

CRIMINAL STATISTICS, 1917.

SUPREME COURT AND MAGISTRACY.

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

	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
The number of cases reported to the Police,	8,817	9,560	11,319	9,508
The number of persons apprehended by the Police or summoned before the Police Magistrates,	16,190	15,766	18,220	14,881
The number of summary convictions :—				
1. For offences against the person,	268	211	272	215
2. Gambling,	2,290	1,848	1,514	1,401
3. For offences against property other than predial larceny,...	855	995	1,120	1,090
4. For other offences,	7,162	9,995	12,216	9,462
The number of convictions in the Superior Courts :—				
1. For offences against the person,	13	17	18	19
2. Predial larceny, .....	...	...	...	...
3. For offences against property other than predial larceny,...	11	37	35	43
4. For other offences,	11	16	12	23
The number of persons acquitted :—				
1. In the Inferior Courts,	2,516	2,163	2,235	2,260
2. In the Superior Courts,	14	30	22	20

MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

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

	1914	1915.	1916.	1917.
The number of offences reported to the Police,	447	470	341	284
The number of persons apprehended by the Police or summoned before the Marine Magistrate,	1,050	922	593	584
The number of summary convictions :—				
1. For offences against the person,	3	1	...	1
2. For broaching cargo, .....	...	...	...	...
3. For offences against property other than broaching cargo,	1	...	...	2
4. For other offences,	417	445	315	270
The number of convictions in the Superior Courts :—				
1. For offences against the person, .....	...	...	...	...
2. For offences against property, .....	...	...	...	...
3. For other offences, .....	...	...	...	...
The number of persons acquitted :—				
1. In the Marine Magistrate's Court,	55	59	29	29
2. In the Superior Courts, .....	...	...	...	...

SUPREME COURT.

1.—RETURN OF CRIMINAL CASES tried in the Supreme Court of Hongkong during the year 1917.

Number of Cases.	Number of Persons.	CRIME.	Sentence.						To be detained in Victoria Gaol until His Majesty's pleasure be known.	Charges abandoned.		Cases postponed.	
			Convicted.	Acquitted.	Death.	Death recorded.	Hard Labour over one year.	Hard Labour, one year and under.		Privately flogged.	No. of Cases.	No. of Persons.	No. of Cases.	No. of Persons.
2	5	Assault with intent to rob	5	...	...	...	5	...	5	...	...	...
1	1	Attempting to shoot with intent to prevent lawful apprehension of himself	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
12	2	Being in possession of dies for coining	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
2	3	Demanding money with menaces	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
16	16	Disobedience of order of banishment	15	1	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...
3	4	Forgery	3	1	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...
1	1	Forgery of bank note	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Fraudulent misappropriation .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	8	Kidnapping	5	3	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Knowingly having three or more pieces of counterfeit coins with intent to utter the same .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	3	Larceny	3	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...
4	7	Manslaughter	4	3	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Misstatement in Statement of Affairs .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	2	Murder	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Obtaining money by altered instrument .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
1	1	Offering bribe .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Possession of explosive substance .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Rape	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
2	3	Receiving stolen goods	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
17	38	Robbery by two or more persons	36	2	...	...	35	1	31	1	1	...
1	1	Stealing by co-owner .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Throwing corrosive fluid	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Unlawful wounding .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Uttering counterfeit coins	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Uttering a forged instrument	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
73	105		85	20	1	...	77	6	36	1	1	...	

Note.—Indicted 105
 Either not indicted or *Nolle prosequi* entered (included under the heading of "Charges abandoned") 1
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2.—Indictments and Informations in the Supreme Court, including Courts analogous to the Courts of Quarter Sessions in England, *i.e.*, District Courts, &c. (Year 1917.)

Showing how the cases tried in the Superior Courts ended. (Each prisoner tried counts as a separate case; where a large number of prisoners have been convicted together, the fact is mentioned in a note.)	Including Attempts and Conspiracies to commit the several offences.											
	Total.	Murder.	Manslaughter.	Attempt at Murder.	Concealment of Birth.	Abortion.	Rape.	Unnatural Crimes.	Robbery with Violence.	Other Offences against the Person.	Offences against Property.	Miscellaneous Offences.
Judgment for the Crown,...	85	2	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	12	43	23
Judgment for the prisoner, Prisoner found insane,....	20	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	6	7
Cases which fell through for want of prosecution or absence of accused, and cases thrown out by the Grand Jury (Attorney General),...	1	1
Cases postponed,
	106	2	7	1	16	50	30

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3.—Return of Criminal Cases that have been brought under Cognizance during the last ten years.

YEAR.	Number of Cases.	Number of Persons.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Charges Abandoned.		Postponed.	
					No. of Cases.	No. of Persons.	No. of Cases.	No. of Persons.
1908,	26	53	28	25	3	6	...	...
1909,	55	100	73	27	11	20	...	...
1910,	88	115	88 (a)	27	5	6	1	1 (b)
1911,	97	134	94	30	2	5	...	...
1912,	60	103	76	27	1	1	...	...
Total,	326	505	359	146	22	38	1	1
1913,	66	94	66	28	4	11	2	2 (b)
1914,	30	49	35	14	1	1	...	...
1915,	55	100	70	30	3	3	1	1 (b)
1916,	64	87	65 (a)	22	4	7	...	...
1917,	73	105	85 (c)	20	1	1	...	...
Total,	288	435	321	114	13	23	3	3
Average of 1st Period,	65½	101	71½	29½	4½	7½	½	½
Average of 2nd Period,	57½	87	64½	22½	2½	4½	½	½

(a) In one case, the prisoner was bound over to come up for judgment when called upon.

(b) Recognizance estreated.

(c) In one case the prisoner was ordered to be detained in Gaol until His Majesty's pleasure be known.

POLICE COURTS.

I.—LIST of OFFENCES TRIED during the year 1917.

OFFENCES	NUMBER OF CASES.	NO. OF PRISONERS.	OFFENCES.	NUMBER OF CASES.	NO. OF PRISONERS.
			<i>Brought forward</i> ,	235	268
Accessories and Abettors Ordinance—3 of 1865,	9	22	Defences (Sketching Prevention) Ordinance—1 of 1895.— Offences under,	1	5
Arms and Ammunition Ordinance—2 of 1900,— Contraventions of,	54	59	Deportation Ordinance—9 of 1912 and 27 of 1917,	71	72
Artistic Emigration Ordinance—30 of 1915,	10	10	Distress for Rent Ordinance—1 of 1833,— Offences under,	1	1
Bankruptcy Ordinance—7 of 1891,— Offences under,	2	2	Dogs Ordinance—5 of 1893,— Contraventions of,	11	11
Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance—7 of 1896,— Contraventions of,	5	5	Education Ordinance—26 of 1913,— Part I, (Sections 1 to 6),	7	7
Censorship Regulations, 1917,	6	6	Electricity Supply Ordinance—18 of 1911,	5	6
Chinese Extradition Ordinance—5 of 1889,— Proceedings under,	8	8	Employers and Servants Ordinance—45 of 1902,— Offences under,	5	5
Chinese Marriage Preservation Ordinance—43 of 1912,	9	9	Explosive Substance Ordinance—23 of 1913,	1	3
Coinage Offences Ordinance—7 of 1865,— Offences relating to the King's gold and silver coin, (Sections 2—12),	12	14	False Passport & Suspected Persons Ordinance—2 of 1916,	1	1
Offences relating to foreign coin, (Sections 15—20),	5	5	Fisheries (Dynamic) Ordinance—4 of 1911,	1	1
Common Law Offences,	73	91	Forest Fire Prevention Ordinance—5 of 1917,	2	3
Convictions Abolition Ordinance—5 of 1888.— Offences under,	2	2	Forgery Ordinance—4 of 1865,— Forgery of Bank Notes, (Sections 14-15),	1	1
Criminal Procedure Ordinance—9 of 1899,	1	1	Forgery of Deeds, Wills, and Bills of Exchange, (Sections 22-28),	17	18
Dangerous Goods Ordinance—1 of 1873,— Contraventions of,	30	30	Demanding property upon forged instruments, (Section 33),	2	2
Dangerous Smoking Prevention Ordinance—9 of 1903,— Contraventions of,	4	4	Offences under the Supplemental Provisions, (Sections 43-52),	2	2
			Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881,— Proceedings under,	1	1
<i>Carried forward</i> ,	335	208	<i>Carried forward</i> ,	364	407

LIST of OFFENCES, ETC.,—Continued.

OFFENCES.	No. of Cases.	No. of Prisoners.	OFFENCES.	No. of Cases.	No. of Prisoners.
<i>Brought forward</i> ,	364	407	<i>Brought forward</i> ,	5,151	7,014
Gambling Ordinance—2 of 1891.— Contraventions of and Offences under,	228	1,537	Peace Preservation Ordinance—10 of 1886,— Offences under Part I,	2	2
Gunpowder and Fireworks Ordinance—14 of 1901.— Contraventions of and Offences under,	4	4	Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance—9 of 1916,	1	1
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co's Ordinance—6 of 1908,— Contraventions of By-laws made thereunder,	2	2	Piers Ordinance—11 of 1899,— Contraventions of,	1	1
Importation and Exportation Ordinance—32 of 1915,	14	45	Police Force Ordinance—11 of 1900,— Offences under,	15	80
Interpretation Ordinance—31 of 1911,	4	8	Post Office Ordinance—6 of 1900,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	14	14
Kellett Island Ordinance—2 of 1898,— Contraventions of,	1	1	Post Office Amendment Ordinance—17 of 1915,	3	3
Larceny Ordinance—5 of 1865,— Simple Larceny,	839	901	Prevention of Crimes Ordinance—4 of 1887,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	1	1
Larceny of cattle and other animals, (Secs 9—17), ..	6	12	Printers and Publishers Ordinance—4 of 1885,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	3	3
Larceny of things attached to or growing on land, (Sections 22—28),	66	70	Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance—4 of 1897,— Offences under,	39	49
Larceny from the person and similar Offences, (Sections 29—37),	178	210	Public Health and Buildings Ordinance—1 of 1903,— Contraventions of Part II, (Sections 8—25),	201	218
Sacrilege Burglary and house-breaking, (Secs. 38—47)	64	69	.. III, (" " 96—235),	144	169
Larceny in dwelling-houses, (Sections 48—49),	29	38	Failure to comply with B. A. Notice,	29	30
.. in ships, wharves, &c., (" " 50—53),	23	28	.. S. B. " under the Ord.,	6	6
.. or embezzlement by clerks, servants, &c., (Sections 54—60),	27	27	Contraventions of By-laws made thereunder,	40	42
Frauds by bankers, agents, &c., (Sections 62—74),	13	13	Public Places Regulation Ordinance—2 of 1876,— Offences under,	5	7
Obtaining property by false pretences, (Secs. 75—78)	48	55	Railway Ordinance—21 of 1909,	3	3
Receiving stolen property, (Sections 79—87),	80	88	Registration of Person Ordinance—6 of 1916,	3	3
Apprehension of offenders and other proceedings, (Sections 91—97),	1	1	Regulation of Chinese Ordinance—3 of 1888,— Offences under Part III, (Sections 7—17),	3	3
Licensing Ordinance—8 of 1887,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	928	968	.. V, (" " 22—23),	186	208
.. " " Regulations made thereunder,	866	905	Rogue and Vagabond—5 Geo. IV, c. 83,	12	13
Liquor Licence Ordinance—9 of 1911.— Contraventions of and Offences under Part I, (Sections 3—40),	15	15	Sale of Food and Drugs Ordinance—8 of 1896,— Offences under,	5	3
Contraventions of and Offences under Part II, (Sections 41—73),	3	3	Servants Quarters Ordinance—11 of 1903,— Offences under,	10	19
Contraventions of and Offences under Part III, (Sections 74—96),	10	12	Ships (Prohibition of Sale of Liquor) Ord.—11 of 1886,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	1	1
Magistrates Ordinance—3 of 1890.— Offences under,	364	445	Ships Ordinance—11 of 1886,	1	1
Malicious Damage Ordinance—6 of 1865,— Miscellaneous injuries, (Sections 42—44),	26	30	Societies Ordinance—47 of 1911,	5	34
Married Women (Maintenance in case of Desertion) Ordinance—10 of 1905,— Proceedings under,	2	2	Special Police Reserve Ordinance—27 of 1914,	2	2
Merchant Shipping Ordinance—10 of 1899,— Contraventions of and Offences under Part VI, (Sections 21—30),	7	8	Stamp Ordinance—16 of 1901,— Offences under,	97	97
Contraventions of and Offences under Part X, (Sections 39—40),	3	3	Stowaways Ordinance—5 of 1903,— Offences under,	10	19
Merchandise Marks Ordinance—4 of 1890,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	6	6	Summary Offences Ordinance—1 of 1845,— Nuisances, Trespases, and similar offences, (Sections 3—21),	1,987	2,372
Misdemeanour Punishment Ordinance—1 of 1898,— Offences under,	73	74	Offences against good order, (Sections 22—35),	174	267
Naval Stores Ordinance (Hongkong)—4 of 1875,— Contraventions of,	1	1	Possession of stolen goods, (" " 36—41),	294	319
Offences against the Person Ordinance—2 of 1865,— Homicide, (Sections 2—9),	10	14	Proceedings under Miscellaneous Provisions, (Sections 42—51),	3	6
Attempt to murder, (Sections 10—14),	1	3	Tobacco Ordinance—10 of 1916,	5	3
Acts causing or tending to cause danger to life, &c., (Sections 16—31),	24	28	Tramway Ordinance—10 of 1902,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	1	1
Assaults, (Sections 32—43),	385	407	Ultimate Destination Ordinance—9 of 1915,	1	1
Forcible taking or detention of persons, (Secs. 44—45),	20	30	Vagrancy Ordinance—9 of 1897,— Proceedings under,	13	14
Attempts to procure abortion (Sections 74—48),	2	2	Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance—40 of 1913,— Contraventions of Regulations made thereunder,	3,025	3,319
Offences against the Person (Amendment) Ord.—9 of 1913,	1	1	Water Works Ordinance—16 of 1903,— Offences under,	4	3
Opium Ordinance—4 of 1914,— Contraventions of Part I (Sections 5—18),	24	27	Weights and Measures Ordinance—3 of 1885,— Contraventions of and Offences under,	95	95
.. " " II (" " 19—34),	245	469	Undecided Cases,	59	43
.. " " III (" " 35—62),	21	17			
Opium Ordinance—27 of 1917,	1	1			
Pawnbrokers Ordinance—1 of 1860,— Contraventions of,	32	27			
<i>Carried forward</i> ,	5,151	7,014	Total ,	11,634	14,519

3.—RETURN of PUNISHMENTS awarded in respect of CERTAIN CLASSES of OFFENCES, during the Year 1917.

PUNISHMENTS.		Assaults and other offences against the person.	Malicious injuries to property.	Gambling.	Offences against property other than malicious injuries to property or predial larceny.	Offences against Revenue Acts, Highway Acts, Health Acts, and other Acts relating to the social economy of the colony.	Offences against Masters and Servants Acts, including Acts relating to indentured coolies.	Other offences.
Description.	Number of each kind inflicted.							
Fines,	9,839	133	15	1,272	62	1,816	3	7,638
Imprisonment in lieu of fine or security, ...	1,071	38	1	128	62	447	...	395
Peremptory Imprisonment,	854	44	3	1	603	28	...	175
Whipping,	83	3	...	...	63	9	...	8
Solitary Confinement, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Exposed in Stocks,	317	...	...	...	300	...	...	17
Sentenced to House of Detention,	10	...	...	...	3	...	...	7
Bound over with or without Sureties,	282	158	1	3	21	10	...	89
TOTAL	12,456	376	20	1,404	1,114	1,810	3	7,729

4.—ABSTRACT of CASES brought under COGNIZANCE of the POLICE MAGISTRATES' COURTS during a period of ten years 1908-1917.

CASES, HOW DISPOSED OF, AND THE NUMBER OF MALE AND FEMALE PRISONERS UNDER EACH HEAD.																							
Years	Total number of cases.	Convicted and punished.		Discharged.		Committed for trial at Supreme Court.		Committed to prison or detained pending order of His Excellency the Governor.		Ordered to find security <small>To keep the peace, to be of good behaviour, and to answer any charge.</small>		Escaped before being brought for trial at the Magistracy.	Escaped.	Punished for preferring false charge or giving false testimony.		Undecided.		Total number of defendants.					
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.			M.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
1908, ...	10,555	11,473	906	2,781	246	86	1	13	...	297	108	...	...	1	2	3	43	6	14,696	1,270	
1909, ...	10,771	11,668	991	2,670	303	117	6	24	...	562	229	...	...	1	4	...	73	12	15,119	1,541	
1910, ...	11,688	12,880	741	3,655	278	198	23	27	1	358	105	...	...	3	4	...	123	5	17,248	1,153	
1911, ...	10,471	11,000	482	2,832	217	187	23	23	...	391	59	1	1	...	2	...	45	6	14,482	787			
1912, ...	13,450	15,945	877	3,027	329	167	6	5	1	451	119	...	4	...	7	...	16	...	19,612	1,382			
Total...	56,935	62,966	3,997	14,965	1,373	745	59	92	2	2,059	626	1	5	5	19	3	300	29	81,167	6,088			
Average per Year,	11,387.0	12,593.2	799.4	2,998.0	274.6	149	11.8	18.4	.4	411.8	124	.2	1	1	3.4	.6	60	5.8	16,231.4	1,216.6			
1913, ...	14,218	19,856	641	2,559	181	169	24	25	8	415	97	...	...	...	...	...	22	1	23,045	952
1914, ...	11,192	12,890	267	2,401	115	116	2	18	...	296	22	2	...	...	3	...	63	...	15,789	406	
1915, ...	12,563	12,788	306	2,056	111	149	10	7	...	272	20	...	...	...	...	...	48	...	15,320	446
1916, ...	16,057	14,881	455	2,233	96	116	4	10	...	313	40	...	...	...	...	...	72	...	17,625	395
1917, ...	11,922	11,727	441	2,168	92	119	3	6	...	248	34	...	1	...	...	...	42	...	14,311	570
Total...	64,652	72,142	2,109	11,407	596	609	43	66	8	1,544	213	2	1	...	3	...	247	1	86,091	2,969			
Average per Year,	12,930.4	14,428.4	421.8	2,281.4	119	123.8	8.6	13.2	1.6	306.8	42.6	.4	.2	...	.6	...	49.4	.2	17,218.2	593.8	
Grand Total for the 10 Years,	121,587	136,108	6,106	26,373	1,968	1,414	192	158	10	3,603	633	3	6	...	5	22	3	547	30	167,348	9,033		
Average per Year,	12,158.7	13,610.8	610.6	2,637.2	196.8	141.4	19.2	15.8	1.0	360.3	63.3	.3	.62	.3	54.7	.3	16,734.8	903.2			

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MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

1.—TABLE showing the Number of Persons brought before the Marine Magistrate by Arrest Warrants or Summonses for Offences, and how their Cases were disposed of.

	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, ...	...	...	1	...
Gambling, .....	...	...	...	...
Offences against property* (other than predial larceny), .....	...	...	...	...
Refusal of duty,	1	...	38	...
Offences against Masters and Servants Acts, including Acts relating to indentured coolies, .....	...	...	...	...
Other offences,	17	11	516	...
Total number of persons summoned or apprehended, ...	18	11	555	...

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

2.—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.	Gambling.	Offences against property other than malicious injuries to property or predial larceny.	Offences against Harbour regulations.	Refusal of duty.	Other offences.
Fine,	234	...	...	...	...	234	...	...
Imprisonment in lieu of fine or surety,	19	...	...	...	...	18	...	1
Peremptory imprisonment, Bound over with or without sureties,	9	1	...	...	...	...	6	2
Forfeiture of pay,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Reprimanded,	10	...	...	...	2	8	...	...
Total,	273	1	...	...	2	260	6	4

NOTE.—Where there has been an appeal from the Marine Magistrate's decision the case is to be entered as finally decided, and not necessarily according to the Marine Magistrate's original decision.

3.—RETURN of CASES tried during the last Ten Years.

Year.	No. of cases.	No. of defendants.	Defendants, how disposed of.									
			Imprisoned with hard labour.	Imprisoned in default of fine.	Imprisonment without hard labour.	Fined.	Forfeiture of pay.	Reprimanded.	Sent back to duty.	To be discharged from ship.	Dismissed.	Forfeiture of gunpowder.
1908,	325	541	53	5	1	424	15	2	...	41	...	...
1909,	303	732	19	4	1	634	38	5	...	31	...	...
1910,	95	198	5	...	1	128	45	1	...	18	...	...
1911,	235	356	18	...	...	176	8	25	...	13	...	...
1912,	487	816	18	6	7	413	3	21	...	28	...	...
Total,	1,445	2,643	113	15	10	1,775	104	54	...	131	...	...
1913,	435	699	70	5	3	583	1	4	...	33	...	...
1914,	477	1,050	238	7	1	743	1	5	...	55	...	...
1915,	470	922	52	17	1	775	...	18	...	59	...	...
1916,	341	593	38	6	3	509	...	13	...	29	...	...
1917,	284	584	40	21	...	477	1	16	...	29	...	...
Total,	2,007	3,848	433	56	8	3,087	3	56	...	205	...	...
Average of 1st period,	289.0	528.6	22.6	8.0	2.0	355.0	20.8	10.8	...	26.2	...	...
Average of 2nd period,	401.4	769.6	86.6	11.2	1.6	617.4	6	11.2	...	41.0	...	...

POLICE.

1.—RETURN OF SERIOUS OFFENCES REPORTED DURING THE 10 YEARS ENDING 1917, SHOWING THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS ARRESTED, CONVICTED, AND DISCHARGED.

YEAR.	Murder.			Robbery.			Burglary and Larceny in Dwelling House.			Assault with Intent to Rob.			Kidnapping of Women and Girls.			Piracy.			Unlawful Possession.			Larceny.			Felonies not already given.			All Serious Offences.							
	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Total No. arrested.					
1908,	15	10	7	51	16	22	38	409	51	9	60	5	7	7	114	100	27	127	297	254	94	348	2,134	878	309	1,187	217	107	27	131	3,242	1,423	405	1,918	
1909,	9	8	10	62	42	18	60	374	29	19	48	6	3	4	81	67	29	96	269	190	55	245	2,407	857	363	1,220	197	64	39	163	3,345	1,256	534	1,789	
1910,	19	4	14	100	29	35	64	486	19	11	30	12	2	2	109	82	55	137	248	225	59	285	2,420	830	294	1,124	214	65	28	93	3,608	1,257	496	1,753	
1911,	11	...	3	101	29	35	64	450	51	8	52	19	9	12	97	80	43	123	278	258	79	337	2,369	806	337	1,143	258	69	62	131	3,583	1,302	570	1,872	
1912,	16	5	13	129	45	36	81	481	39	14	53	16	5	10	113	88	71	159	540	520	91	611	2,769	1,143	351	1,494	207	66	40	106	4,275	1,911	622	2,533	
Total,	70	22	47	443	161	146	307	2,206	189	61	250	58	26	37	514	417	225	612	1,572	1,448	378	1,826	12,099	4,514	1,854	6,168	1,083	371	196	567	18,053	7,118	2,717	9,865	
1913,	14	4	11	92	25	14	39	472	48	15	63	12	7	2	146	121	68	189	388	376	96	472	2,095	837	216	1,053	229	89	31	123	3,450	1,508	457	1,965	
1914,	14	...	12	40	11	20	31	455	54	15	69	9	11	12	69	47	38	85	4	312	279	86	365	1,891	700	230	930	192	92	51	143	2,983	1,191	457	1,651
1915,	13	2	6	70	23	18	41	401	48	22	70	6	6	6	57	36	35	71	281	234	65	299	2,059	864	182	1,046	237	115	82	197	3,123	1,328	410	1,738	
1916,	12	3	5	65	31	15	46	422	40	14	54	...	...	...	58	45	17	62	337	303	70	373	2,400	998	255	1,253	225	88	77	165	3,519	1,508	453	1,961
1917,	11	4	6	70	33	12	45	443	31	6	37	3	6	6	54	46	12	58	322	281	79	360	2,309	982	258	1,240	214	118	64	182	3,426	1,501	437	1,938	
Total,	64	13	40	337	123	79	202	2,108	221	72	293	29	50	3	384	295	170	465	3	1,610	1,473	396	1,869	10,754	4,381	1,141	5,522	1,697	502	308	810	16,901	7,039	2,214	9,253
Average of 1st period, (14.0	4.4	9.4	88.6	32.2	29.2	61.4	400	37.8	12.2	50.0	11.6	5.2	1.8	102.8	83.1	45.0	128.4	8	314.1	289.6	75.6	365.2	2419.8	902.8	370.8	1233.6	218.6	71.2	39.2	113.1	3310.6	1426.6	543.4	1973.0
Average of 2nd period, (12.8	2.6	8.0	67.4	24.6	15.8	40.4	4.88	44.2	14.4	58.5	5.8	6.0	6	76.8	59.0	34.0	93.6	6	328.0	294.0	79.2	373.5	2150.8	876.2	228.2	1104.4	219.4	109.4	61.6	162.9	3390.2	1407.8	442.8	1850.6

2.—RETURN of MINOR OFFENCES reported during the 10 Years ending 1917, showing Number of Prisoners Arrested, Convicted, and Discharged.

YEAR.	ASSAULT.				GAMBLING.				MISCELLANEOUS.				DRUN- KENNESS.	NUIS- ANCES.	ALL MINOR OFFENCES.			
	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	Cases reported.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.
1908,	932	1,392	203	1,595	302	2,234	89	2,323	4,265	4,888	410	5,298	69	752	6,320	8,514	702	9,216
1909,	946	1,319	217	1,536	314	2,303	104	2,407	4,288	4,979	534	5,513	48	878	6,474	8,601	855	9,456
1910,	643	835	210	1,045	423	2,774	296	3,070	3,917	4,813	605	5,418	45	1,153	6,181	8,422	1,111	9,533
1911,	603	820	160	980	355	2,407	143	2,550	3,736	4,150	628	4,778	36	976	5,706	7,377	931	8,308
1912,	752	1,033	146	1,179	538	2,950	204	3,154	5,440	7,731	642	8,376	55	1,600	8,385	11,717	992	12,709
Total,	3,876	5,399	936	6,335	1,932	12,668	836	13,504	21,646	26,561	2,819	29,383	253	5,359	33,066	44,631	4,591	49,222
1913,	615	827	91	918	766	4,489	168	4,657	5,635	8,453	700	9,153	56	1,489	8,561	13,769	959	14,728
1914,	479	657	126	783	521	2,564	279	2,843	3,622	4,364	537	4,901	55	1,157	5,834	7,585	942	8,527
1915,	474	591	165	756	370	2,129	185	2,314	4,365	4,765	472	5,237	60	1,068	6,337	7,485	822	8,307
1916,	472	602	42	704	375	1,836	250	2,086	5,668	5,997	444	6,441	35	1,250	7,800	8,495	736	9,231
1917,	412	564	80	644	315	1,582	175	1,757	4,207	4,498	384	4,882	22	1,126	6,082	6,644	639	7,283
Total,	2,452	3,301	504	3,805	2,347	12,600	1,057	13,657	23,497	28,077	2,537	30,614	228	6,090	34,614	43,978	4,098	48,076
Average of 1st period,	775.2	1079.8	187.2	1,267.0	386.4	2,533.6	167.2	2,700.8	4,329.2	5,312.8	563.8	5876.6	50.6	1,071.8	6613.2	8926.2	918.2	9,444.4
Average of 2nd period,	490.4	660.2	100.8	761.0	469.4	2,520.0	211.4	2,731.4	4,699.4	5,615.4	507.4	6122.8	45.6	1,218.0	6922.8	8795.6	819.6	9,615.2

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PRISON.

I.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of PRISONERS on the last Day of each Week of the Year 1917.

WEEK.	EUROPEANS.		CHINESE OR COLOURED.		TOTAL.	WEEK.	EUROPEANS.		CHINESE OR COLOURED.		TOTAL.
	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.			Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	
1917.						1917.					
January 7	3	...	566	42	611	July 1	2	...	552	33	587
" 14	4	...	567	41	612	" 8	7	...	556	33	596
" 21	3	...	565	40	608	" 15	7	...	574	37	618
" 28	3	...	552	39	594	" 22	2	...	557	37	596
February 4	3	...	543	38	584	" 29	2	...	547	39	588
" 11	1	...	530	39	570	August 5	2	...	547	40	589
" 18	1	...	543	40	584	" 12	2	...	551	40	593
" 25	2	...	559	41	602	" 19	2	...	542	39	583
March 4	2	...	549	40	591	" 26	2	...	534	37	573
" 11	2	...	557	43	602	September 2	1	...	558	41	600
" 18	3	...	544	43	590	" 9	1	...	550	43	594
" 25	5	...	553	42	600	" 16	...	...	563	38	601
April 1	6	...	534	44	584	" 23	...	...	571	41	612
" 8	5	...	529	45	579	" 30	...	...	567	43	610
" 15	6	...	525	43	574	October 7	1	...	565	39	605
" 22	3	...	528	40	571	" 14	1	...	560	37	598
" 29	5	...	553	38	596	" 21	1	...	564	37	602
May 6	4	...	557	38	599	" 28	1	...	570	38	609
" 13	2	...	551	35	588	November 4	1	...	572	37	610
" 20	4	...	544	34	582	" 11	1	...	575	35	611
" 27	4	...	549	36	589	" 18	1	...	582	31	614
June 3	4	...	533	35	572	" 25	1	...	588	29	618
" 10	4	...	548	34	586	December 2	3	...	588	29	620
" 17	3	1	573	35	612	" 9	3	...	573	30	606
" 24	2	1	578	32	613	" 16	4	...	571	27	602
						" 23	5	...	581	25	611
						" 30	5	...	565	23	596

2.—STATEMENT OF THE DAILY AVERAGE OF PRISONERS FOR EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, FROM 1908 TO 1917.

MONTHS.	1908.			1909.			1910.			1911.			1912.			1913.			1914.			1915.			1916.			1917.		
	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.	E.	I.	C.			
	January,	4	18	477	6	9	512	12	14	508	13	16	526	7	9	637	13	10	723	15	12	586	10	15	546	5	13	602	3	8	601
February, ...	7	24	484	5	12	514	11	18	523	11	16	522	8	12	665	16	11	706	15	12	593	8	11	576	3	11	579	2	7	582
March,	8	22	483	9	11	532	9	17	489	13	16	537	7	12	642	11	12	665	12	12	541	9	9	586	4	13	558	3	6	588
April,	10	16	464	9	11	568	11	18	516	10	14	523	9	16	628	9	12	672	10	13	581	9	8	577	3	13	585	5	7	569
May,	11	16	447	12	12	589	11	16	517	10	13	535	10	15	639	14	13	734	15	12	578	6	8	544	3	14	614	4	9	577
June,	15	18	406	12	10	588	10	18	527	11	17	568	9	15	683	15	11	752	9	11	579	6	8	562	15	14	647	3	17	577
July,	13	17	390	7	10	545	9	29	540	11	12	598	10	11	699	13	11	704	9	10	515	7	15	556	12	9	644	4	15	585
August,	14	16	357	8	33	539	11	20	519	11	11	599	11	10	637	14	11	677	10	9	510	7	14	581	11	9	631	2	9	577
September, ...	9	14	386	9	43	514	9	17	510	10	12	599	8	11	725	14	13	661	11	48	536	8	14	588	3	8	651	5	11	592
October,	6	14	412	13	16	499	9	15	509	10	13	621	11	11	762	13	12	622	12	67	572	8	12	577	4	9	643	8	11	588
November, ...	6	12	495	11	13	505	9	14	533	10	13	592	10	11	755	11	15	628	14	45	534	8	14	589	3	7	668	1	10	605
December, ...	5	11	479	9	12	510	11	15	538	7	11	626	10	10	683	11	15	577	15	114	550	6	12	609	8	10	629	4	9	595
TOTAL,	108	198	5,280	110	192	6,415	122	211	6,228	127	164	6,846	110	143	8,155	154	146	8,124	148	365	6,695	92	140	6,891	69	130	7,451	44	119	7,036
AVERAGE, ...	9	16	440	9	16	535	10	18	519	11	14	570	9	12	680	13	12	677	12	30	558	8	12	574	6	11	621	4	10	586

C.=Chinese.

I.=Indians.

E.=Europeans.