

SUMMARY CONVICTIONS, 32-33 VIC., CHAPTERS 31, 32, 33, 34, 1890.

OFFENCES.	Ontario.	Quebec.	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick.	Manitoba.	British Columbia	P. E. Island	The Territories.	Canada.
Various offences against the person...	2,511	947	219	324	70	53	43	45	4,212
Various offences against property...	1,001	237	53	31	18	12	5	13	1,370
Breach of municipal by-laws and other minor offences...	9,113	3,898	439	602	328	364	122	113	14,979
Drunkenness...	6,553	3,999	642	1,561	486	469	287	48	14,045
Total...	19,178	9,081	1,353	2,513	902	898	457	219	34,606
Grand Total...	21,301	10,301	1,479	2,597	993	1,081	477	311	38,540

666. The proportions of convictions for indictable offences per 1,000 persons in each province, in the years 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889 and 1890, was as follow :—

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Ontario.....	1·00	·89	1·04	1·11	1·01
Quebec.....	·69	·71	·83	·93	·83
Nova Scotia.....	·23	·38	·18	·29	·28
New Brunswick.....	·20	·17	·22	·25	·25
Manitoba.....	·70	·59	·53	·68	·62
British Columbia.....	2·46	1·31	1·56	1·76	2·07
Prince Edward Island.....	·36	·17	·12	·20	·18
The Territories.....	·64	·17	·55	·61	·95

667. The total number of convictions for drunkenness during the years 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889 and 1890 were 11,156, 11,694, 12,807, 13,841 and 14,045 respectively, the numerical increase being apparently large, though the proportion per 1,000 persons has not varied very much, the figures for each year being 2·33, 2·40, 2·57, 2·72 and 2·90, showing a steady, though small, increase, for some portion of which improved returns are, no doubt, responsible.

668. The convictions for drunkenness made in the several provinces in 1889 and 1890 were, in proportion to population, as given below. The province showing the largest proportion of convictions is placed first in each case, the others following in due order.