

FIRE.—Firemen Injured.—About 10 o'clock last night a fire was discovered in the upper part of a five story brick building, in the rear of No. 24 Kingston street. The fire broke out upon the upper floor, used for chair painting. The flames spread rapidly, and in a few minutes the roof fell in, pressing portions of the walls over the sides, the falling bricks injuring five firemen who were upon ladders directing streams upon the fire, two of them very badly indeed. The third story was improved by the "Boston Laundry," and was burnt out. The second story, occupied as Fox's machine shop, and the first by Horace Jenkins, mason, were thoroughly drenched with water. The building, a sham built concern, is owned by Willard Sears. The wind was quite high and the weather freezing cold at the time, and the firemen deserve great credit for their well directed and energetic efforts in subduing the devouring elements,—and it is with pain and regret that we have to record injury to so many of their number. The following is a list of those who were injured:—John Smith, of Hydrant No. 2, very severely in the back and shoulders; Christian Karcher, Engine Co. No. 1, badly bruised; Abraham Ross and James McCrillis of Hydrant Co. No. 3, bruised. Charles Ricker, of same company, received a severe injury in the back. It was reported that Smith's and Ricker's injuries are of a very serious nature. They were all carried into houses near by, and medical aid procured.

Hoseman John Smith died from injuries sustained at this fire. He was the first member of the modern Boston Fire Department to suffer a Line Of Duty Death (LODD). He was a member of Despatch Hydrant Company 2, quartered in Hudson Street, Downtown.

DEATH OF A FIREMAN.—John Smith, of Hydrant Co. No. 2, who was injured at the fire in Kingston street on Thursday night, died on Saturday. Coroner Pratt will hold an inquest today, when facts in relation to the falling of the wall, which was the cause of his death, will be inquired into. Mr. Smith leaves a wife and two children, and we hope the City Council will vote a liberal sum towards their support.