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From

> J. E. DOWN, Esquire,
> Inspector-General of Police, Bombay Presidency, Poona ;

To

> C. I. A. HiLL, Esquire, C.I. E., I. C.S., Acting Secretary to Govcrnment, Judicial Department, Bumbay. Office of the Inspector-General of Police, Poona, oth July 1904.

I have the honour to submit the Annual Police Administration Report for the Bombay Presidency, including Sind and Railways, for the year 1903, together with statements noted below:-

> Statement A, Parts I to IV.
> Statement B, Parts I and II.
> Statements C, D, E, F.
2. The report of the Commissioner in Sind was received in this office about a month later than the prescribed date (1ibth May), thereby delaying the submission of this report to Government.
3. I was in charge of the office of the Inspector-General of Polico throughout the year. The posts of the Assistant Inspectors-General of Polico, Administrative and Criminal Investigation Branches, were held rospectively by -

Sir E. Cox from 1st January io 6th Maroh. Mr. II. . Administrativ e
Brewin from 7th Narch to 10 th March. Mr. C. A. B. $\}^{\text {Administr }}$ Branch.
Beatty from 11th to end of year.
Mr. H. Brewin from 1st January to 21st May. Mr. F. $\}$ Criminal Investi-
A. Vincent from 22nd May to end of year. $\}$ gation Branch.
4. The Officers who held charge of the Districts and Railways in the Presidency during the year are shown in a statement attached to this report as an appendix.

## Ctime.

5. Crime, both cognizable and non-cognizable, amounted to $1,20,440$ offencers as against $13:, 980$ in the previous year, giving a net decrease of $15,5 \cdot 10$. This decrease is contributed by all the Divisions and Railways. The largest decreaso occurs in the Central Division, where the figures have fallen from 47,201 in 1902 to 35,594 in 1903. In Sind crime has remained almost stationary, 25,050 cases being reported in 1903 against 25,214 in 100\%.

## Statement A, Part I.

6. Of the total number of 120,440 offences, $\mathbf{0 , 9 3 8}$ were cognizable offonces, reported to Magistrates or taken up by them, giving a decrease of 425 cases over the preceding jear. This decrease is noticed in the Central Division, Sind and on Hailways, while the Southern Division shows an increase of 443 cases, the Northern Division remaining almost staticnary. 832 cases were referred to tho Police for investigation as compared with 953 in the preceding year, 111 ending in conviction. Of tho 832 cases, 378 were referred to the Police in the Southera Division, only 22 ending in conviction. In convection with this poor result the Commissioner, Southern Division, remarks that had the Magistrates in the first instance examined the complainants more carefully before referring the cascs to the Police, much
raluable time would have been saved. The Commissioner is asking the District Magistrates to enjoin more caro on the parts of Subordinate Magistrates in this matter. Tho total number of cases coming before courts for trial was 8,473 as against 8,798 in tho provious year, 3,676 ending in conviction. The percentage of cases convicted to cascs tried was 53 as against 55 in 1902.

## Statement A, Part III.

7. The total number of cognizable offences reported to the Police or taken up by them was under "all classes" 34,730 as compared with 38,634 in the previous year and is composed
Tulice cornnizable cases of 27,004 cases under Indian Penal Code and 7,666 under Class VI, as compared with 31,$1 ; 0$ and 7,401 respectively in the previous year. The decrease under "all classes" is general but is most marked in the Central Division, where the number las fallon from 12,417 to 10,306 in the year under report. Under Indian l'enal Collo alone, the decrease occurs in all three Divisions, particularly in the Central Division and on Railmays, while in Sind, there is an increase of 103 cascs. In the Northern Division crime has decreased from 4,958 to 4,005 under Indian Penal Code, in the Central Division from 10,535 cases to 8,348, in the Southern Division from 4,500 to 4,155, and on Railways from 2,830 to 2,106. In all threo Divisions the decrease is ascribed generally to a good season and the better application of effective preventive measures, also in the Central Division to a certain estent to the capture and dispersion of dacoit gangs in Khándesh which had given much trouble in previous years. The increase in Sind has been ascribed largely to the improved registration of cases of cattle theft, many of which aro excluded, the increasing area of the Thar and Párkar District and the failuro of crops in Upper Sind Frontier.

Under Class VI, the number of offences reported in the Presidency show an increase of 202 cases though there are considerable fluctuations in the figures in the Divisions. In the Northern Division, cases under Class VI have increased from 2,107 to 2,485, in the Central Division from 1,882 to 1,958, and on llailmays from 800 to 1,121 . The increase in the Northern Division is explained to be duo to no less than 523 persons being successfully proceeded against during the year under report, under Regulations XII of 1827. On Railways tho increase oocurs chiefly in offences under Opium and A'bkari Acts, which on the G. I. P. Railway is ascribed to cases under these Acts during the yoar having heen handed orcr to the Railway Police for prosecution instead of being dealt with by the Special $\Lambda^{\prime} \mathrm{bk}:$ ri and Op ium Police themselves as in the previous yoar. The result being that such cases appeared in the Railray returns, causing an increase under this class.
8. Including ponding cases of the previous year complaints for disposal Police cnges for diaposal. totalled 37,080 as compared with 42,051 in the pre. ceding year. All but 181 were investigated. In only 12 cascs as against 33 in the previous year, was Polico action ordered by Magistrates after the P'olice had refused to investigate. Out of $\mathbf{3 7 , 9 8 0}$ cases for disposal, 30,203 are Indian Penal Code cases and 7,777 fall under Class VI, as compared with 31,453 and 7,562 respectively last year. Of the 30,203 cases, sind accounts for the largest number, vis. 0,573, and Central Division 9,260 . In tho Northorn Division, Southern Division, and on Railways, the number is $4,114,4,057$ and 2,299 respectirely. Under Class VI, the largest number of cases, eiz. 2,002, occurred in the Northern Division, while in Central Division, Southern Division, in Sind and on Railways, the numbers are 1,973, 1,037, 1,132 and 1,133 respcetively.
0. Cascs struck off during the year under report number 13,145 as comTolice onses struck off. pared with 13,494 last yoar; of these 12,255 are under Tolice onses struck off. Indian Penal Code and 890 under Class VI. The Central Division and Sind show the largest number, viz. 4,322 and 4,258 respectively. Tho Northern Division accounts for. 1,814 cases and Southern Division 2,253 . Railsays contribute only 498 cases. Comparod with the previous year, the above figures show a decrease, the largest decrease being 408 cases in the Central Division. On this subject, the Commissioner, Central Division, observes that the correct classification of cases is a matter of which the importance is
fully recognized and to which a good deal of special attention has beon directed during the year. In Sind, there is an increase of 325 in tho number of "struck off" cases, which the Commissioner in Sind oxplains is due to moro careful registration of reported cases of theft of cattle, a large number of which is subsequently found to be no thefts at all, and also to the growing tendency on the part of the people to refer civil disputes to the Police by introducing some fictitious criminal element in them. Nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ of the cases struck off as falso in the whole Presidency were so classed after trial. In 97 as compared with 95 per cent. in the previous year of cases which the Police reported to be false, mistaken, or non-cognizable, the Magistrates acoepted thcir opinions and classified them accordingly. Out of 265 cases of which the Maristrates not satisfied with the Police reports ordered a trial, 109 ended in aequittal or discharge of the accused. These figures appear to indicate greater care on the part of the Police in submitting final reports to the Magistrates.
10. Maliciously false cases amount to 891 as compared with 050 in the preceding year, the largest number being in Sind, ciz. 403, as against 369 in the provious year, and the lowest
ommissioner in Sind drawing attention to this unsatis-
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factory feature observes that more attention must be given in futuro to these cases by Superior Magistrates in classifying as maliciously false and in examining records to see whether sanction has been properly given or refused and whether the accused when acquitted has properly escapod conviction. In the Central Division, the number of maliciously false cases has decreased from 287 to 195 and the Commissioner thinks there is room for better attention on the part of the Police in some Districts. In 338 cases as against 391 in the provious year, sanction was accorded to prosecute those who had made false complaints, in 150 by Magistrates and 188 by Superintendents of Police as against 110 and 275 respectively in the previous year. In 290 cases, prosccutions were undertaken but convictions were obtained in 83 cases only.
11. The average ratio of false cases to Police cognizable cascs for disposal for the whole Presidency has further risen

> Proportion of real and false cases to cases for disposal. from 32 per cent. to 34 per cent. in tho year under review.
12. The number of cases in which this section was made use of has slightly increased from 122 to 137 during the yoar
under report. Compared with the previous year more use of this section was made in Sind and in the Northern Division. The Central Division and South-
Application of section 250 of the Criminal Procedare Code. Code.
ern Division show a falling off. The Commissioner, Southern Division, observes that the results are very unsatisfactory and has called for special reports from District Magistrates as to the failure to make more frequent use of this section. In Sind the soction was made use of in 87, but the Commissioner writes that a good deal more use might be made of it.
13. Eliminating cases "struck off," the total amount of real crime for Theal cases for disposal. disposal under "all classes" amounted to 24,835 cases as against 28,557 in tho previous year, 17,943 being under lndian Penal Code and 0,887 under Class VI as compared with 21,853 and 6,704 in the preceding year. These figures give a total decreaso of 3,722 cases in the jear under report. This decreaso is spread over all the Divisions, Sind and Railrays, but is particularly noticeable in the Central Division, where there was a fall of 2,114 cases. Dealing, with Indian Penal Code cases alone, Sind accounts for 5,566 and Central Division 5,182. In the Northern Division, Southern Division and on lailways, the number was 2,753, 2,578 and 1, eci respectively. Theso figures compared with those in the previous ycar show a considerable falling of which is most marked in the Central Division amounting to 2,154 cases. In Sind, there is a small increase of 235 cases over the previous year. Under Class VI, the number of cases has risen in the Northern and Central Divisions and on Railways from 2,0.24, 1,659 and 205 to $2,344,1,729$ and 1,070 respectively in the gear under report; while the Southern Division and Sind show a decrease from $1,0+2$ and 1,141 cases in 1902 to 863 and 831 respectively in 1903. Referring to classes, the variations are remarkable under Class Ill,

Which relates to scrious offences against persons and property, the number of real cases for disposal lias dropped from 7,340 in 1902 to 6,056 in 1903. Under Class $V$ thero is a noticeable decrease of 2,520 cases. A material and satisfactory decrease in serious crimes has taken place during the year under report, especially in dacoitics which fell from 663 to 249 during the year under report. This falling off is most marked in the Central Divisicn. Cases of house breaking and thefts have decreased from $5,62 y$ to 5,034 , the fall in the Central Division alone being from 2,131 to 1,649 cases. Sind on the other hand shows an increase under this head from 1,379 to 1,592 cascs. Thefts have fallen from 11,035 to 8,827 cases. The decrease being found in the three divisions and on Railmays whilo Sind shows an increase from 2,028 to 3,061 . The Commissioner in Sind considers the increase of crime in that Province must be regarded as unsatisfactory, more especially as it is accompanied with a diminution in the percentages of detection. Thefts on Railways have further decroased from 2,575 in 1901 and 2,200 in 1002 to 1,546 cases during the year under report. This number includes 320 cases of theft from running trains as compared with 792 in the previous year. This material improvement is chiefly noticoable on the Rájputána-Málwa Railway, and is the more satisfactory inasmuch as in the year 1902, the number of such casos had decreased from 1,103 in the preceding year. Cases of receiving stolen property havo decroased from 096 to 562.
14. In all 17,384 cases were disposed of by trial of which 13,673 ended in Cases docidod by trial. conviction, giring a percentage of 78.65 as compared with 80.50 in the previous year. This falling off is also noticcable in Indian Penal Code and Class VI cases. The largest measure of success under "all classes" ( $91-69$ ) was achieved on Railways. Under Indian l'enal Code, the pereentage of cascs ending in conviction to cases disposed of by trial varies from 68 in Southern Division to 87 on Railways, the average for the entire Presidency being 73 as compared with 77 in the previous year. Under Class VI, the average percentage for the whole Presidency has fallen from 87 to 86 .
15. Dealing with moro important heads of crime, it may be observed that out of 341 cases under murder and cognate offences for disposal, 326 were brought to trial and convictions were obtained in 60 per cent. as against 56 in the provious year. The highest percentage 66 was obtainod in Sind and the lowest, ciz. 50, on Railways. The percentage in the Northern Division has improved from 47 to 67 , while there is a falling off from 62 per cent. to 53 in the Southern Division. Under dacoity, there were 240 real cases for disposal in the whole l'residoncy, of those only 153 were brought to trial and 88 ended in conviction, the perecntage of convictions being 57 as against 77 in the previous year. For this remarkable falling off, the Central Division and Sind are responsille where the percentages of convictions have gone down from 86 and 75 to 57 and 50 respectively. Under robberies the average percentage of convictions to cases tried in the whole Presidency has fallen from 73 to 55 . This falling off is gencral, but is most marked in Sind. Altogether there were 395 real cases of robbery for disposal and of this number, $2 \geqslant 0$ were in the Central Dirision, of which 77 were brought to trial and 45 ended in conviction, giving a percentage of $5 \checkmark$ as against 76 in tho provious year. Under burglaries there were altogether 5,034 real cases for disposal ; of this number, 1,4:6 were brought to trial and 1,137 ended in conviction, giving a percentage of 77 as against 81 in the previous year. Under thefts and receiving stolen property, the average percentago of convictions stands at 80 and 70 as against 82 and 74 respectively in the previous jear.

Action of the Polioe in dealing with oflences under Sult, A'bkíri, Customs und Opium laws.
16. The total number of offences dealt with by tho Police under theso special laws hare increased from $3,0 S 9$ to 3,273 . Out of 1,077 cases sent for trial, 974 ended in conviction.
17. There is a remarkable falling off in the results of cases tried in Sessions Sessions caser Courts. During the year under report, altogether 657 cases wre tricd as against SOL in the previous jear, convictions being obtained in 157 cascs, giving a percentage of 69 as compared with 77 in the preceding year. The highest percentage, viz. $\mathbf{i} \mathrm{G}$, was obtained in
the Northern Division, which shows a further improvement of 0 per cent. The falling off in the average percentage for the whole Presidency is due to the decrease in the percentage in the Central Division from 81 to 67 and on Railways from 90 to 68.
18. With the general decrease in crime the number of eases pendiug at Pending Police casess the close of the yoar under report has fallen to 4,325 as comparod with 4,487 in the previous year; of thes 4,32S cases, 1,660 were under investigation by the Police and 2,668 under disposal by Magistrates ( 1,451 under trial and 1,217 awaiting final orders on final reports of the Police). The largest number of pending casos, vi.. 1,7 20 , is in Sind. The Commissioner in Sind observes that the recent appointment of Resident Magistrates at the important Divisional Head Quarters will, it is hoped, result in a reduction of the number of pending cascs.
19. The total number of undetected Police casos has decreased from 8,030 in 1902 to 7,088 in the year under report. Of this Undetected Police cases. in 1902 to 7,088 in the year under report. Of this
nder Class VI, as compared with 7,966 and 64 rerspectively in tho previous under Class VI, as compared with 7,966 and 64 respectively in tho previous year. The percentage of undetected cases to those for disposal works out to $18 \cdot 06$ as against $19 \cdot 09$ in the preceding year. The percentage of undetected cases on Railways, viz. 30, though still high shows an improvement of 9 per cent. over the previous year. The percentage in the Central Division and Sind is 20 , in the Northern Division it is 10 and in Southern Division 14.
20. A further drop has taken place in the number of non-cognizallo offences, $v i z$., from 80,950 in 1002 to 75,772 in tho year under report. This fall is chicfly noticeable in the Central Division which shows a decrease of 9,142 cascs. 465 cascs were referred to the Police for investigation. The total number for disposal was $1,00,681$ as against $1,14,108$ in the previous year. Of these 33,211 , were tricd, 23,537 resulting in conviction, giving a percentage of 70 as against 60 in the previous year.

## Persons.

21. The total number of persons appearing before the courts in conncetion with all crimes, cognizable and non-cognizable, was 193,767 as compared with $21 \&, 081$ in the previous year. The ratio of convictions to persons tried stool at 58 as against 59 in the previous year.
22. With the decrease in the number of direct cascs there has been a Persons concerned in corresponding fall in the number of persons to be dealt cognizable cases reported to with. The total number of persons concerned in Magistrates or taken ap by these cases was 19,751 as compared with 21,157 in them direct.
23. The decrease is general oxcept in the Southern Division, where the number of persons dealt with increased from 4,380 to 4,983 in the year under report. The number of persons tried in the whole Presidency was 16,043, of whom 6,256 were convicted, the percentage being 30 as compared with 41 in the preceding year. In the Northern and Contral Divisions and on Railways these percentages have improved from 40,52 and 85 to 42,51 and 93 respectively in 1903 , while on the other hand, there is a falling off from 47 to 39 in the Southern Division and from 24 to 17 in Sind. With referenco to the deplorable low percentage in Sind, the Commissioner remarks that the attention' of the District Magistrates is being drawn to the matter.
24. With less crime the total number of persons arrested by the Police Persons in Police cases. suo motu during the year under report has droppred from 33,266 to 27,280 in 1903. The deereaso is gencral, but is most marked in tho Central Division, where the number of arrests have fallen from 10,704 to 7,721. In the Northern Division, the number fell from 7,930 to $0,0 C 3$ and in the Southern Division and Sind from $\overline{0}, 174$ and 7,076 to $4,615 \mathrm{~J}$ and 6,644 respectirely in 1903. On Railways the number of arrests was 2,207 as against 2,382 last year. 523 persons wero arrested by order of Magistrates after the investigation Lad been refused by the Police or tho Police had reported the charge to be false as against 881 in the Irevious year. в402-2

The number of persons released without being brought to trial was 510 as a gainst 612 last year, giving a porcentage of 1.86 as against 1.92 in the preceding year. Tho total number of persons for disposal was 32,052 as compared with 30,002 in the preceding ycar. The decrease is general and chiefly noticeable in the Central Division, where the number dropped from 13,180 in 1902 to 0,227 in 1003. Nltogether 27,456 persons were tried during the year under renort, of whom 18,955 were convicted, giving a percentage of 69.03 as against $71^{\circ} 21$ in the previous year. This falling off is due to the reduced percentage of convictions in the Central Division, Southern Division and in Sind. In the Northern Division, and on Railways, the percentage has improved from 75 and 84 to 77 and 88 respectively. Under Indian Penal Code, the proportion of conviction works out to $62 \cdot 32$ and under Class VI to $84 \cdot 44$ as against 66.75 and $85 \cdot 24$ respectirely last year. The percentages under "all classes" and Indian Penal Code vary from 60 and 56 respectively in the Southern Division to 88 and 81 on lailmays. Under Class VI the highest percentage was 94 on Hailways, followed by 91 in the Northern Division, the lowest being 63 in Sind.

Tho total number of persons tried for murders and cognate offences during tho year under report was 687 as against 666 in the previous year. Of these, 331 wero convictod, giving a percentage of 48 as compared with 44 last year. Number of porsons tried for dacoities was 815 as against 2,161 last year, but the results show a marked falling off, the percentage of convictions having dropped from 64 in 1002 to 52 in 1003 . This is due to a large fall in the percentago (from 71 to 55) in the Central Division. In the Southern Division and Sind, the percentages lave improved from 42 and 32 to 54 and 38 respectively. Similarly there is a falling off under robberies. With fewer persons to deal with, ciz. 665 in 1902 and 415 in 1903, the percentage of conviction has fallen from 64 to nearly 48 , the falling off having been contributed by all the three Divisions and Sind. On Railways, no one was tried for dacoity, but all four tried for robberies wero convioted. Under burglaries also, there is a falling off in the percontage of convictions. This falling off is noticeable in all the three Divisions and in Sind. On Railways, the percentage of conviction has slightly improved from 70 to 72 . Under thefts, the number of persons tried in the whole Presidency decreased from 11,458 to 8,227 and the percentage of convictions foll from 74 to 72. Again, Railmays show an improvement, the percentage of convictions rising from 82 to 84, while the percentage in Sind has remainod almost stationary at $7 \mathcal{\varepsilon}$. Altogether 997 persons were tried for receiving stolon property, of whom 67 per cent. wore convicted as against 71 in the provious year.

In tho Presidency Proper and on Railways, altogether 1,247 persons

Persons ooncerved in Sessiona casca were tried in the Sessions Court, 61 per cent. being convicted as compared with 69 per cent. for the provious year.

## Statement B, Part II.

24. There is a decrease in the total number of persons who appeared before

Persons in mon-cognizable case's, courts in non-cognizable cases from 151,922 in 1902 to 141,964 in 1903. The decrease is chiefly due to the Central Division, where the number of persons appearing before courts has fallen from 5,117 to 4,120 in the year under report. In the Northern Division, the number has rison from 56,437 to 59,784 and in Sind from $\grave{2} 3,660$ to 23,942 . The number of persons tried was 48,290 as against 50,059 in 1002, giving a percentage of 58 as against 57 in the previous year. The number of persons disoharged after appearance without trial increased from 9,256 to 12,20 G $_{\text {. The number of persons remaining under trial at the close of }}$ 1903 is 25,511 as compared with 21,187 in the previous year.

## Statement C.

25. The total value of the property stolen in cosnizable cases amounted

Preperty stolen and recovered. to Rs. $10,78,300$ as against Rs. $18,64,145$ in the previous year, giring a net decrease of Rs. 1,85,755. This decreaso is noticcable in the Northerm Division, Southern Division, Sind and on lailways, while in the Central Division there
has been an increase from Rs. 8,66,703 to Rs. 8,95,208. Total recoverics in the whole Presidency amounted to Rss $6,04,3+3$. The percentage of recoveries for the whole Preaidency works out to 86, showing an improvement of about 3 per cent. on the results of last year. This improvement takee place in the Northern, Central and Southern Divisions and on Railwaye, particularly in the Central Division where the percentage has risen from 29 to 41 in the year under report. In Sind, the pergentage of recoveries has decreased from 38 to 36. The amount of property stolen in connection with non-cognizable orime docreasel from Rs, 60,912 in 1902 to Rs. 14,717 in 1903, reooveries amounting to Rs, 4,933 giving a peroentage of $\mathbf{3 3} \cdot 51$ as against nearly 49 in the previous year.

## Statement D.

26. No cases are returned for Northern and Central Divisions and for Sind.

Professional orime. In Bijapur, in the Southern Division, 10 dacoitios, 2 robberies, 2 cases of cattle thefts, and 4 casea of heft committed in passenger trains on G. I. P. Railway by Bhamptas have seen entered under this head. As remarked last year, I am inolined to doubt ihe accuraoy of this statement. There were eeveral oases of cattle lifting in Sind and dacoities in Khándesh, Násik, Belgaum and Dhárwár, which are committed by criminal classes suoh as Kaikadis, Korohas, Mangs. These should, in my opinion, have been entered in this statement.

> Statement $E$.
> 27. The total strength of the Police Foroe for the whole Presidenoy remains practically unchanged at 22,306 notwithstand.
> Strength of Police. - ing certain changes in the Central Division, Sind and on Railways. In the Central Division, the appointment of a Court Proseoutor was sanotioned for Násik, and some temporary Polioe previously employed were permanently added to the foroe of the Poona District during the year. In Sind, additional Police were sanctioned for Hyderabad and Thar and Parkar. On Railways, a force of 1 Chief Constable, 10 Head Constables and 86 Constables was transferred to Punjab owing to the transfer of the Bhatinda-Ferozpur Section and the Kctkapura-Fazilka Branch to the North-Western Railway, dide Government Resolution No. 1525, dated 1st March 1902, Judicial Department.

Additional temporary Police for plague duties were entertained in the Central Division, Southern Division, Sind and on Railways. In the Southern Division, an additional force of 1 Head Constable and 3 Constables was impos ed from November 1903 on the village of Hadargeri in the Dharwar District. In Sind a Speoial Police Force was sanctioned for the riverain foresta as a tentative measure.

## Distribation of the Forec. 28, Statement E speaks for itself.

29. The total expenditure has decreased from Rs, 46,75,436 to Res. Cost of the Police. 43,75,408 in the year under report, showing a net deorease of Re, 3,00,028. The Commissioners, Northern and Southern Divisions, have furnished no explanation reganding this decrease but the Commissioner, Central Division, and the Commissioner in Sind explain it as being probably due to a certain extent to the pay for December 1902 having been disbursed in that month, instead of in the following month, i.e., January 1903, owing to the closing of treasury during the Coronation Darbár.
30. The proportion of total reported crime to the Polise employed on prevention and detection of orime in the entire Fresidenoy is 1 Yoliceman to $2 \cdot 97$ crimes during the year under review, as against 3.2 in the previous year. Similar proportion in the Northern Division, Central Similar proportion in the Northern Division, Central
Division and Southern Division is $2 \cdot 38,8 \cdot 23$ and 8.06

Proportion of reported oognixable crime to Police ongaged in prevention and deteotion of crime. respectively, which is almost the same as last year. In Sind the proportion is 4.09 as against 4.27 in the year before On Railways it is $1 \cdot 64$, The average proportion of true crime (Police cases only) for the whole Presidency comes to 1 Policeman to 1.65 crimes as against 1.89 in the previous year.
31. Tho proportion of true Police cognizable crime for disposal to popu-

Proportion of trac crimo to pipulation. lation for the whole Prosidency was 1 crime to 714 tion in the Central Division has decroased from 1 to C5S to 1 to 810 and in the Southern Division from 1 to 1,285 to 1 to 1,772 , and in Sind from 1 to 495 to 1 to 520 .
32. The total number of punishments inflicted $(3,300)$ exceeds that of the provious year by 37. There is a rise of 191 punish-
Panishmonts. ments in the Northern Division and a decrease of 143 in Sind. In the Central Division punishments decreased from 896 to 83.3, In the Southern Division, the number was stationary at 466. On Railways, the total number of punishments roso from 449 to 554 in the year under report.
33. Rewards by promotion decreased from 166 in 1902 to 127 in 1903, Rowards. the decrease being chiefly noticeable in the Central Division where the number fell from 63 to 38.

780 money rewards were granted in the Presidency proper, including Railways, as asainst. 616 in the previous year. The largest number of rewards (48I) was oltained in the Northern Division as against 327 in the previous year. In the Contral Division, the numbor incroased from 61 to 97 and in the Southern Division, fell from 151 to 136. 2,420 Good Service Tickets were granted as against $2,07.4$ in the provious year. In Sind the number of money rewards including Good Sorvice Tickets was 755 as against 593 in 1902. Three men were rewarded with swords for special bravery in arresting and disarming a sowar who ran amock in the city of Ilyderabad.
31. Thero is again a slight improvement in the education of the force as Education. compared with last year. 3,318 officers and 8,269 men can read and write as against 3,302 officers and 7,905 men in 1002, giving a percentage of 53 as compared with 51 last year.

Tho proportion of educatod officors in the threo divisions of the Prosidency proper is about the same as last year, while that of educated men is somewhat lower. The percentage of oducated officors and men in Sind is about the same as last year. The figures for the whole Presidency give a percentage to the sanctioned strength of 71 educated officers and 48 educated men as compared with 71 and 40 in the preceding year.
35. The percontage of siokness for the Northern Division varied from 19 Uealth. in Kaira to 67.33 in Surat. In the Central Division the average for the Division increased from 37.31 to 49.40. But the figures for Sátára and Sholápur are very high, viz., $7 \% 22$ and $73 \cdot 10$ respectively, as against $10 \cdot 65$ and 63.44 in 1902. In Sátára the principal ailment was fevcr, but no explanation has boen given for its extraordinary prevalonce, and a full report has been called for by the Commissioner, Central Division. The extraordinarily high percentage in Sholápur appears greatly due to the unhealthy position of the head-quarter linos. The Commissioner, Central Division, remarks that the onquiries which were instituted last year into the sanitary condition of the Sholapur Police are still in progress. In the Southern Division, tho percentages vary from $26^{\circ} 13$ in Bijápur to 87.05 in Kánara, the averago for the Division boing 5202 as against 45.7 in the provious year. In sind and on Railways, the avcrage percontages have slightly decreased from $42 \cdot 65$ and $55 \cdot 58$ to $41 \cdot 17$ and $53 \cdot 26$ in 1903. Casualties show 2.05 as against $2 \cdot 5$ last jear. 218 policemen died of plague in the Presidency proper including lailways.
30. During the year under roport all the districts and Railmays, except

Aruament. Rájputína-Mialra Railmay, were supplied with Martini $H$ Honri arms in connection with the exchange of arms ordered in Government Resolutions Nos. 7358 and 1257, dated respectively 21 th November 1002 and th March 1903, Judicial Department. The proposal to substituto Martini Henri carbincs cavalry for revolvers for the Mounted lolice referred to in last year's report is still before Government. With a view to improte the shootins of tho men comprising the rife squads, Government
have been approached to move the Government of India to manction the mame scale of ammunition for men comprising those squads as has been sanctioned for the special reserves of other presidencies and provinces.
37. The total number of enlistments in the Presidenoy during the year 1903 increased from 1,497 to 2,103, but there were 405 vacancies at the close of the year under report as against 365 at the close of the preoeding year. On Railways the total number of vacancies has incressed from 32 to 60 . Out of 1,628 officers and men enlisted during the year, 1,045 were educated, showing an adrance of 3 per cent, on the previous year.
38. Resignations namhered 618 for the whole Presidency as against 599 in the provious year. In the Southern Division, there Resignations. was an abnormal rise in the number of resignations from 15 to 44 in Dhárwar. This was due to plague risks to men of the disbanded Madras Regiment, who were enrolled as an experiment on account of their knowledge in drill, resigning almost immediately when they realised the irksomeness of the work and the insufficiency of the pay.
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districts is acute.
40. During the year under review, with the oxception of Thina, I visited

> Iuspection and sapply. and inspected all the distriets of the Presidency propor and the four Railways, also Rewa Kintha Agenoy. After each inspection, inspection notos were communicated to the Suporintondents concerned for information and a special report sent to the Divisional Commissioners, bringing to notice any defects or shortcomings coming under observation. In this connection, there is nothing special which calls for special notice in this report. In the matter of supply of arms, elothing and equipmonts for the districts of this Presidency, exclusive of Sind and Railways, Rs. 1, 10,194 were expended from this office during the year under report as against Rs. $1,94,820$ for the following stores which were either purchased locally or supplied by contractors through the Inspector-General :-

> Rs. 8,918 on accoutrements.
> , 1,00,175 on clothing.
> " 1,101 on saddlery.

Rs. 1,16,194
The decrease in expenditure noticel above is chiefly on account of clothing. This cannot be attributed to any particular cause: yearly clothing expenditure must always vary according to the supply of clothing distributed and issuod on the quinquennial system.

During the year, the control of tho Inspector-General over the Mounted Police Funds of the Agency Police of Mahi Kintha, Rewa Kiutha and Pilanpur, was transferred to the P'olitical Agents.

## Criminal Investigation Brancif of the Inspector-Genfral of P'ulle's Office.

41. (1) The numerical strength of this 13 ranch has remained unchanged during the year and consists of 1 Assistant Inspector.General of Police, 3 Inspectors, 1 Confidentialelerk, 4 Head Constahles and 4 Constables, working under the direct control of the Inspector-General of Police. The cflice of the Assistant Inspector-General of Yolice was held from the buerinning of the year to 21 st May by Mr. Brewin and by Mr. Vincent from that date to the end of the year.
(2) Among the more important investigations undertaken by this Branch were the following :-
(a) The Sholípur Arson Case-An intricate case in which the services of the Branch were applied for by the District Magistrate after the local Police had failed to obtain any clue. The case was detected and the chief accused, one of the wealthiest and mostinfluential citizen of Sholapur,
was after a long trial convicted and sentenced by the Sessions Court, but was acquitted on appeal by the High Court. The District Magistrate wrote in terms of appreciation of the work done in this case by the Officer of the Criminal Investigation Branch doputed to investigate it.
(b) $\Lambda n$ extensive system of opium smuggling between various places in India and Burma was investigated by this Branch. The gang was detectcd and a strong case against the principal of the gang brought before the Court in Rangoon, but unfortunately broke down through the chief witness, who had already been sentencod, at the last moment turning complctely round. The convict, who had, in the meanwhile, established strong evidence against himself, was prosecuted and sontenced to a considerably enhanced term of imprisonment. The Rangoon Authorities highly eulogised the work of the Criminal Investigation Branch Officer placed in charge of this case, and held that the failure to obtain a conviction against the principal was duo to no fault of his.
(c) Later on in the year, the Branch, at the instance of the Director Gencral of Public Instruction, made enquiries concerning the fraudulent uso of Examination question papers which had taken place in the Southern Circlo. The affair was traced to an employee in the Confidential Room of tho Government Central Press, who was tried under the Official Secrets Act of 1887 convicted and sentenced to 4 months' rigorous imprisonment. A list of the oxamination candidates, who were proved to be implicated in the fraud, was sent to the Director General of Publio Instruction to be dealt with dopartmentally.
(d) The assistance of the Branch was applied for and given in various casos of minor interest which call for no special mention.
(3) Bcsidos preparing and maintaining concise histories of persons of interest to this Rranch, data is being collected for the compilation of information regarding the history, methods and habits of the Criminal Classes, professionals and those addicted to crime either, belonging to the Presidency or visiting it from other parts for purposes of crimo. It is hoped this may be ready for issue by the end of the year in book form, and that it will prove useful to the District Polico in dealing with theso people.
(4) $\Delta$ muscum, containing oxhibits of Polico interest chiefly in connection with the above was started during the year and already contains the nucleus of a collcetion, which, it is hoped in the future, may prove useful in illustrating the work on Criminal Classes and professional crime.

## Criminal Identification Brancif of tie Inspector-General of Police's Ofrice.

42. (1) No change in the sanctioned strength of the staff employed in this Branch of my OMice has taken place; it consists of 1 Inspector, 3 Liead Constables and 1 Clerk. As the establishment, however, had become olearly inadequate, in view of the ever increasing pressure of work, proposals for its increase wero placed before Government during the year under report with the result that after the olose of the yoar an increase of 2 Chief Constables and 2 Head Constables, I Class, was sanctioned in Government Rosolution No. 1142, dated 2nnd March 1001, Financial Department.
(2) 4 very large number of anthro cardsare still to be found in the Central Burcau, viz., 12,242 at the close of 1903 as compared with 12,668 at the close of $100 \%$. Until all these cards are replaced by Finger Tip Impression Slips, both the system of anthropomotry and that of Finger 'lip Impression must continuo conourrently. 426 cards were romoved during the year under report, 286 being replaced by Fingor Impression Slips, and 140 by reason of deaths of exconvicts. In 1902, 1,520 and in 1901, 2,704 were replaced by Finger Impression Slips Theso Slips were of anthropometrically measured time-expired ex-convicts, who havo bcon released from jails and are under surveillance, whose Finger Impressions have not beon previously taken, vide Rule $V$ on page 225 of the Polico Manual. This remarkable decrease is chiefly due to the fall in the number of such Slips received from the Districts of this Presidency, viz., 281 in 1903, as compared with 1,492 in the year 1902. The number of such Slips must necessarily decrease, but this yoar's decrease seems disproportionate and indicates that sufficient attention has not been paid to rules on the subject. The attention of Superintendonts is being dramn to tho matter.
(3) Anthropometrical cards are not prepared for recorl, but only for the purpose of identifying old offenders from tho records of tho Central llureau. During the year, 220 measurement cards together with their corresponding slips were recoived for the purpose of tracing old offonders as against 172 in the previous year.
(4) The total number of Finger Improssion Slips on record in the Central Buroau in the berinning of 1003 was 02,913. During tho year under roport, 7,871 new Slips wero received and 501 destroyed by reason of deaths of exconvicts, leaving 70,310 Slips on record at the closo of 1903 . Thero is a steady and continuous yearly decrase in the number of Slips received.
(5) Of the 7,871 new Slips reccived in 1003, 1,507 were from tho City of Bombay, 5,421 from the Districts and Railways in this Presidoncy and 438 from other Presidencies; 18 were received from Sind and 17 from tho Nativo States of Bálásinor. Twenty-nine were received from the Agencies of Mahi Kíntha and Rewa Kántha, 48 from the IIyderabad (Decoan), 4 from tho Contral Bureau at Indore for the Native States in the Central India, and 103 from tho Central Bureau at Mount Abu for Rajputána. Two hundrod and oighty-sir were Slips of ex-convicts, of which 5 were received from the Hyderabad (Dccoan) and the remainder from districts of this Presidency.
(6) Of the $70,310 \mathrm{Slips}$ in the Bureau at the close of the year 1003, 69,663 were of ex-convicts and 6477 of prisoners in the Jail. Duplicate Impression Slips of 91 convicts were sent to the Criminal Indentification Departments of other Provinces as against 1.57 in the preceding year.
(7) The number of Slips sent to the Central Buroau for Indentification has further increased from 6,349 in 1902 to 6,503 in 1003. This number included 996 Slips of foreigners from other Presidencies as compared with 838 in the previous year. In 595 cases, including 44 from other Presidoncics, antecedents of accused persons were traced as against 459 in the provious year.
(8) All the 595 cases were traced by Finger Tip Impression Slips and provious convictions proved in 361 cases, but enhanoed punishment was awarded in 268 cases only. In 78 cases the accused received less punishment, and in 15 , the same punishment as previously awarded. In 92 cases the accused were released or acquitted. In 94 cases, the persons were dealt with under Chapter VIlI, Criminal Prucedure Code.
(9) In 533 cases, the accused were identified locally by Chiof Oporators without referenco to the Central Bureau, as compared with 420 in the previous jear. Of this number, 517 were traced before conviction and 10 after tho accused had been convictod and admitted into jail, as comparod with 400 and 20 respectively in the provious year.
(10) The following table summarises the progress in the working of this Branch:-

|  | Year, |  | Number of cards or Slipa received for record. | Number of cande or bilipa received for trece. | Number traced. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - |  | Anthropometrical Cards. |  |  |
| 1895 | ... | -0. | 6,161 | 126 | 2 |
| 1896 | -.. | ... | 5,873 | 316 | 41 |
| 1897 | - $\cdot$ | - ... | 8,432 | 357 | 57 |
| 1838 | ... | ... | 6,551 | 535 | 83 |
|  |  |  | Finger Imp | ssion Slips. |  |
| 189) | - | $\cdots$ | 8,747 | 9:31 | 104 |
| 1400 | ... | ... | 12,823 | 4,813 | 287 |
| 1901 | ... | ... | 17,070 | 4,831 | 261 |
| 1902 | ... |  | 12,750 | 6,319 | 453 |
| 1903 | ... | ... | 7,871 | 6,505 | 535 |

(11) During the year under report, Police Offecrs from the Jath, Palanpur, Janjira and Bánsda States were instructed in the Criminal Identification system. Progress in this direction is still slow.
(12) The numbor of Finger Impression Slips reccived by the Central Bureau for Sind during the ycar under report was 2,539 . The grand total of Impression Slips on record is $13,8 \pm 8$ and these have all been classified and arranged. Six hundred and thirly-six Slips were received for search and 237 were traced. The Commissioner in Sind remarks that the Department is working well.

## Preventive action of the Police.

43. In the Southern Division, the registers for noting criminal convicSorviva tions and suspicious classes are reported to bave been Sapervibion over bad
characters. proparly kept in all districts. On Railways, in addition gangmen aro maintained. No instances of mischief in which dismissed gangmen were concerned have boen reported on Railways.
44. In the Northern Division, the provisions of these regulations were resorted to in the Broach District, with 523 bhils and Regalationa XII of 1827. other bad characters being dealt with. The restrictions put on these men had, the District Magistrate remarks, probably something to do with the decrease in crime against property. In the Central Division, the Regulations continued in operation in Sátára, 124 Mángs and Ramoshis being proceeded against. Considerable use of the Regulations was mado in the Khándesh District during the year under report. In Sholápur, as the results of measure concerted with Mr. Gayer of the Thaggi and Dakaiti Department, 12 Kaikddis, amongst whom were some wanted by the Belgaum Police, were arrested during the year. A scheme of bringing Kaikádis and Phansiphárdhis under these Regulations has been introduced into this district with success: In the Southern Division, steps were taken in the Bijápur District to proced against the local Chhapparbands, who counterfeit coins and whose operations oxtend over India. In the Kolaba District, the Regulations were employed arainst the Kátkaris, and in Dhárwár against Kaikádis and Korcheas who annually raid the district and are responsible for many of the more serious dacoities and robberies. In Sind special measures are being taken under llegulations XII of 1827 to keep Burdis and Tagharies of the Sulkkur District in check.
45. Altogether 2,871 bad characters wero proceeded against under Chap-

Proseontion of bad charactors. ter VIII, Criminal Procedure Code, during the year under report, as against 3,408 last year; 65 per cent. were called on to furnish security ( 853 furnishing it and 1,035 going to jail in default) as compared with 68 per cent. in the previous ycar. The largest number proceeded against was 964 in the Central Division followed by 721 in Sind and 611 in the Southern Division. In the Northern 1)ivision, the number was 472 and on Railways, 103. In the Central Division, 772 were ordered to give security; in Sind the number was the lowest, namely 256, no less than 284 cases remaining pending at the close of the year under report. The Commissioner in Sind remarks that the appointment of 11 resident Magistrates with 1st olass powers will give Sub-divisional Magistrates more time to dcal effectually with habitual offenders. The want of success attending Chaptcr VIII cases in Sind is attributed to the natural tendency of a weak Zamindir to compound with a strong thief, and to recent Sadar Court decisions which have loft Magistrates little disorction in accepting evidence. The Commissioner, Central Division, in alluding to the practice by Magistrates of accepting unsuitable surcties, citos an instance in Sátúra where three men, from whom security had just been taken (the Police disapproving) were arrested shortly after for house-breaking. In Poona, the Commissioner observes, there is said to le a class of surecties who shares in the proceeds of crime.
46. Of the 18,955 persons convicted during the year under report, 2,089

IIabitaal ofouders. were identificd as having been previously convicted ing figures for the previous year being $24,155,2,572$ and 1,065 respectively.

## General.

47. In tho Northern Division, no criminal classos are reported to have

Criminal clnsees and inflaz of suspioious forcignors. dacoity.in Ahmelabad dacoity.in Ahmedabad and a murder committed in broad daylight in the
Almedabad City. Tho Commissioner, Central Division, observes that there
was no remarkable influx of suspected forcigners. In the Southern Division, Pathans and Berads are reportod to haro given no trouble. Tho former ari said not to visit Belgaum so frequently as before, some of them having heen dealt with under Chapter VIII, Criminal Proceduro Code. Berads wero dealt with under Regulations XII of 1827. Two gangs of Korchcas and a many of Kaikadis from the Nizam's territory committed four dacoities in the Bijipur District. The same class of people are beliored to be responsiblo for many of the more serious dacoities and robberies which have occurred during the year. In Kolába, Katkaris from the Bhore State wero concerned in a dacoity." In this case, 6 out of a gang of 11 received terms of imprisonment varying from 1 to 4 years. In Sind, the Liurs are being effectively controlled under the Criminal Tribes Act; besides these, Burdis, Taghanis, Jatois and Jaghiranis give trouble. In Karáchi a band of Miannas and Cutchis committed a scrious dacoity.
48. Out of a total of 972 cases regarded as scrious crimes, tho scenes of 474 were visited by the District and Assistant Superintendents of Polico. Moro activity on the whole has been displayed in this respect during tho
Personal investigation of serious crimes.
year under report.
Adverting to Rule 4 on pages 322 and 323 of the Police Manual of 1902, I give below the names of probationers and Assistant Superintendents of Police (not in independent charge) who investigated cases shown against them : -

Mr. Rushton (Khándesh) :.. One which ended in acquittal.
Mr. Lambert (Khándesh) ... Three, of which two onded in aoquittal and one was pending.
Risáldar Bapat (Khándesh) ... Six, of which five ended in conviction and one was classed as false.
Mr. White (Khándesh) ... Three, of which two ended in conviction.
Mr. Wilson (Dhárwar) ... Six, of which two ended in conviction and
Mr. Clarke (Belgaum) • ... Two, of which one ended in acquittal and the other, a dacoity, turncd out to be no offence.
Mr. Turner (Ahmedabad) ... Six cases (rosults not given).
Mr. McCulloch (Karáohi) ... Six cases, of which threo wero convicted, one was classed as undetected and two as false.
Mr. Ellis (Karáchi) ... Six casos, of which four ended in conviction and two in discharge.
Mr. Jenkins (Hyderabad) ... Two cases, of which one was convicted and the other was committed to the Court of Sessions.
Mr. Boyd investigated no case as he was engaged in the examination.
Messrs. Lowman and Wallinger did not investigato any case, as the former landed in the country, and the latter returned from leave, just beforo the close of the year under report.
Mr. Kelly did not take up any cases as he passed tho Lower Standard in September, and for the rest of the ycar ho was moving with the Superintendent in camp and enquired into some cases with him.
Mr. Mongowan, when at Sholápur, investigated two cases of murdor, in one of which conviction was obtained, but on appeal the accusnd was acquitted by the High Court, and in the other case of murder, 7 accuscd were acquitted. He also investigated a theft case which remained undetected.
Mr. Gadney was for the greater part of the year in independent charje of the Sukkur District.
49. Inspection of Police Stations and Outposts by the Superintendents

Inspection of Police Stations and Ontposts. and Assistant Superintendonts of Police seems on the whole to hare been sufficient. Out of 414 Police Stations, 1,276 Outposts in the whole Presidency and

126 Sub-posts on Railways, 355 Police Stations, 834 Outposts and 88 Sub-posts were visited and inspected.
50. Shops licensed to deal in arms and ammunition are returned at 321.

Tuspection of Arins and Ainuunition Shors.

Of these, 214 were inspected by the Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents of Police during the ycar under report.

The number of lioenses issued for arms including frearms was : 3,051 in the Northorn Division, 3,731 in the Central Division, and 3,134 in Sind. The figures for the Southern Division are not given. In 81 cases as against 117 in 1902, prosecutions were instituted under the Arms Act and convictions obtained in 66 as against 88 in the provious year. The Commissioner, Central Division, writes that questions regarding the grant of licenses was discussed during the year and greator discrimination was used in granting licenses extending beyond a singlo district.
51. $\Lambda$ Court Prosccutor was sanctioned for Násik during the year under Court Prosocators. report. The total number of Court Prosecutors who worked in the Presidency proper during the year under ropert, was 9 as against 8 in the previous year; 3 being in the Northern Division, 5 in the Central Division, and 1 in the Southern Division. They conducted 637 cascs as against 656 in the previous year. Of this number, 500 ended in conviction, giving a percentage of 78 as against 82 in the previous ycar. There are no Court Prosecutors on Railways.
52. The number of Court Jamádárs employed in the Presidency proper,

Court Jamádárs. during the year under report, was 212 and the total number of cases conducted by them was 5,403 as compared with 0,058 cases conducted by 226 Court Jamádárs in the previous sear. The percentage of convictions to cases conducted by these Jamádars was 76 as against 70 last ycar.

E3. Training Schools were open almost throughout the year in most
Training Sobools.
districts. Examinations were held, 266 candidates passing in the lower and higher standard examinations. These results are encouraging. In Sind, special Training Schools have been started in Karíchi and Sukkur.
54. During my tour of inspection throughout the Presidency, I tested the Drill. $\quad$ drill of the men in every branch of it, and am glad to be able to report a continued all round improvement. The improvement was particularly noticeable in some districts in tho skirmishing in the country and in physical training, including free gymnastics and gymnastics with apparatus. This is chiefly due to the personal exertions and intercst shown by the Superintendents. Government have recently sanctioned selected men from each district being sent for instruction in the Central Gymnasia, 'oona, and in due time the system of physical training, which bas now becn introducod into all districts, will, I believe, have a very beneficial effect on the physical development and health of the men.

The Commissioner in Sind remarks that the drilling of armed Police continues to be satisfactory, especially in the district of Hyderabad.
55. All the districts in the Presidency proper competed at the Annual Presidency Competition for prizes. But the exchange of Snider for Martini Henri smooth-bores and rifles not being completely effected when the competition shooting took place, it had to be carried out in two separate classes, 14 districts competing with Snider smoothbores and 4 with Martini IIenri smooth-bores. Rifle Squads Competition were held this ycar for the first time; 12 districts joined in this competition, the remaining 6 having been prevented from appearing for some reason or other. In the districts competing with Snider smooth-bores, the number of men competing rose to 690 from 588 as compared with the same districts in 1902, while the number qualifying as marksmen rose from 198 to 245.

In the four districts competing with Martini Henri smooth-bores, 456 men competed, out of whom 307 qualiticd as marksmen. A comparison of these
undoubtedly good results with those obtained in the $1:$ Districts competing with Snider Smooth Bores demonstrates the superiority of the new weapon. In the Competition Shooting of Rille Squads, 31 out of it competing secured marksmen's badges. Out of a total force of 245 Jounted lolice armed with carbines and revolvers, only 22 competed, of whom 4 from two Districts qualitied as marksmen.

Inıregard to prizes, Poona took 4 prizes asçregating Rs. 115, followed by Panch Maháls with the same number of prizes worth Ils. 110.

At the Annual Shooting Competition with the Smooth Bore weapon in Sind, the armed Police of Lárkhána carried off the 1 st and 3rd prizes, whilo the 2nd and 5th prizes were secured by the men of tho Hyderabad District and the 4 th by a man of the Karáchi District. In the Nounted Polico Competition Hyderabad again took the 1st prize. The number of marksmen in Sind has decreased from 371 in 1002 to 210 in 1003. This is duo to a higher qualifying minimum of points having been fixed for a marksman's badge, cie., 30 instead of 25.
56. The condition of accoutrements which came under my observation

Condition of Arms and Accoutrements. at inspections, while on tour, was generally serviceable, steps being taken where required to replace time. expired articles. The Snider has now been replaced by the M. II. Smooth Bore and Rifle and is a scrviceable and suitable weapon.

## Armourer's shops have now been introduced into ncarly every District.

57. The amount spent on original works in the Northern Dirision and Central Division during tho yoar was Rs. 12,408 compared with Rs. 64,981 in the previous ycar. The amount spent on repairs was Rs. 13,910 as against 10,501 in tho previous year. The Commissioner, Central Division, remarks that there is still scope throughout the Division for practically unlimited expenditure under this head. In tho Southern Division, plans for the Head. Quarters Police Lines at Kárwír aro now. under revision.

The question of revising Standard plans for the Police Lines in tho Presidency Proper, in accordance with the terms of Goverament Resolution No. 2280, dated 27th April 1903, Judicial Department, was takon up in consultation with the Superintending Engineor, Contral Division. $\Lambda$ now plan was prepared and has been adopted by Government. ,

Plans for quarters for the men of the G. I. P. and B. B. \& C. I. Railways, serving on the lines passing through the Town and Island of Bombay havo been prepared and a site at Dadar for the samo has been selected. Tho subject of quarters for the S. M, laailway men at Dhárwár is now before Government. As regards the R.- il. Railway a correspondence with tho Agent, B. B. \& C. I. Kailway, is taking place with a view to determine a scalo of accommodation for the subordinate Railway Police.
58. The total number escaped during the year under report from Police Escapes and Recaptares. custody was 121 as against 133 in the ycar under report. Of this number, 05 cscaped from the custody of the Police in the Presidency Proper and on Railways. The number recaptured was 81. The percentage of recaptures to escapes is almost the samo as in the previous year, viz., 66.
59. In 244 cases in the Presidency Proper, the Village Polico assisted the Village Police. District Police. In 79 instances, their services wero cither rewarded by money, good scrvico tickets, or by presentation of swords, sbawls, pasris, \&c. In 363 instances, they were reported for misconduct and in 306, were punishel either by dismissal, fine, suspension, warnings or reprimands. There are no "Village Yolice" proper in Sind. The Village and Tiluka pagis or trackers are reported to have worked satisfactorily and their peculiar tracking powers are often of great uso to tho District Police. Rewards in different shapes were given for exceptionally good work.
60. During the year under report 329,321 summonses and warrants were

> Miscellancons work done by the Police. serve report 329,321 sum 38,607 stray dogs killed of the latter number, 20,063 were in Sind. The Railway Police enquired into 1,625 missing goods cases as
ngainst 8329 in the previous year Of this number, 122 ngainst 8,329 in the previous year, Of this number, 122 only turned out to be rears of missing goods osse in 1902 , this steady decline during the last few jas enabled the Police to give more time to their more legitimate duties with ihe improved results which are throughout observable in this year's fignres with

## Conoluding Remarks.

61. The salient features of the year's crime and
(1) Out of 16 Mianna dacoits referred to in paragraph 61 of the last year's report, 6 were killed in an encounter with the Chuda Police and one Koli was captured alive.
(2) In Khandesh, two of the remaining outlaws were captured, one of them with his entire gang. A third, Bhikia, who for many years past evaded capture, was killed in an open fight with the villagers. For some time past he had been a source of trouble and anxiety and a reward of Rs.' 200 had been sanotioned for his capture.
About the end of the year, the Southern Talukas of Satara with adjoining country suffered from the depredations of a dangerous gang of dacoits of whioh the leaders have since been captured. In this connection, the Commissioner, Central Division, bringe to notioe the good services rendered by Mr. Wallinger; Assistant Superintendent of Police,

With the continuance of improved seasonal conditions a further decrease in orime has taken place during the year under report, inoluding a falling off in serious orime-less property has been stolen, and a better percentage recovered. On the other hand, the efforts of the Police in bringing offenders to justice were attended with less satisfactory results than in the preceding year. A fuller use of the provisions of Bombay Regulations XII of 1827 has been made to reatrict the movements of suspioious members of the criminal olasses.

Plague was even more prevalent than in past years, and imposed heavy sdditional duties and responsibilities on the Police.

The Commissioner in Sind oonsiders that the Force in that province has maintained its general efficiency and that the increase in orimes and falling off in percentages, though regrettable, is due to ordinary fluctuations, and that the Force undermanned and underpaid has discharged its duties with as much elliciorioy as could be expeoted.

> I have the honour to be, Sir,
> Your most obedient Servant,
> J. DOWN,
> Inspector-General of Police.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN PARA $s$.
Northerm Division.



Contral Division-continued,


Southern Division-continued.

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| Bijápur | Supperinlondento. <br> Mr. J. B. W. Biddle 2 Bhangnokar <br> - G. N. R. Lambert <br> " J. B W. Biddle |  |  |
| Dhárwár | Suporintendent. Mr. D. Davien Assisiant Suporintondentr. Mr. G. N. R. Lambert " G. S. Wilaon | 1st Jannary 1908 <br> list January 1903 25th April 1903 | 31st December 1303. <br> 28th January 1903. <br> 81st December 1903. |
| Kanara | Superintondento.  <br> Mr. J. B. Jenkina . <br> \# W. Heyland $\ldots$ <br> \# Bhinde $\ldots$ | 1st January 1903 80th April 1903 23rd December 1903 | 29th April 1903. <br> 22nd December 1908. <br> 81at December 1803. |
| Kolaba | Superintomdento. . <br> Mr. F. A. M. H. Vincent out <br> ,/ W: M, R. Clarke <br> " Chitnis <br> n K. C. Rushton | 1at January 1903 14th May 1803 4th October 1908 7th Outober 1908 | 13th May 1908. 8rd October 1903. 6th October 1903. 31st December 1003. |
| Ratnagiri | Superintondents. <br> Mr. T, S. Greenaway <br> , Chitre <br> \%, T. S Greenaway | 1at January 1908 1st May 1903 29th May 1903 | 30th April 1908. 28th May 1903. 81st December 1903. |
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| Karachi | Superintendont. <br> Mr. T. J. B. Thatoher Lesistant Supperintondendo. <br> Mr. R. $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}$ MoCalloch <br> , 8. F. Ellis | Iat January 1908 <br> 1at Jazuary 1903 1st Jaunary 1903 | 81at December 1903. <br> 81st December 1903. 81st December 1003. |
| Hyderabad | Superintendent. <br> Mr. K. A. Boinold | 1st Janamry 1003 | 81st December 1903. |

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\hline \multirow{2}{*}{District.} \& \multirow{2}{*}{Names of Oficers.} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Preriod} \\
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Vacant \& ... \\
Mr. J. B. Jenkins \& ...
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\hline Lárkhána \& | Superintendent. |
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| Mr. E. F. Green | \& 1st January 1903 \& 31st December 1903. <br>

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\] \& | Superintendent (ex-officio), |
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| The Depaty Commissioner, Thar and Párkar. |
| Assistant Superintendents. |
| Mr. F. C. Griffith |
| " J. B. Jenkins |
| , F. C. Griffith | \& | 1st January 1903 |
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| Frontier. | \& | Superintendent ( $\epsilon x$-officio). |
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| The Depaty Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier. |
| Assistant Superintendent. |
| Mr. W. C. Holman | \& | 1st January 1903 |
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| 1st January 1903 | \& | 31st December 1903. |
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| 31st December 1903. | <br>

\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{Railvays.} <br>

\hline G. I. P. Railway \& | Superintendent. |
| :--- |
| Mr. T. G. Foard | \& 1st Janaary 1903 ... \& 31st December 1003. <br>


\hline B. B. \& C.I. Railway. \& | Superintendents. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Mr. W. Heyland | $\ldots$ |
| $\#$ J. V. Cooke | $\ldots$. | \& 1st January 1903 21st April 1903 \& | 20th April 1903. |
| :--- |
| 31st December 1903. | <br>


\hline L.-M. Railway. \& | Superintendent. |
| :--- |
| Mr. J. R. Tregear | \& Ist January 1903 \& 31st December 1903. <br>

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| $\text { S. M. Railway. }\{$ | Superintendents.  <br> Mr. C. A. B. Beatty  <br> \#..  <br> \#. Cowan $\ldots$ <br> " D. Davies $\ldots$ <br> " L. II. Spence $\ldots$ | 1st January 1003 10th February 1903 ... 15th February 1903 ... 6th June 1903 | 0th February 1003. 14th Fobruary 1003. 5th Juno 1003. 31st December 1003. |

## APPENDICES.

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Retury op Cognizable Crime for the year
Part I.-Return of Cases instituted by Complaint

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1903 of the Bombat Presidency, incledina Sind and Railways.
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C. A. B. BEATTY,
for Inspector-General of Police.
[Retolin of Cognizable Cimime for the
Part II.-Return of Persons concerned in cases instituted by complaint to te

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C. A. B. BEATTY,
for Inypector-General of Police.
[Retunn of Cognizable Cbimb for the year 1903 of ti
Part III.—Return of cascs veported at a Police Stati,

ingay Prebidenct, wincluding Sund and Rallwaye.]
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C. A. B. BEATTY, for Inspector-General of Policee
[Retubn of Cognizable Cbimi for tha year 1903 yo
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- Bombat Presidinci, inoluding Sund and Railwats.]
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C. A. B. BEATTY,
for Inspector-General of Police.

## STATEMENT B.

Return of Non-Cognizallo Crime for the year 1303 for the Bombay Presidency, including Sind and Railways. Part I.-Return of Non-Cognizable Cases.


STATEMENT B-continued.



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C. A. B. BEATTY, for Ingpector-General of Tolice.

Part I.-Return of Non-Cognizable Cases-continued.


## statement B.

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Part II.-Motwrs of Persome conoorned in nom-Cagnineble oames.


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C. A. B. BEATTY,
for Ingpector-General of Police.

## STATEMENT B-conlinuci.

Part II.-Return' of persons concerned in mon-cognisalie cases-contiouni.


## ( xxx ) <br> STATEMENT C.

Properly Stolen and Recovered during the year 1003, in the Bombay Presidency, including Sind and Railways.

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| I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII |
| A.-Cognisable, |  |  |  | Ra. a. p. | Rs. a. p. |  | 1 |
| $\left\{\begin{array}{c} a . \text { In }_{\text {with }}^{\text {coujunction }} \text { Iurking } \end{array}\right.$ | 4,200 | 1,700 | 42:10 | 8,40,331 72 | 2,57,654 1110 | 30.66 |  |
|  | 81 | 564 | -•* | 8,503 50 | 41,62180 | - 0 |  |
|  | 8,034 | 6,762 | $63 ' 78$ | 4,77,307 15 s | 2,29,623 210 | $48 \cdot 10$ |  |
|  | 322 | 129 | 40.06 | 2,04,358 00 | 37,665 00 | 18.43 |  |
|  | 415 | 155 | 87.34 | 56,197 150 | 10,665 105 | 18:9 |  |
| 4. Criminal breach of trust by public servant or by a banker, merchant or agent. | 367 | 191 | 52.04 | 68,082 00 | 22,463 136 | $38 \cdot 67$ |  |
|  | 68 | 29 | 42.64 | .32,703 00 | 2,809 00 | 8.58 |  |
| b. Choating ... ... ... ...0 | 68 | 83 | 50.89 | 8,283 00 | 1,272 00 | 3934 |  |
| C. Bombay City Police Act momer | -." | 1 | -.* | -..... | 11600 | $\cdots$ |  |
| 7. Murdure ... $\quad$... $\quad$... $\quad .$. | 6 | 2 | 4000 | - 64900 | 54800 | 83.66 |  |
|  | 2 | 1 | 5000 | 2500 | 1000 | 40.60 |  |
| Total ... | 14,018 | 8,063 | 59\%20 | 16,78,590 112 | 6,04,343 147 | $36 \cdot$ | Property worth Rs. 21,400 was recovered during 1903 out of that stolen in the previous ycar. <br> Property worth Rs. 28,692-7-3 stolen outside one district w'as recovered during the year in another. <br> Property worth Rs, 4,730 was recovered without the interven- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| B.-Non-cognizable. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Extortion <br> 6. Criminal misappropriation | 11 | 6 | 64.54 | 28600 | 9600 | $33 \cdot 56$ |  |
|  | 200 | 124 | 68.00 | 14,43124 | $4,837 \quad 5 \quad 4$ | $33 \cdot 51$ |  |
| Total ... | 211 | 130 | 61.61 | 14,717 24 | $4,933 \quad 5 \quad 4$ | $33 \cdot 51$ | Property worth Rs. 17 was recovered dering 1903 out of that stolen in the previoue jear. Property worth Rs. 321 was recovered without the intervention of the Pulice. |
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C. A. B. BEATTY,
for Inspector-General of Police.

STATEMENT
Return of Professional Crime for the year 1903,

D.
for the Bombay Presidency including Sind and Railway.
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C. a. b. beatty,
for Inepector-Gencral of Police.

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Showing Strength, Cost, Distribution, and

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | thent |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\circ} \\ & \stackrel{8}{2} \\ & \text { in } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Avera | as of |
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| 1 |  | ${ }^{1}$ | 15 | 6 | 7 | 8 | - | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 28 | 19 |
|  whyn |  | $8 \cdot 8$ | 20800 |  | 1,001 | 16,523 | 18 | 22,900 | *8 | 181 | 89,755 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Re. } \\ \text { 11,97,353 } \end{gathered}$ | Rg. <br> $20,00,154$ | \% ${ }_{\text {Rs. }}^{\text {R }}$ | Ra. | R8. |

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Employnent of District Police in the year 1903.


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| 1 | ${ }^{39}$ | 40 | $\square$ | 4 | 4 | ${ }^{*}$ | $\pm$ | $\stackrel{ }{*}$ | 4 | $\omega$ | $\infty$ | ¢ | 4 |
| Bombay Presidenoy, in. ciuding Sind and Rall Tayin ... ... . | 128, 659 | 27,741,189 | 418 | 1,338 | $0 \cdot 88$ | - | - | 3,181.6 | - | - | H, ${ }^{\text {cem }}$ | 8.07 | - Mil Rend. |

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## ( xxxri ) <br> STATEMENT $\mathbf{F}$.

Return showing Equipment, Discipline, and General Internal AFanagement of the Force for the Bombay Presidency, including Sind and Railways for 1803.

C. A. B. BEATTY,
for Inspector-General of Police.


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    C. A. B. BEATTY,
    for Inspector-Genersl of Police.

