

dollars in the discretion of the police justice of the peace before whom such person may be taken, and the confiscation of the weapon so found, which said fine shall be collected as other fines are now collected; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to those persons who, as conservators of the peace are entitled or required to carry a pistol or other weapon as a part of their official equipment.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO POLICEMEN.

1882, ch. 34. 1888, ch. 303.

743. Said board of police commissioners are authorized, empowered and directed to grant leave of absence, with pay, for a period of ten days in each consecutive year of service, to each of the officers of police, policemen and detectives of the regular force employed by said board; nor shall any enforced absence with leave, on account of sickness or death, be deducted from the pay of said officer of police, policeman or detective, or from the ten days' leave herein provided.

MATRONS AT STATION HOUSES.

1884, ch. 225.

744. They shall have power, in their discretion, to appoint for each station house in said city, a suitable woman as matron, and when so appointed shall supply her with a furnished office room in said station house.

Ibid.

745. The said matrons shall be appointed to serve for four years, respectively, subject to removal for cause, after a hearing by the board, which is invested with exclusive jurisdiction in the premises.

Ibid.

746. The duties of each matron shall be to give such care and advice, and to perform such other police duties as may be requisite and proper to the female prisoners and refugees in the station house for which said matron shall have been appointed.