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**CRIMINAL STATISTICS.**

1876.

## I. — OFFENCES.

TABLE showing the Number of Offences reported to the Police or the Magistrates during 1876.

Total Number of Offences reported	Offences against the Person	Offences against the good order of families	Offences against Property *	Other offences
7,655	901	16	509	6,229

\* Include both Offences against rights of Property and Injuries to the subjects of Property.

## II. — APPREHENSIONS AND SUMMONSES.

TABLE showing the Number of Persons brought before the Magistrates' Courts by Arrest Warrant or Summons for Offences, and how their Cases were disposed of in the Magistrates' Courts.

	Number Discharged for want of Prosecution by the Party complaining or for want of Evidence	Number of Cases Dismissed on the Merits	Number of Persons summarily Convicted	Number of Persons Committed for Trial in the Superior Courts
Offences against the Person...	250		981	22
Offences against the Good order of families	10		—	8
Offences against Property*...	190		521	31
Other Offences ... ..	1,198		9,682	—
<b>Total Number of Persons Summoned or Apprehended</b>	<b>1,648</b>		<b>11,184</b>	<b>61</b>

NOTE—Purely Civil Cases in which Magistrates exercise jurisdiction are not included in this or the following table.

\* See foot-note above.

## III.—SUMMARY CONVICTIONS.

TABLE showing the Number of Summary Convictions for various Classes of Offences, and the kind of Punishments Inflicted.

Punishments	Total Number of Offences	Assaults and other Offences against the person	Malicious Injuries to Property	Offences against the good order of families	Other Offences
Fine ... ..	4,171	278	111	—	3,782
Fine and Imprisonment...	197	34	4	—	159
Admonition ... ..	4,524	198	91	—	4,235
Peremptory Imprisonment	2,292	449	282	—	1,561
Whipping ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Bound over with or without sureties	—	—	—	—	—
Total ... ..	11,184	959	488	—	9,737

## IV.—INDICTMENTS AND INFORMATIONS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS.

## Her Majesty's Criminal Court.

How the Cases tried in the Superior Courts ended  (Each prisoner tried counted as a separate case)	Total	Murder, other than Wife, and Child Murder	Man-slaughter	Attempt at Murder	Murder of Wife, Rapist Wife, or Concubine	Child Murder	Concealment of Birth	Abortion	Rape	Unnatural Crimes	Other Offences against the Person	Malicious Injuries to property	Robbery with Violence	Offences against the good order of families	Other Offences against Property	Miscellaneous Offences
Judgment for the Crown (convicted)	59	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	14	2	11	5	18	...
Judgment for the Prisoner (liberated)	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...

## V. — COMPARATIVE TABLE.

COMPARATIVE TABLE showing the Number of Offences, Apprehensions, Convictions, and Acquittals, for the last Four Years.

	1873	1874	1875	1876
The number of offences reported to the Police... ..	5,673	5,760	7,079	7,655
The number of persons apprehended by the Police or summoned before the Magistrates ... ..	9,750	9,853	12,276	12,893
The number of summary convictions:—				
1. For offences against the person ... ..	1,000	787	901	982
2. For offences against the good order of families ...	10	—	—	—
3. For offences against property... ..	748	503	492	521
4. For other offences ... ..	7,929	7,392	9,284	9,683
The number of convictions:—				
1. For offences against the person ... ..	19	17	23	21
2. For offences against the good order of families ...	7	—	2	7
3. For offences against property ... ..	35	23	18	31
4. For other offences ... ..	2	—	—	—
The number of persons acquitted:—				
1. In the Inferior Courts... ..	1,172	1,119	1,547	1,646
2. In the Superior Courts ... ..	22	12	9	2

**I** do hereby certify that the foregoing **Financial Accounts, Return**  
of the Establishments, &c., and other Statements, have been prepared under  
the standing Regulations, and are to the best of my belief true.

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