3.—Convictions for Indictable Offences, by Classes, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1946 and 1947

Class and Offence	1946		1947		Increase or Decrease in
	Charges	Con- victions	Charges	Con- victions	Con- victions
	No.	No.	No.	No.	p.c.
Class I.—Offences Against the Person— Abduction Assault, common and aggravated. Offences against females¹. Manslaughter and murder. Attempted murder; shooting and wounding. Non-support, desertion. Other offences against the person.	201 184	20 5,998 1,005 87 138 368 168	18 6,713 1,356 184 148 997 602	5,462 966 73 93 841 480	$\begin{array}{c} -50.0 \\ -8.9 \\ -3.9 \\ -16.1 \\ -32.6 \\ +128.5 \\ +185.7 \end{array}$
Totals, Class I	9,907	7,784	10,018	7,925	+1.8
Class II. — Offences Against Property With Violence— Burglary and robbery	6,639	5,783	6,022	5,304	-8.3
Totals, Class II	6,639	5,783	6,022	5,304	-8.3
					
Class III.—Offences Against Property Without Violence—					
Fraud, embezzlement and false pretences Receiving stolen goods Theft	3,032 1,797 14,361	2,798 1,266 12,522	3,829 1,858 13,778	3,561 1,378 12,172	$+27.3 \\ +8.8 \\ -2.8$
Totals, Class III	19,190	16,586	19,465	17,111	+3.2
Class IV.—Malicious Offences Against Property— Arson. Malicious damage to property.	121 1,304	101 1.066	68 1,171	45 991	-55·4 -7·0
Totals, Class IV	1,425	1,167	1,239	1,036	-11.2
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Class V.—Forgery and Other Offences Against the Currency—					
Offences against currency Forgery and uttering forged documents	1,643	6 1,601	1,811	1,772	+33·3 +10·7
Totals, Class V	1,649	1,607	1,819	1,780	+10.8
Class VI.—Other Offences not included in the					
foregoing classes— Dangerous or reckless driving Defence of Canada Regulations Driving car while drunk Opium and Narcotic Drug Act, offences against Gambling and lotteries Keeping bawdy houses and inmates Various	3,207 89 2,113 303 1,423 608 7,406	2,974 82 1,898 247 1,378 588 6,845	2,436 2,091 400 1,141 432 5,618	2,066 1,825 341 1,081 396 5,191	-30·5 -3·8 +38·1 -21·6 -32·7 -24·2
Totals, Class VI	15,149	14,012	12,118	10,900	-22.2
Grand Totals	53,959	46,939	50,681	44,056	-6.1

¹ Offences against females include the following crimes; abortion, assault against females, assault against wife, indecent assault, carnal knowledge, incest, procuration, rape, attempted rape, seduction and wife desertion.

Analyses of Convictions for Indictable Offences.—Table 4 shows that at least 75.9 p.c. of persons convicted of indictable crimes in 1947 had not gone beyond elementary school grades in their education; that over one-half (52.2 p.c.) of the