

RELIGIONS OF PERSONS CONVICTED FOR INDICTABLE
OFFENCES, 1886.

OFFENCES.	Baptists	Roman Catholics.	Church of England.	Methodists.	Presbyterians.	Protestants.	Other Denominations.	Not Given.
Class I.....	16	350	88	60	54	64	65	40
“ II.....	6	117	25	28	17	24	26	12
“ III.....	54	920	352	213	170	135	104	122
“ IV.....	3	16	6	11	3	2	4	2
“ V.....	1	11	14	5	7	1	1	3
“ VI.....	8	136	70	30	30	24	23	36
Total.....	88	1,550	555	347	281	250	223	215

585. The following were the proportions of those convicted, belonging to the four leading denominations in 1884, 1885 and 1886:—

Number of principal religions, 1884, 1885, 1886.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Roman Catholics..	49·51 per cent.	49·90 per cent.	44·17 per cent.
Church of England.....	16·99 “	14·90 “	15·81 “
Methodists.....	10·89 “	9·11 “	9·88 “
Presbyterians.....	7·62 “	7·71 “	8·00 “

The number of Baptists convicted has scarcely varied during the 3 years; in 1884 it was 86, and in each of the years 1885 and 1886 it was 88.

586. The birthplaces of the convicted are given in the next table:—

Birth-places of criminals 1886.