

## AGE AND EDUCATIONAL STATUS OF PERSONS CONVICTED FOR INDICTABLE OFFENCES, 1885, BY PROVINCES.

PROVINCES.	Convictions.	EDUCATIONAL STATUS.				AGES.									
		Superior.	Elementary.	Unable either to read or write.	Not given.	Under 16 years.		16 years and under 21.		21 years and under 40.		40 years and over.		Not given.	
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P. E. Island .....	15	2	12	1	.....	.....	.....	2	1	4	3	4	1	.....	.....
Nova Scotia .....	120	.....	86	25	9	27	1	35	1	27	6	10	.....	13	.....
New Brunswick..	80	1	55	12	12	2	.....	13	1	37	3	13	7	4	.....
Quebec .....	1,218	7	924	187	100	93	14	181	17	716	88	85	13	9	2
Ontario .....	2,090	23	1,699	287	81	231	10	397	44	926	114	300	36	30	2
Manitoba .....	102	4	86	2	10	11	.....	19	.....	64	.....	7	.....	1	.....
British Columbia	54	1	30	1	22	.....	.....	2	.....	7	.....	2	.....	43	.....
The Territories...	118	3	17	10	88	.....	.....	10	.....	51	.....	15	.....	42	.....
Total .....	3,797	41	2,909	525	322	364	25	659	64	1,832	214	436	57	142	4

The proportion of those unable to read or write was considerably smaller than in 1884, being only 13·82 per cent. as compared with 28·50 per cent. in the previous year. Far the largest number of these illiterate criminals came from Ontario and Quebec, the proportion being 90·28 per cent. of the total. The large number of 322 were returned with particulars of education not given. In proportion to the whole number, 10·24 per cent. were under the age of 16 years, 19·04 per cent. between the ages of 16 and 21, and 53·88 per cent. between 21 and 40 years.

Religions  
of persons  
convicted.

690. The following table gives the religions of those convicted for indictable offences in 1885:—