Offences in the North ritories.

728. The following summary of offences dealt with by magis-West Ter- trates in the North-West Territories during the years named, is taken from the Sessional Papers (1890) of the North-West Assembly:-

SUMMARY OF OFFENCES.

Offences.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890, 9 mos
Drunkenness	74	67	67	116	36
Assault	43	34	46	67	30
Liquor law, violation of	105	67	82	78	41
stearing	25	40	39	54	36
Jambling	10	10	5	24	
Vagrancy	11	11	5	17	19
Prairie fires, poiosns and game ordinances, breach of		6	·14	33	14
Masters' and servants' ordinance, breach of	31	16	28	27	10
Killing and wounding animals	4	3	9	2	3
Other offences	24	39	22	45	33
Total	332	293	317	463	223

During the same period 42 persons, all males, were committed to the Stony Mountain Penitentiary, Manitoba.

Persons confined in common gaols.

729. It has been found quite impossible to obtain anything like full details of the number of persons confined in the common gaols and prisons of the several provinces, and the figures that are at hand are altogether too incomplete to be worth reproducing. Ontario and Quebec are the only provinces that furnished full particulars, and in many other cases repeated applications for information met with no response. Another attempt, however, will be made during the present year with, it is hoped, more success.

Asylums for the insane.

730. There are 16 asylums for the insane in Canada, which are supported almost entirely by Government, and, in some cases, by municipal aid and the following table gives certain particulars concerning them :-