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ON CRIME
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ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Minister for Justice.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report on Crime for the year ended 30th September, 1958.

Since my last report the forms for the preparation of Crime Returns have been revised and the dates, for which the returns are made, altered from the calendar year to year ending 30th September. Consequently, offences and proceedings in the last quarter of 1957 are included in this report.

PART I.

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

The number of indictable offences which were reported or became known to the Garda in the year ended 30th September, 1958, was 16,567, which is 2,530 more than in 1957. The increase was mainly in Larceny and Housebreaking.

Proceedings were commenced in 7,749 cases and in an additional 717 cases the perpetrators were detected, giving a total of 8,466 detections, 51% of the offences recorded.

Comparison with Previous Year.

The number of offences recorded in each offence group and the number and percentage of detections in 1957 and 1958 are given in the following table.

Offence Group.	No. of Offences Recorded.		No. of Offences Detected.		Percentage of Detections.	
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957.
I. Offences against the Person.	558	473	494	416	89%	88%
II. Offences against Property with Violence.	3,645	3,061	2,672	2,277	73%	67%
III. Offences against Property without Violence.	12,219	10,339	5,170	4,739	42%	46%
IV. Other Indictable Offences not included in above Groups.	145	164	130	147	90%	90%
TOTALS	16,567	14,037	8,466	7,579	51%	54%

Indictable Offences and Detections by
Garda Divisions.

Details of Indictable Offences and detections, in each Garda Division and in the Garda Districts of the cities of Cork, Limerick, Waterford and Galway, in 1958, are given in Appendix C.

GROUP I - Offences Against the Person.

Included in this group are offences of Murder, Manslaughter, Wounding, Assault, Intimidation, Cruelty to and Abandoning Children and Sexual Offences.

Comparative figures of offences and detections in the group in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table :-

YEAR.	Number of Offences reported or known to the Garda.	Number of Offences in which detections were made.	Percentage of offences in which detections were made.
1958	558	494	89%
1957	473	416	88%
1956	542	491	91%
1955	525	475	90%
1954	478	432	90%
1953	531	485	91%

MURDER - Of Persons aged above One Year.

Four murders of persons aged above one year were recorded during the year and proceedings were taken in two cases. In a further case the perpetrator was committed to a mental hospital.

Brief particulars are :-

Co. Wexford. On 8th March, 1958, at about 11 p.m. a 61 year old shopkeeper was found, seriously injured, in his shop. He was removed to hospital where he died at 9.20 a.m. on 9th March, 1958. He was found to have sustained fourteen wounds on his head. It is believed that robbery was the motive. No one has yet been made amenable for this crime.

Co. Galway. On 9th April, 1958, a 60 year old farmer was attacked and killed by his 28 year old son. Injuries inflicted on him included a fractured neck and ribs. The son was arrested and charged with murder. He was later certified insane and was committed to a Mental Hospital. At the Central Criminal Court on 21st May, 1958, he was found to be insane and unfit to plead and was ordered to be detained during the pleasure of the Government. The accused man had previously spent three terms in a Mental Hospital.

Co. Galway. On 16th June, 1958, a 65 year old housewife was killed by her husband who cut her throat with a razor. He then attempted to end his own life by cutting his throat. He was removed to hospital where he recovered from his wound but was certified to be insane and was committed to a mental hospital.

Co. Galway. On morning of 31st August, 1958, at 2 a.m. a 34 year old carpenter was found unconscious in a public street. He was removed to hospital where he was found to be suffering from two fractures of the skull and other severe injuries. He died on 1st September, 1958, without regaining consciousness. The deceased and others had been drinking in a public house and on leaving, a fight developed, during which he was knocked to the ground and kicked about the head. Three men were arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 27th November, 1958, they were acquitted by a direction of the Judge.

In the year 1957, six murders of persons aged above one year were recorded.

MURDER - Of Infants aged one Year and Under.

Two crimes of Murder of Infants were recorded within the year.

Brief particulars are :-

Co. Kerry. On 29th October, 1957, the dead body of a male infant was found in the grounds of a hotel near a town. A nylon stocking was tied tightly round its neck. Death was due to asphyxia. No one was made amenable.

Co. Louth. On 31st August, 1958, the dead body of a female infant was found in a water-tub at the back door of a Council cottage. The body was fully clothed. Death was due to asphyxia caused by drowning. The mother of the infant, who is believed to have put it in the tub, was found to be a serious mental case and was committed to a mental hospital where she is still detained. The Attorney General has agreed that there shall not be a prosecution in this case.

In the year 1957, two murders of infants were also recorded.

INFANTICIDE.

Four crimes of Infanticide were recorded within the year, which is the same number as recorded in 1957.

Brief particulars are :-

Co. Cork. - On 16th November, 1957, a 24 year old domestic servant gave birth to a female infant in her home where its dead body was found. There were marks of violence on the infant's neck, death being due to asphyxia. She was arrested and charged with murder but was committed for trial for Infanticide and at the Circuit Court was found "Not Guilty" and discharged.

Co. Wexford. - On 6th December, 1957, a 20 year old domestic servant gave birth to a female infant in the home of her grand-parents and drowned it in a barrel of water. She was committed for trial for Infanticide. At the Circuit Court she pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, suspended on her entering into recognizances to keep the peace for twelve months.

Co. Donegal. - On 23rd May, 1958, information was received by the Garda that a 33 year old widow had, some time previously, given birth to an infant and had probably killed it. On being questioned in the matter she admitted that she gave birth to a male infant some time in the period, 17th March to 6th April, 1958, and said she wrapped the baby in a woollen cardigan and threw it into a river. The woollen cardigan, as described, was later found on the river bank but no trace was found of the body. She was arrested and charged with murder and was committed for trial to the Central Criminal Court for Infanticide. Owing to an irregularity in the order the Attorney-General directed that she be released from prison, re-arrested and again charged with Murder. This was done and at the District Court the Justice directed her immediate release, holding that his original order should first be quashed by a superior Court before he could proceed to any further action in the case.

Co. Galway. - On 11th March, 1958, a 29 year old domestic servant gave birth to a male infant in her home and killed it by tying a piece of cloth around its neck. She put the body in a flour sack and deposited it in a disused cabin near her home. She was arrested and charged with Murder. She pleaded guilty to Infanticide at the District Court and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment which was suspended on her entering into recognizances to be of good behaviour for two years.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER.

Three crimes were recorded within the year. Brief particulars are :-

Co. Meath. - On 6th October, 1957, a 50 year old housewife was attacked in her home by a 39 year old labourer who stabbed her several times with a pen-knife. Her injuries were not serious. The assailant was arrested and while in custody was certified insane and transferred to a Mental Hospital. The charge was re-entered on 5th March, 1958, and he was committed for trial. At the Central Criminal Court on 21st July, 1958, he was found to be insane and incapable of pleading and was ordered to be detained in strict custody during the pleasure of the Government.

Co. Meath. - On 6th October, 1957, a 23 year old girl was followed a short distance along the public road near her home by the accused in the foregoing case, who stabbed her several times with a pen-knife. She was mistaken for a daughter of the other injured party, whose family, accused stated were getting into his blood and brain. The proceedings concluded as stated.

Co. Galway.- During the month of September, 1958, a 29 year old farmer's son attempted to kill his 31 year old brother by putting "Kilcrow" in milk and on bread which he believed his brother was about to consume. The consequent discolouration of the items was noticed and they were not used. He also put "Kilcrow" in a chocolate sweet and strychnine on a cocoa-nut biscuit which he handed to his brother on separate occasions but in each case they were spat out as soon as tasted and no harm resulted. A charge of Attempted Murder was entered and the accused was sent for trial. At the Central Criminal Court he was found to be insane and unfit to plead and was ordered to be detained in strict custody during the pleasure of the Government.

Three crimes of Attempted Murder were recorded in 1957 also.

THREATS ETC. TO MURDER.

Two crimes of Threatening to Murder were recorded in 1958. Brief particulars are:-

Co. Kerry.- On 10th March, 1958, an auctioneer, who had arranged to conduct a Sherriff's sale on 19th March, found a slip of note-paper in the letter-box at his office on which was written words threatening death if he carried out the sale. The sale was cancelled and arrangements made to hold it elsewhere. No one has been made amenable.

Co. Tipperary.- On 16th August, 1958, a letter was received by an ex-British Army Officer threatening to kill his wife. It was written and posted on 11th August, by a 42 year old chemist, but owing to the offensive nature of the address on the original envelope, was delayed by Postal Authorities who supplied an official covering. The lady whose life was threatened was seriously assaulted by the writer of the letter on 12th August. He was arrested and charged. At the District Court a sentence of two months imprisonment with hard labour was imposed but was suspended on his entering into recognizances to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for one year.

Three crimes of Threatening to Murder were recorded in 1957.

MANSLAUGHTER (OTHER THAN TRAFFIC FATALITIES).

Two crimes of Manslaughter (other than Traffic Fatalities) were recorded within the year.

Brief particulars are:-

Co. Donegal. On 3rd November, 1957, arising out of an altercation in a public house, a 60 year old farmer was felled to the floor. He sustained severe fracture of the skull and died on 7th November. His assailant was arrested and charged. At the District Court informations were refused and he was discharged.

Co. Kildare. - On 24th December, 1957, a 28 year old labourer was fatally shot with a .22 rifle by a 45 year old contractor. The deceased and another man called at the Contractor's home at 12.30 a.m. seeking the loan of a cycle pump and when told one was not available they asked for tea or food and refused to go away when requested. The contractor took his rifle and opened the door whereupon the deceased grabbed the rifle and in the ensuing struggle for possession of the weapon a shot was discharged with fatal results. The contractor was arrested and charged with Manslaughter. At the District Court informations were refused and he was discharged.

Two crimes of Manslaughter (other than Traffic Fatalities) were recorded in 1957 also.

MANSLAUGHTER (TRAFFIC FATALITIES).

The number of cases of Manslaughter arising from Traffic Fatalities in 1958 was 42 as compared with 24 in 1957.

Proceedings were commenced in 39 cases and in one case a conviction was recorded. Seven cases are shown awaiting trial.

WOUNDINGS, ASSAULTS, etc.

267 offences of Wounding, Assault, etc. were recorded during the year as compared with 223 in 1957. Proceedings were commenced in 259 cases. Convictions were recorded in 194 cases and in a further 38 the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied. Eleven cases are shown pending.

INTIMIDATION.

25 offences of Intimidation were recorded during the year 23 of which were by Threatening Letters, etc. Proceedings were commenced in 7 cases and resulted in one conviction. Two cases are pending.

SEXUAL OFFENCES AGAINST FEMALES.

Sexual offences against females totalled 146 for the year which is 16 more than in 1957.

Comparative figures of offences and proceedings in years 1953 to 1958 are:-

Year	Number of offences Recorded	No. of offences in which proceedings were commenced	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were commenced
1958	146	115	79
1957	130	102	78
1956	139	111	80
1955	146	115	79
1954	137	119	87
1953	175	153	87

GROUP II - OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITH VIOLENCE.

Included in this group are offences of Burglary, Housebreaking, Robbery and Malicious Injury to Property.

There was an increase of 584 in the number of offences recorded in the group within the year as compared with the number in 1957 which was recorded in offences relating to Housebreaking.

Comparative figures of offences and proceedings in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table.

Year	No. of offences recorded	No. of offences in which proceedings were commenced.	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were commenced.
1958	3,645	2,474	68
1957	3,061	1,952	64
1956	2,695	1,845	65
1955	2,325	1,596	69
1954	2,538	1,617	64
1953	3,032	1,844	61

HOUSEBREAKING.

A total of 3,459 offences relating to Housebreaking was recorded for the year, which is 564 more than in 1957. Of the total, offences of Breaking into Shops, Warehouses, etc., numbered 1,902 as compared with 1,625 in 1957. Housebreaking (Dwellinghouses) numbered 1,162 as compared with 859 in 1957, and Burglary numbered 251 as compared with 213 in 1957.

Comparative figures for total offences relating to Housebreaking and proceedings in the years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table.

Year	Number of offences recorded	No. of offences in which proceedings were commenced.	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were commenced.
1958	3,459	2,362	68
1957	2,895	1,871	65
1956	2,566	1,774	69
1955	2,182	1,514	69
1954	2,397	1,529	64
1953	2,878	1,767	61

ROBBERY.

Sixty-one offences of Robbery and Assaults with Intent to Rob were recorded within the year. Firearms were alleged to have been used in two cases, brief particulars of which are:-

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN DIVISION - On 17th May, 1958, between 5 and 6 p.m. two men entered a bookmaker's premises and closed the door. One of them produced what appeared to be a revolver, pointed it at the three assistants - all girls - and told his companion to search for money. They got away with £101 in cash. Two young men were arrested and charged with the crime. At the Circuit Court they pleaded guilty and were each sentenced to 12 months imprisonment with hard labour.

Co. Cork. - On 30th May, 1958, two men entered a Bank premises, one of them handed in a note which read "It is time you helped the I.R.A. Pass the money over I have orders to kill". The Manager and Teller came to grips with the raiders who fled after firing three shots and escaped in a motor car. Two men - brothers - were arrested and charged. At the Circuit Court they pleaded guilty. One was sentenced to 3 years Penal Servitude and the other to 18 months imprisonment with hard labour. Both had previous criminal records.

Of the remaining cases the more serious were:-

Dublin Metropolitan Division.- On 20th December, 1957, at 2 a.m. a Radio Taxi was engaged by two men and, when some distance outside the City, one of them seized the driver from behind and compelled him to stop the car. He was then ordered out of the car which was driven away by the men and was later found on fire in the City area. It was completely destroyed. Two men were arrested and charged. At the Circuit Court both were convicted and sentenced to 12 months imprisonment which was suspended on their entering into recognizances to be of good behaviour for two years. Motive was trade jealousy.

Dublin Metropolitan Division.- On 18th April, 1958, between 10 and 11 a.m. two men gained admission to a residence by knocking on the door. They pushed the housewife before them upstairs where they searched the bedrooms and took away between £700 and £900 in notes. No one has been made amenable.

Dublin Metropolitan Division.- On 21st June, 1958, at 6 p.m. two youths forced their way into a Post Office as the Postmistress was closing the door. After ordering her not to stir or they would shoot one of them knocked her to the floor and held her while the other searched for money. They got away with more than £78. Both offenders were arrested and were sentenced to 2 years and 18 months imprisonment respectively.

Dublin Metropolitan Division.- On 11th July, 1958, at 2.5 p.m. two youths entered a Post Office. They rushed behind the counter, knocked down the Postmistress and gagged her with a nylon stocking and twine. One of them went to the safe and took away £160.5.0. The offenders in the foregoing case were also responsible for this crime and were dealt with as stated.

Proceedings were commenced in 43 cases and convictions were recorded in 36 cases. In a further two cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act was applied. Three cases are awaiting trial.

In the year 1957, 33 offences of Robbery, etc. were recorded, in one of which firearms were used.

ARSON AND OTHER MALICIOUS INJURIES TO PROPERTY.

A total of 118 offences of Arson, etc., was recorded within the year, of which 55 were offences of Arson, 5, Killing or Maiming of Cattle and 8 Malicious Use etc. of Explosives.

Proceedings were commenced in 64 cases and convictions were recorded in 29 cases. In a further 15 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act was applied. Eight cases are shown pending.

In 1957 a total of 128 offences was recorded of which Arson numbered 61, Malicious Use etc. of Explosives, 11, and Killing or Maiming Cattle 8.

GROUP III - Offences against Property without Violence.

Included in this group are offences of Larceny, Embezzlement, Obtaining Goods, etc., by False Pretences, Frauds and Receiving Stolen Goods.

The total of offences recorded in the group for the year was 12,219 which is 1,890 more than the number for 1957. In larcenies alone there was an increase of 1,924. There was a decrease of 34 in offences of Obtaining Goods etc. by False Pretences.

Comparative figures of total offences in the group in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Year	No. offences recorded	No. of offences in which proceedings were commenced.	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were commenced.
1958	12,219	4,686	38
1957	10,329	4,200	41
1956	9,365	4,384	47
1955	8,555	4,005	47
1954	8,753	4,108	47
1953	11,813	5,123	43

Proceedings were commenced in 4,686 cases in 1958. Convictions were recorded in 1,996 cases and in an additional 2,103 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied. 297 cases are shown pending.

Comparative figures of larcenies, within this group, in the years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Offences	Years					
	1958	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953
Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep.	64	58	62	58	48	62
Larceny from the Person	306	209	214	270	209	282
Larceny in House to value of £5 etc.	551	492	417	374	431	575
Larceny from Dwellinghouse by Employee	85	49	93	85	78	119
Larceny of Explosives	-	-	1	1	1	-
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	30	38	24	29	27	34
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	3524	2467	1713	1638	1957	3220
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles.	1452	1316	1287	1098	952	1451
Larceny from Shops and Stalls.	1035	929	948	895	909	1134
Other Larcenies (exceeding £50 in value)	100	1509	1260	1080	1148	1322
Other Larcenies (not exceeding £50 in value)	4619	2775	2836	2580	2439	3030
TOTALS	11,766	9,842	8,855	8,108	8,199	11,229

In regard to "Other Larcenies" it should be noted that the figures for the years 1953 to 1957 are for Larcenies (exceeding £5 in value) and Larcenies (not exceeding £5 in value).

Of the total larcenies recorded in 1958, the number recorded in the Dublin Metropolitan Area was 8,446 or 72% as compared with 6,851 or 70% in 1957, 5,652 or 64% in 1956 and 5,171 also 64% in 1955.

EMBEZZLEMENT.

Twenty-two offences of Embezzlement were recorded in 1958 as compared with 41 in 1957. Proceedings were commenced in 20 cases. Convictions were recorded in four cases and in a further twelve cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

OBTAINING GOODS, ETC., BY FALSE PRETENCES.

In offences of "False Pretences" there was a decrease of 34 in 1958 as compared with 1957, the totals being 201 and 235 respectively. Proceedings were commenced in 166 cases within the year. Convictions numbered 109 and in a further 24 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

FRAUDS.

40 offences relating to Frauds were recorded for the year, which is 11 less than the number for 1957. Proceedings were commenced in 38 cases. Convictions numbered 20 and in a further 13 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation Act applied.

GROUP IV.- OFFENCES NOT INCLUDED IN FOREGOING GROUPS.

Included in this group are offences of Forgery and Uttering, Perjury, Bribery, Riot and Unlawful Assembly, Offences against Public Decency, Offences under Coinage Acts, Attempting to commit Suicide, Offences under the Treason Act and Offences against the State Act and other Indictable Offences not included in Groups I, II or III.

A total of 145 offences was recorded in the group in 1958 which is 19 less than in 1957. Proceedings were commenced in 113 cases in 1958. Convictions numbered 59 and in a further 35 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation Act applied.

Offences of Forgery and Uttering accounted for 101 of the total offences in the group, which is 4 less than the number for 1957. Proceedings were commenced in 85 cases. Convictions were recorded in 40 cases and in a further 30 the charges were held proved and the Probation Act applied.

Fourteen cases of Attempting to Commit Suicide were recorded for the year, two less than the number in 1957.

ORGANISED CRIMES OF VIOLENCE.

Ten organised crimes of violence were recorded for 1958 of which eight were agrarian and the remaining two political. Of the agrarian crimes, five were committed in one area of Co. Kerry; in two of them explosives were used and in a further two shots were fired into dwellings. The remaining case concerned the sending of a notice threatening death which is referred to earlier in this report. The remaining crimes were committed in Co. Leitrim, where a motor car was seriously damaged by explosives and hay valued £400 was maliciously burned,

and in Co. Donegal, where a tractor, a quantity of straw and a cow-shed were maliciously damaged by fire.

The two political crimes concerned the unlawful possession of explosives.

In the year 1957, twenty organised crimes of violence were recorded, 12 of which were agrarian, six political and two sectarian.

VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED.

The total value of property reported as stolen in 1958 was £187,784, of which property valued £53,575 was recovered.

In offences against property with violence i.e. Burglary, Housebreaking and Sacrilege, the value of property reported as stolen was £71,488, of which property valued £20,353, was recovered.

In offences against property without violence i.e. Larcenies, the value of property reported as stolen was £116,296 of which property valued £33,222 was recovered.

In comparison with the figures for 1957, there was an overall increase of £31,624 in the value of property reported stolen; £9,333 in offences against property with violence and £22,291 in offences against property without violence.

Comparative figures of offences and value of property stolen in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

	Year	Less than £1	£1 to £2	£2 to £5	£5 to £10	£10 to £50	£50 to £100	Over £100	Total of Offences
Offences against Property with Violence	1958	588	347	491	399	798	172	157	2922
	1957	429	286	415	366	622	202	115	2435
	1956	512	246	343	277	592	122	108	2200
	1955	415	233	354	259	431	83	74	1849
	1954	404	252	336	279	565	95	94	2025
1953	479	268	417	322	648	170	136	2440	
Offences against Property without Violence	1958	1826	1589	2845	2845	2324	201	101	11731
	1957	1562	1351	2496	2244	1896	153	107	9809
	1956	1502	1215	2060	2069	1757	128	97	8828
	1955	1310	1024	2065	1803	1684	95	97	8078
	1954	1409	1035	1628	2028	1898	93	92	8183
1953	1636	1232	2596	3030	2451	146	120	11211	

PERSONS FOUND GUILTY OF INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

The number of persons found guilty i.e. persons convicted and persons against whom the charges were held proved and dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act,

by age groups are given in the following table:-

Year	Persons found guilty of Indictable Offences.			
	Under 14 years	14 to 21 years	above 21 years	Total
1958	1210	2835	2239	6284
1957	851	2344	2198	5393
1956	985	2337	2183	5505
1955	851	1938	2158	4947
1954	854	2191	2021	5066
1953	1028	2480	2522	6030

INDICTABLE OFFENCES CLEARED UP IN 1958.

The number of indictable offences cleared up in 1958 was 8,466, details of which are given in Columns 3(a) and 17 of Appendices A (1), (2) & (3). The percentage of offences cleared up in 1958 in relation to the number recorded was 51% as compared with 54% in 1957.

The incidence of indictable offences and detections in years 1948 to 1958 is shown in Graphical form in Appendix B.

PART II

NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES - PERSONS PROSECUTED.

The number of persons prosecuted for non-indictable offences in 1958 was 82,876, which is 4,209 less than the number in 1957.

The number of persons found guilty was 76,600 or 92% of the number prosecuted, 62,647 of whom were convicted and 13,953 against whom the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Comparative figures of persons prosecuted, convicted etc. in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Year	Total Persons Prosecuted	Number convicted.	Charge Proved and Probation Act applied	Total Found Guilty	Percentage found guilty.
1958	82,876	62,647	13,953	76,600	92%
1957	87,085	62,494	19,208	81,702	94%
1956	94,370	70,029	18,051	88,080	93%
1955	99,353	75,582	17,594	93,176	94%
1954	110,286	87,647	23,360	104,007	94%
1953	130,555	98,805	23,818	122,623	94%

Details of prosecutions etc. are given in Appendices D & E.

ASSAULTS.

A total of 1,233 persons were prosecuted for Assaults in 1958. 817 were convicted and the charges against a further 186 were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied, giving a total of 1,003 persons "found guilty".

In 1957 the number of persons prosecuted was 1,179, of whom 989 were found guilty - 748 by conviction, and 241 dealt with under the Probation Act.

DOGS - OFFENCES IN RELATION TO LICENSING OF.

There was a decrease of 966 in the number of persons prosecuted for keeping unlicensed dogs, the total for 1958 being 4,200 as compared with 5,166 in 1957. 3,900 persons were found guilty, of whom 2,449 were convicted. The remaining 1,451 were dealt with under the Probation Act. In 1957 the number of persons found guilty was 4,890, of whom 2,721 were convicted and 2,169 dealt with under the Probation Act.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT, 1926.

A total of 3,307 persons were prosecuted in 1958 for offences against the School Attendance Act as compared with 3,153 in 1957. The number convicted was 2,285 and the charges against a further 720 were held proved and the Probation Act applied.

HIGHWAY ACTS.

The number of persons prosecuted in 1958 for offences against the Highway Acts - including Road Traffic Act 1933 and Regulations thereunder and Road Transport Acts - was 49,703, which is 2,494 more than the number prosecuted in 1957.

Comparative figures of total prosecutions, convictions, etc. in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Year	No. of Persons Prosecuted.	No. of Persons convicted.	Charges Proved and Probation Act applied.	Charge withdrawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1958	49,703	37,935	8,102	3,526	140
1957	47,209	35,070	9,299	2,840	--
1956	55,145	40,771	10,928	3,446	--
1955	58,833	45,320	10,207	3,306	--
1954	67,256	50,192	13,740	3,324	--
1953	82,389	64,899	13,744	3,746	--

Comparative figures of persons prosecuted for offences against "Lighting Regulations" in years 1953 to 1958 are:-

Year	Offences against Lighting Regulations by:-	
	Drivers of Mechanically Propelled Vehicles	Pedal Cyclists
1958	6,470	12,764
1957	6,604	12,915
1956	9,288	16,678
1955	11,428	18,690
1954	11,787	24,827
1953	14,005	36,386

Comparative figures of persons prosecuted for "Driving or Attempting to Drive while Drunk" and "Dangerous and Careless Driving" in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Year	Mechanically Propelled Vehicles.	
	Driving or Attempting to Drive while Drunk	Dangerous and Careless Driving
1958	349	2,967
1957	423	2,895
1956	440	3,472
1955	447	3,507
1954	395	3,312
1953	157	3,987

Prosecutions under the Highway Acts in 1958 formed 61% of the total prosecutions for non-indictable offences as compared with 54% in 1957.

INTOXICATING LIQUOR LAWS.

There was a decrease of 395 in the number of persons prosecuted, in 1958, for offences against the Intoxicating Liquor Laws, as compared with the number in 1957.

Comparative figures of prosecutions, convictions, etc., in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Year	Number of Prosecutions.	Number of Convictions.	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied	Charge withdrawn or dismissed.	Other-wise disposed of.
1958	14,383	12,986	863	506	28
1957	14,778	13,509	758	510	1
1956	16,904	15,488	854	545	17
1955	17,240	15,791	933	515	1
1954	16,787	15,181	1011	589	6
1953	18,133	16,139	1017	975	2

Of the total prosecutions in 1958 - 14,383 - the number for offences of being found on licensed premises during closing hours was 9,190 for offences of drunkenness, 3,080, and for offences against Closing Regulations by licensed persons or their servants was 1,581.

Comparative figures of prosecutions, convictions, etc., for Drunkenness in years 1953 to 1958 are given in the following table:-

Year	Number of Prosecutions.	Number of Convictions.	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge with-drawn or dismissed.	Other-wise disposed of.
1958	3,080	2,526	433	105	16
1957	3,431	2,876	405	149	1
1956	3,838	3,311	405	120	2
1955	3,801	3,182	480	138	1
1954	3,714	3,020	591	102	1
1953	4,091	3,438	538	113	2

Comparative figures for offences against Closing Regulations, in years 1953 to 1958 are:-

Year	No. of Prosecutions.	No. of Convictions.	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge with-drawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1958	1,581	1,500	12	66	3
1957	1,542	1,455	32	55	-
1956	1,874	1,754	46	73	1
1955	1,918	1,768	63	87	-
1954	1,961	1,765	49	127	-
1953	2,031	1,816	31	184	-

MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

The number of persons prosecuted in 1958 for offences of Malicious Damage to Property was 1,019. The number convicted was 665 and the charges against a further 188 were held proved and the Probation Act applied.

In 1957, 1,165 persons were prosecuted, 675 were convicted and a further 334 were dealt with under the Probation Act.

REVENUE LAWS.

665 persons were prosecuted in 1958 for offences against the Revenue Laws. 460 were convicted and a further 161 were dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act.

The number prosecuted in 1957 was 2,326, of whom, 1,638 were convicted and a further 483 dealt with under the Probation Act.

VAGRANCY LAWS.

A total of 580 persons were prosecuted in 1958 for offences against Vagrancy Laws. 383 were convicted and a further 134 were dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act.

In 1957 the number of persons prosecuted was 587 of whom 358 were convicted and 171 were dealt with under the Probation Act.

For offences of "Begging" alone, the number of persons prosecuted in 1958 was 399 of whom 290 were convicted and 75 were dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act. In 1957 the number prosecuted was 432, of whom 277 were convicted and the charges against a further 114 were dealt with under the Probation Act.

PART III

SCIENTIFIC AIDS TO CRIME DETECTION.

The Technical Bureau, staffed by experienced members who have had technical training, affords scientific aid to Gardaí throughout the country, and gives instructions and practical demonstrations in modern methods of criminal investigation to other members of the Force, particularly to recruits in training.

The Bureau is divided into six sub-sections, viz:-

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Investigation | (4) Mapping. |
| (2) Fingerprints and Criminal Records | (5) Ballistics. |
| (3) Photography. | (6) Radio. |

The following work was carried out by the specialised sub-sections during the year.

(1) Fingerprints and Criminal Records (Known as D.C.R. Office).

1. Number of new registrations	2,623.
2. Number of sets of fingerprints received for search	4,129
3. Number of identifications made therefrom	1,107
4. Number of prints sent to other Bureaux	221
5. Total number of records filed	88,076

Singles.

6.	Number of cases in which articles were received for fingerprint examination	1,006
7.	Number of identifiable marks found	790
8.	Number of persons identified from such marks Culprits - 159) innocent - 227).....	386
9.	Number of visits to scenes of crime	372
10.	Number of days attending courts	28
11.	Number of insertions in "Fogra Tora"	1,465
12.	Number of modus operandi cards filed	52
13.	Number of "Fogra Tora" indices issued	4,500
14.	Number of letters dispatched	9,299

The figures at number 6 above (cases in which articles were received for fingerprint examination) show an increase of 178 or 21% on the figures for the previous year, with a corresponding increase in the number of identifications made therefrom. Compared with the figures for 1955, it shows an increase of 135%

The nominal index of persons registered in the D.C.R. office (about 120,000) was found to be unsatisfactory in its application owing to the different phonetic spelling which could be given to some surnames. A new filing system has been devised in which names sounding alike but spelled differently are now grouped together.

PHOTOGRAPHY.

Official photographs for court presentation and general purposes were as follows:-

1.	Total number of photographs prepared	10,924
2.	Total number of photostatic copies	689
	showing an increase of 4,213 copies in the photographic output over the previous year.	

Specialist photographic work was also carried out for other State Departments including Department of Justice, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Revenue Commissioners and the Central Bank.

Members visited the scenes of 562 crimes; attended 93 courts; 4 inquests and 2 conferences.

(3) MAPPING.

The scenes of 203 crimes were visited by members of the Mapping sub-section during the year - 157 courts were attended and 983 maps prepared. The figures pertaining to outdoor duty shows an increase of 25% over the corresponding figures for the year 1957.

(4) BALLISTICS.

In addition to the examination and comparison of firearms this sub-section undertakes the examination of exhibits such as glass fragments, cutting instruments, marks on wood, footprints, tyre marks, etc. They also deal with the restoration of defaced numerals on motor vehicles and pedal cycles. During the year under review the members visited 30 scenes of crimes, 29 courts, 7 conferences, 3 inquests and examined 49 firearms (exhibits), 756 bullets and cartridge cases, 5 cycles and repaired 137 official firearms.

INTERESTING CASES.

In a housebreaking case a minute fragment of glass found in one of the soles of a suspect's boot was positively identified by a microscopic examination with glass from a window of the damaged premises.

In a case of unlawful possession a hallmark and serial number which had been obliterated on a piece of gold were restored by means of a chemical reagent.

In a housebreaking case - dust from a cash box was found to contain a minute piece of steel which was located by means of a magnet. This minute piece was positively identified microscopically as having come from the cutting edge of a wood chisel which was in the possession of a suspect and which had been used to force the cash box.

Two pieces of blood-stained cloth found at the scene of a case of housebreaking and robbery with violence were positively identified as having been torn from the lining of a gaberdine coat which was being worn by a suspect when intercepted at a port as he was about to leave the country.

In a "hit and run" accident a pattern found in dust on the panel of a motor car was identified as being made by a corduroy trousers worn by a deceased.

In the case of an air disaster off the west coast of Ireland members of the Technical Bureau attended at Galway where they photographed and fingerprinted the bodies of 34 victims.

(5) RADIO.

The V.H.F. radio equipment, aided by the "999" call system continued to give satisfactory service during the year.

19,999 "999" calls were received during the year resulting in the arrest of 643 offenders. The increased number of calls received on this service shows that the public are aware of the utility of the service.

Car patrols in the Dublin Metropolitan area and the area comprising the Dublin-Wicklow Division were responsible for making offenders amenable for the following types of offence:-

(a)	housebreaking	336
(b)	theft of motor vehicles	46
(c)	street disorders, assaults	328
(d)	other offences	1190
	TOTAL	1,900

With a view to improving our "999" call and radio control system, a thorough investigation has been conducted into its operation and a study is to be made of corresponding systems in Britain.

(6) CRIME PREVENTION ADVISORY SERVICE.

In order to reduce the incidence of crime in general and crime against property in particular, it has been decided to establish a Crime Prevention Advisory Service in Dublin, whose function it will be to advise the public at large and individuals in particular cases as to action they might take which would render crime, and especially crime against property, more difficult to commit.

(7) TRAINED POLICE DOGS.

Active consideration is being given to a proposal to introduce the use of trained police dogs and a study is being undertaken of the use of such dogs by police in other countries.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. COSTIGAN

COMMISSIONER.

PART IV.

TABLE OF APPENDICES.

STATISTICS OF CRIME AND OFFENCES - 1958.

- A (1) - Offences against the Person.
- A (2) - Offences against Property, with and without violence.
- A (3) - Other Indictable Offences.

Showing the number and nature of indictable offences which became known to the Garda; the number of offences in which proceedings were commenced; the number of offences in which proceedings were pending from the previous year; the result of the proceedings and the sex and age of persons convicted or against whom the charges were held proved and orders made without conviction.

In addition, in appendix A(3), information as to the value of property stolen and recovered is given.

- B. - Graph of Indictable Offences and Detections in years 1948 to 1958.
- C. - The number of Indictable Offences, by Groups, reported by each Garda Division and by the Garda Districts of the Cities of Cork, Galway, Limerick and Waterford, and the number and percentage of detections.
- D. - The number of persons proceeded against for non-indictable offences, the nature of the offences and the result of proceedings.
- E. - Graph of non-indictable offences - persons prosecuted, convicted and dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907.

1958

INDICTABLE OFFENCES WHICH BECAME KNOWN TO THE GARDA DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 1958

NATURE OF OFFENCES. (1)	Number of Offences Reported or Known (2)	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were		Information refused (4)	RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES										Still Pending in District Court. (16)	Crimes for which the perpetrators were detected but for which no proceedings are shown. (17)	Number (by Sex and Age Groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the Charge was held proved and Order made without Conviction.							
		Commenced (3a)	Shown Pending in Previous Return (3b)		Dealt with on Indictment and					Committed for Trial and still awaiting Trial (10)	Dealt with Summarily and						Under 14 Years (18)	14 to 17 Years (19)		17 to 21 Years (20)	Above 21 Years. (21)		TOTAL (22)	
					Convicted (5)	Acquitted (6)	Found Insane and Incapable of Pleading (7)	Nolle Prosequi entered (8)	Adjournd Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (9)		Convicted (11)	Dismissed (12)	Charge proved and order made without conviction (13)	Charge Withdrawn. (14)				Adjournd Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (15)	M. F.		M. F.	M. F.		M. F.
GROUP 1. - OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON.																								
(a) Murder (of Persons aged above one year) ..	4	2				1	1									1								
1.(b) Ditto (Of Infants aged one year and under).	2															1								
(c) Infanticide	4	4			1	1				1				1							1	2		
2. Attempt to Murder	3	3					3																	
3. Threats, Conspiracy, or Incitement to Murder ..	2	1								1														
(a) (Manslaughter (other than Traffic Fatalities)	2	2		2																				
4. (b) (Manslaughter (Traffic Fatalities)) ..	42	39	1	11	1	18				7	2		1								1	1		
5. Wounding and other Acts endangering Life (Felonies)	14	13			5	1				6						1		2		9	1	12		
6. Assault, Wounding and other life Offences (Misdemeanours) ..	253	246	4	2	6	1		1		2	177	12	38	1	2	8	2	3	12	41	1	216	5	278
7. Possession of Firearms with intent to endanger life	-																							
8. Endangering Railway Passengers. ..	2																1							
9. Intimidation and Molestation ..	2	1		1																				
10. Intimidation by Threatening Letters, Notices, etc.	23	6			1	3										2								
11. Cruelty to or Neglect of Children (on Indictment)	-																							
12. Abandoning Children under two years ..	2																							
13. Procuring Abortion	1	1								1														
14. Concealment of Birth	13	7			1					3		3								1	2	4	7	
15. Unnatural Offences and Attempts ..	39	33			1	2				1	17	1	11				2		5	4	18	27		
16. Rape	10	9			4	3				1	1						1			1	4	5		
17. Indecent Assaults on Females ..	79	58		1	1					36	3	9				8	4	3	7	9	26	45		
18. Defilement of Girls under 15 years ..	19	18	3	1	3	4				10		2				1	1		4	2	7	13		
19. Defilement of Girls between 15 and 17 years ..	38	30		2	4					1	10	1	1	1		1	4			6	14	20		
20. Incest	3	2			2												1				2	2		
21. Procurement	-																							
22. Abduction	-																							
23. Bigamy	1	1								1											1	1		
TOTAL (GROUP 1)	558	476	8	20	26	38	4	1		13	272	19	64	3	3	21	18	6	30	66	4	297	11	413

INDICTABLE OFFENCES WHICH BECAME KNOWN TO THE GARDA DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1958.

NATURE OF OFFENCES (1)	Number of Offences Reported or Known (2)	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were		RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES													Crimes for which the Perpetrators were detected but for which no proceedings are shown. (17)	Number (by Sex and Age groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the Charge was held proved and Order made without Conviction.								
		Commenced (3a)	Shown Pending in Previous Return (3b)	Information refused (4)	DEALT WITH ON INDICTMENT AND					DEALT WITH SUMMARILY AND					Still Pending in District Court. (16)	(18)		(19)		(20)		(21)		(22) TOTAL		
					Convicted (5)	Acquitted (6)	Found Insane and incapable of pleading (7)	Nolle Prosequi entered. (8)	Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (9)	Committed for Trial and still awaiting trial. (10)	Convicted (11)	Dismissed (12)	Charge proved and order made without conviction (13)	Charge Withdrawn (14)		Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (15)		M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.				
GROUP 11.—OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITH VIOLENCE.																										
24. Sacrilege	23	15	4	1						1	11		4		2	1		2		6	8					
25. Burglary	251	197	2	1	25	2		1			103	3	46		1	7	7	5	17	18	55	95				
26. Housebreaking (Dwelling Houses)	1142	824	31	3	31	1				4	322	19	386	3	8	78	80	136	12	225	3	131	2	139	7	655
27. Breaking into Shops, Warehouses, &c. ...	1902	1231	33	6	103	2		2	1	18	504	32	457	3	5	131	91	298	6	322	7	231	1	282	7	1154
28. Attempts to break into Houses, Shops Warehouses, &c	101	88			6						43	2	30			7	5	9	1	13	14	20				57
29. Entering with intent to commit Felony (Larceny Act, 1916. sec. 27).	9	6									3	1	1			1	1					2				3
30. Possession of Housebreaking Tools, &c. ...	11	11			1						6	1	2	1						1	2	7				10
31. Robbery with Arms	2	2			2															1	3					4
32. Robbery and Assaults with intent to Rob ...	59	41	2	3	14	1				3	20		2					2		1	17	39	1			60
33. Demand or Robbery of Arms ...	-																									
34. Assaulting Dwelling-houses (by firing shots into them or by use of Explosives).	1																									
35. Threatening to Publish or Publishing with intent to extort ...	6	5									4		1									3				3
36. Arson	55	33	3	3	2	1	1	1			6	3	9		4	6	6	8	1	9	3	5				26
37. Killing and Maiming Cattle ...	5	1									1									1						1
38. Malicious Use, Manufacture or Possession of Explosives	8	2	1		1	1		1									1					1				1
39. Other Malicious Injuries to Property ...	50	28	1		3	1				1	16	1	6			1	6	18		11	4	16	1			60
TOTAL (GROUP 11)	3645	2474	77	17	188	9	1	5	1	27	1039	62	944	7	18	233	198	476	20	602	10	422	3	578	16	2127
GROUP 111.—OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITHOUT VIOLENCE.																										
40. Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep ...	64	45	2	1		2				3	30	3	7			1		1			3	35				39
41. Larceny from the Person ...	308	123	2	1	5			1			45	15	54	1	2	1	3	28	2	16	4	8	3	19	25	105
42. Larceny in House to Value of £5. or with menaces	551	214	3	2	5						104	9	82		2	13	17	30	7	52	9	24	5	56	12	195
43. Larceny from Dwelling-houses by Employees ..	85	71									17	3	36		2	13	12			5	9	5	10	4	6	39
44. Larceny of Explosives	-																									
45. Larceny of Motor Vehicles ...	30	17	2	1	2	1				1	8		2	1		3				1	7	2				10
46. Larceny of Pedal Cycles ...	3524	512	3		11	1		1			236	34	213			19	49	52	4	106	4	91	3	113	3	376
47. Larceny from Unattended Vehicles ...	1452	407	9	2	10	1		1			174	27	174	2	3	22	51	111	1	119	2	68	2	100	4	407
48. Larceny from Shops and Stalls ...	1035	695	6	1	4	2		1			235	40	383	2	3	30	96	148	20	162	27	77	22	94	86	636
49. Other Larcenies (exceeding £50 in value) ...	100	51	4	2	5	3				2	13	2	10			18	2	4	1	2	1	3	1	27	2	41
50. Other Larcenies (not exceeding £50 in value)	4619	2143	60	12	11	4				6	880	102	1013	24	30	121	226	244	29	367	47	280	25	484	72	1568
51. Embezzlement	22	20	5								4	2	12			7				2	3	1	7			13
52. Obtaining Goods, &c. by false pretences ...	201	166	27		20				1	4	89	13	24	2	15	25	21	1	1	8	1	5	1	51	7	75
53. Frauds by Agents, Trustees, Directors, &c. ..	12	11	3		5	2				1	3		1			2	1			2	2	1	3	2		10
54. Other Frauds	28	27									12	2	12	1			1				2		6	1		9
55. Receiving Stolen Goods ...	190	184	6	1	1	7		5			67	24	80			5	5	18		27	1	16	2	42	20	126

INDICTABLE OFFENCES WHICH BECAME KNOWN TO THE GARDA DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1958,

NATURE OF OFFENCES. (1)	Number or Offences Reported or known (2)	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were		RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES													Crimes for which the Perpetrators were detected but for which no proceedings are shown (17)	Number (by Sex and Age Groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the Charge was held proved and Order made without Conviction.					TOTAL				
		Commenced (3a)	Shown Pending in Previous Return (3b)	Informations Refused. (4)	DEALT WITH ON INDICTMENT AND					DEALT WITH SUMMARILY AND					Still Pending in District Court (16)	(18)		(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)						
					Convicted (5)	Acquitted (6)	Found Insane and Incapable of Pleading (7)	Not Pleaded (8)	Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (9)	Committed for Trial and still awaiting Trial (10)	Convicted (11)	Dismissed (12)	Charge proved and order made without conviction (13)	Charge Withdrawn (14)								Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise disposed of. (15)		Under 14 Years (18)	14 to 17 Years. (19)	17 to 21 Years (20)	Above 21 Years (21)
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.																
GROUP IV.- OTHER OFFENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THE FOREGOING GROUPS.																											
56. Forgery and Uttering	101	85	2		1	1						39	1	30	1	2	12	3	4	7	1	12	3	21	10	58	
57. Offences under Coinage Acts. .. .	-																										
58. Treason Act, 1939 - Offences against .. .	-																										
59. Breaches of Offences against the State Act, 1939. .. .	-																										
60. Riot or Unlawful Assembly .. .	2	2										2									1		4		2	7	
61. Bribery, etc. .. .	-																										
62. Perjury .. .	2																										
63. Indecent Exposure (Public Indecency) .. .	2	2																				1				1	
64. Keeping a Disorderly House .. .	-																										
65. Attempting to Commit Suicide .. .	14	5				1						1		2		1		9						3	3		
66. Other Indictable Offences .. .	24	19	2		3	2						13	1	2				3	2	2		4		17	1	26	
TOTAL (GROUP IV.) ..	145	113	4		4	4						55	2	35	2	3	12	17	6	11	1	20	3	43	11	95	
FULL TOTAL ..	16,567	7749	221	60	297	74	5	15	2	57	3283	359	3146	45	81	546	717	1125	85	1532	116	1101	86	1961	278	6284.	

VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED.

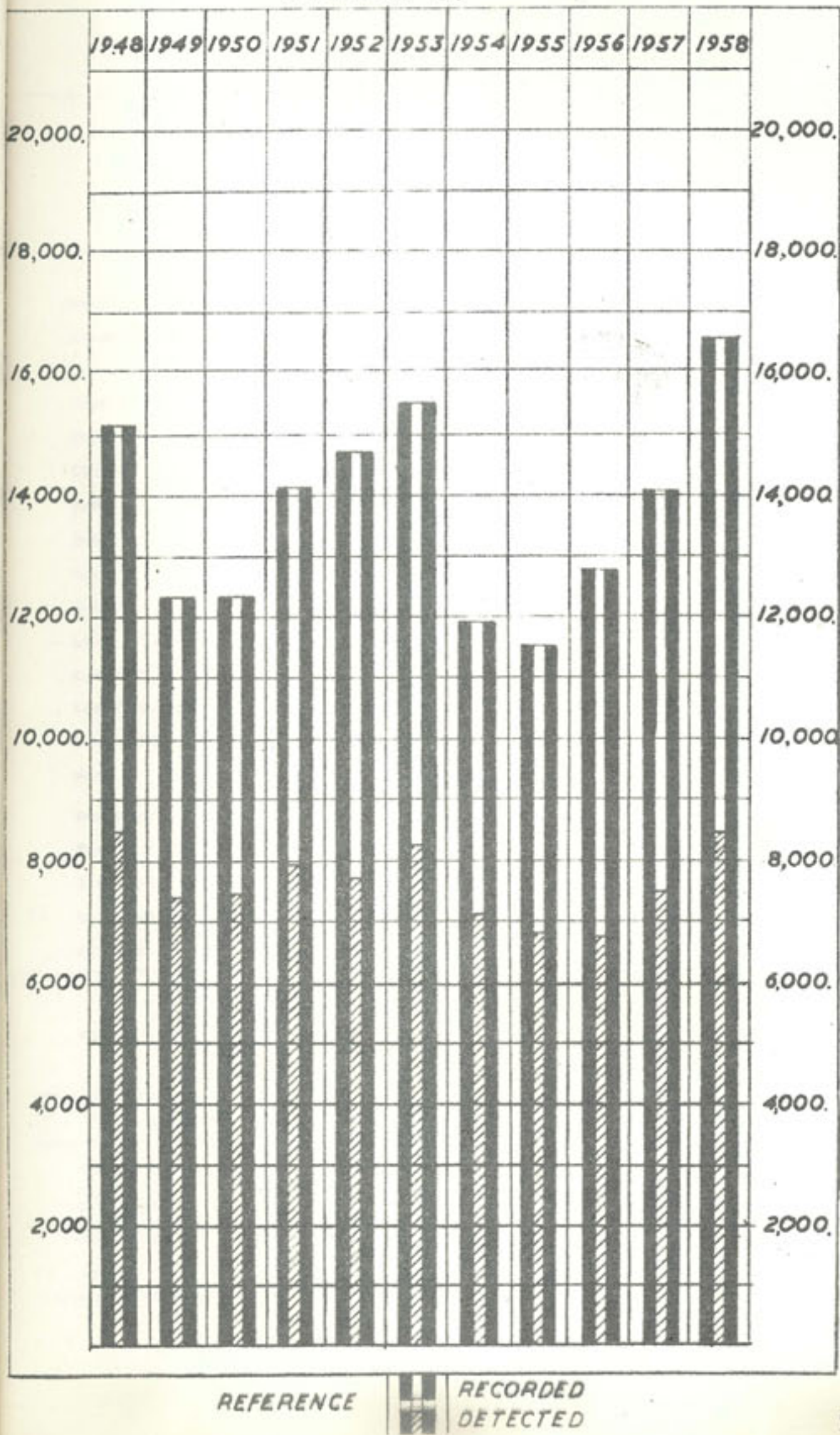
Table showing (1) for Offences against Property with violence, numbered 24 to 27 inclusive
(2) for Offences against Property without violence, numbered 40 to 50 inclusive.

The number of offences in which the value of the Property stolen was (a) less than £1; (b) £1 to £2; (c) £2 to £5; (d) £5 to £10; (e) £10 to £50; (f) £50 to £100; and (g) over £100, and the total value of property (a) stolen and (b) recovered, also the number of offences in which no property was stolen.

	Less than £1	£1 to £2	£2 to £5	£5 to £10	£10 to £50	£50 to £100	Over £100	Total Number of Cases	Total Value of Property Stolen.	Total Value of Property recovered	Number of Cases in which no Property was stolen.
Offences against property with Violence ..	558	347	491	399	798	172	157	2922	£ 71,488	£ 20,353	416
Offences against property without Violence ..	1826	1589	2845	2845	2324	201	101	11731	116,296	33,222	35

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

APPENDIX B.



INDICTABLE OFFENCES

APPENDIX C.

TABLE SHOWING BY GROUPS, IN RESPECT OF EACH GARDA DIVISION AND THE GARDA DISTRICTS OF THE CITIES OF CORK, LIMERICK, WATERFORD AND GALWAY, THE NUMBER OF INDICTABLE OFFENCES AND THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF DETECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1958.

DIVISION	(Group I.) Offences against the Person		(Group II) Offences against Property with Violence.		(Group III) Offences against Property without Violence.		(Group IV) Other Indictable Offences.		Total Indictable Offences	Number of Detections	Percentage of Detections	
	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected				
CARLOW/KILDARE	20	16	139	110	196	152	2	2	357	280	78%	
CAVAN/MONAGHAN	30	29	77	66	140	128	9	9	256	232	91%	
CLARE	4	4	40	36	76	69	1	1	121	110	91%	
CORK E. R.	46	37	306	256	494	415	15	15	861	723	84%	
CORK W. R.	13	12	37	25	121	116	4	4	175	157	90%	
DONEGAL	22	21	64	49	106	104	3	3	195	177	91%	
DUBLIN METROPOLITAN	120	90	1,591	1,047	8,535	2,076	48	37	10,294	3,250	32%	
DUBLIN/WICKLOW	83	79	429	327	505	379	13	12	1,030	797	77%	
GALWAY W. R.	19	17	64	46	135	113			218	176	81%	
KERRY	31	26	67	42	163	142	3	3	264	213	81%	
LEIX-OFFALY	15	15	58	51	126	111	5	5	204	182	89%	
LIMERICK	19	18	162	136	240	209	7	9	430	372	87%	
LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	14	14	100	85	173	130	4	4	291	233	80%	
LOUTH/MEATH	18	18	100	76	203	188	8	8	329	290	88%	
MAYO	20	19	33	27	80	77	4	3	137	126	92%	
ROSCOMMON/GALWAY E. R.	16	16	29	22	103	92	2	2	150	132	88%	
SLIGO/LEITRIM	10	10	32	22	78	71	3	3	123	106	86%	
TIPPERARY	25	22	102	83	199	183	4	3	330	291	88%	
WATERFORD/KILKENNY	17	16	162	131	415	304	2	2	596	453	76%	
WEXFORD	16	15	53	35	131	111	6	5	206	166	81%	
TOTALS:	WHOLE COUNTRY	559	494	3,645	2,672	12,219	5,170	145	130	16,567	8,466	51%
	EXCLUDING DUBLIN METROPOLITAN DIVISION	438	404	2,054	1,625	3,684	3,094	97	93	6,273	5,216	83%
DISTRICTS												
CORK	20	19	219	182	376	327	12	12	627	540	86%	
LIMERICK	7	7	123	106	173	149	7	7	310	269	87%	
WATERFORD	8	8	44	34	149	89	.	.	201	131	65%	
GALWAY	5	5	44	31	84	70	.	.	133	106	80%	

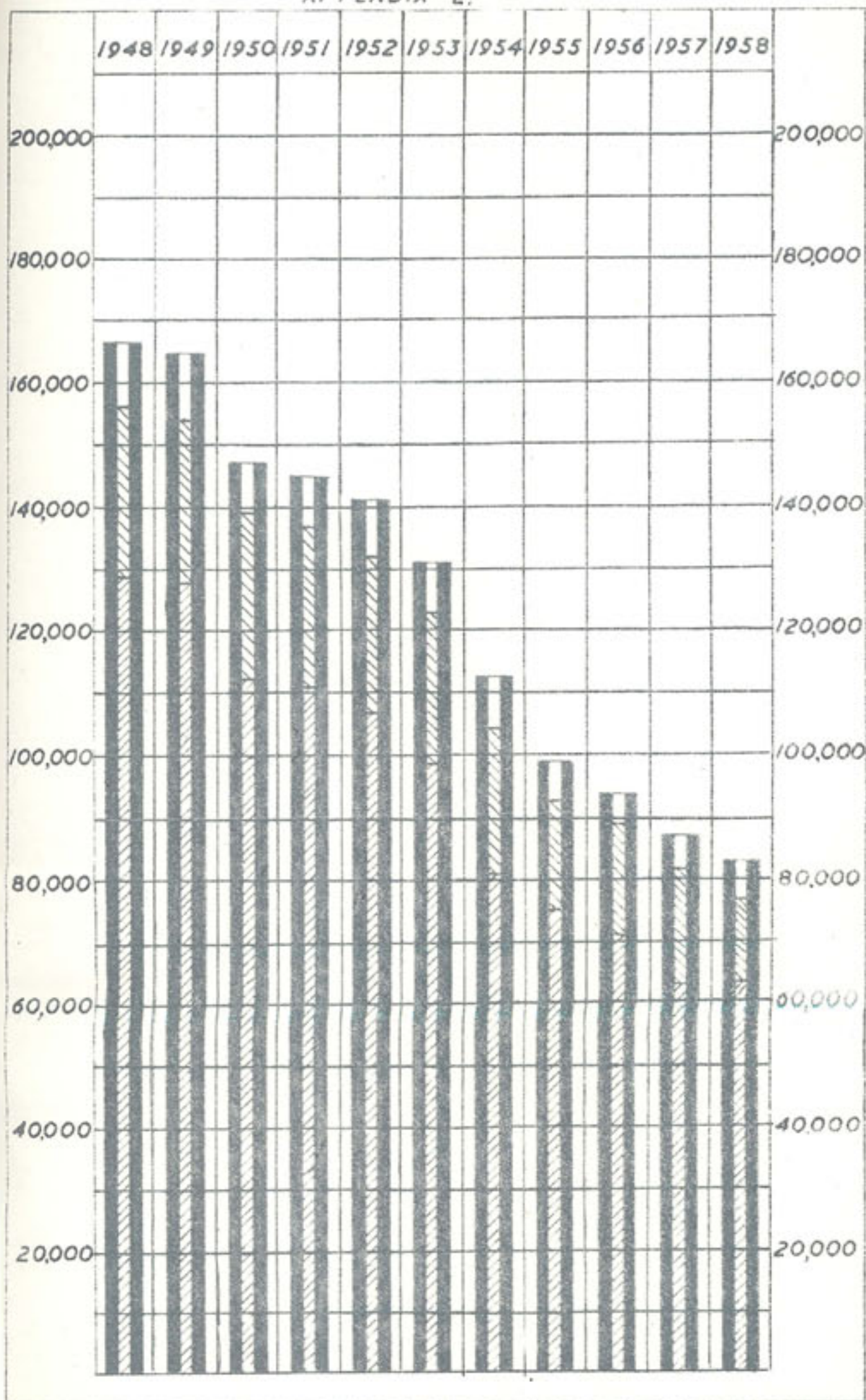
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NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES - PERSONS DEALT WITH SUMMARILY - PROCEEDINGS
AND RESULTS IN YEAR 1958.

OFFENCES (1)	No. of persons proceeded against (2)	Charge Withdrawn or dismissed (3)	Number Convicted (4)	Charge proved and Order made without Conviction (5)	Adjourned sine die or otherwise disposed of (6)
1. Adulteration of Food, Drugs, etc. ..	240	14	165	61	-
2. Assaults ..	1,233	208	817	186	22
3. Cruelty to Animals ..	153	22	99	29	3
4. Dogs, Offences in relation to Licensing of (Finance Act, 1925) ..	4,200	293	2,449	1,451	7
5. School Attendance Act, 1926, Offences against ..	3,307	272	2,285	720	30
6. Highway Acts, Offences against:-					
(a) Lighting Regulations - Pedal Cycles ..	12,764	492	10,610	1,608	54
(b) " " M.P.V. ..	6,470	176	5,349	937	8
(c) " " Horse Drawn Vehicles ..	352	4	317	31	-
(d) Licences - Driving and Excise ..	9,913	573	6,639	1,692	9
(e) Obstruction ..	3,537	200	2,730	603	4
(f) General Bye-Laws for Control of Traffic, 1937-56 ..	2,391	219	1,562	576	14
(g) Local Bye-Laws (R.T. Act, 1933) ..	3,603	203	2,385	1,011	4
(h) Dangerous and Careless Driving ..	2,967	663	2,007	289	8
(i) Compulsory Insurance (R.T. Act 1933)	2,046	325	1,379	333	9
(j) Wandering Animals ...	787	26	676	74	11
(k) Driving or Attempting to drive while drunk	349	102	235	9	3
(l) Other Road Offences ..	4,748	348	3,897	789	14
(m) Road Transport Acts ..	776	195	429	150	2
7. Intoxicating Liquor Laws, Offences against:					
(a) Illegally on Licensed Premises during closing hours ..	9,190	269	6,518	395	8
(b) Drunkenness, Simple ..	1,622	41	1,309	267	5
(c) Drunkenness with aggravation ..	1,458	64	1,217	166	11
(d) Offences by Licensed Persons (or their Servants) against closing regulations ..	1,581	66	1,500	12	3
(e) Other Offences by Licensed Persons (or their Servants) ..	84	10	74	-	-
(f) Other Offences against Intoxicating Liquor Laws ..	412	56	335	20	1
(g) Offences in connection with Registered Clubs ..	36	-	33	3	-
8. Labour Laws, offences against ..	50	7	12	31	-
9. Malicious Damage to Animals, Fences etc.	1,019	155	665	188	11
10. Noxious Weeds Act, 1936 - Offences against	50	2	43	5	-
11. Police Regulations, Offences Against:-					
(a) Dublin Metropolitan Police Acts ..	2,384	264	1,237	777	106
(b) Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851	588	27	396	145	-
12. Revenue Laws, Offences against ..	665	43	460	161	1
13. Stealing, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property (not the subject of larceny at Common Law) ..	188	16	104	60	8
14. Street Trading Act, 1926 - Offences against	660	38	290	323	9
15. Unlawful possession ..	400	94	210	94	2
16. Vagrancy Acts - Offences against:-					
(a) Begging ..	399	28	290	75	6
(b) Other Offences ..	181	27	93	59	2
17. Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1926 - Offences against ..	378	5	328	45	-
18. Other Offences ..	2,715	307	1,783	578	47
TOTAL	82,676	5,854	62,647	13,953	422

NON INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

APPENDIX E.



REFERENCE



PERSONS PROSECUTED
CHARGE PROVED WITHOUT
CONVICTIONS