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CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

1917-1918.

I.—OFFENCES.

TABLE showing the number of offences reported to the Police.

Total number of Offences reported	Offences against the person	Offences against the good order of families	Offences against property	Other offences
40,662	5,365	114	5,319	29,864

II.—APPREHENSIONS AND SUMMONSES.

TABLE showing the number of persons brought before the Magisterial Courts by arrest, warrant or summons, and how the cases were disposed of by the Magisterial Courts. *

	Total	Number of persons discharged for want of prosecution	Number of persons discharged on the merits of the case	Number of persons summarily convicted	Number of persons committed for trial in the Superior Courts
Offences against the person	1,363	73	176	1,092	22
Offences against the good order of families	79	16	8	10	45
Offences against property †	2,002	74	123	1,687	113
Other offences	23,910	293	461	23,136	25
Total	27,354	456	768	*25,925	205

III.—SUMMARY CONVICTIONS.

TABLE showing the number of persons summarily convicted for various classes of offences, and the kind of punishments inflicted.

Punishment	Total *	Offences against the person	Offences against the good order of families	Offences against property †	Other offences
Fine	15,499	527	1	483	14,488
Fine and imprisonment	336	24	5	25	282
Admonition	4,666	288	—	219	4,159
Imprisonment... ..	4,773	165	3	799	3,806
Bound over with or without sureties...	598	71	1	158	368
Other punishments	53	17	—	3	33
Total	25,925	1,092	10	1,687	23,136

* Each person convicted to count as a separate case.

† Include both offences against rights of property and injuries to the subjects of property.

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IV.—INDICTMENTS AND INFORMATIONS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS,
His Majesty's Criminal Court.

How the Cases were disposed of	Total	Murder other than wife or child murder		Attempt at murder	Murder 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
		Manslaughter														
Judgment for the Crown	163	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	15	...	6	89	34	...	1	16
Judgment for the Prisoner	42	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	17	11	...	4	4
Total	205	1	1	3	...	...	...	...	17	...	7	106	45	...	5	20

V.—COMPARATIVE TABLE

Showing the number of offences, apprehensions, convictions, and acquittals for the last six years.

	1912-13	1913-14	1914-15	1915-16	1916-17	1917-18
The number of offences reported to the Police	37,247	35,570	35,092	40,143	32,923	40,662
The number of persons apprehended by the Police or summoned before the Magistrate	28,305	23,976	25,780	28,210	27,184	27,354
The number of summary convictions:—						
1. For offences against the person	1,642	968	1,130	1,230	1,298	1,092
2. For offences against the good order of families... ..	13	22	15	11	23	10
3. For offences against property	1,102	833	1,005	1,446	1,230	1,687
4. For other offences	24,036	21,009	22,587	24,091	23,323	23,136
The number of convictions in the Superior Courts:—						
1. For offences against the person	40	30	21	17	24	17
2. For offences against the good order of families... ..	16	13	6	16	28	34
3. For offences against property	78	48	32	23	95	95
4. For other offences	31	29	18	94	40	17
The number of persons acquitted:—						
1. In the Inferior Courts	1,320	999	943	1,230	1,080	1,224
2. In the Superior Courts	27	29	32	52	43	42

