

tion to the grade of sergeant. During the past year however, 362 men appeared for examination in this grade, and 347 passed the tests.

The Commissioner will not have an opportunity to make more than ten promotions in this grade during the year, unless something unforeseen develops. Thus, we have nearly 350 men aspiring to win these few posts of higher rank.

The Board has continued its policy of changing the general character of examinations, with the idea of giving tests which will bring to the top of the lists men with the greatest degree of efficiency in actual police work. The results of these changes have been particularly interesting.

At the request of the Police Commissioner, the Board of Examiners now requires applicants for the grade of Station-house Clerk to be stenographers. This is the reason for the small number of applicants for this position.

The accompanying table shows the number of applicants for entrance and promotion in the Police Department, the number to pass the tests and the number nominated for appointment:

GRADE	Number of Applicants	Appeared for Mental Tests	Passed Mental Test	Placed on List	Nominated
Third Grade Patrolman.....	798	517	400	400	400
Sergeant	366	362	347	347	53
Lieutenant	92	90	85	85	14
Captain	28	23	23	23	12
Station-house Clerk	19	9	4	4	4
Headquarters Clerk	23	21	19	19	...
Signal and Telephone Operator....	69	58	47	47	...

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