Minor Offences.—From Table 23 it will be seen that there was a decrease of 22 p.c. in the number of convictions for minor offences in 1938 as compared with 1937.

23.—Convictions of Juveniles for Minor Offences, by Type of Offence, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1934-38.

-	NUMBERS.									
Class of Offence.	1934.		1935.		1936.		1937.		1938.	
Breach of traffic regulations Disorderly conduct and dis- turbing the peace Incorrigibility Truancy Vagrancy and wandering away from home Other minor offences.	174 567 574 268 225 645		107 312 495 234 301 716		159 476 530 277 203 595		193 428 702 274 117 778		201 312 677 264 77 449	
Totals	2,453		2,165		2,240		2,492		1,980	
	PERCENTAGES OF TOTAL, AND PER 100,000 OF POPULATION.									
	1934.		1935.		1936.		1937.		1938.	
	P.C. of Total.	Per 100,000 Pop.	P.C. of Total.	Per 100,000 Pop.	P.C. of Total.	Per 100,000 Pop.	P.C. of Total.	Per. 100,000 Pop.	P.C. of Total.	Per 100,000 Pop.
Breach of traffic regulations Disorderly conduct and dis- turbing the peace. Incorrigibility Truancy. Vagrancy and wandering away from home. Other minor offences.	2·2 7·3 7·3 3·4 2·9 8·3	2 5 5 3 2 6	1·4 4·1 6·4 3·1 3·9 9·3	1 3 5 2 2 7	2·2 6·6 7·4 3·8 2·8 8·3	1 4 5 3 2 5	2.5 5.5 9.1 3.6 1.5 10.1	2 4 6 2 1 7	2·9 4·4 9·6 3·8 1·1 6·4	2 3 6 2 1 4
Totals	31.4	23	28.2	20	31.1	20	32.3	22	28.2	18

## Section 4.—Municipal Police Statistics.

Police statistics were collected in 1938 from the 160 cities and towns that had 4,000 population or over in 1931 (1936 for the three Prairie Provinces), aggregating a total of 4,435,472 persons. The total number of police was 5,596, which is an average of one policeman to each 793 persons in the population of those cities and towns.

The returns showed a total of 461,024 crimes known to have been committed; 111,622 arrests were made and 252,471 summonses issued. The prosecutions numbered 358,903 with 308,611 convictions.

Automobiles reported stolen numbered 7,771 during 1938, while stolen automobiles reported recovered numbered 7,875 (cars stolen in rural areas are frequently recovered in cities and towns); 12,702 bicycles were stolen with 8,255 or 65·0 p.c. recovered. The value of other goods reported stolen was \$2,426,251 with \$1,119,618 or 46·1 p.c. recovered. There were 42,145 automobile accidents reported to the police; 428 deaths and 14,797 injuries resulted from such accidents. Other accidents reported resulted in the death of 523 persons and injuries to 6,516.