

Details of summary convictions are given by provinces and by offences in Table 27 for the past three years from 1921 to 1923. Particularly notable in these figures is the increase of convictions for offences against liquor, prohibition and temperance Acts from 8,519 in 1922 to 10,088 in 1923, and the decline in convictions for offences against the Opium and Narcotic Drugs Act, from 1,858 in 1922 to 1,297 in 1923.

27.—Summary Convictions, by Provinces and by Offences, 1921-1923.

A.—BY PROVINCES.

Provinces.	Summary Convictions.			Increase or Decrease, 1922-23.
	1921.	1922.	1923.	
Prince Edward Island.....	373	309	321	+ 12
Nova Scotia.....	4,639	3,332	3,033	- 299
New Brunswick.....	2,680	2,281	2,179	- 102
Quebec.....	45,042	31,441	27,563	- 3,878
Ontario.....	63,874	63,015	64,639	+ 1,624
Manitoba.....	9,563	9,530	11,377	+ 1,847
Saskatchewan.....	6,137	6,876	8,346	+ 1,470
Alberta.....	8,571	7,766	8,359	+ 593
British Columbia.....	14,460	11,720	11,639	- 81
Yukon.....	37	52	37	- 15
Total.....	155,376	136,322	137,493	+ 1,171

B.—BY OFFENCES.

Offences.	1921.	1922.	1923.	Increase or Decrease, 1922-23.
Assault.....	3,261	2,999	3,199	+ 120
Carrying firearms and unlawful weapons.....	717	585	529	- 56
Contempt of court.....	11	24	18	- 6
Cruelty to animals.....	584	554	445	- 109
Disturbing religious and like meetings.....	28	19	62	+ 43
Fishery and Game Acts, offences against.....	874	1,435	1,343	- 92
Gambling Acts, offences against.....	4,961	3,563	4,173	+ 610
Immigration Act, offences against.....	174	58	71	+ 13
Inspection and Sales Acts, offences against.....	82	28	45	+ 17
Adulteration of food (Food and Drug Acts).....	232	148	195	+ 47
Weights and Measures Acts, offences against.....	129	88	122	+ 34
Liquor, Prohibition and Temperance Acts, offences against.....	10,458	8,519	10,088	+ 1,569
Malicious or wilful damage to property.....	874	691	608	- 83
Masters' and Servants' Acts, offences against.....	185	210	198	- 12
Non-payment of wages.....	793	1,002	1,075	+ 73
Municipal Acts and By-laws, breach of various.....	73,883	68,657	68,810	+ 153
Non-support of family and neglecting children.....	1,227	814	1,101	+ 287
Contributing to delinquency of children.....	137	169	250	+ 81
Opium and Narcotic Drug Act, various offences against.....	1,866	1,858	1,297	- 560
Profanation of the Lord's Day.....	868	851	782	- 69
Railway Acts, various offences against.....	535	619	308	- 311
Trespass on railway.....	1	655	535	- 120
Stealing ride on railway.....	1		461	+ 461
Revenue Laws, offences against.....	573	720	763	+ 43
Trespass.....	1,543	920	762	- 158
Vagrancy.....	5,154	4,530	3,774	- 756
Drunkenness.....	34,358	25,048	25,565	+ 517
Insulting, abusive and profane language.....	329	616	631	+ 15
Frequenting bawdy houses.....	3,088	3,318	3,772	+ 454
Loose, idle, disorderly and breach of the peace.....	5,986	5,925	4,968	- 957
Various other offences.....	2,466	1,699	1,623	- 76
Total.....	155,376	136,322	137,493	+ 1,171

¹ Included in "Railway Acts, various offences against".