POLICE BOARD HEARING.

Wednesday's Session.

After a week's recess, the hearing before the Police Board was resumed at police headquarters on Wednesday morning, November 29, with the cross-examination of Sergeant Arnold of Station 16. He told how the police drove the crowd off the green between Walker and Rogers, and said that there was a fight between five or six Harvard men and several Tech men, one of the Harvard men being arrested. He stated that clubs were drawn, but that he saw no officer strike a blow. The crowd was not in such a temper as to call for the use of clubs to strike, but the sergeant saw torches thrown from the crowd towards the police. He did not arrest the throwers, as he could not identify them. Patrolman John B. O'Neil of the Back Bay Station, said that he was trying to arrest any of them. Patrolman James E. Collins of the Back Bay Division, stated that the rush for the steps was not ill-natured on the part of the students. He said that he was overthrown by the rush, but thought that the students did not intentionally throw him down, since they helped him up immediately. John A. McGillivray, a patrolman of Captain Hall's division, said that Sergeant Arnold posted him just west of Rogers steps with instructions not to allow any students on the steps. He testified that, though pushed down by the students, eight or ten of whom beat him with torches as he attempted to rise, he did not draw his club at that time, did not strike back at his assailants, nor did he try to arrest any of them. Patrolman James E. Collins of the Back Bay Station, said that he was borne up the steps ahead of the students, and that he helped to clear the steps by pushing the students off. He did not draw his club until the steps had been cleared. Several other officers gave testimony which was of the same nature as that given by all the officers thus far. Officers who took part in almost every phase of the affair, testified uniformly that, although they saw students strike officers with torches, the most that they saw any officer do was to use his club to ward off blows, and that they themselves did not even do that, in spite of various indignities.