

SEX AND RESIDENCE OF PERSONS CONVICTED FOR INDICTABLE OFFENCES, 1885.

OFFENCES.	SEX.		RESIDENCE.		
	Male.	Females.	Cities and Towns.	Rural Districts.	Not Given.
Class I.....	803	38	606	225	10
“ II.....	219	3	172	48	2
“ III.....	2,032	207	1,789	439	11
“ IV.....	44	18	25	1
“ V.....	43	5	30	16	2
“ VI.....	292	111	273	117	13
Total	3,433	364	2,8 8	870	39

The proportion of offences to the total number convicted was 9·5 per cent. and per 100 male criminals to the number of females was 10·6. In 1884 the figures were 11·2 per cent. and 12·7 respectively. There would appear, therefore, to have been a decided decrease of crime among females in the year under review.

688. Of the whole number convicted, 76·06 per cent. resided in cities and towns and 22·91 in country districts, the residence of 39 being not given. The proportions are almost identical with those of the preceding year, when they were 76·69 per cent. and 22·50 per cent. respectively.

689. The next table gives the number of convictions for indictable offences in each Province in 1885, with the ages of those convicted, as well as the extent of education possessed by them:—

Residence of persons convicted.

Age and education of persons convicted.