

At the Police Court the business has been, at times, far from ordinary, as may be seen by the "Minutes of the Police Court." Some idea may be formed of the business, independent of the "Minutes," by the following summary:—There were 639 meetings of the Court, before which 821 written, and about the same number of verbal complaints were made and listened to; 988 of these complaints became cases; 36 of which were handed to the Supreme Court, being above the jurisdiction of the Police Court; 952 were decided in the latter; and the remainder of the complaints were either settled between the parties out of Court or were suffered to fall to the ground by the complainants. A record of the written complaints has been kept, and the evidence in 273 of the above most important cases has been recorded.

In addition to the above, there were 15 monthly meetings of the Mayor's Court for the adjustment of Small Debts for the City, before which 605 cases were brought.

At 860 of the above 868 meetings, His Worship the Mayor, Robert Hutchinson, Esquire, attended.

To the three Locks-up belonging to the Police establishment there were 444 persons committed.

The Fire Department, to which several members of the City Council belong, also held 19 meetings, at which business extending over 40 pages was recorded.

At all the above meetings of the Council, the Board of Health, the Police Court, the Mayor's Court, and the Fire Department, say 887, the City Clerk attended, with the exception of two, caused by indisposition. Some idea of the amount of the written labour performed by him may be gathered from the fact of what he has registered—extending over 2900 pages—and computed, by long measure, to reach 14½ miles; with about an equal amount of incidental writing actually connected with the various spheres of his duty. He is admitted by all connected with the Corporation to be its hardest worked and most poorly paid servant.

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