

Fire Chief to Retire

Sup. Hadwick's Long Service with Sheffield Brigade

In the minutes of the Watch Committee, to be presented to the Sheffield City Council on Wednesday next; appears the following:



Superintendent Hadwick

It was reported that Superintendent. Frederick W. Hadwick, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, who is 53, years of age, and has completed 28 years' approved service. Having given notice of his desire to retire from the Police Force was entitled to retire and to receive a pension for life of £353 6s 8d, per annum, and the committee approved of his leaving the force 31st January 1923.

It was resolved that the committee place on record their high appreciation of the services rendered to the city by Superintendent Hadwick during the many years he has occupied a responsible position in the brigade, including seven years as chief fire officer, and that a copy of this resolution, under the Corporate Common Seal, be presented to him.

Splendid Record

Superintendent Hadwick was appointed Chief Officer in January 1916, on the retirement of Mr William Frost. During the 13 years prior to that he had been Second Officer of the Brigade. He has been a popular chief with his men and will retire with their best wishes.

He is a Sheffield man and has spent most of his life in the city. At the commencement of his career he gained valuable engineering experience in the locomotive department of the Great Central Railway, first at Doncaster and then later in Sheffield.

Whilst serving a probationary course in the Sheffield Police Force in 1894 vacancy occurred for an engineer, and he was appointed to the position. Five years' later he received promotion and subsequently was placed in charge of West Bar station with the rank of Second Officer. Later he was transferred to Rockingham Street.

Superintendent Hadwick holds three certificates presented by the Sheffield Watch Committee, for meritorious and efficient service, and the Long Service Medal of the Professional Fire Brigade Officers Association. He was also granted certificate by the Watch Committee in 1916 for stopping a runaway horse. He takes a keen interest in the Sheffield Boy Scouts and the Boys Life Brigade.