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May 14th, 1917, E. Strachan, driver of No. 4 Steamer wagon had one of his hands badly cut.

December 6th, 1917, Drivers, John Hennessy, Joseph Johnston, Wm. Wells, and Hoseman Frank Leahy of the permanent force sustained serious injuries through the explosion.

December 6th, 1917, the following members of the Department were killed in the discharge of their duty in the disasterous catastrophe of this date; Chief Edward P. Condon, Assistant Chief Wm. P. Brunt, Hosemen Frank Killeen and Mickel Maltus of the permanent force and Captian Wm. T. Broderick, Hosemen Walter Hennessy and John Duggan (missing) of the call force.

December 31st, 1917, Hoseman Frank Leahy as previously mentioned in this report as injured died of his injuries on Dec. 31st.

May 30th, 1918, Albert Ward an employee of the Reconstruction Commission perished in the fire of the King Edward Hotel.

This present is the sadest year our Department has had in its history having to mourn the loss of eight of our most worthy and efficient men including Chief Condon, Assistant Chief Brunt and Hosemen John Duggan whose body was never recovered.

In conclusion I beg leave to return thanks to all the officials and those who have in any way rendered assistance to the Department during the year, and especially to the Chairman and Members of the Board of Control for their uniform kindness; also to the Chief and Members of the Police Department, and to the Captain and Members of the Union Protection Company who have always given me every assistance while working at fires.

Respectfully submitted,

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