

HOSE DRIVER MEETS DEATH

Dragged from House by the Reins.

Horses Start at Readville Before He Gets Seat.

F. A. Hawley Formerly a Newspaper Man.

HYDE PARK, Sept 13—Frederick Alanson Hawley, aged 52, driver of hose 3, on Milton st, in the Readville district, was killed this afternoon while answering the false alarm from box 351 in the Fairmount district, at 5:05.

Hose 3 is about a mile from the central fire station, and in answer to all alarms outside of the Readville district the hose company moves to the central station and remains there until the return of the central apparatus, unless again called out on a second alarm.



FREDERICK A. HAWLEY.

Mr Hawley was alone in the hose house when the alarm came in, and when he had his pair of horses hitched up, and before he could mount his seat on the wagon, the horses bounded out of the house, Mr Hawley hanging on to the reins.

The day being warm, the hose house doors were open, across which a rope was stretched, which the horses broke in their mad rush. The only witness of the accident was Robert Adams, aged 18, living on Damrell av, which is close by, who said that Mr Hawley ran with his horses for about 25 yards, when he fell to the ground, but whether the wagon passed over him or not Mr Adams could not state. The horses, which were on Readville st, one end of which is opposite the hose house, ran a short distance further and collided with an electric light pole, where they were held up and captured by Mr Adams.

Mr Hawley sustained a fractured skull and his jaw was broken. The police ambulance was called to remove him to the local Emergency hospital and he died in the ambulance.

Mr Hawley was born in Springfield Aug 18, 1855, the son of Alanson Hawley, who was a well-known newspaper man, at one time being city editor of the Springfield Republican, city clerk and representative to the legislature from the city.

Mr Hawley's parents came here in 1857, where he received his schooling and worked as a clerk in a grocery store. He joined the fire department in 1874 as a callman and was assigned to the hook and ladder company. When the department, a number of years ago, purchased horses for its own use Mr Hawley was made a permanent man and driver of the hook and ladder truck.

Last spring Mr Hawley, at his own request, was transferred from the central fire station to hose 3's house, continuing in his position as driver. He also removed his family to Readville, taking up his new home on Milton st. He was a member of the Pilgrim Fathers' fraternity.

He is survived by a wife, two sons and two daughters. He also leaves two brothers and a sister. The brothers are Edward H. Hawley, superintendent of the local fire alarm system, and Charles F. Hawley of St Johnsbury, Vt. The sister is Mrs James W. Fenn, wife of Rev Mr Fenn, a Methodist clergyman of Bay City, Mich.

Mr Hawley's accident is the first fatal one in the history of the fire department, in existence since 1868.