

the morgue she left him and that she was somewhere in my district.

Knowing that she had considerable money on her I gave orders to Round Sergeant McClean to notify the men that if they found her to be drinking to send her to the station-house. Later she was arrested by Rd. Sergt. McClean.

The next morning (the 14th) Justice O'Neill instead of dismissing her, held her for a further hearing on the 15th., on which day her husband was to be buried. In the morning Mr. Brooks called at the station-house with a hack and as Mrs. Cook was still a prisoner, I gave instructions to Mrs. Hess to accompany her to the cemetery. After the funeral she was brought back and after being dismissed by Justice O'Neill I again instructed Mrs. Hess to see that she got safely aboard the boat for her home which is in Hurlock, Dorchester County, Maryland.

Matron Hess was acting under my instructions in this matter and the interest that I took in this woman was the fact that I knew she had this money and that I had been informed that she had acknowledged her weakness for drink. Therefore I used my own judgment in the matter. I took the stand that it was far better to do this than for the department to possibly be called upon to investigate a robbery or possibly murder.

Respectfully,

GEORGE LEAGUE, Captain."

Patrolman Wm. L. Howard,
Stopping Runaway Team.

A report, as follows, was received, read and ordered filed, see Exhibit No. 3564:

"Baltimore, Md., September 19th., 1911.

To The Honorable,

The Board of Police Commissioners.

Gentlemen:-

In connection with the former report with respect to injury received by Patrolman William L. Howard, Central District, in stopping runaway team on the 11th. instant, and your instructions to ascertain whether the action of Patrolman Howard in this case was of such a nature as to merit your commendation, I beg, respectfully, to submit herewith statements from Lieutenant Robert D. Carter,