not less than five, or more than one hundred dollars shall first be paid to the Secretary of the Board of Police Commissioners. Five hundred and forty-six permits of the character mentioned were issued in 1902 and 578 in 1903. The revenue from the issue of these permits, which also forms a part of the Special Fund above referred to, was $3,995.00 in 1902 and $3,175.00 in 1903. See Statement No. 28.

WORK OF THE FORCE.

LOST AND STOLEN PROPERTY.

Statement No. 29 discloses that in the past two years there has been returned to proper claimants lost, stolen and abandoned property, recovered by the police, to the value, (estimated) of

$129,370 56	in 1902.
122,883 34	in 1903.
$252,253 90	

ARRESTS.

The number of arrests was

In 1902	31,362	
In 1903	28,150	
		59,512,

as against 62,246 for the two years immediately preceding, or a decrease of 2,734, despite the increase of population. The number of arrests in 1903 is the smallest in many years, as will be seen by Statement No. 30. (Arrests for Twenty Years.) See also Statements Nos. 31 and 32, giving information as to arrests in detail and the disposition of cases at the Station-houses. Reference is asked as well to Statement No. 33 of reports to the Grand Jury from the Marshal's office, and to Nos. 35 to 38 inclusive; as to the nativity, ages, sex, social condition, occupations, etc., of the persons arrested.

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