

## 7.—Persons Charged with Indictable Offences and Disposition of Cases 1952 and 1953

Item	1952	1953	Item	1952	1953
	No.	No.		No.	No.
Charges.....	35,056	34,027	Convictions of males.....	27,785	27,801
Acquittals.....	5,070	4,139	Convictions of females.....	1,976	1,766
Disagreement of jury.....	10	6	First convictions.....	14,565	13,858
Stay of proceedings.....	131	228	Second convictions.....	2,448	2,567
No bill and <i>nolle prosequi</i> .....	63	33	Reiterated convictions.....	6,162	5,453
Detention because of insanity.....	51	54	Not given.....	6,586	7,689

**Sentences.**—In 1953, 35.1 p.c. of the persons convicted of indictable crimes were fined, 34.3 p.c. were sent to gaol without option of fine, 5.0 p.c. were committed to reformatories and 7.0 p.c. to penitentiaries and 18.6 p.c. were given suspended sentences or put on probation. Five habitual criminals were given preventive detention, five persons received life sentences and 10 were given the death penalty. The proportions in 1953 were much the same as in recent preceding years.

## 8.—Sentences given for Indictable Offences by Province 1953 with Totals for 1952

Sentence	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon and N.W.T.	Canada 1953	Canada 1952
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Option of fine.....	271	195	678	274	2,208	3,535	480	437	753	1,517	23	10,371	9,489
Gaol—													
Under one year....	132	45	344	252	1,966	3,302	380	374	743	911	30	8,479	9,160
One year or over..	14	3	35	11	329	406	158	117	283	316	4	1,676	1,613
Reformatory.....	—	—	7	4	59	1,258	35	—	33	82	—	1,478	1,904
Penitentiary—													
Two years and under five.....	5	11	161	59	675	361	92	31	155	193	4	1,747	1,642
Five years or over	2	1	9	—	120	105	8	—	14	45	—	304	267
Life.....	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	5	8
Preventive deten- tion.....	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	1	—	5	5
Death.....	—	—	—	—	2	4	—	1	3	—	—	10	17
Suspended sentence or other disposi- tion.....	84	15	309	117	760	2,842	416	107	315	516	11	5,492	5,647
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>1,543</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>6,122</b>	<b>11,816</b>	<b>1,569</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>3,582</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>29,567</b>	<b>29,761</b>