

captain and two lieutenants, two turnkeys, and such number of sergeants as said Board of Police, in their judgment, may deem necessary for each police district in the city, and five hundred men; which force may be increased at any time, if, in the opinion of the board, the public peace shall require, to any number and for such period of time as they may think proper, by the appointment of special policemen, who shall receive the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per day for their service; the period of appointment in the regular police force shall be four years, unless sooner removed for official misconduct; and the qualification for the position of officer or police or policeman or detective shall be good moral character, sobriety, citizenship of the United States, ability to read and write, physical strength and courage. No person who has been convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary shall be eligible to the position of officer of police, policeman, detective or special policeman. The pay of an ordinary policeman shall be eighteen dollars per week, payable semi-monthly, and in case the board shall appoint detective policemen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to do so if they think fit, to the number of ten, said detectives shall receive each the sum of twenty-five dollars per week, payable semi-monthly; and they shall not be allowed to follow any business or profession, but shall devote their whole time to the discharge of their duty as detectives. The officers of police shall be paid semi-monthly, and their pay shall be as follows: the Marshal shall receive twenty-five hundred dollars per annum; the Deputy Marshal shall receive two thousand dollars per annum; each Captain twenty-two dollars per week; each Lieutenant twenty dollars per week; each Sergeant nineteen dollars per week, and each Turnkey fifteen dollars per week, the pay herein provided for the police of officers, policeman and detectives shall continue as long as they hold a commission or until a change shall be made by act of the General Assembly of Maryland.

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Special policemen

Qualification.

Pay of men

Officers

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. In force.

Approved, 12th March, 1874.