

## ROUNDSMEN.

### Superintendent Washburn Issues a General Order Defining Their Duties --- Appointments.

Superintendent Washburn, yesterday, issued the following order :

#### General Order No. 15.

1. Each platoon in every precinct shall be placed in charge of an officer, to be known as roundsman, who shall be appointed from the patrolmen by the General Superintendent, subject to the approval of the Board of Police, and the General Superintendent shall have the authority to reduce each roundsman to the rank of patrolman, at his discretion. The roundsman of the first platoon shall rank the roundsman of the second platoon, and these officers shall be in the line of promotion to sergeant.

2. The roundsman will be held responsible for the general good order and discipline of the patrolmen in their respective platoons, and it will be their duty to set an example of sobriety, discretion, skill, industry, and promptness. They will make themselves thoroughly acquainted with the capabilities of their men, note carefully the manner in which each one performs his duty, and promptly report to the General Superintendent in writing, any misconduct on the part of their men. They will be required to patrol all beats, visit all posts, and see all patrolmen on duty within the limits of their precinct, as often as possible during the hours of duty. In case of a riot, an important burglary, or any other emergency, the roundsman on duty will immediately send information to his commanding officer, and, in the meantime, take such action as the emergency may require; and the roundsman shall have authority to transfer patrolmen temporarily from one beat or post to another, whenever the emergency may justify. In general terms, the duty of the roundsman is to enforce the performance of duty by the men, and to that end they must carefully study and thoroughly understand the rules, regulations, and orders of the Department.

By order of the Board of Police.

In accordance with the order of the Board of Police, Superintendent Washburn made the following appointments: Arthur Oyen, Michael Schaeck, for the Twelfth Precinct; James D. Cook, W. Hogan, for the Eleventh Precinct; Henry W. Williams for the Tenth Precinct; James S. Fisher for the Ninth Precinct.

There will be one more for the Ninth, and one more for the Tenth Precincts. The selections for the First and Second Precincts have not yet been made. The above appointments were confirmed by the Board of Police yesterday.