

243. Men employed in plain clothes on detective or special duty are not to salute officers of the Force or other individuals entitled to this mark of respect.

244. As great importance will be attached to the manner in which Detectives discharge their difficult duties, it cannot be too deeply impressed upon them that however anxious the Government may be for the conviction of criminals, even the greatest delinquents are not to be brought to justice by unjustifiable means.

245. Chief Detectives shall be located at the four chief centres, and their duties shall be to arrange and supervise the duties of their staff, conduct all detective cases in Court unless the Inspector (or in his absence the Sub-Inspector) desires to do so, transmit all reports to the Inspector, and daily report to that officer offences or other matters that have come under their notice.

246. While it is essential that the most suitable officer should be detailed for special cases, Chief Detectives must be particularly careful to so apportion the work as not to give rise to any suspicion of favouritism.

247. They shall at all times strongly discountenance any friction amongst their staff or between their staff and the general Police, as, unless the two branches work harmoniously together, the public interests must suffer.

248. Promotions to the rank of Chief Detective shall be made from among the Detective Sergeants who have passed the examination qualifying uniform Sergeants for promotion to the rank of Senior Sergeant, and who have been highly recommended by the officer in charge of the district as being well conducted, of strictly sober habits, and as having discharged their detective duties with zeal, energy, and marked ability. No Detective shall be promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant until he has passed the examination qualifying uniform Constables for promotion to the rank of Sergeant.

249. A Chief Detective shall rank as Senior Sergeant, a Detective Sergeant as Sergeant.

250. As vacancies occur in the Detective branch, Constables who have over four years' service, and whose conduct has been exemplary, and who possess superior intelligence and have displayed tact, judgment, and energy in carrying out their various duties, will be detailed for plain-clothes duty in the Detective branch on probation for six months, after which they will be permanently detailed for plain-clothes duty if favourably reported upon by the Chief or other Detective in charge and the officer in charge of the district.

If, after serving three years as plain-clothes Constables, provided they have eight years' service in the Force, and that they have been well conducted, and have been favourably reported upon by the Chief or other Detective in charge and the officer in charge of the district as having discharged their duties in a highly satisfactory manner, they shall be appointed Detectives, and receive the pay attaching to that position.

Diary.

251. A diary of duties and occurrences shall be kept at each station, in which must be entered an accurate and faithful account of all duties performed by each member of the Force on the station—except Detectives, who keep a diary of duty of their own—on each day of twenty-four hours, commencing at 4.45 o'clock a.m. It must also show the hours of arrival at or departure from the station of men detailed for special duty, men going on or returning off leave, and men reporting themselves from other stations. A note

must also be made in the "Occurrence" column of all reports of serious crime, accidents, fatalities, &c., received during the twenty-four hours. All entries in the diary shall be made by the Senior or other Sergeant in charge, or under his immediate supervision, who will be responsible for the accuracy of all entries therein, that they are legibly written and free from erasures, and that the whole book is kept clean and in good order. A Constable in charge of a station shall be responsible for the entering up of the diary at his station. The duties performed during the twenty-four hours ending at 4.45 a.m. must be entered up not later than 10 a.m. each day, except where a Constable in charge of a station by himself is absent from his station, when he must enter up his duties as soon as possible after returning home. Any member of the Force damaging or defacing a diary shall be punished severely.

Dismissal.

252. When any member of the Force is dismissed, or otherwise ceases to hold his office, all powers and authorities vested in him as a member of the Force shall immediately cease and determine.

Districts.

253. For Police and public purposes New Zealand is divided into Police districts, the districts into sub-districts, and these again into stations and beats.

254. The number and boundaries of districts and sub-districts may be altered from time to time as circumstances require.

Distress Warrants.

255. Where distress warrants in civil cases are issued for execution at places where there is no bailiff, they shall be executed by the Police, who may employ a man to retain possession if found necessary.

256. In criminal cases the Police shall always execute the warrant.

District Constables.

257. District Constables are appointed at places where there is not sufficient Police work to warrant a regular member of the Force being stationed.

258. Their duties and responsibilities shall be in every respect similar to those of a regular Constable, with the exception that they may engage in business or accept employment from persons outside the Department.

They must, however, take care that their business or employment does not clash with their duties as Constables, for if it does their services shall be dispensed with.

259. They should remember that their position is an official one, and that the public expect the same good behaviour from them as from any other member of the Force; it therefore behoves them to carefully avoid anything that would shake the public's confidence in them, or in any way bring discredit upon the Department.

260. They shall take the same oath as other members of the Force, and never forget that they have sworn to serve without favour or affection.

Divorce Cases.

261. The Police shall not undertake inquiries in connection with divorce proceedings at the instance of any person.