30, 1919 and 1920 are described in the Commissioner's Reports for these years. On September 30, 1920, (Table 28,) the strength of the force was 73 officers, 1,598 non-commissed officers and constables and 942 horses, an increase of 13 officers, 58 non-commissioned officers and constables and 109 horses, as compared with the previous year. On February 1, 1920, under authority of an Act to amend the Royal Northwest Mounted Police Act (10 Geo. V, c. 28), the name of the force was changed to "Royal Canadian Mounted Police," and the headquarters were transferred to Ottawa.

28.—Strength and Distribution of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on September 30, 1920.

| Description. | Headquarters Staff. | British Columbia. | Alberta. | Saskatchewan | Manitoba. | Northwest Territories. | Yukon Territory. | Ontario. | Quebec. | Maritime Provinces. | Total. |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Commissioner Assistant Commissioners. Superintendents Inspectors Surgeons. Veterinary Surgeons Staff Sergeants. Sergeants Corporals Constables Special Constables. | 4 1 - 6 10 | 9 - 9 21 38 168 | 3 11 - 11 22 47 177 29 | 1 3 9 1 15 35 44 269 22 | 1 5 - 5 12 20 114 3 | - - 2 - - - 4 1 7 2 | - 1 2 - 5 1 7 28 4 | - 2 8 - 7 26 28 262 51 | - 1 1 - 2 1 1 3 | 1 3 20 | 1 3 14 52 2 1 61 135 198 1,065 |
| Total | 72 | 257 | 300 | 400 | 160 | 16 | 48 | 384 | 9 | 25 | 1,671 |
| Horses | - | 182 | 238 | 224 | 116 20 | 64 | 13 29 | 169 | = | - | 942 113 |

JUDICIAL STATISTICS AND PENITENTIARIES.

The criminal and judicial statistics of Canada are collected, compiled and published annually by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics under statutory authority of the Statistics Act, 1918 (8-9 Geo. V., c. 43). They relate to the year ended September 30, and the last issued annual report is for 1919. The statistics are divided into two classes of (1) indictable offences and (2) summary convictions, the former comprising all cases tried by police or other magistrates and the latter all cases of minor importance disposed of by justices of the peace under the Summary Convictions Act.

Indictable Offences.—Table 29 shows by provinces in respect of indictable offences the number of charges and convictions and the percentages of acquittals for the years 1917, 1918 and 1919. There were 23,021 charges and 18,396 convictions for indictable offences throughout Canada during the year ended September 30, 1919, as compared with 21,747 charges and 17,370 convictions in 1918, an increase of 1,274 or 5.86 p.c., for charges and of 1,026 or 5.91 p.c., for convictions during the year.