of the

cities, in some places it goes into

the pension fund, in others it provides

for private rooms in hospitals for

injured firemen, in still other cities

is used as a benefic fund in case of

permanent injury or death of a

In not any case, it is this money

placed in the general fund of the de-

ament.

Jewhurst Co., R.I.

96.
The town had for its object the care of the sick and a small weekly allowance was made in case of disability with occasional appropriations of considerable amount when the exigencies of the case demanded it. There was also a generous death benefit attached to the membership in the association. All of which caused it to be a volunteer fireman. Of course this clause debared the men employed in the paid portion of the department. Although they had formerly been members of the volunteer service and of the Relief Association itself, the fact of their having gone in fire-fighting for a living instead of a pastime, they were precluded from receiving any benefit from the fund.

The tax in this city varies from year to year, but amounts to something like $700 annually. This amount since the disbandment of the larger number of the volunteer companies has been divided each year as soon as it was received among those still in service. Here are about sixty volunteers the amount due in each capita is not large, still it has been one of the greatest incentives in holding the volunteers together. Every year just previously to this the "city," certain members predict the companies will disband of their own accord immediately after the distribution, but every year they hang on until the next tax is due.

In the event of the volunteers carrying into effect the wishes of a large number of the members and retire from the service, what would become of the insurance tax is a question asked many times. The Exempt firemen's association, another, precedent of volunteer fire service days, has its eyes upon this yearly income. The members of the Exempts are required to have an honorable discharge from the department after which they have the privilege of holding there is a sick and death benefit attachment connected with the organization, to which it is proposed to devote this fund providing they can get hold of it.

An attempt was made by the Exempts a year or two ago to get a bill through the legislature turning over the fund to them. A Weedsport newspaper man who is devoted to volunteer fire department matters, used his personal endeavors to get the bill passed. In the press of business the bill was lost in committee.

The members of the paid department of course are anxious to have the fund given to them. They possess neither the men nor influence to secure legislation favorable to themselves and as yet the heads of the department have not taken any interest in the matter for the benefit of which, if anyone deserves this bonus.

Charles such as:

**OT**

ESCAPING ELECTRICITY'S WORK.

A Pyrotechnical Display of Wondrous Brilliance.

**Many Buildings in the Central Part of the City Threatened With Destruction, Damage Done by Flames Caused by the Subtle Fluid.**

Electricity was out for a high old time, last night. It wanted to paint the town red and came within an ace of doing it. The frisky current came from the electric light plant and just what was the trouble was found last night was that Superintendent McCabe was out of town but the sub-engineer Paine decided to go and see the trouble, alleging that an electric light wire fell across the dead trolley at the corner of Genesee and State streets. Whatever the cause, it was very much precipitating one of the most terrible confabulations ever known in the city. Good luck and a practical fire chief with a few well trained men, saved the town.

The trouble commenced early in the evening. Shortly before 7 o'clock the incandescent lights in the City hall declined to show any further light on the Shimer jur. This strike of the lamp was preceded by a sudden burst of varicolored flame from the cupola of the City hall which flashed across the sky and clouds with great brilliancy. The light as suddenly left the cupola as it had appeared and again sprang into existence on the roof and cornice of the building along which it danced in a fantastic manner.

For three-quarters of an hour the municipal building was in total darkness except for the pale and sickly glow of a few dingy oil lamps. Then employees of the Electric Light Company repaired the trouble, which they said was caused by the burning wires. The lamps did their duty all right until 8:15 when they again took occasion to go out.

About this time a number of electric motors burned out, causing more or less damage. The heaviest sufferer was the Grand Union Tea company in Genesee street. The watchman in the store of W. H. Hislop & Co. became aware of smoke in the building at 8:30 o'clock. Soon after, Patrolman Malone also noticed smoke and assisted the watchman to search for the flame. At the same time a man in the basement of the building again called the attention of the policeman telephoned for the fire department. Chief Jewett soon located the fire in the basement of the Tea company's establishment, and had not taken him long to put out the blaze. Afterward it was found that the fire had started in the electric motors which measures the current used by the motor which turns the coffee mill. The sparks had communicated to the inflammable material which surrounded the motor and a pretty brisk fire was in progress when the firemen appeared.

**PITCH WATCHMAN FOR BIRTH.**

State to us: "Stock $600, not the business."

"Jobby" in '90 succeeded boss here; enlarged store to $19,000; sell mainly for used character and habits, repairing in Providence. "Means all in the business."
ATTLEBORO, Bristol Co., Mass.  


JAN 24 1896

A Card to the Fire Department.

I have not time nor space to express my displeasure at the way in which your department handled our property in the case of the recent fire in [city]. I do, however, wish to express my gratitude for the saving of property to the Grand Union Tea Company, and also to express my highest appreciation of the way they did their work, proving clearly their ability in their chosen profession, not only to extinguish flames but to do so at the least possible loss of property. I ask these gentlemen to accept my sincere thanks and appreciation.

Respectfully,

C. R. AVERY.

NERNEY & CO.  J. H. Nerney,  

Last statement to us: "Stock $600, ins. $1,000, on stock and fixtures; estimated $800."

J. O. SAN SOU

BANK AND ATTORNEY.

BARDEN BROS.  Thomas A., in '56, sold his business to us: "Stock $15,650; take advantage of all Dividends and cash balance on hand; W. A. Knapp & Co., estimated $2,600."

GEORGE E. HAVEMeyer, in '95. States $500; own no real estate; some notes; have no bank and store in good order, A. W. HIXON.

R. KNAPP & CO.  old-established and reliable in separate store; handle master and trustee in So. always maintained a profit and credit. '94 sales stated.

ROSENBERG BROS.  State to us: "Stock $25,000 (shoes $2,000), ins. $22,000; outstanding $2,500; mdse. indebtedness $10,000; in good location; reputed of correct habits, attentive and economical, and are in fair credit. '94 sales stated.

BROOKLINE, Norfolk Co., Mass.  

County seat at Dedham.  Population 12,000.  Investigated March, '95.

BANK AND ATTORNEY. See Boston, Mass.

BOYNTON BROS.  [Dry Goods, etc.] George F. and John F.  Business was established by George F. in '70, brother admitted in '74, added shoes in '81.  State to us: "We discount every bill, and do not owe a
A leap-year leap.

While the fire was in progress in the Grand Union Tea store, last night, seven women who had their eyes fastened on the interior of the store walked into the cellar window area. It so happened that Pigpennum Hughson of the Chemical company was in the area on all four trying to direct the chemical stream o onto the blaze.

Pigpennum Hughson is not easily frightened but when hundreds of feet of hose fell off him, without just cause or provocation it sort of jarred on his nerves. He thought part of the building had fallen on him, but he yelled and twisted his coordination as if to direct the chemical stream on to the blaze.

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The statement of expenses for the year shows a small balance on hand, but figures as they will be submitted to the Common Council can be compared to the figures as they will be submitted to the Board of Finance as follows:

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Horse feeding and repairs, $40,000; fuel and repairs for locomotives, $30,000; miscellaneous expenses, $20,000; total, $70,000.

The Commissioners are expected to meet on Monday and Tuesday, and the Board of Finance will be present.

The Board of Fire Commissioners will probably ask for $25,000.

The fire, the result of the printing office of H. B. Stevenson in the north end of the city, was discovered by J. H. Stickles, who had charge of the room, and had the second floor room. After failing to locate the fire, Stickles called Patrolman John Sullivan to his assistance. The police-woman should not have found the cause of the smoke to be the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, which had by that time been turned to the department headquarters after the tea store.
A HORSE, A HORSE!

That's What the Fire Commissioners Are After Wanting.

For nearly a year the fire commissioners have been contemplating buying horses for the use of the chief engineer. For nearly a year they have had a certain sum of money laid aside to pay for the horse, but the commissioners have still been contemplating when it became known, a few months ago, that a horse was wanted for the fire department people to secure, and had besieged fire department headquarters. There are all kinds of horses in this world and representatives of each separate class have been paraded before the commissioners. There have been big horses, little horses, and medium sized horses, sound horses and diseased horses, log horses, and spirited Marapoos, kind horses and fractious horses, black horses, white horses, bay horses, brown horses, and spotted horses, old horses and young horses, in fact all kinds of horses, and still the commissioners are contemplating purchasing horses.

Besides the horses which have been shown at headquarters, representatives of the commissioners have visited nearly every county and the surrounding counties in search of the right horse. They have not been successful in their hunt and the commissioners are still contemplating the subject.

The splendid driveway in Franklin street, in front of the department building, has become a veritable Rotten Row for horses, from having been used so much by the ground owners that their anxious owners hoped to sell to the contemplating commissioners. It has reached a point now when it is said that not a horse passes the department building without having to put on airs and to cut up capers. It is even said by residents who live in the vicinity that the old hatters at Rotten Row waggoners attempt a skittish playfulness when in the vicinity of the fire department, hoping to fall under the eye of the commissioners and be favorably noticed.

Still, the commissioners are contemplating.

The contemplative attitude of the commissioners has driven any number of horse-jockeys to the verge of distraction. The horse dealers have appeared at all hours of the day and night with equines which they were confident were just what the commissioners wanted, but the commissioners proved to be just what they did not want, and only aroused them momentarily from their contemplative condition.

No trouble has not been the horses were all at fault, but that if the horse was right the price was wrong. As one of the commissioners pathetically remarked, "Could they bring around a good horse they ask a high price for him."

The commissioners have resolved not to exceed certain limits for a long time ago, and they don't want an inferior animal, and there you are. They are still contemplating.

There are still several horses left for the commissioners to choose from, despite the large number which have examined. The handsome exhibition horse of the fire carriage factory, and a pretty clothes-horse at Richard and Company, clothes-horse at Richard and Company, clothes-horse, have not been contemplated, which are cheap and in good points,

The commissioners are still contemplating.

The fire commissioners ceased contemplating, Tuesday, and purchased a horse for the department. It is probable that, hereafter, in purchasing department headquarters horses, they will attempt to make a more refined choice with a view to procuring horses that will be favorites with the buyers. The horse which the commissioners purchased is a handsome gray, six years old, and was owned by Burt Lewis, just north of the city.

LORDS PLACE FIXED.

The Assistant Chief's Room With Home 3 That New Horse.

Hereafter the assistant engineer of the fire department will have a horse in some one of the department quarters which will be designated by the commissioners. As a matter of fact, February 10, Assistant Chief Kinsclaw was required to spend his nights at the quarters of home 3 in Clark street. This was the important incident of the regular meeting of the fire commissioners which was held, last night.

After the regular program of opening exercises had been concluded, President Moore reported that it had been decided not to insure the department horses. "We have a very healthy lot of horses in the department and we've concluded not to insure them—not just at present," explained Mr. Moore.

Commissioner Smith declared that all necessary supplies had been procured for fire station No. 3.

The purchase of a horse for the use of the chief engineer was reported by Commissioner Spencer. The original had been purchased of Burt Lewis for $137.50, and in the opinion of Mr. Spencer it was an excellent acquisition. The horse was placed in service the very day it was purchased, and any necessary repairs could be made to the horse.

Clerk Ramage announced that he had received the medal and badges the commissioners had directed him to procure for volunteer hose.

Chief Jewburt then made his regular monthly reports. Among other things he reported the purchase of a kip of chamomile as directed by the board. The matter of the water in the collar of the quarters of volunteer home 6, which was referred to him at a previous meeting, had been investigated. The water had vanished as mysteriously as it had appeared and nothing further had been done. Superintendent Grant of the water board had notified him that the water meter in the house had been changed and if another meter had been put in it would be charged to the commissioners. The cause of the back flow was caused by the hot water tank which injured the mechanism of the meter. The chief was unable to make such repairs and put a stop to further damage to the meter.

The chief had only three fires to report for the month of January. His report of the presence of the men at quarters was a decided improvement over the previous month. Commissioner Spencer, who had been working with his hand in the change for the letter.

The regular monthly schedule of bills was audited.

"I understand that everything is now ready for the evenings, begins at the quarters of Hose 3," said Mr. Spencer interrogatively.

"Yes," replied Mr. Smith, "there is still work left to do." Then I move that the assistant chief be required to sleep at the quarters of Hose 3, the order to take effect February 10," said Mr. Spencer, and I further move that the matter be fully understood, that the assistant chief come under the rules governing call men and subject him to the same restrictions in regard to sleeping in the quarters every night, reporting not later than 11 p.m. and being subject to the same fines for violations of the rules."

There was a brief discussion of the latter part of the resolution. President Moore thought that it was necessary, as the assistant chief was to be a call man, but Mr. Spencer insisted that the resolution was in order, which made the assistant subject to the same restrictions as the other call men and he wanted the matter fully understood.

So the resolution was adopted.

President Moore reported that an old harness had been sold by F. A. Brooks for $25 and the money would be applied to the new harness for the extra horse for Franklin street George Jenkins with the stone and the kitchen stove. The parasite became overheated and caught fire, with the result that the room was soon filled with a dense cloud of heavy smoke which the firemen, when they arrived the danger was all over. The walls and ceiling of the kitchen were blackened by the flames, and it is said that there was not any damage as a result of the miniature conflagration.

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GOOD DAY FOR A FIRE.

A SMALL SMUDGE IN GENESEE STREET—THE MAN MEAD PRINTS A BONE.

A telephone call for the fire department was sent in at about noon today, from the home of Dr. J. M. Jenkins, in Genesee street. George Jenkins was endeavoring to melt some paraffin over the kitchen stove. The paraffin became overheated and caught fire, with the result that the room was soon filled with a dense smoke which took on a lurid hue from the blaze which caused it. The inmates of the house were terribly frightened and telephoned the firemen. Before they arrived the danger was all over. The walls and ceiling of the kitchen were blackened by the greasy smoke. Beyond this there was not any damage as a result of the miniature conflagration.

The run of hard luck which has followed E. L. Mead of the Truck company for some time past received another impetus, this morning. He is the assistant driver of the truck, and when the call came in today, Driver Hamilton was at dinner and Mead had charge of the team. In hitching the big horse Buck, whose disposition is not lamb-like at any time, the animal became excited and bounded around in a decidedly unpleasant manner. In his evasions he struck Mead's foot, tearing the rubber boot. The hoof lashed on Mead's foot bruising it frightfully and as was afterwards ascertained, breaking one of the small bones. Mead's clothing was torn and he received other injuries of a less serious nature. The horse then dashed against the door of the house and broke a pane of glass. Despite his injuries, Mead heroically climbed to his seat on the truck and drove to the scene of the fire. He was relieved on reaching the Jenkins' residence, and was taken to his home in North street. Dr. C. A. Gwynn attended him there.

It was only a few days since Mead's wife and baby were overcome by gas. He has been the victim of other turns of ill fortune.
The first alarm of fire in several weeks was turned in, this morning, at 11:13 o'clock from station 71, corner of North- Division street and Perrine avenue. A house on Perrine avenue, belonging to the Barron family, and occupied by Peter O'Connor, caught fire from a defective chimney and before it was discovered the entire roof was in a blaze. Volunteer company 5 responds to a call from this station and the members were given the first opportunity to work for the salary paid by the city in many and many a long period. They responded, and succeeded in getting the first strength on the conflagration, although hose 3 of the paid portion of the department was so close behind them that there were not half a dozen alarm boxes between the intervention. The roof was destroyed by this morning, but the lower portion of the building was saved. The damage will amount to about $850. Conners had moved into the house about a week previous, and as his household effects were not unpacked, they were removed without loss.

The late headquarter does not respond to an alarm from this station excepting at a second alarm. A large crowd gathered about the company's quarters and audibly wondered why in Halifax the firemen did not go out.

WATERFRONT.

BOARD OF FIR. WALK. ENS.

The fire commissioners, last evening held their last meeting of the fiscal year. There wasn't much business, but the members of the board have had over the year for there is not any certainty but a new commissioner may be elected. President Moore hopes to succeed himself, and he has not only the best wishes but the political support of his colleagues for his return to the board. Mr. Moore feels confident that his conservative opinions will be more in line with the board and may be re-elected by his profession, but there is a chance and a few members didn't hurry any to call the meeting.

There was one interesting fact come out during the session which the commissioners did not allow to go unnoticed. This was the saving of $2.60 in gas and water bills during the past year. The members of the board have considerable power to feel proud of this bit of economy.

The most important item of the evening was the annual report of Chief Engineer Jewelhurst. Like all previous reports of the chief it is an interesting and comprehensive document. It is appended in full. At the meeting had been ordered to Mr. Smith of the supply committee reported repairs and applications to the matter at 3 Clark street, the chief engineer reported the completion of repairs previously ordered at the quarters of volume 6, he also made reports of the contingent expense, and the monthly record of fires, all of which were approved. The report submitted its annual report which was also approved with an addition of complimentary remarks by the engineers.

An application was received from L. R. Burns, a call man assigned to the: Hope 1, requesting to be graded as a hose man on the permanent list. His name was recorded on the permanent list.

Mr. Smith brought up the matter of reading material for the firemen. On a recent visit to Boston he has seen how several fire department stations and had been greatly impressed with the extensive libraries in each house. He had been informed that the books were all donated by residents of the city. He thought, perhaps Auburndale would also give store of books if they knew that the firemen would like them. President Moore thought that the reporters would be glad to inform the people and forward every good cause, so anyone having more books than he wants can send them to the fire department buildings with the assurance that they will be appreciated.

Smith moved that $10.10 remain in the horse fund to be transferred to the contingent fund. The motion was adopted and the adjourned.

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FIRE ALARMS AND APPARATUS.

This valuable auxiliary to the successful working of the department has performed its function of watchfulness so faithfully that during any year since its construction it has never failed. The fire alarm system has been given from a box during the year, a circumstance not previously within the history of the Company. The bell and the system has been injured by contact with high pressure currents and until one break in the lines has occurred; one break in the alarm wires is caused by the key holders not fulfilling the instructions.

In connection with the regular work of the chemical and instruments associated with the equipment, a large amount of outside work was performed by the department, chiefly changes and repairs of all which occurred in the city for the remainder of the year.

Two thousand four hundred and fifty feet of five inch hose and 1,500 feet of the remainings of the department were placed in the fire chemical engines and hoses, both in the fire department and in the city for the remainder of the year.

The supply of water has been ample during the year. The Board of Fire Commissioners has ordered the installation of a new hydrant and has made a larger pipe and that there shall be no limit on the amount of water that can be used for a certain period. The experiments of the fire department have shown that if the experiments of the fire department have shown that the hydrant may become so weak that it will not stand the pressure and fail at a most critical moment when it is needed. The department directed all efforts to stay the pressure of the water, not the water, which is provided for the department.

Houses.

The department performed 23 hours of labor at 30 fires during the year. There were four fires and the hydrants of that time were improved. The building was made stronger. It is more complete and more convenient in every way.

The building had a floor and a second floor which was more spacious and was more complete.

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The New Board Takes Wise Selections for City Officials. Commissioners Moore and Wheeler Also Re- tained in Office.

City Attorney—Lavern A. Pierce.
Fire Commissioner—Edward Moore.
Water Commissioner—C. Wheelor, Jr.
Commissioner of Souls cemetery—William Sears, D. D.
City Surveyor—George W. Perry.
Saler of Weights and Measures—N. B. Ford.
Keeper of the City hall—James Hamilton.
City Sexton—Charles M. Carr, been.
Wire Inspector—John W. Hublur, Jr.
City Surveyor—Robert Hassitt.
Chief chamber janitor—Alonzo M. Hurst.

"Reappointed.

First ward—Clara Bennett
Second ward—Arthur F. Eriksen
Third ward—William V. Wakefield
Fourth ward—J. H. Peacock
Fifth ward—Henry Kerr.

The biennial ceremony which marks the most interesting feature of a board of aldermen is the bestowal of the patronage within the gift of the common council. The mayor and the aldermen who were inducted into office yesterday met, according to custom, last evening, and distributed the plums in the presence of an unusually large audience. The result of the two hours' labors is shown in the tabulated form at the head of this column.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Republicans had seven votes, to four votes for the Democratic member, the most earnest effort was made by the Republican caucus in canvassing. The Republican caucus was called together in executive conference, late in the afternoon, when the word "caucus" was uttered a few of them petitioned so strongly that the proposition was abandoned. Just how much difference the effect a caucus would have had on the general result is only a matter of speculation.

Undoubtedly, the seven who were not appointed—so shown to be the choice of the caucus—was that they for the other four officials would have been different, if the members had been bound by custom, and it is clear that the Democratic caucus was careful to have as it's work.
A POLITICAL SENSATION.

Grave Charges Preferred by a Defeated Candidate.

AFFIDAVITS SHOW CROOKEDNESS.

J. Had Pearson claims He Was Deliberately Counted Out of Fire Commission election—Six Aldermen Make oath They Voted for him on Council.

A Mysterious Affair.

The most sensational story of political intrigue ever divulged in Auburn, transpired last night. It was nothing less than an announcement that J. Had Pearson, who was a recent candidate for appointment as fire commissioner, has been deliberately counted out of his election. Although Aurora has been the scene of the most diplomatic political engineering on record, the direct charge of crookedness has never before been openly made. Friend of all the persons interested are loth to admit that anything wrong has been done intentionally and while some one has made a mistake it has rather spread than of the heart. It is probable that for the sake of all concerned a searching investigation will be made of the matter.

It appears that Mr. Pearson had the pledges of six of the aldermen to vote for him for first commissioner previous to the meeting of the council, last Monday night. Three of the aldermen were Democrats and three were Republicans. Previously to the election, Alderman McCarty, the other Democrat member of the board, had pledged himself to support E. J. Moore for the office, so it is said, and to this re-election promise was largely due his successful candidacy. Up to the time of the meeting it was conceded that the fire commissioner would be the choice of the council, and when it was announced that Mr. Moore had received six of the eleven votes of the members of the aldermen board, the surprise was unbounded.

Mr. Pearson was deeply disappointed, as much, he says, to learn that one of the councilmen had ruthlessly broken faith with him, as at his defeat for the office to which he had aspired. All of the secret conversations, all of the secret promises, have been disclosed to support him avowed that they had kept their word. Determined to accost the councilman whose vote he failed to secure, the latter is called upon to make affidavit to the statement, be-

A PROTESTED CLAIM.

The affidavit was presented to the councilman, who was not in his office, and then went occupied by house 3 that had been recently occupied by house 3, where he was acquainted with the family. It was a large new house, suitable for a family company.

A POLITICAL AFFIDAVIT. "STATE OF NEW YORK,

MADISON COUNTY,

THE CITY OF AUBURN,

COUNTY OF MADISON,

"COUNTY COURT of AUBURN,"

Before me, this 9th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, personally came J. Had Pearson, of the City of Auburn, Madison County, State of New York, a true and faithful alderman, who, upon my personal examination, is the same person as was a candidate for the office of fire commissioner at the last election held in the City of Auburn, Madison County, State of New York, as appears by the records of said election, and who having taken an oath before me, did solemnly swear that he did not vote for said candidate, and that he voted for J. Had Pearson.

Sworn before me this 9th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight. 

LOUIS NEWGARD, Justice of the Peace.

Similar affidavit was subscribed to by Robert Schlicht, William Decker, George O'Neill, Jerry Corcoran and George Davis. A total of six, all making solemn oath that they voted for Mr. Pearson. These six votes constitute a majority of the council and would have elected Mr. Pearson.

These affidavits must of necessity cast a serious reflection upon City Clerk Ivins who counted the votes and announced the result of the balloting, which he will clear himself when the public demand.

It may then appear that one of the aldermen failed to perform per- jury. Clerk Ivins declines to make any statement for publication until a total of Mr. Pearson's action in the matter is made known by the signatures of the affidavits. He did do so far as to say, however, that Mr. Moore's vote was six votes for fire commissioner.

Not the least suspicion of anything wrong has been brought to anyone to Mr. Moore, whose honesty and fairness are acknowledged by everyone. To an Auburn reporter he said, this morning:

"I believe that I was honestly elected as the votes show. I don't think that there was any crooked work at the time of the appointment. If anyone has done wrong since I am heartily sorry for them. Personally, I have been perfectly honest in the matter and whatever develops later I have nothing to fear. I have already taken the oath of office and I do not propose to discharge the duties until I am com-

The Voluntaryists Recommend Replacing Them With a Paid Co.

Among the many interesting reports which were submitted to the common council yesterday and which were filed without being read, was the report of the fire department. The recommendations appended are made in the report and demonstrate that after a year of service in the board, the commissioners have learned the value of a paid department over the old volunteer system.

At present our total salary list, including permanent and all men, volunteer companies and clerk, amounts to $12,142 10 leaving only $2,587 5 for all other expenses of the department. We would respectfully recommend that the charter be amended in order that this department may receive a sum not to exceed $30,000 per annum. This increase in the appropriation is asked for the following reasons, viz: It is not to be expected that volunteers will leave their work the day, or their bed at night, to go to an engine house in order to drag their horses to draw the apparatus to the fire, when they know there are men paid for doing such work. As an example, one night you will call your attention to the engine house of Mr. Rudolph & Son fire of Geddes, where Rudolph & Son fire of Geddes, where the department, the three volunteer companies and the addition of the fire department will be increased. We would also recommend that the council provide for a new house suitable for a paid company.

Buthothered in Snow.
The story of the complications which have been developed over the appointment of the fire commissioner has not ended today. Of course public opinion is divided in regard to the matter, how J. H. Moore, the defeated candidate, received only five of the six votes pledged to him. It follows of necessity that the next man’s solution is the only correct one.

The most popular explanation, that is, the one which has the most support, is given by a city official who is a power in his own ward. He first told his version to Mr. Pearson’s clerk, Tuesday morning, when it was being discussed with great surprise by a coterie of kindred spirits in the City Hall. This official declared that when the ballot was taken for fire commissioner he stood directly behind an alderman, whose name he then refused to divulge. The alderman had a ballot in his hand with Pearson’s name on it. A friend called his attention and whispered “put this in for my sake,” at the same time slipping him a piece of paper with J. H. Moore’s name written upon it.

The alderman took the Moore ballot and dropped it in the box. “It was done,” said the official recounting the affair, “quicker than snapping his fingers. “The alderman asked me not to say anything about it.”

This version would place one of the aldermen in an uncomfortable position, making him not only a perjurer as well, if it should turn out that he is one of the six whom Mr. Pearson pledged to.

Another theory, the most charitable one which has been advanced, is that in the hurry and excitement attending the ballot one of the aldermen became confused and made a mistake, of which he is as yet unaware. This is possible, but the vast majority do not believe it probable.

There does not seem to be any well defined action mapped out by the aldermen in regard to the matter as yet. Mr. Moore’s supporters say that they have nothing to do. Their candidate was appointed and they have the utmost confidence in City Clerk Ives. So far as can be ascertained the six aldermen who made the affidavits that they had voted for Mr. Pearson have not agreed upon any line of action, and it is not known whether they can or will combine to do anything.

Another complication may be added to the affair. Jerry Quill of the Ninth Ward, who was a canny candidate for appointee, was the saler of weights and measures declared, today that he has received the assurance of six aldermen that they voted for him on the last ballot. He has not, as yet, procured any affidavits, but maintains that he can secure them when he wants them. As there were sixty or fifteen candidates for the office of sealer and many ballots were taken, it will probably be difficult for Mr. Quill to establish his claim.

March 17, 1896
WITH SCARCELY ANY FRICTION.

Annual Meeting and Election of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Mr. Smith Elected to the Presidency and Clerk Ramsay Re-elected—A Driver and a Call Man Elected.

President, Goddard C. Smith: clerk, William G. Ramsay, is the rooster of the officers of the fire wagons with the ensuing year.

The argument arising from the stable underneath the one which started through the transom of the office of the fire commissioners, last evening was laden with a common aroma, suggestive of a dog in a tanyard, and it was also supplemented with weighty deliberation. It was to take minutes after the hour when the menials below took a night’s rest, and the guardians of the goodly flock came together.

Chairman Mooney stated that it was the annual meeting for the election of a president and clerk. Then sallied forth Mr. Moore: “If there is no objection the board will proceed to the election of a president and clerk.”

Clerk Ramsay, who acted as teller declared the result: Spears, 1, Smith, 2, Commissioner Smith was declared duly elected and the present incumbent, was declared the choice of the board for clerk.

The resignation of J. Edward Perkins, driver of Hose 1, was read, accepted and filed. A motion was made to proceed to ballot to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Perkins’ resignation.

The clerk read the applications of the following law-abiding candidates who were present for the fire house: Joseph Antone, Burt Pitcher and J. E. Crawford. Mr. Crawford appeared before us, J. W. Rounds, N. H. Rounds and Porter Boardley.

Commissioner Moore amended the motion by requiring that the appointment be on probation. This was accepted.

Joseph Antone received three votes and was declared chosen. The clerk was instructed to procure a record book for each of the four paid companies.

The committee appointed some time ago to prepare the printed report of the board for the past two years, and for the year immediately following, with the object of including all the data in the year’s report.

President Smith stated that the bill of Harry T. Dayton, attorney for Honore H. Chaverly, ” second in the board for twenty years, had been dropped.

The name of Samson of Hose 2, who has been out of town was sent up from the floor. It was a name of Burt Pitcher, as added as a permanent member. A ballot was taken, there being a vacancy of a position of a calling on Hose 2, created by the resignation of Joseph Antone, and Richard Armstrong was unanimously elected.

President Smith wisely wished the old committees to hold over till next year.

The session then adjourned.
The mayor remarked that the ballots were locked up in the safe in his office.

"I should like to see them," insisted Alderman Roach.

Alderman Schicht denied that he had ever seen the ballots, but he had been informed by those who recognized his handwriting, that his ballot was in the box.

Alderman McCarty thought it was due to every member of the common council that an investigation of the model form before further action was taken and he moved that it be referred to a special committee, with the mayor and council, to report at the next meeting.

This amendment was voted down as follows:

Aldermen Corcoran, McCarty, O'Neil, Roll, Burgess, Cross, Goodrich, Schicht, Wiggins.

The original resolution on which Schicht was carried by a reverse vote, but not until Alderman Schicht had referred to the council to Corcoran, and had referred to the hearing of a prominent poli
cr, who had been heard in the newspapers as having stood by Corcoran, upon the night of the app
ointed meeting, that the names had not been
called off. McCarty felt called upon to deny that he had done any such thing. He had written the name of James Frey on a ballot and he was positive he had placed it in the ballot box.

Alderman Roach at once believed it was right to leave a reproach upon any member of the board, but the resolution of Alderman Schicht was considered to be the better settlement of the subject and it was accordingly passed by a unanimous vote.

Then the bill which had assembled behind the rail in anticipation of an ex
citing session retired, and the regular business of the council was resumed.

The mayor's announcement of standing
committee for the ensuing year
was made, as follows:


The mayor further announced the
nomination of Daniel M. Bennett and hisWhite, to be health commis
sioners to succeed Dr. J. M. Jenkins. Soon motion of and John Roseman to the appointment
of Alderman Roach the appointments were
confirmed.

Another important feature of the
meeting was the preservation of the
proposition to succumb the spring
and, elections, and it was favorably consid
ered by the Republican opposition as the
Democratic, being brought by the
City Agency. It being announced by
Senator Wixley had the good to
par a bill changing the charter election
from spring to fall but he had decided
to make the same without authority by the common
council.

"Then it is enough for that," marked Alderman Roach.
A BIG FIRE AT LAST.

After Long Immunity, Auburn is Visited by a Serious Loss.

The most disastrous conflagration that has visited Auburn since the great prison fire nearly three years ago occurred this morning. The large and blind factory of Everts, Sheldon & Co. was totally destroyed. The loss will amount to between $20,000 and $25,000, upon which there is not any insurance. The building was of wood and it was filled with highly inflammable material. Its location on the west bank of the Oswego, made it difficult to access the firemen and a successful combat with the flames was impossible. The fire caught in the boiler room, precisely in what manner is unknown.

The firemen were not discovered by the warden who was at work in another part of the factory until they had broken out of the roof. Patrolman Holmes saw the fire from his beat in Oswego and returned about the same time, and he at once turned on an alarm from box 31, corner of Franklin and streets. The fire department was compelled to use the boat street, Nebraska bridge and the Union street to get at the fire.

A valuable part of the town was lost by this long delay, and it is charged that he made it difficult to access the firemen and a successful combat with the flames was impossible. The firemen were not discovered by the warden who was at work in another part of the factory until they had broken out of the roof.

The fire was not confined to the building, and a mass of business was transacted. Among the many important matters considered were the following: A claim of $5,000 for the loss of the premises, Mr. J. H. McCracken of Lewis street, for injuries received, March 16, by falling on an icy sidewalk in front of his premises, No. 59 Franklin street. The claimant sustained a fracture of the ankle and declares that he has since been confined to his bed with the precise cause being incapacitated for work for many months.

He avers that the block of business that has been previously served with notice of the dangerous condition of the sidewalk in question.

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The city surveyors reported that it would be necessary to take a survey of the land belonging to St. Kavanagh, to Jorgenson Street, the street to be vacated, and the width and length of the same to be stated in the plan submitted. The report was adopted and filed, and an order was taken up on motion of Alderman Corcoran for an extension of time for surveying. May 4.

A committee was received from the board of health requesting an appropriation for the purpose of purchasing the necessary supplies for the use of the office, and motion was made by Alderman Schlicht that the matter be referred to the committee on the proposed new building. The motion was lost and the committee was instructed to obtain an appropriation to cover the expenses of the health department for the coming year. May 5.

A petition from six residents of Mor-

The committee on city buildings, which had been referred to the committee of Alderman McFarland to remodel the Audubon Hotel, recommended the purchase of the Audubon Hotel and the remodeling of the building. The report of the committee was adopted and filed. May 6.

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An Electrical Disturbance.

There was a beautiful of electrical display in the window of the Postal Telegraph office in Genesee street, at 9 o'clock, last night. The base ball magnates were endeavoring to fly to the breeze across Genesee street, in front of the Dunning Hardware company's store, a banner advertising the game.

The advertisement was to be suspended on a wire cable, but it sagged across the trolley wire, a messenger - call wire of the Postal and some telephone wires.

The heavy electric current at once put its work. The switch board in the central office was burned out, two telephones were ruined and slight damage was done to the telephone switchboard.

Some one in the crowd who saw the burning switchboard in the Postal turned in a call from box 53, for the fire department. This was unnecessary as the fire went out as soon as the wires were disconnected. The damage to the Postal will amount, probably, to $20.

Little in This Afternoon.

An early morning fire.

Fire was discovered in the cellar of the grocery store and saloon of James Heffernan, at the corner of State and Cottage streets, at 2:35 this morning. A call for the fire department was turned in from box 16 and the fire was put out with very little trouble. The blaze originated in a barrel of sweepings in the cellar. The stove was filled with smoke and the principal damage from the fire will be to the stock. Frank Hughe, the chief's driver, got through a trap door into the cellar while searching for the flames. His knee was cut on a projection in the floor and he will be laid up for several weeks. Volunteer hose attended the fire, but the members did not get there in time to assist in extinguishing the blaze.

Damaged by Lightning.

During the thunder shower, yesterday morning, there was one little gleam of electricity which did a heap of damage to the alarm telegraph system. Three poles and four boxes were burned out.

The trouble caused the Wheeler fire to strike once, giving notice of the difficulty. Chief Engineer Jewhurst and a force of men worked all day on the line to repair the damage. This is particularly unfortunate on account of the commissioners, who will be compelled to pay some money.

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Explosion and Fire.

A gasoline tank attached to an ironing machine in the laundry of W. H. Johnson in Dill street, burst this morning, and for a short time it looked as though, if the proprietor survived he would have an opportunity to realize on his insurance policies. The blazing fluid splattered about the room, setting fire to the clothing in its vicinity. Some of the clothing fell upon Mr. Johnson's left arm, inflicting a painful burn. The side of his face was also burned. The force of the flames was so great that the alarm department was summoned by telephone, but the employees of the factory had the flames extinguished before the firemen arrived, about as quickly as the firemen arrived, about as quickly as they were. The damage will amount to about $25.

A FRACAS AT A FIRE.

An Unrecorded Incident Now Made Public—The Police Complained.

There was an episode at the Heffernan fire the other morning, which, for various reasons has been kept very quiet. It appears that a gang of drunken toughs made its appearance on the scene almost as quickly as the firemen, and hindered and impeded the work of the department in every conceivable way.

The looters finally made a gag of the place, jostled the honest men and resorted to every species of aggression known to thugs to annoy the workers. These acts were but a small part of what the firemen had to bear from this crowd, for imprecations and the vilification of epithets known in the English language were hurled at the firemen.

One of the looters finally made a grievous mistake. He applied one of his insulting remarks to Chief Jewhurst and was promptly knocked down. This decisive rebuke had a salutary effect upon the crowd.

The affair has engendered considerable feeling between the police and fire departments, as the members of the latter alleged that Patrolman Parker stood within a few feet of the looters at the time that they were hindering and insulting the firemen and yet did not attempt to check them. The firemen further say that this is not the first time they have had to suffer such annoyance and indignity. At the burning of the Gorham & Wilcox shoe factory, a year ago they were subjected to the abuse while the police failed to afford the protection to which the firemen believe they are entitled.

Chief Engineer Jewhurst has been in consultation with City Attorney Pierce in regard to the matter and has had his official powers defined as directed. He said that in the future such scenes will not occur without rebuke or the police commissioners will be called upon to officially investigate.

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The Cold Spring Brewery was entirely destroyed by fire, last night. The loss will amount to ten thousand dollars, or nearly cover the business. The place was owned by Mrs. Wildner, and was located in York street, just outside the southern boundary of the city.

The fire was discovered by Mrs. Wildner, who was returning from the business portion of the city. Small flames were breaking forth from the brewery building as she approached the house. She had entered her home and aroused her husband, who was asleep. He attempted to extinguish the flames with chemicals, but the fire had obtained a much headway to be thus stopped and Wildner hastened to the nearest fire alarm telegraph station, which is nearly half a mile away, at the corner of State and Union streets. In a summons for the fire department, he told his absence neighbors formed a bucket brigade and attempted to stay the progress of the fire, but they could not make any impression on it. Abandoning this mode of procedure, they directed their endeavors in another direction, that of saving the contents of the buildings. In this they were more successful, getting out all the mattresses, several cows and the household furniture.

The alarm was turned in at 10 o'clock and the firemen responded promptly. They were hindered considerably on the way by the icy conditions, which rendered the apparatus and who refused to accept the warning shouts of the drivers and the clang of the gongs.

The fire was a single-way hydrant at the corner of York and State streets. It took 1,500 feet of hose to carry the water from the hydrant to the blaze. At the outset it was necessary to throw the water to the roof of the building and this, of course impeded the efforts of the firemen.

The brewery building, bar, storage and warehouse, in the possession of the proprietor, were all frame buildings, constructed in close proximity to each other and for the most part connected by covered passages. After having obtained the start, it was almost an impossibility to stay the flames until there was nothing more for them to feed upon. After getting to work, however, the firemen saved the greater portion of the house.

The origin of the fire is supposed to have been in the furnace beneath a brew kettle. The place caught fire some months ago under the same name, but it was extinguished before serious damage was done. The brew furnaces, damascus, etc., were then overhauled and repaired, it was supposed that a repetition of the fire had been prevented because it was a brilliant illumination, lighting up the dark sky and the surrounding country with a brightness which the electric company has never rivaled. A large crowd gathered at the scene of the conflagration, many of them hoped that the famous brew of the establishment would be saved. Under the circumstances, however, they were disappointed. At the factory was not a plentiful supply of beer.

TRICKS OF THE LOWEST BIDDER.

Fire Commissioners Find that the Cheapest Is Not Safest and Best.

Their Arch-Rival, the Bulletin, Publishes the Result of Just Re-ribboning for Ingratitude: Firemen Fined.

"Economy is wealth," said some ancient philosopher who knew more about the matter than theory. The fire commissioners have been endeavoring, during the last two years to demonstrate the truth of the axiom, and it has been a hard road to travel and not at all profitable. The most recent failure of the fire board to prove the truth of the adage came out at the regular meeting of the commissioners, last night. At the regular meeting in May, proposals were received for the annual reports of the board for the preceding three years. The Advertiser's bid was too much for $90. The Bulletin proposed to do it for $85, with a footnote, that an extra charge would be made for extra pages over a specified number. The commissioners awarded the work to the lower bidder, notwithstanding the fact that the Bulletin was the antagonist of the past fire department from its inception. During this time, the work was done, day and night, just before the meeting was called to order the bid was presented. It called for the modest sum of $75, or $5 more than the Advertiser's bid for the work.

Mr. Moore, who, in the absence of President Smith, is the acting head of the board was very much disappointed. The bill was compared with the proposal. The Advertiser's bid was square-toed, to do the work for a certain sum. The Bulletin proposal was the foot-note for extra pages which had been overlooked by the commissioners in their calculations. Mr. Moore could not understand it, neither could his colleague, Mr. Spears. Chief Engineer Johnson presented his report monthly report at the meeting, as the men had failed to report, and they did not dare to see the call men, as they had not been out of the building several days and some of them had not been at the office for hours. The chief's reports were neglected, and it was not done to let them know that they had not the alarm in the house.

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Then it appeared that R. Garrett, a man doing duty with the Union signifying his desire to resign and for some weeks past has been the subject of much discussion. The actual resignation, however, was not presented, the commissioners took the board, but the commissioners took the chair, and the resolution declared the position vacant. Mr. J. W. S., who has been the hardest worker in the city by a unanimous vote.

Then Mr. Moore, the delinquent driver of Hose No. 1, was brought in and stood on the platform in State street, wet. The chief said that no other excuse had been furnished. Mr. Spears thought the case was but a trifle, and Mr. Moore was of the same opinion. Driver Moore, who was before the board, or as the firemen express it, "was brought up on the carpet." He replied to Mr. Moore's questions the driver did not know how to sound an alarm and sound asleep when the alarm came in. In throwing of the best clothes they fell on top of his boots and became as entangled with his trommels (the firemen make a combination of the trommels and trommets so that when they pull on the knobs they also (are in their trommets) that the apparatus had got on his floor. He went out and calling on a passers-by to give him the fire alarm.

"You are the driver," said Mr. Moore, "and should be the most prompt man to run the apparatus for the most necessary." Antin was then excused. After he had left the room, Mr. Moore, "The reason you ran late, plain case. We can't have this going on, more apparatus going without them in answer to an alarm. Something has got to be done and we might as well make an attempt now at any time. If a man can't get enough to get out with other's we have got to get some who will.

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The fire alarm telegraph system was tested this morning, and the "Wheel er" was struck and blown. There was considerable hustling on the part of the regulars at department headquarters to get out as quickly as the Texas rangers, in case it proved to be a genuine alarm.

**A Blazing Coach.**

A passenger coach standing on a side track in the Lehigh Valley railway yards, near Clark street, caught fire, last night. Sporadic from a passing locomotive are supposed to have started the blaze. The roof of the car was blazing brilliantly when the fire was discovered. The Texas Rangers were notified and extinguished the flames with the hand extinguishers. The damage will amount to about $55.

**A Sick Horse.**

The fire commissioners seem in a fair way to suffer another loss. The large brown truck horse, Rounce, is nearly dead with a complication of diseases, the most serious of which is pneumonia. The horse caught cold in a shower while out on the barn July 4, and has been growing worse ever since. Several days ago the animal was removed from fire department headquarters to a nearby barn. Last night, while left alone for a short time the animal staggered to its feet and broke out of the barn and returned to the department building. The horse was returned to the hospital and lay down since which time it has not risen. The medical experts say that the animal is doomed.

**Fire in a Closet.**

A call from box 94 corner Clark and MacMaster streets, summoned the fire department to the home of Robert Mosley, 12 Church street, late Saturday afternoon. The fire had caught as small closet filled with clothing. What caused the flames is not known. The house was filled with a dense smoke when the firemen arrived, and the Loeb respirator which was recently purchased for the department was given a practical test. Pipeman Hugh Gill with the respirator and a hose line of chemical hose, was sent to the house to go right into the thick of the smoke without experiencing any serious discomfort. The stream from the hose quickly extinguished the fire. The damage to the building did not amount to a great deal, but the loss on the clothing was ruined by the flames, smoke and chemicals will be considerable.

**12 o'clock Fire Alarm.**

There was an alarm of fire, last night, from box 23, corner of Clark and Master street, at 11:45 o'clock. It was a false alarm. Someone had secured a release key, and after pulling the box, last night, closed and locked it, which would be impossible without a release key. The fire company was a little late getting out. The hired horse which is doing duty in the trucks until the commissionaires can each truck a horse, became frightened at the men sliding down the pole. In its general alarm, the horse knocked the harness down and delayed the men seriously in righting the tangle.

**Why the Fire Department Was Bailed.**

The electric telegraph wires supplied in light for Bennett's bakery in lower State street, set fire to the ceiling of the building, last night. A call was sent in for the department from box 43, at the prison gate. When the apparatus reached the Central railway crossing in State street the 9222 passenger train was strung across the street. The department was compelled to wait four minutes for the train to get out of the way. Meanwhile the fire had been put out. The damage was very slight.
BOSS PLATT IN AUBURN.

He is Appointed Acting Assistant Chief of the Fire Department.

Somehow the offices of the various departments of the city government seem to be the hottest places to work when there is a meeting. The office of the fire commissioner wasn't an exception, last Thursday. The commissioners didn't meet, last Thursday night because the members of the board, or at least a majority of them attended a session of the Central New York Firemen's association at Waterloo, and the regular session was deferred until last evening. Gracious, but it was hot and everyone who was compelled to be present was glad that there was nothing important to be done.

Outside of routine business, the only thing done was to appoint an acting assistant chief, during the absence of Chief Jewhurst at Salt Lake City. Assistant Chief King was appointed to be present during the day and all night until the head is needed for the department all of the time. The commissioners appointed Captain George Platt of the Truck company as the acting assistant.

The building committee reported through Mr. Moore that the repairs to the quarters of the various companies had been ordered under way and various repairs suggested during the meeting were referred to the building committee.

The reports of the nine fires, last month and the times the engines were not ready by Clerk Ramage in the absence of Chief Jewhurst. They were received and filed as usual.

Clerk King reported the receipt of the 1,000 feet of hose ordered by the board at its last meeting. The hose had been at once placed in commission. Two Cooper hose jackets, which had arrived and had been placed in service. These jackets are a recent invention intended for use in case there is a burst in a line of hose while in service. The jacket placed over the hose saves the hose and saves all delay in putting in a new length of hose. The clerk also announced that he had received the badges which the commissioners ordered for volunteer hose companies. A communication was received from Letchworth hose 2, requesting exempt certificates for James Lattimore, Peter Hahn, Nicholas Hahn and Edward Corfield.

The cost was granted and the certificates were ordered issued.

A number of regular bills were audited and ordered paid. The Clerk King stated that the cost of the water bill caused an inquiry as to the possibility of escape the commissioners.

The volunteer companies are very careless about the use of the water. Hose 5 is tardy in cleaning negotiable and at other times the commissioners have found all of the faucets wide open and the precious fluid rushing forth. Free as though it did not exist. In view of the thought of affairs Mr. Speakman made a resolution, directing the clerk to notify the foreman of the company to post a notice duly and officially signed, over the faucets reminding the men to turn off the water when it was not in use. During the investigation it was found that the formal notice of this resolution had transpired that Chief Jewhurst at the suggestion of the commissioners, had

Well, you don't want me to describe it. I've got a honor, but tell you, for the battles to be entered into by the head of the Mormon church.

The Gentiles here are now6 starting a position that all of them are taking advantage of the situation. You had better go back and shake hands with the president. I said I didn't believe that I cared to seek the honor, but Bob Platt said he didn't want to go to Owensboro and the honor of the Green shanks hands with the head of the church. It was no good to try and to get the job. There was no candidate and was quite set on the Mormons and the shanty ways. So they all said with Bob and urged me so hard that I concluded to go too. The chief of Atlan-

ta, who was a Green shanks hands with the president, told my hat and I followed the rest in and marched around the place where the dignitaries were sitting. The old gray men, Orange Woodruff, should think, was 50 years old, and President Cannon, who is the father of Senator Cannon, is over 70.

"It was a purely Mormon affair and of course didn't have anything to do with our company. So De-

vine turned us over to a Mormon to be presented to the presidents. The building committee and presented each in turn. When they came announced my name and added, 'He is the chief engineer of Auburn, N.Y.' "

"Auburn, Secretary Smith, President Cannon, "Auburn, N.Y., do you know him?"

"Yes," said I, "Auburn, N.Y."

"Did you know Brigham Young, the great leader of our church, who lived in Auburn, N.Y.,?" he asked still politely."Yes, sir," said I, "it is a well known fact."

"Did you know," he continued, "that the great Secretary Seward who also lived in Auburn, and Brigham Young were close friends?"

"I have never seen him," I said.

"Did you know that Brigham Young assisted in the construction of the hand made send you to the great Secretary Seward at Auburn?"

"I said that it was a common place report that Brigham Young was a carpenter and worked on the Seward residence."

"Did you know," he said, "that just a short distance from this, the great Secretary Seward visited Brigham Young here and that it is still remem-

bered with pleasure."

"I said I had heard about it. The man asked me if I would like to meet Brigham Young's daughter, in for in. I saw that plain and I might as well die for a sheep as a lamb and do the thing gracefully, so I said, I should be delighted.

So Cannon took me by the arm and escorted me through the city, to the point where to a very of elegance

dressed women were sitting. You can see my feelings getting through that through of elegance and simplicity, were not captured by the Mormon man. But everything everybody was looking at me and saying things that I don't have nearly enough to have put on a hold."

The conductor passed before a young lady. She was sufficiently attentive to might who might have been past 20 years old and looking at her in her own name. She offered me a hand and we chatted pleasantly about Auburn and Brigham Young's connection with the city. Well, all the same that I was receiving the attention, the whole room had stood and bowed.
fire in Dunn & McCarthy's.

The Large Shoe Manufactory Threatened With Destruction.

At a late hour this afternoon fire was discovered in the button shop of Dunn & McCarthy's large shoe manufactory in Washington street. An alarm was sent in from box 4 and the department responded promptly. When the firemen arrived on the scene the building was enveloped in dense smoke and huge tongues of flame were licking up the inflammable contents.

Fortunately the shops were not in operation, or many lives would have been imperiled. The employees are enjoining an eating today, at (Cayuga lake park and the works were shut down in consequence.

AN AMENITY TO FIRE.

The Board of Fire Commissioners, at their meeting last evening, passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That an amenity to the fire fighters, which was obtained control of the threatened building by the firemen at the last alarm, is hereby acknowledged.

The building was owned by Dr. E. W. Ahlstrom. The loss will not exceed $1.00.

EXERCISE WAGON.

One is Needed by Hose No. 7—"And still the city is more gay.

The fire wagons held a regular meeting last night, at which Commissioner Selden Moore was the only absentee. John Mathews of Hose 3 fined $4 for absence without leave.

Chief Jerushow reported two fires the latest made his report. The chief then read the report of the Salt Lake City convention. There was a detailed record of everything that transpired, the city was in the convention city department several things were commended for the betterment of the Amburn fire department.

Chief Jerushow reported that the department had a clean record this week so far as time of time was concerned. The following bills were reported and were ordered paid:

- Standard Agent.
- Water Board.
- Globus Respiratory company.
- Goldman.

Commissioner Spears said that his attention had also been called to the need of rubber costs, especially by Chief Jerushow, who had failed to pay his bills at any moment and he thought a new one should be procured.

Commissioner Smith said that he thought the idea, as also Chief Jerushow, and on Commissioner Spears' motion plans and specifications for the proposed new wagon will be drawn up and presented to the board, at a special meeting to be held in the near future. Sids for the construction of the wagon will then be invited.

Chief Jerushow brought up the matter of procuring hay for the horses. He said that he had talked with several men and the lowest quotation he had received was $1.50 per bale. He was authorized to procure from twenty to twenty-five tons at that price.

The session then adjourned to the call of the chair.

CHIEF POINTS OF INTEREST.

Engineer Jerushow Gives an Interacting Resume of His Trip.

Auburn, Sept. 16.—To the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Gentlemen,—I most respectfully submit my report upon the 20th annual convention of the International Association of Firemen, held in Salt Lake City, Aug. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 1896. The convention was held in the Market Hall, which was handsomely decorated, Chief Jerushow Williams, president of the association called the convention to order in a speech inviting the speakers from the different states of the Union, and the chief as a representative of the state of Utah, and the first man who will be welcomed by the borders of the new state of Utah.

Mayor (Glendening), mayor of Salt Lake City, in behalf of the people of Salt Lake, in behalf of the people of the state of Utah, presented the city of Salt Lake as follows:

Chairman Jones read a hearty greeting and welcome for the convention.

R. O. HOFFMAN.

Chairman of the Board.

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but in all cases the city has preference over all others.

The best and first of the fighting fires was a subject in grade elevators, which caused a lively discussion. Of that description was participated in by chiefs who had been in attendance.

The topic was decided on the same rules applied by the city of Aurora.

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The visit to Salt Lake City, most interesting as it was enjoyed, with each other to tendering them much gratification, in the manner in which they entertained the party. On the Colorado Springs, by the fire department, an inspection was conducted of the fire department, followed by a detailed discussion of the fire and police parties. The party was entertained by the various members of the city, and several addresses by the Mayor, the chief of the police department, and other members of the city, were delivered.

On New Year's Day, 1869, was selected as the meeting place for next year's firemen's ball. The local committee for favors conferred respectfully submit the results of their labors.

E. J. Dewhurst, Chief Fire Department.

The fire department, called to River street, last evening, was the result of the blaze of a bonfire and the thought of a building. The fire department was the result of many new and useful fire apparatus. The firemen were most interested in the street and used the fire apparatus to their advantage. Among the many articles shown was the latest improvement in the china telegraph, a steel ladder, nozzles, fireproof pipes, smoke proof, and a large number of hose and everything else used in the equipment of the fire service. The display was the result of the hard work of the firemen, and that was conspicuous by its absence. The only apparatus that was exhibited was a screw jack invented by L. O'Dara, of this city. The firemen were of the opinion that the firemen are doing good work and received favorable commendation.

The report of the fire department was thorough and practical, and the firemen were one of the best points of their fire department. The firemen were able to display their goods or services to the best advantage. Among the various inventors went with their respirators, materials, and apparatus.

The Loeb respirator to which so much attention had been given was highly commended by the authorities both for its practicality and its durability. It is a pleasure to note that the firemen are using their respirators and the hose jack, recent addition to the department of the city, is highly commended by the chiefs of the association.

My attention was called to the Baker and the firemen, the result of which proved an unqualified success. Also a new fireman having on the fire service features the burning fire between partitions and ceilings. The favorable comments were upon the firemen who were very nicely noticed and I believe the firemen, fire service, and the city are making good on our annual report of the fire department.

The report of the association showed a total membership of the association about 5000. The last meeting was held in the new building on Main street. Five attendance at the convention was not so large as expected. In fact, not one of the members made it up in good numbers. In fact, the special interest, as the firemen of all the city were here, and I don't believe they expected as many as they had been anticipated. Five attendance from the membership was over and information received that the meeting was called.

The trip to Salt Lake City was a long one, but in the most delightful of all the trips. It was a stop over at Chicago, the headquarters of the firemen, and the Hamilton, ex-assistant chief, was a most excellent host. At the dinner at the Auburn, the dinner was given by the brother Wilder, and the members of the company. Both had taken important parts in the Swift & Co. and their influence may be seen in the large number of members in Salt Lake City.
The fire commissioners held a special session last evening and decided that they had cats enough. The price of hay was discussed and was found to be seventeen cents a ton cheaper than at the beginning of the season. Various other matters were referred to any information in the request of the city at that the bird had some decided action in regard to the ordinances relating to the construction of buildings in the inner fire limit. At present the law is a dead letter and some decisive action should be taken before the common council.

The matter was laid on the table to be considered at the future sitting, probably a special one to be called by the president of the board.

Now that the rush of fall work is over, C. E. Smith to whom the fire house belongs is willing to rent it for less, but during any reason he claims that the horse was not suitable for a horse at a price of $1 a day to work. Perhaps now that the license is for hire for the commissioners will not be purchased at all.

It is said that some of the commissioners are also figuring to see how they can get rid of two of the houses occupied by companies. They have money to build a new house for a paid company. A society in the western part of the city is anxious to purchase the quarters of Mr. Rosen at the fair price. Ex-Alderman Hazlett who was at one time one of the most ardent supporters of the volunteer system, is now said to favor the sale of the property to the social organization.

Wedded at Nootka.
The fire department was given a run, at 12:15, this morning. The barn belonging to Malt Carie Contant on Maple street, was burned, together with a horse and other contents. The loss will amount to several hundred dollars. How the fire caused the loss is a mystery. Mr. Contant was in the barn with a lantern during the evening, but he is positive that he did not leave any fire behind him. He is both to believe that the blaze was set by an unknown hand and a reason is left to speculation.

John Mansfield of hose 1, was seriously burned on the hand by a hot cinder which fell upon it, and he was attended to by a doctor. The hand which was burned is nearly to the melting point by the fire.

A coat and a pair of mittens were lost from the wagon of Mrs. C. The finder will confer a lasting obligation to the horse if she will return them to fire department headquarters.

Malt Carie Contant's Loss.
The fire commissions had their regular monthly meeting, last night. Department matters seem to be very quiet, at least the commissioners didn’t have very much to do. The steam heating apparatus at the quarter of House 3 was reported to have been repaired and placed in perfect working order. The newGerman for the “Rangers,” Mr. Speares said he was ready for service in about two weeks.

Chief Engineer Jewhurst reported four fires since the last meeting of the board. The usual amount of lost time by the call members of the department.

8. Wright Miller, an old-time fireman, made application for appointment to the permanent force. His name was put on the waiting list.

The hot water boiler at headquarters was reported in a dangerous condition. This is the second boiler that has been placed in headquarters within two years. Both of them were cheap affairs but the two have cost more than one good tank which would have lasted for years.

There were not very many bills to be audited. Among them was the claim of C. E. Smith for $70 for the use of a horse for the street department, last fall. Mr. Smith claimed a dollar a day for the use of his equine, but finally a compromise was reached on seventy-five cents.

Various supplies for the comfort and preservation of the houses were discussed and referred to the committee whose duty it is to purchase such trifles.

Mr. Smith reported the purchase of a forge, an anvil and other blacksmithing appurtenances. Then the meeting adjourned.

After the meeting, there was an informal discussion of the building ordinance. New suggestions for the comfort and safety of the buildings were proposed and it was decided to make a recommendation of the changes to the town council at its meeting Monday night.

The firemen had an unpleasant experience last night. About four minutes after midnight an alarm was sent in from both the corner of Parker street and Dutch Avenue. The greenhouse of Mr. T. Thornton, on Dutch Avenue went on fire. Somebody who didn’t know what was going on sent in an alarm, pulled the box and kept the “wheeler” ringing long enough to have some good time effecting the destruction of the whole city.

The department had to pass through a portion of the west side over distinct trouble to reach the fire and the street department is over forwards. Seemingly not the least attempt was made by the contract firemen who put down the same as to put the streets in a safe condition, at least one easy to drive upon. Great hummocks were left where the horse connections were made and in a great many other places there were deep pitch holes where the earth and mud had got in the excavations. Speed was impossible under such conditions. The Chemical engine and the wagon of House 3, were both stopped at different times and had to be drawn out of the holes.

The fire came in the front part of the greenhouse, from the hot air furnace. A large amount of the building was destroyed and the whole of the contents was ruined. There were several hundred dollars worth of blooming plants in the building, besides quite a large amount of vegetables which were ready for market. There were also thirty live tons of coal in the place which caught fire and had yesterday been taken over by the firemen before the owners could be extinguished. This, together with the g-r.o-w engine, is a most desirable one for the department to take. The loss will amount to nearly $1,000 upon which there is no insurance.

The meeting in the First Presbyterian Episcopal church in Exchange street on Wednesday afternoon was engaged in repairing the windows of the church when they got put in eight hours’ time. Just a few minutes ago they got to a job, said the local press, on which the church furnaces in which they heat there were in the immediate neighborhood.

The matter was reported at police headquarters. Roundman Caffinan, the chief, was out investigating the fire. On his way to the scene of the fire Capt. Platt and the truck company, who was taking a night off and explained that he didn’t explain, he was to blame for the damage and finally for the fire.

The fire at the house of Dr. Blunt, 411 Pleasant St., was attended to by the firemen and extinguished.

The fire at the house of Mr. Huffman, 299 Walnut St., early last evening, was attended to by Chief Engineer Jewhurst’s firemen, who dashed a great deal of water on fire and extinguished the flames. The fireman promptly fired the heavy illuminator into the street, leaving two young ladies in darkness and a relieved state of minds.

Had it not been for the prompt action of Fireman Huffman a serious conflagration would probably have resulted.
In the First ward there are 1,076 buildings; in the Second, 571 in the Third, 556 in the Fourth, 488 in the Fifth, 812 in the Sixth, 695 in the Seventh, 706 in the Eighth, 609 in the Ninth, and 806 in the Tenth, making a grand total of 7,457.

The claims are divided as follows:
- Brick, 761: frame, 6,577: stone, 87.

The chief has also made a careful survey of the hydrants, old and new, and has a map in course of completion, which will give the location of each one. This was done because of the many new hydrants which have been placed in the city during the past year. The map is complete in every detail and will be of great benefit to the department.

... look for sales, contains in good.

Mrs. J. KENNEDY. [2323 Kenn] to us: "Capital 2,665: stock 2,596, no increase in occupancy, and I get rent free." An in excess stated $800.

A Short Session.

When the house and cry for reform was raised against the board of fire commissioners, some years ago, great stress was placed on the fact that the commissioners then in office did not keep the department bills paid—that they allowed doles to accumulate for months before paying them. A reform board was elected which, after struggling for years to correct the faults which had been so glaring and in such need of reform, finally dropped gracefully back into the old rut which had caused such need of amendment in its predecessors. Last night, the commissioners met and about all they did was to pass bills. The schedule of the days' work amounted to a little less than $1,600, and $700 of this was divided among those who had run bills, which is a sum far from generous.

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BILLS AND BILLS.

Fire Commissi~ioners Pay A Few New Call Men on the List.

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A Hunt for Fire.

The firemen were given a short run at 1 o'clock Sunday, and another to 8 Sent in a blizzard. The call came by telephone. Smoke was pouring from the windows and doors of the building. The clerks thought that the building was on fire and sent a telephone message for the department.

"Where's the fire?" demanded an elderly gentleman who was leaving the building. "There is," said a second story window, "First floor, just around the corner." "I'll go up and see," said the gentleman. "It's just as bad as you say. Sure? I'll go up and see," he said. "I'll have to do it," he said. "I'll have to do it." The firemen went.

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EXERCISE FOR FIREFIGHTERS.

Two Insufficient Blazes and One
held at Shem's Run.

A cute little blaze in the shoe store
formerly occupied by Ingalls in North
street, attracted the attention of Patrol-
man Theodore Wright. With the aid of
the janitor of the store, the police-
man extinguished the fire before any
damage resulted. It is said that the fire
was due to a carelessly thrown cigar stick.

A still alarm called the fire
department out at 12:20, this afternoon, to
one of the Shimer estate rockeries in these
district, in the opera house block.
The alarm was caused by smoke in
the attic and even lighted in an old
building, by workmen who are
making repairs. The chimney was
stopped up and refused to convey
the smoke outside, and the smudge filled
the entire building, giving the impres-
sion that the structure was burning.
The firemen put out the fire in the furni-
ture and went back to quarters.

LOCAL FIRE RECORD.

Chief Engineer's Report for the
Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the fire department
ended with the meeting of the com-
misoneers, last night. In the ordinary
course of events it would have been the
last meeting at which Commissioner
Smith would have been present, official-
ly, and re-appointed by the council.

As it is, Mr. Smith will continue in
office until the next general elec-
tion, and the reason of the session was the
adoption and signing of the bill against
the city. The report of the Chief Engineer's
department was presented by the
President Smith and expressed the sentiments of the
other members of the board, when he said,
"Chief, that's an excellent report; and
you are respectfully submitted.

The council has its usual report of
the fire department by the men, fires,
loss of life, and a list of the eing-
tion of the outstanding.

Applications for appointment to the
department were received from Ed
Brooks, an able fireman, who is also a
manufacturers, with a full kit of
tools; and John Williams, a telegraph
lineman, who has been on active service in the de-
partment previously.

Chief Engineer reported having re-
novated the insurance on the contents
of the storehouse.

The Chief's Report.

Chief Engineer submitted his annual
report and the annual financial report of
the department, which was first printed.
There were permanent men, making up
the number of 25,000, who have
served the city during the past year.

Under the various laws of the state, the
chief pays at a different department with a
promotion of its respect, their reputation as having
attended the fire department for
the past year. The only efficiency and dis-
parity, it is noted that in the past year

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This year, in the latter part of the year,

The report shows that the fire de-
partment for the past year is

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first year in York street,

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FIREMAN'S REMEMBRANCE.

An Admiralable Resume of the Mun-
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Board of Health.

Expenses of the board of health for the past year were as follows:

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Total expenses: $28,000

Marriages, births and deaths recorded.

During the year, there were 1,234 marriages, 1,342 births, and 1,023 deaths.

Charges and Police.

During the year ending Oct. 31, 1896, this board issued bonds to the amount of $50,000. The number of applicants for road work was 291, representing 414 persons. A comparison with the previous year shows an increase of $2,769.91 in the amount distributed. During the past year, the number of demands for a period of 12 months has increased and it has been found necessary to return the application for the relief of the poor. This will not be incurred until next year, and the chief of police will show the council in June the work of the department. The number of arrests was 189. The amount of money collected was $1,500. The force of the police has increased in size, and the officers have sustained their reputation for efficiency and ability. There has been much service due to the absence of disorder and peace is the result of unremitting vigour.

Fire Department.

The manual of the department has been very much improved and is now in the hands of the members during the year. The improvements have sustained their reputation for efficiency and discipline. The expenses of the department are as follows:

- Salaries: $10,000
- Equipment and supplies: $5,000
- Total: $15,000

Financial statement of the department as follows:

Balance Jan. 1, 1896: $1,200
Balance Mar. 1, 1896: $900
Balance June 30, 1896: $800
Balance Sept. 30, 1896: $700
Balance Dec. 31, 1896: $600

Education.

The public schools of the city, as far as I can learn, have continued their usual high standard of merit. The expansion of the department for the year ending July 31, 1896, was considerably greater than for the previous year.

Natural Gas.

A committee of this council is now considering the question of the purchase of several companies, which seem to be interested in the idea that natural gas is a fuel, and probably more suitable fuels. The idea that all our streets should be illuminated by such lighting purposes is in the air, and the hope that any of our streets will be illuminated by gas on some future day is not far from realization. The former proprietors have assured us that they would be willing to sell us the streets and the building with the essential gas for $30,000. They would also be willing to sell the gas for $50,000. It is understood that the gas is not to be used for any other purpose than the illumination of the streets.
HERRLING AT THE HELM.

First Meeting of the Council—Important Topics Discussed.

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Resolved, That the city attorney be and he is authorized to prepare a legislative petition to the legislature in support of the proposition to authorize the funds necessary to pay all costs and disbursements incurred in the presentation of this bond suit, and to add such additional language to the bond suit as the city attorney shall think necessary; and to act in the premises as the council may direct, and include in such an amendment of the bond suit as the city attorney shall think necessary to pay the principal of the bonds and the interest thereon, at the maturity date of such bonds, until such bonds are paid off.

The city attorney is also directed to inform the council as to whether the city shall or shall not be required to file such public work, issue such bonds therefor, pay the taxes thereon or have the matter submitted to the electorate of the city at the next regular election held, and that the act shall not become effective until the vote of the voters at that time shall be in favor of such a project.

Upon motion of Alderman Wiggins the street superintendent was directed to repair, the city crossing Court street at No. 43 Alderman O'Neil called for eyes and nary. Carried unanimously.

Adjourned.

Fire Department Visited.

Immediately after adjournment, on the invitation received from Chief Jewett to accompany Chief Alderman to the city fire department on a tour of inspection. They were accompanied by a few other invited guests and the fire commissioners. After the inspection of the Chief Jewett hurst up a day alarm. The firemen were at their stations and the three teams in their harness in less than ten seconds.

The chief then sent his men to bed. After taking a short rest the quarters assumed the quietness of a Sunday morning. The deep tones of the big gong sounded, the house was ablaze with lights from the 250 visibility lamp. It was for the comfort of the members of the family in the first alarm had ceased. The Annunciator reported, who was in the chief's quarters, had had a watch on Chief Jewett's men. The blacks were pulling the fire engine out of the hall in twenty seconds after the first jolt of the gong.

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Auburn's Park Fire.


The fire department was given a second alarm shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A large hollow tree in Burt's woods was discovered to be on fire and residents in the vicinity feared that the proposed city park would burn up, so a call was sent in for the firemen from both 42, corner of South and Elizabeth, and 42, corner of South and Mill. The chemical company extinguished the fire, but there was an end to the fears of the householders. It is not known how the fire originated, but it is supposed that some boys were endeavoring to smoke a chip-munk out of his nest in the tree.

A misfortune befell D. E. French from being seriously injured while going to the fire. He was one of several hundred cyclists who insisted upon acting as an escort to the fire apparatus. The wheelmen literally surrounded the firemen, getting in the way and exposing themselves to danger and injury, and delaying the firemen. Mr. French fancied to be in front of Chief Jawhurst's wagon and in South street, he found his springing abilities were not equal to those of the chief's horse. In order to save himself from being run down he tried to take a header into the gutter.

When the fire department was called out, last night, Frank Parsons, who formerly owned the truck, was one of the spectators on the street. He became very excited because the truck had to work so hard, and declared that he would swear out a warrant for someone, just who he didn't seem to know, on a charge of annoying animals. He was of the opinion that the load was too heavy for two horses and that three were required.

This Afternoon's Fire/29

There was a small fire at the Lehigh Valley railway depot, just after the after. The firemen were notified by telephone. The fire was extinguished quickly, but a large hulking man was burned out of the building.

This Morning's Fire.

The fire department was given a run at 7:18, this morning. A call was turned in from box 42, corner of South and Elizabeth streets. The roof of the house at 8 Janet street caught fire from a defective chimney. The fire was put out before the arrival of the department.

The occupant of the building is Fred C. Buckman, a mail carrier. The owner is Michael Carroll. The damage will amount to only a few dollars.

Several persons in other cities interested in fire department matters, were at the Hotel Brunswick when the "Wheeler" struck and they rushed into the street to see the apparatus at headquarters start out.

After waiting several minutes out of the visitors impatiently demanded:

"What's the matter with 'em? They're dead slow! Why don't they got out?"  
"What is the matter?" demanded a caller approaching the group.

"Waiting for the fire department to get the alarm. They're going to run the alarm and you can see the dark," and the caller walked away.

"How are they going to light the stranger in surprise? Why, it can't be done because I was at the street fire stroke of the bull. Can't help it, they're going," teased the stranger.

"Well, then, they're chain lighting, the stranger."

The firemen had a telephone call and were on the street when the summons was sent in from the box.
The Fire Department and its contracts.


On motion of Mr. Moore each bidder shared a contract for an equal coal ration for the department, so it was possible to divide the full amount. Then the board adjourned.

As soon as President Smith had called the meeting to order, Clerk damage

The clerks were ordered to get the records of the fire department, and the assistant chief did not approve of the tone adopted by the alderman. He was placed in a peculiar position, and decided that the easiest way was to leave the department.

The assistant chief's position is what is known as a "salary" and pays a salary of $200. The assistant chief is paid at a rate of $1.33, or 83 cents. He is not entitled to any overtime pay. The resolution was received and adopted and the recommendations were referred to the building committee.

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Then came the resignation of Assistant Chief Kinsella, which requested his immediate release from duty. On motion of Mr. Moore the resignation was accepted and a check was ordered drawn payable to the assistant chief to date.

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The clerk was directed to notify the common council that $10,000 would be necessary to run the department next year.

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Fire Commissioners Resolve That

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The schedule of bills was the undiscussed business of the meeting, and checks were ordered for the several amounts.

Then came the surprise of the evening, in the resolution to discharge the remaining volunteer fire fighters. It was a surprise, for it was generally believed that it would be taken up only, if and when such an action was expected. At least one reporter had the impression that the clerk had finished reading the following resolution:

Whereas, it appears after due and careful deliberation that the service rendered by the Officers and Men of the Fire Department is not to any extent equivalent to that rendered by other volunteer and paid companies, and can be adapted to better advantage elsewhere, it is hereby resolved that:

Resolved, Further that the foreman of said companies, or the officer of highest rank in charge of the department, so directed, shall be disqualified from entering the service of the department. It is a necessity that the best service shall be retained.

There was no provision made as to what officers shall be stationed, but it is understood that the officers in the western part of the city to give additional protection to the life and property interests in that part of the city.

There was still another resolution to come:

Resolved, that the exercise wagon at home shall be dispensed with as no longer needed, and that a new wagon shall be outfitted with hose, ladders, and all other apparatus deemed necessary. The extra horses stationed at home shall be sold or disposed of, and any officers who shall be required to report to those boxes in the morning shall be paid in accordance.

Resolved, That Robert J. Oelke be and he is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy.

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FIRE COMMITTEE GIVES UP.
Unable to Agree on Disbandment of Volunteers.

THROW BACK ON THE COUNCIL.

WHERE THE SUBJECT WILL DIE AND RECEIVE A DECENT BURIAL--WEST SIDE SEWER DISTRICT CHANGED--SEVERAL STREETS TO BE PAVED WITH BRICK.

The common council did a whole lot of business, last night. Clerk Herrington was quite exhausted when he had concluded reading the reports and consequent resolutions which were haphazardly disposed of. The fire department had been expected to cause an exciting debate, but it was hardly mentioned.

The special meeting to which this matter had been previously referred, presented a bill that it could not agree and had therefore sent the matter back to the council for final disposition. The report was received and filed, and that is supposed to be the main so far as the council is concerned. It was announced that the City Council had, that night, adopted the street improvements resolution directing the fire commissioner to turn the several hose boxes over to the council. The report would then be submitted to the council in service at its own expense. If any such peculiar proposition was ever dreamed of it was not proposed to the council.
There wasn't any one present who against the construction of the new sewer, for or against. In the hearing of the committee, it was pointed out that nothing against the proposition, Arch and Court streets, and proposed that the work be received by the mayor.

Fire Committee Couldn't Agree.

The committee which has had in charge the sewer matter, presented its report, which was to the effect that it could not not and threw the subject back for the whole council to decide.

"I think we ought to come to some conclusion," said Mr. Corliss in any sewer in your district, into which residents could drain by means of a reasonable compensation and it was decided not to purchase sewer at present.

Mr. Green presented an exhaustive report on the Division street sewer matter, which was that all right and title to the property is vested in the city. The report was referred to the city council for appropriate action.

On motion of Mr. Wiggins the city engineer was directed to prepare plans for sewers in Court Avenue, Foote and Mann streets.

A committee on buying grounds was employed to look after assistant for the sexton at North Street cemetery, for one month at a cost not to exceed $40. The committee was also empowered to purchase necessary tools.

Two men and a team were ordered employed to flush the sewers. City trucks bore on the matter although he explained that he thought that the fire department should be by the fire department in other cities and without the city.

The final ten per cent on the contract price for sewers constructed in the west side sewer district, was ordered paid.

An Air Line company and the Aurora Electric Light company were requested payment of a reasonable compensation for the street line of more poles in the obviate the planting of more poles in the obviate the street.

The sewer committee will determine and approve the sub letting of principal contracts, instead of having the contracts performed by the entire city engineering department. The city engineer was directed to prepare plans for sewers in the spur and also to continue the work on the west side of Master street.

More Brick Pavements

The order was directed to advertise for the purchase of brick for the south side of the street from Joseph Street to the railroad, as good condition for traveling in summer as has been found to be the case in construction in the city of Aurora. City Clerk Herring announced that he was sent a report certifying the work ordered by the council at previous sessions.

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A committee of the volunteers was present during the session. Attorney E. C. Aiken was also present. He modestly admitted, after the session that he had given an opportunity which would have spoken a few words in behalf of the volunteers. Mr. Aiken said he could not tell what action the volunteers would take to retain their organizations nor did he know, at least not for publication, if they could take any steps to prevent their permanent retirement.

What the council did was to make another determination, is that the long-suffering contingent is through the medium of crosswalks and sidewalks.

The boundary of the west side sewer matter was again taken up, sewers were again constructed and—well, really that was that all of importance. The aldermen were still about getting together, they always are and in this case 8:30 and Mayor Lewis had impressed upon his gavel several times before the councilors sat. Reports and resolutions galore had been made before the session was commenced. Alderman O'Neill is in the south, was the only absentee.

The residents of Pulsifer street in the number of twenty presented a protest against the act of the city council on that thoroughfare. The document was read and filed.

Mr. Deans from Owasco street, presented a petition for an express line's business which was granted.

F. B. German was in favor of permission to erect a wooden tenement house at the corner of Franklin street, was granted.

A memorial was received from S. Sheldon of 302 Genesee street, setting forth the desire of the street sewer matter was constructed and paid for its payment: that at great expense some ratepayer sought to purchase her property to construct the sewer with the Jefferson street sewer: that she is amply provided with drainage and that the west side sewer system, in which her property is included, is not any burden upon her. Furthermore, as the assessment for it is a grievous burden. She proposed that if the councilors would hear her case so as to exclude her property, she would pay the assessment this year, and give it up to the city for the construction of a sewer across certain lands in Rose places. The memorial referred to the building committee which, later, presented a report recommending compliance with the departing council and her husband, C. L. Sheldon, executes an instrument agreeing never to drain any of the buildings present on the property, or which may hereafter be constructed on it, any sewer of the west side system, constructed or to be constructed in the future and also in the proposition made by Mrs. Sheldon.

A map, plans, profile and specifications for the sewer were presented by City Engineer Austin. The plans were adopted and a hearing was ordered. The engineer also ordered a prepared plan for renumbering Sewer Street from Washington street as was adopted.

Street Superintendent Jennings reported that the work on the north section of First avenue, and Third avenue from South street to J. J. Greene avenue were completed and paid for.

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A writ of certiorari was served this morning on the Clerk of the Board of Assessors, G. C. Green, who, having been served with a writ of certiorari, was served with a writ of certiorari. The county Clerk Adams, will act as a stay of all proceedings of the commissioners in the absence of the assessors until further order of the court.
THE SUITING FIREFIEMEN.

The Trustees Are Said to be at the Bottom of the Trouble.

It is said, but with how much truth cannot be known, that the trouble arose from the wrsit of certain Harl, by the volunteer firemen, was a surprise to the members of the three companies and was not sanctioned by the committee of the board of trustees. This body has control of the relief fund of the department, it is this body which has the handling of the finances of the companies. The Department of Insurance. For several years past the funds have not been doled out for sickness or death, but the fund has been doled among the members as received from the insurance companies. The fact that the firemen and the company and the trustees have sought to have the control of the fire department, puts the members in a very unpleasant light before the Public. That the natural interference in the service from mercenary motives solely, instead of taking a desire to promote the best interests of their fellow citizens, as they have all along pretended. To regular sentiment by aiding against the section which has been taken by the citizens. Matter. Volunteers generally deny that the volunteers, who have previously had the highest regard for the citizens, should enter upon such a course. After the recent action taken by the three companies, the the volunteers cannot help but understand that in the end they must leave the city service, despite any long and costly litigation in which they may plunge the municipality.

SALARIES STOPPED.
Volunteers Will Not Receive a Penny After July 1.

Whatever disagreement there may be among lawyers regarding the rights of the volunteers to dismiss the four companies from the city's service, it is probable that there will not be any question as to the right of the volunteers to fix the compensation of the firemen. This is specifically prescribed in the charters as a part of the authority of the fire board. The monopoly held a special meeting last night, and in the main important thing done was to regulate the compensation of the volunteers according to the motion of Mr. Moore the volunteers will not be paid any salary after July 1.

The meeting was a regular adjourned session, and regular business was transacted. After the usual opening preliminaries, Clerk Ramage reported that he had served certified copies of the resolution of dismissal, adopted at a previous session, upon the foreman of each of the volunteer companies, as directed by the board.

"You are notified," replied President Smith, "that the board has had a substantial demonstration that you have performed your duty," and he drew to the attention of the supreme court writ which the volunteers recently procured.

John Armstrong, Jr., a former volunteer fireman made formal application for appointment as an extra fireman as provided in a resolution adopted at a previous meeting. Chief Engineer Johnson reported that a large number of applications had been made for him to have similar appointments. The following resolution was then adopted by Mr. Moore and was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the clerk shall issue to the companies of the fire company No. 3, Ross Ave No. 9, and Albert Ave, No. 6, that on and after June 16, the salaries of said companies will cease.

The salaries of the volunteers of the July 1, were ordered paid for this extra was given to each company for cleaning the engines after election. The volunteer board of the call men and clerk of the board also ordered paid for July 1.

The committee on apparatus was directed to have the extra with hose placed in position that it might be placed upon service in ease of emergency.

of John H., who began in 1910, take most discount; for cash, there is clerk in charge and credit, and has an estimated $66.75 worth of girls on the bench. States sided; own store and reside in the state. '94 sales estimate.

There was a pleasant discussion of the rapid improvement which the metal, fire, sitting, recently placed in the quarters of hose 1, had effected. The remarks by the members of the company also received favorable comment.

Several small bills were ordered paid and then the board adjourned, subject to the call of the president.

The recent action of the volunteer firemen in forcing upon themselves the city by means of litigation, was discussed.

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The fire was caused by the fact that a lamp had been left burning by the editor, and the burning oil on the floor had caused the fire to spread quickly. The fire was contained in the printing office, and the insurance company will pay for the damage caused.

The printing press was damaged extensively, and the editor has taken the loss in stride. He is confident that they will be able to resume operations shortly, and he is already making plans for new equipment.

The editor expressed gratitude to the city for the assistance they provided in extinguishing the fire. He emphasized the importance of having a fire extinguisher in the printing office at all times, and he urged all businesses to take similar precautions.

The editor also expressed his appreciation to the fire department for their quick response and efficient work. He noted that their prompt action prevented the fire from spreading to nearby buildings.

In conclusion, the editor expressed his determination to continue publishing the newspaper, and he assured his readers that they will continue to provide quality content despite the setback caused by the fire.
The Fire Wardens.

Nickle-Plated Harnesses For the Fire Horses.

The midsummer meeting of the fire commission last night, was without an incident. The regular reports were made, the schedule of claims was adopted and that was about all there was to it. It was reported from the supply committee that President Smith had nickle-plated all the metal portions of the harness in the department without charge. Mr. Smith, with his usual modesty requested the reporters to keep his name out of the report as having made any gift to the department. The reporters will decline to tell secrets about it, of course.

Chief Mechanic Jewhurst made his regular monthly report. There had been no call for the department during the last meeting. Driver Frost of the chemical company had been absent thirteen hours without leave, a second offense, and the contingent fund had been over drawn eight dollars.

A check was ordered drawn in favor of the chief for $38.80, to make good the deficit and replenish the contingent fund. Driver Frost was fined $1 and the last pay check was deducted from his pay and he was warned that another infraction of the rules would be cause for the infliction of a serious penalty.

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FIRE-WATER.

These Two Elements Caused Discussion in the Board.

An Effort to Purchase a Site for a New Paid Company is Defeated—Inadequate Sewage for Surface Water Must be Remedied—Suit Against the City.

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A joint resolution was introduced by the members of the senate, Mr. Alderman McCarty and O'Neill, which created a committee of fifteen for the investigation of the district. Mr. O'Neill said that the committee was appointed by Alderman Goodrich, Burgess and Raymond. The resolution providing for charging the cost to the city, if it would form a bar precedent.

Alderman O'Neill contended that the city should take control of the fire department. He alluded to the lax condition of the firemen in the Sixth ward, but he had not thought that the expense of the city. Alderman McCarty said the street was not large enough and considerable density of the street. He believed he was not responsible for the injury to property. He had determined that he didn't propose to vote $400 out of the budget for one case where there were a dozen others, and the firemen were the city.

Alderman McCarty said he could satisfy the board of the necessity of taking the matter in executive session. In his opinion the subject was brought to the council for decision. There was a defect in the sewer in the street of the State and Cottage streets which it would be advisable to repair. A resolution of Alderman Corcoran the sewer is entirely inadequate; it may be necessary to investigate and report a remedy.

Then Alderman Schlicht introduced a resolution to have the city purchase the property at the corner of Schenectady and Mill streets, thirty-five feet front by thirty-five feet deep, for the purpose of having a house there. The limit of the assessment was fixed at $100 with the property in the frame building from the location.

Alderman Goodrich immediately moved the adoption of the resolution to the fire committee. Alderman Schlicht insisted upon putting the matter over and said that Alderman Goodrich said that he was objected to any extension of the sewer which would undoubtedly have in view. It was opposed inasmuch as it was not in the public interest for the purpose of the property. It was then passed under the circumstances. Under these circumstances, he said the alderman, "seems to me to be a mere piece of business. It is a question that the taxpayers are looking at and with all the great deal of interest. If the city goes to the expense of the city fire department, they want to have something done. It is from the point of view that the city should be satisfied, the city is supposed to be a public benefit. I don't think $30,000 will fire the losses of the city. I have a great respect for the city whose so we want to put a check on all the common sense we want to put into it."

Alderman Schlicht demanded a roll call on the resolution which resulted in a favorable vote.

By resolution of Alderman Schlicht, the Auburn Oil Railway company was directed to construct tracks for their rail over the tracks between the store of Brown & Chapin street corner of South and Garden streets, and to recommend some street changes.

By resolution of Alderman Burgess, the committee was instructed to investigate the condition of South Grove streets, and to recommend some street changes.

A resolution introduced by the members of the senate, Mr. Alderman McCarty and O'Neill, which were for the report of legislation of fifteen inches over from Garrow to Parkers streets, the city. The opposition was made by Alderman Goodrich, Burgess and Raymond. It was said it was expensive charging the cost to the city, if it would form a bar precedent.

A resolution introduced by Alderman Schlicht, the fire department to act in aid of watermen in the corner of Water streets, were referred in the executive session. By Mr. Hereon of the survey of the city, the Schlicht proposed to prepare map, Seward referred to, and consistent with what limits of the boarder sewer street.

By resolution of Ald. Cross, the board of fire not to remove the abandoned lamp post in front of St. John's church, and theiscopal church building in the street.

Ald. Ramage introduced a resolution directing the city attorney to represent the city in the matter of the city's rights in the fire department. Ten firemen were brought in the city council. In disbanding them the panic was raised, as the matter had already been before the board. The department committee was endorsed by the city council.

Alderman Goodrich introduced a resolution, which is opposed to the declaration that he called the investor investigation of the fire department. It was referred to its committee for a recommendation. The resolution is for the Ramage resolution action, which was lost, 4 to 5, by the following vote:

Ayes—Aldermen Schlicht, McCarty, O'Neill—9.

Then a vote was about to be taken on the Ramage resolution, when Alderman Schlicht asked that it be withdrawn temporarily while he offered a resolution to reconsider the question in referring the city attorney's committee's recommendation to the fire department committee with power.

Alderman Ramage readily acquiesced and said that the protest on the point was taken that the resolution was before the board. After a protracted wrangle, the mayor emphatically stated that the Sixth ward could withdraw its resolution and it was done. Thereupon Alderman Schlicht's motion to rescind the former action was carried by a vote of 4 to 5 as follows:

Ayes—Aldermen Burgess, Cross, Schlicht, O'Neill—9.
Nay—Aldermen Goodrich, McCarty, Wiggins—5.

Then an amendment was offered by Alderman Cross, who introduced the fire department committee to take the fire department committee to have the fire department committee to take the resolution, which was carried by a vote of 4 to 5.

Ayes—Aldermen Burgess, Cross, Wiggins—5.

The return of the writ of certiorari is complete. Answer for the action of the fire board. It tells in detail why the Taxpayers' money should not be spent to maintain clubs.

WERE SLACK AND INEFFECTIVE. It was reported to the board of fire committee and a special committee was appointed by the city attorney to investigate and report on the present meeting.

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An overturned lamp sent a fire to Hurley and Beddoesling.

The Sad Fate of Miss Cyrene Dwight of North Street.

Death in its most horrible form claimed the life of Miss Cyrene Dwight of North Street, early last evening. The beautiful woman had been burned and suffocated until death mercifully relieved her from further suffering.

The precise details of how she caught fire will probably never be known, but from what can be learned there can be little doubt of the origin of the accident.

For many years Mrs. Dwight, who was a widow, had lived with her daughter, Lawrence White, in the house where she met her end. The brother and sister grew together, very comfortably.

For nearly thirty years he was a keeper on the prison and from his salary had managed to lay aside enough to care for them in their old age. Advancing years finally compelled them to withdraw from active life in a house, in their old home, forgotten by all the world excepting a few old friends, and the mother, recently, the pair became really unable to care for themselves.

Mr. White was 84 and Mrs. Dwight 72. Mr. Dwight failed mentally and needed constant care.

In this emergency a niece, Susan L. White of Fulton Street, came to their assistance. She could not care for them and so they moved into the home of a near relative.

Mr. Dwight would have made them comfortable for the rest of her days, but she became possessed with the idea of a bath broth.

There was a commotion and an alarm clock was set off. Mrs. Dwight would not consent to bear the brunt of the imaginary noise.

The old librarian ran into the small apartment, hastily and went upstairs.

Two lovely young men were en route to the drag when they got to the main street.

The alarm was sounded as the hose cart of Fire Department No. 6 turned from Sixth Street into Water.

Two lovely young men were heavily covered with the flames. They were soon brought to the hospital.

Hose No. 6 must have been lost in the flames through Water Street. Any attempt to save it was of no service.

The third alarm was sent in by Mrs. Klein who was at the Albert Hotel. It was not known whether Miss Cyrene Dwight was left its quarters or not. None of the members of this company, the first to arrive on the scene, was aware of the chemical company that the flames was checked before more damage was done.

PROVED BY FIRE

Efficiency of the Paid Men Over the Vanishing Volunteers.

There was a small fire at 39 Lincoln Street, this morning, and the alarm was sent in from box 33, at D. M. Osborne & Co.'s office at 3:49 o'clock. The fire had been spreading since 7:30 a.m., or, the rear of the house occupied by Louis Lipitz.

The flames were confined to the shed and the damage will amount to several hundred dollars. No cause can be assigned for the origin of the flames.

The firemen had a record-breaking rest, nearly twelve hours having elapsed since they have been a call for their services. Even the Fourth of July was passed without an alarm.

There was no delay in the action of the fire department, a better demonstration of the efficiency of the paid portion and the uselessness of the volunteers, than this fire. The flames were located in a building situated in a cluster of frame tenements occupied by laboring people. While first discovered the flames had enveloped the shed and gave promise of spreading into a serious conflagration, for a fire house so closely headway, in the case of combustible buildings there would be nothing but a series of small fires.

Fortunately the alarm gave warning in time to save a considerable area.

In this respect it could be contrasted with the great plant of the553 After a struggle of some time, the fire might have been seriously damaged.

Before the third round on the gong, the men were in the street, the apparatus, gathered. Seven minutes to the scene the alarm had been sounded, the hose cart of Volunteer No. 3 from Sixth Street into Water. Two lovely young men were on the drag, being got to the company quarters. As the company quarters, how long would it take them to get to the fire? Having up the man in the main street hill to the fire? How much damage had been done before during the time which preceded the alarm? These questions are for

Two Octogenarians in a Desperate Fight with Flames.

A WOMAN BURNED TO A CRISP.

An Overturned Lamp Sets Fire to Hurley and Beddoesling.

Two Octogenarians in a Desperate Fight with Flames.
After the preliminary business was over the reading of topics and a paper taken up the meeting adjourned. The paper was valuable as it contained a demonstration of the use of the gun as a deflection method. A further discussion followed and it was voted to give to the experiment the title of fire chair. This improvement is intended to render the present chair of the fire service of the country as much more effective as a deflection machine.

Chief Darrell of Boston reviewed at length the history of the fire chair, which is more than 70 years old. About 25 years ago, Chicago in the interest of advancement in the fire service, adopted a fire chair that had been improved. The chief explained that this improvement was made to suit the present condition of the fire service of the country, which is due more to the efforts of the present chief, as shown by facts and figures.

Captain William H. Brophy, electrical engineer of the state of Massachusetts, read a paper on the condition of machinery in the fire service of the country. The author believed that the fire service of the country was superior to that of any other country.

A paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers was made by the author. The author thought that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive. In the paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers, the author believed that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive. In the paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers, the author believed that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive. In the paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers, the author believed that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive. In the paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers, the author believed that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive. In the paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers, the author believed that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive. In the paper on the courtroom system of periforated pipes and sprinklers, the author believed that the size of pipes and the amount of water to be supplied for the betterment of the system and its efficiency had been much discussed, but very little time had been spent on the effective feeding of columns of different areas and the efficiency of the metal of the pipes to exalt and choke the vessel, creating a gaseous explosion which is interesting as well as instructive.
A Woman Single-Handedly Burned

Still another fire, the shock of which was not so serious, occurred this afternoon. The blaze was completely extinguished without loss or injury.

Mrs. Renee Reno Will Recover

Mrs. Renee Reno, who was badly burned, yesterday afternoon, is now much improved today. Her injuries were not so serious as at first supposed, and she is seriously burned about the face. Her recovery is only the question of a short time. The property damage was fully insured.

TELEPHONE TROUBLES

The New Company Runs Counter to an Ordinance.

The United Telephone company officials are in hot water, because of the carelessness of the linemen of the company. The company has been accused for the protection of the fire alarm telegraph system. Heavy penalties have been imposed upon a few operators, and a system will be installed, with the title of wire inspection, which will be appointed to see that the provisions of these ordinances are enforced.

During the summer, Chief Engineer Joseph Juvik had considerable trouble with the wiremen stretching wires for the telephone company. Several times they kept breaking alarm wires, causing more or less delay. This morning, the wire was at the corner of Division and Wall streets and it was moved and placed in a dangerous position to an electric light wire, in a storm wire, in a storm wire, in a storm wire, in a storm wire. The wire was cut at noon, right in the middle of the telephone company wire. A new wire was immediately spliced.

Confangement in a Candlestick

A disagreeable smudge filled the house of Charles B. Pate at 54 South street, this afternoon, and several families were disturbed. The smudge was caused by the fire. Captain Pate, at a Blockhouse, was the first to discover the fire. He, endeavoring to make a quiet descent, a blustering curtain and the flames, arms and legs, were severely but not seriously burned.

Hotels Are Hot Stuff

There were two small fires, yesterday afternoon. Neither of these were particularly disastrous. One was reported at a hotel in the neighborhood of 54 South street. The fire was extinguished by a couple of hotel guests.

There was nothing for the firemen to do but return to quarters, which they were very glad to do.

The fire at the home of Mrs. Kinley was at the corner of Sibley street and the house was badly burned. A young mother and her child were saved from the blaze which only served to scatter the family. The head of the family promptly put the fire with a blanket and the fire department was called.

A DAY OF EXCITEMENT.

Three Calls Sent in for the Fire Department

Grover and Steel streets were in a mad whirl of excitement, this morning. In the first place a venturesome kitten had ascended a tall tree in front of Understaker's block. The terrified feline, its own temerity was about to come down. The neighbors rallied to the rescue, a boy climbed the tree, a girl in a matinee dress spread out her skirt and paws the limb and then the kitten was safely landed. The damage will amount to about $7.50.

A spark from the burning oil must have lodged beneath the boards and then the oil must have been covering the floor, which was but a few inches from the floor. The burning oil must have scattered about the room and the woodwork was scorched. The ceilings and walls throughout the whole house were blackened by the dense smoke and the door was partly burned. The damage will amount to about $75.

The fire, which was at the home of the residents of 54 South street, was extinguished by the firemen who were on the scene in a few minutes.

While the firemen at the Haight residence were on the scene, a call came out for telephone. An oil stove in the apartments of Curtis G. Frizl on 29 North street got out of control and the flames were just about to spread out of a window before the firemen arrived. Mrs. Kinley called out for the firemen and they were on the scene in a few minutes. The firemen arrived and extinguished the fire before the flames could get out and spread.

The fire was put out by a couple of steel workers and the firemen were on the scene in a few minutes.

Several calls had been made for the firemen who were called out for the fire at the Haight residence.

There was something for the firemen to do but return to quarters, which they were very glad to do.
ONE MORE PARDONED

The Man Who Burned Buffalo Out of $60,000 is Set Free.

Four years ago next Monday, Enrie Ontario Van Brocklin, former secretary of the fire board of the city of Buffalo, was received in Auburn prison under sentence of eight years and five months. This morning, just four days prior to the anniversary of his incarceration, he was released from Copper John's domin. His term of imprisonment was abbreviated by the act of Governor Black, who signed the man's pardon, yesterday, and the convict with the liquid christian names of John was set free.

Van Brocklin stole $60,000 and over from the taxpayers of Buffalo, and it is reported on good authority that he still possesses a large share of his thieving. Four years of penal servitude for this $18,000 a year is considered pretty fair compensation for peculation, and it also has a tendency to place a premium on larceny.

Van Brocklin's crime was committed while he was occupying a position of trust, as secretary of the board of fire commissioners of the Biron city. His method was to carry on the pay roll of the department a number of dummy firemen, and he would obtain their imaginary salaries by forcing false names to the pay warrants. It is known that he obtained in this manner over $80,000, and in all probability the amount was much larger. His scheme was discovered and he made a clean breast of his wrong-doing. Upon his plea of guilty he was sentenced Sept. 15, 1893, to serve eight years and five months in Auburn prison. He was received at this institution twelve days later.

Van Brocklin had been a member of the old Buffalo fire department and was noted for his ability. He had also made a gallant record in the war of the rebellion, having enlisted at the age of 16 years. These things, together with his former reputation as a good citizen, mitigated the offense, and the sentenced man of the court was not so severe as it might have been otherwise.

During his four years in prison he had been a model convict. At first he was given a place in the prison post office, under H. Clyde Johnson, the citizen postmaster. Later he was transferred to the basket shop, where he was engaged as clerk, and more recently he had been employed in the store-keeper's department, under Lyman S. Gibbes. He was master of age and immediately upon his discharge, he started for his old home in Buffalo to begin life anew.

The related pardons for Joseph Thornton, John Farrell and Thomas Murray, the three men former innocence was established two years ago, were received this morning. Thornton and Farrell were at once released, but as Murray had become insane during his incarceration and had been transferred to Matteawan asylum, his pardon was returned to the governor.

A LITTLE BURN.

In the Court.

Taylor's House Burns.

The roof of the Lehigh Valley railroad shop at Mount Vernon, yesterday afternoon, probably by the efforts of the three men who were arrested this morning, responded to the call for aid from the railroad people and with a couple of chemical charges extinguished the blaze. The damage was very slight.

HAVOC WITH THE FIRE ALARM.

As a result of the recent interference with the fire alarm telegraph system, it has become sadly demoralized. At 3 o'clock this morning, the firemen were aroused from dreams of an increase in salary, by a blow upon the Wheeler. The alarm was caused by a grounded wire. A search by the linemen this morning, revealed several displaced conduits under the streee which might have caused the trouble.

TWO FIRES.

One in Town and Another on a Montezuma Farm.

The galvanizing house of the Auburn Wringer company's plant, in Washington street, caught fire, yesterday afternoon. An alarm was turned in from box 4, at the Lehigh Valley railroad station at 1:07 o'clock. The flames were extinguished by hose 3. The fire caught from hot ashes which had been raked from furnaces fires. When discovered the blaze was dancing merrily along the cornice of the building. The damage did not amount to much.

A destructive fire occurred on the At-warez farm in the town of Montezuma, a short distance northwest from the city. The farm is tenanted by Walter Hutchings. A very few box and several large matches are responsible for the fire. The boy first set fire to some dead weeds and the blaze was so pretty that he set to the straw scattered about the barns. Then the barn caught and the youngsters finally became frightened and gave the alarm.

The farmers for miles around turned out and did all they could to put out the fire, but their efforts with the means at hand were not altogether successful. The flames kept spreading and four large barns, together with their contents went up in smoke. There were 800 bushels of oats in one of the buildings the others were filled with hay and straw.

The house and carriage barn were saved after the most strenuous exertions. The loss will amount to several thousand dollars. The buildings were insured but the contents is a total loss.

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FIRE ALARM WIRE.

Commissioners instructed at Interference and Official’apparatus.

The fire commissioners have decided the trial, which has arisen over the fire alarm telegraph wires by the linemen of the Auburn telegraph company, on the other matters which came up at the repair meeting, last night.

Chief Engineer Jeuburn brought the subject before the commissioners, by the completed report of what had been done during the endeavor to secure the proper punishment of the parties who interfered with the wires and served a repetition of the evidence. All this the commissioners went into. Continuing, the chief said, that the wiremen only interfered with the wires expensive to the department, but it was likely to render the repair work a failure.

The careless placing of the salt piles by the farmers, through a high wind or heavy storm, might come in contact with wires carrying electricity, and be not only to burn out the signal box but damage the battery room at headquarters. Even if he was not, declared the chief, then he related an experience recently, when it was the Postal Telegraph company's wires in East Genesee street. One of these wires engaged across the trolley cable and a fire alarm wire. The chief was in the battery house, and he his Tuesday in the resister. He opened the circuit to the fire alarm tremender and received an electric shock which knocked him to the floor. At late time the chief said he tried to wire received a shock which knocked him to the floor, and he was arrested for interfering with the fire alarm telegraph and were locked out of the building. The situation was discussed, the chief said, for further time as the city's legal advisor was not positive as to what was impresario in abdermane provinces.

"Under the circumstances," said Chief Jeuburn, "I do not feel like risk- ing my own life or that of the men, to be the victim of anyone's wrong. We do not wish to do violence, but we wish to do justly in the law."

The commissioners declared that such a state of affairs should exist and that some decisive action should be taken. It was not determined exactly the attention of the city, as they were decided to see their city engineers, to be taken by the mayor.

Previously to the meeting, E. L. Merriam, secretary of the Locomotive Engineer's company, a written and signed by headquarter bore on the chief the letter that the legal authority had returned the paper to the president with the order to address the Chief "saying, that they would refuse to work until the contracts were included in the paper and pipes and tubes were present to the satisfactory. The requisition was a broad and filed.

The committee and superintendence reported that the repairs and that that in service.

The chief said that the alarm system and the alarm system was not yet.
Jewhurst Keeps His Word.

There was a personal encounter, this afternoon, between Chief Engineer Jewhurst and Atlantic Telephone Company, as a result, there was a pair of beefy fists. The interview was published, which Mr. Bruce made some serious charges against Chief Jewhurst.

Several times, this morning, the chief visited the telephone office and spoke to the necessary wires for the repair of the fire alarm system. Some of the customers determined to have their annual report which is a great help to the chief to secure proper rates for the work. His words were on the floor, last night, but for some reason unknown the final motion of Mr. Moore was held over until the next meeting for action. The board adjourned.

THE CHIEF IN WAR PAINT.

Jewhurst Waxes W'roth at Wire Interference.

The interview with Mr. Bruce of the Auburn Telephone company in an out of town Sunday paper, yea, yes, yesterday, made Chief Engineer Jewhurst of the fire department just indignant.

If Mr. Bruce made those statements in his interview, let me say here that the chief with emphasis, this morning. The interview was published in the first issue that the whole interview is true. I did refuse to talk with him. He did not come to see that it was a chance in the line for the chief, but to give him an opportunity to speak. He denied that the fire alarm telegraph company had been interfered with, and de-clared that his company did not have a right to interfere. In lines in which they knew they had the right of construction work, and confirmed my statements and Bruce contradicted him. He intimated that the New York State Telephone company had a string on me and nature I became angry. To avoid knocking him down, which would have resulted had I remained, I turned away and walked out of line to talk to him any more.

Throughout the telephone wire inspector to the common council does not contain all the changes which those people have made without permission, unless a notification of the intended change is sent to the engineer. The Attorney Telephone company very plainly states that it shall comply with the order.

The ordinance force that every telephone and telegraph company shall have a space at least two feet at the top of every pole and no wire shall cross a arm shall be firmly affixed in this space with at least two nails, for the purpose of hanging multiple wires. This company has not complied with the ordinances of the city, and has thus clearly violated the franchise granted by the common council to the pole with this space reserved and the space which is about the left eye to think the wire is going where the telephones can not be used.

THE VENDETTA.

It Seems to Have Been Declared in the Wire Matter.

A vendetta seems to have been declared by Chief Engineer Jewhurst by the Auburn Telephone company. Last night the chief was warned by one of them that he would punish him or his eyes. The fellow conveyed his warning by telephone, and the announcement was couched in the vilest language.

Among the darker expressions was that the chief and everyone connected with the fire department were things considered vastly worse than dogs. He also declared that the fire alarm in a number of times in the last week was not necessary and the chief was trying to lay the fault upon the telephone company.

People who have resided in the city for a considerable length of time know whether this statement is true.

Superintendent Bruce has not as yet made any formal complaint to the police in regard to his chastisement of yester-

day.

Chief Jewhurst is in Syracuse today.

A Sidewalk on Fire.

Here's called out, yesterday, to extinguish a blazing blaze near the Bowery, 3202 in Clark street. A man from the packing house, was noticed that this point may be reported on the street cars to the police, and the sidewalk was not taken out to put out the fire. It did not take long to put out the fire.
SOME FIERY DISCUSSION

It Arises in the Council Over Purchasing a House Lot.

CITY INVESTS IN REAL ESTATE.

A Good Investment

The trouble started as another clerical error in the resolution.

Alderman Goodrich left out of the new board to buy it the table full of new business that came to the old board.

The committee of the whole also gave, in its opinion that the city should make the property, the city needed just as much as the property that was going to be decided on.

Alderman Goodrich spared for wind for many who disapproved it.

The home shall be plenty of people willing to take

A Good Investment

The resolution by some consideration that the

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The members were moved by various emotions. Alderman Burgess, Corcoran, Cross, Ramage and Wiggin were turned down in their respective wards exhibited feelings of varying qualities. The ninth ward representative was the only one to vote for the purchase. Alderman Goodrich and O'Neil, who had volunteered to make the race for another term asked about as much as the other two, a dollar a year for keeping the city.

The other, imperceptible as ever to surrounding influences Alderman O'Neil, a new member who succeeded the first reader and his assistant. The resolution was adopted.

Alderman Goodrich agreed.

Alderman Goodrich approved of the delay, as he tried another. Why should the Auburn Water company demand the land to city to consider the protection of the company's buildings would receive from fire. The argument was the way he made this time.

No one replied to this parenthesis and the motion to table was put and passed by the following vote:

Alderman Burgess, Goodrich, O'Neil, Cross, Corcoran, Ramage, Wiggin.

Then Alderman Burgess, in defense of the city, as long as the matter can come about the reducing the building, asked for an adjournment. The motion to adopt the first part of the motion was then put, and the council adjourned.

The resolution was approved and all parts of the proposed measure.

In his mental vision he saw a structure similar to the one of $50,000 or $60,000; he said it equipped as a fire house at an additional expense of $50,000 and he thought he might put up the buildings and hire the fire company

An increased appropriation of $15,000 or $16,000 to the fire department. Under the circumstances he was not opposed to the recommendation of the city money to be put in the improvement of the streets where the fire department is to the job of the people in Angle to firemen for firemen to the job of the city, there was a motion to adjourn which was defeated.

The fire company was not in favor of the motion.

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Fines hospital. He urged the immediate existing
Almendiran buildings. By resolution
of the council, the committee was to build
the building on a quarter section of land
owned by Almendran, which was to be
crossed by a street.

The committee on legal proceedings
received a claim from Mrs. Sarah M. Gilbert
in the form of an insurance in the name of
Almendran Beach.

Almendran Gilson fell on a sidewalk in Green
Town last night and was taken to the
defended area. He had a severe head
injury and for the fall and was taken to
the hospital. Mrs. Sarah M. Gilbert
had been injured in the fall.

At the same time, the Almendran
Beach, who was carrying a bag of mail,
was injured in the fall.

In the last court session, the
Almendran's case was heard.

The Almendran was found guilty and
was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

The Almendran's attorney, Mr.
Johnson, argued that his client was
not guilty and should be acquitted.

The judge, however, ruled that the
Almendran's guilt was established
beyond a reasonable doubt.

The case was continued to a later
date.

Almendran McCarthy, who had been
in the court and during the trial,
took the stand and denied any
allegation or charge.

The trial continued into the night,
and the case was not concluded.

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defense and argue his case.

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case was not ready for an
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THE CITY BUING REAL ESTATE.

NEW HOSE HOUSE LOT PURCHASED.

Considerable Discussion Over the Matter—Holley Street Sewer Question Also Debated Vigorously—Not a Peep About That Awful "Raid on the Treasury."

The aldermen were on their good behavior to-night. It may be a surprise to their constituents to know that certain fact; but it is as true as gospel that the members of the common council can be as dignified as a group of legislators when the subject under discussion is something that affects them personally. The aldermen now in office were said to be the most dignified in the history of the city, and much credit may be given to the council for this fact.

The question of the fire commissioners purchasing property for a fire station in the Holley Street district was also discussed. The aldermen were not disposed to agree to the purchase of the property, but they were willing to consider the matter further.

The next meeting of the council was scheduled for the next week, and the aldermen were expected to take action on the fire station question at that time.

The aldermen were also discussing the matter of the Holley Street sewer, which had been the subject of much debate in recent weeks. The issue was still undecided, and the aldermen were divided in their opinions on the matter.

The aldermen were said to be very busy, and much of their time was spent in discussing important matters that affected the city. The aldermen were said to be working long hours, and they were often seen leaving the council chambers late at night.

The aldermen were also said to be very generous with their time, and they were often seen spending hours with constituents, helping them solve their problems.

The aldermen were also said to be very strict in their behavior, and they were often seen walking in the streets with their umbrellas, even in the middle of a hot summer day.
A Fast Walker-Partly True.

One of the firemen at Headquarter's had a day off yesterday. This nothing peculiar about that because he has a day off once a week. The only think different is, it is only in the hours. Well, yesterday at C. A. was the first time he had seen the fire since the even was ended, headquarters, as was soon in the arms of his superiors, if the resultant discord which he felt was a correct symptom of the condition of matters. Everything passed off all right until 3:30 this morning, when he rose and in the fantastic dreary of the night, he finally returned to his bed after a sleep.

The trouble now is, that his fellow firemen have related to him all sorts of strange things he did during his stormy night. The question he visited and adventures he took up, according to their story would be sufficient to horrify any man.

Fifteen-One. Fifteen-Two.

The firemen at department headquarters are preparing for a cribbage tournament. Ex Fire Commissioner J. H. also promised to be a home boy for the winner and the men are getting ready for the desperate fray.

WILFRED PROMPTLY ELECTED

The Petty Attacked Upon His Character Utterly Without Effect.

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS RETAINED

Only One Change in the Old Regime. Bids for a Stone Crusher-More Sewers Needed - A $15,000 Suit Against the City.

The first meeting of the common council under the revised charter, for the appointment of city officers not last elected by the people was held last evening. In every instance the outgoing official was reinstated. The single exception was Napoleon B. Ford, scales of weights and measures. There were seven absentees for the place.

The meeting lasted late into the night.

One Christmas Dinner.

Among the many Christmas merry-making which glittered the merriest holiday of the year, none was more pleasant than the dinner given by Harry Ginsburg, to his friends, the firemen, and incidentally a few others Harry has been a frequent guest of the hospitality of the fellow fireman that has been for some time, and has become a real merchant and proprietor of a store, he wished to return the courtesy. Christmas is Harry's birthday and so the Christmas dinner was all the more pleasant. As the firemen couldn't all have headquarters to attend the dinner, he determined to bring the oddfiremen to his own headquarters. So the smoking room was packed with the occasion and the feast was laid there. Miss Dennis was the caterer, and furnished a substantial menu. Roast turkey, roast duck with all that is necessary to complete a dinner, was served before the guests at 10 o'clock. Later in the evening, the hosts entertained the guests a dance of legendarum. It is said that Kellar does some work which Harry can't, while some work which Kellar doesn't. It is also done, according to hill, that Kellar was given many a free drink at another place.

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Blazing Scout.

So in the chimney of the house No. 61 of West street, caught fire this morning, and the Rambler at Headquarters were telephoned at 7:30 o'clock. Two chemical charges were necessary to extinguish the blaze. There wasn't any loss of money damage to the family and its occupants, or to any neighbors.

One Christmas Dinner.

A communication from the office of the attorney for the receiver of the George Rambler, a brother of the late Edward alderman.

Of course Mr. Pieron was reappointed to the office of city attorney. The position of city attorney has been in the hands of Mr. Pieron since his election. Mr. Pieron received the stamp of approval from the present members of the council.

Outside of the trouble, there is no danger of another fire.
The clerk announced the reading of the report of Mr. Ramage in which he reported that the proposals to erect a new court house, to be located south of the present one, were made by the city council. The motion, made by Mr. Ramage, was that the city council authorize the purchase of land for the new court house.

The clerk also announced the reading of a letter from the city attorney, Mr. Smith, in which he recommended that the city council approve the purchase of land for the new court house. The letter was signed by Mr. Smith and dated the 24th of the month.
A FIREMAN HURT.

Driver Anton Dragged by His Team and Nearly Skinned Alive.

As the result of an accidental tip over of the fire department supply wagon this morning, Joseph Anton, driver of Hose 1, was severely injured. Anton, while taking his team regular morning exercise shortly before 8 o'clock, crossed the street in front of the board, and it was calculated that he was only a second or two when the result was something nearer what was forgotten. Mr. Moore, the head of the fire department, ordered Mr. Battams, and the minority member, to the minority member and the minority member wanted the honor himself. They were on the roof of the other two when the result was still in the same corner and the man who was thrown. Mr. Moore was in a sorry plight. A dead Anton was carried to the trolley power house, where he succeeded in guiding them on the sidewalk where they were stopped. A monitor character. He was assisted by a man named Mr. O'Grady in a private carriage. The accident occurred at the five o'clock, and he was taken to the police court,切成 after, when he was taken to the home in Mattie street. He was attended more luckily. Mr. Moore sent for help from the wagon-man to free himself from the fire. He was taken to the hospital by the firemen.

A WOMAN ON FIRE.

Fatally Burned in Broad Daylight in the Heart of the City.

Enveloped in a sheet of flame, Mrs. Thomas Allen stood in the hall of the block at No. Market street, at 11 o'clock this morning and screamed for help. The woman's plight was horrible. Her clothing was blazing in every part and a column of flames shot far above her head. For just an instant the few spectators who witnessed the unfortunate sight were paralyzed. Then Charles, P. West, the artist sprung to the rescue. Doffing his heavy upper top-coat he threw himself forward and carried Mrs. Allen to the sidewalk where he laid her down and began tearing away her burning clothing and endeavoring to extinguish the flames. He quickly followed his object. I take the example, landing such assistance as was possible. It was not until the woman was horribly burned, almost beyond the possibility of humanly, that the flames were extinguished.

The accident happened opposite police headquarters, and both patrols and the firemen were among the first to go to the assistance of the unfortunate woman. A call was turned in for the ambulance. But after a long wait for the ambulance, the accident placed an outside vehicle, a breathless messenger, who was not in the room. He reacted his body and carried Mrs. Allen to the pair shop. The woman could not, by the assistance of her husband and her doctor, prevent her injuries and her doctor reported that the woman was carried to the hospital. She was therefore placed in an express home and was taken to the City hospital.

A PANIC AVERED.

A Little Fire in the Cordage Factory Causes Alarm.

There came not even a serious fire and a panic of the employees in the Columbia Cordage company the other end of the electric light system are extremely heavy. The wires of the boards which are fastened to the rafters. The defective insulation of one of the wires set fire to one of the boards and a small blaze resulted. The district was filled with dust from the flames. Flames ignited the dust which shot upward and cracked and crashed into the Fourth of July pyrotechnic. The waves turned wide streams from extinguishers and hose reel, and the fire was under control before any material damage had been done.

During the confusion Mary Mahin fled away. She was scarred for companions until she was able to go home.

STRIKING GAS!

Not at the Well but in the Meeting of the Fire Commissioners.

There is one thing which the fire commissioners cannot understand any more than the rest of humanity. They are the gas reads of the frisky gas meter. The gas bill was one of the subjects discussed by the commissioners at their regular meeting, last night. The bill declared that 8,000 feet more was consumed at headquarters during the month of November than in the same number. There had been no increase in the number of lights used and the men had not kept any later hours. When it came to the auditing of bills Mr. Moore protested vigorously against the charge. As it was ordered, but Chief Engineer Hewlett was ordered to investigate and see whether some mistake had been made or whether there was a leak in the pipe.

President Smith was still absent in the West. Mr. G. A. V. Moore président, Mr. Moore said that he was just as much as his hand in as many ways as possible. The record of the proceeding was not in evidence, established by the commissioners years and years ago, the honor of presiding over the fire department. The board was composed of Mr. Hewlett and Mr. Battams, the presiding officer, Mr. Moore said. When it came to the election there were some points between the members. One of the reasons why all that had been done, 2, the surface was smooth, but there was a strong undercurrent.

The member whose turn it was to be president never doubted that the rule would be promptly and exactly put into effect, and so when he came to the front he was elected for the minority member. Just at that time an attempt of committees amounted for conservatism, and the minority member wanted the honor himself. Mr. Moore, the head of the fire department, ordered Mr. Battams to be elected, but he was rejected.

There will be nothing of that kind this year. The members of the board were in perfect accord and when the words were spoken Mr. Moore was made president. Clerk Ramage will be recorder also.

Well, all this ancient history hasn't anything in particular to do with the reading of the bill, but Mr. Moore was made president. Mr. V. Moore will be made president.

One of Anton's feet became entangled in the rear in running from the overhanging vehicle he was thrown face downward on the pavement, and then pinned to the trolley power house, where he succeeded in guiding them on the sidewalk where they were stopped. A deep Anton was in a sorry plight. A dead Anton was carried to the trolley power house, where he succeeded in guiding them on the sidewalk where they were stopped. A deep Anton was in a sorry plight. A dead Anton was carried to the trolley power house, where he succeeded in guiding them on the sidewalk where they were stopped.

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The school woman was about 30 years old and had been married only 18 months. She resided with her husband and grandmother, Mrs. Eason, 83 years old, in the flat over 8 Market Street. The accident is the original in which the woman lay. Her clothing was the same as that which it is supposed the fire she had been in. Without stopping she fled through the room and ran down stairs, screaming for aid, and where assistance was given before she was related. She seems as though Auburn were peculiarly unfortunate so far as these devastating accidents are concerned, for within the last few years there have been not less than five, and there have been burned to death.

Mrs. Allen was still alive at the hospital at a late hour, this afternoon, but Dr. Woodruff, the attending physician, hopes of her recovery. It is said that if there is any possibility of its success the physicians will perform the necessary operation in an effort to save one of the lives.

AN UNJUST BILL.

Exempt Firemen Endeavoring to Pocket the Insurance Tax.

It has transpired that a most unjust bill has been presented to the local legislative representatives by the Exempt Firemen's association, which is urging its passage. The bill is to secure to the Exempts the two per cent foreign insurance assessment, at least, to its object on its face, but there is an ulterior motive behind the bill, so it is claimed by those in a position to know.

The measure provides that the 2 per cent foreign insurance tax shall be paid to the Exempt Firemen's association of the city, that the association shall retain for its own use fifty-five per cent of the amount of the tax; fifteen per cent, shall be paid to the Exempt Firemen's home on Hudson and ten per cent, shall be paid to the Auburn fire department.

The bill is accompanied by a petition, numerously signed. Among the names on the petition are those of two of the commissioners, Goldenbrough and Thomas, and members of the city council, endorsed to E. J. Moore, the third member of the board as being emphatically inclined to give its approval.

The bill was drafted by W. J. Church, attorney at law, who holds an office in the State Volunteer Firemen's association. This accounts for the fifteen per cent, divvy to the firemen's association. The association has guaranteed the passage of the bill through the legislature.

The bill is a preposterous measure. First of the two per cent, is to go to the volunteer firemen, the third part of that to be disposed of in the manner proposed. The volunteers, at least, make the fire duty and the money the bill proposes to go a portion to an institution about which Auburn has known little. There is an institution to which any possibility Secure admittance and which is maintained in the interest of the metropolis.

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President Oglesby offered a superintendence of these be appointed, but this was not necessary under the regulations of the department last in the board. Mr. Smith, listened to, but when the motion was made the subject was dropped. The board then adjourned.

AN UNJUST BILL.

Exempt firemen endeavoring to pocket the insurance tax.

It has transpired that a most unjust bill has been presented to the local legislative representatives by the Exempt firemen's association, which is urging its passage. The bill is to secure to the Exempts the two per cent foreign insurance assessment, at least, to its object on its face, but there is an ulterior motive behind the bill, so it is claimed by those in a position to know.

The measure provides that the 2 per cent foreign insurance tax shall be paid to the Exempt firemen's association of the city, that the association shall retain for its own use fifty-five per cent of the amount of the tax; fifteen per cent, shall be paid to the Exempt firemen's home on Hudson and ten per cent, shall be paid to the Auburn fire department.

The bill is accompanied by a petition, numerously signed. Among the names on the petition are those of two of the commissioners, Goldenbrough and Thomas, and members of the city council, endorsed to E. J. Moore, the third member of the board as being emphatically inclined to give its approval.

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Mayor Lewis has taken an unfair advantage in opposing a salary for himself. He said no one else will deny that the services he has given to the city have been a public service. One of the aldermen who voted against the measure last night, has been quoted as saying that he would not serve for $300 a year. Why should he be allowed to perform the duties of the office for nothing?

By comparison with other cities of the state, the services of a mayor in Auburn is indescribable. In looking at the question of the mayor's salary, an answer to the mooted question of "What is the matter with Auburn," perhaps it might be found in the parasitical tendencies of other city offices. After the routine business of the meeting had been disposed of, the council went into executive session upon motion of Alderman Omlsted who said that the matter should be considered in the first place. Members then proceeded to discuss, behind closed doors, the complaints of property owners in Sheridan and Gaylord streets, who object to paying for their sidewalks, unless the same are reimbursted for expenditures made before the creation of the sewer district. The matter was referred to the legal committee and the sewer committee to prepare reports, which were therefore disposed.

Then the members turned their attention to the subject of salaries and for an hour the noise of a most animated conversation was wafted through the成立于 three windows. Finally, after a few remarks, the members came out and the clerk gave out the following resolutions which had been prepared.

By Alderman O'Neill:

Resolved, That the city attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare an amendment to the charter for the pay- ment to the mayor of a salary of $400 per annum, and to each alderman $300 per annum, (such salaries to commence at the termination of the present term of office of said mayor and aldermen) and report the same to the council at its next regular meeting.

By Alderman Burgess:

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There had been only one fire since the S. Eddy, in Great avenue.

The petition of the first week for more $500 in three hours of work was read by Clerk damage. It is appended.

The petition was signed and filed. To the Mayor, by the Fire Commissioners, on the subject of the license of the fire alarm telegraph. The residents of the property. Linden place and Westlake avenue petition for a box to be placed at the corner of Court street and Westlake avenue. A similar request was made by the residents in the vicinity of Washington and Main streets; a box was also planted at the corner of Hamilton avenue and Union street. The petitioners were all referred to the committee on fire alarm telegraph. Mr. Moore declared that the board would only be too happy to put it in the additional boxes if it only had sufficient money. It would seem from this casual remark that nothing will be done with the petitioners further than the reference.

Chief Jewhurst thought it important that more boxes should be added to the system. There is only one box in the third ward, two in the second, and none in the first ward.

The schedule of claims was then audited and checked and another drawn for the following amounts:

Presbyterian Sperre announced the formation of the fire alarm telegraph.

President Metcalfe made a proposition that the city some time ago to sell the lot for $600. It was discovered that it would cost $600 to move the buildings. This would make the cost of the lot $750 which the committee deemed too high a price.

This decision was communicated to President Metcalfe and Saturday, Superintendent Eckard received directions to offer the lot to the city on conditions that the buildings were removed and that a fire station be erected on the property.

100 feet all in brick by the city, 120 sales valued.

MORE PAY, LESS WORK.

That's What the Paid Firemen Want and Deserve.

The paid members of the fire department are the permanent men and promise more pay. They also want more time off from duty. They presented a formal request to this effect to the commission- ers at their regular meeting, last night. The requests were not the only ones brought with them. The residents of numerous localities about the city petitioned that fire alarm boxes be placed in their neighbor- hoods. Unfortunately, it is consid- ered by the commissioners to be beyond their power to grant these modest de- mands, owing to the limited amount of money which they are allowed to expend.

Commissioner Smith was not pres- ent at the meeting. There was another informal discussion in regard to the bill of December 7th, which had been executed at a previous session. The bill was laid, of course. Chief Engleman Jewhurst reported that in accordance with the instructions of the board, given in a previous session, he was having two new hose made for the house system.

The alarm came in just at the hour when the saloons were being closed and the crowd which hangs around them was in its way home. Of the larger part of this crowd went to the fire and in the brief time before the ar- rival of the firemen and policemen it did a great deal of wanton damage. A large plate glass window was smashed with- out any provocation and when Chief Engineer Jewhurst put in an appearance a small army of semi-in- toxicated young men was as busy as ants carrying small articles of bric-a-brac to the front door and throwing them as far as possible into the street. When the chief interfered with the pleasant pastime, a proposition was made to give him the same treatment without any provocation.

The first was constructed last summer and it was late in the fall when Mr. Eddy took possession. It will have to be relocated throughout on account of the smoke. The house was near.

Mr. Eddy presented the firemen at no cost.

The loss was amicably settled with the firemen adjusting the damage by water, owing to the good service of the chemical engine, and the care exercised by the firemen. In a bedroom next the dark room where the fire was first noted, a box was placed which was damaged with public intoxication. He was said to have been very active in the work of saving (!) the furniture.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTION INVOKED

Only One Alderman Opposed to the Measure—Council Also Purchases Lawyer in New House in the First Ward—Tenth Ward People to be Relieved by the Building of a Sewer

Fire department matters formed the chief business considered, last evening by the common council in adjourned session. Among other things, the vote of the fire commissioners the aldermen indorsed a proposed amendment to the charter for the increase of the annual appropriation to the fire board from $600 to $1,000. This was done on the recommendation of the committee on fire department, which submitted the proposed legislative act. By resolution of Alderman Ramsey it was approved and the local committee, pending in the legislature were urged to obtain its speedy passage. Alderman Cross was the only member who opposed the measure. The report of the city surveyor in reference to the increase and two members, Alderman Goodrich and Ronch, were absent.

The proposition to buy a plot of ground at the corner of Oswego and Mill streets, upon which a hose house will ultimately be erected, was brought up in a new form, last night. The former plan of purchasing the premises and then removing the building to another location, was abandoned, and by resolution of Ald. Olmsted the council determined to purchase the land from the Auburn Wooden company without the building in it, for a consideration of $925. This is the proposed cost of the improvement on the lot.

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Mayor Austin reported the completion of the Avenue Lawton avenue, Court and Brookfield streets, and a resolution of the Council of the City of Oswego, the cost of which was determined to be $2,457.19 which with the addition of $2,457.45 on site work was ordered levied on the property in the sewer district. By resolution of Alderman McCarty, the city surveyor will prepare a plan for resurveying the houses in Court street.

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Our city has had another fortunate case of the railroad loss by fire, the event of which is of particular interest. A great store was saved by the promptness and co-operation that resulted in extinguishing the flames, which was a credit to the railroad fire department, and an evidence of the value of the fire alarm system.

### Water Supply

The water supply of the city is a matter of great importance, and it is necessary to have a system that is reliable and efficient. The city has a large number of hydrants, and these are kept in good working order by the city's fire department. The hydrants are tested regularly to ensure that they are functioning properly.

### Fires and Arsons

Fires and arsons are always a concern in any city, and it is important to have a system in place to prevent them. The city has a fire department that is trained and equipped to handle any fire that may occur. They work closely with the police department to ensure that any arsons are investigated thoroughly.

### Police Service

The police department is responsible for maintaining law and order in the city. They work closely with other law enforcement agencies to ensure that the city is safe for its residents.

### General Repairs

The city's general repairs are important to maintain the city's infrastructure. This includes everything from road repairs to park maintenance. The city has a team of workers who are dedicated to keeping the city in good condition.

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J. Barrett, calling lad man, Track company, 3 days.
A. E. Hull, ladder lad man, Track company, 3 days.
W. P. Sloan, calling lad man, Track company, 3 days.
W. W. Walker, track engineer, for 10 days.

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**Fire Alarm Telegraph**

During the recent fire, a fire alarm was transmitted to the fire department via a telegraph system. The telegraph system was set up to ensure that the fire department could be notified in case of a fire. The system worked well, and the fire was quickly extinguished.

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**Apparatus**

The apparatus used in the fire department is important for efficient and effective firefighting. The department has a variety of apparatus, including firefighting trucks and hoses. The apparatus is regularly tested and maintained to ensure that it is always ready for use.

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**Horses**

The horses used by the fire department are important for their ability to pull fire trucks and other equipment. The horses are well-trained and are capable of handling the heavy loads.

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**General**

The city is making progress on several fronts. The fire department is working hard to maintain a safe and secure community. The city is also working on improvements to the water supply system, and the general repairs department is working hard to keep the city in good condition.

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**Spontaneous Combustion**

There was a small fire at 1246 oiloke this morning at the barber shop of Osborn, located on Market Street. The building is owned by George Wilson and is in course of repair. The fire is said to have originated from a plate of oiled rags on the floor by the window. The fire had made such a headway when the firemen arrived that the damage was comparatively small.

**Fire at the Osborne**

A small blaze in room 34 of the Osborne house last evening, was promptly put out by the occupant of the apartment and a threatened conflagration a face curtain in contact with the flange of a gas jet and there was a flash from the jet to the floor. E. J. Fox, a traveling man from South Boston, was engaged in writing a letter in the room, at the time, and he sprang forward and pulled the braid from the flames of their fastenings. He tried to stamp out the blaze, but the carpet took fire and matters were getting worse rather than better when he rushed the whole burning mass and fired it out of the window into Water street, which was a good place to put a fire. Then the traveler extinguished the fire in the carpet. Mr. Fox received several burns on his hands while pulling down the coverings and the tingle and eyebrows were singed. The damage done to the apartment amounted to twenty-five dollars.

**Danger in Wires**

If the wire to the Western Union messenger call in the office of Hollister & Noble, in Market street hadn't burned through, yesterday afternoon, a serious fire could have probably been avenged. The Western Union wire came in contact with some of the numerous heavily charged cables in the city and ignited the wood-work in the office, but the breaking of the small wire must have occurred before the smouldering sparks gained into a flame. The damage is nominal.

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**THE PINN BLOCK CUTTED**

**Daylight Confignation in the Very Heart of the City.**

**FIREFONE OVERCOME BY SMOKE**

Flames Lap up the Inflammable Structure. While the Firemen Fight Hard and Confine the Blaze in the Building Where It Originated - Cause of the Unknown - Several People in the Building Lost.

The Pinm block at Nos. 11, 13 and 15 Market Street, directly opposite to fire headquarters, was gutted last night, as this configuration, which was at the front door during the fire, was written threatening the building with arrows to the head.

How the fire originated cannot

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**Annual Parade**

The annual parade of the department took place this afternoon. The early start made by the laboring men in the Labor Day parade, and the apartment was the most attractive feature of the procession.

**Building Laws**

In my previous reports I have called your attention to the need of a building inspector. All buildings in the city were erected to 107 code and a supplement of all classes was not provided. At present there is a total of 704 buildings in the city, as follows:

- Dwelling: 418
- Factories and work shops: 18
- Storage and warehouses: 26
- Merchants and stores: 43
- Hotels and lodging houses: 40
- Saloons: 12

For the purpose of keeping a correct record of new buildings and general building improvements I would beg to refer my suggestions of last year that an ordinance be framed requiring a building permit for all buildings erected within the boundaries of the city.

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**Conclusion**

- To thank the numbers of your body for your ready cooperation; 20.
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was performed and many a risk taken by the firemen of the public fire department. Chief Hirsh did not accept such advice as that of Mr. Schenck in good faith, because he did not see the possibility of losing the business and its large income.

Save Life as all Hazards. Chief Hirsh said: "It is my firm belief that we should not allow any life to be lost in this building, and that we should do all in our power to save it."

The inspection of the building was continued by a board of experts, and it was determined that there were no fires in the building at that time. The building was then opened to the public.

The fire was extinguished, and the building was saved. The cause of the fire was found to be a carelessness in the handling of the materials used in the building. The money saved by the fire was estimated to be several hundred thousand dollars.

The fire was a great event in the history of the city, and it was a matter of great regret that it was not prevented. The city authorities are now making plans to prevent similar fires in the future.
small boys who clustered as close as the
safety ropes would permit.

"Then, all right, there are all young re-
porters," I answered the challenge, "but
what will the loss be, $75,000?"

Mr. Pimnia, without a word of apology,

"I don't think that there was any such

and the building," he added, "was

Klodニング) in that the building,

Yorker story suitable to gain fame for a

ultimately from water.

Mr. George W. Holcomb places his loss at $72,500

which is comparatively light, being almost

water, and there was an insurance of $80,000

uninjured. The rest of the record books

be duplicated. Edward Adams, bookkeeper,

thereupon, on which there was an

Rush & Giogden, the clerk of the books, was

The Losses.

The loss, as estimated by Chief Jew-

forty years ago, was about $25,000 and

he never deviated from the building

by the water and smoke. He is

The Pimnia block was erected by Rob-

and it was worth principally from water.

D. W. Halsey also suffered a small loss from

toxic and sewer water which are covered by

The loss of the Gaynor Loan company is about $25,000 and fully

The Klondike club lost all its

which were not injured. More

done to W. E. Jones's paper

by the building than by the water and smoke. He is

"I don't want to add any dropper to your

already crowding cup of shame," said

"You have found from bitter

experience that the way of the trans-

greaser is hard and rough, but you

be gone, and regain the fair reputation

in which you have been lost here. You will

and if you profit by the hard

which you have received, you

will make them repair the

and the best of you, Mr. Hereford, you

or those that have known

say that at least

Harry Gimpeng was an honor, and

who recorded them for twenty

years in jail. Assistant District

— both the law and the

and this request was

as I was unable to

as infer the examinee's personal opinion.

As it was, I have little

in the course of justice.

"Certainly," said the chief with one

of his well-known jolly laughs.

"No," I asked the pencil-pushers.

"Harry Gimpeng."
THE VOLUNTEERS

Horse 2 Quite Gracefully and the Others May Follow Suit.

The members of Letchworth Volunteer Company have decided not to wear the red sash fire commissioner in the matter of their disbandment由此进一步诉讼。This determination was reached at a special meeting of the company held last night. A minority of the members present and not to receive those citations still further in court, but the majority are willing, may, even advantageous for a disbandment.

All the remaining property belonging to the company was divided among the members and now when the final order for disbandment is given, all that remains for the volunteers to do is to lock the doors and turn over the keys to the commissioner.

There is considerable strife among the members of the other two companies as a result of this decision. Some of the members desire to follow the action of Horse 2, while others desire to continue the fight.

There is much talk among the members of the company of forming a social organization with a dash of politics to make it spicy. These proposals to purchase the old horse house in Fulton street and use the city for the club quarters.

The fire commissioners have not yet announced their decision in regard to the disbandment of the remaining volunteers. The commission will hold a regular meeting next Thursday night, at which time they will probably declare their policy.

NEW WAGON WANTED.

Fire Commissioners Entertain Ride from Souqa Falls.

At the regular meeting, last night, steps were taken towards the purchase of another fire wagon for the fire department. The wagon will be used for the purpose of carrying the firemen to the scene of the fire. It will be equipped with the latest fire fighting equipment, and will be capable of carrying a large number of men and equipment.

The wagon will be purchased from Souqa Falls Manufacturing Company. The company presented the proposal to the fire commission, and was given the go-ahead to proceed with the purchase.

The wagon will be used for emergencies, and will be capable of carrying a large number of men and equipment. It will be equipped with the latest fire fighting equipment, and will be capable of carrying a large number of men and equipment.
A Second Fire Alarm.

The fire department was given a short run at 7:48 clock last night. A call was sent in from 61, State street. The fire was in the old wooden building on the corner of Madison and Water street, formerly used by Mr. Miller as a flax and cotton gin, but latterly as a platter ware. The building had been the site of some fires several times, and this was another attempt to burn it up. The fire was put out without the assistance of the firemen.

When President McKinley left the White House this morning, he was met by the usual group of newspaper reporters which always accompanies him on his way to the executive offices of the Government. He was dressed in a light brown suit, which his secretary, Mr. Chief, handed him.

On seiner's advice, he was told to wear a light coat and to carry an umbrella. The weather was fine, and the temperature about 60 degrees.

A Quiet Sunday Fire.

An oil stove caught fire in the apartment of Miss Minnie Griffith at 1124 East 13th street, last night, and the firemen were called before 8:15 o'clock. The firemen were told that there wasn't much danger and it was greatly desired that a crowd should not be collected. So the firemen started for the chemical company and Hemric's, and a small wagon was hurried to the threatened configuration. It did not take the experienced firemen long to extinguish the flames. So expeditiously was the work conducted that the Sabbath quiet was not disturbed and even the other house did not know until after they had singing burned out of house and the damage was very slight.

Two Small Blazes.

Patrick May's house, 11 Polk street was on fire late, Saturday afternoon and boxes 46 and 45 were rung at the same time. The department was on quarters and had to call from box 46 to Patrick May's house; but Hose 3 went to the Cayuga asylum to box 45. The fire was caused by a defective oil lamp and several workmen from Osborn's shop extinguished the blaze before the arrival of the department.

A few minutes later the roof of Osborne's oilable works caught fire in the cupola, but the blaze was extinguished after burning four feet square of roof.

A Round Robin.

The fire department was given a short run at 7:43 clock last night. A call was sent in from 61, State street. The fire was in the old wooden building on the corner of Madison and Water street, formerly used by Mr. Miller as a flax and cotton gin, but latterly as a platter ware. The building had been the site of some fires several times, and this was another attempt to burn it up. The fire was put out without the assistance of the firemen.

A Hot Time.

There was a call for the fire department, the morning at 5:51 and 2 clock from 61, State street, which had been emitting into a wooden barrel in the summer kitchen of the residence of Mrs. Phipps in Geneva street. The damage was very slight.

MORE FIZZEN.

I've Added to the Working Force.

An addition was made to the manual force of the fire department by the commission at last night, at a regular adjourned meeting. Another permanent man and four additional call men were appointed. Ed Ramsey and John Kline, representing the Gano Falls fire apparatus manufacturer were chosen for the supposed purpose of using their personal power to the end that the commissioners should enter into a contract for another fire wagon. The commissioners wouldn't. They want to trade the old Gano and Baber truck towards a new hose wagon and they want more than $60 for the truck, which is all the manufacturer will give. It is probable that an agreement will be reached before long and the order for the new wagon will be placed.

The necessity for the appointment of additional men to the department is obvious. The retirement from active service of the volunteers slightly reduces the working force and to losc sufficient help is in case of occupancy the extra men were employed. When the meeting was called to order at President's Park, the committee on appointments, through Chairman Morel, asked for further time which was granted.

Michael F. Ols of Jefferson street, made application for appointment as a call man at Hose 3, Frank Offley, a call man at Hose 3, made application as an permanent man.

Auburn Rubber Tire Works presented a resolution to put rubber tires on the chief engineer's wagon for $37, the value of the offer was rejected.

In motion of Mr. Morel a recens was taken to see if the commissioners understood the call men to the appointments.

When the necessity of business was not very long a call was made at 5 and Hose 3, was made a permanent member of the company. The change was requested because hose at the department supply wagon is in a hose wagon and in quarter.

PROF. THOMAS was made a call assistant at Hose 1. This is one of the last every one. Ryan was for a long time a volunteer member of Hose 11 of the best firemen. At 11 Thomas, a smith, was assigned to the truck company. Also W. S. Pollard, an engineer's assistant, was granted by the commission regular pay. P. F. Hanger, an x-number man, was assigned to the career department in which the work of a call man was fixed by the promulgation of Company. This journal, containing the board's act.
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The firemen were given another run, last night. The old red house, or rather a shell of a building in Water street, which has been so many times a fire house, was again caused to be blazed. It did not take the firemen at headquarters but a few minutes to answer a still alarm and extinguish the flames.

FIRED OUT.
Fire Commissioners' Meeting Suddenly Interrupted.
Just at the period when his minutes of the previous session were getting before the committee, the regular meeting last night, board of fire commissioners was compelled to stop work. By reason of the exigency, the committee then adjourned.

Sunday Night's Fire.
The barn of E. G. Gilbert, the grocer, on No. 12 Milltown avenue, was partially destroyed by fire, last night. The origin of the first blaze is not known. The barn was not destroyed together with its contents, a large quantity of hay, also the oats, corn, and some food for stock, were saved.

The firemen were taken from the fire with much difficulty and the warehouse on the first floor were saved. The loss in all amount will be at least $2000.

However, it was not burned by the heat of the flames, but it is stated that the fire was started by a piece of lightning. A man who lived in the barn gave the alarm, and the firemen were called. They were not able to get the fire under control before the barn was entirely destroyed.

The barn was on fire when the firemen arrived, and it was necessary to call for assistance from the neighboring towns. The loss is estimated at $2000, and the firemen were successful in saving the hay and other contents.

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**BARN AND CONTENTS BURNED**

Two Horses Perish in the Flames - Loss $2,000

A barn belonging to the O'Connor near house located at 323, 333, and 343, 353 Washington street, near the corner of Central Square, was completely destroyed by a fire last night. The cause of the fire is not known, although it is believed to have been the work of an unknown person.

The first alarm was sent in to fire departments at 3:33, from the office of the Central Bank. The alarm was received in the barn and was immediately acted upon. The fire, which was burning rapidly, was brought under control at 4:30 a.m. The total loss in the O'Connor barn and barnyard is estimated at $2,000.

**An Order Properly Placed.**

The fire commissions have placed orders for the new hose wagon with George W. Wilson of this city. It will be delivered after the wagons now in use in a department of the running gear and equipment, and will be in charge of the engineer at the barn.

**Last Night's Fire.**

A fire was discovered at 4:30 o'clock last night in a building occupied by a family at 69 Washington street. The building was some distance from the barn and was not damaged by the fire. The fire was extinguished before it had done much damage.

**A Suspicious Alarm.**

At 4:45, the alarm was received at the department headquarters over the telephone. It was reported that a fire was in the rear of the building on Washington street. There was no alarm given and the fire was extinguished before it had done much damage.

**Yesterday's Fire.**

There was a small fire in a house at 30 Anna street, near the corner, yesterday afternoon. The house was occupied by a family and was not damaged by the fire. The cause of the fire is not known, although it is believed to have been the work of an unknown person.

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**Morning of the Day.**

The morning was spent looking for the cause of the fire and investigating the possibility of arson. The fire was extinguished before it had done much damage.

**The Lamp Exploded.**

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Although there was a fire wall between the grock block and the buildings foot path, this smoke came upon a mysterious fire street. Old man whose wife was near the apartment was carried out by Patrolman Breezoe and Houseman.

Burning of Havana.

On behalf of the E. H. Grote estate, department with a box of cigars, high complimentary to the men block in street. Felday morning.

During the severe storm last evening, the fire alarm brigade instruments were burned out and it was several hours before the system could be repaired, the alarm of fire will have to be telegraph department quarters.

The damage was caused by a fire alarm wire being blown across the telephone wire at the Joseph Owens, Frederick street. The current passed into the battery room in the garden of the City hall. The switch board, regulators, instruments in the battery room were burned out. All the songs on circuit No. 2, were ruined and the linemen are out this morning, hunting.

The wood work in the battery room caught fire. The blaze was discovered by employees in Haley's laundry in Market street, who gave the alarm. The linemen extinguished the flames with the small extinguishers, before any extensive damage had been done to the building.

For a long time Chief Engineer Jewhurst, has been predicting a fire in the battery room and serious damage to the City hall, that his predictions came true and the City hall was not damaged or eaten. A bell was due only to good

Chief Jewhurst in his annual report to the fire commissioners for the past year reported that several years recommended that the battery room should be moved from the City hall and that such precautionary measures should be taken as are as taken at the present.

The investigation of the linemen developed that seven grockS have been burned out.

DUE MENTION WILL BE MADE WHEN IT BE COMPLETED.
Three Small Fires.

There were three fires yesterday morning. None of them amounted to anything. In each case there might have been deep consequences, had not the flames been discovered in the early stages and promptly extinguished.

The first fire was in Frottenthal's meat market, at the corner of Mechanic and Street. A pan of bacon was searing, and was blazing away merrily when it was noticed by one of the watchmen in D. M. Osbourne & Co.'s factory. He turned in for the fire department from alarm box 25, at the Osborne office. The fire was subdued without any loss existing in the seasoning.

The fire caught through the careless ness of an employee, of the market. After the place closed the man had some work to do and used a tallow candle for illumination. He dropped the candle in the pan of sauce and when he went away forgot to blow out the light. When the candle had burned down of course the dry sage was ignited.

At 7 o'clock a fire started beneath a road grate in one of the parlors of W. H. Smith's house, No. 110 North street. A telephone message brought a detail from fire department headquarters which extinguished the flames when they were almost out. The damage will amount to less than $25.

Still later in the morning a pile of piles in Miller's on the bridge in North street, was ignited by the carelessness of one not called on to perform his function. The fire was damped into flameless embers by the force and noise of the water stream.

Three fires in rapid succession, and with very well-handled equipment.

Two Fires.

They Came in Rapid Succession and Very Well Handled.

There were two fires last night, and both of them were more serious than the general of an Auburn fire department. The Bray ton armory street was discovered by a neighboring fireman. Mr. Bray, the armory foreman, was on his way to the station when he was notified and at once took to the horse team. The fire department arrived at the station in due time and took possession of the engine. The fire was extinguished before it had done much damage.

The second fire was in a grain warehouse on the north side of the town. It was reported by a fireman on the way to the station who was passing by the building. The fire was extinguished before it had done much damage.

While the farmers were lighting the farm fences, a breathless messenger brought tidings of another fire in John Harben's cigar factory on Second street. The flames had caught a large kerzen stock used to dry tobacco. Details from the town and city were matched to combat the fire and they were extinguished before any great amount of damage had been done.

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No borrowed money: dis

Supplies for the Fire Department.

The fire commissioners didn't have very much business to transact at their regular meeting last night, and consequently they did not sit long in session.

Chief Engineer J. H. Tatum reported that he had received fires and alarms since the last meeting of the board. He also reported the arrival of the first alarm station box and gongs which had been sent away for repairs. The 1,000 feet of hose recently purchased had been received and approved, and the bill for it was ordered paid.

J. C. Carr reported the loss of an order for eighty copies given to him by the board in March, 1896. A duplicate order was ordered drawn in his favor. The cashier engaged in the alarm station business was ordered to pay any supply of hay and grain for the stable and the board adjourned.

This Morning's Fire.

A small fire, this morning gave the fire department a long run. The house No. 1 Willey street, owned by Isabella Dura caught fire in the upper story. It burned the roof of the building before the flames were extinguished. The loss will be covered by a few hundred dollars. The firemen were highly commimicated by the owner of the property for their gallant work.

Thirty days, nearly all in house.

Narrow Escape at New Block.

A pile of yards, or white ribbed down next to the rear of Harper black caught fire yesterday afternoon. The robbery was extinguished at 6 o'clock when Captain Ballshane and Hoseman Bushsickick of hose 1, extinguished the fire. The bill was not charged. A charge from a neighbor was for a cellular extinguisher. This is not any particular fire but it is a fine fire and the firemen were brilliant for a morning fire. How the rubbish became ignited is unknown, but it was from a lighted cigar that carelessly thrown into the pile.

The building was standing valuable $7,500; good: $3,500.

Both are young men, worth $4,500.

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The second fir
**J. Had Pearson, Coal**

Our Chief 1880-1905.

NOTED FIRES IN AUBURN. 1811-1905

If its Good COAL you want

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J. HAD PEARSON

10 Lincoln Street.

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Call on J. Had Pearson, 10 Lincoln Street.

For Fire Alarm Folders, and while there Order Some Coal.

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Order COAL from J. HAD PEARSON

Bell tolls 3 minutes for last child

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COTTAGES TO RENT AT FAIR HAVEN.
A FORTUNATE DISCOVERY.

It was Lucky That Fire Occurred During Daytime.

There was a small fire at 11:50, this afternoon in a pile of rubbish in the rear of the Flint block, owned by Colonel E. D. Metcalf.

For days, workmen who have been completing the apartments in the upper stories of the block have been throwing the refuse savings, lumber and other inflammable material out of the windows of the dwelling. The debris has been piled against the building. At 1 o’clock today Charles Enverts discovered that the mass was on fire. He went in a call for the fire department from No. 32, corner Geneseo and Exchange streets. It took the firemen two or three minutes to extinguish the fire as the hole pile had to be overturned and raked.

It is not known how the fire started, but it is supposed that lighted cigar or a match dropped from the pipe of a workman carelessly dropping it on the heap cast the blaze.

The mass had been accumulating for some time before it was discovered. There wasn’t any damage wrought by the fire except to the firemen who were blackened and exhausted by the smoke and heat.

Fire and Firewater.

A lamp exploded in one of the rear rooms of Thomas F. Kinzla’s saloon in the Steiner block in lower State street, last night. A call was sent in for the fire department from box station for the fire from the room in the rear of the building. The firemen arrived the flames had been extinguished by the hose in the place. In his effort to avoid a serious conflagration the proprietor was painfully burned on the hands and face. The damage to the building was very slight although the room which the explosion took place in would have to be redecorated.

Great Place for a Fire.

One of the employees of the Sugar Drag company was working in the cellar, when a lighted paper scraper, up through a lantern rear sent from a workman. A call was sent in for the fire department from box station corner Geneseo and Exchange streets. Before the arrival of the firemen, however, the burning lamp had been extinguished and all danger of a conflagration had been avered, without any damage to the stock, but the nerve of the proprietor and employees were considerably shaken.

A SOLDIER IN A FIRE.

One Whose Services Might Be Dispensed With.

It was expected by a number of residents of the city that the fire commissioners would take vigorous action against Patrick F. Morrisey, a call man detailed with Hose 3. The complaint was made by Clean, editor of the News. The offence was committed Wednesday evening while the fire at the plant of the D. M. Osborne & Co., was in progress.

Mr. Peck in company with I. E. Bridgen was returning through Geneseo street from a trip in the country. When they reached the crossing of the broad street they saw the crowd of firemen, but did not see a line of hose which was laid across the street. As they approached the crossing the horse was not handled by a man who furnished the hose, but by a hose wrench in a threatening manner. "Q - d - you get back there, I'll knock your eye out of your head," yelled the man who wore a fireman’s helmet and a rubber coat.

"What’s the trouble?" mildly inquired Mr. Peck.

The answer was, "I can’t drive over this line of hose," was the reply, accompanied by a hot-rad diatribe. "Don’t you crowd up here again, either; don’t you add more capacitites." I haven’t been up here before," protested Mr. Peck.

Yes you have, you’ve been around here for minutes." "You’re a liar if you say that," retorted Mr. Peck.

Leaving the horse’s head, the fireman bailing the water in the carriage and still did not dare to descend to the ground. The editor rose to accept the challenge when a noise of the wrench caused him to change his mind.

After a short and brief exchange of left hands, the commission made emphatic to the firemen the headlong folly of Mr. Peck turning his back and drove through Market street but not until he had learned that the man’s name was Patrick F. Morrisey.

As a matter of fact Mr. Peck had not been in the vicinity until half past 11, and he did not know where the fire was, having just driven in from the country. The horse was going at a slow walk when halted, and in the glancing at it is not strange that the horse was not seen.

Mr. Peck made a statement of the trouble to Commissioner Osborn, who admitted that the fireman had done wrong but it is seems that no further action was taken.

Morrisey is the man who shot and killed his brother in-law some years ago as a cripple, having lost part of a foot and the arm injured in a railway accident. At the time of the shooting it was alleged that it was done in self-defense, but the crippled man was laid upon his being a cripple. When he was appointed to the fire department he desired that he be known by the commissioners as a cripple, so as to one of them remarked: "he didn’t limp very bad.

Mr. Peck was always a firm friend and an ardent advocate of the paid fire department, but his personnel is represented by Morrisey has greatly lessened his respect for the department.

FOR THE FEMALE.

Commissioners Make Many Presentations for Their Wives' Welfare.

The fire saloon last week, last month and this month with all the commissioners present. It was a remarkable business transacted, but it was moved of a routine character and of little importance.

Commissioner Osborn reported the sale the team of Hose 3 and the purchase of a new pair of horses.

Chief Jowhurt’s report showed six since the last meeting and at one of the next meeting to the workmen, were taken away, Trusts of the chemists and a substitute for the company of the city.

A motion of Commissioner Smith, that the usual line of $1,000 per month in each case, was carried.

Chief Jowhurt reported $15.27 expended from the contingent fund and a balance then $23.37.

An motion of Commissioner Smith that a check for $15 was ordered drawn in favor of the proprietors of the fund.

The chief also reported the receipt of the four new fire horses horses and said the firemen were putting them in use. The firemen were engaged with the county city and the firemen of the city and the city council and the city corporation the man who owned the horses. He was given a week’s leave to employ a laborer, upon request of Comis-
Short Run and Little Fire.

There was a small fire at 9 o'clock last night, in the apartments of Mr. Andrew block in Market street, opposite City Hall. While cooking on an oil stove, it was discovered that the flames quickly communicated to the room. Mrs. Crowley, together with her husband and the family, were frightened and ran away. Neighbors gave the alarm and the firemen rushed from the department headquarters. As the street was not lighted, the firemen were not able to go far, but had the damage been greater the street and the damages and losses would have been much greater.

The damage is estimated at $800, of which $250 is for gas and the rest for damage to the furniture, but it is supposed that a large part of the fire was caused by the failure of the gas company to supply sufficient gas to the customer.