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> Ofice of the Insfector-Gomicral of Polici, Poona, oth Aysum 1016.

- Sir,

I have the honour to submit the Police Administration Report for the
Submision of the report - Bombay Presidency, including Sind and the Railuays,

> Statement II, Parts I and II,
> Statement B, Parts I and II,
> Statements C, D, E, and
> Quinquennial Statement F.

In compliance with the orders contained in Government Resolution in the Judicial Department No. 3908, dated the 23rd May 1912, the dates on which the Divisional and Railway Reports reached my office are given below :-

Railways in March 1916; Southern Division, 12th May 1916; Central Division, 22nd May 1916; Sind Deputy Inspector-General's Report with
: statistics, 5th June 1916; Northern Division, 7th June 1916; Sind Commissioner's review, 4th July 1916.
2. Mr. M. Kennedy, C.S.I., was Inspector Gencral of Police up to the ist and held it for the remainder of the ycar. The appointment of Personal Assistant was held by Mr. R. L. McCulloch from ist January to 21st April and thereafter by Mr. P. A. Kelly. The Deputy Inspectors-Gencral in charge of the Ranges and Sind were as undcr:-

Northern Range-Mr. R. MacTier, 1st January to 3oth April, and Mr. H. R. Hume, ist May to 31 ist December.

Southern Range-Mr. C. A. B. Beatty, ist January to 12th May, and Mr. R. P. Lambert for the remaining period of the year.

Sind-Mr. W. L. B. Souter, C.I.E., ist January to 25th March; Mr. W. H. Luck, 26th March to 3 Ist Dccember.

The Commissioner, Central Division, in commenting on the frequent changes of superior Police Officers has remarked that Sfitara was the only district in his division that retained its District Superintendent throughout the ycar.
3. The total number of cognizable and non-cognizable offences reported during the year was 114,260 as against 113,740 in 1914-an increase of 520 cases ( 87 under the lndian Penal Code and 433 under class VI). Under cogniz-

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 able crime there was an increase of $1 ; 315$ cascs whilst non-cognizalic crime decreased by 795 cases, resulting in a net increase of 520 cases. The increase of 1,315 cases in cognizable crime is due to the increascs of 484,127 and $1,26_{4}$ cases returned respectively by the Northern Division, Central Division and Sind against the decreases of 358 and 202 cases occurring in the Southern Division and on the Presidency Railways. As regards non-cognizatle crime the increa-c of 29 cases in the Central Division, 657 in Sind and 25 on the Railways wa;1) 5-1
more than counterbalanced by the decrease of 1,056 cases in the Northern Division and 719 cases in the Southern Division.
4. Reported cognizable crime under the Indian Penal Code (classes I to V)
statement ampart i. for the year under report and the 3 previous years was Police cognizable casca reported. distributed as under :-

| . | Year. | Northern Division. | Central Division. | Southern Division. | - Sind. | Presidency Railways. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1912 |  | 7,286 | 9,467 | 5,772 | 13,814 | 2,025 | 38,364 |
| 1913 |  | 6,842 | 9,210 | 5,130 | 11,311 | 1,844 | 34,337 |
| 1914 |  | 5,853 | 8,166 | 4,716 | 10,189 | 1,724 | 30,648 |
| 1915 |  | 6,32 | 8,190 | 4,524 | 11,505 | -1,614 | 32,154 |

The totals of all reported cognizable crime (classes I to VI) were:-

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1915-34,447 ; 1914-32,876 \text { 1913—36,950; 1912—41,342. }
$$

The figures for 1915 show a total net increase of 1,571 cases on the figures of the previous year, the increase consisting of 1,506 cases under the - Indian Penal Code and 65 under class VI. Whilst the Southern Division and the Railways in the Prosidency Proper returned decreases of 250 and 103 cases the above net increase was due to increases from Sind of 1,463 cases $_{5}$ from the Northern Division of 376 cases and from the Central Division of 85 cases. In Sind the increase was most noticeable on the Railways and was due to slack registration in the former year. The Riverain, Karáchi, Sukkur and Hyderabad also contributed to the increase. In the Northern Division, the Kaira, Broach and Surat Districts showed increases and in the Central Division, the increase was confined to the East Khándesh, Násik and West Khándesh Distric̣ts. Against these. increases there was a marked fall of 144 cases in the Ahmednagar District, of 145 cases in the Dhárwár District (which returned the lowest total of reported crime for the district during the decade) and 71 cases on the G. I. P. Railway.
5. The following comparative statement shows the cases reported under ,the Reported erious crime. more important heads of crime during 1915 and the preceding 3 years :-


It will be seen that in the year of report there was an increase in all forms of scrious crime.

The cises reported during 1915 in the above table were distributed between the divisions, inclusive of Sind, and the Presidency Railways as under :-


The increase in reported crime is mainly attributed to the following causes:-
In Sind.-The high floods of 1914 and the low inundation of 1915 ; the inllux of famine-stricken immigrants; scarcity of rain in the Kohistan ; phague; luther registration due to the increase of Sub-Inspectors; prompt distribution of rewards to the constabulary for registering offences when on patrol and stricter registration of cases on the Sind Railways.

In the Northern Diaision.-The bad scason due to the failure of the rains of 1915 ; and as regards the Broach District the depredations committed by a gang of Girásias and Kolis.

In the Central Division.-A poor season, the fall in the prices ruling for cotton coupled with a smaller demand for labour and the confining of the Hazri system to those actually brought under the Criminal Tribes Act (East Khindesh). A severe visitation of plague and a consequent evacuation of towns and villages (Násik District) and an increased vigilance on the part of the Excise establishment (West Khàndesh).

On the other hand the noticeable decrease of 250 cases in the Southern Division is said to be due to the favourable agricultural conditions of the year, a more extended control of the Criminal Tribes under Mr. Starte's supervision and to the action taken under Chapters VIII and XII of the Criminal I'rocedure Code. On the Railways the decrease was due to the war and a smaller volume of traffic; to the successful prosecution of organized gangs of train thieves operating between Ahmedabad and Baroda; also to a better discrimination of thefts as distinct from general traffic shortages.

| Police cognizable cases for disposal | 6. Cases for disposal inclusive of cases pending from previous years were as follows :- |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Indina Ponal Code. | $\mathrm{Clasas}^{\mathrm{VI}}$. | Toat |
| 1914 | $\cdots$ | ... 35,232 | 2,374 | 37,606 |
| 1915 | ... | ... 36,654 | 2,420 | 39,074 |

The number of cases in which the police refused investigation under section 157 (r) (b), Criminal Procedure Code, was 2,903 against 2,600 in 1914, leaving 36,171 cases for investigation against 35,006 in the preceding year. The percentage of cases dealt with under section 157 (1) (b); Criminal Procedure Code, was. 7.43 against 6.91 in 1914 and 7.05 in 1913.
7: Cases excluded as false numbered 8,714 as against 9,131 in 1914,
showing a decrease of 417 cascs. Of the 8,714 cases,
Police cognizabile casea struck:
8,464 were under the Indian Penal Code and 250 under
the Presidency is both actual and relative to the number of cascs for disposal,
the percentage being $22^{\circ} 3$ as against $24^{\circ} 2$ in 1914 and 259 in 1913. This steady
decline in the percentage may be attributed to the greater use of scction 157 ( 1 )(b),
Criminal Procedure Code. ofir

## The Commissioner in Sind observes :-

"Considering the large increase in reported crime the percentage of cases excluded as false to total cases for disposal is satisfactory and is the lowest on record."
8. Of the total of 8,714 excluded cases, 1,508 were dechared to be

Maficiously false canes maliciously false against 1,575 in 1914. The figures for the previous three ycars are as under:-

- 1911-1,478 cascs; 1912-1,715 cases; 1913-1,670 cascs.

Except in Sind, where there was an increase of 52 maliciously false cases, the figures returned under this class of cases showed a decrease for the Presidency. The Central Division which still holds the highest percentage showed a decrease of 98 cascs.

There were 336 prosccutions undertaken in connection with these cascs ; 125 ended in conviction and 81 remained pending at the end of the year.

The percentage of prosecutions undertaken to the total number of maliciously false cases is 22.28 against 26.41 in 1914. Deducting pending cases the percentages of convictions for the offence during the last three years were :-

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1913-52.04 ; 1914-53.22 ; 1915-49 \circ 01 .
$$

## Mr. Sale, District Magistrate, Belgaum, has remarked that

"the figures showing the number of cases excluded as maliciously false and the result of prosccutions undertaken against the complainants in such cases indicate the difficulty experienced in securing convictions in a Court under sections 182 and 2xi of the Indian Penal Code."

In the opinion of the Commissioner, in Sind the large increase in the number of maliciously false cases is largely attributable to the tendency of most Magistrates to punish cases of false complaints with small fines which are not sufficiontly deterrent.
9. Section 250 of the Criminal 'Procedure Code was made use of in

Vcratious complaints. $\quad 257$ cases in the year under report against 243 in 1914, 199 in 1913 and 216 in 1912 and compensation amounting to Rs. $6,87 \mathrm{I}$ as against Rs. 5,841 in 1914 was awarded,

Among the divisions, the Central Division continues to return the largest number of cases ( 90 ) in which this provision of the law twas used whilst as regards the amount of compensation recovered Sind heads the list with a total of Rs. 2,742.

There is evidence in the district reports that increased attention is being given to this subject.

In commenting on the inadequacy of the compensation awarded the District Magistrate, East Khándesh, observes :-
" . . . . The compensation awarded in each case is only too often ludicrously inadequate. Thus I actually found a First Class Magistrate awarding, Rs. 5 as compensation to accused who had been under-trial prisoners for some three weeks."

The Commissioner, Southern Division, also comments on the reluctance of the subordinate magistracy to deal effectively with malicious accusers which Mr . Lawrence remarks can only be cured by the supervision of District Magistrates.
10. Though cognizable crime for disposal increased by $1,468{ }^{\circ}$ cases, the-

## Pending cases.

 pending cases decreased from 4,254 to 4,011 -a net decrease of 243 cases. Out of the total, 1,424 cases were pending with the police and 2,587 with the Magistracy. The percentages of cases pending to cases for disposal for the last four years stand as under:-1912-12.3; 1913-10'2; 1914-11.3;19í5-10.2.
The decrease in the number of pending cases is noticeable in all the divisions and railways except the Northern. Division where there was a small increase of 19 cases. The decrease was again marked in Sind ( 112 cases).

1i. . Eliminating "Excluded" and "Pending" cases, real cognizable crime disposed of during the year amounted to a total of 26,198 cases. A detailed comparison of. the figures. for the three years ending with the year under report shows:-

|  |  | Indian Penal | Class VI. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1913 | ... | ... 25,033 | 2,270 | 27,303 |
| 1914 | ... | ... 22,210 | 1,890 | 24,100 |
| 1925 | ... | ... 24,167 | 2,031 | 26,198 |

With an increase over the former year's figures the total for 1915 is still below that of 1913 . The increase of 2,098 cases over the total of 1914 , consisting of 1,957 cases under the Indian Penal Code and 141 under class VI, was mainly contributed by Sind ( $1,4+7$ cases). This increase is distributed over classes II, III, V and VI but is more marked in class III (764) (serious offences against
person and property, etc.) and class $V\left(1,1 S_{2}\right)$ (minor offences against proputy). Under classes I and IV there was a small decrease of 17 and 23 eases respectively.

The details of true Indian Penal Code cases under the more important heads for the year under report as well as those for the preceding two years are fiven below:-

|  | Murders. | Dacoilics. | Rubberies. | Hloures broiking with intent to commit an offence. | Thirfe (incluting cattle-theds.). | Amerining: stolon propery. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1913 | 345 | 159 | 379 | 7,329 | 12,332 | 551 |
| 1914 | 324 | 127 | 308 | 6,689 | 10,321 | 574 |
| 1915 | 327 | 137 | 360 | $7.2 S 9$ | 11,421 | (19) 7 |

The small increase of three murders over the former year's figures calls for no remarks beyond that that the fluctuations to be noticed are an increase of 18 cases in the Northern Division (for which the Thana District was mainly responsible) and a decrease of 17 in the Central Division.

The District Magistrate, Thána, has remarked that this increase of murders in this district is not due to causes preventible by the police.

The decrease in murders in the Central Division occurred in all districts except Násik and West Khándesh. There was also a decrease of 3 cases in the Southern Division whilst in Sind the number of murders rose by 4 .

Of the murders appertaining to the Presidency Proper, one which occurred at Bandra in the Thána District on the night of the Sth November 1915 was a brutal one. In this case Constable Babu Bhawan, who had pluckily grappled with a Pathán in his attempt to escape after a successful burglary, was stabbed to death with a long knife.

As regards the murders in Sind, 4 from the Hyderabad District were of a bad and daring character. In one case a Zamindár was waylaid in broad daylight and hacked to death by swords; in the second case a Mulla was enticed out at night and stabbed to death; in the third case a Zamindár was similarly enticed out at night and.killed with axes; and in the fourth case a mounted constable was fatally assaulted by a suspected thief.

Dacoities rose from 127 cases to 137 and robberics from 308 to 360 . Taking the figures for dacoities and robberics together there was a total of 407 true cases for the year 1915 against a total of 435 true cascs in 1914 . The net increase of 62 cases is not perturbing when it is remembered that there are $3^{1}$ police charges in the Presidency inclusive of Sind and the Railways. Morcover, the total of true dacoities and robberics in 1913 stood at $538(159+379)$.

Sind was responsible for the increase of 10 dacoitics contributed by the Hyderabad and Sukkur Districts. In the Presidency Proper the East Khándesh and Poona Districts showed an increase in dacoitics which was counteracted by decreases in other districts, notably in the Ahmednagar and Belgaum Districts. The District Magistrate, Poona, remarks that the dacoities in that district were not of great importance and that a small gang of Kolis who were answerable for them were dealt with. The Commissioner in Sind observes that it is creditable to the police that the more scrious of the dacoitics in Sind ended in the arrist and conviction of the offenders. On the Sind Ralways in a case of dacoity a gang of train thieves showed fight when confronted by 2 constables. The 10 thieves who had 2 guns with them were, however, arrested and convicted.

As regards robbcrics, the increase in the Presidency Proper was spreac over the Ahmednagar, West Khándesh, Sátára and Dhárwár Districts, whilst is Sind, Káráchi and the Upper Sind Fronticr contributed thcir quota.

Cases of house-breaking and theft increased from 6,689 to 7,289 . Th increase which is to be found throughout the Presidency amounts to 6oo case
and is most marked in the East Khándesh and Násik Districts of the Central Division.

Theits .numbercd 11,421 as against 10,321, showing a net increase of 1,100 cases. Sind alone is responsible for an increase of 1,071 cases, of which 933 were under ordinary thefts and 138 under cattle thefts. On the Presidency Railways there was a decrease of 72 cases.

True cases of receiving stolen property have risen by 123 , i.e.; from 574 to 697. The largest number of cases occurred in Sind where there was an increase of 83 cases.
12. Coincident with the increase in reported crime and crime for disposal, there was a net increase of 1,141 in undetected cases. The increase was distributed over the Northern Division

Undetected Police Cogrizablé Casca. 249 cases, Central ${ }^{\prime}$ Division 318 cases and Sind 708 cases, the total being reduced by. decreases in the Southern. Division and the Presidency Railways.

The following tabular statement indicates the percentage of undetected cases Undetected Polise Cognizable to real cases for disposal according to the several Casca. divisions of the Presidency :-

| Divisions, etc. | Real cases disposed of in 1915. | Undetected cases in 1915. | Percentaga |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1912. | 1913. | 1914. | 1915. |
| Northern Division | 5,174 | x,825 | $3^{2}$ | 34.5 | 32.9 | 35.2 |
| Central Division | 6,124 | 2,378 | $3^{8}$ | 37-1 | 25.7 | 38.8 |
| Southern Division | 3,464 | 886 | $3{ }^{1}$ | 29.8 | 27.1 | 25.5 |
| Sind | 9,620 | 4,643. | 55 | $5 \mathrm{r} \cdot 6$ | 481 | $48 \cdot 2$ |
| Railways | 1,816 | 523 | 43 | 39.1 | 316 | $28 \cdot 7$ |
| Total for the Presi | 26,198 | 10,255 | 42 | $40 \cdot 5$ | $37 \cdot 8$ | $39^{1}$ |

The above figures include those of class VI. .In respect of Indian Penal Code cases only, the percentage of undetected cases for the whole Presidency stood at $42^{\circ}$ O1 against 40.6 for 1914 and $43^{\circ} 7$ for 1913 . The percentages for the Prosidency Proper and Sind for 1915 were tespectively 36.3 and 51.56 .

On an examination of districts individually it' will be observed that in the Presidency the highest percentage of undetected cases was in the Ahmednagar District (52) and in Sind, in Hyderabad (57), Sind Railways (65) and the Riverain (66). The lowest percentage was returned by the Ratnágiri District, viz., 7’7.

Commenting on the increase in Kaira in the number of undetected cases, the Commissioner, Northern Division, remarks :-
"The increase in Kaira is due to the rise in the number of reported crimes and the fact that in the 4 most criminal tálukas of that district the Sub-Inspectors are overworked."

On the same subject the District Magistrate, East Khándesh, observes :- .
": $\ldots$ When it is remarked that the undetected offences are largely house-breakings and highway robberies committed by the thriftless classes, largely Bhils, who scatter after the offence to hill villages and are experts in covering their tracks, and when it is further considered how large a number of tradesmen in this district are practically professional reccivers, when it is further reflected tbat these offences come in a rush for some months in a bad season, I do not think that the increased number of cases remaining undetected is practically blameworthy. As a matter of fact a certain number of these cases were in some sense detected. It was discovered, that is to say; that they must have been the work of 3 loosely organized gangs though it was impossible to bring home actual participation in the cases to individual members. The gangs were, however, dealt with and from the monent of the arrest of these members and the breaking up of the gangs, the offences diminished rapidy:"

Commenting on undetected crime, the Commissioner in Sind has drawn attention to the Karáchi District Magistrate's remark that "there seems to be a strong tendency to drop cases as soon as an ' A ' classification has been obtained.".
13. The work of the police before the Courts was on the whole as suicestPolice cases decided by trind ful as in 1914. Out of 13,040 true cases decided hy trial, 11,339 cases ended in conviction comparad with 10,578 cases out of the total of $12,3^{86}$ of the previous year. The percent.se on totals was 86.95 against 87.8 of the former year and for cases under the lidian Penal Code $85^{\circ} 4$ against $86^{2}$.

The following percentages will indicate the success obtained by the pulice in the Courts under the most important heads of crime :-

|  |  | - | Murders, ect. | Dacoities. | Rolberica | Ilouse-hreaking with intent to commitan oftenro. | Theft (iarlud) ing rattle thets). | Rrrivic: <br> at.\|len <br> perperty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1914 | -.. | ... | 73 | 644 | 93.05 | $89 \%$ | 232 | 1095 |
| 1915 | ** | - | $7+5$ | 82.45 | 8372 | 83.84 | 9193 | SCl |

In respect of true police cognizable cases the percentage of cases ending in conviction to cases disposed of as true stands as under for 1915 and the preceding three years:-

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1915-43.28 ; 1914-45^{\prime} ; 1913-43 ; 1912-424
$$

The percentages for the year vary from $38^{\circ} 1$ in Sind to $47 \cdot 8$ in the Southern Division and 51.5 on the Railways, the percentage for the Presidency exclusive of Sind being $4^{\circ} \cdot 2$.

In connection with postponements granted by the Magistrate to pleaders and their effect on the results of cases, the following observations by Mr. Molman, Superintendent of Bombay Railway Police, G. I. P. and M. \& S. M. Railways, deserve consideration:-
"Unnecessary postponements not only result in inconvenience to the witnesses, but thry also prejudice the chances of a conviction, as the sooner the evidence is recorded the less opportunity there is for its being tampered with. It is not understood why even pelly cases take so much longer to dispose of in the mofussil than in Bombay. During the year $15^{5}$ cases were sent before the Presidency. Magistrates, Bombay; of these 138 vere disposed of in. one day, the remairing 28 were disposed of in periods varying from two to ten dhys."

Stringent orders have been issued to the prosecuting staff to refrain, as far as possible, from applying for postponements and to oppose all such applications from the defence in the absence of strong reasons.
14. In all 964 cases inclusive of pending cases of the previous year were committed to the Sessions Courts against 922 cases committed in 1914. Out of 8,8 trials concluded 591 ended in conviction as compared with 782 trials concluded in $19!4$ and 603 convictions. The percentage of cases ending in conviction to cases tried recedcd from 77.8 in 1914 to 72.24 for the year under report. For 1913 the pereentage stood at $76 \%$. Of the remaining cases committed to the Scssions, 126 ended in acquittal or discharge whilst 145 were pending at the end of the year.

The highest percentage was obtained on the Railways with $24^{\circ} 1$ and the Central Division with 79. The percentage for the Presidency exclusive of Sind was $75^{\circ} 9$ and for Sind 64.17.

On this subject the figures from the Belgaum District are interesting in so far as the jury system is concerned. The number of Sessions cases tricd during the year was 54,40 of which were tried by jury. In 19 cases the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty". Seven of these were referred to the Iligh Court by the Sessions Judge and in 4 cases the High Court convicted the accused. Commenting on these figures the District Magistrate, Belgaum, observes :-
"The figures supplied showing the results of murder and daccoity cases tricd ly jury in the Sessions Court during the year strongly justify the action taken in igt by Government in withholding such cases from trial in this manner."

In one of the cases of murder referred to the High Court, the Icarned appellate Judge remarked:-
"It appears to me that a crime committed in the circumstances which I lave stated and which were clearly proved to the satisfaction of the jury is as clear a case of murder as it is possible to have and that the evidence bears no room for honest and reaconable doult that the intention was to cause death."
15. There were 27 cases of infanticide reported during the year against 46 .

Infanticide.
Government Resolution No. 2486, dated the 26th April 1907, Judicial Department.
> $\left\{\begin{array}{l}1 \text { in Ahmednagar. } \\ i \text { in }\end{array}\right.$ 1 in East Khandesh. i in Násik.
> $t$ in Satára.
> 4 in Sholápur.
> $t 6$ in Belyaum.
> t 10 in Dhárwár
> ( 1 in Sukkur.
> $+\{1$ in Upper Sind Fronticr.
> \& $t$ on M. \& S. M. Railway. in 1914 :- $-8^{*}$ from the Central Division, $16 \dagger$ from the Southern Division, $2 \ddagger$ from Sind and 1 § from the Railways.

In the Central Division convictions were obtained. in 4 cases in which the infants killed were illegitimate. In one case the accused was. discharged, 2 cases remained undetected and I was pending. In two cases the accused were sentenced to transportation for life ; the sentence in one of these cases was subsequently commuted to 2 years' rigorous imprisonment whilst in the other orders were awaited on a recommendation for clemency.
In 6 of the 16 cases from the Southern Division the infants were illegitimate and werc killed by their respective mothers to avoid disgrace. In 2 cases the mothers committed suicide, I case is still undetected and the accused in the remaining 3 cases were prosecuted with the result that the accused in one of them was sentenced to transportation for life, which sentence was commuted by Government into rigorous imprisonment for 2 years. The remaining 10 cases are accounted for as follows :-

6-The mothers committed suicide with their children on account of domestic troubles.

3-The mothers threw themselves into wells with their children in a fit of insanity. Two of these cases ended in the death of the accused and in the third the accused was acquitted.

1-The mother was suffering from illness leading to dementia.
Of the two cases from Sind a "C" summary had been applied for in one case and the other case remained undetected. The one case on the M. \& S. M. Railway ended in conviction.
16. Including pending cases, offences under special and local laws dealt. with by the police numbered 2,100 against 2,057 in

## Offences under special and local tuws

 1914, giving an increase of 43 cases. Of the 2,100 cases, 1,768 were brought to trial and 1,696 ended in conviction as against 1,659 and 1,616 respectively in the preceding year. The percentage of cases convicted to cases tried stood at $95^{\circ} 9$ as against $97^{\circ} 4$ in 1914 and $97^{\circ} 3$ in 1913.17. Truc cascs disposed of by Magistrates without the intervention of the Cognizable crime-Direct cases. police during the year under report numbered 6,21 in as against 6,467 in 1914 and 6,522 in 1913 - 2,828 or. 45.5 pcr cent. of the cases ended in conviction against 2,975 or 46 per cent. in: 1914 and 2,869 or 44 per cent. in $19 r 3$.
18. The total number of persons arrested by the police suo motu was 28,996 against 28,217 in 1914 and 29,937 in 1913. The
Statement a-part in, increase ( 779 persons) in the number of arrests is due to the general increase in crime. Inclusive of the number of persons concerned in pending cases of previous years the number of persons for disposal was $3^{2,847}$ as compared with 32,261 in 1914 and 34,579 in 1913. Persons released without being brought to trial numbered 710 against 697 in 1914, a percentage of 2.4 , the same as the previous year. Out of the number for disposal 27,736 persons were placed before the Courts during the year and 17,492 were convicted, i.e., 63.06 per cent. against 62.6 in 1914 and $\sigma_{1} \cdot 6$ in 1913 . The percentage for Sind for the year under report was $57 \%$. The fluctuations in the results of the various divisions are normal and call for na comment. The percentage of persons convicted to persons tried in connection with cases under the Indian Penal Code was $59^{\circ} 9$ against $59^{\circ} 6$ in 1914 and 58.6 in 1913. The percentage for Sind for the year under report was $54^{\circ} 74$.

At the and of the year there were 3,614 persons awaiting trial against 3,763 in 1914 and 4,002 in 1913.
19. Non-cognizable reported crime decreased from $7+377$ cress in 1914 to 73,602 in the year under report. In the former gear. there had been a rise over the total of 1913 by 2,733 cases mostly from Sind. The hishest number of c.lses

STATEMENT B-PART I. Noo-cogrizable crime. was returned this year from the Northern Division ( $27, \mathrm{~S}_{1}+\mathrm{casis}$ ).

Cases for disposal by the Magistracy totalled $75.9^{\prime} y_{3}$ as arrinst 77.477 in 1914. Of the former 49,974 cases were tried against 50,545 in the former yer. 39,660 cases ended in conviction or $5 \mathbf{2 月}^{2} \mathbf{2}$ per cent. as against $32.33^{3}$ cases convicted or $50 \%$ per cent. in the preceding year. Under cases for disposal ( $75.0 \%$ ) 14,371 cases or a little less than one-fifth were cases of "voluntarily causings hurt."
20. The number of persons concerned in non-cognizable cases who appearel

## STATEMENT B-PART II.

 Persons in non-cognizable casea,before the Courts during 1915 was $1,13,79$ ngrainst $1,18,966$ in 1914 ; of the former 4,751 persons against 4,602 in the preceding year were discharged after
70,653 were tried, 47,391 were convicted, and 23,267 appearance without trait were discharged or acquited against $71,799,+7,577$ and 23.922 resp.ctively in the previous year. The percentages of persons convicted to tried and of persons convicted to those appearing before the Courts were $67 \circ 07$ and $44^{\circ} 6$ against $66^{\circ} 6$ and 40.3 respectively in 1914 .
21. The value of property stolen during 1915 in connection with connizable crime was Rs. $12,99,460$ as compared with Rs. $11,47,336$
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stolen and recovered C-Propety in 1914 and Rs. $11,88,476$ in 1913 The value of
property recovered
$4,43,020$ in 1914 and Rs. $4,35,201$ in 1913.
The percentages of recoveries for the years 1914 to 1915 are given below :-


Except in the Southern Division where the percentage of recovered property has risen by nearly 4 per cent., there has been a slight falling off in the recovery of stolen property. The Railways in the Presidency Proper show the beit results in this respect with a percentage of $42^{\circ} 91$.

The number of cases in which property was recovered was $8,03+$ against 8,353 in the preceding year. The percentage of cases in which property was recovered to cases in which property was stolen was 57.30 against 50.01 in 1914 , $57^{\circ}$ in $1913,56.8$ in 1912 and $54^{\circ} 4^{\text {in }} 1911$.

In the Northern Division, Surat, which in the ycar 1914 stood highest with the excellent percentage of 6499 , shows the poorest results this yeir with the meagre percentage of $1_{4} 8 \mathrm{o}$. The Superintendent remarks " the results are this year disappointing but on the other hand last year's recoverice were execptionally good. It is largely a matter of luck."

In the Central Division, Satara with $\sigma_{3}$ par cent. of recoveries stands higiest and Ahmednagar with 1590 per cent. lowest. The deterioration in the percent ${ }^{\text {gige }}$ of property recovered is conspicuous in the West Khíndesh and Sholipur Districts, the figures being $20^{\circ} 67$ and 21.47 against 5305 and 45.25 respactivcly in 1914. In Ahmednagar this deterioration is "attributed to the crimes e minitted by wandering.gangs of criminals who elude police vigilance and dispose of stolen property at distant places."

In the Southern Division, the rise in the percentage is particularly marked in the Kolaba District ( 34 against 17 in 1914).

In Sind, the highest percentare of recovcries is returned by the Riverain charge ( $65^{\circ} 51$ ) and the lowest by Sukkur ( $22^{\prime} 77$ ). The figures of recoveries for the Pronince of Sind were doubtless affected by the stricter registration of cases on the Sind Railways.

Among the Railways in the Prosidency Proper, the M. \& S. M. Railway again shows the best results, the percentage being 46.37 .

Property of the value of Rs. $47,61_{3}$ stolen outside the Presidency was recovered by the District and the Railway Police within this Presidency during the ycar. Property valued at Rs. 8,403 and Rs. 4,668 out of the above property was recovered by the Police of the B. B. \& C. I. and G. I. P. Railways.
22. The following comparative table furnishes detailed information in

Preventive action. respect of the action taken under Chapter VIII, Criminal Procedure Code, and Regulation XII of 1827 :-

| Divisions. | Number of persons proceeded against. | Number ordered to furnish security. | Number who furnished security. | Number released on agreement under Regulation XII of 1827. | Number who went to jail in default of security. | Number of persons in cases pending at the close of the year. | Percentage of persons from whom security was demanded to persons proceeded against. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 811 |  | 465 |  | 77 | 87 | 73.86 |
| Northern Division ... $\left\{\begin{aligned} 1914 & \cdots \\ 1915 & \ldots\end{aligned}\right.$ | 828 | 642 | 541 | 7 | 94 | -70 | 775 |
| Central Division ... 1914 ... | 1,089 | 893 | 390 | 120 | 383. | 64 | 82 |
| Central Division ... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}1915 \\ \text { 192 }\end{array}\right.$ | 802 | 623 | 342 |  | . 281 | 69 | 77.6 |
| Southern Division ... 1914 | 990 | 530 | 400 | 11 | 119 | 251 | 53.5 |
| Southern Division ... 1915 ... | 812 | 524 | 374 | 9 | 141 | 71 | 64.5 |
| Sind ... $\begin{array}{lll}1914 & \ldots\end{array}$ | 1,265 | 828 | - 195 | ... | 633 | 137 | 654 |
| Sind $\quad \cdots \begin{aligned} & 1915\end{aligned}$ | 1,011 | 638 | 107 | 1 | 530 | 143 | 63.1 |
| Railways $\quad . .\left\{\begin{array}{lll}1914 & \text {... } \\ 1915 & \text {.. }\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{r}123 \\ -\quad 83 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 106 \\ 71 \end{array}$ | 30 10 | ... | 76 68 | 3 | 86.1 855 |
| Total $\ldots\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { 1914 } \\ 1915 \\ 190\end{array}\right.$ | 4,278 3,536 | $\begin{aligned} & 2,956 \\ & 2,498 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,480 \\ & 1,374 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r}188 \\ \hline 17\end{array}$ | 1,288 1,107 | $\begin{aligned} & 542 \\ & 354 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 69.09 \\ & 70.6 \end{aligned}$ |

An examination of 5 years' figures shows a distinct and steady decline in the number of persons proceeded against under Chapter VIII, Criminal Procedure Code. In 1911 procecdings were taken against 5,666 persons, the number in 1912 was 4,783 . In 1913 it was 4,710 and from 1914 it has decreased from 4,278 to 3.536 for the ycar under report. The tendency noticed is probably due to the gradual application of the Criminal Tribes Act III of 191 I and to the action taken under section 40I, Indian Penal Code, against certain local criminal classes.

In the year under report there was a small increase of 17 cases in the Northern Division only. Elsewhere in the Presidency there was a decrease of 759 cases. The reductions in the Central Division, Southern Division, Sind and on Railways being 287, 178, 254 and 40 cases respectively. In Sind, the Lárkána District was mainly responsible for the decrease and in commenting thereon the Commissioner in Sind writes:-
"The large decrease occurred almost entirely in one sub-division of the district where the Sub-Divisional Magistrate held what the Commissioner can only describe as perverse views about the working of Chapter VIII. This Magistrate has since been transferred. The Buariahs, who have made Hyderabad their home ior the time being, but in accordance with their methods, committed no crime in that district, were dealt with under Chapter VIII, with good results. Similar action was taken against the Koochrias, another criminal class of vagrants, who infest the same district."

## The Commissioner, Central Division :-

"The decrease occurred in all districts except Sholápur . . . . The decrease of $S S$ in Ahmednugar was due to the fact that 100 persons were bound over under Regulation NII of 18.7 in 1914 , white the . Regulation was not utilized during the year of report."
and in this connection he quotes the Ahmednagar District Magistrate's remarks to the effect that this Regulation is the more suitable way of dealing with Bhils for failure to furnish security.

It would, however, appear from the remarks of the District Magistrate, East ${ }^{-}$ Khindesh, quoted by the Commissioner, Central Division, that there are some districts in which greater activity in taking action against suspicious wanderers is urgently called for. Mr. Rothfeld in the course of his remarks says:-
"Where, however, several Magistrates are still remarkably weak, is in dealing with wandering suspects-especially when they disguise themselves, like so many criminals, as

Bairagis. When one remembers that police eftiecs also do not tahe preventive a iwn against such wanderers nearly as frecly as they should and that dangerous wimitali can often elude arrest by adopting a disguise, it is obvious that the Mastiterial weahness muit react very unfavourably on administration and on the condition of the pacelul pimbitina yet many Magistrates are unable to grasp the obvious proposition that if a strantsir cannot give a reference and security in his own home, he must ln : a bad character and should he bound over. Each such discharge discourasespolice oflicers from showins more encricy in the apprehension of suspicious strangers. Aod East Khindesh is a happe hunting ground for forcign criminals."

The Commissioner, Northern Division, quotes the Kiaira District Superintendent of Police's remark :-
"Cases under Chapter VIII are difficult to prepare in the Kaira District owing to the difficulty of procuring evidence against cven well known bad characters."

The provisions of Regulation XII of 1827 were made use of to a considerable extent in the Broach District and in a lesser degree in the Bijapur and Dhírwh́r Districts.

One of the persons dealt with by the B. B. \& C. I. Railway Police under Chapter VIIJ, Criminal Procedure Code, was a notorious organiser of railway thefts named Shiwa Juma, On failing to furnish satisfactory security he was remanded to jail for 2 years; this, it is reported, has been followed by a matcrial reduction in the number of thefts from running goods trains on the Ahmedabad section.
23. There was some influx into the Presidency Proper of criminal classes or suspicious foreigners. In the Northern Division 17 foreigners were arrested in the Kaira District and dealt with under the provisions of Chapter VIII, 'Criminal Procedure Code.
A special temporary staff of 9 Sub-Inspectors and 9 Constables was entertained in the same district at the close of the yoar for checking the roll call of certain people placed under the Criminal Tribes Act.

The Bhils and Talavias of Broach who are notorious for cropstealing appear to have been kept in hand. The Ramoshi Police establishment referred to in the previous year's report as having been entertained for the supervision and control of labourers on quarry works in Surat was continued during the year.

In the Central Division a gang of Bhils organized by one Ananda Vithu Bhil, an escaped convict, committed a series of crimes in both the $\Lambda$ hmodnagar and Poona Districts with the assistance of local Bhils and other bad characters. He was arrested by the special armed police party of the latter district and was sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment. The capture of this outhaw led to the detection of 41 offences committed by the members of his gang. 1 gang of Pardeshis belonging to a criminal tribe called Pasis, also another gang consisting of local criminals-Tadvis, Bhils, Mahomedans, etc.-in the East Khándesh District, were brought to book. The members of a third gang in the same district composed of hardened criminals addicted to the commission of crime on the borders of this Presidency and the Central Provinces were likewise arrested and committed to the Sessions Court. It is necessary to mention here that a conference was held on the 15 th October 1915 at Nagpur with the view of devising measures for dealing with certain gangs who had been committing offences on the borders of this Presidency and the Central Provinces. The conference was attended by the District Magistrate and Superintendent of Police, East Khíndesh, and the Deputy Inspector Gencral of Police, Northern Range, Mr. Hume.

In the West Khándesh District a troublesome gang of Phase I'ardhis was successfully prosecuted. Thrce out of a gang of 5 criminals who had escaped from the Dharampore State Jail and had taken refuge in the Nísik District were captured and successfully dealt with. This was followed subsequently by the surrender of the leader of the gang named Govinda, son of the notorious dacoit Chimnia, who had evaded arrest for a long time. In the Poona District the Rolis from the Ghats committed a scries of dacotics as mentioned in paragraph in above.

In addition to the above-mentioned gangs, an old gang of Waddars and a gang of Kaikadi Javeries of the Poona District were detected and successfully dealt with by the Criminal Investigation Department.

A number of Kanjars and Mang Garudis expelled from His Highness the Nizam's Territory and Indore State, who visited the East Khándesh District, and some Bhamtas who visited the Sholápur District, were also dealt with either under Chapter VIII, Criminal Procedure Code, or were escorted out of the district.

In the Southern Division several gangs such as Waddars, Haranshikaris, Korchas, Kaikadis, Mang Garudis and Gujerathi Bhats visited the Belgaum, Bijápur and Dhárwár Districts.

A gang of Kathkaris in the Kolaba District wast successfully prosecuted by the Criminal Investigation Department.

As regards the Presidency Railways the Superintendent of Police, B. B. \& C. I. Railway, has referred to the extra work thrown on his'force on account of the surveillance that had to be exercised over Trans-Frontier Pathans and others on whom orders under section 3, Act III of 1864, had been issued by Government directing them to remove themselves forthwith from British India.

The G. I. P. Railway Police prosecuted 2 Bhamta gang cases. In one case 15 accuscd were convicted, whilst in the other convictions have been obtained since the close of the year against 21 of the 24 accused.

The Railway Police were also called upon to exercise special vigilance in regard to suspicious foreigners travelling on the lines, and persons travelling with passes granted by District Magistrates. A senior Sub-Inspector was placed on special duty at Viramgaum in connection with the working of the Ingress into India Ordinance, III of 1914. Another Sub-Inspector was similarly placed on special duty at Castle Rock.

The Deputy Inspector General for Sind shows that the Hyderabad. District
(Sind.)
was infested with gangs of Bauriahs and Koochras and observes that " The latter wherever found by the police were sent up under section 109, Criminal Procedure Code, and their cattle disposed of under section 523, Criminal Procedure Code."

It would appear that a certain number of thesc people were arrested for offences committed in other parts of India. Mr. Luck also refers to certain members of the Wagh Dehi Khosas of Tando Bago Táluka who are expert cattle thicves being dealt with under the Criminal Tribes Act and Chapter VIII, Criminal Procedure Code.

It is also reported that the Jagiranis - of Dubar, Sukkur District, who have been declared a criminal tribe, have not yet been confined in settlements, prcsumably as their registration is not yet complete.

As regard the Hurs, Mr. Luck says:-
"The Ilu:s of the Thar and Párkar and Nawábshah Districts have continued to be quiet since the repressive measures taken against them and the deportation of most of the leadingspirits to Visapur.
"The District Magistrates of these two districts are, however, both agreed that great tact is necessary to deal with the IIurs and that they require to be carefully watched, etc."

As regards the train thieves it is stated that "The tribes which commit thefts on the Sind Railways are the Himatis, Shoras, Babbras, Godhras and Khosas, between $\cdot$ Karéchi and Laki; the Jagiranis between Rohri and Reti ; the Zardaris in the Nawabshah District and the Mohanas and Machis in the whole of Sind."

## ILorking of the Criminal Tribes Act.

During the jear the following tribes were notified under the Criminal Tribes Act III of 1911:-

Thína ... The Fudgudis and Telagu Dhangars.
East Khindesh... The Banjars or Vanjaris of the class known as. Rajput or Charan Vanjaris.
Sátíra ... The Mangs of Thomse in the Pátan Táluka.

The indigenous criminal tribes of Shalipur, with the exception of those members who are bond fide cultivators and owners of land, have been lireusht into the settlement at Shoĺapur; these include Kaikadis, Chapparbimds, Mar: Garudis, Haranshikaris and Bhamtas, numbering $1,7 \% 0$ in all. A small seth:ment under potice supervision has been started at Birsi, where Gf Phase Pardhis are working in the local mills. At llutgi, an agricultural settloment has been established. 'In connection with the administration of the Criminal Iribes Act, Mr. Seddon, the Commissioner, adds :-
"We are in a transition stage; we are passing from the old llazri patrah syom, while the criminal tribes have not yet been properly dealt with under the .hit I an convinced that there are far greater possibilities in the Act than in any syotem of indiscriminate and illegal roll call; at the same time until this is recognised, and untll the dit is really worked up to as it should be, it is not surprising if there occurs a certain temporary flabbiness of control."

## The Commissioner, Southern Division, writes :-

"The number of persons inclusive of women and clildren under settlement control at
the end of the year were:-
Bijşpur $\quad . . \quad$... $\quad . .4,700$
. Dhárwár-

"The most important advance in settlement work has been the cotablishment of a settlement at the Gokak Falls. Some of the members were drafted from the Ilubli Sertlement when the Hubli Mills were closed ; and the remainder consist of gant of Kaihadis, Korcha and Gujerathi Bhats found wandering in the district."

- Mr. Starte in referring to the prosperity of these scttlements has acknowledged the support and sympathy extended to them by. the Superintendents of Belgaum, Bijápur, Dhárwár and Sholápur and their subordinatcs.
- In Belgaum, the Superintendent of Police urges the necessity for immediate steps being taken to bring the Berads under the scttlement. In Bij.́pur, where the Chapparbands, Ghantichors and Haranshikaris have becn registered, the last mentioned proved the most difficult of rcform, 18 of them being concerned in 9 offences under the Indian Penal Code. As regards the criminal tribes of the Dhárwár District, the Superintendent observes:-


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"The most criminal is the Kaikadi, of whom we have two known sctllements at Gudhihal and Gadag. These men spend their life time in jail interspersed with ahort holiduys at home for the propagation of their species. They will never settle down to honest livelihood unless they are placed in one of Mr. Starte's settlements.' The Madras Government is moving, I am told, the dangerous gang at Rudrapad in Lellary to a poiut 300 miles south. Similarly the Dhdrwdr Kaikadi might be moved to a point not so close to the Madras and Mysore borders."


The sanction of His Majesty's Secretary of State for India was reccived during the year to certain of the schemes of Commissioncr Booth Tucker of the Salvation Army for the reclamation of juvenile offenders and relcased prisoncrs and various allotments were provided, zide Government Resolution No. 5093, dated the 17 th July 1915, Judicial Department.
24. During the year under report 3,333 of the $17,49^{2}$ persons who were habitus ofendere convicted were idertified as having previous convictians against them and 1,315 were classed as habitual offenders as compared with $3.3^{3} 4,16,944$ and 1,274 respectively in 1914 . About 40 per cent. of the habitual ofienders belonged to the Ccntral Division.

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## (Covernment Resolution, Fudicial Department, No. 557, dated the 25th Ganuary 1916.)

A total of 26 gang cases inclusive of pending cases of the former years were taken up in the Presidency. Proper by the District, Railway and Criminal Investigation Dcpartment Police.; Fourteen cases ended in conviction and out of 313 persons concerned, 229 out of 276 placed before the Courts were convicted whilst 47 were discharged. The inquiries showed that the members of those gangs wore responsible for 326 cases and the property recovered was valued at a total of Rs. 42,094.
25. Mr. J. A. Guider, C.I.E., held the appointment of Deputy Inspector

Criminal Investigation Department General, Criminal Investigation Department, throughout the year. Mr. P. A. Kelly, Personal Assistant, who was transferred in the same capacity to the staff of the Inspector General on the 21 st April, was succeeded by Mr.D. Healy. Mr. E. P. White, Superintendent of Police, and Mr. C. J. Power, Deputy Superintendent, werc attached to the Criminal Investigation Department for the periods ist January to the 2nd March and Ist January to the 20th March respectively.

In Sind, the Criminal Investigation Department, which is under the local Deputy Inspector General, was controlled by Mr. Souter, C.I.E., from 1st January to $25^{\text {th }}$ March and thercafter by Mr. Luck.

The permanent establishments of the Poona and Sind Criminal Investigation Departments remained the same throughout the year, viz., 12 Inspectors, 23 SubInspectors, 20 Head Constables and 44 Conistables, and I. Inspector, 6 SubInspectors and 7 Head Constables respectively.

The temporary staff referred to in paragraph 25 of the previous year's report was further reduced during the year by 3 Inspectors, 2 Head Constables and 8 Constables. Since the close of the year the services of the remainder of the temporary staff have been dispensed with.

The number of inquiries taken up during the year was 156 , of which 65 were
Preadency Propar. criminal and the remainder of the description specified in former reports.
11: persons were arrested by the Criminal Investigation Department and sent for trial. Of these, 69 were convicted, 39 were discharged or acquitted, 1 died whilst under trial and 2 were pending trial at the close of the year.

The following were among the more important cases dealt with :-
s. Illegal method of recruiting Indian coolies for certain Tea and Rubber Plantations in Ceylon.-About 31 years ago three ajents employed by the managers of cerlain tea and rubber plantations in Ceylon induced 16 men of the labouring class from the Belgaum District to accept employment in Ceylon. Two of these men were subsequently allowed to return to their homes on paying Rs. 45 each and on their agreeing to forfeit their wages for about $2 \frac{1}{y}$ yars. Their stories of the ill-treatment of Indian coolies in Ceylon led to a petition and an inquiry. A prosecution was launched under section 417, Indian Penal Code, as a test çase against one of the men who had returned to India to recruit coolies. His conviction and sentence to one year's rigorous imprisonment was followed by a similar prosecution and result io a second case.
2. Malivan Dacoity case.-Certain youths anxious to follow the example of the Bengalecs had planned together in Bombay to commit dacoities and robberies for the purpose of collecting money for some political object. The leader of the movement was one Dattatraya Ramchandra Mayehar, Bhandari by.caste, a native of Kooloki in Malwan Táluka and then employed in a mill in Bombay. In August 1913 he organized a society in Bombay consisting of 7 or 8 persons, and in March 1915 two brothers named Juvekar, Brahmins of Dahiwari, Karjat Taluka in the Kolsba District, joined the society. As the result of their deliberations they committed a dacoity at Chandur, near Malwan in the Ratnd giri District, on the 2oth April 19:5. The gang then returned to Bombay with their booty valued at Rs. 30 only. On information received the 6 persons concerned were arrested, tried and convicted, one Agant Narayan Juvekar being sentenced to 15 years and the remainder to various terms of rigorous imprisonment.
3. Kathlari Gang case.-Resulting from the inquiries into , the previous case it was ascertained that the members of the same gang had, with the assistance of certain Kathkaris (hill juagle paople) residing in the jungles of the Karjat Taluka and Khalapur Petha
of the Kolaba District, commited certain burglaries in that district dating lack to 1908. Sixteen persons including Kathkaris and receivers of stolen property were accordinity proceeded against and 6 of them were convicted, 5 being sentenced to 1 jear's and the eth to 6 months' rigorous imprisonment.
4. Bhamta Gang case-Of the 46 Bhamta accused awaiting trial in the Court of Sessions, Poona, at the close of 1914 and referred to as case No. 3 on page 11 of the previous year's Police Report, 43 were convicted and scatenced as under on the lath May 1915:-

> is to transportation for life;
> 4 " 7 years' transportation;
> 12 " 3 years' rigorous imprisoment ;
> 6 " I year's rigorous imprisonnent;
> " " 1 day's rigorous imprisonment, and
> 3 were acquitted or discharged.

Besides the above a supplementary case against one of the principal Dhamtas who had absconded was sent for trial. He was convicted and sentenced to transportation for life.

- In another case 5 Bhamtas were prosecuted under section 401, Indian Penal Code, and were convicted and sentenced to 5 years' rigorous'imprisonment. Two out of 6 reccivers of stolen property who were proceeded against under section 110 (b), Criminal Procedure Code, in connection with this case were bound over.

5. Forgery cases in the Kaira District, known ras the Umreth Forgery cases.-Eighty-one cases including those pending from the previous year were taken up of which 7 ended in conviction, 3 in acquittal or discharge ; 12 cases were under inquiry; 14 cases were pending trial at the close of the year and in 8 case sanction to prosccule was awaited. The remaining cases were not proceeded with for various reasons.
6. Laghate Bribery case. - Enquiries made into certain allegations of corruption against the First Class Subordinate Judge, Ahmednagar, Govind Balwant Laghate, indicated that the allegations were true and 4 cases were selected for prosecution out of the 15 complaints lodged against him with the sanction of Government under section 161 , Indian Penal Code. In 3 out of the 4 cases convictions were obtained.

Sind.-The following were among the more important. inquiries undertaken by the Sind Criminal Investigation Branch:-
(i) Theft of cash, Rs. 271 -6-0, from a Mail bag intransit between Pad Idan and Ilyderabad (Sind) on or about 11th May 1915 .
(ii) Abetment of the desertion of a soldier of the Indian Army. In this case two accused were sent up and convicted.
(iii) Criminal breach of trust in respect of Government currency notes valued at Rs. 800 between the Bombay Bank and the Currency Olfice.

- The Golden Gang case of Shikárpur referred to as case No. (iii) on page it of the previous year's Police Report, in which 17 persons were sent up under section $120-13$, Indian Penal Code, in 1914, was disposed of during the year. One was discharged, 2 were acquitted and 14 were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment ranging Irom 6 months to 2 years in the Court of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Shikírpur. On appeal to the Court of Sessions 3 were acquitted and the sentences of the remaining ${ }^{11}$ were conliemed.
- 26. Out of $2,57^{2}$ counterfeit coins received at the various stations on the

Counterfeit Coine and Sweating. different railways during 1915, 2,5G6 were tendered at stations on the B. B. \& C. I. Kailway alone, whilst only 6 were reccived on the G.I. P. Railway. This would, prima facie, point to the fact that counterfeiting is carried on minly in the Native States of Káthiáwár and Guzerát.

There was a very appreciable decrease in the number of sweated sovercigns and half-sovereigns that came under notice during the year, viz., 17 sovereigns and 1 half-sovereign as against tor sovercigns and 4 half-sovereigns in 1914. Nine of this year's sweated sovercigns were reccived on the G. I. P. and sovereigns and the hall-sovereign on the B. B. \& C. I. Railway.

The Mint Master, Bombay, drew atention during the year to the very large number of counterfeit coins of identical type received on the railways, among them being George V rupees which were palpable cast counterfeits but sufficiently - well executed to deceive the public. In spite of prolonged inquiries no cluc of the utterers was obtained.
27. During the year under report the strength of the Finger Print Bureau, Finger-print Bureau. Poona, was 1 Inspector, 13 Sub-Inspectors, 2 clerks
(Presidency Proper.) and 2 constables (orderlies).
At the beginning of the year there were on record $1,19,219$ finger impression slips and during the year 7,622 new ones were received for record as against 6,508 in the previous year, making a total of $1,26,841$. Of these, 499 slips were destroyed in accordance with the rules, leaving a total of $1,26,342$.

Of the 7,622 new slips received for record 385 were from the City of Bombay, 6,593 from districts and Railways of this Presidency, 137 from Sind, and 507 from other Presidencios, Native States, etc. The number of slips received from Native States was 201 as against 311 in 1914. One thousand four hundred and nine slips were sent for record and 2,842 (including those of 8 Chhapparbands and 16 Ghantichors received from the Assistant Collector on special duty, Bijapur) for scarch to the Central Bureau, Simla.

The number of slips received for search was 15,371 as against 14,824 in 1914, an increase of 547 . Of these, 1,711 slips were received from other Presidencies and Provinces, $1,37 \mathrm{I}$ from Native States and 124 from Agencies. In 2,407 cases including 128 from other Provinces and Presidencies and 191 from Native States and Agencies, the antecedents of accused persons were traced as against 2,347 in 1914. The percentage of cases traced to the cases received for search is $15^{\circ} 6$ as against $15^{\circ} 8$ in the previous year.

In $1,089^{\circ}$ cases previous convictions were proved and in 827 of these enhanced punishment was awarded as against 1,283 and 1,073 cases respectively in 1914. Cases in which it was found that the accused had received lighter sentences (194) or the same sentences (68) were reported to the District Magistrates concerned.

In 21 cases, as against 26 in 1914, the accused were identified locally by the chicf operators without reference to the Finger Print Bureau.

The number of finger impression slips received in the Central Finger Print (Sind) Bureau for Sind at Karachi was 3,859 as against 3,433 in the previous year. Sixty-six slips were destroyed during the year. The grand total of slips now recorded in the Bureau is $49,18 \mathrm{r}$. They have all been classified and arranged on their respective file boards. The subsequent conviction slips received and entered during 1915 numbered 845 as against 572 during 1914. The number of slips received for search rias 8,169 as against 7,670 in 1914. Of these, 2,036 were traced as against 1,841 in the preceding year. Four hundred and seventy-one slips of foreigners were sent to the Gentral Finger Print Bureau, Simla, for record.
28. In addition to licensing and supervising public conveyances and escorting prisoners and many lakhs of treasure, the police by the palice. served a total of $3,23,224$ summonses and warrants, extinguished 952 fires, destroyed $1,09,018$ dogs, inquired into 1,109 cases referred by the Magistracy as also into 12,405 petty cases under the Cantonment, Public Conveyances and Minor Acts, 596 suicides, 5,729 accidents ( 710 on the Railways), and 556 suspicious and sudden deaths.
29. Out of 990 cases returned as serious the scenes of 653 or 66 per cent.

Fersonal inrestigation of serious crimes crimes in the great majority of cases as adequate and satisfactory.

In the Central Division, the scenes of nearly 50 per cent. of the cases remained unvisited in the Ahmednagar and Poona Districts. The Deputy Inspector Gencral has commented on the desirability of having deputed the Deputy Superintendents to the scenes of 6 dacoities which remained unvisited.

In the Southern Division, the Deputy Inspector General considers the reasons given by the Dharwir District Superintendent of Police for the non-visitation of 17 out of 30 cases satisfactory, and the Commissioner holds the same view as regards the cxplanation for not visiting the scenes of 46 out of the 71 offences in the Belgaum District.

The Commissioner in Sind geacrally aecepts the reazons for noavisitati, of scenes of 129 out of 337 serious offences by gazetted ofticers.

On the Railways, where seenes of 3 out of $\sigma$ cases remained unvisited, the explanations offered by the Superintendents of Police are satisfactury.

STATEMENT D-Strength of Police.
30. The present sanctionad strensth of the price force is :-

| Presidency Proper | $\cdots$ | ... | OTreres and Mra. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | ... | 10,713 |
| Sind | ... | ... | ... | 0,317 |
|  |  |  | ... | 25.930 |

During the year under report an appointment of Superintendent of Police was added to the cadre of Indian Police Officers to provide a third Deputy Com. missioner for the City of Bombay. A reduction was made of 1 Sub-Inspector and 1 Constable consequent on the amalgamation of the Ileadquarters of the G. I. P. and M. \& S. M. Railways at Poona. These changes hive resulted in a net reduction of $I$ in the total of the sanctioned strength for the Presidency.

The sanctioned scheme of reorganization not fully introduced yet provides for an increase of $1,51!$ officers and men for the Presidency Proper and $60+$ for Sind. This would give a total of 29,045 officers and men for the whole Presidency as shown in Statement D.

Temporary police consisting of a total of 404 officers and men were entertained under the heads of "Additional Police Establishments", "Plague" and " Miscellaneous duties".
31. The total cost of the police during the year amounted to Rs. 72,03,260 against Rs. $71,27,544$ in the previous ycar. The
Cost of Police. increase was mainly due to a larger allotment undep Police Buildings.
32. On the grand total, which includes police on treasury and jail guar ds

Proportion of Police to area and population and Cognizable ${ }^{\circ}$ Crime investigated. as also on miscellancous dutics, the proportion of police to area, population and cognizable crime investigated is:-
One policeman to $5^{\prime} 14$ square miles, $2 \cdot 2$ Railway miles, 722 persons and $1 \cdot 27$ cognizable crime investigated.
But this is a very misleading basis for fixing ratios of the above nature. Policemen employed as treasury and jail guards, escorts, armed reserves, on process serving and as Court orderlies, etc., have little connection with the percentage on areas, head of population or cognizable crime. If thercfore the police employed on such miscellaneous duties be excluded the following ratios are arrived at:-

One policeman to $10^{\circ} 4$ square miles, 2.2 Railway miles, 1,150 persons and 1 57 gognizable crime investigated.
33. According to the reorganization scheme the number of police stations was increased from 493 to 513 and the outposts were reduced from 1,026 to $93_{3}$-a nct dectease of 23 police locations. A total of 457 police stations and 7,292

Inspection of Police stations and outposth. locations. A total of 457 police stations and 7,292 outposts were inspected by Superintendents, Assistant and Deputy Supcrin-
tendents. Out of the balance that remained uninspected 23 police stations and to3 tendents. Out of the balance that remained uninspected 23 police stations and 103
outposts appertained to Sind. The Commissianer, Northern Division, has remarked that the amóunt of inspection in the Ahmedabad District was poor. As regards Surat, the Commissioncr, in agreeing with the District Magistrate, quotes the latter's remarks :-
"Considering how small the district is and how light the work, it is regrettable that the Superintendent does not personally visit all the police stations and a somewhat ligger number of serious crimes."

There is little doubt that Mr. Greenaway neglected both inspection work and his duties of visiting the scenes of crime and was too much at Headquarters.

The Commissioner, Central Division, remarks that the inspection work in the Násik and West Khándesh Districts appears to have been seriously neglected, but whilst this is cvident there is little doubt that the changes in personnel interfcred with this work.

In the Southern Division, the Commissioner and Deputy Inspector General agrec in thinking that the reasons advanced by the District Superintendent of Police, Kolaba, for not doing more inspection work are not very convincing.

The Deputy Inspector General, Sind, states that the improvement in the amount of inspection noticed in the previous year has been maintained. In addition to the ordinary inspection work performed by district officers the Range Deputy Inspectors General in the Presidency Proper inspected 8 Superintendents' offices, 7 Assistant Superintendents' offices, 9 Inspectors' offices, 35 police stations and Headquarter Sub-Inspectors' offices and 22 outposts, both in districts and on railways.

The Deputy Inspector General for Sind also appears to have done a considcrable amount of inspection. .
34. There was no change in the armament of the force. Owing to the war statement e-Amment. the Ordnance Department were again unable to supply the further instalment of Webley revolvers required for Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors.
35. There has been an increase of 55 in the number, of officers and men punished departmentally and by the Courts, the total Pumishments. number being 2,900 against 2,845 in 1914. The percentage of punishments to the actual strength of the force was $11 \cdot 6$ against 113 in 1914 and 12.5 in 1913.

Of the total number ( $\mathbf{2}, 900$ ) of punishments, 2,723 were for departmental and 177 for judicial offences as compared with 2,638 and 207; respectively, in 1914.

In the Northern Division, Ahmedabad alone is responsible for 33 I • punishments out of the total of 809 for the whole Division. The abnormal rise in this district of 193 punishments over the previous year's figure is attributed by Mr. McCulloch to the bad state of discipline that prevailed in the force. The District Maristrate and Commissioner appear to concur in the Superintendent's remarks whilst the Deputy Inspector General is unable to admit that discipline is worsc in Ahmedabad than in other districts in the Range.

In the Central Division, Poona returned the largest number of punishments, viz. 277. This a gain is a district where recruiting is most difficult, there being now over 190 vacancies in the force.

The Commissioncr, Southern Division, remarks that though the number of punishments for Dhárwár has fallen from 295 to 188, it is still the largest in the Division, which has the lowest percentage amongst the divisions, viz. 7.55.

In Sind, the greatest increase occurs in the Sukkur District in departmental punishments, the number being 151 against 62 in 1914.

Among the Presidency Railways the B. B. \& C. I. returns the largest number (128) and M. \& S. M. the smallest (45). On the G. I. P. the number of punishments was 115 , of which 12 were judicial.

The Deputy Inspector General, Southern Range, commenting on the ${ }^{\bullet}$ decrease in the total number of punishments in the Southern Range observes:-

[^0]a night journey. This amount with further cuttings during the period of suspension represented something like to months or a year's pey: In England a loss of a week's pay would have been considered a severe punishmeat. The fact, however, cannot be denied that owing to the difficulties of obtainiag decent recruits, consequent on the insufficiency of the present rates of pay and allowinceis, discipline has everywhere suffered, specially in Gujerat.
36. Rewards by promotion, good conduct tickets and moncy grants numbered 9,039 in 1915 against 0,259 in the precedin: year. By promotion there were So rewards amainst 54 . The percentage of officers and men rewarded to the actual foree stood at $3^{6} 25$ against 37 in 1914.

It is satisfactory to observe that there was an increase in the Southern Division of rewards from 1,461 to 1,756 and from 1,652 to $1,7+2$ in Sind. It is regrettable on the other hand to notice a decrease in the other Divisions and on the Railways. In Ahmedabad, however, there was an increase of 62 rewards.

In the following remarks of Mr. Hume, Deputy Inspector-Gencral, Northern Range, I entirely concur.
"In these times of high cost of living small monetary rewards to the constabulary are a welcome relief and highly appreciated by them and every encouragement should lie given to them by rewarding them liberally whenever they have achieved a guod piece of work."

Titles were conferred as personal distinctions on the following oflicers:-
Rao Saheb ... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { (1) Mr. Vaman Narayan Barve, Deputy Superintendent }\end{array}\right.$ 2) Inspector Jiwanlal Jamnadas of Ahmedabad.
(3) Inspector Shankar Sadashiv Metkar of Sholapur.
(1) Mr. Rattanji R. Mirza, Acting Deputy Superintendent

Khan Saheb . $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { (1) of Police. }\end{array}\right.$
(2) Inspector Shaikh Ali Mahomed Hussain of Ahmednagar.

The King's Police Medal was awarded on the 1st January 1916 to the following officers :-

Mr. W. H. Luck, Deputy Inspector-General.
Mr. F. C. Griffith, Superintendent of Police.
Mr. O. A. Harker, Superintendent of Police.
Inspector J. Acton of Ahmedabad.
Head Constable Abdul Wahab walad Shaikh Fajee of the G. I. P. Railway Police.
Constable Jamu Amu of the Ahmedabad District Police, whose gallant conduct in rescuing a man from drowning was:brought to the notice of the Royal Humane Society, was awarded a testimonial on vellum by the Socicty during the year under report.

A Constable named Rajabkhan Daudkhan of the Kaira District l'olice at the risk of his life saved a boy of 5 years from a burning house at Anand. In saving the child's life he was himself severely burnt and in conscqu:nce had to remain in hospital for 4 months. In recognition of this act of bravery the Constable was given a monetary reward of Rs. 125 and was promoted to the rank of Head Constable.

Another case of bravery occurred at Bandra, in the Thána District, where a Constable named Baba Bhawan Salvi was stabbed to death in altempting to capture a Pathan thief. The Constable's devotion to duty has been recognized by Government by the grant of an extraordinary pension of Rs. 10 per mensem to his eldest son.
37. Out of a total actual force of 1,056 officers and 23,863 men, the number Ecucation of officers and men educated was 1,034 and 12,830 , respectively, against 1,042 and 12,732 in 1914. The percentage of educated officers and men to the total force stood at $55^{\circ} 60$ against
5.5 in the proceding year. The percentages for the Presidency Proper and Sind were 62.99 and 31.96 respectively against $62 \cdot 1$ and $32 \cdot 2$ in the preceding ycar.

The Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway again returns the highest percentage of educated officers and men, viz., 91.44 (though as compared with the previous year there has been a falling off of 4.66 per cent.) and Ratnagiri with a percentage of $90^{\circ} 41$ against $83^{\circ} 1$ is the second best. But the state of education amongst the constabulary as a whole is very unsatisfactory as the figures show that the immense progress in education throughout India is not shared by the constabulary. While there has been slight improvement in the number of educated men in certain districts, important districts like Ahmedabad, Surat and Broach and other districts like Kaira and West Khándesh in the Presidency had actually fewer educated men in their forces at the end of 1915 than in 1910. Karáchi and Hyderabad in Sind show the same unsatisfactory state of things.
38. There was again an increase of 291 in the number of resignations, Resignations. which stood at 1,818 in the year under report against

The percentage of resignations on actual strength was $7 / 29$ as compared with 6.1 in 1914, $5^{\circ}$ in 1913 and 46 in 1912.

Among districts, Karáchi and Hyderabad in Sind, and Poona and Ahmed. abad in the Presidency Proper, return the highest number of resignations, viz., 278 , 103 and 145 and 90 respectively. Among Railways, the B. B. and C. I. Railway had the highest number of resignations, viz., 61.

As regards the increase in the number of resignations in Sind, the Deputy Inspector General thinks that this was due to policemen joining the Army. This cannot, however, be accepted as the reason in the Presidency Proper.
39. The number of vacancies at the end of the year stood at 901 (Presi-

## Vacancies and Recruiting.

 dency Proper 638, Sind 263). as against 780 in 1914, 424 in 1913 and 374 in 1912.Relative to the remarks of Messrs. Beatty and G. H. White on last year's report which were directed against the lowering of the 'physical standards' of the constabulary, it may be remarked that of the recruits enlisted during the year 267 were below the standard height and chest measurements and 49 were over age. The total of men in the force under standard requirements, etc., stood at 2,762 at the end of the year.

The remarks on recruiting of the Superintendent of Police, Nasik, Mr. Marston, which corroborate Mr. Lambert's remarks last year, correctly describe the situation and the Commissioner, Central Division, has attached an extract to his review.

The difficulty of securing recruits is evidenced in nearly every district. The Commissioner, Northern Division, has summed up the position clearly as follows:-
"The remedial measures which the Superintendents unanimously recommend with a view to encourage recruitment are improved accommodation, increased house rent in places where accommodation does not exist, adequate pay or local allowance to compensate for rise in prices, and reduction in the area of circle beyond which travelling allowance can be claimed."

As Government are aware I have brought each of the above points to their notice. An interim scheme for the grant of local allowances in localities where they are most needed has lately been submitted and a larger scheme connected with reductions in the establishment is under preparation.
40. The statistics of admissions into hospital during the last 2 years show Health that the health of the force is deteriorating and there would appear to have been more sickness during the year under report than in 1914. The highest percentages of sickness appear to have been amongst the police of Kínara ( $195^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ ), Upper Sind Frontier (161.74), Poona ( $1+4^{\circ} \cdot 78$ ), West Khándesh ( $137 \cdot 13$ ), Sátára ( $115^{\circ} 39$ ), Kolába ( 112.67 ), G. I. P. Railway ( $106 \cdot 7$ ), Surat ( $104^{\circ 88}$ ), Thána ( $102^{\circ} 4^{\circ}$ ) and Ratnágiri (101.64).

The Commissioner in Sind remarks that the deterioration of the health of the force continues to cause anxiety and that he is taking steps to have the whole question thoroughly investigated.

- The Commissioner, Central Division, states :-
"The health of the force in Poona and Sátára Districts was bad, which is put down by the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Southern Range, to the inferior physique of the men now being enlisted."

Commenting on the variations in the amount of sickness in the various districts in the Southern Division, the Commissioner writes:-
"Kánara is always unhealthy, the percentage of sickness in this district * * being nearly double the average ***. The increase in Koldaba was also large, and is attributed to malaria being more prevalent in the district. The increase in Dharwdr is considered by the District Suprrintendent of Police to be due to insufficient pay, unhealthy quarters and double duty owing to vacancies. The District Magistrate remarks that tho health of the force seems to call for some enquiry by a competent medical authority. Ilo thinks that the percentage of sickness ( 90 ) is much higher than it should be in a district which has the reputation of having such a good climate * * "."

These remarks should be considered with the observations made in this report last year. I. would very strongly recommend that Government should confirm the orders sanctioning free diet to inpatients which were formerly issued as a tentative measure and were since rescinded owing to the financial situation. The charge would be an insignificant one.
47. This quinquennial statement was last submitted with the Administration - statement p. Report for the year 1910.

A comparison of the figures of the two quinquennial periods shows that the number of Hindu officers and men rose from 13,115 in 1910 to 13,853 in 1915 an increase of 738. The pumber of Mahomedan officers and men rose during the same period from 9,676 'to 10,391 an increase of 715 , whilst the Christians increased from 263 to 339 an increase of 76 .
42. In all 143 prisqners escaped from custody in 1915-34 from jails and

Escapen and Recaptarea, lock-ups, 100 from the custody of the police and 9 from that of the village police-against 217 in 1914. All the escapes from the custody of the village police occurred in'the Presidency Proper.

There were 112 recaptures (including 5 of the previous year's escapes) against 130 in the preceding year. The percentage of recaptures to escapes works out to $74 \% 8$ against 576 in 1914
43. During the year under review, Mr. M. Kennedy visited the Ahmedabad, Inppector Gemenfe Tour. Broach, Kaira, Panch Maháls, Surat and Násik Districts, whilst I visited Kánara, Belgaum, Hubli, Násik, Dohad (Panch Maháls) and Lonand (Sátára District) on inspection and other duty.
44. A sum of Rs. $1,59,568$ was expended on the purchase of arms, Supply. • clothing, equipments and other supplies for the police in the Presidency Proper. Eight remounts were locally purchased for the use of the Mounted Police of the Ahmedabad, Kaira, Panch Maháls, West Khándesh and Sholápur Districts. It was not possible to purchase the full number of remounts required owing to the supply of Arabs having been cut off on account of the war.

At the end of the year Government sanctioned the general substitution of khaki for the blue uniform worn by all ranks in the Presidency Proper. Arrangements were accordingly commenced for introducing the change in 10 districts, vis., Ahmedabad, Broach, Kaira, Panch Maháls, Surat, Thána, Ahmednagar, East and West Khándesh and Násik.

[^1]45. The number of shops licensed to deal in arms and ammunition increased from 370 in 1914 to 383 in 1915.

The number inspected by gazetted police officers was 216 against 229 in 1914.

During 1915, 13,016 licenses were issued for arms, including firearms, against 12,857 in 1914.

The total number of cases instituted in respect of breaches of licenses was 67, of which 39 .ended in conviction, fines being imposed to the extent of Rs. 1,746 .
46. In the Presidency Proper two qualified Prosecuting Sub-Inspectors were entertained, during the year. The full complement of Prosecuting Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors Prosecuting Staff and its work. as sanctioned in the reorganization scheme is now short of only one Prosecuting Sub-Inspector.

The staff of Prosecuting Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors conducted a total of 4,390 cases as against 3,915 in 1914. The number of cases ending in conviction was 3,221 against 2,778, the percentage being $73^{\circ} 37$ against $70 \cdot 9$ in the preceding year.

Head Constables conducted 5,763 cases as compared with 5,668 in 1914, of which 4,027 or 69.8 per cent. ended in conviction, similar figures for the previous year being 4,095 or $7 \mathbf{7 2}^{2} \mathbf{2}$ per cent.

In Sind the Prosecuting Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors appeared in 670 cases, of which 468 cnded in conviction. The percentage of convictions to cases tried was 81.25 as against $7 \sigma .58$ in 1914. Judged by these results the work of these officers was very satisfactory and the number of cases conducted' and the percentages of convictions obtained were higher than in any of the 3 previous years.
47. Efficiency in the drill of the force of the Presidency Proper was on Drill the whole. maintained in spite of difficulties arising out of the number of vacancies and the heavy demands made on the force at different times. Mr. Boyd, District Superintendent of Police, Poona, in the course of his remarks observes :-
"Owing to the heavy work they are called upon to do, the number of men available for parade is small and it is rarely that any man can come on parade on tro consecutive days."

During the year under report 18 foot police and isowar were attached to Native Infantry Regiments and qualified as Drill Instructors. Eight men were sent to the Physical Training Class at the Central Gymnasium, P,oona, to qualify as gymnastic instructors.

There was again no Inter-District Athletic Competition in 1915 owing to the war.

In Sind, the Deputy Inspector General writes :-
"The drill of the armed police in Sind as a whole is good, in some districts (Sukkur for instance) better than others; the Baluch in the Upper Sind Frontier District did not impress me at my inspection as particularly quick in learning, the Mounted Special Reserve in the Upper Sind Frontier District is quickly reaching efficiency."

In this connection the Commissioner in Sind observes:-
"Drill efficiency suffered from the constant state of flux in which the Headquarters force of each district remains, with new recruits constantly coming in and resigning again before they are hall trained."

48: In the Presidency Proper a total of 6,100 armed police (foot and Musketry. mounted) was put'through the musketry course as compared with 5,890 in 1914. The number of marksmen increased from 3,114 in 1914 to 3,233 in the year under report. In Sind the number of marksmen rose from 281 to 362 . The ordinary armed police, the rifle squad and mounted police armed with carbines have contributed, especially the latter two branches, their quota towards the increase in the number of marksmen. It is satisfactory to notice that every man in the mounted police in the Belgalum and SAtíra Districts was a marksman. Similarly, with one exception only, all the mon in the rifle squads in the Belgaum and Sholápur Districts became marksmen. Owing to the improvement in shooting the standard for marksmen amongst the ordinary armed police has since the close of the year been raised.

The Deputy Inspector General, Sind, remarks that in spite of the namber of resignations and new recruits the training at ball practice has not fallen off and that the year's results are a decided improvement over the preceding year.

Out of 411 officers -Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors and Sergeants-armed with revolvers in the Presidency Proper, $3^{\text {S }} 3$ took part in the year's competition for revolver shooting as against $3 t^{8}$ out of 300 in the preceding gear. Of the 353 , only 59 were adjudged marksmen.

Prizes to the value of Rs. 1,200 were awarded to the winners of the different competitions. In respect of prizes the Belgaum District obtained two first prizes and gold badges, eiti., for the (1) Mounted Police, and (3) Ritle Squad, and the Panch Maháls District the first prize and gold badge for the police armed with smooth bores.
, Prosecuting Police Inspector of the Sátára District, Mr. Shridhar Waman Joshi, won the first prize for revolver shooting.

- "In Sind the first prizes for the smooth bore weapon' for the Foot and Mounted Police were secured by the Karíchi and Myderabad Districts respectively and for rifled weapons by .the Rifle Squad and Mounted Police of the Sukkuŕ District.

49. The original allotments for minor and major works were respectively

Police Buildings
Rs. 67,134 and Rs. $1,65,000$ only. In Government
Resolution in the Financial Department, No. 4716, dated the 9th November 1914, Government had contemplated an annual allotment of 11 lákhs so as to make up the serious leeway. In view, therefore, of the numerous urgent works which have been pending for many years Government were pleased on my recommendation to transfer the limp provision of Rs. $1,20,000$ lor police reorganization to the Public Works Department Budget for the construction of constabulary quarters.

In Sind allotments of Rs. 1,22,6ao and Rs. 24,640 were sanctioned for police major and minor works respectively. In connection with this subject the Commissioner in Sind states:-

> "Financial stringency reta rded the progress of the scheme for providing adequate accommodation for the police thr oughout the Province. But the policy of reserving sites for police purposes in headquarter towns and elsewhere is being steadily pursued."

In paragraph 48 of my report last year I quoted the remarks of my predecessor, Mr. Kennedy, on the subject of Police Lines. 1 referred also to the reports of District Officers as indicating that the bad health of the constabulary and the'difficulties of recruiting and of retaining the men after recruitment were in a great measure due to the state of the existing police lines. One District Magistrate writes this year:-
"I should like to add again that in my opinion no question in this district is so import. ant as the propes housing of the police force and that 1 trust that as soon as the financial conditions permit experiditure will be freely incurred on correcting a state of things which is at present little short of scandalous."

The Superintendent of Police, B. B. and C. I. Railway, in the course of his remarks on the subject has shown that out of 10 police stations and 43 outposts, at only 1 police station and 4 outposts are the men housed according to the standard type of quarters.: In most other places the constabulary are allotted quarters intended for the menial staff on the line. The Superintendent adds:-
"Now as by far the greater majority of the police are married men with families they find it impossible to live with any degree of comfort and decency ia such narrow quarters. Many, therefore, do not teep their families with them. As a natural result they are always anxious for leave to go and visit their families and I have to treat these applications for leave in a generous spirit, otherwise the men would not stay in the force. It the condition of the majority of the men supplied with free quarters is bad that of those supplied with no quarters at all, but who have to live in hired accormmodation, is infinitely worse. Out il a strength of 100 Head Constables and 433 Constables no less than 25 llead Constables and 183 Constables have to live in bired quafters. The hutting allowance tliese men draw is absolutely inadequate to enable them to hire decent accommodation. The question of the revision of the rates of house rent now drawn by the men is of the utmost urgency. I am convinced that the chief reason for the large number of resignations that take place
cvery year is the thoroughly unsatisfactory way the men are housed and the very inadequate rate of hutting allowance sanctioned for those who are not provided with free quarters."

These remarks embody the main complaints on the subject of other Superintendents of Police.
50. In the Presidency Proper the village police tendered special assistance Village Police. to the district police in the investigation and detection were recognised either by monetary rewards amounting to Rs. 3,821 or by presents of pagris, swords, \&c. Three hundred and twenty-nine were reported for negligence and 308 of them were punished either by dismissal, fine, suspension, reprimand or warning, or judicially. In Sind there are no village police but the regular police have the assistance of a very useful body of puggees or trackers who are appointed and controlled by Superintendents of Police. This body now numbers 802.

## incidents of note.

51. (i) On the $5^{\text {th }}$ December 1915, 1 Austrian and 4 German prisoners escaped from the Prisoners of War Camp, Ahmednagar. Passing themselves off as the Agents of Messrs.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Incidents of note and special easce other than those dealt with by the Criminal. Investigation Department.

Volkart Brothers, Bombay, 4. of these prisoners managed to get through the Poona and Sátára Districts but were eventually arrested on the 22nd December by the Ratnágiri Police near the :coast where they had made arrangements to set sail in a boat to Goa. The remaining prisoner (a German) was arrested at Castle Rock on the 10 th idem.
(ii) Murder of Police Inspector Faffer Imam of the Belgaum•District.This officer had been on special duty for the past 3 years in connection with the suppression of crime committed by the Berads living in the Belgaum District and surrounding Native States. During this. period he had been instrumental in the detection of 324 cases in which 1,297 convictions had been obtained against 335 Berads. At the time of his murder he was making arrangements for the capture of the 4 Berads who had escaped from the Belgaum Jail (paragraph 4I of the prcvious year's report) and who had formed the nucleus of a gaty of troublesome dacoits. The deceased officer was waylaid and shot one night when he had every reason to hope that his plans would be crowned with success. An application for a special pension for bis widow and family has been submitted to Government.
(iii) With the view of suppressing lawlessness and outlawry on the part of the Hurs of the Thar and Párkar and Nawábsháh Districts, some of the worst characters with their families numbering altogether 125 persons were deported to Visf́pur in the Ahmednagar District at the close of the year.

## Special cases other than those dealt with by the Criminal Investigation Department.

(1) Nursing Sisters' Poisoning case, Dhdrwar.-A gang of poisoners from Hubli in the Dhárwár District, who used dhatura on their victims, attempted to poison Miss Nixon and Miss Hilson, Nurses in the Civil Hospital, on the 18th April 19r5. The dhatura poison appears to have been administered in' their dinner through the agency of their domestic scrvants. About ${ }^{10}$ minutes after dinner the nurses became insensible and narrowly escaped death. The accused were convicted and sentenced to 10 years' transportation.
(ii) One Rama bin Dharma Bawle, who was travelling from Pomulwari Railway Station on the G. 1. P. for Alandi on the M. \& S. M. Railway, was drugged and robbed near Poona Railway Station on the night of 14 th September 1915 . This offence was traced with the assistance of the Poona Criminal Investigation Department to one Drijbluwhan and others who had formed a gang of poisoners and thieves in the Central Provinces and committed several crimes there. Two of the 3 accused have been arrested and the case is pending before the Sessions Court, Poona.
(iii) Alorider.-One Damodar Trikum Gujar, Talati, residing in a village (which is composed of Mahrattas and Mahars only) near Khed in the Ratnágiri District had the reputation imongst his tenantry of being an overbearing landlord. In January 1915 some Mahrattas and Mahars held a meeting in the temple where they took an oath that they yould murder their landlord on the next occasion on which he brought an order of
distraint to the village. On the $21 s t$ January Damodar brouibht a distraint order aisinst one Sukia Surkia Mahar of the village. In accorlance with their oath the villaistrs first attacked him in the bazaar and then broke open his house and beat him to death. During the inquiry all the villagers admitted the facts. Liventually 23 persons were artested and charged with murder on the confessions of 9 of the principal menconcerned. The Sessions Court sentenced four of the principal men to death, and $f$ to transportation. The High Court, however, commuted the sentence of death in 3 cases to transportation and in the appeal against the acquittal of the remaining 15 accused, convicted the gth principal accused and sentenced him to transportation also.
(iv) Afail Dacoity at Pala in the Kinnara District.-A gang of Brahmins and lower castes from Ilubli robbed His Majesty's Majs of currency notes, cte., to the value of Rs. 7,000 odd at Pala. Property valued at Rs. 4,700 , mostly currency notes, was recourred and the whole gang was apprehended by the Dhárwar Police and all but two, now under trial, were convicted and sentenced to long terms of imprisonment.
(v) On the 8th November 1915 at about 3 a.m. some 5 Pathans from llombay entered the house of a Marwadi living on the Khar Road at Bandra. Armed with lon:r knives licy threatened the Marwadi and his three cousins and forced them to deliver up the hey of a box containing ornaments. On an alarm being raised the l'athans attempted to escape with the ornaments. Head Constable Joseph Kaitan and Constable llabu lihawan of the Thána Police who had rushed to the scene at once grappled with two of the thieves. In the struggle, the constable who had with conspicuous pluck held on to one lrathan in spite of numerous wounds was eventually stabbed to death. The whole of the gang was subsequently arrested and the murderers sentenced to death.
(vi) Seven men armed with guns and swords forcibly entered a goldsmith's bhop at Khuhi Khenji, táluka Mirpur Mathelo in the Sukkur District and robbed hinn of jewels valued at Rs. 136-4-0. Eight Lasharis of an adjoining village attacked the dacoits hilling one and severely injuring another. One of the Lasharis was also killed and lour of them badly injured. Eventually all the dacoits were arrested, convicted.and sentenced to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment. The Lasharis were rewarded with grants of land and the services of the police and Zamindars duly rewarded.
52. The School course for 1914 -1915 opened with 133 students for Inspece tors' and Sub-Inspectors' appointments, as against 115
Working of the Police Training
School' Nasik for the previous one. One hundred and thirtyoone students completed the course and appeared for the final examination with the result that 117 passed out successfully.

Four Officers of the Indian Police-Messrs. O'Gorman, Orr, II. E. Butler and Haslam-who were attached to the School for the usual course left on appointment as Assistant Superintendents of Police, and 3 new Officers-Messrs. Bennctt, Kidd and Ray-joined the school as Probationary Assistant Supcrintendents of l'olice, the former 2 in November 1914 and the latter in December 1915.

Probationary Deputy Superintendent candidate Mr. Trivedi was also attached to the school in August 1914. .

The school was visited in March 1915 by Mr. M. Kennedy, late Inspector General of Police, and again in December 1915 by me.

Owing to the want of buildings for hospitals and the desire of Government to effect economics in the Police Department, the Training School has since bern temporarily closed and the buildings handed over to the Military Department as a Convalescent Home for Officers.
53. The following are some of the more important administrative changes Administratire chenges sanctioned or effected during the jear:-
(i) Further progress in the reorganization schemes of the police of the Presidency, inclusive of Sind, by the opening of 20 new police stations manned from the additions in the strength sanctioned in the previous ycar, with the resultant reduction in the number of outposis (paragraph 33).
(ii) The addition of the Broach-Jambusar Branch Line (29\} miles) to the jurisdiction of the B. B. \& C. I. Railway.
(iii) Grant of local allozanee to Head Constables, Constables and clerks in police offices serving in the Sílsette Taluka of the Thána District with effect from ist January 1916.
(ig) The enhoncement of the rates of horse and camcl allowances in Sind.

Proposals for the reorganization of the Superintendents' clerical establishments referred to in the previous year's report are still before Government.

Necds of the Department.
54: The most pressing needs of the Department are :-

## Constabulary.

(i).The adjustment of the pay of the constabulary to the general rise in prices so as to ensure the members a living wage.
(ii) The grant of local allowances to meet the special conditions of large towns and other cities where the cost of living is notoriously high or where competition in the labour market for Mills, etc., is keen.
(iii) The building of sanitary lines with better accommodation and the enhancement of hutting allowances to meet prevailing rates.
(iv) The substitution of the police station area for the Inspector's circle as the jurisdiction for the purposes of travelling allowance.
(v) The creation of a Widows' Fund.

## European Inspectors and Sergeants.

(vi) The grant of a local allowance to all European Inspectors and Scrgeants in recognition of the fact that the whole of their service is spent in cities, \&c., where the cost of living is higher than elsewhere (paragraph 80 of the Report of the Police Commission).
(vii) The creation of a Widows' Fund.

An interim scheme has, as stated in paragraph 39 above, been already submitted with the view of alleviating the most pressing difficulties of the constabulary and further proposals partly dependent on the extent that economies can bc effected in the reorganization schemes are under consideration.
55. The outstanding features of this year's history of crime are an increase over the past year in cognizable crime, serious Salient features. and ordinary, both reported and true and in undetected cascs actually and relatively. Reported cognizable crime rose from 32,876 to 34,447 but the latter figures are lower than those of both 1913 and 1912, when they stood at 36,950 and $41,34^{2}$ respectively. Similarly though true serious and true ordinary crime rose from 18,462 and 5,638 in 1914 to 20,364 and 5,834 , these totals are lower than the corresponding totals of true serious crime 21,206 . and true ordinary crime 6,097 for 1913 and of true serious crime 22,200 and true ordinary crime 6,247 for 1912. Similarly though there was a rise in undetected cases, the total of 10,255 for 1915 was lower than the totals of 11,073 in 1913 and 12,056 in 1912. On the other hand with the decreases in excluded cases from 9,13 I to 8,714 cases and of pending cases from 4,254 to 4,011 the figures for 1915 are the lowest for the quinquennial period 1911 to 1915. Again whilst there was a slight falling off in the percentage of convictions to cases tried from $87^{\circ} 8$ to $86^{\circ} 9$ and to true cases disposed of from $45^{\circ} 1$ to $43^{\circ}$, there was on the other hand a slight rise in the percentage of persons convicted to persons tried from 62.6 to $63 \circ 0$. Next the number of cases in which property was stolen rose from 14,156 to 15,590 , but in 1911 and 1912 the totals were 16,056 and 16,385 respectively. At the same time whilst the percentage of cases in which property. was recovcred to which property was stolen fell from $59^{\circ}$ or to 57.3 it was higher than the percentage of 1911, 1912 and 1913. The least satisfactory feature however, about the crime statistics was the fall in the percentage of the value of property recovered which receded from $3^{8.61}$ to $3^{2.04}$ bringing it to 1.8 below that of 191 I.

These variations are not very marked or significant and represent ordinary nuctuations. But the same cannot be said of the statistics in regard to the interior economy of the force which chronicle fewer rewards, a large number of punishments, of resignations and of vacancies combined with a disappointing standard of education.
56. The year has been a strenuous one for the Department and all things Concluding remarks. considered the standard of efficiency has, in my opinion, been fairly maintained.
All officers have worked with great zeal and are entitled to much credit. Amongst Supcrintendents, I would specially mention Messrs. McCulloch, Ostrehin, Marston and Turner in the Northern Range, Messrs. Ingle, Ilolman, Sloane, Fellowes, G. H. White, Priestley and Power in the Southern Range Amongst Assistant Superintendents, Messrs. Baiky (Officiating Superintendent), W. R. G. Smith and F. G. Collett deserve notice and amongst Deputy Superintendents Messrs. Fleming, Bapat, M. Kothavala, Ráo Sáheb Deshpande and Réao Bahídur Gudi.

Mr. Guider, Deputy Inspector General, has carried on the important work of the Criminal Investigation Department with the same care and zeal as has characterised his supervision in the past. To Mr. Hume, Deputy Inspector General, Northern Range, my special acknowledgments are due for his loyal assistance and hard work. To Mr. Lambert, Deputy Inspector General, Southern Range, my acknowledgments are similarly due. To Mr. Kelly, my Personal Assistant; I am greatly indebted for his conscientious and unremitting labours.

It is with deep regret that I have to record the deaths of Messrs. Beatty and Thatcher who had served in the Department for 33 and 26 years respectively.

The Deputy Inspector General for Sind specially brings the services of Mr. Ommanney and Mr. Shillidy to notice and commends Messrs. Hayter, Ellis and O'Brien (having held the appointment of Deputy Inspector Gencral, Sind, for a portion of the year, L would add Mr. R. Boyd's name) amongst Supcrintendents and of Assistant Superintendents, the names of Messrs. Stewart, Curry and Needham also the names of Deputy Superintendent Mr. Barker, Inspectors Brotherston, Sutton and Zamanshah and Sub-Inspectors Mahamad Ilussain, Shah and Sukhia.

The commendations and observations of the Commissioner in Sind will be found in his Review.

My acknowledgments are further due to my own office stafl for their labours which daily extend long after the ordinary office hours in the disposal of the large volume of correspondence which has to be dealt with in this office.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
W. L. B. SOUTER, Inspector General of Police.

# Judicial Department (Police). 

> Office of the Commissioner in Sind, Government House, Karachi, 24 th June 1916 .

## Memorandum.

The Commissioner in Sind has the honour to submit the Administration Report of the Police Department in Sind for the year 1915, copies of which have been forwarded to the Inspector-General of Police, Bombay Presidency.
2. Mr. Luck succeeded Mr. Souter as Deputy Inspector-General in March, and held charge of that olfice for the remainder of the year. Except in the Upper Sind Pronticr district, where a change of Superintendents occurred in April, and a short leave change in Larkana, the Superintendents held charge of their districts throughout the year.
3. The figures of reported crime rose abruptly from 10,745 cases in 1914 to Cognisable crime. $\quad 12,208$ in 1915, the highest on record. All districts except Nawabshah contributed to the increase, which was largest in the Karachi and Hyderabad districts and the Sind Railway charge. As was only natural, the increase occurred chiefly in those parts of the Province which suffered most from the effects of the phenomenally low inundation of 1915. Elsewhere the amount of crime was normal. The large increase of cases in Karachi district and in the Riverain charge represent not an unduly large amount of serious crime but cattle thefts, due to the high floods of the year $191_{4}$ and the unusually low inundation of 1915 , both of which factors greatiy restricted the area of grazing ground in the Province. The large number of petty houscbreakings and thefts in the cities of Karachi and Myderabad was duc to the influx of famine-stricken immigrants and the consequent cheapness of habour. Scarcity of rain in the Kohistan brought down,the Khosas and other hill tribes in larger numbers than usual into the Riverain tracts and an increase of cattle-lifting was the natural result. The increase in house-breaking and petty thefts in the city of Hyderabad was also no doubt partly due to the insufficiency of the police force stationed there. The number of cases in the Railway rose from 771 to 1,256, a circumstance which the Deputy Inspector-General attributes to the issue of orders by the Railway Superintendent in 1915 to the effect that every information, whether received by telegram or otherwise, which appeared to indicate theft should be registered. Mr. Luck adds his own belief that in 1914 police station officers evaded standing orders and did not register a majority of these offences because the information respecting them was received by telegram. The registration of reports by telegrams involve a modification of the system of registration of Railway crime introduced into Sind in 1913 in order to bring the procedure into line with that in force in the Presidency Proper. The Commissioner is consulting the InspectorGeneral of Police on the subject, for it is clearly desirable that there should be uniformity of procedure on the Railways throughout the Bombay Presidency. It is, however, an undoubted fact that there have been far fewer running train thefts on the Sind Railways, for the amount paid by the North-Western Railway as compensation during 1915 was only one-third of that paid during 1914. It is therefore safe to assume that the increase in reported crime on the Sind Railways exists on paper only.
4. There has been a marked increase in scrious crime. and 4 of the murders reported from the Mydcrabad district were of an unusually brutal and daring character. It is creditable to the police that the more serious of the dacoities ended in
the arrest and conviction of the offenders. K. S. Inspector Hafiz Suleiman, who has recently retired, performed notable service in the Jati and Badin dacoity cases. The conspicuous bravery of eight members of the Lashari tribe in the Mirpur Mathelo taluka of the Sukkur district in helping to beat off a gang of seven dacoits armed with guns and swords calls for more than passing notice. In this case one of the Lasharis was killed and four were seriously injured, but the daccits left two of their number on the ground-one killed and the other wounded, and the remaining five were all ultimately arrested. The courageous conduct of these Lasharis has been publicly recognised by grants of land and money rewards. Much credit is also due to the two Constables who opposed and beat off a gang of ten railway thieves, two of whom had guns, and in this case also the whole gang was arrested and convicted. In the Larkana district more than one dacoity case has ended in the conviction of all the accused. The policy of severe suppression of Hur lawlessness, which has been referred to in detail in the reports of the past two years and has been made the subject of special report to Government, has had excellent results. In December last goo families comprising the worst characters of this fanatical fraternity were deported to Visapur, and, for the present at any rate, the Hurs are completely cowed. The direct result of the measures taken against the Hurs has been that for more than two years there has been no serious crime in Thar and Parkar and a marked diminution of lawlessness in Nawabshah.
5. Considering the large increase in reported crime the percentage of cases Excluded cosee, - excluded as false to total cases for disposal is Excluded cases. satisfactory and is the lowest on record. Maliciously false cases have increased considerably. This may be due in part to greater strictness in the classification of cases under " $B$ " summaries, i.e., as maliciously false, rather than under " C " as not true but not malicious. But it is probably true that the rise should be largely attributed to the tendency of most Magistrates to punish cases of false complaint with small fines which are not sufficiently deterrent. The results of prosecutions are also unsatisfactory, the percentage of convictions to the few prosecutions undertaken being $39^{\circ} 39$ as compared with 62.32 in 1914. The fact that it was possible to institute, proceedings in only 66 out of the 561 cases reported as maliciously false and that convictions were obtained in only 26 cases, indicates how difficult it is to bring home this form of crime to offenders and the necessity of inflicting adequate punishment when convictions are obtained. The extended use of section 250 of the Criminal Procedure Code for dealing with vexatious complaints in the Nawabshah, Larkana and Upper Sind Frontier districts is satisfactory.
6. Including those pending from the previous year, the total number of Indian Undetected crime. Penal Code cases amounted to 13,997: of these 8,956 were classed as real cases : 3,092 of the real cases or 34.52 per cent. ended in conviction-a decrease on last year's figures when the percentage stood at $3^{\circ} 72$, but in class III cases-serious offences against person and property-there has been a rise in the percentage. In class V -minor offences against property-there has been an increase under the head of cattle thefts and ordinary thefts, the Sind Railway district being responsible for most of the latter. The remarks of the District Magistrate, Karachi, on the subject apply to the whole Province. Mr. Westropp writes:-" the chief crime of cattle-thieving is greatly fostered by the carelessness of the people. Cattle are left unattended and allowed to wander in a way which is a direct incentive to theft. A system of branding cattlc, to which the people seem averse for some unknown reason-unless it be the slight trouble involved-would also have a discouraging effect on such pilfering." An analysis of the figures shews that on the whole the percentage of cases ending in conviction to real cases disposed of varies considerably both in the different districts and in the different classes in the same district. For instance, to take the case of Hyderabad, in class I the percentage was 75, while in class III it was only . 19\%. As one District Magistrate observes, there seems to be a strong tendency to drop cases as soon as an ' A' classification has been obtained. In other words, further enquiries regarding an offence seem to be considered unnecessary once it has been classed as true and undetected by the Magistrate.
 against 56.06 in the previous year. The value of propety ranimel as sulda during the jear amounted to Rs. $5,42,561$, of which property worth Rs. $1.71 .9,9$
 percent. in the previous year. Here again the figures are affected by the alaration of the system of registration on the Sind Railways.
7. Although there has been a considerable rise in the flyures of repurted crime, the number of pending cascis foll from $1,4+4$ to 1,332 . The number of pendin: canes with Magistrates has been steadily declining ever since 1912 when it stood as hish as 1,650 . The number in the year under report was 934 .
8. The number of persons proceededagainst under Chapter VIII was $1,01 t$. Halitual crime Of the $\sigma_{3} 8$ persons ordered to wive security 5.30 were unable to do so and were sent to priwn in default. There sas a total decrease of 254 prosecutions under the Chapter, but a decrease of $312^{\circ}$ cases occurred in the Larkana district alone where the number fell from 547 to 235. In last ycar's review the Commissioner referred in detail to the new orders that cases under section no should be instituted only by Inspectors with the previous sanction of the District Supcrintendent of Police. These orders, however, have very little bearing on the decrease of more than so per cent. in the number of cases instituted in the Larkana district, since they were in operation during the whole of 1914 also. The fact is that the large decrease occurred almost entirely in one sub-division of the district where the Sub-divisional Magistrate held what the Commissioner can only describe as perverse views about the working of Chapter VIII. This Magistrate has since been transferted. The Bauriahs, who have made Hyderabad their home for the time being, but, in accordance with their methods, committed no crime in that district, were dealt with under Chapter VIII, with good results. Similar action was taken against the Koochrias, another criminal class of vagrants, who infest the same district.
9. Of 337 cases returned as serious, the scenes of 208 were visited by Personal investigation and inspection. Gazetted officers. Twenty-three police stations and 108 outposts were not visited by District Superintendents of Police during the year. Of these, 9 police stations and 34 outposts are in the Thar and Parkar district. The District Superintendent of Police explains that 8 of the stations and most of the outposts which he failed to visit are in the Desert where he was unable to tour last year because of the great scarcity of water and fodder. The Commissionor accepts his explanation. The proportion of unvisited stations and outposts in the Karachi and Larkana districts is also high. Iress of war work made it necessary for the District Superintendent of Police, Karachi, to be present at headquarters almost continuously during the touring scason. As for the District Superintendent of Police, Larkana, the Commissioner can assure Govemment that Mr. Shillidy is an officcr who never spares himsclf and that he peformed all and more than all the inspections he could be expected to perform, due regard being had to the size of his district and the remote and mountainous country in which much of the scrious crime occurred.
10. The recruiting problem became more difficult than ever during the ycar. Ioternal administration. Out of a total strength of 5,694 officers and men, 4,836 have left the force during the quinquennial period ending with the year 1915 and of these only 8 per cent. retired on pension. There were 792 resignations and at one time there were as many as 360 vacancies. These figures speak for themselves and sufficientiy indicate the attraction which active military service has for the class of men usually available as police recruits. In Karachi no fewer than 174 men left to join the Indian regiments whose depots are stationed there. As the District Magistrate, Karachi, remarks, this state of affairs is no doubt prejudicial to the interest of the Police Department, but it is scarcely a matter for complaint in these times. It is expected that when the war is over it will be possible to enlist in the police large numbers of ofd soldiers who will constitute an efficient and reliable addition to the stength of the force. But it is
also true that with the steady rise in the cost of living in Sind the existing rate of pay is not sufficient to attract and retain the right stamp of man in the lower grades. The grant of grain compensation allowance for the four months of the year when prices were at their highest and the privilege of reckoning wheat as the staple food-grain of the armed police was a wise and much appreciated concession. The increase in the rate of horse and camel allowance recently sanctioned for Sind has proved a most beneficial measure which has already resulted in a general improvement in the condition of the animals and in a reduction in the number of casualties. The inferior stamp of recruit and the higher standard of work now demanded from the rank and file taken together account for the fact that although discipline is good on the whole, the number of punishments, judicial and departmental, has somewhat increased. On the other hand, the substantial rise in the number of rewards may be regarded as an indication of the readiness of superior officers to recognise good work. The deterioration of the health of the force continues to cause anxiety. The percentage of admissions into hospital have steadily risen from $35^{\circ} 53$ in 1911 to 62.16 in 1915, a fact which it is difficult to explain considering that the period has not been an unhealthy one and that good progress has been made in replacing some of the more insanitary police buildings. The admissions into hospitals were highest in the case of Upper Sind Frontier ( $16 \mathrm{I}^{\circ} 74$ per cent.) and Sukkur ( $84^{\circ} 15$ ). In the case of the former district the Superintendent explains that the increase is. mainly due to the orders now strictly observed at headquarters under which shirkers are required to go to hospital for the most triffing ailments and that the apparent increase does not therefore afford any real criterion of the state of the health of the force. 'Such an explanation is scarcely intelligible, but it shows that the whole question must be thoroughly investigated, and the Commissioner is taking steps to have this done.

Drill efficiency suffered from the constant state of flux in which the headquarters force of each district remains, with new recruits constantly coming in and resigning again before they are half trained.

Financial stringency retarded the progress of the scheme for providing adequate accommodation for the police throughout the Province. But the policy of reserving sites for police purposes in headquarter towns and elsewere is being steadily pursued.

In last year's review reference was made to the acquisition from the Military Department of the large area of $55^{\circ} 75$ acres surrounding the headquarters police lines in Karachi. The site and the new lines built thereon were inspected by His Excellency the Governor during his visit to Karachi in January last, and with His Excellency's approval the lines have been named the "Souter" Police Lines, tocommemorate the unswerving solicitude shown for the welfare of the police force of the Province by the present Inspector-General of Police during his recent.tenure of the office of Deputy Inspector-General of Police for Sind.

During the last year it has fallen to the lot of the C. I. Branch to perform much arduous and responsible work: notwithstanding the fact that this branch of the force has only recently been organised in Sind, both officers and men. haverisen to the occasion. The Provincial section of the branch, which works directly under the Deputy Inspector-General and his assistant, Mr. Stewart, and the Karachi section, which works under the District Superintendent of Police and Mr. Barker, the Deputy Superintendent, have both done very creditable work.

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11. Perhaps the most satisfactory feature of the administranam was the wh. cess which the police had in copung with the danot. and other habitual criminals who, taking alvantar. of the continuance of the war, tried to disturb the peace of the l'rovince. Thireport of the District Superintendent of Police, Larkana, contains no reference w Transfrontier troubles. But as the District Magistrate remarks, all through the summer of 1915 there was constant fear of raids by Brahuis, and sperial pulice had to be posted all along the frontier. No raids actually occurred, for a dacoity committed by a small party of Brahui outlaws cannot be described as a raid, but the unrest in Jhalawan created an atmosphere of unrest in Sind also and stimulated the local 'badmashes' to unusual activity. Unfortunately since the commencement of the present year the continued unrest in Jhalawan has culminated in a series of daring border raids extending from as far south as Manjhand in the Karachi district to Kakar in the Larkana district, a distance of more than a hundred mile The Commissioner has been in constant communication on the subject with the: Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan and the vigorous mea sures tahen on both sides of the frontier seem, for the present at least, to have had the desired effect of overawing the rebellious Brahui tribesmen.
12. The year 1915 was for the police one of ever-increasings strain. On the whole the record of the year's work may be regarded as satisfactory and the: Department is to be congratulated on having coped successfully with crime in a year of altogether abnormal conditions. The increase both in reported and true crime has been counterbalanced by a corresponding decrease in excluded and pending cases and a satisfactory rise in the percentage of persons convicted to persons tricil. In the latter respect the figures for 1915 were the best during the quinquenniun.
13. The Commissioner cordially endorses the commendations bestowed by Personnel. the Deputy Inspector-General in the concludinis paragraph of his report upon the various police officers who specially distinguished themselves by good work throughout the year. Everywhere the force was shorthanded, but in spite of this all ranks respunded cheerfully to the demands that were made of them by the peculiar circumstances of the year. After three and a half years of untiring work as Deputy InspecturGeneral of Police for Sind, during which period he achieved an inmense amount by way of progress and reform, Mr. Souter was transferred and promoted to be Inspector-General of Police. He has been succeeded as Deputy Inspector.General of Police for Sind by Mr. Luck, an officer who has lost no time in making himself familiar with the peculiar conditions of the Province and whose ripe judgment and experience are invaluable to the Commissioner.

W. II. LUCAS, Commissioner in Sind.

## APPENDICES.

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## P. A. KELZX

- for Inapector-General of Pol'o.


## STATEMENT C.

Progesty Slolen and Iiccovered for the Bomlay Presidency, including Sind and
Railways, for the year 1015.

(1) Figurse aupplied by the District Magistraton for direct Magistrater' oognizable eneen :- Colamn 6 .
Column 7. $\begin{array}{lrr}\text { Column 6. Column 6. } & \text { Colamn 7. } \\ \text { lis. } 32,510 & \text { R. 12,992 } & 89 \cdot 96\end{array}$
(2) Re. 43,710 worth of property man recovered during the year out of the property atolen in previous years.
(3) Ras 47,613 worth of property wat reooverad by the Distriots and Railway Police in this Presidency daring the year out of the property atolen ontaide the jariadiction of the rempective districte and railwaya.
(4) Value of property stolen in 1,723 coses pending at the beginning of the year Re, $3,25,937$.
(b) Value of property atolen in 2,403 casee pending at the close of the year Lea, 4,22,651.
(G) Vialue of property recorered in 1,182 casen pending at the close of the your Res 92,627.

P A. KELLY,
for Inspretor-General of Police.

STATEMENT, D.


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| 10 | 17 | 18 | 10 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 23 | Sb | E | S 1 | $\therefore$ |
| 1 L. | lis. | H. | 8,82 6 | 827.809 | 303,98 | :26 | ¢0 | 212 | 2.5:3 | 12: | 1(4) |
| ... | $\ldots$ | 00 | 1,468 | 306,71: | 6,3,84 | 7 | 34 | 2, $0^{5}$ | ㅍinot | 1 1-3 | (1) |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 1,590 | 691,714 | 103,0:0 | 14 | 17 | 2.4 | $0 \cdot 5 \cdot 1.3$ | 1,4,5 | 1*7 |
| . | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2,515 | 898,131 | 30.218 | 15 | 24 | - 2 l | dian | 6.14 | 4 |
| ..0 | ... | ... | 1,651 | c54,109 | 143.936 | 13 | 8 | $2 \cdot 3$ | 6:180 | Cis | ris |
| $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 3,673 | 882,3us | 94,163 | 83 | 30 | 813 | 83-2 | 1,1:10 | 1.11 |
| $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 14,0w | 3.70,819 | 760,031 | 995 | 139 | 217 | c33:6 | 6.6:5 | 104 |
| , | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 6,673 4,651 |  | 309,913 214,250 |  | 23 43 | 6.15 4.11 |  |  |  |
| $\infty$ | $\cdots$ | ... | 4,651 8,439 | $1,038,381$ 680,723 | $214,2 \times 0$ $73,4 \times 6$ | 23 16 | 4.3 | 4.11 8.31 | 1.1 6.10 $4-1$ | 1.:1:1 | 14193 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 8,0.40 | 005.034 | 71.206 | 29 | 37 | 4.91 | 714.6 | 1.6. 1 | 1-87 |
| ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 8,849 | 1,071,012 | 224,995 | 25 | 31 | $2 \cdot 12$ | $8 \times 0$ | 1.74 | - |
| ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 4,988 | 1,081,270 | 81,135 | 88 | 13 | $4 \cdot 23$ | 0 $2: 309$ | 361 | 4.3 |
| ..0 | ... | ** | 4,541 | 768,330 | 671,007 | 18 | 14 | 473 | 0:3:0 | 0.15 | 110 |
| -0. | -* | $\cdots$ | 87,421 | 6,387,006 | 1,318,74 | 103 | 203 | $4 \cdot 17$ | 2630 | 7.157 | -01) |
|  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4,649 $\mathbf{6 , 6 9 0}$ | 813,8910 802,973 | 73,143 109.665 | 88 | 88 | 4.73 <br> 0.05 <br> 8 | 03s 000 | $1.1: 0$ 6.15 | 1111 |
| $\cdots$ | ... | - | 4,604 | 1,020,003 | 10:1021 | 20 | 81 | 3:78 | 811. | 2.8il | 104 |
| ** | $\cdots$ | ... | 8,945 | 430,5 $1: 3$ | 86,377 | 18 | 23 | 8.29 | 878. | $1: 0$ | -2, 1 |
| ... | ... | ... | 2,18t | 604,166 | 61.810 | 19 | 18 | $8 \cdot 43$ | Bis | L93 | 4 |
| $\bullet$ | .. | ... | 8,093 | 1,203,638 | 05,157 | 17 | 28 | 4.87 | , 100 | 851 | r. 7 |
| - | ... | ** | 25,017 | 5,001,150 | 672,102 | 100 | 161 | 443 | 917. | 4,8:3 | - 4 S |
|  |  | ... | 11,071 | 621,721 | 177.892 | 8 19 | 15 73 | 717 | 3 $\because 9.60$ | 975 2.513 | 3.6 16.5 |
| ... | ... | ... | 4,418 | 612,039 | 101,989 | 16 | 93 | 4.11 | $613 \cdot 47$ | 2.8.a) | $2 \cdot 10$ |
| $\cdots$ | .-. | ... | 5,583 | 673,013 | 109,130 | ¢0 | 85 | $8 \cdot 32$ | 84710 | 1,2:4 | 1.17 |
| - | $\cdots$ | ... | 6,053 | c60,879 | 85,770 | 15 | 69 | $8 \cdot 6$ | 7id 67 | 2.063 | $2: 14$ |
| - | ..0 | -* | 13,637 | 433,308 | 8,835 | Es | 00 | 1010 | C0\%- | *u: | 1.13 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2,644 | 263,007 | 11,861 | 7 | 33 | 4.98 | 45160 | 4.81 | + ${ }^{3}$ |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | 8,867 | 418,478. | 10,013 | 18 | 23 | 839 | 0:263 | 1,314 | $2 \cdot \mathrm{~ns}$ |
| $\cdots$ | ... | - | 47,178 | 8,613,435 | 451,006 | 118 | 815 | 7.3 | 616.6 | 10,943 | 1.7 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | .** | Miles. | $\cdots$ |  |  | 83 | $1 \cdot 87$ | $\cdots$ | 032 | 1.9 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ${ }^{7} 27.75$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 | 20 | $2 \cdot 31$ | - | $1 \mathrm{Li}^{3}$ | $\cdot 61$ |
| $\cdots$ | ... | . 0 | 1,160.03 | .0. | ** | 10 | 49 | 2.07 | $\ldots$ | Cun | 118 |
| $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 1,033 | -0 | ... | 9 | 27 | $2 \cdot 38$ | ... | 1,261 | $8 \cdot 5$ |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ** | 3,58478 | $\ldots$ | ... | 34 | 129 | $2 \cdot 2$ | ... | 8.000 | 17 |
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| $\cdots$ | $\infty$ | .." | ** | $\cdots$ | - | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
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I. A. KELLY,

Return showing Equipment, Discipline and General Internal Management of the Force for


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the Eombay Presidency ineluding Sind and Railaryt during the gear 1315.

P. A. KELLY,
for Ingrector-Gcreral of Police.

Shawing the Religion or Caste of Oflcers and Men omployed in the Police

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| 18 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 10 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 83 | 24 |
|  | 474 | 246 | 237 | $\because$ | 7 |  | ．．． | 411 | 7 | － 0 | 1，4：3 |
| $\cdots$ | 160 | 4.4 | 23 | $\ldots$ |  | 119 | ．．． | 140 | ． 0 | $\ldots$ | －13 |
|  | 850 | 71 | 27 | $\cdots$ | 8 | －-7 | 184 | $1: 0$ | ．．． | ．．． | 9\％ |
| ${ }^{* *} 1$ | 203 | 101 | 62 | $\ldots$ | 6 | － 87 | 1：8 | 127 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | Ruy |
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| 8 | 1，444 | 648 | 873 | ＊＊ | 14 | 1，501 | 882 | 1，093 | 18 | －＊ | 8，117 |
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| 9 | 811 | 78 | 47 | ．．． | $\ldots$ |  | ．．． | 6．38 | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 1.1114 |
| 13 | 250 | 139 | －＊＊ | ．0． | ．．． | －．． | $\cdots$ | ．1，068 | 3 | － | 1．503 |
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| 2 | 800 | 88 | 80 | $\ldots$ | － | 191 | ．．． | 121 | ．．． | －＊ | 7：3 |
| 71 | 2，933 | 500 | 102 | $\cdots$ | J | 1，160 | 01 | 2，827 | 6 | $\cdots$ | 7，104 |
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| 61 | 207 | 41 | $\cdots$ | －＊ | －． | 221 | ＊＊ | 114 | $\cdots$ | ．．． | $6: 1$ |
| 2 | 11 | 80 | ＊＊ | ．．． | －．． | 453 | －${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 43 | $\cdots$ | ．．． | 8iv |
| 8 | 87 | 22 | － | ＊＊ | －．． | 818 | ．．－ | 84 | －6 | ．．． | 732 |
| 88 | 1，845 | 830 | 88 | ．．． | －0． | 1，781 | ＊＊ | 651 | $\cdots$ | 810 | 4.716 |
|  | 54 1.005 |  |  |  |  |  | ＊＊ 14 | 105 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 1，851 |
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| ．．． | 786 | 41 | －a | $\cdots$ | 8 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 84 | ＊＊ | ．．． | wor |
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| － | 4，386 | － 105 | 80 | $\cdots$ | 45 | 147 | 18 | 488 | － | ． 0 | 8，687 |
| 13 | 66 | 88 | 14 | $\cdots$ |  | 250 | －${ }^{\circ}$ | 41 |  | 8 | 4， 4 |
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| 16 | 858 | 231 | 61 | ．．． | 2 | 280 | ．．＂ | 492 | 8 | 2 | 1，7n） |
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| $\cdots$ | 10 | 1 | 2 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ．．． | 3 | $\cdots$ | ．．． |  | 20 |
| 1 | 24 | 6 | 1 | ＊＊ | $\cdots$ | 22 | 9 | 11 | －＊ | ． | 171 |
| 124 | 10，063 | 1．206 | 671 | ＊＊ | C3 | 4，767 | $0: 7$ | －4，880 | 12 | 833 | 25，605 |


[^0]:    "I am of opinion that a still further decrease could.be effected without injury to the discipline of the force. In many cases the men err through ignorance and stupidity, etc."

    Mr. Lambert adyocates patience, a tactful lenience and warnings. With these remarks as well as those of Mr. Hume I fully concur. In a great number of cases the punishments inflicted on the constabulary err on the side of undue harthness. This is particularly noticeable in cases in which the Court's deal with - cases of laxity or breaches of discipline under the Police Act. As an illustration, a case may be mentioned in which a constable was fined Rs. 100 for his share of the neglicence which resulted in the escape of 2 prisoners from a train during

[^1]:    Inepection of Arm ead Amment Sion Shope (Sopplemetiny Sutor) sean Na. IL)

[^2]:    A matter which continues to claim consideration is the scheme for separating the police force of Karachi town from that of Karachi district and placing each in charge of a separate Superintendent, but pressing though the need of such a measure undoubtedly is, financial considerations have obliged the Commissioner todelay the submission of the scheme. In this connection Mr. Westropp writes:-
    "The District Magistrate shares the District Superintendent of Police's views that a separation and a further strengthening of the. City Police is necessary. Karachi cannot be compared with Poona or Ahmedabad each with a homogeneous population. Karachi, with its flourishing port in close connection by railway with the north of India and by sea with

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