

## BOARD OF POLICE.

**Increase of the Detective Force—Regulations Regarding Uniforms—Officers Can Hereafter Go to Church Once a Fortnight.**

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners met yesterday, President Cleveland being in the chair and Commissioners Wright and Sheridan on hand.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that the rules and regulations recently passed by the Board for the government of persons vested with police powers for the benefit of private individuals, be amended so as to provide that such special policemen shall be known and designated "Police Watchmen," and that the official badge of authority for all police watchmen shall be the patrolman's star of the Chicago City police force, and that said star shall have inscribed on the face the words "Police Watchman, Chicago," and shall be numbered from one upward.

A petition was received from patrolmen who act as detectives, asking for detectives' pay. An order was made providing for selecting eight men from the several precincts to do detective duty at an increase of \$200 each per annum, the amount to be paid out of the Secret-Service Fund.

Superintendent Washburn sent in a communication with the following recommendations, which were adopted:

That Section 9, General Order No. 11, series of 1872, be so amended as to require the Sergeants to wear the same hat and cord that is worn by the General Superintendent and Captains all the year.

That Section 12, same order, be so amended that buttons may be made with the pocket on each inside breast.

That Section 22 be so amended as to permit the patrolmen worn in manner to be made from either the material prescribed for winter or summer wear.

That Section 24, same order, be so amended as to require roundsmen and patrolmen to wear the same club as prescribed for Captains and Sergeants, except no cord or band shall be worn.

That Section 25, same order, be so amended as to prescribe that the star for the roundsmen shall be the same as for the patrolmen, except that the inscription shall be "Chicago Police Roundsmen."

That Section 27 be so amended as to authorize Captains and Sergeants to place men in citizens' dress for detective purposes whenever it may be necessary; and so as to permit any member of the force to lay aside the uniform and all insignia of office when attending religious services or a funeral.

That the commanding officers of precincts be instructed to make such a disposition of their respective commands as will enable the men to attend their respective places of worship at least once on every alternate Sunday.

The Board adjourned.