

Adelaide Fire Brigade 1877

Locations of Fire Reels

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Stockport—J. Rankin Strathalbyn—Joseph Elliott Tanunda—C. Wilberth Tarlee—C. R. Sietzmann Trounbridge (Diamond Lake, Y.P.)—J. Gellert Truro—E. Hague Two Wells and Port Gawler—T. L. Fowler Wallaroo—T. C. Cloud Williamstown—E. M. Wilson Willunga—J. Hardy Woodside—Herman Esau, M.D. Yankalilla—J. W. Clayton.	<p>ADELAIDE REEL STATIONS.</p> <p>No. 1. Horse Cart Reel, with 240 feet of hose and all necessary implements, Grenfell street east. Richard Spencer, foreman.</p> <p>No. 2. Horse Cart Reel, with 240 feet of hose and all necessary implements, 186, Hindley street west. W. Down, foreman.</p> <p>No. 3. Hand Reel, hose, standpipe, keys, &c., complete, King William street south. Job Morris, foreman.</p> <p>No. 4. Hand Reel, hose, standpipe, keys, &c., complete, Archer street, North Adelaide. William Smith, foreman.</p> <p>No. 5. Government Hand Reel, hose, standpipe, keys, &c., complete, at the rear of Post-Office, King William street.</p> <p>No. 7. Hand Reel, hose, standpipe, keys, &c., complete, Fisher place, off Rundle street, Wills & Co.'s. W. Hendry, foreman.</p> <p>Government Hand Reel, hose, standpipe, keys, &c., complete, at Government House, North terrace, for private use in case of fire.</p> <p>A Government Hand Reel, hose, standpipe, keys, &c., complete, at the Railway Station, North terrace.</p>
<p>NORTHERN TERRITORY.</p> <p>PALMERSTON, PORT DARWIN.</p> <p>Government Resident, Ed Wm Price, S.M. Surgeon and Protector of Aborigines, Thos. James Sturt, M.D., J.P. Secretary, Accountant, &c., E. H. Hallack. Warden of Goldfields, J. G. Knight. Senior Surveyor, G. E. McMinn. Sub-Collector of Customs and Telegraph Stationmaster, J. A. G. Little. Land Office Clerk, Stipendiary Magistrate, G. Donaldson, jun. Inspector of Police, Paul Foelsche. Commander "Flying Cloud," H. R. Marsh.</p>	<p>PORT ADELAIDE REEL STATIONS.</p> <p>No. 1. Hand Reel, complete, at the Waterworks Yard. W. Laphorn, foreman.</p> <p>No. 2. Hand Reel, complete, St. Anthony street. F. Appleby, foreman.</p> <p>No. 3. Hand Reel, complete, Port Railway Station. Railway Porters.</p> <p>No. 4. Hand Reel, complete, Mr. A. Hall's store, Levi's Wharf.</p>
<p>ADELAIDE & PORT ADELAIDE FIRE BRIGADE.</p> <p>Superintendent, Arthur John Baker, East terrace. Deputy Superintendent, Thomas Sanders, Waterworks Yard, Port Adelaide.</p>	

Boothby Almanac, Town and Country Directory and guide to South Australia for 1877

Express and Telegraph (Adelaide, SA : 1867 - 1922), Monday 12 February 1877, page 1

GENERAL NEWS.

About half-past 10 o'clock on Saturday evening a fire broke out in the window of a fancy goods shop at 125, Rundle-street. The shop, which belongs to Mrs. W. Rabels, had been shut up a short time before, and Mrs. Rabels had gone home. The fire was first discovered by Wm. Mahnke, a baker, living in Robert-street. The alarm was speedily given, and the police and reels No. 7 and 1 were quickly on the spot, under the superintendence of Mr. A. J. Baker. The fire was soon got under, consequently no great damage was done.

Adelaide Observer (SA : 1843 - 1904), Saturday 3 March 1877, page 11

THE WEEK'S NEWS.

FIRE PREVENTION.—In order to reduce the possibilities of destruction by fire of their property, Messrs. Hall & Harrison, millers, of Port Adelaide, have carried a full-sized pipe up outside their building, provided with taps and hose at all the windows in its range. An iron ladder has also been securely fastened to the wall from bottom to top of the building, so as to give access to the taps. In the event of an out-break of fire on any floor the water will be ready for immediate use instead of having to wait until the turncock and fire reel arrive. An inspection of the apparatus will commend itself to millowners.

Evening Journal (Adelaide, SA : 1869 - 1912), Tuesday 11 December 1877, page 3

MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

ADELAIDE, MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.

Present—His Worship the Mayor (Mr. H. Scott, J.P.), Councillors Hagedorn, Madge, Raphael, Holland, King, Allen, Mathews, Anderson, Gilbert, Fuller, Wigg, and Jones, and the Town Clerk. Mr. T. Worsnop.

The Postmaster-General and Superintendent of Telegraphs wrote, that owing to the fact of the Superintendent of Fire Brigades having removed his residence it had become necessary to remove the line of telegraph by which he communicated with the valvehouse of the Waterworks in order to obtain sufficient pressure in case of fires. He therefore requested the authority of the Corporation to plant the telegraph afresh. Granted.

South Australian Chronicle and Weekly Mail (Adelaide, SA : 1868 - 1881), Saturday 15 December 1877, page 9

ACCIDENTS' OFFENCES, &c.

About 5 o'clock on Wednesday morning, December 12, an alarm of fire was raised in the bedroom over the shop of Mr. Hutchison, boot-maker, Hindley-street. It appears that one of the children was ill, and Mrs. Hutchison, who had been up with the child during the night, had fallen asleep in the early morning. She states that she put out the candle she had used, but was awoke about 5 o'clock by smoke and fire on the dressing-table near the bed. Her screams brought in her husband, who had slept in the adjoining room with two of the children, and between them they tried to smother the fire with blankets and by throwing water over it. The reels were also sent for, and the fire was soon subdued, but not before it had destroyed most of the wearing apparel, house-linen, &c. The Coroner has made the necessary enquiries, and does not consider an inquest necessary.

About half -past 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon a fire broke out in a house belonging to Mr. J. Daniels, of Gouger-street. The house, a two-roomed wooden cottage, situated at the end of a right-of-way from Gouger-street, was occupied by Mr. J. Eades and his family. On the afternoon in question Mrs. Eades went out to visit some friends, leaving several young children in the house. The youngsters took advantage of her absence to play with matches, in doing which they set fire to a bag of shavings, and becoming frightened ran away, leaving the fire to take its course. The house, being entirely built of wood, was consumed very rapidly. In consequence of the out-of-the-way position of the cottage the fire was not observed until it had made considerable progress, and all efforts to save the house or its contents were useless. To give an idea of the rapid progress made by the fire, it may be stated that in less than a quarter of an hour from the time of its supposed origin the house was completely burnt to the ground, the only remnant left being the chimney stack. Messrs. Wright and Bowen got the water stand-pipe fixed, and fire-reels Nos. 3 and 2 arriving speedily, a stream of water was with some difficulty, in consequence of the distance of the plug, brought to bear on the immediate surroundings of the fire, thus preventing it from spreading. Not a single article was saved by the tenant of the house, who is a working shoemaker, so that the family are at present dependent to a certain extent on the charity of their friends. The property was uninsured, and the total loss is estimated at about £100. Mr. A. J. Baker (the Superintendent of Fire Brigades) was present at the fire. The City Coroner has been communicated with.