

malicious offences against property, forgery and other offences against the currency, and other indictable offences. Convictions in the first three and in the fifth classes show a notable decline between 1921 and 1923, but convictions for malicious offences against property (including arson) and for other indictable offences show an increase. Especially noteworthy is the increase of convictions for "illicit stills" from 220 in 1921 to 1,068 in 1923. Details by offences are given in Table 24, and the details of the disposition of the charges in Table 25, which shows, among other information, that convictions of females numbered 1,609 in 1923, as against 1,609 in 1922, and 1,765 in 1921. Details as to the occupations, civil condition, educational status, ages, use of liquors, birthplaces and religions of those convicted of indictable offences are given in Table 26.

24.—Indictable Offences, by Classes, during the years ended September 30, 1921-1923.

Classes and Offences.	1921.		1922.		1923.	
	Number of Charges.	Number of Convictions.	Number of Charges.	Number of Convictions.	Number of Charges.	Number of Convictions.
CLASS I.—OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON.						
Murder.....	76	17	56	19	47	15
Murder, attempt to commit.....	40	21	41	20	30	15
Manslaughter.....	89	39	88	45	79	38
Abortion and concealing birth of infants.....	27	15	39	25	23	12
Rape and other crimes against decency..	621	341	650	350	624	365
Procuracion.....	64	37	50	25	35	19
Bigamy.....	72	56	92	74	77	56
Shooting, stabbing and wounding.....	240	137	215	119	249	157
Assault on females and wife.....	83	50	96	64	93	63
Aggravated assault.....	703	467	671	464	615	382
Assault on police officer.....	620	534	427	367	245	217
Assault and battery.....	1,275	1,007	1,270	987	1,208	920
Refusal to support family.....	180	101	274	154	271	212
Wife desertion.....	10	8	14	11	9	7
Various other offences against the person	131	83	141	80	155	97
Total.....	4,231	2,913	4,124	2,804	3,760	2,575
CLASS II.—OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITH VIOLENCE.						
Burglary, house, warehouse and shop-breaking.....	2,015	1,628	2,111	1,754	1,399	1,175
Robbery and demanding with menaces..	416	240	323	212	195	132
Highway robbery.....	27	20	32	11	15	14
Total.....	2,458	1,888	2,466	1,977	1,609	1,321
CLASS III.—OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITHOUT VIOLENCE.						
Bringing stolen goods into Canada.....	2	1	2	2	3	2
Embezzlement.....	6	6	35	19	28	14
False pretences.....	851	582	987	684	820	577
Feloniously receiving stolen goods.....	677	432	628	418	542	333
Fraud and conspiracy to defraud.....	736	505	773	466	732	472
Horse, cattle and sheep-stealing.....	118	80	82	59	40	18
Theft.....	8,493	6,559	7,848	5,938	7,472	5,865
Theft of mail.....	37	33	25	21	24	22
Total.....	10,920	8,198	10,380	7,598	9,661	7,303
CLASS IV.—MALICIOUS OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY.						
ARSON.....	61	21	69	31	105	58
Malicious injury to horses, cattle, and other wilful damage to property.....	238	148	246	187	330	217
Total.....	299	169	315	218	435	275

NOTE.—The figures of the above table do not include charges or convictions of juvenile delinquents.