

OCCUPATIONS OF PERSONS CONVICTED FOR INDICTABLE OFFENCES, 1889.

OFFENCES.	OCCUPATIONS.						
	Agricultural.	Commercial.	Domestic.	Industrial.	Professional.	Labourers.	Not given.
Class I	86	141	41	144	28	424	133
“ II	6	14	7	45	125	86
“ III	85	234	146	324	44	999	808
“ IV	4	5	4	4	22	2
“ V	4	10	1	8	4	7	7
“ VI	13	16	22	28	9	48	70
Total	198	420	221	553	85	1,625	1,106

The labourers and the industrial and commercial classes furnish the largest number of criminals, and the following have been the proportions of these classes to the total number during the four years, 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889.

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.
Labourers	44 per cent.	44 per cent.	38 per cent.	38 per cent.
Industrial	15 “	15 “	12 “	13 “
Commercial	8 “	8 “	9 “	10 “

Imperfect returns.

717. In the four years above named no less than 21 per cent., 17 per cent., 26 per cent. and 26 per cent. of the number convicted were returned with the occupations not given, showing the very unnecessary carelessness of those making the returns.

Sentences passed, 1889.

718. The various sentences passed on the persons convicted in 1889 were as follow :—

	Number.
Death	8
Penitentiary, two years and under five	300
“ five years and over	138
“ life	5
Gaol, with option of a fine.	592
“ under one year	2,109
“ one year and over	196
Sent to reformatories	271
Sentences deferred	534
Various sentences	55
Total convictions.	<u>4,208</u>