

Que. ; Dorchester, N.B. ; Stony Mountain, Man., and New Westminister, B.C. The total number of persons confined in these five penitentiaries on the 30th June, 1895, was 1,277, of whom 1,249 were males and 28 were females.

1421. By three-year periods, since 1881, the following is the average of convicts in the penitentiaries :—

AVERAGE OF CONVICTS IN PENITENTIARIES SINCE 1881.

PERIOD.	Average Number.	Average of Females.
1881-83. ....	1,163	32
1884-86. ....	1,126	41
1887-89. ....	1,149	26
1890-92. ....	1,243	24
1893-95. ....	1,231	31

There was an increase of 58 in the number of male convicts and a decrease of 4 in the number of female convicts, making a total increase of 54 as compared with 1894.

1422. Considered in relation to the growth of population, the following table shows that in every group of 3,981 persons one was in the penitentiary in 1895. This is a considerably smaller proportion than the average of the period 1881-95, which is one convict to every 3,976 persons.

PROPORTION OF CONVICTS TO POPULATION, 1881-95.

YEAR.	One Person in	YEAR.	One Person in
1881 .....	3,560	1890 .....	3,831
1882 .....	3,886	1891 .....	3,881
1883 .....	3,882	1892 .....	3,993
1884 .....	4,204	1893 .....	4,155
1885 .....	4,082	1894 .....	4,106
1886 .....	3,824	1895 .....	3,981
1887 .....	4,002		
1888 .....	4,285	Average .....	3,976
1889 .....	3,966		

1423. The following tables give the number of convicts remaining in each of the penitentiaries on the 30th June of each year, the number discharged in each year, and the causes :—