

XII. The period of service of the men in the Force before the passing of this Act shall, in the computation of the years for an increased or superannuated allowance, be reckoned from the time they first joined it, if they have served therein continually from that time, without having
 5 been suspended for misconduct—or from such later time from their first entrance into the force, as the Board of Commissioners, subject to the approval of the Council in Cities, and as the Council in Towns shall determine.

Period of service how computed.

XIII. If after a service of five years, any Constable retires from the
 10 Force, he shall, if the Board of Commissioners of Police in Cities, or if the Council in Towns shall so direct, be entitled to receive from the said Fund, not more than one-fourth of the sum he shall have so contributed towards it—and if after a service of ten years or more, a
 15 sum not exceeding one-half of the sum he shall have so contributed—if, in either case, he shall not have received a benefit from the Fund to the extent of the fourth or one-half of such contributions, as the case may be.

Allowance to persons retiring after 5 years service, and after ten years or more.