

There was also another consideration which controlled the Commissioners; the Supplement to the Code, Section 42, on page 45, of Vol. 1, requires the Police Commissioners to take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation. "That in any and every appointment or removal to be made by them, to or from the police force, they will in no case and under no pretext, appoint or remove any policeman or officer of police, or other person under them, for or on account of the political opinion of such policeman, or officer, or other person, or for any other reason than the fitness or unfitness of such person," &c.

Upon inquiry of the Captains of the several Stations, it was ascertained that the following officers and men had been discharged in consequence, as was understood, of their failing to adhere to the late Board after the action of the Governor, to wit:

Middle Station - A. H. Quigley, Thomas P. Whiteford, John S. McAuley, Joseph M. Helm, Samett Kidd, John Percy, W. A. Lunningham, Aaron Ross, S. C. Morris, Samuel Redgrave, Alfred Morgan;

Eastern Station - Henry S. Curlee, Thomas Vain Benjamin Graham, Jacob Mainster, George Hoover, Wm. S. Sayman, William G. Mariner.

Western Station. - Jacob Block.

Southern Station. - Sergt. Wm. Gardner, Sergt. George F. Short, Serg. Jesse Lipky, William M. Granger, George S. Granger, Wm. S. Sumwalt, John C. Sumwalt, John Taylor, Wm. S. Spies, Shot. P. Penn, John Norfolk.

The Commissioners being in doubt as to their power to remove those who had been appointed in place of the above named parties since November 2d, without a charge and trial, deemed it advisable to consult Counsel. - After which

an Motion the Marshal was ordered to forthwith replace on the force the above named officers and men in the positions they formerly held, and that those who had been appointed since that date be dismissed.

This was accordingly done, and all the others removed by the late Board, without trial, have been