

1478. The following table shows the number of prisoners in the common jails and prisons under provincial jurisdiction, at the dates mentioned :—

PERSONS CONFINED IN PROVINCIAL PRISONS IN CANADA, 1893.

PROVINCES.	Number of Jails.	Date.	NUMBER CONFINED.		Total.
			Males.	Females.	
Ontario.....	*54	Sept. 30, 1893	689	250	939
Quebec.....	24	Dec. 31, 1893	368	199	567
Nova Scotia.....	‡33	June 30, 1893	138	6	144
New Brunswick.....	14	“ 30, 1893	71	8	79
Manitoba.....	3	Dec. 31, 1892	107	9	116
British Columbia.....	4	Oct. 31, 1892	144
Prince Edward Island...	3	June 30, 1892	20	4	24
The Territories (Regina).	1	“ 30, 1893	14	2	16

*Including 10 Lock-ups, Central Prison and Mercer reformatory, Toronto.

‡Including 8 Lock-ups.

~~1479.~~ The Provincial Governments of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick do not publish any returns of persons in their prisons, consequently application was made to the sheriffs of the several counties, almost all of whom responded, and thanks are due to them for their attention. One county (Kent County) in New Brunswick made no returns.

1479. The general census of figures relating to the insane will be found in paragraphs 228-242.

With the exception of Nova Scotia and Quebec, the principle adopted throughout the Dominion in the treatment of insane is that known as State-cure, and even in the case of the two provinces named the institutions are subject to the supervision of Government inspectors. Nova Scotia has the county farm system in part, and Quebec wholly so.