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CRIMINAL STATISTICS

1903-1904.

I.—OFFENCES.

TABLE showing the number of Offences reported to the Police or the Magistrates during 1903-4.

Total Number of Offences reported.	Offences against the person	Offences against the good order of families	Offences against Property *	Other Offences
19,830	1,391	159	626	17,654

* 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	86	18	804	93
Offences against the good order of families	16	5	58	37
Offences against Property*	73	26	368	45
Other Offences	846	218	14,784	46
Total Number of Persons Summoned, or apprehended	1,021	267	16,014	221

NOTE.—Partly 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.

Punishment	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	13,127	467	224	20	12,416
Fine and Imprisonment...	13	4	6	2	1
Admonition	2,596	207	41	—	2,348
Imprisonment	231	102	80	34	15
Whipping	—	—	—	—	—
Bound over with or without sureties ...	47	24	17	2	4
Total	16,014	804	368	58	14,784

* Each person convicted as a separate case.

IV.—INDICTMENTS AND INFORMATIONS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS.

His Majesty's Criminal Court.

How the Cases were disposed of in the year 1903-4. (Each prisoner to be considered as forming a separate case.)	Total	Murder other than Wife or Child Murder	Manslaughter	Attempt at Murder	Murders of Wife, Reputed 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 families	Rape	False Evidence	Miscellaneous Offences
Judgment for the Crown (convicted)	134	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	55	...	6	24	14	...	2	29
Judgment for the Prisoner (liberated)	87	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	31	...	1	14	22	...	...	15

V. COMPARATIVE TABLE.

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

	1899	1900	1901	1902-3	1903-4
The number of offences reported to the Police ...	5,650	6,279	10,436	15,119	19,830
The number of persons apprehended by the Police or summoned before the Magistrates... ..	9,506	9,810	11,536	15,722	17,523
The number of summary convictions:—					
1. For offences against the person	1,083	1,106	904	619	804
2. For offences against the good order of families	35	41	18	19	58
3. For offences against property	358	374	607	210	368
4. For other offences	7,340	7,762	9,027	13,610	14,784
The number of convictions:—					
1. For offences against the person	61	73	73	60	58
2. For offences against the good order of families	28	36	27	2	15
3. For offences against property	40	54	47	32	30
4. For other offences	20	31	41	35	31
The number of persons acquitted:—					
1. In the Inferior Courts	736	527	792	1,078	1,288
2. In the Superior Courts	35	41	56	50	87

