

**Appeals in Criminal Cases.**—In the calendar year 1938 17·3 p.c. of appeals in criminal cases resulted in the convictions being quashed. In only 5·66 p.c. were new trials directed and 61·3 p.c. of appeals, were dismissed.

### 3.—Appeals in Criminal Cases, by Provinces, 1938.

| Province.                            | Appeals Disposed of by Courts. | Method of Disposal.          |            |           |                           |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------------------------|
|                                      |                                | Con-<br>victions<br>Quashed. | Dismissed. | Varied.   | New<br>Trial<br>Directed. |
|                                      | No.                            | No.                          | No.        | No.       | No.                       |
| Prince Edward Island.....            | 1                              | 1                            | Nil        | Nil       | Nil                       |
| Nova Scotia.....                     | 12                             | 3                            | 8          | 1         |                           |
| New Brunswick.....                   | 8                              | 1                            | 2          | 2         | 3                         |
| Quebec.....                          | 54                             | 4                            | 48         | 1         | 1                         |
| Ontario.....                         | 166                            | 31                           | 95         | 32        | 8                         |
| Manitoba.....                        | 132                            | 4                            | 94         | 26        | 8                         |
| Saskatchewan.....                    | 20                             | 3                            | 10         | 6         | 1                         |
| Alberta.....                         | 79                             | 35                           | 29         | 11        | 4                         |
| British Columbia.....                | 47                             | 9                            | 32         | 4         | 2                         |
| Yukon and Northwest Territories..... | Nil                            | -                            | -          | -         | -                         |
| Supreme Court of Canada.....         | 11                             | 1                            | 7          | Nil       | 3                         |
| <b>Totals.....</b>                   | <b>530</b>                     | <b>92</b>                    | <b>325</b> | <b>83</b> | <b>30</b>                 |

**Pardons.**—The total number of cases in which the prerogative of mercy was exercised during 1938 was 1,555. Forty-eight of these were not imprisoned and received remission or reduction of fines, etc. The number released on ticket of leave was 644, with 888 released unconditionally; 14 previously on ticket of leave had their release made unconditional; 7 death sentences were commuted to life imprisonment; 21 were deported; and 49 fines were remitted or reduced.

### Section 2.—Offences of Adults.

The statistics in Table 4 are comparable with those shown for juvenile offenders in Table 18. The separation between adult and juvenile offenders is available only for the years beginning with 1922, but totals of adult offences for the years 1922-32 may be obtained by subtracting those of Table 18 from those of Table 1.

### 4.—Convictions of Adults for Indictable and Summary Offences, by Class of Offence, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1934-38.

| Class of Offence.                                     | NUMBERS.       |                |                |                |                |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|   | 1934.          | 1935.          | 1936.          | 1937.          | 1938.          |
| <b>Indictable Offences—</b>                           |                |                |                |                |                |
| Offences against the person.....                      | 3,588          | 3,985          | 4,457          | 4,824          | 5,624          |
| Offences against property with violence.....          | 4,238          | 4,147          | 4,841          | 4,604          | 5,509          |
| Offences against property without violence.....       | 16,337         | 16,600         | 17,514         | 19,085         | 20,267         |
| Other indictable offences.....                        | 7,521          | 8,799          | 9,247          | 8,635          | 12,199         |
| <b>Totals, Indictable Offences.....</b>               | <b>31,684</b>  | <b>33,531</b>  | <b>36,059</b>  | <b>37,148</b>  | <b>43,599</b>  |
| <b>Summary Offences—</b>                              |                |                |                |                |                |
| Gambling Acts.....                                    | 30,699         | 25,889         | 40,670         | 14,360         | 10,537         |
| Liquor Acts.....                                      | 10,754         | 8,826          | 10,073         | 11,142         | 12,442         |
| Traffic regulations.....                              | 217,827        | 246,123        | 237,183        | 288,688        | 285,951        |
| Vagrancy and loose, idle, and disorderly conduct..... | 11,211         | 13,610         | 14,595         | 16,453         | 17,602         |
| Drunkenness.....                                      | 20,764         | 25,643         | 28,433         | 34,606         | 36,894         |
| Frequenting bawdy houses.....                         | 2,618          | 2,674          | 2,725          | 3,598          | 3,518          |
| Other summary offences.....                           | 34,871         | 39,877         | 44,027         | 51,365         | 47,720         |
| <b>Totals, Summary Offences.....</b>                  | <b>328,744</b> | <b>362,642</b> | <b>377,706</b> | <b>420,212</b> | <b>414,664</b> |
| <b>Grand Totals.....</b>                              | <b>360,428</b> | <b>396,173</b> | <b>413,765</b> | <b>457,360</b> | <b>458,263</b> |