

amendments, and that Section 71 thereof be and it is hereby repealed, Sections 70 and 71 having been amended by Chapter 602 of the Acts of 1939 and that a new Section 71 be and it is hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place and stead of the section so repealed, and all to read as follows:

70. On the fifteenth day of August, 1912, and as often thereafter as there may be a vacancy to be filled in the police force, hereinafter provided for, the said board shall hold a preliminary examination at the City Hall for applicants for policeman. Notice of any and all preliminary examinations for policemen shall be given *by advertisement* in at least ~~two~~ *one* ~~newspapers~~ *newspaper* published in the City of Cambridge, at least ten days before such examination; said notice shall state the time *and place* of said examination and the ~~requirements for policeman~~ *prerequisites for taking the same*. Every applicant for policeman must be of good moral character, not addicted to the use of alcoholic liquors ~~or drinks in any form~~, must be at least five feet eight inches in height, must weigh not less than one hundred and fifty pounds, and not more than two hundred and fifty pounds, must be between the ages of twenty-five and ~~forty~~ *thirty-five* years, and must be able to read and write a legible hand, and show a ~~good~~ *fair* knowledge of the rules of the said Board of Police Commissioners ~~and of the ordinances of Cambridge~~. All examinations for policemen must be in writing and ~~the examination papers shall be preserved by said board, subject to inspection by any voter of the City of Cambridge who may demand an inspection of the same, for at least one year~~ *the Board reserves the right to reject any or all applications if in their sole discretion any applicant would not be a suitable member of the Police Force notwithstanding the fact that he may have passed the physical and mental examination*. The said board shall examine the papers submitted by each applicant and grade them, taking into account in such grading the mental and physical qualifications of each applicant, and also his fitness for a police officer. Any applicant who has obtained an average of sixty per cent in the preliminary examination aforesaid and has passed a satisfactory physical examination may be appointed as a probationary officer for the City of Cambridge, with all the powers and duties of a regular police officer, for a period of six (6) months, unless said Board of Police Commissioners, in its discretion, shall dismiss such probationary officer during said period because of his lack of the necessary requirements and qualifications for a probationary officer, or until he