

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief and Assistant Engineers Appointed—The City Laid Out in Districts.

The following order was issued by the Board of Fire Commissioners, yesterday:

HEAD-QUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, }
Boston, April 7, 1874.

General Order No. 1.

1. The Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners, March 2, 1874, for the government of the officers and members of the Fire Department, will go into effect April 7, 1874, and will be enforced on and after that date.

A printed copy of the rules and regulations will be furnished to each member.

The Board having in view only the greatest efficiency of the Fire Department for its proper work, expect a cheerful compliance on the part of the officers and members with these and all subsequent rules and regulations that may be adopted.

2. The term of office of the present Board of Engineers expires on the first Monday of April, 1874; and after the new rules and regulations go into effect, the number of engineers authorized by the city ordinance is limited to one chief and thirteen assistants.

3. The city has been divided into ten fire districts, as follows:

District I.—Will comprise all that part of Boston known as East Boston.

District II.—All that part of Boston formerly known as Charlestown.

District III.—All that part east of a line beginning at the Charles River draw-bridge, and running through the centre of Charlestown street, Haymarket Square and Washington to Summer streets, and north of Summer street and the New York and New England passenger depot to the water.

District IV.—All that part west of District III., and north of a line running through the centre of Winter and Park streets, and west of Beacon to Otter, and north of Otter street to the water.

District V.—All that part south of Districts III. and IV. to the centre of Dover street draw-bridge and a line running through the centre of Dover, Berkeley, Boylston, Arlington, Beacon, and Otter streets to the water.

District VI.—All that part of Boston known as South Boston.

District VII.—All that part of Boston, south of District V., to the centre of Albany street draw-bridge, thence through the centre of Albany, Northampton streets, Columbus avenue, and Chester Park to Charles River.

District VIII.—All that part south and west of District VII., to the boundary line of Ward XVII. (formerly West Roxbury), and west of Shawmut avenue, to the Brookline boundary line, and including all of Ward XIX. (formerly Brighton).

District IX.—All that part south of Districts VI. and VII. to Ward XVII., and a line running through the centre of Blue Hill avenue, Columbia, Green, Bowdoin, Church and East streets, and east of District VIII. to the water.

District X.—All the southerly part of Boston, south of Districts VIII. and IX., including Ward XVII. (formerly West Roxbury).

4. The following appointments of officers have been made, and are hereby announced for the information of the department. Each appointment will date from April 7, and each officer will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Chief Engineer—William A. Green.

Superintendent of Fire Alarms—John H. Kennard.

Assistant Engineers—Joseph Dunbar, assigned to District I.; John Bartlett, District II.; William H. Cunningham, District III.; Samuel Abbott, Jr., District IV.; John W. Regan, District V.; George Brown, District VI.; George C. Fernald, District VII.; John Colligan, District VIII.; James Monroe, District IX.; J. Foster Hewins, District X. Brown S. Flanders, inspector and aid to the chief.

The assistant engineers in charge of Districts Nos. VIII. and X. will be aided by call engineers in that part of their respective districts known as West Roxbury and Brighton. The appointment of these call engineers will be made hereafter.

5. Other changes to complete the new organization of the department will be from time to time announced, until which the existing companies will continue as at present organized, but subject to the new rules and the authority of the newly appointed officers.

By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners,
ALFRED P. ROCKWELL, Chairman.