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CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

1882.

I.—OFFENCES.

TABLE showing the Number of Offences reported to the Police or the Magistrates during 1882.

Total Number of Offences reported	Offences against the Person	Offences against the good order of families	Offences against Property *	Other Offences
5,388	729	12	425	4,222

* 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 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...	160		767	37
Offences against the Good order of families	1		3	9
Offences against Property*...	152		420	28
Other Offences	619		6,710	5
Total Number of Persons Summoned or Apprehended	932		7,900	79

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 Punishment 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	3,813	298	90	—	3,425
Fine and Imprisonment	201	42	13	—	146
Admonition	2,590	147	52	—	2,391
Peremptory Imprisonment	1,296	254	198	—	844
Whipping... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Bound over with or without sureties	—	—	—	—	—
Total	7,900	741	353	—	6,806

* Each person convicted counted as a separate case.

IV.—INDICTMENTS AND INFORMATIONS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS.

Her Majesty's Criminal Court.

How the Cases tried in the Superior Courts ended in the year 1882. (Each prisoner tried counted as a separate case)	Total	Murder, other than Wife, and Child Murder	Manslaughter	Attempt at Murder	Murder of Wife, Bigamy, Wife, or Concubine	Child Murder	Concealment of Birth	Abortion	Other Offences against the Person	Malicious Injuries to property	Robbery with Violence	Other Offences against property	Offences against the good order of family	Rape	False Evidence	Miscellaneous Offences
Judgment for the Crown (convicted)	64	...	5	2	...	...	...	...	29	3	18	2	2	...	...	3
Judgment for the Prisoner (liberated)	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	5	2	...	2

V.—COMPARATIVE TABLE

showing the Number of Offences, Apprehensions, Convictions, and Acquittals,
for the last Five Years.

	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882
The number of offences reported to the Police ...	7,896	7,499	6,755	5,445	5,388
The number of persons apprehended by the Police or summoned before the Magistrates	12,639	12,487	11,387	9,052	8,911
The number of summary convictions :—					
1. For offences against the person	629	926	926	845	767
2. For offences against the good order of families	4	—	6	—	3
3. For offences against property	712	633	583	490	420
4. For other offences	9,866	9,612	8,657	6,737	6,710
The number of convictions :—					
1. For offences against the person	31	25	25	23	36
2. For offences against the good order of families	2	2	—	5	4
3. For offences against property	24	21	19	37	23
4. For other offences	6	3	2	11	3
The number of persons acquitted :—					
1. In the Inferior Courts	1,357	1,265	1,161	895	932
2. In the Superior Courts	10	7	8	9	13

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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