

# THE POLICE.

## Annual Report of Superintendent Rehm.

### He Speaks Flatteringly of the Men Since He Took Charge.

### There Were 27,995 Arrests During the Year.

### And \$347,000 Worth of Property Reported Stolen.

#### Increase of the Force Recommended.

Superintendent Rehm presented his annual report to the Board of Police Commissioners yesterday, and it was placed on file. It is substantially as follows:

Before entering into or giving the details of the workings of the force for the year, I beg permission to state that since I assumed the position of General Superintendent of Police, in December last, the members of the department have, with very rare exceptions, exhibited an evident determination to faithfully perform their respective duties, the result of which is that we can to-day point with pride to the fact that

#### LESS CRIME HAS BEEN COMMITTED,

less arrests effected for violations of city ordinances, and a much better showing of stolen property recovered during the last three months than for any other three months of the year; and this notwithstanding the fact that many of our citizens, on the approach of winter, were apprehensive of a season of crime and depredations on account of the unusual number of persons out of employment.

As will be seen, there is a decrease in the number of arrests, and in the amount of crime committed; and not only is there an increase in the amount of

#### PROPERTY RECOVERED,

but there has been recovered during the last three months \$5,234 worth of stolen property in excess of the amount so reported, while for the previous nine months not over 55 per cent of stolen property had been recovered. It is proper to state here, however, that the detectives at the Central Station have performed valuable services, and have been very successful during the last three months, having recovered during the months of January, February, and March stolen property to the amount of \$16,720.81, whereas during the three previous months only \$5,354 worth had been recovered.

The police force at present consists of one General Superintendent, three Captains, seventeen Sergeants, and 625 patrolmen.

Here follows a statement in detail of the number of men employed at each precinct station, together with recommendations concerning the improvement and enlargement of the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Precinct Stations.

#### DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT.

The Superintendent then goes on:

I would most respectfully recommend the appointment of a Deputy Superintendent of Police, as there is an urgent necessity for an officer to visit the various stations frequently in order to supervise the working and discipline of the force. The General Superintendent being required to attend to the duties at Police Headquarters, it is impossible for him to visit the stations and give the department his personal supervision.

#### INCREASE OF THE FORCE.

I would respectfully ask that the number of Sergeants be increased to twenty, there being only seventeen at present, as at some of the precinct stations we require two Sergeants, owing to the number of men stationed there for duty, and that the police force be increased by the appointment of eighty; five additional patrolmen, ten of those patrolmen having to act as roundsmen at the stations. In consequence of the rapid growth of the suburbs of the city, we have not sufficient patrolmen to protect the citizens residing there, and owing to the large area of territory covered by the city, and the limited number of patrolmen in the outer precincts, it is almost impossible for a patrolman to effectually protect the citizens in those districts.

I would also recommend that the drilling of the police force be resumed at an early day, as a number of the patrolmen now on the force have been appointed since its discontinuance about eighteen months ago.

The appended tables will show the number of arrests, nature of charges, amount of fines, value of property reported lost or stolen, and value of property recovered for each month of the year.

#### THANKS.

In conclusion, I desire to bear testimony to the cordial co-operation and efficiency of all branches of the service since I assumed the Superintendency of the police force in December last, and especially of the Detective Department, for its able assistance and prompt action in the recovery of property reported stolen and the arrest of criminals; and to you, gentlemen, for your counsel, aid, and influence in the promotion of the interests and efficiency of the Department, I also desire to return my sincere thanks. Respectfully submitted.

#### PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED.

Tabular statement showing the value of property reported stolen, value of stolen property recovered, amount of fines, number of arrests, charges, etc.:

Month.	Value of property reported lost or stolen.	Value of property recovered.
April.....	\$ 22,448.14	\$ 11,001.47
May.....	30,740.00	16,619.45
June.....	33,605.00	20,803.56
July.....	31,978.60	16,854.60
August.....	29,618.00	19,423.77
September.....	45,899.00	25,105.23
October.....	43,677.00	20,142.00
November.....	29,584.00	13,232.93
December.....	48,910.00	12,239.00
January.....	25,824.00	10,704.00
February.....	14,054.00	15,454.00
March.....	12,162.00	22,020.00
Total.....	\$347,539.74	\$210,635.00

#### ARRESTS AND FINES.

Month.	Number of arrests.	Amount of fines.
April.....	2,254	\$ 18,421.00
May.....	2,765	17,803.00
June.....	2,083	19,458.00
July.....	3,075	18,888.00
August.....	2,403	18,145.00
September.....	2,397	16,908.00
October.....	3,112	16,820.00
November.....	2,098	10,608.00
December.....	2,220	10,959.00
January.....	1,686	6,736.00
February.....	1,673	5,955.00
March.....	1,762	4,638.00
Total.....	27,995	\$165,759.00

#### CAUSES OF ARREST.

Adultery, 21; arson, 5; assault, 238; assaulting an officer, 33; assault with intent to commit rape, 25; assault with intent to commit robbery, 64; assault with intent to kill, 165; assault with intent to do bodily injury, 9; assault with a deadly weapon, 207; accessory to robbery, 5; bastardy, 21; bigamy, 10; burglary, 279; bathing inside city limits, 85; carrying concealed weapons, 350; contempt of court, 8; cruelty to animals, 196; drunk, 3,848; drunk and disorderly, 3,421; disorderly, 8,724; disorderly and vagrancy, 388; disorderly and resisting an officer, 218; destitute, 136; embezzlement, 8; exposing person, 63; forgery, 25; fast driving, 104; fugitive from justice, 10; gaming, 67; highway robbery, 5; insane, 2; interfering with an officer in discharge of duty, 199; inmate of house of ill-fame, 1,634; inmates of disorderly house, 654; inmates of gaming house, 349; keeping a disorderly house, 137; keeping a gaming house, 60; keeping a house of ill-fame, 353; leaving team unhitched, 8; larceny, 1,293; malicious mischief, 64; mayhem, 10; murder, 9; manslaughter, 5; obstructing street-cars, 24; perjury, 15; passing counterfeit money, 1; peddling without a license, 70; prize-fighting, 2; rape, 18; riot, 250; robbery, 138; representing himself as an officer, 38; refusing to assist an officer, 17; resisting an officer, 22; receiving stolen property, 77; swindling, 20; shooting inside city limits, 99; threats, 144; vagrancy, 1,582; violating ordinances—express, 60; railway, 75; bridge, 79; depot, 16; health, 95; hack, 92; sidewalk, 91; fire, 76; lamp, 11; streets, 116; scavenger, 3; park, 75; saloon, 17; vehicles, 8; porters and runners, 49; junk dealers, 33; pawnbrokers, 13; 12 o'clock, 281; begging, 1; dog, 1; weights and measures, 40; hay, 8; Sunday-law, 823. Total, 27,995.

#### DURING THE LAST THREE MONTHS.

The following statement will show the value of property reported stolen, value of stolen property recovered, amount of fines, etc., for the three months ending the 31st day of March, 1874: Total value of property reported stolen, \$52,040; total value of stolen property recovered, \$57,274; total amount of fines, \$17,359; total number of arrests, 5,026; males, 4,251; females, 772; married, 1,628; single, 3,498; lost children, 205; lodgers, 636.

#### AGES.

The ages of those arrested during these three months were: Under 10 years of age, 35; from 10 to 20 years, 1,342; from 20 to 30 years, 1,891; from 30 to 40 years, 773; from 40 to 50 years, 670; from 50 to 60 years, 250; from 60 to 70 years, 50; from 70 to 80 years, 15. Total, 5,026.

#### OCCUPATIONS.

Actors, 15; artists, 2; bricklayers, 4; agents, 31; auctioneers, 7; attorneys, 11; brewers, 1; bakers, 12; butchers, 87; blacksmiths, 37; barbers, 16; bartenders, 51; bootblacks, 11; bill-posters, 4; bookbinders, 2; brass-finishers, 12; broom-makers, 3; brick-makers, 4; boiler-makers, 4; basket-makers, 6; box-makers, 2; bridge-tenders, 2; brokers, 2; bus-drivers, 55; caulkers, 3; carpenters, 81; confectioners, 9; chairvoynants, 1; clergymen, 1; constables, 16; cigar, 113; carriage-makers, 3; cabinet-makers, 9; cigar-makers, 29; contractors, 5; coopers, 10; cooks, 4; carvers, 2; coachmen, 6; collectors, 2; conductors, 2; druggists, 4; draymen, 1; drovers, 6; distillers, 1; engineers, 24; engravers, 5; expressmen, 38; farmers, 21; fortune-tellers, 1; fishermen, 2; firemen, 3; glaziers, 2; grocers, 8; gardeners, 4; gamblers, 28; glass-blowers, 2; gliders, 1; gas-fitters, 20; hostlers, 12; hackmen, 31; house-keepers, 200; harness-makers, 7; house-movers, 2; hatters, 4; hotel-keepers, 2; junk-dealers, 4; lumber-dealers, 1; lathers, 6; lithographers, 2; laborers, 920; livery-keepers, 4; laundresses, 3; masons, 19; moulders, 9; merchants, 19; machinists, 27; marble-cutters, 31; musicians, 10; milkmen, 5; millers, 3; merchant police, 4; none, 1,895; nail-makers, 4; newsboys, 14; peddlers, 68; painters, 47; prostitutes, 266; porters, 17; plumbers, 33; paper-hangers, 8; print-

ors, 22; physicians, 9; piano-makers, 1; plasterers, 2; photographers, 16; pattern-makers, 3; roofers, 2; railroad employes, 46; runners, 1; reporters, 3; rowers, 1; saloon-keepers, 77; shoemakers, 21; scavengers, 2; servants, 33; sailors, 62; stone-cutters, 6; stewards, 1; saddlers, 4; silversmiths, 3; students, 7; sail-makers, 1; steam-fitters, 7; surveyors, 1; teamsters, 193; tanners, 8; tinmiths, 22; tailors, 16; telegraph operators, 4; turners, 1; tobaccoists, 1; upholsterers, 4; veterinarians, 2; wagon-makers, 6; watchmakers, 6; whitewashers, 5; waiters, 20; watchmou, 4; weavers, 2. Total, 5,026.