TWO OFFICERS ARE ACQUITTED

Police Board Held Busy Session Last Night.

At a meeting of the police board, held last night, at police headquarters, Officers C. P. Hill and William Goodwin were acquitted of charges made against them.

Howard Pattillo preferred the charge against C. P. Hill of conduct unbecoming to an officer in mistreating a prisoner in his charge.

Officer Goodwin proved that it was necessary to use force to subdue the prisoner and the charge was dismissed.

Charges were preferred against Officer William Goodwin by Jacob Spielberger. When witnesses were called to the stand, some fifty people responded and were sworn. Spielberger's charge was to the effect that Officer Goodwin has testified in favor of a prisoner against whom Spielberger was testifying and that the officer had made charges against Spielberger's character in Judge Broyles' court. The board decided that it had no jurisdiction in the matter, and the case was at once dismissed without trial.

An application was made to the board for a license to do a detective business in the city, under the name of the Piedmont Detective Agency.

The application was discussed at length. Commisisoner Johnson was in favor of referring the matter to a special committee for investigation, while Mayor Woodward had some nice things to say of the applicant, and insisted that the application be put up for vote. Finally it was voted and granted, on Mr. Venable's suggestion, the provision being made that the charter could be revoked at the discretion of the board.

The resignation of Officer C. E. Fogg was accepted. Chief Jennings submitted his report, in which he stated that it would be necessary to secure an additional appropriation of $800 in order to hire twenty additional men for service during the state fair in October. A committee was appointed by the board to go before council to secure the necessary appropriation asked for by the chief.

A resolution was introduced by Commissioner Fox to the effect that whenever a vacancy occurs in the number of wagon drivers at police department, that an old policeman be appointed, thus giving employment to those unable to do other duty.

Chief Jennings was added to the committee having in charge the purchase of stable supplies, of which committee Commissioner Oldknow is chairman.

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