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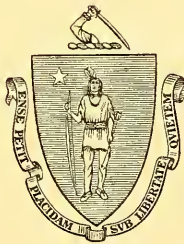
OF THE

BOARD OF POLICE

FOR THE

CITY OF FALL RIVER.

DECEMBER, 1916.



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REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF POLICE,
FALL RIVER, MASS., Dec. 1, 1916.

To His Excellency SAMUEL W. McCALL, *Governor*.

The Board of Police for the city of Fall River, in compliance with the provisions of chapter 351 of the Acts of 1894, respectfully submits the following report of the work of the police department for the year ending Nov. 30, 1916:—

THE DEPARTMENT.

Officers.

The police department, as at present constituted, is composed of—

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Chief of police, | 1 |
| Deputy chief of police, | 1 |
| Captains, | 6 |
| Inspectors, | 4 |
| Lieutenants, | 9 |
| Clerk of chief of police, | 1 |
| Sergeants, | 2 |
| Patrolmen, | 133 ¹ |
| Reserve officers, | 11 |
| Matrons, | 2 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total, | 170 |

¹ Two mounted; 5 detailed on special duty at headquarters; 9 assigned to house duty; 4 assigned to duty in the patrol barn; and 5 assigned to traffic duty, including one of the mounted officers.

Distribution of Police Force, Nov. 30, 1916.

| RANK. | Head- quarters. | DIVISIONS. | | | | Totals. |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|
| | | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | |
| Chief of police, | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Deputy chief of police, | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Captains, | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| Inspectors, | 4 | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Clerk of chief of police, | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Lieutenants, | - | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 9 |
| Sergeants, | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |
| Patrolmen, | 5 ¹ | 65 ² | 16 ³ | 20 ³ | 24 ³ | 133 |
| Reserve officers, | - | 4 | 4 | 3 | - | 11 |
| Matrons, | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |
| Totals, | 14 | 80 | 23 | 26 | 27 | 170 |

¹ Assigned on special duty.

² One mounted; 3 assigned to house duty; 4 assigned to duty in the patrol barn; and 5 assigned to duty as traffic officers, including the mounted officer.

³ Two assigned to house duty.

VACANCIES.

Death.

Patrolman Napoleon Roux died Jan. 11, 1916. He was appointed on the force May 7, 1907.

Pensions.

Patrolman Charles A. Jillson was retired on a pension of one-third pay on Feb. 14, 1916. He was appointed on the force Aug. 2, 1886.

Patrolman James W. Lottie was retired on a pension of one-third pay on Sept. 5, 1916. He was appointed on the force Dec. 19, 1892.

Lieut. Adelard Perron was retired on a pension of one-third pay on Sept. 8, 1916. He was appointed on the force Oct. 20, 1884.

COMMENDATIONS.

On May 27, 1916, Patrolman John F. O'Reilly was commended for meritorious service in taking into custody Joseph Veverios for murder, and was granted a furlough with pay for fourteen days.

On Aug. 21, 1916, Patrolman Michael F. McDermott was commended for meritorious service in recovering stolen property on Aug. 8, 1916.

On Aug. 21, 1916, Patrolman Richard D. Evans was commended for meritorious service in detecting a "break" on Second Street on Aug. 13, 1916.

On Dec. 4, 1916, Patrolman James J. Harrington, 2d, was commended for meritorious service in arresting, on Nov. 23, 1916, William E. Sullivan and Joseph Picard for breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny.

COMPLAINTS.

| No. | RANK. | Nature of Complaint. | Disposition. |
|-----|------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Captain, . . . | Conduct unbecoming an officer, | Dismissed without hearing. |
| 1 | Patrolman, . . . | Conduct unbecoming an officer, | Dismissed without hearing. |
| 1 | Patrolman, . . . | Conduct unbecoming an officer, | Sustained and suspended without pay for 60 days. |

PROMOTIONS.

On Sept. 25, 1916, Patrolman Richard Leather was promoted to the rank of sergeant.

On Oct. 23, 1916, Sergeant James Waring was promoted to the rank of lieutenant.

APPOINTMENTS.

Nine patrolmen have been appointed to the regular force as follows: —

| NAMES. | Appointment took Effect. | Length of Service on the Reserve Force. |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Harry Robinson, | Jan. 21, 1916, | 7 months, 22 days. |
| John T. Kane, | Feb. 18, 1916, | 8 months, 12 days. |
| Michael J. Nally, | May 5, 1916, | 10 months, 10 days. |
| John M. Hennessy, | May 5, 1916, | 6 months, 24 days, |
| Thomas P. McNally, | May 5, 1916, | 6 months, 24 days. |
| William E. Wrightington, | May 5, 1916, | 6 months, 24 days. |
| Howell M. Palmer, | May 5, 1916, | 5 months, 13 days. |
| Patrick H. Shea, | Sept. 7, 1916, | 9 months, 16 days. |
| John T. Henry, | Oct. 2, 1916, | 9 months, 12 days. |

Nine reserve officers have been appointed as follows:—

| NAMES. | Appointment took Effect. | Age. | Birthplace. | Previous Occupation. |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|------|----------------------|----------------------|
| George J. Eccles, | Jan. 31, 1916 | 29 | Fall River, Mass., . | Salesman. |
| Patrick Kennedy, Jr., . . | Feb. 28, 1916 | 25 | Fall River, Mass., . | Soldier. |
| Matthew J. Slattery, . . . | May 15, 1916 | 31 | Fall River, Mass., . | Carpenter. |
| Joseph Jette, Jr., | May 15, 1916 | 25 | Fall River, Mass., . | Photographer. |
| Ralph Clarke, | May 15, 1916 | 27 | Fall River, Mass., . | Machinist. |
| John Borden, | May 15, 1916 | 31 | Fall River, Mass., . | Teamster. |
| John A. Silvia, | May 15, 1916 | 29 | Portugal, | Reserve Fireman. |
| Walter H. Bradbury, . . . | Sept. 25, 1916 | 27 | Fall River, Mass., . | Decorator. |
| William Fiddler, | Oct. 9, 1916 | 29 | Fall River, Mass., . | Teamster. |

WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT.

Arrests.

The number of persons arrested during the year ending Nov. 30, 1916, was 4,529, against 4,170 the preceding year,—an increase of 359, or 8.61 per cent.

The following table is a comparative statement of the arrests for this year with those of the preceding year, and the average arrests for the ten years from 1906 to 1915, inclusive:—

| NATURE OF OFFENCES. | 1915. | 1916. | Average for Ten Years, 1906-15. |
|--|-------|-------|---------------------------------|
| Offences against the person, | 377 | 368 | 377 |
| Offences against property, committed with violence, . . | 142 | 94 | 90 |
| Offences against property, committed without violence, . | 303 | 196 | 246 |
| Malicious offences against property, | 23 | 36 | 23 |
| Forgery and offences against the currency, | 12 | 2 | 5 |
| Offences against the license laws, | 19 | 30 | 43 |
| Offences against chastity, morality, etc., | 155 | 157 | 167 |
| Offences not included in the foregoing, | 3,139 | 3,646 | 3,435 |
| Totals, | 4,170 | 4,529 | 4,386 |

The number of males was 4,103; of females, 426; of foreigners, 2,516; of nonresidents, 564. Ninety-seven were delivered to other authorities; 1,462 were released as first

offenders, within twelve months, for drunkenness; and 2,970 were held for trial.

The number of arrests for the year is an increase of 143, or 3.26 per cent., over the average for the ten preceding years. The number of arrests for the year is 3.63 per cent. of the population. The average arrests for the ten preceding years was 3.76 per cent. of the average population for that time.

The number of males arrested during the year is an increase of 3.93, or 10.59 per cent., over the number of males arrested during the preceding year, and an increase of 223, or 5.75 per cent., over the average for the ten preceding years.

The number of females arrested during the year is a decrease of 34, of 7.39 per cent., from the number of females arrested during the preceding year, and a decrease of 82, or 16.14 per cent., from the average for the ten preceding years.

The number of nonresidents arrested during the year is 12.45 per cent. of the total arrests. The number of nonresidents arrested during the ten preceding years was 12.35 per cent. of the total arrests.

The number of foreigners arrested during the year is 55.55 per cent. of the total arrests. The number of foreigners arrested during the ten preceding years was 59.37 per cent. of the total arrests for that time.

The value of lost property reported during the year was \$10,806.85. The value of lost property restored was \$9,241.46, or 85.51 per cent. of the amount reported.

The value of stolen property reported during the year was \$33,534.41. The value of stolen property recovered was \$24,919.33, or 74.31 per cent. of the amount reported.

The following table is a comparative statement of police work for ten years, from 1907 to 1916, inclusive: —

| YEAR. | Popula- tion. | Number of Arrests. | Percent- age of Arrests. | Value of Lost Property restored. | Value of Stolen Property recovered. |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|
| 1907, | 112,574 | 4,421 | 3.93 | \$21,827 47 | \$12,071 96 |
| 1908, | 114,242 | 4,484 | 3.93 | 21,852 37 | 9,281 73 |
| 1909, | 115,097 | 4,184 | 3.63 | 16,473 36 | 547 84 |
| 1910, | 119,295 | 5,555 | 4.66 | 19,759 94 | 7,741 47 |
| 1911, | 117,423 | 4,065 | 3.46 | 17,174 80 | 17,940 74 |
| 1912, | 115,401 | 4,298 | 3.72 | 16,854 94 | 19,047 54 |
| 1913, | 119,814 | 4,122 | 3.44 | 9,687 54 | 19,127 05 |
| 1914, | 122,231 | 4,271 | 3.49 | 10,183 09 | 17,381 48 |
| 1915, | 125,011 | 4,170 | 3.34 | 10,760 28 | 40,501 91 |
| 1916, | 124,787 | 4,529 | 3.63 | 9,241 46 | 24,919 23 |
| Average, | 118,588 | 4,410 | 3.72 | \$15,381 53 | \$16,856 10 |

Number of Arrests and Nature of Offences.

| NATURE OF OFFENCES. | SEX. | | JUVENILES. | | | NATIVITY. | | RESIDENCE. | | DISPOSITION. | | | |
|---|--------|----------|------------|--------|----------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| | Males. | Females. | Totals. | Males. | Females. | Totals. | Native. | Foreign. | Resident. | Non-resident. | Held for Trial. | Released. | Delivered to Other Authorities. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Abandonment, | 2 | 2 | 4 | - | - | - | 1 | 3 | 4 | - | 3 | - | 1 |
| Abortion, | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| Accessory to an abortion, | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| Admitting a minor to a pool room, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Adultery, | 8 | 7 | 15 | - | - | - | 5 | 10 | 11 | 4 | 14 | - | 1 |
| Armed with a dangerous weapon, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Assault and battery, | 270 | 21 | 291 | - | - | - | 81 | 210 | 275 | 16 | 291 | - | - |
| Assault, indecent, | 5 | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | 5 | - | - |
| Assault on officer, | 15 | - | 15 | - | - | - | 7 | 8 | 11 | 4 | 15 | - | - |
| Assault with weapon, | 45 | 1 | 46 | - | - | - | 3 | 43 | 31 | 15 | 46 | - | - |
| Assault with intent to kill, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Automobile law, violation of, | 89 | - | 89 | - | - | - | 63 | 26 | 74 | 15 | 65 | - | 24 |
| Bastardy, | 25 | - | 25 | - | - | - | 7 | 18 | 24 | 1 | 23 | - | 2 |
| Bigamy, | 2 | 1 | 3 | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | - | 3 | - | - |
| Boiler law, violation of, | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |

Number of Arrests and Nature of Offences — Continued.

| NATURE OF OFFENCES. | SEX. | | JUVENILES. | | NATIVITY. | | RESIDENCE. | | DISPOSITION. | | | |
|--|--------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| | Males. | Females. | Males. | Females. | Totals. | Native. | Foreign. | Resident. | Non-Resident. | Held for Trial. | Released. | Delivered to Other Authorities. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Breaking and entering, | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny, . . | 5 | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | 4 | 1 | 5 | - | - |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, | 88 | - | - | - | 88 | 60 | 28 | 76 | 12 | 88 | - | - |
| Carrying a concealed weapon, | 17 | 1 | - | - | 18 | 8 | 10 | 15 | 3 | 18 | - | - |
| City ordinances, violation of, | 68 | - | - | - | 68 | 26 | 42 | 65 | 3 | 66 | - | 2 |
| Common nuisance, keeping a, | 1 | 1 | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Concealing leased property, | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Contempt of court, | 102 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 110 | 55 | 55 | 95 | 15 | 106 | - | 4 |
| Cruelty to animals, | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Delinquent children: — | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Assault and battery, | 6 | - | 6 | - | 6 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 6 | - | - |
| Assault, indecent, | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Assault with weapon, | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Automobile law, violation of, | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, | 117 | - | 117 | - | 117 | 92 | 25 | 115 | 2 | 117 | - | - |
| Carrying a concealed weapon, | 6 | - | 6 | - | 6 | 5 | 1 | 6 | - | 6 | - | - |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|---|-----|---|---|
| City ordinances, violation of, | 23 | 1 | 24 | 23 | 1 | 24 | 14 | 10 | 24 | - | 24 | - | - |
| Disturbance of the peace, | 6 | - | 6 | 6 | - | 6 | 1 | 5 | 6 | - | 6 | - | - |
| Escaped prisoners, | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Furnishing an air gun to a minor, | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Gaming, | 13 | - | 13 | 13 | - | 13 | 7 | 6 | 13 | - | 13 | - | - |
| Game law, violation of, | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Idle and disorderly person, | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Larceny, | 138 | 5 | 143 | 138 | 5 | 143 | 116 | 27 | 138 | 5 | 142 | - | 1 |
| Lord's Day, violation of, | 21 | - | 21 | 21 | - | 21 | 20 | 1 | 21 | - | 21 | - | - |
| Malicious mischief, | 32 | 1 | 33 | 32 | 1 | 33 | 27 | 6 | 33 | - | 33 | - | - |
| Runaway boy, | 5 | - | 5 | 5 | - | 5 | 5 | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | 5 |
| Selling air gun to a minor, | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Stubbornness, | 13 | 12 | 25 | 13 | 12 | 25 | 22 | 3 | 25 | - | 25 | - | - |
| Trespass, | 8 | - | 8 | 8 | - | 8 | 8 | - | 8 | - | 8 | - | - |
| Unlawfully taking an automobile, | 3 | - | 3 | 3 | - | 3 | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Unlawfully taking a boat, | 3 | - | 3 | 3 | - | 3 | 3 | - | 3 | - | 3 | - | - |
| Unlawfully taking a horse, | 4 | - | 4 | 4 | - | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | - | 4 | - | - |
| Unnatural act, | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Violation of parole, | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 1 |
| Violation of probation, | 8 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 10 | 10 | - | 10 | - | 10 | - | - |
| Wayward child, | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Desertion from United States service, | 6 | - | 6 | - | - | - | 6 | - | 6 | - | - | - | 6 |

Number of Arrests and Nature of Offences — Continued.

| NATURE OF OFFENCES. | SEX. | | JUVENILES. | | NATIVITY. | | RESIDENCE. | | DISPOSITION. | | | |
|--|---------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | Males. | Females. | Males. | Females. | Native. | Foreign. | Resident. | Non-resident. | Held for Trial. | Released. | Delivered to Other Authorities. | |
| | Totals. | Totals. | Totals. | Totals. | | | | | | | | |
| Desertion of children, | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | 2 | — | 2 | — | — | — | 2 |
| Desertion of family, | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | — | 1 |
| Disorderly conduct on public conveyance, | 4 | — | — | — | — | 4 | — | 4 | — | 4 | — | — |
| Disorderly house, keeping a, | 3 | 2 | — | — | — | 2 | — | 5 | — | 5 | — | — |
| Disturbance of the peace, | 130 | 8 | — | — | — | 39 | — | 132 | 6 | 137 | — | 1 |
| Drunkennes, | 2,062 | 282 | — | — | — | 889 | — | 2,010 | 334 | 882 | — | 1,462 |
| Escaped prisoner, | 3 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 2 | 1 | — | — | 3 |
| False statement, | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| Fish and game law, violation of, | 2 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 2 | — | 2 | — | — |
| Food law, violation of, | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2 | — | 2 | — | — |
| Forgery, | 2 | — | — | — | — | 2 | — | — | — | 2 | — | — |
| Fornication, | 23 | 20 | — | — | — | 17 | — | 36 | 7 | 43 | — | — |
| Fugitive from justice, | 2 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | 1 | 1 | — | 1 |
| Furnishing liquor to a prisoner, | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | — | — |
| Gaming, | 10 | — | — | — | — | 4 | — | 10 | — | 10 | — | — |
| Game law, violation of, | 3 | — | — | — | — | 3 | — | — | 3 | — | — | — |

Number of Arrests and Nature of Offences — Concluded.

| NATURE OF OFFENCES. | SEX. | | JUVENILES. | | | NATIVITY. | | RESIDENCE. | | DISPOSITION. | | |
|--|--------|----------|------------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| | Males. | Females. | Males. | Females. | Totals. | Native. | Foreign. | Resident. | Non-resident. | Held for Trial. | Released. | Delivered to Other Authorities. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nonsupport of family, | 168 | - | 168 | - | - | 75 | 93 | 148 | 20 | 159 | - | 9 |
| Nonsupport of illegitimate child, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Nonsupport of parents, | 15 | 2 | 17 | - | - | 12 | 5 | 14 | 3 | 16 | - | 1 |
| Nonsupport of wife, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Obstructing a car, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Peddling without a license, | 6 | - | 6 | - | - | - | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | - | - |
| Plumbing law, violation of, | 4 | - | 4 | - | - | 4 | - | 3 | 1 | 4 | - | - |
| Promoting a lottery, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Rape, | 6 | - | 6 | - | - | 2 | 4 | 6 | - | 6 | - | - |
| Receiving stolen property, | 5 | 1 | 6 | - | - | 2 | 4 | 6 | - | 6 | - | - |
| Refusing to aid fire warden, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Refusing to pay for automobile hire, | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Rescuing a prisoner, | 3 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | 3 | - | - |
| Ringing false fire alarm, | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Robbery, | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Selling an air gun to a minor, | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |

Ages. — The ages of the prisoners were as follows: —

| AGES. | Males. | Females. | Totals. |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Under 20, | 637 | 40 | 677 |
| 20 and under 25, | 504 | 22 | 526 |
| 25 and under 30, | 488 | 31 | 519 |
| 30 and under 35, | 483 | 49 | 532 |
| 35 and under 40, | 395 | 67 | 462 |
| 40 and under 45, | 476 | 56 | 532 |
| 45 and under 50, | 354 | 67 | 421 |
| 50 and under 55, | 332 | 46 | 378 |
| 55 and under 60, | 212 | 24 | 236 |
| Over 60, | 222 | 24 | 246 |
| Totals, | 4,103 | 426 | 4,529 |

Nativities. — The nativities of the prisoners were as follows: —

| NATIVITIES. | Males. | Females. | Totals. |
|------------------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Arabia, | 1 | — | 1 |
| Assyria, | 12 | — | 12 |
| Austria, | 262 | 13 | 275 |
| Brazil, | 3 | — | 3 |
| British Provinces, | 9 | 2 | 11 |
| Canada, | 626 | 82 | 708 |
| China, | 14 | — | 14 |
| Denmark, | 1 | — | 1 |
| England, | 365 | 86 | 451 |
| Finland, | 17 | 1 | 18 |
| France, | 6 | — | 6 |
| G Galicia, | 1 | — | 1 |
| Germany, | 22 | — | 22 |
| Greece, | 3 | — | 3 |
| Ireland, | 223 | 61 | 284 |
| Italy, | 46 | 2 | 48 |
| Jamaica, | 1 | — | 1 |
| Norway, | 4 | — | 4 |
| Poland, | 31 | 1 | 32 |
| Portugal, | 332 | 17 | 349 |
| Roumania, | 2 | — | 2 |
| Russia, | 128 | 5 | 133 |
| Scotland, | 41 | 10 | 51 |
| South America, | 1 | — | 1 |
| Spain, | 1 | — | 1 |
| Sweden, | 11 | — | 11 |
| Switzerland, | 1 | — | 1 |
| Syria, | 53 | 4 | 57 |
| United States, | 1,877 | 136 | 2,013 |
| Wales, | 7 | — | 7 |
| West Indies, | 2 | — | 2 |
| Totals, | 4,103 | 426 | 4,529 |

Drunkeness.

There were 2,344 persons arrested for drunkenness, against 1,989 for the preceding year, — an increase of 355, or 17.84 per cent. Three hundred and thirty-four, or 14.25 per cent., were nonresidents, and 1,455, or 62.07 per cent., were of foreign birth. The number of arrests for drunkenness during the

year is 1.88 per cent. of the population. The percentage for the ten preceding years was 1.53. The number of arrests for drunkenness this year is an increase of 551, or 30.73 per cent., over the average for the ten preceding years.

Juveniles.

The number of juvenile offenders (those under seventeen years of age) was 445, against 321 the preceding year, — an increase of 124, or 38.63 per cent. Eighty-three, or 18.65 per cent., were of foreign birth; 678, or 76.18 per cent., of the parents were of foreign birth. The number of juvenile offenders for the year is an increase of 82, or 22.59 per cent., over the average for the ten preceding years.

Investigation Division.

The following statistics of this branch of the service are included in the general statement of the work of the department: —

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Number of cases investigated, | 935 |
| Number of persons arrested, | 344 |
| Number of days in Second District Court, | 348 |
| Value of lost property restored, | \$708.97 |
| Value of stolen property recovered, | \$13,480.41 |

Miscellaneous Work.

| | |
|--|-------|
| Accidents reported, | 492 |
| Buildings found open, | 288 |
| Cases investigated, | 3,473 |
| Defective sidewalks reported, | 245 |
| Defective streets reported, | 157 |
| Defective water pipes reported, | 15 |
| Defective hydrants reported, | 4 |
| Disturbances suppressed, | 105 |
| Fire alarms given, | 114 |
| Fires extinguished without alarms, | 148 |
| Fires, men on duty at, | 1,018 |
| Intoxicated persons assisted home, | 6 |
| Lost children restored to parents, | 328 |
| Search warrants served, | 1 |
| Stray teams cared for, | 21 |
| Street obstructions removed, | 98 |

Police Signal System.

Ninety-nine signal boxes are in use. There were 58,576 telephone messages and 523,203 on-duty calls sent in during the year. Two automobile patrol wagons are used in the service. The wagons made 2,858 runs, covered 4,878.4 miles and conveyed 2,560 prisoners to the station houses.

The cost of improving and maintaining the police signal system was \$8,633.71. The expenditures were as follows:—

| | |
|--|------------|
| Automobile and supplies, | \$112 97 |
| Box repairs, | 52 49 |
| Call light system, | 153 09 |
| Express, freight and teaming, | 39 15 |
| Horse, wagon and harness, care of, | 7 35 |
| Labor, | 2,886 46 |
| Line construction, | 403 01 |
| New boxes, | 1,167 99 |
| Office supplies, | 25 84 |
| Patrol wagon service, | 1,026 69 |
| Register paper, | 87 34 |
| Shop rent, tools and supplies, | 250 05 |
| Station apparatus, | 1,619 75 |
| Underground construction, | 801 53 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total, | \$8,633 71 |

Licenses.

The law regulating the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in all cities and towns, except Boston, which vote to grant licenses of the first five classes, provides that the number of places licensed shall not exceed 1 for each 1,000 of the population, as ascertained by the last preceding national or State census. The number of places licensed was 124. Four club licenses, 46 druggist (sixth class) licenses and 1 seventh-class license were also issued.

The total amount paid into the city treasury for liquor licenses was \$192,297. Of this amount, 25 per cent., \$48,074.25, is paid to the treasury of the Commonwealth, and the balance, \$144,222.75, is revenue for the city.

Chapter 425 of the Acts of 1909, relative to the sale of ice cream, confectionery, soda water and fruit on the Lord's Day,

was accepted by the city council July 26, 1909. The fee for the year for licenses under said chapter was fixed at \$5, and the amount received was \$1,023.75, which is revenue for the city.

Under the provisions of chapter 383 of the Acts of 1910 the fee for licenses as innholders and common victuallers for the year was fixed at \$5. The amount received for said licenses was \$1,102.50, which is revenue for the city.

The following table exhibits the number of licenses of all kinds issued, etc., during the year ending Nov. 30, 1916:—

| | Licenses issued. | Licenses revoked. | Licenses transferred. | License Applications rejected. | Transfer Applications rejected. |
|---|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Intoxicating liquors:— | | | | | |
| First class, innholder, fee, \$1,800, | 5 | — | — | — | — |
| First class, victualler, fee, \$1,500, | 78 | 2 | 3 | — | 1 |
| Fourth class, fee, \$1,500, | 41 | — | 6 | — | 1 |
| Fifth class, brewer, fee, \$3,000, | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Sixth class, druggist, fee, \$1, | 46 | — | 1 | — | — |
| Seventh class, fee, \$1, | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| Club, fee, \$500, | 5 | 1 | — | — | — |
| Ice cream, confectionery, soda water and fruit on the Lord's Day, fee, \$5. | 227 | 34 | 12 | 30 | — |
| Innholders, fee, \$5, | 4 | 1 | — | — | — |
| Common victuallers, fee, \$5, | 153 | 41 | 8 | 17 | 1 |
| Lodging houses, no fee, | 29 | 2 | — | 5 | — |

FINANCIAL.

Requisitions were made on the city council for the sum of \$213,992.47 to meet the running expenses of the department, including the police signal system. The expenditures were as follows:—

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| Automobile hire, | \$94 50 |
| Beds and bedding, | 72 18 |
| Clock repairs, | 3 00 |
| Compensation, | 200 00 |
| Directories, | 56 00 |
| Disinfectant, | 64 55 |
| Express, freight and teaming, | 22 84 |
| Fuel, | 1,235 42 |
| Furniture and repairs, | 21 12 |
| Identification bureau, | 45 65 |
| Insecticide, | 6 25 |
| Janitors' supplies, | 151 00 |
| Laundry work, | 275 85 |
| Law books, | 4 50 |
| Light, | 1,729 01 |
| Military drill, | 437 25 |
| Mounted police, | 1,133 81 |
| Newspapers, | 55 08 |
| Office expenses (postage, telegrams, etc.), | 72 76 |
| Officers' expenses (transportation, food, etc.), | 664 99 |
| Prisoners, | 1,119 05 |
| Repairs to station houses, | 418 47 |
| Salaries, | 195,414 33 |
| Signal system, | 8,633 71 |
| Stationery, record books and printing, | 1,063 94 |
| Telephones, | 438 55 |
| Toilet paper, | 16 00 |
| Toilet soap, | 20 00 |
| Toweling, | 25 85 |
| Typewriter repairs, | 3 50 |
| Uniforms and equipments, | 493 31 |
| Total, | \$213,992 47 |

Respectfully submitted,

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