

Minor Offences.—Of the 2,772 juvenile delinquents found guilty of minor offences in 1930, 711 were convicted of breaches of municipal by-laws, 398 of disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace, 311 of disobedience and incorrigibility, 377 of trespass, 448 of truancy, 161 of vagrancy and indecent conduct and 366 of other minor offences.

Section 5.—Police Statistics.

In 1930, 139 cities and towns, with populations of 4,000 or over, supplied police statistics to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. These cities and towns, with an aggregate population of 3,367,602, had 5,301 policemen, who made 303,165 arrests and summonses. The total number of offences committed during the year and made known to the police was 352,783, and the number of prosecutions was 260,087, or 73.7 p.c. of the known offences. Convictions secured in respect of these offences numbered 204,042, being 57.3 p.c. of the known offences and 76.1 p.c. of the prosecutions.

The number of automobiles reported stolen was 12,298, of which 11,842 were recovered. Of 9,256 bicycles stolen, 5,474 were recovered. The value of other lost articles reported to the police was \$2,056,412, of which 64 p.c. was recovered.

16.—Police Statistics of Canadian Cities and Towns, by Provinces, year ended Sept. 30, 1930.

| Province. | Number of— | | | | | Number of the Population to each Policeman. | Number of Arrests per Policeman. |
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| | Cities and Towns. | Population. | Police. | Arrests. | Summonses. | | |
| Prince Edward Island . . . | 1 | 12,347 | 8 | 564 | 300 | 1,544 | 71 |
| Nova Scotia | 14 | 175,500 | 145 | 7,304 | 2,125 | 1,210 | 50 |
| New Brunswick | 5 | 81,219 | 88 | 2,752 | 983 | 923 | 31 |
| Quebec | 30 | 1,004,694 | 2,109 | 37,191 | 26,144 | 477 | 18 |
| Ontario | 64 | 1,396,634 | 1,862 | 44,982 | 99,937 | 764 | 24 |
| Manitoba | 7 | 241,665 | 311 | 7,584 | 25,205 | 177 | 23 |
| Saskatchewan | 6 | 100,966 | 139 | 3,409 | 3,716 | 726 | 24 |
| Alberta | 4 | 150,725 | 191 | 5,548 | 6,250 | 789 | 29 |
| British Columbia | 8 | 203,852 | 448 | 10,947 | 20,224 | 455 | 24 |
| Canada | 139 | 3,367,602 | 5,301 | 120,191 | 182,974 | 616 | 23 |

Section 6.—Penitentiary Statistics.

The Penitentiaries Branch of the Department of Justice is charged with the administration of the various penitentiaries in Canada. Six institutions are included in the system, the two largest of which are at Portsmouth, Ont., and St. Vincent de Paul, Que., while the other four are at Dorchester, N.B.; Prince Albert, Sask.; Stony Mountain, Man.; and New Westminster, B.C. During the fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1931, the average daily population of these institutions was 3,434 and the total net expenditure for the year was \$3,034,438, as compared with 2,868 average daily population and \$2,372,310 total net expenditure for the year 1930.

Female convicts, numbered 27 on Mar. 31, 1925, but had increased to 40 on Mar. 31, 1928 and were 32 on Mar. 31, 1929, 38 on Mar. 31, 1930, and 44 on Mar. 31, 1931. They are all kept in the penitentiary at Portsmouth, a suburb of Kingston, where a special wing and staff are maintained for their detention and supervision. A new building to be used for this purpose is under construction.