

and put an end to the board, and thereafter the council shall have and exercise all powers and duties previously had or exercised by the board.

(2) The council of any city with a population of 100,000 or over, may by by-law provide for the payment of the Police Commissioners or any of them. 46 V. c. 18, s. 455. 53 V. c. 50, s. 14. (2).

435.—(1) The commissioners shall have power to summon and examine witnesses on oath on all matters connected with the administration of their duties, and they shall have the same power to enforce the attendance of such witnesses, and to compel them to give evidence as is vested in any Court of law in civil cases. A notice to attend before the board shall be sufficient, if signed by the chairman of the board, or any one of the commissioners.

(2) No party or witness shall be compelled to answer any question by his answer to which he might render himself liable to a criminal prosecution.

(3) A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum, and the acts of a majority shall be considered acts of the board. 50 V. c. 8, Sched.

(4) All meetings of the board of police commissioners in cities shall be open to the press and the public, unless otherwise decided by the board. 46 V. c. 18, s. 436 (2).

436.—(1) The board of commissioners of police shall, in cities, license and regulate second-hand stores and junk-stores, and shall also, in cities, regulate and license the owners of livery stables, and of horses, cabs, carriages, carts, trucks, sleighs, omnibuses and other vehicles regularly used for hire within the said city whether such owners are resident or non-resident therein, and shall establish the rates of fare to be taken by the owners or drivers of such vehicles, for the conveyance of goods or passengers either wholly within the limits of the city, or from any point within the city to any other point not more than three miles beyond said limits, and may provide for enforcing payment of such rates, and for such purposes shall pass by-laws and enforce the same in the manner, and to the extent in which any by-law to be passed under the authority of this Act may be enforced.