



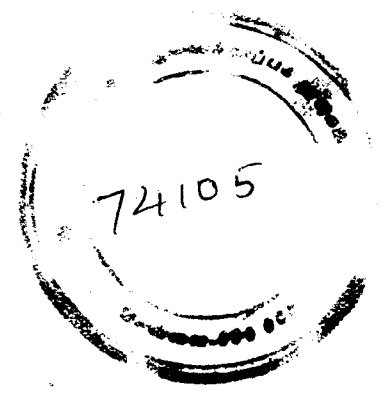
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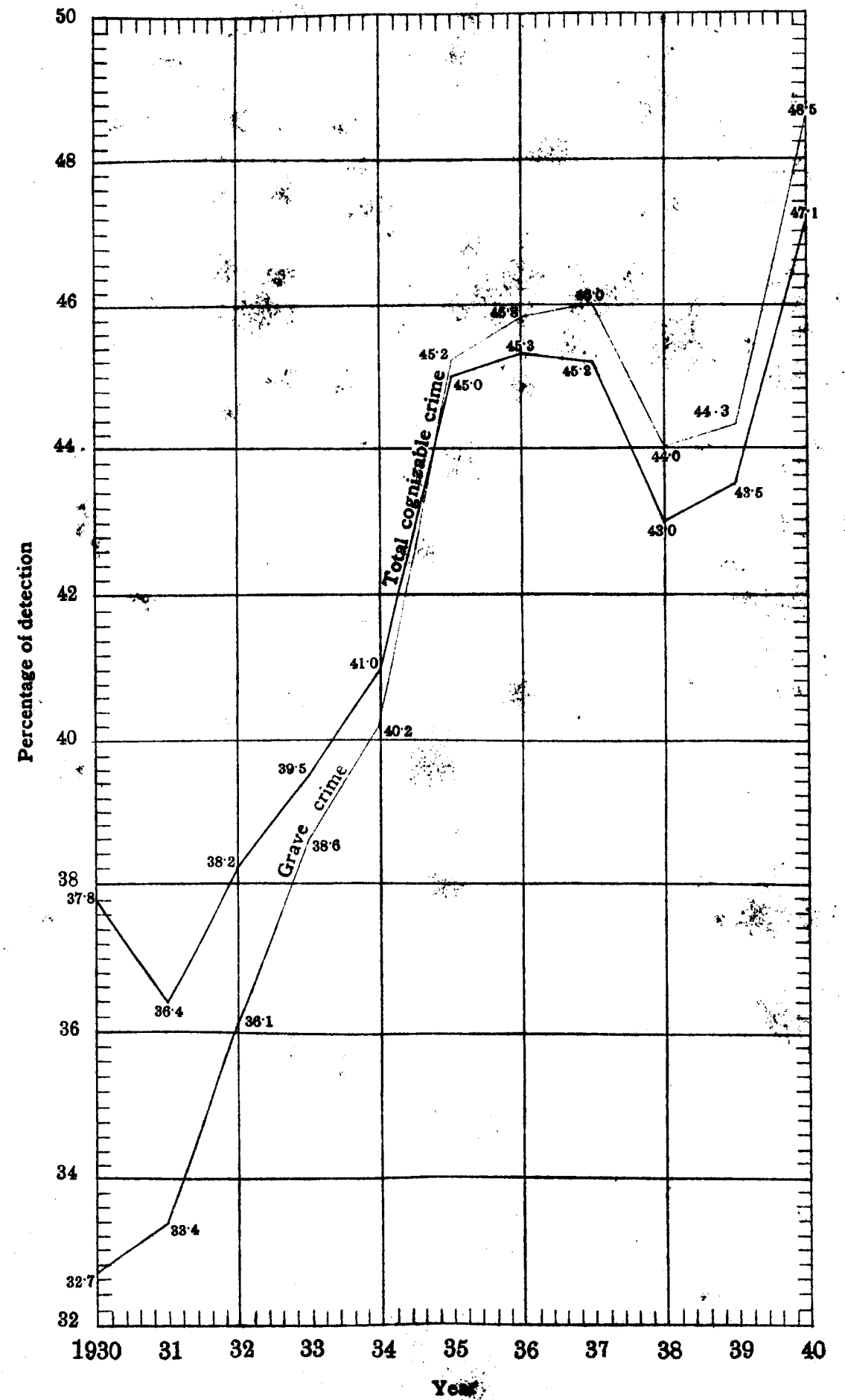
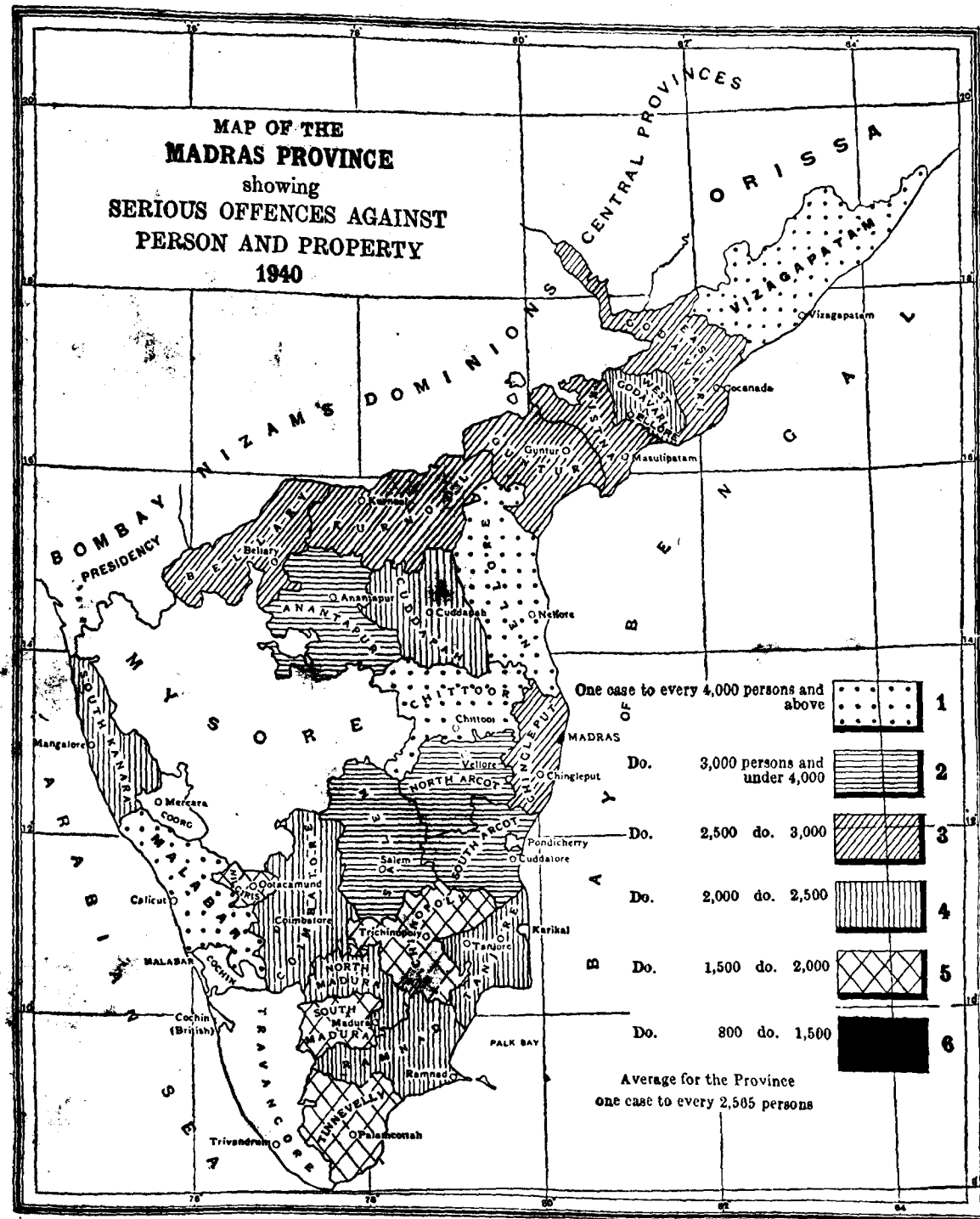


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# REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE POLICE OF THE MADRAS PROVINCE, 1940

## PART I.

## THE POLICE FORCE.

**OFFICERS.**—Sir F. Sayers, C.I.E., continued to be in charge of the department till 13th June 1940 when he proceeded on leave preparatory to retirement. I relieved him and remained in charge for the rest of the year.

*Deputy Inspectors-General of Police.*—The details below show the officers who held charge of the various ranges during the year :—

| Name of the officer. | Period. |
|----------------------|---------|
|----------------------|---------|

*Northern Range.*

|                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Mr. R. Hume, O.B.E. | .. Throughout the year. |
|---------------------|-------------------------|

*Central Range.*

|                          |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mr. L. A. Bishop, O.B.E. | .. Throughout the year. |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|

*Southern Range.*

|                  |                                     |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Mr. W. H. Wright | .. From 1st January to 6th March.   |
| Mr. J. Beckett   | .. From 7th March to 31st December. |

*Western Range.*

|                  |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| Mr. J. S. Wilkes | .. Throughout the year. |
|------------------|-------------------------|

*Railways and C.I.D., Madras.*—Mr. J. Beckett continued to be the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and C.I.D., Madras, till 14th February when I relieved him. Mr. E. H. Colebrook, M.C., relieved me on 13th June and remained in charge for the remainder of the year.

Mr. L. B. Gasson was the Commissioner of Police, Madras City, throughout the year.

*Assistant Inspector-General of Police.*—Sri Rao Bahadur C. Karunakaran Nayar continued to be the Assistant Inspector-General of Police throughout the year.

There were no changes of District Superintendents of Police in 15 districts, while there was one change in 5 districts, 2 changes in 6 districts and 3 changes in the remaining district. District Superintendents of Police held additional charge of subdivisions for short periods on 17 occasions and Deputy Inspectors-General of Police were in additional charge of districts on 3 occasions. Transfers of officers were limited to the minimum.

Mr. H. Keene, District Superintendent of Police, and Sri Rao Sahib R. Natesa Ayyar, temporary Deputy Superintendent of Police, continued to be on deputation under the Government of India as Central Intelligence

Officer and Deputy Central Intelligence Officer respectively.

Mr. J. M. Green, District Superintendent of Police, continued to be the Commissioner of Police, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore. The services of Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur, Deputy Superintendent of Police, were lent to the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, for employment as Deputy Commissioner of Police from 19th August.

Mr. C. R. Charsley, District Superintendent of Police, was appointed Air Raid Precautions Officer, Madras, on 15th August.

Mr. F. D. Paterson Morgan, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, was posted as Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Governor on 22nd January.

Mr. J. R. DeChazal, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, was in command of a company of the newly-formed temporary Special Emergency Force at Vizianagram from 28th June to 4th November when Mr. A. E. Spitteler, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, relieved him and remained in charge for the remainder of the year. Mr. P. F. W. Murray, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, commanded a second company of the Special Emergency Force stationed at Pallavaram from 28th June to the close of the year.

Two officers of the Indian Police and one officer of the Madras Police Service retired during the year.

**2. STRENGTH (statement D, column 16).**—The sanctioned strength of the permanent Force, exclusive of the Malabar Special Police, on the last day of the year was 27,003 as against 27,023 at the end of the previous year. The important changes in the permanent strength were—

(1) The reduction of 4 constables in the Madras City Police consequent on the centralization of offices ;

(2) the permanent addition of 1 sub-inspector, 2 head constables and 7 constables to the strength of the East Godavari district for the Cocanada Port Police establishment ;

(3) the reduction of 1 sub-inspector, 3 head constables and 20 constables in the Government Railway Police, Trichinopoly district, on account of the temporary retrocession of the Railway lands between Shencottah and Trivandrum to the Travancore Government ; and

\* Letter from the Government of India, Home Department (Police), No. 175, dated 7th February 1908—G.O. No. 268, Judicial, dated 13th February 1908; letter from the Government of India, Home Department (Police), No. 302, dated 30th March 1915—G.O. No. 778, Judicial, dated 16th April 1915; and letter from the Government of India, Home Department (Police), No. 1395, dated 10th September 1915—G.O. No. 2331, Judicial, dated 24th September 1915.

† Letter from the Government of India, Home Department (Police), No. F. 75/21/35, dated 20th January 1936—G.O. Ms. No. 44, Public (Police), dated 4th February 1936.

‡ Letter from the Government of India, Home Department (Police), No. 175, dated 7th February 1908—G.O. No. 268, Judicial, dated 13th February 1908.

(4) the addition of 1 head constable and 8 constables to the strength of the Tinnevely district on account of the transfer of the

The temporary additional forces shown at the end of Statement D are—

|                                                                                                                                                                               | District Superintendents of Police. | Deputy Superintendents of Police. | Inspectors. | Sergeants-major and sergeants. | Sub-inspectors. | Havildars-major and head constables. | Police constables. | Total. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|
| 1 Kallar Reclamation work .. .. .                                                                                                                                             | ..                                  | 1                                 | ..          | ..                             | 3               | 5                                    | 22                 | 31     |
| 2 Criminal tribes settlements .. .. .                                                                                                                                         | ..                                  | ..                                | ..          | ..                             | ..              | 8                                    | 53                 | 61     |
| 3 Plague police .. .. .                                                                                                                                                       | ..                                  | ..                                | ..          | ..                             | ..              | 10                                   | 164                | 174    |
| 4 Private guards including additional police .. .. .                                                                                                                          | ..                                  | ..                                | ..          | ..                             | ..              | 5                                    | 28                 | 33     |
| 5 Prohibition work in Salem, Cuddapah, Chittoor and North Arcot districts. ..                                                                                                 | ..                                  | 4                                 | 1           | ..                             | 44              | 138                                  | 330                | 517    |
| 6 Central Recruits' Schools .. .. .                                                                                                                                           | ..                                  | 2                                 | 3           | 6                              | 30              | 32                                   | 7                  | 80     |
| 7 Other temporary forces (on account of reallocation, Madura bifurcation, harbour establishments, formation of a subdivision in South Kanara district, War measures, etc.) .. | 2                                   | 2                                 | 6           | 4                              | 29              | 241                                  | 1,008              | 1,292  |
| 8 Special Emergency Force .. .. .                                                                                                                                             | ..                                  | 2                                 | ..          | 4                              | ..              | 50                                   | 460                | 516    |
| Total .. .. .                                                                                                                                                                 | 2                                   | 11                                | 10          | 14                             | 106             | 489                                  | 2,072              | 2,704  |

**Additional Police.**—As local conditions in Pudukatti, a hamlet attached to Vauvalotti village in the Tinnevely district, had not improved the temporary additional force stationed in the hamlet in the previous year was retained throughout the year.

**Recruitment.**—There were 100 vacancies in the Force on the last day of the year as against 169 in the previous year. These vacancies were filled shortly after the close of the year. Literate men of the required stamp were available everywhere. Among the recruits, 148 held Secondary School-leaving Certificates, 2 possessed the Intermediate qualification in Arts and one was a Bachelor of Arts. Nineteen ex-army men and 117 members of the scheduled classes were enlisted.

**Casualties (statement E, columns 31 to 36).**—The total number of casualties in the permanent Force was 1,635 as against 1,512 in the previous year, an increase of 123 or 8.1 per cent. The increase was chiefly due to the very large number of retirements during the year, 1,180 against 1,070 in 1939 or 10.3 per cent. Several men were invalided.

**Health (statement E, columns 37 to 39).**—The health of the Force continued, on the whole, to be satisfactory. The percentage of admissions into hospitals was 119.2 as against 120.2 in 1939, while the percentage of men absent from duty daily on account of sickness was 4.9 as against 5.7 in 1939. The number of police officers who died during the year was 200 against 216 in 1939. With reference to G.O. Ms. No. 889, Home, dated 22nd February 1940, the periodical medical examination of the members of the Subordinate Police Service was conducted during the year with good results.

**3. EDUCATION (statement E, columns 24 and 25).**—There were 2,834 head constables and 22,110 constables in the permanent Force on the last day of the year. Three or 0.1 per cent

police outpost at Anjengo from the Trichinopoly Railway Police district to the Tinnevely district.

of the former and 381 or 1.7 per cent of the latter were illiterate against 3 or 0.1 per cent and 470 or 2.1 per cent respectively in the previous year. The gradual elimination of illiterates continues.

**TRAINING SCHOOLS.**—The Provincial Police Training School, Vellore.—Mr. G. H. P. Bailey, District Superintendent of Police, continued to be the Principal of the School throughout the year.

Two probationary Assistant District Superintendents of Police and 4 probationary Deputy Superintendents of Police were under training at the beginning of the year. All of them were posted to districts for practical instruction. Two probationary Assistant District Superintendents of Police recruited in India joined the School during the year and 2 probationary Assistant Superintendents of Police of the Mysore State were also trained.

**Subordinate officers.**—Fifty-four sub-inspector cadets were on the rolls of the School at the commencement of the year. One of them was transferred as a probationary revenue inspector and the rest completed their training in October and were posted to districts for practical training. The current session opened with 90 probationary sub-inspectors, 3 of whom were formerly employed in the Excise department. One of the recruits received from the Excise department was declared unfit and retransferred to that department and a direct recruit was appointed in his place. Among those recruited, 1 is a graduate in Law, 5 are Honours graduates, 29 are graduates and 33 have passed the Intermediate examination in Arts. The sub-inspectors of the Banganapalle and the Pudukkottai States who were admitted to the School in 1939 were sent back to their respective States after training. Two probationary sub-inspectors from the Pudukkottai State were admitted to the School for training in the current session.

**Training of the cadets.**—The revised curriculum introduced in 1938 underwent further changes during the year in the light of working experience and is now well developed. The Lecturer Inspectors in the School were placed on a permanent footing irrespective of the number of cadets under training. Special pay was also sanctioned to them and to the Drill staff. The equitation test for probationary sub-inspectors and directly recruited probationary Deputy Superintendents of Police was abolished and to compensate for the loss of training in equitation the Government have ordered that the sub-inspectors be taught to swim. The majority of the probationary sub-inspectors passed in all the subjects before they left the School and the results of the final examination were encouraging.

The health of the staff and cadets and the general sanitation were very good. Discipline was maintained at its customary high level and organized out-door games were played as usual. The management of the hostel continued to be efficient.

**Probationary sergeants.**—Training courses were held for 11 probationary sergeants. Ten of them were posted to districts while the

remaining one was under training at the end of the year. A probationary reserve police inspector of the Mysore State who joined the School in 1939 was sent back to the State after the completion of his training.

His Excellency the Governor was pleased to visit the School in July and expressed his pleasure at what he saw.

The usual annual sports were held in my presence when I opened a cricket pavilion for the use of the students in the School. The cost of constructing this pavilion was met from a generous gift by Mr. V. L. Ethiraj of the Madras Bar and the acceptance of the gift was sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 5418, Home, dated 14th October 1939.

District sports were held in most district headquarters.

In view of the present need for economy, the Presidency Police Conference and the inter-range sports were not held in the year.

**Central Recruits' Schools.**—The Central Recruits' School, Vizianagram, which was re-opened in the previous year was closed on 4th July. Details regarding the recruits trained in all the schools are given below :—

| Name of the school.       | Number of recruits under training in the year.     |                                       |        | Number of recruits passed out to districts, casualties, etc. |             |                                              |        |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------|--------|
|                           | Number in the school at the beginning of the year. | Number of admissions during the year. | Total. | Number sent out to districts or elsewhere.                   | Casualties. | Number in the school at the end of the year. | Total. |
| Central Recruits' School— |                                                    |                                       |        |                                                              |             |                                              |        |
| Vellore .. .. .           | 289                                                | 583                                   | 872    | 463                                                          | 35          | 374                                          | 872    |
| Coimbatore .. .. .        | 301                                                | 497                                   | 798    | 511                                                          | 13          | 274                                          | 798    |
| Anantapur .. .. .         | 381                                                | 611                                   | 992*   | 598                                                          | 39          | 355                                          | 992    |
| Vizianagram .. .. .       | 265                                                | 114                                   | 379    | 373                                                          | 6           | ..                                           | 379    |

\* Includes 27 recruits of the Banganapalle State.

The schools and the hostels attached to them were efficiently run and the discipline and conduct of the recruits were generally satisfactory.

**5. CONDUCT.**—Departmental punishments excluding the awards of blackmarks (statement E, columns 10 to 13).—Statistics of departmental punishments excluding blackmarks awarded in the last three years are as shown below :—

|                                                | Percentage of the number of subordinate officers and men departmentally punished to the actual strength. |       |       |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
|                                                | 1938.                                                                                                    | 1939. | 1940. |
| For absence without leave.                     | 0.1                                                                                                      | 0.1   | 0.1   |
| For offences other than absence without leave. | 3.1                                                                                                      | 3.0   | 2.8   |
| Total ..                                       | 3.2                                                                                                      | 3.1   | 2.9   |

**Appeals.**—A comparative statement of appeals received and disposed of in the last three years is given below :—

| Authority.                          | Number of appeals received. |       |       | Number of appeals in which the punishments were cancelled or modified. |       |       | Percentage of appeals in which the punishments were cancelled or modified to those which were disposed of. |       |       |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
|                                     | 1938.                       | 1939. | 1940. | 1938.                                                                  | 1939. | 1940. | 1938.                                                                                                      | 1939. | 1940. |
| By the Inspector-General .. .. .    | 80                          | 89    | 81    | 12                                                                     | 14    | 9     | 15.0                                                                                                       | 15.7  | 11.1  |
| By the Deputy Inspectors-General .. | 470                         | 482   | 515   | 166                                                                    | 164   | 167   | 38.1                                                                                                       | 36.4  | 33.7  |

More care was bestowed during the year in the award of punishments.

Twenty-two appeals were preferred to the Government in the year, all of which were rejected.

**Judicial punishments (Statement E, columns 14 to 21).**—Thirty-four subordinate officers and men were punished by criminal courts as against 27 in the previous year. The number convicted for offences committed in their official

capacity was 20 and for offences committed in their private capacity 14 as against 9 and 18 respectively in 1939. Two men were convicted under the Police Act and the number convicted for negligently allowing prisoners to escape was 9.

A sub-inspector of the Kurnool district was convicted and fined Rs. 250 under Section 338, Indian Penal Code, and Rs. 20 under Section 112 of the Motor Vehicles Act.

An officiating sub-inspector of the Cuddapah district was convicted and sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment and fine by the Sessions Judge, Cuddapah, for offences under Sections 330, 348 and 376, Indian Penal Code. The High Court acquitted the officiating sub-inspector in respect of the offence under Section 376, Indian Penal Code, but upheld with modification the conviction under Sections 330 and 348.

A constable of the North Madura district assaulted another constable in the course of a petty quarrel. The latter died of the injuries caused by the assault and the former was charged but was acquitted by the Sessions Judge. On an appeal against the acquittal the High Court convicted and sentenced the accused constable to transportation for life.

In an affidavit filed in the High Court a constable of the Salem district made scandalous allegations against the District Munsif, Salem. The High Court sentenced him to simple imprisonment for six months for contempt of Court.

**6. TITLES AND REWARDS—Titles.**—The following titles were conferred on police officers in the year :—

**Khan Sahib.**—Saiyid Nasiruddin Sahib and Shaikh Muhammad Belgami Sahib, Deputy Superintendents of Police.

**Rao Sahib.**—Sri M. S. Venkatarama Ayyar and Sri P. Duraiswami Pillai, Inspectors of Police, Sri C. Manikkam Pillai, Inspector of Police (Retired) and Sri T. A. Vaidyanatha Ayyar, Senior Superintendent (Retired), office of the Inspector-General of Police.

**The King's Police Medal and the Indian Police Medal.**—Awards were made to the undermentioned police officers and men in the year :—

**The King's Police Medal—For gallantry.**—Sri Rao Sahib B. Lakshminarayana Rao Nayudu, Inspector of Police, and constable S. Marimuthu Pillai.

**The Indian Police Medal—(a) For gallantry.**—Sri Rao Sahib P. Sourirajulu Nayudu, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sergeant D. Reiley, sub-inspectors K. Rasool Mohideen and V. Krishnamurti, head constables V. Subba Rao and T. Audinarayana and constables G. Veeraswami Nayudu and R. Gopalaswami Rao.

(b) *For meritorious service.*—Mr. C. R. Charsley and Sri Rao Bahadur K. P. Janardhana Rao, District Superintendents of Police, Sri Rao Sahib N. Ganeswara Rao, Sri Rao Sahib K. Raghava Acharya, Mr. B. O'Brien, Sri M. Krishnamurti Nayudu and Sri K. Gopalakrishna Ayyar, Deputy Superintendents of Police, Inspectors Rao Sahib A. C. Govindan Nambiyar and Syed Hussain, sub-inspectors T. V. Veeraswami Ayyar and Muhammad Abdul Khadir Kirmani and head constable A. K. Raju Pillai.

**The Kendall Humanity Medal.**—In G.O. Ms. No. 4314, Home, dated 23rd October 1940, constable Sethumanikkam Servai of the Ramnad district was permitted to accept the Kendall Humanity Medal offered by the Executive Committee of the Bombay Humanitarian League.

**Rewards (statement E, columns 22 and 23).**—The amounts of rewards granted to police officers and private individuals during the year and in the previous year are furnished below :—

|                                                            | 1939.                       |         | 1940.                       |         |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|
|                                                            | Number of persons rewarded. | Amount. | Number of persons rewarded. | Amount. |
| Rewards to police officers—                                |                             | RS.     |                             | RS.     |
| Madras City ..                                             | 1,203                       | 3,086   | 844                         | 2,898   |
| Districts including the Criminal Investigation Department. | 6,309                       | 22,818  | 8,258                       | 29,088  |
| Total ..                                                   | 7,512                       | 25,904  | 9,097                       | 31,981  |
| Rewards to private individuals including village officers— |                             |         |                             |         |
| Madras City ..                                             | 390                         | 1,567   | 611                         | 2,320   |
| Districts including the Criminal Investigation Department. | 7,891                       | 31,528  | 8,860                       | 34,792  |
| Total ..                                                   | 8,281                       | 33,095  | 9,471                       | 37,112  |

The gratifying increase both in the total numbers of police officers and private individuals rewarded and in the amounts expended is an indication of the improvement in the investigation of crime and also a measure of the co-operation of the public with the police.

Wherever considered necessary, good work was recognized by the grant of good service entries to police officers and letters of appreciation or parchment certificates to members of the general public. In exceptional cases police officers were given accelerated promotion for outstanding good work.

Two private individuals were suitably rewarded for rendering valuable assistance to the police in tracing the culprits who committed a brutal murder in Bodinayakkanur in the South Madura district.

Two private informants who were responsible for the arrest of a notorious dacoit of the Ramnad district were paid a reward of Rs. 100 each.

**Extraordinary family pensions and compassionate allowances and gratuities.**—The following extraordinary family pensions and

gratuities were sanctioned by the Government in the year :—

| Particulars of the grantees.                                                                      | Amount granted.                                                                                                      | Remarks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 The widow of a late constable of the Tanjore district.                                          | Rs. 8 per mensem and a gratuity of Rs. 80.                                                                           | The late constable was stabbed to death while in the discharge of his duty by a Kalla. [G.O. Ms. No. 641, Finance (Pension), dated 10th October 1940.]                                                                                             |
| 2 An ex-constable of the South Arcot district.                                                    | Rs. 4 per mensem .. .. .                                                                                             | A permanent injury pension was granted in G.O. Ms. No. 649, Finance (Pension), dated 12th October 1940, in addition to an invalid pension as the ex-constable was injured in the course of the performance of his official duty.                   |
| 3 The widow of a late officiating head constable of the Tinnevely district.                       | Rs. 8-11-0 per mensem and a gratuity of Rs. 104.                                                                     | The officiating head constable while in the discharge of his duty was stabbed to death by a gang of Maravars of Irumangalam village. [G.O. Ms. No. 743, Finance (Pension), dated 20th November 1940.]                                              |
| 4 The widow of a late probationary sub-inspector of the Madras City Police.                       | Rs. 21-11-0 per mensem payable for a period of six years.                                                            | The late probationary sub-inspector met with his death during the performance of his official duties. The payment of the pension was sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 619, Finance (Pension), dated 27th September 1940, subject to certain conditions.  |
| 5 The widow and three sons of a late constable of the Kurnool district.                           | Rs. 8 per mensem and a gratuity of Rs. 72 to the widow and Rs. 3 per mensem each to the sons.                        | The constable was accidentally shot dead by another constable during a raid for the arrest of a desperate and dangerous member of a criminal tribe. The pensions were sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 827, Finance (Pension), dated 23rd December 1940. |
| 6 The widow of a private individual in the Coimbatore district.                                   | Rs. 900 payable in monthly instalments of Rs. 15 each for five years.                                                | The private individual while helping the police was accidentally shot dead by a constable who mistook him for a dacoit. The <i>ex gratia</i> payment was sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 3189, Home, dated 30th July 1940.                              |
| 7 The widow, two sons and a daughter of a late officiating head constable of the Guntur district. | Rs. 8-11-0 per mensem and a gratuity of Rs. 104 to the widow and Rs. 3 per mensem each to the sons and the daughter. | The late officiating head constable died of injuries inflicted on him with a spear by a dangerous criminal while in the discharge of his duties. The pensions were sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 664, Finance (Pension), dated 18th October 1940.     |
| 8 The widow, one son and two daughters of a late constable of the Vizagapatam district.           | Rs. 8 per mensem and a gratuity of Rs. 86 to the widow and Rs. 3 per mensem each to the son and the daughters.       | The late constable died of injuries received in the discharge of his duties at the hands of a hostile mob. The pensions were sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 777, Finance (Pension), dated 2nd December 1940.                                           |
| 9 The dependents of 128 deceased police officers (against 143 in the previous year).              | Gratuities ranging from Rs. 50 to Rs. 250.                                                                           | The gratuities were sanctioned in view of the approved service of the deceased police officers and the poor circumstances in which their dependents were left.                                                                                     |

**7. COST (statement D, columns 17 to 19).**—A comparative statement of the total cost of the department for the financial years 1939-40 and 1940-41 and the previous quinquennial average is given below :—

| Quinquennial average cost for the financial years 1934-35 to 1938-39. | Cost for the financial year 1939-40. | Cost for the financial year 1940-41. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| RS.                                                                   | RS.                                  | RS.                                  |
| 1,58,93,734                                                           | 1,59,36,843                          | 1,65,34,659                          |

The increase occurred mainly under "Pay of Establishments", "Travelling Allowance", "Allowances and Honoraria" and "Clothing and Equipment" (including those issued to the Civic Guards) under "District Executive Force" and "Criminal Investigation Department" and "Railway Police". The formation of two Special Emergency Forces at Pallavaram

and Vizianagram and four additional companies of the Malabar Special Police at Malappuram also contributed to the increase.

**8. BUILDINGS AND HOUSING THE FORCE.**—The particulars of Government quarters which existed at the end of the year for sergeants-major and sergeants, sub-inspectors, head constables and constables are given below :—

| Rank.                          | Number of quarters existing. | Percentage proportion to the sanctioned strength in each rank. |       |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
|                                |                              | 1939.                                                          | 1940. |
| Sergeants-major and sergeants. | 141                          | 70.6                                                           | 72.7  |
| Sub-inspectors ..              | 524                          | 37.4                                                           | 37.5  |
| Head constables ..             | 2,087                        | 68.7                                                           | 70.0  |
| Constables .. ..               | 15,179                       | 68.6                                                           | 68.8  |

All the Government quarters are kept in a proper state of repair.

Appropriations of Rs. 82,300 for police minor works and Rs. 65,700 for new major works were sanctioned by the Government for the financial year 1940-41.

**9. CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.**—The total number of members of the police co-operative societies in the Province at the end of the year was 16,332 and the total paid-up share capital was Rs. 3,98,649, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 15,846 and Rs. 3,86,281, respectively. Another year's useful and satisfactory work was done by these societies.

**General Provident Fund.**—The statistics regarding the number of subscribers to the General Provident Fund in the last two years furnished below show a continued increase in the popularity of the Fund among the subordinate ranks:—

| Rank.                          | Number of subscribers. |        | Percentage on the actual strength. |       |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|-------|
|                                | 1939.                  | 1940.  | 1939.                              | 1940. |
| Inspectors .. ..               | 229                    | 237    | 97.9                               | 97.5  |
| Sergeants-major and sergeants. | 173                    | 165    | 98.3                               | 100   |
| Sub-inspectors ..              | 1,256                  | 1,210  | 88.5                               | 84.0  |
| Head constables ..             | 2,656                  | 2,714  | 94.6                               | 95.8  |
| Constables .. ..               | 19,818                 | 20,233 | 89.7                               | 91.5  |
| Total .. ..                    | 24,132                 | 24,559 | 90.3                               | 91.7  |

**10. WORK OF INSPECTORS AND SUB-INSPECTORS.**—The standard of work of the circle inspectors and their efficiency, on the whole, continued to be satisfactory.

The work of most of the sub-inspectors was generally good.

**11. ARMED RESERVES AND THE PRESIDENCY GENERAL RESERVE.**—All the Reserves were kept up to strength. The standard of their efficiency continued to remain at a high level and discipline was well maintained. Men unsuitable for work in the Reserve were replaced wherever necessary and the percentage of natives of the district headquarters of the Reserves was reduced to the minimum possible. All the Reserves were mobilized during the year.

Owing to other unavoidable duties it was not possible for the Reserves of the Vizagapatam and the East Godavari districts to perform more than one Agency tour in the year. Prophylactic measures taken to safeguard the health of the Force were quite successful and there was no sickness either during or after the tour.

A temporary Special Emergency Force consisting of 2 companies of 5 platoons each

and officered by two Assistant District Superintendents of Police was formed during the year. One of the companies was stationed at Vizianagram and the other at Pallavaram.

**12. MALABAR SPECIAL POLICE.**—Major G. C. Bryan, M.C., was the Commandant of the Force during the year except for the period from 11th January to 24th February when Mr. W. E. Middleton, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, officiated as Commandant. Lieutenant Gurubachan Singh continued as the Adjutant and Assistant Commandant until 15th March when he was relieved by Lieutenant C. B. Bennett. Lieutenant Bennett's services were replaced with the Government of India and he was relieved on 20th June by Lieutenant Gurubachan Singh who remained in charge of the post till 8th August when Mr. E. L. Cox, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, relieved him and remained as Adjutant and Assistant Commandant for the remainder of the year. Mr. A. E. Spitteler continued as Assistant Commandant until 30th April when he was transferred as Assistant District Superintendent of Police. Major Bryan relieved him and remained in additional charge of the post until he was relieved on 15th May by Lieutenant Gurubachan Singh who held the post for the rest of the year except for the period from 20th June to 7th August when the post was kept unfilled.

There was no change in the sanctioned strength of the permanent Force during the year. In G.Os. Ms. No. 3688, Home, dated 7th September 1940 and Ms. No. 4791, Home, dated 28th November 1940, a temporary additional staff of 10 Indian officers and 318 non-commissioned officers and men was sanctioned. At the end of the year the total strength of the Force, including the temporary additional staff was 1,092. The casualties during the year were: 5 retirements, 1 dismissal, 8 discharges and 3 desertions. There was no difficulty in the matter of recruitment of suitable men and service in the Force continued to be popular.

The health of the Force continued to be good. The average number of men absent from duty per day on account of sickness was 40.47 as against 38.29 in the previous year. The increase was due to the grant of extension of leave on medical certificate. There were 23 cases of malaria and 25 of influenza in the year as against 24 and 12 respectively in 1939.

Seven hundred and fourteen officers and men subscribed to the General Provident Fund in the year against 727 in 1939.

As usual, training cadres in all branches, including instructional courses in Small Arms, Physical Training and Signalling for men received from District Armed Reserves, were

held with good results. Two Indian officers and three non-commissioned officers attended instructional courses at the Small Arms School, Saugor, and at the Army Signal School, Poona, and were declared to have qualified. The general efficiency, discipline and physical fitness of the Force continued to be highly satisfactory.

The arms of the Force were periodically inspected by the unit armourers and necessary repairs were carried out. The condition of the equipment continued to be good.

The usual annual Military inspection of the Force was not held during the year as a measure of economy.

His Excellency the Governor and the Commander, Madras District, visited the Force in July and September respectively and I inspected it in December.

Three platoons of the Force were on bandobast duty in the disturbed areas in Malabar for a period of over two months in the year.

Wireless communications between posts were maintained efficiently. The wave-length was reduced to 183 metres during the year, but the reduction has weakened the signals. Steps have been taken by the Government for the rectification of the defect. Visual signalling continued to be efficient. A qualified officer of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers carried out the annual classification of signallers. All the 45 men who were tested, passed.

All the motor vehicles were kept in good and serviceable condition.

**13. VILLAGE POLICE.**—Village officers and talaiyaris, on the whole, continued to co-operate satisfactorily with the police in the matter of prevention, detection and reporting of crime. The need for close co-operation with the police was as usual impressed on the village officers by gazetted officers. The number of village officers rewarded in the last two years for good work and the amount spent are given below:—

|                            |  | 1939.   |         | 1940.   |         |
|----------------------------|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                            |  | Number. | Amount. | Number. | Amount. |
| Village officers rewarded. |  | 535     | 2,453   | 651     | 3,224   |

In the year under review the number of village officers reported against for misconduct and neglect of duty was 918 as against 820 in the previous year: of these, 489 were punished as against 407 in the previous year.

The Village Vigilance Committees continued to render most useful assistance to the police in most districts but it was found necessary, particularly in factious localities, to abolish a number of undesirable Committees. The Committees were thoroughly reorganized in many districts in the year and I hope that this reorganization will yield even better results in the current year. The extent to which these Committees helped the police

during the year is shown in the following table:—

**Work done by the Village Vigilance Committees during the year 1940.**

| Districts.      | Number of Village Vigilance Committees on 31st December 1940. | Number of I.P.C. cases in which accused were arrested with property (excluding cattle thefts). | Number of cattle thefts in which accused were arrested with property. | Number of O.V. Bad Characters (K.Ds., D. Cs., etc.) traced or arrested or put up for security. | Number of warrants arrested. | Number of O.V.C.T. members arrested. | Gambling cases put up. | Number of Arms Act cases detected. |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Vizagapatam ..  | 677                                                           | 33                                                                                             | 3                                                                     | 4                                                                                              | 1                            | 4                                    | 57                     | ..                                 |
| East Godavari.  | 1,085                                                         | 73                                                                                             | 13                                                                    | 6                                                                                              | 3                            | 10                                   | 20                     | ..                                 |
| West Godavari.  | 524                                                           | 52                                                                                             | 15                                                                    | 19                                                                                             | ..                           | 8                                    | 212                    | ..                                 |
| Kistna ..       | 1,092                                                         | 39                                                                                             | 22                                                                    | 17                                                                                             | 5                            | 7                                    | 223                    | ..                                 |
| Guntur ..       | 1,017                                                         | 51                                                                                             | 18                                                                    | 20                                                                                             | 2                            | 10                                   | 142                    | ..                                 |
| Nellore ..      | 1,261                                                         | 30                                                                                             | 2                                                                     | 13                                                                                             | ..                           | 5                                    | 1                      | ..                                 |
| Bellary ..      | 852                                                           | 9                                                                                              | 2                                                                     | 3                                                                                              | 1                            | ..                                   | ..                     | ..                                 |
| Kurnool ..      | 750                                                           | 105                                                                                            | 25                                                                    | 52                                                                                             | 4                            | 24                                   | 75                     | ..                                 |
| Anantapur ..    | 403                                                           | 10                                                                                             | 7                                                                     | 3                                                                                              | 1                            | 2                                    | ..                     | ..                                 |
| Cuddapah ..     | 209                                                           | 11                                                                                             | 4                                                                     | 1                                                                                              | ..                           | 2                                    | 1                      | 1                                  |
| Chittoor ..     | 487                                                           | 16                                                                                             | 13                                                                    | 17                                                                                             | 3                            | 9                                    | 13                     | ..                                 |
| North Arcot ..  | 899                                                           | 23                                                                                             | 16                                                                    | 7                                                                                              | 1                            | 2                                    | ..                     | ..                                 |
| Chingleput ..   | 1,176                                                         | 14                                                                                             | 5                                                                     | 2                                                                                              | ..                           | 2                                    | ..                     | ..                                 |
| South Arcot ..  | 1,758                                                         | 100                                                                                            | 57                                                                    | 25                                                                                             | 35                           | 18                                   | 70                     | ..                                 |
| Tanjore ..      | 818                                                           | 22                                                                                             | 16                                                                    | 12                                                                                             | 1                            | 1                                    | ..                     | ..                                 |
| Madura, North.  | 658                                                           | 54                                                                                             | 11                                                                    | 3                                                                                              | 7                            | ..                                   | 11                     | ..                                 |
| Madura, South.  | 423                                                           | 34                                                                                             | 8                                                                     | 6                                                                                              | 5                            | 5                                    | 11                     | ..                                 |
| Ramnad ..       | 1,025                                                         | 20                                                                                             | 8                                                                     | 4                                                                                              | 5                            | 8                                    | ..                     | ..                                 |
| Tinnevely ..    | 645                                                           | 66                                                                                             | 8                                                                     | 6                                                                                              | 4                            | 1                                    | 18                     | ..                                 |
| Trichinopoly .. | 1,021                                                         | 28                                                                                             | 6                                                                     | 2                                                                                              | 2                            | 2                                    | ..                     | ..                                 |
| Salem ..        | 831                                                           | 29                                                                                             | 6                                                                     | 9                                                                                              | 4                            | 5                                    | 25                     | ..                                 |
| Coimbatore ..   | 806                                                           | 24                                                                                             | 17                                                                    | 3                                                                                              | 2                            | 4                                    | 2                      | ..                                 |
| The Nilgiris .. | 47                                                            | 2                                                                                              | ..                                                                    | ..                                                                                             | ..                           | 2                                    | 3                      | ..                                 |
| Malabar ..      | 774                                                           | 15                                                                                             | 4                                                                     | 2                                                                                              | 4                            | ..                                   | 6                      | 1                                  |
| South Kanara .. | 712                                                           | 16                                                                                             | ..                                                                    | 11                                                                                             | 3                            | ..                                   | 9                      | ..                                 |
| Total ..        | 19,950                                                        | 876                                                                                            | 286                                                                   | 247                                                                                            | 93                           | 131                                  | 899                    | 2                                  |

The scheme relating to sports and games in rural centres started in 1938 for the benefit of villagers continued, on the whole, to be popular and was extended to a few more villages in almost all the districts.

The public were instructed in the queue system wherever necessary and instructions on "safety first" measures to school teachers were also given at convenient centres.

**14. GHAT TALAIYARIS.**—The sanctioned and actual number of these talaiyaris remained at 77 and they continued to discharge their duties satisfactorily.

**15. CIVIC GUARDS.**—In pursuance of G.O. No. 3163 (14-S), Home, dated 20th June 1940, Civic Guards, in aid of the police, were formed throughout the Province in the latter part of the year. These Guards were raised on an entirely voluntary basis and organized in groups of ten persons with a Commander for each group. The sanctioned and actual strengths of these Guards in the districts on the last day of the year were as shown below:—

| Sanctioned strength. |          |        | Actual strength. |          |        |
|----------------------|----------|--------|------------------|----------|--------|
| Commanders.          | Members. | Total. | Commanders.      | Members. | Total. |
| 1,165                | 11,650   | 12,815 | 702              | 6,936    | 7,638  |

Every effort has been made to obtain Guard Commanders and Civic Guards of the right type, and quality rather than quantity has been the criterion for enrolment. In localities where it has not been found possible to secure suitable Guard Commanders and Guards and in certain rural areas where it was considered that Guards would not serve any useful purpose groups have not been formed. This accounts for the disparity between the actual strength and the strength sanctioned by Government.

The types that have been attracted to this Force are mostly from the middle classes and include well-to-do ryots, landowners, merchants and professional men. They have been trained in squad drill, lathi drill, first aid to the injured, elementary law and police regulations, and the general standard of their intelligence, education and keenness is good. They have been employed on routine work, viz., controlling pedestrian and cart traffic and crowds at festivals, shandies, cinemas and other places where police bandobast is necessary. In urban areas they are also assisting the regular police in night patrol and other duties. In several instances they have assisted the police in the investigation of cases and in the arrest of criminals.

Two cases deserve special mention—

In a case of theft of a goat two members of a Civic Guard Group in the Tanjore district chased an armed thief and courageously overpowered and arrested him, despite the fact that the criminal stabbed one of them twice in the course of the struggle. The members were suitably rewarded.

Comparative statement showing the relation between grave crime and prices of food-grains for the years 1926 to 1940.

| Years.  | Rice.* | Ragi.* | Cholam.* | Dacolt. | Robbery. | House-breaking. | Cattle theft. | Ordinary theft. | Total grave crime (including murder). |
|---------|--------|--------|----------|---------|----------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| (1)     | (2)    | (3)    | (4)      | (5)     | (6)      | (7)             | (8)           | (9)             | (10)                                  |
| 1926    | 5.6    | 10.0   | 9.7      | 243     | 575      | 7,527           | 3,222         | 16,554          | 28,987                                |
| 1927    | 5.4    | 9.1    | 8.5      | 263     | 712      | 7,728           | 3,688         | 16,817          | 30,137                                |
| 1928    | 5.7    | 9.9    | 9.4      | 197     | 636      | 6,878           | 3,328         | 15,940          | 27,912                                |
| 1929    | 6.3    | 11.1   | 10.2     | 183     | 596      | 6,778           | 3,012         | 16,257          | 27,700                                |
| 1930    | 7.1    | 13.5   | 12.9     | 200     | 625      | 7,018           | 2,860         | 16,253          | 27,868                                |
| Average | 6.0    | 10.7   | 10.1     | 217     | 629      | 7,186           | 3,222         | 16,364          | 28,521                                |
| 1931    | 9.6    | 18.3   | 16.8     | 216     | 652      | 7,338           | 3,008         | 15,324          | 27,597                                |
| 1932    | 9.9    | 18.4   | 16.4     | 196     | 624      | 6,528           | 2,673         | 14,582          | 25,560                                |
| 1933    | 11.7   | 19.3   | 16.1     | 156     | 657      | 6,166           | 2,715         | 14,069          | 24,812                                |
| 1934    | 11.7   | 19.3   | 18.6     | 198     | 612      | 6,235           | 2,789         | 14,431          | 25,312                                |
| 1935    | 10.1   | 16.4   | 14.6     | 179     | 626      | 6,151           | 3,020         | 15,196          | 26,267                                |
| Average | 10.6   | 18.1   | 17.1     | 189     | 634      | 6,484           | 2,841         | 14,720          | 25,910                                |
| 1936    | 10.5   | 16.3   | 16.1     | 139     | 557      | 5,505           | 3,027         | 14,459          | 24,762                                |
| 1937    | 10.3   | 17.4   | 15.8     | 71      | 372      | 5,105           | 2,890         | 14,276          | 23,770                                |
| 1938    | 10.3   | 17.8   | 15.8     | 100     | 456      | 5,957           | 2,933         | 15,294          | 25,897                                |
| 1939    | 9.9    | 15.7   | 15.0     | 156     | 535      | 6,865           | 4,031         | 17,877          | 30,617                                |
| 1940    | 8.8    | 14.3   | 14.2     | 116     | 584      | 6,894           | 3,998         | 19,282          | 32,100                                |
| Average | 10.0   | 16.3   | 15.4     | 116     | 501      | 6,065           | 3,376         | 16,238          | 27,429                                |

\* Number of Government seers per rupee.

17. TOTAL COGNIZABLE CRIME.—Excluding offences under the special and local laws and the nuisance sections of the Indian Penal Code, the total number of true cases of

In connexion with the service of a notice under Section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, restraining certain Pallars from interfering with land in dispute at Turaiyur in the Trichinopoly district, the Pallars obstructed and assaulted the police. The Civic Guards in the locality stood firm with the police against the rioters and rendered very valuable assistance.

## PART II.

### STATISTICS OF CRIME.

16. GENERAL CHARACTER OF THE YEAR.—The prices of staple food-grains continued to advance gradually until, at the end of December, they were slightly above the pre-War levels. The south-west monsoon was disappointing throughout the Province, except in the districts of Kistna, Cuddapah, Chittoor, Madura, Ramnad, Tinnevely, Malabar and the Nilgiris but there was more than the usual rainfall during the north-east monsoon in Guntur and in all the other districts except the Circars. The condition of the standing crops at the end of the year was generally fair. Unemployment continued in most parts of the Province and the economic conditions of the agricultural classes which had deteriorated in the previous year remained unchanged until the latter part of the year. These adverse conditions have to some extent contributed towards a slight increase in the volume of total as well as professional crime in the year.

A comparative statement showing the relation between grave crime and prices of staple food-grains for the last fifteen years is furnished below :—

Increases in crime were recorded in as many as 12 districts, the most noticeable being :

|                               | PER CENT. |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Railway Police, Trichinopoly. | 95.8      |
| The Nilgiris .. .. .          | 31.5      |
| Tinnevely .. .. .             | 29.2      |
| Trichinopoly .. .. .          | 17.2      |
| Bellary .. .. .               | 15.5      |
| East Godavari .. .. .         | 15.2      |

The heavy increase in the Trichinopoly Railway Police district was due to the registration of a large number of cases of shortages as crimes. The registration of several unreported cases of the previous year and petty offences committed by labourers employed around the Cordite Factory at Aruvankad largely contributed towards the increase in the Nilgiris. Marava activities in the Tinnevely district, greater revelation of crime in the Trichinopoly district, the outbreak of plague in three taluks of the Bellary district dislocating normal conditions of life in the affected areas and the activities of various criminal organizations in the East Godavari district were the main causes for the increases in those districts.

There were decreases in the remaining 15 districts and in the Madras City, the most marked being :

|                  | PER CENT. |
|------------------|-----------|
| Chittoor .. .. . | 18.4      |
| Kurnool .. .. .  | 18.2      |
| Nellore .. .. .  | 17.1      |
| Cuddapah .. .. . | 17.1      |

Sustained preventive action taken against potential criminals in the Chittoor district, the conviction to long terms of imprisonment of several Nir Shikaris in the Kurnool district and the effective steps taken to control the activities of local criminal organizations and bad characters in the Nellore and Cuddapah districts largely account for the decreases in crime in those districts.

The willing co-operation of the Village Vigilance Committees, the effective control exercised over local and non-local criminal organizations, the valuable assistance rendered by the members of the general public, the continued enforcement of the system of joint responsibility for the good conduct of criminal

tribe members, adequate control over local bad characters and the close co-operation between the Central Crime Branch of the Criminal Investigation Department and the District Intelligence Bureaux in the detection and prevention of crime contributed to keep down professional crime.

The total number of cases under the special and local laws and for nuisance offences continued to increase considerably during the year—82,704 cases of the former against 64,323 in 1939 or an increase of 28.6 per cent and 264,234 cases of the latter against 241,427 in 1939 or an increase of 9.4 per cent. Madras City, Trichinopoly, Tinnevely, Nellore and Vizagapatam contributed largely towards the increase under the former class of offences and Madras City, Trichinopoly, East Godavari and West Godavari under the latter. The increases were due to continued vigorous police activity in municipal areas and on the roads in the interests of public safety and sanitation. The cases put up under the Defence of India Rules also contributed towards the increase under the special and local laws. The complaint is, however, general that fines imposed in petty cases are so trivial that they have no deterrent effect and that in spite of the vast increase in the number of cases charged (22,807) there is no proportionate improvement in the situation, particularly with regard to nuisance and obstruction cases.

The number of petty cases charged in this Province in 1939 was 238,249 as compared with 19,595 in the Punjab, 59,219 in the United Provinces and 11,984 in Bengal and it is doubtful whether the time and labour expended by the police over these cases is worth-while. The provision of adequate public conveniences in the Madras City and in other large towns should have the effect of decreasing the nuisance cases and in ordinary obstruction cases the policy of warnings for casual offenders and prosecutions in persistent cases might be tried with advantage.

The following table shows that the police of this Province continue to do more crime work than other Provinces in India :—

Statement showing proportion of police to population and to cognizable crime investigated and the incidence of crime per 1,000 of population in 1939.

| Serial number. | Name of Province.             | Population. | Strength of Police Force. | Proportion of Police per 1,000 of population. | Total cognizable crime reported (Statements A and AA). |               |         | Incidence per 1,000 of population. |              | Proportion of total cognizable crime investigated to the Police Force. |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                |                               |             |                           |                                               | Statement A.                                           | Statement AA. | Total.  | Statements A and AA.               | Statement A. |                                                                        |
| 1              | North-West Frontier Province. | 2,425,077   | 6,336                     | 2.6                                           | 10,900                                                 | 5,140         | 16,040  | 6.6                                | 4.5          | 2.5                                                                    |
| 2              | Bombay .. .. .                | 16,830,670  | 18,205                    | 1.1                                           | 28,822                                                 | 9,451         | 38,273  | 2.3                                | 1.7          | 2.0                                                                    |
| 3              | The Punjab .. .. .            | 23,580,852  | 23,189                    | 1.0                                           | 50,393                                                 | 24,340        | 74,733  | 3.2                                | 2.1          | 3.3                                                                    |
| 4              | The United Provinces.         | 48,408,763  | 32,994                    | 0.7                                           | 86,326                                                 | 79,216        | 165,542 | 3.4                                | 1.9          | 4.5                                                                    |
| 5              | Madras .. .. .                | 43,941,770  | 27,023                    | 0.6                                           | 47,952                                                 | 299,363       | 347,315 | 7.9                                | 1.1          | 12.5                                                                   |
| 6              | Bengal .. .. .                | 48,704,346  | 25,536                    | 0.5                                           | 62,028                                                 | 13,512        | 75,540  | 1.6                                | 1.3          | 2.7                                                                    |
| 7              | Assam .. .. .                 | 8,563,758   | 4,493                     | 0.5                                           | 15,688                                                 | 1,396         | 17,084  | 2.0                                | 1.8          | 3.7                                                                    |
| 8              | Bihar .. .. .                 | 32,371,434  | 12,409                    | 0.4                                           | 48,604                                                 | 5,199         | 53,803  | 1.7                                | 1.5          | 4.2                                                                    |
| 9              | Orissa .. .. .                | 7,965,867   | 4,010                     | 0.5                                           | 8,541                                                  | 1,981         | 10,522  | 1.3                                | 1.1          | 2.6                                                                    |

Figures showing the arrests and convictions for drunkenness during the year are furnished below :—

| Area.    | Number arrested |        | * Number convicted |        |
|----------|-----------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
|          | Men.            | Women. | Men.               | Women. |
| Urban .. | 10,802          | 387    | 10,903             | 453    |
| Rural .. | 3,027           | 245    | 3,619              | 366    |

\* The numbers shown here include those who appeared voluntarily or on summons.

**18. SERIOUS OFFENCES AGAINST PERSON AND PROPERTY.**—A map showing the comparative criminality of the various districts including the Madras City for the year is prefixed to this report. The number of serious offences against person and property decreased by 54 cases or 0.3 per cent, compared with the previous year. The ratios of such offences to population in this Province in the last three years have been one case to every 2,727, 2,557 and 2,565 persons respectively.

**19. GRAVE CRIME.**—The comparative statement on page 11 shows the number of true cases of grave crime reported in the last two years and the quinquennial average of such cases from 1934 to 1938.

There was on the whole an increase of 1,483 cases or 4.8 per cent in the year over the figures of 1939. Increases were recorded under all the heads of grave crime, except under dacoity and cattle theft, the percentages of increase or decrease being :

|                   | PERCENTAGE. |        |
|-------------------|-------------|--------|
| Murder ..         | ..          | + 6.3  |
| Dacoity ..        | ..          | - 25.6 |
| Robbery ..        | ..          | + 9.2  |
| Housebreaking ..  | ..          | + 0.4  |
| Cattle theft ..   | ..          | - 0.8  |
| Ordinary theft .. | ..          | + 7.9  |

**20. MURDER.**—The number of true cases of murder in the year was 1,226 as against 1,153 in 1939—an increase of 73 cases or 6.3 per cent. Coimbatore continued to record the highest figure (147) followed by Tinnevely (132), Salem (82), Ramnad (79), Trichinopoly (58), East Godavari (56), Kurnool (53), South Madras (52) and Tanjore (51). A record figure has been reached in the Tinnevely district, but some satisfaction may be derived from the fact that for the last two years there was no serious rioting attended with murders, an improvement on previous records. Of the 132 cases reported during the year in that district, 35 were due to faction and 30 due to family disputes as against 25 and 12 respectively in 1939.

An analysis of the cases classified according to motives in the last two years is given below :—

| Motive for murder.     | 1939. | 1940. |
|------------------------|-------|-------|
| (1) Sexual motives ..  | 255   | 281   |
| (2) Family disputes .. | 275   | 256   |
| (3) Faction ..         | 148   | 153   |
| (4) Robbery ..         | 80    | 96    |
| (5) Other causes ..    | 395   | 440   |
| Total ..               | 1,153 | 1,226 |

Faction murders in the Province continue to remain at a disturbingly high figure. Owing to the strict interpretation of the law as it stands it is very difficult to get factious leaders bound over under the Security Sections of the Criminal Procedure Code in spite of the fact that factions are well known both to the police and to the magistracy, and it must be recorded with regret that the co-operation and support of local leaders and the public are still sadly lacking. In the Tinnevely district where the increase in factious murders was greatest this lack of support was particularly marked.

Ninety-nine murderers committed suicide in the year as against 98 in the previous year.

The following cases of murder are of special interest :—

At Chinnasalem in the South Arcot district, finding that the crops in his field were trampled down by some cattle which were driven by a boy, the owner of the field became so furious that he tied the boy to a tree, heaped cholam stalks around him and brutally burnt him to death. The accused was sentenced to transportation for life.

In Gandlapenta station limits of the Anantapur district, two Muhammadans murdered a woman for the sake of her jewels. Timely information given by a retired constable about the disposal of the jewels enabled the police to trace the culprits. The offenders were sentenced to be hanged.

A lonely old woman in Tirupati in the Chittoor district was throttled to death by two students of the local Sanskrit College for the sake of jewellery on her person. The principal offender was sentenced to transportation for life.

A five-year old girl in the Trichinopoly district was decoyed by a Chetti from her school to the outskirts of a village where he removed her jewels, stabbed her and threw her body into a well. Valuable assistance was rendered in the detection of this case by a member of the local Village Vigilance Committee and the murderer was sentenced to death.

The wearing of shoes by an educated Adi-Dravida youth in a village in the Tinnevely district was so greatly resented by other caste villagers that one day when the Adi-Dravida youth was bathing in a well, eleven of the villagers attacked him. On receiving the first blow on his head the unfortunate youth attempted to escape but was overpowered and stoned to death. His two brothers who came to his rescue were also killed by the villagers. The principal offender in the case is still absconding. Nine of the accused were sentenced to transportation for life and one to rigorous imprisonment for three years.

A Bania widow in the Vizagapatam district throttled a girl for the sake of her jewels and concealed the body in a gunny bag. She was sentenced to death.

Comparative statement of true cases of grave crime reported during the years 1939 and 1940 and the quinquennial average of such cases from 1934 to 1938.

| Districts.            | Murder. |       | Dacoity. |       | Robbery. |       | Housebreaking. |       | Theft, ordinary. |        | Cattle theft. |       | Total. |        |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------------|-------|------------------|--------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|
|                       | 1939.   | 1940. | 1939.    | 1940. | 1939.    | 1940. | 1939.          | 1940. | 1939.            | 1940.  | 1939.         | 1940. | 1939.  | 1940.  |
| Madras City           | 12      | 18    | 2        | 3     | 8        | 9     | 332            | 351   | 1,824            | 2,811  | 25            | 38    | 2,201  | 3,228  |
| Vizagapatam           | 37      | 46    | 3        | 8     | 16       | 18    | 231            | 286   | 703              | 912    | 87            | 89    | 1,062  | 1,359  |
| East Godavari         | 31      | 56    | 3        | 11    | 7        | 19    | 205            | 328   | 723              | 906    | 72            | 106   | 1,040  | 1,463  |
| West Godavari         | 24      | 18    | 3        | 9     | 7        | 11    | 230            | 296   | 594              | 574    | 73            | 93    | 885    | 998    |
| Kistna                | 21      | 32    | 1        | 1     | 3        | 9     | 153            | 211   | 398              | 543    | 53            | 100   | 628    | 882    |
| Guntur                | 46      | 45    | 2        | 16    | 15       | 16    | 273            | 339   | 673              | 728    | 86            | 104   | 1,124  | 1,218  |
| Nellore               | 23      | 17    | 5        | 8     | 20       | 12    | 162            | 183   | 331              | 332    | 65            | 88    | 606    | 594    |
| Kurnool               | 48      | 53    | 6        | 6     | 12       | 7     | 204            | 151   | 274              | 270    | 57            | 66    | 601    | 614    |
| Bellary               | 34      | 38    | 3        | 4     | 7        | 2     | 131            | 127   | 225              | 286    | 43            | 41    | 440    | 501    |
| Anantapur             | 34      | 27    | 6        | 5     | 19       | 9     | 185            | 134   | 268              | 247    | 96            | 84    | 608    | 475    |
| Cuddapah              | 45      | 49    | 6        | 3     | 7        | 11    | 172            | 179   | 275              | 259    | 56            | 52    | 561    | 654    |
| Chittoor              | 27      | 22    | 6        | 4     | 14       | 9     | 176            | 145   | 322              | 288    | 98            | 126   | 643    | 728    |
| Chingleput            | 15      | 20    | 1        | 2     | 9        | 15    | 251            | 299   | 679              | 939    | 116           | 218   | 1,071  | 1,423  |
| North Arcot           | 28      | 36    | 3        | 3     | 9        | 7     | 234            | 296   | 779              | 857    | 173           | 245   | 1,276  | 1,438  |
| Salem                 | 83      | 79    | 4        | 8     | 21       | 24    | 238            | 222   | 582              | 552    | 213           | 190   | 1,141  | 1,092  |
| Coimbatore            | 142     | 147   | 15       | 16    | 26       | 42    | 293            | 409   | 720              | 1,186  | 338           | 499   | 1,534  | 2,257  |
| The Nilgiris          | 4       | 1     | 1        | 1     | 1        | 1     | 39             | 40    | 74               | 105    | 2             | 4     | 120    | 176    |
| Malabar               | 59      | 49    | 3        | 9     | 16       | 17    | 299            | 332   | 502              | 797    | 99            | 117   | 978    | 1,173  |
| South Kanara          | 29      | 36    | 9        | 14    | 11       | 9     | 147            | 171   | 366              | 455    | 33            | 32    | 595    | 717    |
| Trichinopoly          | 36      | 58    | 5        | 1     | 26       | 33    | 241            | 413   | 777              | 1,231  | 184           | 294   | 1,269  | 2,015  |
| South Arcot           | 15      | 24    | 4        | 4     | 14       | 16    | 318            | 339   | 847              | 1,073  | 239           | 467   | 1,438  | 2,017  |
| Tanjore               | 42      | 51    | 7        | 8     | 26       | 25    | 420            | 437   | 715              | 811    | 186           | 235   | 1,396  | 1,821  |
| North Madras          | 54      | 72    | 3        | 2     | 30       | 21    | 192            | 182   | 699              | 746    | 221           | 285   | 1,188  | 1,318  |
| South Madras          | 36      | 52    | 4        | 6     | 25       | 29    | 101            | 85    | 257              | 270    | 101           | 105   | 546    | 549    |
| Ramnad                | 82      | 78    | 23       | 21    | 61       | 44    | 280            | 241   | 335              | 402    | 127           | 156   | 851    | 1,062  |
| Tinnevely             | 76      | 87    | 11       | 19    | 108      | 144   | 266            | 299   | 400              | 526    | 109           | 135   | 970    | 1,213  |
| Railway Madras.       | 1       | 1     | ..       | ..    | ..       | ..    | 6              | 10    | 180              | 210    | ..            | ..    | 186    | 221    |
| Police, Trichinopoly. | ..      | ..    | ..       | ..    | ..       | ..    | 7              | 11    | 228              | 274    | ..            | ..    | 237    | 288    |
| Total ..              | 1,084   | 1,226 | 136      | 116   | 523      | 535   | 5,790          | 6,865 | 14,730           | 17,877 | 2,932         | 4,031 | 25,195 | 30,617 |
|                       |         |       |          |       |          |       |                |       | 19,282           |        |               |       | 3,998  | 32,100 |

Long-standing enmity between a village magistrate and one Ramaswami Kavandan in the Coimbatore district induced the latter to hire three assassins to kill the former. Armed with revolvers and knives on a shandy day, the assassins repaired to the village chavadi and shot the village magistrate dead in broad day-light. The accused were hanged.

Strained feelings between two parties arising out of a dispute over "Kadukaval" or keeping watch over fields in a village in the Ramnad district ended in a triple murder one night when one Rakkan of one of the parties threw a bomb at a Kavalkar of the other party. Infuriated at this, the Kavalkar and his associates attacked Rakkan's family and killed three members. The Kavalkar was sentenced to be hanged and his associates to transportation for life.

When cholera was raging in a coastal village in the Kistna district, the villagers who were all fishermen, requested an aged man to perform a "pooja" which, they believed, would have the effect of driving out the evil spirit controlling the dread disease. The old man performed the "pooja" but the cholera did not subside. Eleven of the villagers, who suspected that the old man had brought back the evil spirit into the village, kicked him to death. All the accused were arrested and the case was under investigation at the close of the year.

In Thammampatti station in the Salem district a boy aged about four years was killed and thrown into a field well by a Muhammadan for the sake of the boy's silver waist cord. The murderer was hanged.

Driven to despair by extreme poverty, one Alagammal in the Salem district who had lost all hopes of supporting her five children threw them into a well and committed suicide by jumping into the same well.

Unable to bear the upbraids of his wife and father-in-law at his daughters remaining unmarried, a Brahman in the Malabar district, who had no means to celebrate the marriage, took his two daughters out with him on the pretext of visiting a temple and deliberately drowned them in the river. He was sentenced to be hanged.

While out on duty one night in connexion with the checking of the criminal tribe members at Irumangalam in the Tinnevely district, the sub-inspector of police and the head constable of Sankaranayinarkovil station observed on their way a band of five Maravars waylaying two persons and hastened to rescue the latter. The Maravars who were armed with *vel* sticks and aruvals hacked the head constable to death and absconded after seriously wounding the sub-inspector. The marauders were traced after an exhaustive and organized search. Two of them were sentenced to death and the rest to rigorous imprisonment for five years.

A head constable of the Guntur district, while investigating a case of burglary in a village, was informed of the presence in the village of an under-trial prisoner who had escaped from a sub-jail. The escaped prisoner was then armed with a spear and threatened to kill any one who attempted to approach him. Undaunted by these threats, the head constable boldly approached the man but was speared in the abdomen. He, however, pluckily grappled with the criminal and secured his arrest with the help of the villagers. The injury received by the head constable proved fatal and the accused was sentenced to death.

**21. INFANTICIDE.**—There were cases of infanticide in eleven districts as in the previous year and they were due to fear of social disgrace, domestic discord or unhappiness or extreme poverty.

**22. RIOTS AND DISTURBANCES.**—The number of cases of rioting or unlawful assembly during the year was 800 as against 703 in the previous year, but the public peace, on the whole, was well maintained.

Twenty districts were free from serious cases of rioting during the year. On seven occasions the police had to open fire to restore order.

The high-handed conduct of the ryots of Rajamanipur in the Mandasa Estate in the Vizagapatam district in cutting and removing timber in defiance of the orders of the authorities led to a serious disturbance of the peace on the 1st April when the Joint Magistrate and the Deputy Superintendent of Police arrested some of the offenders. About 400 to 500 hostile villagers demanded the immediate release of the accused and when this was refused attacked the police party. The situation became critical and the police, after due warning, opened fire on the mob under the orders of the Joint Magistrate. Five of the rioters were killed and five others were wounded. On the side of law and order, a constable lost his life and the Joint Magistrate and the Deputy Superintendent of Police sustained injuries. Thirty-two of the rioters were convicted.

During a strike in Aaron's Spinning and Weaving Mill at Pippinnisseri in the Malabar district, volunteers under local communist leaders resorted to obstructive picketing and when 21 of them were arrested their sympathizers threw stones at the police party of one sub-inspector and six men on duty in the locality. The police party dispersed the crowd by an effective lathi charge. Eleven of the leaders were convicted.

The ban of the District Magistrate, Malabar, under Rule 56 (1) of the Defence of India Act, prohibiting public meetings and other demonstrations in the district on the 15th September, "Protest Day," was disobeyed in fifteen places. The mob resorted to violence in six places resulting in loss of life to three police officers and injury to some others. The police opened

fire in three places and made lathi charges at other centres resulting in the death of two and injury to a few of the rioters. Several rioters were convicted.

Gamblers in the Kistna district attacked a police party when the latter were making a raid. A constable was badly injured and the sub-inspector in charge of the police party had to open fire on the rioters. A leading rioter was killed and the situation was brought under control. The offenders were charged.

A dispute over ancestral property between two parties of Adi-Dravidas of Koyambedu and Arambakkam villages in the Chingleput district resulted in a serious riot and the police had to open fire to restore order. Nine of the rioters were convicted.

In the course of the arrest of some of the students of the Annamalai University for subversive activities their sympathisers staged a demonstration and the police had to disperse the crowd with a light lathi charge. A few students sustained minor injuries.

In Kalligudi station limits in the South Madura district, the police had to interfere when the villagers attempted to celebrate the temple festival without the consent of the temple trustee. A constable after due warning opened fire on the crowd and killed a rioter. The infuriated mob at once seized the constable and beat him to death. Thirty-two of the rioters stand charged.

**Communal tension.**—Elaborate police arrangements were made during the Muharram, Dasara and other important festivals wherever tension between the Hindus and the Muhammadans prevailed. Effective measures were taken particularly in the Madras City, Vellore, Ambur and Nellore during the Muharram festival with the gratifying result that the festival passed off without any serious incident anywhere. The strain on the police on these occasions was very great and in G.O. Ms. No. 1241, Public (General), dated 25th June 1940 the Government were pleased to record their appreciation of the police arrangements and the good and hard work of the Presidency General Reserves on bandobast duty.

At Indukurpet in the Nellore district a few Muhammadan boys threw stones at the Hindus on two occasions. The intervention of the police averted further developments. The principal offenders were charged.

The running of a tea shop by a Thiyya boy during Ramzan at Kalikavu in the Malabar district so enraged the Mappillas in the locality that they set fire to the tea shop. Prompt action was taken and serious developments were averted.

In view of the continued tension between the Nadars and the non-Nadars at Kallurani in the Ramnad district, the provisions of the Indian Police Act were applied to regulate processions

in the locality and the cost of the Police bandobast was, as usual, recovered from the parties. The Hindu-Muslim factions at Kamudi and Abiramam continued to receive close attention and special precautionary measures were taken during festivals and processions.

The provisions of Section 30 of the Indian Police Act continued to be in force during the year at Kalugumalai, Chintamani and Seidun-ganallur in the Tinnevely district as the feelings between the Nadars and the non-Nadars in the first two villages and between the Muhammadans and others in the third village continued to be strained.

A Hindu Mahasabha Conference was held at Madura at the close of the year and Mr. Jinnah's Pakistan Scheme was the subject of severe criticism.

**Agrarian movements.**—A dispute between the villagers and the Zamindar of Kalipatnam village in the West Godavari district over the occupancy rights on lands necessitated the stationing of a party of the Armed Reserve in the village to prevent a threatened breach of the peace.

A threatening situation which arose out of differences between the ryots and the Jagirdar of Vinjamur Estate in the Nellore district in the matter of free grazing and cutting of fuel in the estate forest was averted by timely action under Section 144, Criminal Procedure Code.

When some Arava Malas were charged for stealthily removing wood from the Venkatagiri Zamin forest in the Nellore district, they made preparations to defy the zamin authorities. Prompt action under Section 107, Criminal Procedure Code, taken against the leaders brought the situation under control.

**Other disturbances.**—During the latter part of the year, the individual Satyagraha movement and anti-War propaganda were started by the Congress throughout the Province and prompt action was taken against the offenders.

The subversive activities of Communists and Socialists were successfully dealt with under the provisions of the Defence of India Rules.

**Labour troubles.**—There were 23 strikes during the year against 31 in the previous year. Of these, 3 were successful, 6 were partially successful and 13 were unsuccessful. In the remaining case the concern was closed due to unsound financial conditions. The strikers resorted to obstructive picketing in a few places.

The factory workers at Samalkot gave trouble for the greater part of the year. Many of them were thrown out of employment and when all their attempts to obtain re-employment proved unsuccessful, they assaulted the loyal coolies, brutally handled a loyal clerk of the factory, burnt the house of a coolie and caused the death of one Pilla Pappu Rao who was supplying new workmen to the factory.

Orders under Section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, were promulgated and a party of the Reserve Police was stationed in the disturbed area. Those who attacked Pappu Rao are taking their trial in the Sessions Court and action under Section 107, Criminal Procedure Code, has been taken against the others.

About 700 workers of the Jute Mill at Ellore were on strike for a period of about six months during the year, supported by local Socialists. As orders under Section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, were defied by them, two detachments of the Presidency General Reserve were detailed for duty in the locality and prompt action was taken against the offenders.

The labour movement in Madura was inactive after the conviction of the leader who was fomenting strikes in the local mills.

**23. DACOITY.**—Statistics of dacoity for the last two years with the previous quinquennial average are set forth districtwise in the statement on page 11 and the total figures for the last fifteen years in the statement in paragraph 16 of the report. There were 116 dacoities in the year as against 156 in 1939—a decrease of 40 cases or 25·6 per cent. Thirteen of these were reported to the magistrates direct. There were 43 highway dacoities, 33 field dacoities and 40 house dacoities. Four districts were free from this form of crime in the year.

The Tinnevely district continued to lead with 19 cases as against 22 in 1939, followed by the Ramnad and Coimbatore districts with 17 and 14 cases respectively, against 21 and 16 in 1939. Local criminal organizations and registered criminal tribe members were responsible for many of the cases.

A few cases of interest are given below :—

While a boat laden with paddy bags was being rowed on to a steamer off the Cocanada Coast a band of 23 fishermen attacked the boat and forcibly removed 23 bags. They were arrested and nine bags were recovered. The case against the dacoits is pending trial.

A known depredator of Srivilliputtur and four Piramalai Kallars waylaid two men on the Palacombai hill pass in the South Madura district and robbed them of their cash amounting to Rs. 20 and an umbrella. Four of the dacoits were convicted.

Kandaswami Naicken, a notorious dacoit of the Ramnad district, assisted by a band of Maravars, committed a most daring dacoity in a rich money-lender's house in a village near Maniyachi in the Tinnevely district. Threatening his victims with a gun, the bandit removed jewels to the value of Rs. 5,000. He was eventually arrested in the Tanjore district with property worth Rs. 3,000. He committed several other serious offences and has now been sentenced to death in a case of murder.

Six dacoits in the Ramnad district attacked a party returning from a temple and forcibly removed jewels worth about Rs. 1,915 worn by the women in the party. Five of the gang were convicted.

Armed with *vel* sticks, a gang of 50 Kudumbars and Maravars in the Ramnad district, committed dacoity in a field, and drove away 200 sheep and goats. Creditable work was done in the detection of this case by the members of the Village Vigilance Committee of Karumal village attached to the Mudukulattur station. They arrested two of the dacoits and recovered 79 sheep and goats. Seventeen of the dacoits stand charged.

A batch of ten Kal Oddars of the Trichinopoly district attacked three cattle dealers in the Salem district while the latter were returning after attending a shandy in the South Arcot district and removed their ear-rings and cash to the value of Rs. 99. Nine of the criminals were traced and convicted.

A desperate gang of criminals led by an Afghan surrounded the house of a Marwari in Villivakkam in the Chingleput district and inflicted severe injuries with a knife on the inmates. Another Marwari in the locality is alleged to have organized the offence. The case against the gang is pending trial.

**24. ROBBERY.**—584 cases of robbery were reported in the year as against 535 in 1939—an increase of 49 cases or 9·2 per cent. Of these, 166 were highway robberies, 136 field robberies, and 282 house robberies. Thirty-one of these cases were reported to the magistrates direct. The Tinnevely district continued to report the highest figure, viz., 168 cases, Ramnad and Trichinopoly following with 66 and 46 cases respectively. Snatching of jewels from women was a common feature which contributed largely to the increase in those districts.

A local rowdy in Rajahmundry attempted to rob a postman of his cash, and was arrested and convicted.

In a case of Kadaladi station in the Ramnad district, four local Maravars armed with *vel* sticks attacked and injured four people who were travelling in bullock carts and robbed them of their cash amounting to Rs. 50. The robbers also drove away a pair of bulls belonging to their victims. The criminals were convicted.

In an interesting case in the same district, a band of four Maravars waylaid a cart in which a Chettiyar was travelling and robbed him of his cash. The driver of the cart stabbed one of the robbers to death with a *vel* stick. On the discovery of the corpse a case of murder was registered and during the investigation, the case of robbery came to light. The case of murder was treated as one of justifiable homicide and the case of robbery

against the three remaining Maravars is pending trial.

**Mail robbery.**—There were no cases of mail robbery in the year.

**25. HOUSEBREAKING.**—There were 6,894 cases of housebreaking in the year against 6,865 in 1939, an increase of 29 cases or 0·4 per cent. This form of crime increased in 12 districts and the highest figure was recorded in the Trichinopoly district. Large increases were noticeable in the East Godavari, Guntur, South Kanara, Tanjore and Tinnevely districts. Local bad characters and criminal organizations in the East Godavari, Guntur and Tanjore districts, Thottia Naiks in the South Kanara district, temple burglars and Koravars in the Trichinopoly district and Maravars in the Tinnevely district were mainly responsible for the increases. Many of them have been traced and convicted. In the other districts where increases were recorded, ex-convicts, out-of-view dangerous criminals and ex-settlers of criminal tribes settlements were mostly responsible. Decreases in cases of housebreaking were recorded in 15 districts and in the Madras City. The decreases are attributable to the vigorous action taken to trace the criminal organizations which were responsible for the bulk of the crime in previous years.

In a case of burglary committed in a temple in the Tanjore district, jewels worth Rs. 3,000 were stolen. Two of the burglars were arrested in the Ramnad district and another in the Tanjore district. They were convicted. Footprints left by the culprits at the scene of occurrence were helpful in the detection of this case.

Scientific aids to investigations were helpful in several cases.

In the Coimbatore district, the services of the finger-print head constable were utilized by the investigating officers in as many as 21 cases.

The average value of property lost per case of housebreaking was Rs. 108 in the year against Rs. 121 in 1939 and Rs. 113 in 1938.

**26. THEFT.**—19,282 cases of ordinary theft were reported in the year against 17,877 in 1939, an increase of 1,405 cases or 7·9 per cent. Excluding the Madras City the Trichinopoly district continued to record the highest figure. Increases were recorded in the Madras City and in 17 districts and were due to the various causes already mentioned in this report. Juveniles were responsible for many thefts in the Kistna, Kurnool and the Nilgiri districts. They were traced and sent to the Certified Schools for correction. Owing to a set-back to the coir industry in Malabar, many unemployed men committed petty thefts, mainly of garden produce.

A bundle of 1,000 hundred-rupee currency notes was stolen from the Nellore sub-treasury. Prompt and vigorous investigation by the local police and the Criminal Investigation Department disclosed that the shroff and the masalchi employed in the sub-treasury were responsible for the offence. All but about Rs. 200 was recovered and the culprits were convicted.

A Railway thief calling himself a Captain of the Air Force travelled in the first class and committed thefts of valuable articles from his fellow passengers. He was convicted.

**27. CATTLE THEFT.**—There were 3,998 cases of cattle theft in the year against 4,031 cases in 1939, a decrease of 33 cases or 0·8 per cent. There were marked increases in the Trichinopoly and Tinnevely districts. As in the previous year, the bulk of the crime was committed for the sake of the skins and meat. Special measures to deal with this form of crime have been taken in the Coimbatore district and the question of introducing them in other districts is being examined.

**Cattle poisoning.**—Forty-two cases of cattle poisoning were reported in the year against 52 in 1939. Thirteen of these ended in conviction and 16 of the 24 persons arrested were convicted.

**28. COUNTERFEITING COINS AND CURRENCY NOTES.**—Forty-two cases of counterfeiting were recorded in the year, of which 29 ended in conviction, against 48 and 30 respectively in 1939. There were two cases of note forgery against four in the previous year and as in the previous year, these cases were undetectable. The Coin and Currency Experts of the Criminal Investigation Department examined counterfeit coins and materials in 45 cases and materials for forging currency notes in one case. They also gave evidence in courts on 59 occasions. Coin Experts continued to attend periodically the Railway Cash Offices to examine counterfeit coins found in the collections.

A case of passing counterfeit coins by two Bouriahs of Northern India came to notice in the Vizagapatam district. Several counterfeit coins were recovered from them and they were convicted.

**29. OTHER CASES OF INTEREST—Bomb cases.**—During the year, 14 cases were reported resulting in the death of eight persons and in injuries to five persons. Two of these cases were due to accidental explosions while four were due to factions. In the remaining eight cases, the bombs were used or possessed with criminal intent.

**Fire-arms.**—Twenty cases involving injuries from fire-arms were referred to the Criminal Investigation Department in the year for

expert opinion against 13 in 1939. In all these cases the Criminal Investigation Department Expert assisted the Chemical Examiner in arriving at an expert opinion. The Expert gave evidence in courts on six occasions.

**Cheating cases.**—Two cases of fraud on a life insurance concern were recorded in the West Godavari district during the year. In one case a deliberate attempt was made to defraud the company to the extent of Rs. 5,000 by insuring the life of a 75-year old man as one aged 45 years. In the other case a sum of Rs. 5,000 was actually withdrawn on a policy issued on the life of a fictitious person. The culprits in these cases have been charged.

A gang of Kepmaris of the Mysore State cheated an avaricious Brahman in the South Kanara district to the extent of Rs. 5,000 by passing lead dust as gold. The Brahman was first shown real gold dust but only lead dust was palmed off on him and he was relieved of his cash. Three of the cheats have been arrested and the case is pending trial.

One T. L. Saldanha obtained deposit amounts from his victims in Mangalore by promising employment in bogus institutions. He was bound over.

A gang of inter-provincial swindlers from Hyderabad cheated a Marwari in Madras of Rs. 14,000 and a money lender in Kurnool of Rs. 10,000 by a clever substitution trick. The cases against them are pending trial.

One Ibrahim Ishaque posing as a respectable dealer in skins and hides, started a company in British Cochin and obtained several orders from Overseas Companies. He opened accounts with the National Bank by depositing Rs. 3,500 and drew Rs. 37,300 on credit bills for shipment of wool to Liverpool. He had cheated several firms in England and America. He is absconding.

**Other cases.**—An ex-convict committed a robbery in the South Arcot district and, when chased by a sub-inspector, inflicted injuries on him and attempted to commit suicide. He was convicted.

An inter-district criminal administered datura poison to three brothers whom he served as a cook on their way to Karaikudi and drove away in one of their carts laden with provisions. He was caught by a motor driver known to the brothers. The case is pending trial.

A wooden case containing gold worth Rs. 1,10,500 booked as railway parcel from Madras to Bombay was stolen from the brake-van of the Bombay Mail. The case is still under investigation.

**30. JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE.**—28 deaths were treated as justifiable homicide in the year against 15 in 1939. 15 of these were caused by the police in the execution of

their duty and the rest were by private persons in exercise of their rights of self-defence.

A notorious criminal of the Siddhapuram Settlement was shot dead by the police when he made a murderous assault on a sub-inspector who was attempting to arrest him.

A madiga in the Chittoor district who ran amok and defied arrest was shot dead by the police. Similarly a rowdy in Podalakur in the Nellore district who ran amok and killed a villager and set fire to houses was shot down by the police.

In a village in the South Arcot district a criminal in a drunken state stabbed his enemy and threatened to kill others. The villagers attacked and severely injured him. He died on the way to the hospital.

**31. ACCIDENTAL DEATHS.**—Seventy cases of death, attributed to criminal rashness or negligence, were reported during the year, as against 52 in 1939.

Fifty-seven cases were prosecuted during the year, 18 ended in conviction, 28 were discharged and the rest were pending trial at the end of the year.

### PART III.

#### DETECTION AND PREVENTION OF CRIME.

**32. CRIME—HOW DEALT WITH** (Statement A, part I).—There was a marked increase in the percentage of detection of total cognizable crime reported in the year as shown below:—

| Year.                                       | Percentage of detection. |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1940 .. .. .                                | 47.1                     |
| 1939 .. .. .                                | 43.5                     |
| Quinquennial average for the years 1934-38. | 43.9                     |

Twenty-one districts and the Madras City showed improvement in detection which was most noticeable in—

| District.           | Percentage. |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Kurnool .. .. .     | + 15.1      |
| Kistna .. .. .      | + 12.7      |
| Nellore .. .. .     | + 11.6      |
| South Arcot .. .. . | + 10.5      |

The figures of detection for each head of grave crime are—

|                        | Percentage of detection.                         |       |       |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
|                        | Quinquennial average for the years 1934 to 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |
| Murder .. .. .         | 35.2                                             | 41.8  | 44.6  |
| Dacoity .. .. .        | 33.5                                             | 27.4  | 38.8  |
| Robbery .. .. .        | 40.4                                             | 38.9  | 39.3  |
| Housebreaking .. .. .  | 33.7                                             | 32.6  | 38.8  |
| Cattle theft .. .. .   | 59.3                                             | 56.9  | 58.2  |
| Ordinary theft .. .. . | 46.8                                             | 46.9  | 50.9  |
| Total grave crime.     | 44.2                                             | 44.3  | 48.5  |

The graph prefixed to this report illustrates the detection in total cognizable crime and in grave crime during the last eleven years.

It is gratifying that there has been a steady improvement in the investigation and detection of crime and that the year under review records the highest figures for detection both for total cognizable crime and total grave crime during the last decade.

The study of crime on a wider basis, more scientific methods of investigation and better co-ordinated efforts, in which the Central Crime Branch and the District Intelligence Bureaux have played a notable part, have contributed to the continued success in the investigation of crime. To this must be added the valuable assistance rendered by the Village Vigilance Committees, Civic Guards and members of the general public without which such a measure of success could never have been achieved.

The statement below compares the detection in housebreakings in this Province with that achieved in other Provinces:—

| Provinces.                                | Percentage of detection of housebreakings in 1939. |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Bihar .. .. .                             | 6.3                                                |
| Bengal .. .. .                            | 7.0                                                |
| Assam .. .. .                             | 8.1                                                |
| United Provinces .. .. .                  | 9.0                                                |
| North-West Frontier Province .. .. .      | 12.8                                               |
| Orissa .. .. .                            | 17.9                                               |
| The Punjab .. .. .                        | 19.3                                               |
| Bombay .. .. .                            | 20.1                                               |
| Madras .. .. .                            | 32.6                                               |
| Madras (Percentage of detection in 1940). | 38.8                                               |

**Cases in which investigation was refused: Section 157 (b), Criminal Procedure Code (statement A-I, columns 5 and 6).**—48,459 cases were reported to the police in the year under review, out of which investigation was refused under Section 157 (b), Criminal Procedure Code, in 2,301 cases or 4.7 per cent as against 4.1 per cent in 1939 and 4.0 per cent in 1938. Due care is being exercised to see that this provision of law is not abused.

**Cases referred by magistrates under Section 202, Criminal Procedure Code.**—998 cases were referred to the police by magistrates under Section 202, Criminal Procedure Code, against 917 in 1939. Unnecessary references were, as usual, brought to the notice of the District Magistrates.

**Attendance at Sessions.**—The number of criminal sessions held in the mufassal was 377 against 327 in 1939. District Superintendents of Police attended 46 sessions as against 56 in 1939 and Subdivisional Officers 203 against 211. Attention to other important work prevented the officers from attending more sessions. In the Madras City, the Commissioner with his deputies and their assistants attended all criminal sessions.

**33. PROPERTY LOST AND RECOVERED.**—The statement below shows the value of property stolen and recovered during the last three years:—

#### Property lost and recovered (police cases).

| Districts.                           | 1938.     |            |             | 1939.     |            |             | 1940.     |            |             |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
|                                      | Lost.     | Recovered. | Percentage. | Lost.     | Recovered. | Percentage. | Lost.     | Recovered. | Percentage. |
|                                      | RS.       | RS.        |             | RS.       | RS.        |             | RS.       | RS.        |             |
| Madras City .. .. .                  | 4,15,776  | 37,648     | 9.1         | 3,25,888  | 49,119     | 15.1        | 2,20,998  | 34,665     | 15.7        |
| Vizagapatam .. .. .                  | 93,116    | 23,128     | 24.8        | 1,36,492  | 39,525     | 29.0        | 1,06,403  | 22,911     | 21.5        |
| East Godavari .. .. .                | 61,403    | 15,520     | 25.3        | 78,558    | 19,845     | 25.3        | 88,354    | 32,241     | 36.5        |
| West Godavari .. .. .                | 63,771    | 11,779     | 18.5        | 71,497    | 16,160     | 22.6        | 76,888    | 14,703     | 19.2        |
| Kistna .. .. .                       | 61,078    | 16,852     | 27.6        | 71,065    | 13,921     | 19.6        | 57,019    | 15,854     | 27.8        |
| Guntur .. .. .                       | 91,830    | 18,905     | 20.6        | 95,414    | 24,208     | 25.4        | 81,862    | 18,828     | 23.0        |
| Nellore .. .. .                      | 34,087    | 8,038      | 23.6        | 46,089    | 9,896      | 21.5        | 1,54,192  | 1,21,434   | 78.8        |
| Kurnool .. .. .                      | 25,589    | 7,460      | 29.2        | 48,113    | 19,111     | 39.7        | 29,434    | 16,711     | 56.8        |
| Bellary .. .. .                      | 45,409    | 9,696      | 21.4        | 26,089    | 8,901      | 34.1        | 27,267    | 6,984      | 25.6        |
| Anantapur .. .. .                    | 38,543    | 11,651     | 30.2        | 49,910    | 17,465     | 35.0        | 31,753    | 12,654     | 39.9        |
| Cuddapah .. .. .                     | 39,216    | 12,802     | 32.6        | 48,073    | 12,760     | 26.5        | 50,449    | 18,455     | 36.6        |
| Chittoor .. .. .                     | 36,203    | 8,475      | 23.4        | 37,163    | 12,196     | 32.8        | 38,666    | 16,808     | 43.5        |
| Chingleput .. .. .                   | 45,418    | 9,312      | 20.5        | 56,993    | 20,363     | 35.7        | 47,536    | 11,661     | 24.5        |
| North Arcot .. .. .                  | 52,605    | 13,325     | 25.3        | 70,513    | 23,771     | 33.7        | 61,865    | 21,464     | 34.7        |
| Salem .. .. .                        | 63,336    | 26,290     | 38.5        | 54,646    | 23,056     | 42.2        | 56,453    | 22,568     | 40.0        |
| Coimbatore .. .. .                   | 96,280    | 33,322     | 32.5        | 86,400    | 42,774     | 49.5        | 94,804    | 43,404     | 45.8        |
| The Nilgiris .. .. .                 | 8,351     | 4,442      | 53.2        | 26,312    | 3,478      | 13.2        | 17,392    | 5,784      | 33.1        |
| Malabar .. .. .                      | 30,112    | 7,103      | 23.6        | 87,033    | 17,726     | 20.4        | 46,088    | 11,685     | 25.4        |
| South Kanara .. .. .                 | 39,499    | 9,506      | 24.1        | 24,148    | 8,662      | 35.9        | 35,747    | 7,021      | 19.6        |
| Trichinopoly .. .. .                 | 51,285    | 21,617     | 42.2        | 96,527    | 44,122     | 45.7        | 96,763    | 29,264     | 30.2        |
| South Arcot .. .. .                  | 46,894    | 12,511     | 26.7        | 58,168    | 26,670     | 45.8        | 48,127    | 18,776     | 39.0        |
| Tanjore .. .. .                      | 76,842    | 19,198     | 25.0        | 93,259    | 52,570     | 56.4        | 76,010    | 26,158     | 34.4        |
| North Madura .. .. .                 | 53,917    | 18,825     | 34.9        | 55,232    | 14,342     | 26.0        | 49,779    | 20,061     | 40.3        |
| South Madura .. .. .                 | 20,417    | 6,211      | 30.4        | 21,119    | 5,850      | 27.7        | 17,116    | 7,626      | 44.6        |
| Ramnad .. .. .                       | 56,238    | 30,308     | 53.9        | 48,927    | 20,001     | 40.9        | 85,386    | 22,523     | 26.4        |
| Tinnevely .. .. .                    | 51,102    | 11,797     | 23.1        | 73,510    | 15,979     | 21.7        | 1,11,335  | 13,295     | 11.9        |
| Railway Police, Madras .. .. .       | 6,915     | 5,372      | 54.3        | 6,650     | 2,867      | 43.1        | 1,22,965  | 4,451      | 3.6         |
| Railway Police, Trichinopoly .. .. . | 16,515    | 3,753      | 32.5        | 11,527    | 3,220      | 27.9        | 19,222    | 4,215      | 21.9        |
| Total .. .. .                        | 17,26,727 | 4,14,852   | 24.0        | 19,05,315 | 5,68,558   | 29.8        | 19,49,673 | 6,02,184   | 30.9        |

NOTE.—Recoveries made during the year of property lost in previous years' cases.—Rs. 21,507.

The high figure recorded in the Madras City during the year was largely due to the loss of property under Sections 406 to 409 of the Indian Penal Code, which alone contributed about 38 per cent of the figure. In the Vizagapatam district the value of property lost in five cases of dacoity, robbery, housebreaking and theft amounted to Rs. 13,976 and the total amount involved in cases under Sections 406 to 409, Indian Penal Code, was Rs. 10,832. These amounts account for 23 per cent of the high figure recorded in that district. The unusually high figure noted against the Nellore district was due to the theft of a lakh of rupees in the Nellore sub-treasury referred to in paragraph 26 of this report. In the Tinnevely district the loss of Rs. 5,000 in a case of dacoity and Rs. 27,910 in several cases of cheating account for 29.6 per cent of the total figure recorded. The loss of a railway parcel containing gold bars worth Rs. 1,10,500 inflated the figure for the Madras Railway Police district. The improvement in the percentage of recovery of property in the East Godavari, Cuddapah, Chittoor, the Nilgiris, North Madura and South Madura districts and the high percentages in the Nellore, Kurnool and Coimbatore districts are worthy of notice. The gold bar theft case in the Madras Railway Police district which remains undetected lowered the percentage of recovery for that district.

**34. PROSECUTIONS (statement A-I, columns 11 and 12).—**The number of cases decided by the courts was 22,832 against 19,975 in 1939 and of these 78 per cent ended in conviction as against 76.1 in the previous year.

**Statement A-II, columns 8 to 10.**—39,258 persons were tried in the year as against 34,161 in 1939 and 24,085 or 61.4 per cent were convicted as against 60.1 per cent in the previous year.

**Prosecuting staff.**—The results of the work done by the prosecuting staff are shown below:—

|             | Number of cases prosecuted. |        | Number of cases convicted. |       | Percentage of convictions. |       |
|-------------|-----------------------------|--------|----------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|
|             | 1939.                       | 1940.  | 1939.                      | 1940. | 1939.                      | 1940. |
| Madras City | 3,901                       | 3,491  | 3,325                      | 3,845 | 85.2                       | 81.5  |
| Muzaffar    | 10,373                      | 11,144 | 7,189                      | 8,292 | 69.0                       | 74.3  |

As usual, the services of the circle inspectors were utilized to prosecute cases of minor importance. Out of 6,455 cases prosecuted by them, 5,288 cases or 81.6 per cent, against 77.5 per cent in the previous year, ended in conviction.

The experimental scheme for the replacement of the prosecuting inspectors and prosecuting sub-inspectors by Assistant Public Prosecutors recruited from the Bar continued to work in the Guntur, Anantapur, Chingleput, \*Trichinopoly and Malabar districts. Reports on the working of this scheme from the concerned District Magistrates have been submitted to the Government with my remarks

in my letter F.O.C. No. 12/Audit/41, dated 4th March 1941. As pointed out by me, there are defects and difficulties in the scheme which have to be remedied before its extension to other districts can be considered.

**Inadequate sentences and retrials.**—Cases of seriously inadequate sentences or of *prima facie* miscarriage of justice were duly brought to the notice of the District Magistrates concerned.

A man in the Salem district who committed murder was acquitted by the Sessions Judge, but on appeal, the High Court reversed the order of the Sessions Judge and sentenced the accused to transportation for life.

In the same district a man who was responsible for two murders was acquitted by the Sessions Judge. On appeal, the High Court sentenced the accused to transportation for life.

In a case under Section 302, Indian Penal Code, the Sessions Judge, Guntur, acquitted the accused, but on appeal, the High Court set aside the order of acquittal and ordered a retrial of the case by the Sessions Judge, Kistna. The accused were sentenced to death in the retrial.

In a murder case of Kurnool, the High Court, on appeal by Government, enhanced the sentence of transportation for life passed by the Sessions Judge on the accused to one of death.

**35. ESCAPES.**—57 prisoners escaped from police escorts in the year, 5 from police lock-ups and 42 from sub-jails, as against 52, 4 and 36 respectively in 1939. 83 were recaptured. 10 police officers were prosecuted for negligently allowing prisoners to escape and 6 of them were convicted. 78 police officers were punished departmentally for negligence in guarding prisoners, while in 22 cases of escape the police were held free from blame.

**36. PROSECUTIONS FOR FALSE COMPLAINTS.**—Including cases of the previous year which were pending magisterial orders, the police referred 3,218 cases, of which 2,771 were struck off as false by the magistrates. Prosecutions for preferring false complaints were launched in 152 cases, of which 17 were filed on magisterial complaints. 49 persons were convicted for preferring false complaints as against 69 in the previous year.

**Cases found false after trial.**—Out of 383,180 cases prosecuted by the police, 63 or 0.02 per cent were declared to be false after trial or enquiry by courts. Compensation was awarded under Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code, to 6 persons falsely accused as against 4 in 1939 and 3 in 1938.

**37. PREVENTION—Habitual criminals.**—Details regarding the number of known depredators and bad characters and the action taken to control them are given in the statement below.

### Return of known depredators, receivers of stolen goods and suspected persons for the year 1940.

| Class of persons.                                 | Of the number in columns (2) to (5), number removed from the register during the year. |      |     |     |       |     |       |     |     |      | Of these included in column (5) to column (6) on 31st December 1940. |        | Of the number shown in column (12), number out of view. |      | Number of persons with history sheets convicted during the year. |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
|                                                   | (1)                                                                                    | (2)  | (3) | (4) | (5)   | (6) | (7)   | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11)                                                                 | (12)   | (12-a)                                                  | (13) | Males.                                                           | Females. |
| Known depredators ..                              | 5,676                                                                                  | 46   | 554 | 4   | 1,498 | 5   | 1,752 | 12  | 127 | 3    | 1,752                                                                | 5      | 1,752                                                   | 14   | 1,641                                                            | 6        |
| Receivers of stolen goods ..                      | 194                                                                                    | 3    | 8   | 9   | 127   | 6   | 100   | 1   | 9   | 4    | 5                                                                    | 211    | 1                                                       | 5    | 206                                                              | 1        |
| Suspected persons ..                              | 3,642                                                                                  | 15   | 280 | 252 | 2,352 | 35  | 1,726 | 7   | 306 | 1    | 428                                                                  | 3,650  | 283                                                     | 206  | 206                                                              | 1        |
| Total ..                                          | 9,512                                                                                  | 64   | 842 | 8   | 4,231 | 51  | 3,478 | 16  | 763 | 4    | 2,438                                                                | 9,475  | 1,446                                                   | 15   | 1,912                                                            | 7        |
| Active and inactive criminals of the Madras City. | 588                                                                                    | 12   | 7   | 121 | 34    | 15  | 7     | 15  | 1   | 1    | 141                                                                  | 571    | 171                                                     | 2    | 193                                                              | 2        |
| Grand total ..                                    | * 10,100                                                                               | * 76 | 849 | 8   | 4,265 | 66  | 3,485 | 16  | 778 | 5    | 2,579                                                                | 10,046 | 1,617                                                   | 17   | 2,105                                                            | 9        |

\* The variations from the corresponding figures in the report for 1939 are due to the revised figures furnished by some districts.

**Old offenders.**—2,322 persons received enhanced punishments under Section 75, Indian Penal Code, in the year, as against 2,155 in 1939 and 707 convicts were ordered to notify residence under Section 565, Criminal Procedure Code, as against 683 in the previous year. Three hundred and twenty-eight persons were prosecuted for failure to notify residence of whom 233 were convicted.

One hundred and forty-nine convicts were prematurely released during the year. Seventeen of them reverted to crime and 8 went out of view. It was possible for the police to find work for 45 of them.

**Criminal Tribes Act.**—Certain members of the following tribes were, for the first time, brought under Section 3 of the Act and subjected to the provisions of Section 10 (1) (a) and (b) of the Act :—

- (1) Boyas of the Anantapur district.
- (2) Sugalis of the Bellary district.
- (3) Criminal Padayachis of several taluks of the South Arcot district.
- (4) Uppu Koravars of the Tanjore taluk of the Tanjore district.

Sections 11 and 16 of the Act were applied to specified members of the undermentioned tribes :—

| Name of the tribe.       | Area to which restricted.                           |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Kanjar Bhats .. ..       | Chintaladevi Settlement.                            |
| Donga Yanadis .. ..      | Sitanagaram Settlement.                             |
| Nakkalas .. ..           | Do.                                                 |
| Donga Woddars .. ..      | Sitanagaram and Siddhapuram Settlements.            |
| Donga Yerakalas .. ..    | Bitragunta Reformatory and Sitanagaram Settlements. |
| Thottia Naiks .. ..      | Bitragunta Reformatory Settlement.                  |
| Jambuvanodai mixed gang. | Aziznagar Settlement.                               |
| Padayachis .. ..         | Do.                                                 |
| Vaduvarpatti Koravars .. | Do.                                                 |
| Veppur Adi-Dravidas ..   | Do.                                                 |
| Koravars .. ..           | Do.                                                 |
| Donga Dasaris .. ..      | Do.                                                 |
| Appanad Kondayankottai.  | Do.                                                 |

Details showing the application of the Criminal Tribes Act to criminal tribe members other than Piramalai Kallars of the Madura North and South districts but including those in Settlements are given below :—

| Number of persons registered.   |        | Number of persons removed from the register.    |       |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1939.                           | 1940.  | 1939.                                           | 1940. |
| 963                             | 1,553  | 1,896                                           | 1,751 |
| Number on rolls at end of year. |        | Number convicted under the Criminal Tribes Act. |       |
| 1939.                           | 1940.  | 1939.                                           | 1940. |
| 35,514                          | 35,508 | 2,109                                           | 2,187 |

One hundred and twenty-four persons were convicted under Section 24 of the Act, and

8 sentenced to enhanced punishment under Section 23 of the Act, as compared with 99 and 3 respectively in 1939.

The application of the "Abeysance" system of control of criminal tribe members and the practice of enforcing joint responsibility among them continued to work fairly well in most districts. As many as 17,128 criminal tribe members earned relief from the obligation under Section 10 (1) (a) of the Act, as against 19,225 in the previous year.

**Criminal Tribes Settlements.**—The Criminal Tribes Settlements continued to function under the administrative control of the Commissioner of Labour and are separately reported on by him. All the settlers in the Bitragunta ordinary settlement were transferred to the Sitanagaram settlement in the year, and some of the settlers in Sitanagaram were transferred to Kaza to enable them to work in the limestone quarries of the Kistna Cement Company.

The free colony at Perala in the Guntur district continued to be a success. The adult members of this colony find work in the Indian Leaf Tobacco Development Company closeby.

The Yanadi colonies at Guntur, Ponnur and Vellathur in the Guntur district are progressing satisfactorily.

The Yanadi Reclamation work started in the Chittoor district in 1939 was continued. The scheme of concentrating the Yanadis in selected centres was abandoned as unworkable. Land for agricultural purposes was acquired for them and the reclamation work is in progress.

**Kallar Reclamation, Madura North and South.**—The reclamation scheme continued to be worked efficiently. One of the two posts of Deputy Superintendents sanctioned for the reclamation work was abolished in October and since then there has been only one gazetted assistant to the District Superintendents of both the districts for the reclamation work. The work of Kallar panchayats was on the whole satisfactory but they require constant supervision and can seldom be depended on to report absences of Kallars from their villages promptly.

Nineteen cases of crime by Kallars and others and 6 cases of unexplained absences of Kallars were reported by panchayats on their own initiative, while effective help was given to the police in as many as 129 cases. Four panchayats of North Madura and 8 of South Madura were suspended on disciplinary grounds in the year. One panchayat of South Madura and 5 of North Madura which were suspended in the previous year were restored.

The progress of the schools continued to be satisfactory.

Another year's useful work was done by the Kallar Advisory Committees in the South Madura district. As the Committees were not of much use in the North Madura district, the Government in their Order Ms. No. 5255, Home, dated 23rd December 1940, have sanctioned their reconstitution and the working of the new Committees will be watched with interest in the current year.

**Registration.**—Details showing the number of Piramalai Kallars registered under and removed from the Criminal Tribes Act are given below :—

|                                                                      | Madura North. | Madura South. | Total. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------|
| Total number remaining on the rolls at the end of the previous year. | 5,847         | 21,959*       | 27,806 |
| Number registered during the year.                                   | 87            | 217           | 304    |

|                                                             | Madura North. | Madura South. | Total. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------|
| Number removed on account of good conduct or other causes.  | 48            | 479           | 527    |
| Total number remaining on the rolls at the end of the year. | 5,886         | 21,697        | 27,583 |

\* Revised figure furnished by the District Superintendent of Police, Madura South, in the Administration Report for 1940.

**Prosecutions.**—There were 252 applications for sanction to prosecute for offences under the Criminal Tribes Act as against 219 in 1939 and 195 in 1938. Prosecutions were sanctioned in 241 cases compared with 203 cases in 1939.

**Kallar crime.**—The statement below compares ascertained Kallar crime with the total crime in the two districts during the last three years :—

| Nature of offences. | Total district crime. |               |               |               |               |               | Kallar crime. |               |               |               |               |               |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                     | 1938.                 |               | 1939.         |               | 1940.         |               | 1938.         |               | 1939.         |               | 1940.         |               |
|                     | North Madura.         | South Madura. | North Madura. | South Madura. | North Madura. | South Madura. | North Madura. | South Madura. | North Madura. | South Madura. | North Madura. | South Madura. |
| Murder .. ..        | 52                    | 41            | 93            | 72            | 38            | 110           | 42            | 52            | 94            | 2             | 10            | 12            |
| Dacoity .. ..       | 4                     | 5             | 9             | 2             | 6             | 8             | 2             | 5             | 7             | 1             | 1             | 2             |
| Robbery .. ..       | 16                    | 22            | 38            | 21            | 29            | 50            | 37            | 19            | 56            | 4             | 14            | 18            |
| Housebreaking ..    | 150                   | 103           | 253           | 192           | 101           | 293           | 182           | 85            | 267           | 11            | 30            | 50            |
| Theft (Cattle) ..   | 212                   | 107           | 319           | 285           | 105           | 390           | 238           | 120           | 358           | 53            | 64            | 117           |
| Theft (Ordinary) .. | 686                   | 250           | 936           | 746           | 270           | 1,016         | 744           | 261           | 1,005         | 47            | 58            | 105           |
| Total .. ..         | 1,120                 | 528           | 1,648         | 1,318         | 549           | 1,867         | 1,245         | 542           | 1,787         | 117           | 186           | 303           |

\* Revised figures furnished by the District Superintendent of Police, South Madura.

There was an appreciable drop in Kallar crime during the year and the decrease was mainly due to a more vigorous control exercised over the Kallars in both the districts. The strict enforcement of the provisions of the Criminal Tribes Act also contributed to keep down Kallar crime.

**Kallar Reclamation, Ramnad district.**—The progress of the two Kallar schools at Mangapuram and Chatrapatti was satisfactory.

**Kallar Reclamation, Tanjore district.**—The surveillance over the bad characters among the Gandarvakottai Kallars exercised by the two outposts at Komapuram and Mattangal in the Tanjore district continued to be effective.

**Other criminal communities.**—The Valayars, Padayachis, Koravars and Piramalai Kallars addicted to crime in the non-notified areas in the Province were closely watched and effective check was exercised over them.

Eleven Korava boys in receipt of boarding grants sanctioned by the Collector of Trichinopoly continued to undergo vocational

training in the Methodist Mission Industrial School at Karur.

**Criminal tribe gangs.**—Effective control was maintained over the movements of the five Criminal Investigation Department gangs, viz., Thottia Naiks, Kepmaris, Telaga Pamulas, Kanjar Bhats and Iranian Nomads. All the Kanjar Bhats found in this Province were interned in the Chintaladevi Settlement.

The following statement shows the convictions of criminal tribe gang members in the year :—

| Gang.             | Number of members convicted in 1940 under the |                    |                          |                      |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
|                   | Criminal Tribes Act.                          | Indian Penal Code. | Criminal Procedure Code. | Miscellaneous.       |
| Thottia Naiks ..  | 83                                            | 58                 | 7                        | Ceylon Penal Code—2. |
| Kepmaris ..       | 38                                            | 7                  | ..                       | ..                   |
| Telaga Pamulas .. | 30                                            | 8                  | 2                        | ..                   |
| Kanjar Bhats ..   | 31                                            | 11                 | ..                       | ..                   |
| Iranian Nomads .. | ..                                            | 2                  | ..                       | ..                   |

About 45 Kepmaris continued to work in the Trichinopoly Mills at Malaipatti.

**Security for good behaviour.**—The figures for prosecution in bad livelihood cases are furnished below :—

#### Prosecution in bad livelihood cases.

| Districts.                    | 1938.                              |                     | 1939.                              |                     |                          |                                                                         | 1940.                              |                     |                          |                                                                         |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                               | Persons put up before magistrates. | Persons bound over. | Persons put up before magistrates. | Persons bound over. | Number pending disposal. | Percentage of persons bound over to those whose cases were disposed of. | Persons put up before magistrates. | Persons bound over. | Number pending disposal. | Percentage of persons bound over to those whose cases were disposed of. |
| Madras City .. .. .           | 85                                 | 70                  | 106                                | 79                  | 16                       | 87.8                                                                    | 80                                 | 77                  | ..                       | 96.3                                                                    |
| Vizagapatam .. .. .           | 102                                | 62                  | 88                                 | 51                  | 14                       | 68.9                                                                    | 152                                | 107                 | 15                       | 78.1                                                                    |
| East Godavari .. .. .         | 59                                 | 32                  | 81                                 | 35                  | 31                       | 74.5                                                                    | 113                                | 69                  | 24                       | 78.4                                                                    |
| West Godavari .. .. .         | 39                                 | 30                  | 50                                 | 38                  | 3                        | 80.9                                                                    | 65                                 | 39                  | 8                        | 68.4                                                                    |
| Kistna .. .. .                | 69                                 | 37                  | 137                                | 85                  | 12                       | 76.6                                                                    | 130                                | 84                  | 8                        | 77.8                                                                    |
| Guntur .. .. .                | 58                                 | 29                  | 91                                 | 41                  | 29                       | 67.2                                                                    | 114                                | 64                  | 9                        | 62.1                                                                    |
| Nellore .. .. .               | 66                                 | 46                  | 83                                 | 67                  | 6                        | 87.0                                                                    | 96                                 | 69                  | 5                        | 77.5                                                                    |
| Kurnool .. .. .               | 94                                 | 76                  | 105                                | 82                  | 15                       | 91.1                                                                    | 128                                | 107                 | 8                        | 90.7                                                                    |
| Bellary .. .. .               | 35                                 | 22                  | 31                                 | 24                  | 1                        | 80.0                                                                    | 35                                 | 23                  | 9                        | 88.5                                                                    |
| Anantapur .. .. .             | 46                                 | 32                  | 71                                 | 45                  | 9                        | 72.6                                                                    | 56                                 | 31                  | 4                        | 60.8                                                                    |
| Cuddapah .. .. .              | 35                                 | 26                  | 33                                 | 14                  | 9                        | 58.3                                                                    | 58                                 | 22                  | 14                       | 50.0                                                                    |
| Chittoor .. .. .              | 56                                 | 45                  | 57                                 | 33                  | 4                        | 63.5                                                                    | 68                                 | 52                  | 1                        | 77.6                                                                    |
| Chingleput .. .. .            | 67                                 | 38                  | 75                                 | 43                  | 12                       | 74.1                                                                    | 114                                | 75                  | 21                       | 84.3                                                                    |
| North Arcot .. .. .           | 59                                 | 45                  | 70                                 | 54                  | 1                        | 78.3                                                                    | 63                                 | 50                  | 7                        | 89.3                                                                    |
| Salem .. .. .                 | 74                                 | 66                  | 45                                 | 36                  | 6                        | 92.3                                                                    | 78                                 | 66                  | 3                        | 88.0                                                                    |
| Coimbatore .. .. .            | 126                                | 105                 | 68                                 | 49                  | 8                        | 81.7                                                                    | 72                                 | 57                  | 5                        | 85.1                                                                    |
| The Nilgiris .. .. .          | 7                                  | 5                   | 10                                 | 8                   | ..                       | 80.0                                                                    | 2                                  | 2                   | ..                       | 100.0                                                                   |
| Malabar .. .. .               | 52                                 | 45                  | 44                                 | 35                  | 2                        | 83.3                                                                    | 38                                 | 24                  | 5                        | 72.7                                                                    |
| South Kanara .. .. .          | 9                                  | 7                   | 26                                 | 18                  | 7                        | 94.7                                                                    | 29                                 | 17                  | 7                        | 77.3                                                                    |
| Trichinopoly .. .. .          | 85                                 | 39                  | 84                                 | 53                  | 12                       | 75.7                                                                    | 84                                 | 51                  | 4                        | 64.6                                                                    |
| South Arcot .. .. .           | 103                                | 79                  | 102                                | 60                  | 14                       | 69.0                                                                    | 98                                 | 60                  | 12                       | 69.8                                                                    |
| Tanjore .. .. .               | 86                                 | 59                  | 110                                | 65                  | 20                       | 72.2                                                                    | 137                                | 88                  | 15                       | 72.1                                                                    |
| North Madras .. .. .          | 104                                | 83                  | 72                                 | 46                  | 17                       | 83.6                                                                    | 115                                | 89                  | 8                        | 83.2                                                                    |
| South Madras .. .. .          | 42                                 | 27                  | 61                                 | 47                  | 7                        | 87.0                                                                    | 42                                 | 25                  | 1                        | 61.0                                                                    |
| Ramnad .. .. .                | 52                                 | 36                  | 69                                 | 43                  | 15                       | 79.6                                                                    | 66                                 | 42                  | 11                       | 76.4                                                                    |
| Tinnevely .. .. .             | 78                                 | 46                  | 115                                | 69                  | 34                       | 85.2                                                                    | 204                                | 87                  | 17                       | 46.8                                                                    |
| Railway Police, Madras ..     | 41                                 | 31                  | 53                                 | 34                  | 9                        | 79.1                                                                    | 59                                 | 45                  | 3                        | 81.8                                                                    |
| Railway Police, Trichinopoly. | 23                                 | 19                  | 28                                 | 20                  | 5                        | 87.0                                                                    | 43                                 | 35                  | ..                       | 83.3                                                                    |
| Total ..                      | 1,752                              | 1,237               | 1,965                              | 1,274               | 318                      | 78.7                                                                    | 2,339                              | 1,557               | 224                      | 74.7                                                                    |

**NOTE.**—In calculating the percentages, cases pending disposal at the end of the year and those withdrawn during the year are left out of account.

The number of persons sentenced to imprisonment in default of security was 982 as against 863 in 1939. The average amount of security demanded per accused was Rs. 199 as against Rs. 203 in the previous year.

**38. CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT.**—The Crime Branch of the Criminal Investigation Department investigated successfully a number of important and complicated cases during the year and co-operated with the District Police in the investigation of cases which called for the use of wider resources. The cases handled included, as in the previous years, frauds of various types, burglary, conspiracy and counterfeiting of coins. The Criminal Intelligence Bureau working in liaison with the District Intelligence Bureaux continued to function as the central agency for dealing with organized

crime and in co-ordinating the efforts of the District Intelligence Bureaux.

The District Intelligence Bureaux and the Railway Intelligence Bureau continued to work satisfactorily. In G.O. Ms. No. 4548, Home, dated 13th November 1940, the formation of a single joint District Intelligence Bureau for the Police districts of Madras North, Madras South and Ramnad was sanctioned temporarily in place of the three separate Intelligence Bureaux for these districts. The working of this joint Bureau is being watched in the current year.

The fire-arms index maintained in the department continued to be useful and the fire-arms expert delivered instructional lectures to the District Police on fire-arms and their identifications at four places in the Province.

**Finger-print Bureau.**—22,181 finger-print slips were received for record during the year as against 16,463 in 1939 and 14,962 slips were eliminated in the year. The number of slips on record at the end of the year was 304,187.

22,673 search references were received in the Bureau, compared with 23,550 in the previous year. 18,360 references related to cases in this Province, the largest number coming as usual from

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Madras City .. .. .   | 2,753 |
| followed by           |       |
| Coimbatore .. .. .    | 1,312 |
| Tanjore .. .. .       | 1,213 |
| Chingleput .. .. .    | 1,153 |
| Madras North .. .. .  | 1,016 |
| South Arcot .. .. .   | 975   |
| North Arcot .. .. .   | 927   |
| Trichinopoly .. .. .  | 867   |
| Kurnool .. .. .       | 617   |
| Salem .. .. .         | 612   |
| Kistna .. .. .        | 604   |
| Tinnevely .. .. .     | 578   |
| East Godavari .. .. . | 524   |
| and Ramnad .. .. .    | 515   |

Of these, 5,470 or 29.8 per cent were traced as against 29.4 per cent in the previous year.

Of the remaining 4,313 search references received from outside the Province, Bombay made the largest number of references 1,336 followed by

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Mysore .. .. .                    | 595 |
| Pudukkottai .. .. .               | 421 |
| Burma .. .. .                     | 396 |
| and the Federated Malay States .. | 343 |

Eight hundred and twenty-seven or 19.2 per cent of these were traced as against 14.7 per cent in 1939.

One hundred and ninety-three references were made for the identification of dead bodies compared with 230 in 1939 and 3 were identified against 4 in 1939.

Finger-print experts visited the scenes of crime in 6 cases to examine and develop latent finger impressions and the Bureau examined photographic enlargements of latent prints and objects in 91 cases in the year.

Expert finger-print evidence was given on 242 occasions against 342 in the previous year and expert opinion in 233 cases compared with 266 in 1939.

Fees amounting to Rs. 2,395 were collected for the attendance of experts in courts and for written opinions furnished in civil cases as against Rs. 2,650 in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 564-9-0 towards photographic charges was also realized during the year against Rs. 468-5-0 in 1939.

As usual, the tester sub-inspectors visited all the Central, District and Special Jails and the Borstal Schools at Palamcottah and Tanjore and tested 12,809 finger-print slips against 10,281 in the previous year. Fifteen cases of wrong finger-printing were detected against 10 in 1939 and necessary action was

taken to correct as many as 6,888 defective prints as against 5,910 in 1939.

**The Shorthand Bureau.**—The strength of the Shorthand Bureau continued to remain at 2 inspectors and 39 sub-inspectors including 2 temporary sub-inspectors.

The shorthand staff attended 104 conferences and 1,117 labour and other meetings as against 57 and 1,486 in the previous year. The Bureau continued to work efficiently.

**39. RAILWAY POLICE.**—In the year under review the jurisdiction of the two Railway Police districts underwent the following changes :—

(i) Owing to the closure of the Cocanada-Kotepalli Railway line, there was a decrease of 27 miles in the jurisdiction of the Madras Railway Police district.

(ii) The temporary retrocession of the railway line from Shencottah to Trivandrum Central to the Travancore Government, the closure of the Shoranur-Nilambur railway line and the extension of the Shoranur-Cochin Railway to Cochin Pier altered the jurisdiction of the Trichinopoly Railway Police district from 2,510.162 miles in 1939 to 2,379.522 miles in 1940.

Details of thefts in the two Railway Police districts in the last three years are as given below :—

|                                                            | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| I. Thefts in running passenger trains—                     |       |       |       |
| (a) from passengers ..                                     | 84    | 78    | 106   |
| (b) from mail and luggage vans.                            | 4     | 4     | 16    |
| II. Thefts from platforms and passenger-sheds.             | 127   | 147   | 190   |
| III. Thefts in running goods trains.                       | 12    | 18    | 57    |
| IV. Thefts from stationary waggons, goods-sheds and yards. | 56    | 87    | 157   |
| V. Thefts of railway materials.                            | 54    | 82    | 205   |
| VI. Other thefts .. .. .                                   | 55    | 66    | 113   |
| Total ..                                                   | 392   | 482   | 844   |

The increase is due to the registration in the Trichinopoly Railway Police district of a large number of doubtful cases in which there was no chance of detection. Many of these cases would, in the ordinary way, have been treated as shortages and in many others investigation would have been refused under Section 157 (b), Criminal Procedure Code.

Five hundred and eighty-eight complaints regarding shortage of goods were made during the year, as against 430 in the previous year.

There were 6 attempts to wreck or damage trains as against 15 in the previous year, all the attempts being in the Trichinopoly Railway Police district. Two of these cases ended in conviction and the rest were treated as undetected.

Thirty-six cases of stone-throwing occurred in the year as against 30 in the previous year. Irresponsible boys were, as usual, chiefly

responsible for these offences and many of them were convicted and their parents bound over.

There was only one case of collision during the year in which a passenger train in the Madras Railway Police district collided with a goods train at Mailpatti with the result that 15 passengers sustained minor injuries.

There were 5 cases of derailment in the year, all in the Trichinopoly Railway Police district. The first case which relates to the derailment of the Dhanushkodi Passenger was due to a cyclonic storm between Panchalam and Tindivanam with the result that 5 persons were killed and several others injured. The second relates to the derailment of the Trivandrum Passenger while passing over facing points at Singaperumalkovil station and in this 10 passengers sustained slight injuries. In the third case a goods train capsized while being shunted near Aruvankad in the Nilgiris and the driver of the engine was killed on the spot. The other two cases are of no importance.

528 persons were run over by trains and killed in the year, as against 462 in the previous year; 129 were cases of suicide as against 122 in the previous year, the other victims being casual trespassers on the railway line.

The Special Magistrates' Courts at the Madras Central Station, Villupuram, Trichinopoly and Madura for the speedy trial of persons travelling without tickets and trespassers continued to function satisfactorily.

**40. PORT POLICE.**—The Port Police establishments at Vizagapatam, Cocanada, Masulipatam, Cuddalore, Tuticorin, Cochin and Mangalore continued to work efficiently.

**41. CINEMATOGRAPH ACT.**—The Act and Rules were enforced properly in the Province and necessary action was taken against those who violated the provisions of the Act.

**42. THE SUPPRESSION OF IMMORAL TRAFFIC ACT.**—The provisions of the Act, except certain sections, were extended to Bellary town and the Tiruchendur Panchayat Board area during the year. Vigorous efforts were made to stamp out this evil wherever the Act was in force, but owing to the lack of an adequate number of rescue homes the results obtained have not been encouraging.

**43. PROHIBITION ACT.**—The Prohibition Act continued to be in force in the Salem, Chittoor, Cuddapah and North Arcot districts and the police continued to deal with the offences under the Act effectively. There was a marked increase in illicit distillation in all the four districts and special measures have since been taken to check this form of crime. Public interest in prohibition continued to decline.

The statement below shows the number of true cases charged in the year for violation of the Prohibition Act and the number of persons involved in the cases:—

|                                              | Salem district. |              | Cuddapah district. |            | Chittoor district. |            | North Arcot district. |            |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|
|                                              | Number charged. |              | Number charged.    |            | Number charged.    |            | Number charged.       |            |
|                                              | Cases.          | Persons.     | Cases.             | Persons.   | Cases.             | Persons.   | Cases.                | Persons.   |
| Smuggling of liquor from Mysore.             | 23              | 23           | ..                 | ..         | 22                 | 22         | ..                    | ..         |
| Illicit distillation of arrack ..            | 356             | 438          | 155                | 170        | 56                 | 78         | 95                    | 122        |
| Possession of arrack .. ..                   | 209             | 222          | 108                | 126        | 108                | 114        | 117                   | 137        |
| Sale of arrack .. ..                         | 1               | 1            | 1                  | 1          | ..                 | ..         | ..                    | ..         |
| Illicit tapping .. ..                        | 208             | 223          | 1                  | 1          | ..                 | ..         | 13                    | 13         |
| Illicit transport of liquor ..               | 4               | 5            | 1                  | 1          | ..                 | ..         | 76                    | 84         |
| Possession of liquor without permit.         | 5               | 7            | 6                  | 6          | 16                 | 16         | 18                    | 38         |
| Illicit cultivation of hemp plant.           | 4               | 8            | ..                 | ..         | 2                  | 2          | 1                     | 1          |
| Smuggling of intoxicating drugs.             | 10              | 11           | 2                  | 2          | 77                 | 77         | ..                    | ..         |
| Illicit transport of intoxicating drugs.     | ..              | ..           | ..                 | ..         | ..                 | ..         | 41                    | 44         |
| Unlicensed sale of intoxicating drugs.       | 2               | 2            | 120                | 124        | ..                 | ..         | 1                     | 1          |
| Unlicensed possession of intoxicating drugs. | 226             | 230          | ..                 | ..         | 174                | 174        | 203                   | 245        |
| Miscellaneous .. ..                          | 132             | 138          | 36                 | 42         | 37                 | 38         | 22                    | 42         |
| Smuggling of opium .. ..                     | 1               | 2            | 4                  | 4          | ..                 | ..         | ..                    | ..         |
| Transport of opium .. ..                     | ..              | ..           | ..                 | ..         | ..                 | ..         | 9                     | 9          |
| Unlicensed possession of opium.              | 14              | 14           | 10                 | 10         | 29                 | 31         | 17                    | 25         |
| Unlicensed sale of opium ..                  | ..              | ..           | ..                 | ..         | ..                 | ..         | ..                    | ..         |
| Dangerous Drugs Act cases ..                 | ..              | ..           | 3                  | 3          | ..                 | ..         | 1                     | 1          |
| <b>Total ..</b>                              | <b>1,195</b>    | <b>1,324</b> | <b>447</b>         | <b>490</b> | <b>521</b>         | <b>542</b> | <b>614</b>            | <b>762</b> |

**44. EXECUTION OF WARRANTS.**—1,698 warrants were pending execution on the last day of the year as against 1,716 at the end of 1939. Of these, 702 were pending for more than a year.

**45. INSPECTION.**—Mr. Sayers toured the districts of North Arcot, Salem and Coimbatore, and I toured the Vizagapatam, Kistna, Cuddapah, Chittoor, North Arcot, South Arcot, Tanjore, Madura, Salem, Coimbatore and Malabar districts. The inspection tours of the Deputy Inspectors-General continued to be adequate and the touring and inspections of District Officers was with few exceptions good.

**46. GENERAL.**—Excluding the serious riots in Malabar on the "Protest Day" the year on the whole was a peaceful one and law and order was well maintained.

There was an increase in crime but it is creditable that the police, despite their many pre-occupations on account of the War and the

political situation, were able to show better results in detection than in the previous years. The percentage of detection of grave crime which is 48.5 for the year is the highest on record.

A scheme for the enlistment of Indians and Anglo-Indians as Sergeants was sanctioned during the year and the first batch under the scheme commenced training with the Malabar Special Police in 1941.

The formation of the Mangalore subdivision in the South Kanara district was sanctioned in the year.

Civic Guards, to assist the police, were constituted throughout the Province and have been rendering valuable assistance to the regular police.

The co-operation of the public with the authorities showed a further improvement.

Sir F. Sayers, O.I.E., retired after a distinguished career of nearly 34 years in the Indian Police.

MADRAS,  
30th June 1941.

A. J. HAPPELL,  
Inspector-General of Police.



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**APPENDIX A.**  
**STATEMENT A.**  
**RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940.**

## PART I.—Return of cases.

| Serial number.                                                                | Law.                                 | Offence.                                                               | (1)    | (2)    | (3)      | (4)    | (5)      | (6)      | (7)      | (8)    | (9)    | (10)   | (11)   | (12)   | (13)   | (14)   | (15)    | (16)     | (17)   | Grand total of true cases (cols. 14+15+16). |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----------|--------|---------------------------------------------|
|                                                                               |                                      |                                                                        |        |        |          |        |          |          |          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |          |        |                                             |
| 1                                                                             | 115, 117, 118, 119, 120-B (1) ..     | Abetment of cognizable offence ..<br>Cognizable criminal conspiracy .. | 3<br>2 | 1<br>3 | ..<br>.. | 4<br>5 | ..<br>.. | ..<br>.. | ..<br>.. | 1<br>4 | 1<br>1 | 1<br>1 | 1<br>1 | 1<br>1 | 1<br>1 | 2<br>1 | ..<br>1 | ..<br>.. | 3<br>2 | 3<br>2                                      |
| CLASS I.—Offences against the State, public tranquillity, safety and justice. |                                      |                                                                        |        |        |          |        |          |          |          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |          |        |                                             |
| 2                                                                             | 131 to 136, 138 ..                   | Offences relating to the army and navy.                                | ..     | ..     | ..       | ..     | ..       | ..       | ..       | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..      | ..       | ..     | ..                                          |
| 3                                                                             | 231 to 234 ..                        | Offences relating to coin ..                                           | 13     | 52     | ..       | 85     | ..       | 3        | 19       | 29     | 9      | 4      | 42     | ..     | ..     | 42     | ..      | ..       | 42     | 42                                          |
| 4                                                                             | 235 to 233-A ..                      | Offences relating to stamps ..                                         | ..     | 8      | ..       | 8      | ..       | 1        | 2        | 3      | ..     | 2      | 5      | ..     | 1      | 5      | 2       | 1        | 7      | 7                                           |
| 5                                                                             | 467 and 471 ..                       | Offences relating to Government promissory notes.                      | 8      | 16     | ..       | 24     | ..       | 2        | 10       | 9      | 1      | 2      | 12     | 3      | 1      | 15     | 3       | 1        | 15     | 15                                          |
| 6                                                                             | 489-A to 489-D ..                    | Offences relating to currency notes and bank notes.                    | ..     | 5      | ..       | 5      | ..       | 1        | 1        | ..     | ..     | 2      | 2      | ..     | ..     | 2      | ..      | ..       | 2      | 2                                           |
| 7                                                                             | 212, 216, 216-A ..                   | Harbouring an offender ..                                              | ..     | 38     | ..       | 38     | ..       | ..       | 15       | 6      | ..     | 17     | 23     | 1      | 1      | 23     | 1       | 1        | 24     | 24                                          |
| 8                                                                             | 213, 216, 224, 225, 225-B and 226 .. | Other offences against public justice.                                 | 76     | 191    | ..       | 267    | ..       | 9        | 73       | 130    | 30     | 11     | 171    | 29     | 17     | 171    | 29      | 17       | 200    | 200                                         |
| 9                                                                             | 143 to 153, 157, 158, 159 ..         | Rioting or unlawful assembly ..                                        | 530    | 1,034  | 15       | 1,549  | 44       | 236      | 435      | 246    | 422    | 117    | 800    | 235    | 57     | 800    | 235     | 57       | 1,036  | 1,036                                       |
| 10                                                                            | 140, 170, 171 ..                     | Personating public servant or soldier.                                 | 2      | 24     | ..       | 26     | ..       | ..       | 12       | 12     | 1      | 1      | 14     | 7      | 7      | 14     | 7       | 7        | 21     | 21                                          |
| 10-A                                                                          | 236, 236, 237 ..                     | Offences against religion ..                                           | 3      | 6      | ..       | 9      | 1        | ..       | 2        | ..     | 3      | 3      | 6      | 10     | 4      | 6      | 10      | 4        | 16     | 16                                          |
|                                                                               |                                      | Total ..                                                               | 632    | 1,374  | 15       | 1,991  | 50       | 252      | 569      | 435    | 466    | 159    | 1,076  | 287    | 88     | 1,076  | 287     | 88       | 1,362  | 1,362                                       |

STATEMENT A—continued.  
RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—continued.

PART I.—Return of cases—concluded.

| (1)<br>Serial number. | (2)<br>Law.            | (3)<br>Offence.                                                              | (4)<br>Number pending from previous year. | (5)<br>Number reported in the year. | (6)<br>Number in which investigation was refused. | (7)<br>Number remaining for investigation (cols. 4 + 5 - 6). | (8)<br>Number proved or false. | (9)<br>Number due to mis- take of law or fact cognizable. | (10)<br>Number pending at end of year. | True cases.    |                          |                              | (14)<br>Total true cases (cols. 6 + 11 + 12 + 13). | (15)<br>Total magistrates' true cases. | (16)<br>Total magistrates' cases ending in conviction. | (17)<br>Grand total of true cases (cols. 14 + 15). |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
|                       |                        |                                                                              |                                           |                                     |                                                   |                                                              |                                |                                                           |                                        | Convicted.     | Discharged or acquitted. | Not detected or apprehended. |                                                    |                                        |                                                        |                                                    |
| 33                    | 379 to 382             | .. Theft { of cattle ..<br>.. of ordinary ..                                 | 736<br>2,362                              | 4,714<br>20,307                     | 29<br>1,991                                       | 5,421<br>20,678                                              | 181<br>1,102                   | 659<br>1,714                                              | 659<br>2,305                           | 2,271<br>7,874 | 399<br>1,132             | 1,232<br>6,462               | 3,931<br>17,459                                    | 78<br>1,501                            | 45<br>533                                              | 4,009<br>18,960                                    |
| 34                    | 406 to 409             | .. Criminal breach of trust ..                                               | 21                                        | 147                                 | 6                                                 | 162                                                          | 9                              | 15                                                        | 15                                     | 80             | 17                       | 25                           | 128                                                | 12                                     | 1                                                      | 140                                                |
| 35                    | 411 to 414             | .. Receiving stolen property ..                                              | 581                                       | 1,194                               | 17                                                | 1,768                                                        | 24                             | 197                                                       | 517                                    | 654            | 176                      | 140                          | 987                                                | 396                                    | 65                                                     | 1,383                                              |
| 36                    | 419, 420 ..            | .. Cheating ..                                                               | 82                                        | 272                                 | 1                                                 | 353                                                          | ..                             | 4                                                         | 47                                     | 245            | 54                       | 2                            | 302                                                | 16                                     | 8                                                      | 318                                                |
| 37                    | 447, 448, 453 and 456. | .. Criminal or house trespass and lurking house-trespass or housebreak- ing. | 305                                       | 704                                 | 1                                                 | 1,008                                                        | 4                              | 108                                                       | 255                                    | 322            | 135                      | 122                          | 580                                                | 104                                    | 20                                                     | 684                                                |
| 38                    | 461, 462 ..            | .. Breaking closed receptacle ..                                             | 54                                        | 326                                 | 14                                                | 366                                                          | 6                              | 86                                                        | 70                                     | 86             | 65                       | 29                           | 194                                                | 1,256                                  | 177                                                    | 1,450                                              |
|                       |                        |                                                                              | 1                                         | 14                                  | 1                                                 | 14                                                           | 1                              | ..                                                        | 4                                      | 2              | ..                       | 7                            | 10                                                 | 1                                      | 1                                                      | 11                                                 |
|                       |                        | Total ..                                                                     | 4,142                                     | 27,678                              | 2,060                                             | 29,760                                                       | 1,327                          | 2,783                                                     | 3,872                                  | 11,534         | 1,978                    | 8,019                        | 23,591                                             | 3,364                                  | 910                                                    | 26,955                                             |
|                       |                        | Grand total ..                                                               | * 8,795                                   | 48,459                              | 2,301                                             | 54,953                                                       | 2,687                          | 5,167                                                     | 8,295                                  | 17,819         | 5,013                    | 15,023                       | 40,156                                             | 5,066                                  | 1,354                                                  | 45,222                                             |

\* The variation from the corresponding figure for the year 1939 is due to the alterations noted and explained in the district returns for 1940.

STATEMENT A—continued.  
RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—continued.

PART II.—Return of persons concerned in cases.

| (1)<br>Serial number. | (2)<br>Law.                        | (3)<br>Offence.                                        | (4)<br>Persons in custody pending trial or investigation or bail under Section 170, Criminal Procedure Code, at beginning of year as concerned in cases taken up by the police. | (5)<br>Arrested by the police during the year. | (6)<br>Released under Section 169, Criminal Procedure Code. | (7)<br>Released by magistrate's order before trial. | (8)<br>Number of persons tried. | (9)<br>Number convicted. | (10)<br>Number acquitted or discharged. | (11)<br>Number of persons evading arrest at close of year. | (12)<br>Number in custody pending trial or investigation or on bail at end of year. | Persons concerned in magistrates' cases. |                   |                                 |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
|                       |                                    |                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                |                                                             |                                                     |                                 |                          |                                         |                                                            |                                                                                     | Number arrested.                         | Number convicted. | Number acquitted or discharged. |
| 1                     | 115, 117, 118, 119.                | Abetment of cognizable offence.                        | 2                                                                                                                                                                               | ..                                             | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | 3                               | 2                        | 1                                       | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                  | ..                                       | ..                | ..                              |
| 120-B (1)             | ..                                 | Cognizable criminal conspiracy.                        | ..                                                                                                                                                                              | 19                                             | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | 24                              | 8                        | 16                                      | ..                                                         | 12                                                                                  | ..                                       | ..                | 6                               |
| 2                     | 131 to 136, 138.                   | Offences relating to the army and navy.                | ..                                                                                                                                                                              | ..                                             | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | ..                              | ..                       | ..                                      | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                  | ..                                       | ..                | ..                              |
| 3                     | 231 to 254                         | .. Offences relating to coin ..                        | 13                                                                                                                                                                              | 68                                             | ..                                                          | 4                                                   | 62                              | 43                       | 19                                      | ..                                                         | 12                                                                                  | ..                                       | ..                | 2                               |
| 4                     | 255 to 263-A                       | .. Offences relating to stamps.                        | ..                                                                                                                                                                              | 2                                              | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | 3                               | 3                        | ..                                      | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                  | ..                                       | 1                 | ..                              |
| 5                     | 467 and 471                        | .. Offences relating to Govern- ment promissory notes. | 1                                                                                                                                                                               | 22                                             | ..                                                          | 1                                                   | 19                              | 14                       | 5                                       | ..                                                         | 8                                                                                   | 2                                        | 1                 | 3                               |
| 6                     | 489-A to 489-D ..                  | .. Offences relating to currency notes and bank notes. | ..                                                                                                                                                                              | 5                                              | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | ..                              | ..                       | ..                                      | ..                                                         | 5                                                                                   | ..                                       | ..                | ..                              |
| 7                     | 212, 216, 216-A.                   | .. Harboursing an offender ..                          | ..                                                                                                                                                                              | 25                                             | ..                                                          | 3                                                   | 228                             | 167                      | 61                                      | ..                                                         | 20                                                                                  | ..                                       | 1                 | ..                              |
| 8                     | 213, 215, 224, 225, 225-B and 226. | .. Other offences against public justice.              | 34                                                                                                                                                                              | 208                                            | ..                                                          | 1                                                   | ..                              | ..                       | ..                                      | 16                                                         | 39                                                                                  | 10                                       | 18                | 32                              |
| 9                     | 143 to 153, 157, 158, 159.         | .. Rioting or unlawful assembly.                       | 1,422                                                                                                                                                                           | 3,808                                          | 60                                                          | 260                                                 | 5,723                           | 1,625                    | 4,098                                   | 99                                                         | 1,349                                                                               | 400                                      | 260               | 1,537                           |
| 10                    | 140, 170, 171 ..                   | .. Personating public servant or soldier.              | 4                                                                                                                                                                               | 18                                             | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | 17                              | 15                       | 2                                       | ..                                                         | 5                                                                                   | 3                                        | 7                 | ..                              |
| 10-A                  | 295, 296, 297 ..                   | .. Offences against religion.                          | 6                                                                                                                                                                               | 8                                              | ..                                                          | ..                                                  | 7                               | ..                       | 7                                       | ..                                                         | 8                                                                                   | 3                                        | 5                 | 23                              |
|                       |                                    | Total ..                                               | 1,480                                                                                                                                                                           | 4,164                                          | 63                                                          | 268                                                 | 6,064                           | 1,872                    | 4,192                                   | 115                                                        | 1,446                                                                               | 418                                      | 293               | 1,597                           |

CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person.

|    |          |                       |     |       |    |    |       |     |       |    |     |    |    |    |
|----|----------|-----------------------|-----|-------|----|----|-------|-----|-------|----|-----|----|----|----|
| 11 | 302, 303 | .. Murder             | 600 | 2,213 | 43 | 83 | 2,012 | 801 | 1,211 | 76 | 944 | 4  | 6  | 13 |
| 12 | 307 ..   | .. Attempts at murder | 54  | 258   | 1  | 11 | 265   | 125 | 140   | 6  | 71  | 3  | 1  | 6  |
| 13 | 304, 308 | .. Culpable homicide  | 35  | 188   | .. | .. | 187   | 111 | 76    | 4  | 37  | .. | .. | .. |

STATEMENT A—concluded.

RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—concluded.

PART II.—Return of persons concerned in cases—concluded

| Serial number | Law                          | Offense                                                                                | (1)   | (2)   | (3) | (4)                                                                                  | (5)                                     | (6)                                                                                                                 | (7)                                          | (8)                      | (9)               | (10)                            | (11)                                               | (12)                                                                                | (13)             | (14)              | (15)                            |
|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
|               |                              |                                                                                        |       |       |     | Persons in custody pending trial or investigation or on bail at the end of the year. | Arrested by the police during the year. | Released under Section 169, Criminal Procedure Code, as beginning of year as concerned in cases reported to police. | Released by magistrate's order before trial. | Number of persons tried. | Number convicted. | Number acquitted or discharged. | Number of persons evading arrest at close of year. | Number in custody pending trial or investigation or on bail at the end of the year. | Number arrested. | Number convicted. | Number acquitted or discharged. |
| 14            | 376                          | .. Rape by a person other than the husband.                                            | 13    | 40    | ..  | 1                                                                                    | 37                                      | 23                                                                                                                  | 14                                           | ..                       | 15                | 1                               | ..                                                 | 1                                                                                   | ..               | ..                | 1                               |
| 15            | 377                          | .. Unnatural offence                                                                   | ..    | 2     | ..  | ..                                                                                   | 1                                       | 1                                                                                                                   | ..                                           | ..                       | ..                | ..                              | ..                                                 | ..                                                                                  | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 16            | 317, 318                     | .. Exposure of infants or concealment of birth.                                        | 3     | 37    | ..  | ..                                                                                   | 42                                      | 29                                                                                                                  | 13                                           | ..                       | 2                 | ..                              | 1                                                  | 2                                                                                   | ..               | ..                | 1                               |
| 17            | 305, 306, 309                | .. Attempt at and abetment of suicide.                                                 | 21    | 194   | 2   | 1                                                                                    | 231                                     | 199                                                                                                                 | 32                                           | ..                       | 20                | 11                              | 11                                                 | 2                                                                                   | ..               | ..                | 2                               |
| 18            | 325, 326, 329, 331, 333, 335 | .. Grievous hurt                                                                       | 267   | 1,527 | 38  | 59                                                                                   | 1,806                                   | 833                                                                                                                 | 973                                          | 40                       | 335               | 121                             | 107                                                | 443                                                                                 | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 19            | 328                          | .. Administering stupefying drugs to cause hurt.                                       | ..    | 8     | ..  | ..                                                                                   | 8                                       | 4                                                                                                                   | 4                                            | ..                       | 1                 | ..                              | ..                                                 | ..                                                                                  | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 20            | 324, 327, 330                | .. Hurt                                                                                | 355   | 1,908 | 34  | 82                                                                                   | 2,519                                   | 1,144                                                                                                               | 1,375                                        | 38                       | 490               | 411                             | 157                                                | 1,193                                                                               | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 21            | 363 to 369 and 371 to 373.   | .. Kidnapping or abduction, selling, etc., for prostitution and dealing in slaves.     | 12    | 121   | ..  | 4                                                                                    | 109                                     | 44                                                                                                                  | 65                                           | 9                        | 27                | 31                              | 9                                                  | 87                                                                                  | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 22            | 346 to 348                   | .. Wrongful confinement and restraint in secret or for purpose of extortion.           | 4     | 7     | ..  | ..                                                                                   | 8                                       | 2                                                                                                                   | 6                                            | ..                       | 4                 | 2                               | 2                                                  | 24                                                                                  | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 22-A          | 332, 353                     | .. Hurt and assault to deter a public servant from duty.                               | 126   | 587   | 26  | 17                                                                                   | 806                                     | 421                                                                                                                 | 385                                          | 10                       | 110               | 41                              | 37                                                 | 125                                                                                 | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 23            | 354, 356, 357                | .. Criminal force to women, or in an attempt to commit theft or to confine wrongfully. | 9     | 118   | ..  | ..                                                                                   | 119                                     | 77                                                                                                                  | 42                                           | 3                        | 32                | 42                              | 40                                                 | 162                                                                                 | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| 24            | 304-A, 338                   | .. Rash or negligent act causing death or grievous hurt.                               | 41    | 150   | 4   | 6                                                                                    | 214                                     | 118                                                                                                                 | 96                                           | ..                       | 34                | 4                               | 2                                                  | 10                                                                                  | ..               | ..                | ..                              |
| Total ..      |                              |                                                                                        | 1,540 | 7,358 | 148 | 264                                                                                  | 8,364                                   | 3,932                                                                                                               | 4,432                                        | 187                      | 2,123             | 671                             | 372                                                | 2,067                                                                               | ..               | ..                | ..                              |

CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person—cont.

CLASS III.—Serious offences against person and property, or against property only.

|          |                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |          |           |    |     |           |          |          |     |          |     |     |     |    |    |    |
|----------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----|-----|-----------|----------|----------|-----|----------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|
| 25       | 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 402.          | .. Dacoity and preparation and assembly for dacoity.                                                                                                                                                      | 201      | 686       | 22 | 65  | 816       | 278      | 538      | 39  | 249      | 8   | 5   | 75  | .. | .. | .. |
| 26       | 392, 393, 394, 397, 398                | .. Robbery                                                                                                                                                                                                | 116      | 509       | 7  | 7   | 522       | 319      | 203      | 19  | 128      | 53  | 22  | 75  | .. | .. | .. |
| 27       | 270, 281, 282, 430 to 433, 435 to 440. | .. Serious mischief and cognate offences.                                                                                                                                                                 | 50       | 213       | 1  | 7   | 279       | 80       | 199      | 1   | 47       | 72  | 33  | 332 | .. | .. | .. |
| 28       | 428, 429                               | .. Mischief by killing, poisoning, or maiming any animal.                                                                                                                                                 | 3        | 79        | 3  | 1   | 91        | 48       | 43       | 2   | 26       | 28  | 14  | 66  | .. | .. | .. |
| 29       | 449 to 452, 454, 455, 457 to 460.      | .. Lurking house-trespass or housebreaking with intent to commit an offence, or having made preparation for hurt and house-trespass with a view to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt. | 771      | 4,638     | 47 | 151 | 4,744     | 3,505    | 1,239    | 43  | 818      | 155 | 104 | 279 | .. | .. | .. |
| 30       | 311, 400, 401                          | .. Attempt .. Belonging to gangs of thugs, dacoits, robbers and thieves.                                                                                                                                  | 12<br>67 | 104<br>22 | .. | ..  | 111<br>69 | 73<br>58 | 38<br>11 | ..  | 13<br>18 | ..  | 8   | ..  | .. | .. | 70 |
| Total .. |                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1,220    | 6,251     | 80 | 233 | 6,632     | 4,361    | 2,271    | 104 | 1,299    | 324 | 186 | 897 | .. | .. | .. |

CLASS IV.—Minor offences against the person.

|          |            |                                               |    |     |    |    |     |     |     |    |    |     |    |     |    |    |    |
|----------|------------|-----------------------------------------------|----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|
| 31       | 341 to 344 | .. Wrongful restraint and confinement.        | 43 | 234 | 20 | 12 | 276 | 159 | 117 | .. | 44 | 117 | 64 | 606 | .. | .. | .. |
| 32       | 336, 337   | .. Rash act causing hurt or endangering life. | 33 | 144 | 3  | .. | 200 | 132 | 68  | 5  | 35 | 21  | 15 | 17  | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. |            |                                               | 76 | 378 | 23 | 12 | 476 | 291 | 185 | 5  | 79 | 138 | 79 | 623 | .. | .. | .. |

CLASS V.—Minor offences against property.

|                |                        |                                                                            |              |                 |          |           |                 |                |              |           |              |             |           |              |    |    |    |
|----------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|----|----|----|
| 33             | 379 to 382             | .. Theft { of cattle { ordinary                                            | 469<br>1,323 | 3,397<br>10,877 | 8<br>193 | 67<br>220 | 3,648<br>11,739 | 2,793<br>9,266 | 855<br>2,473 | 35<br>124 | 416<br>1,459 | 59<br>1,475 | 56<br>912 | 104<br>3,491 | .. | .. | .. |
| 34             | 406 to 409             | .. Criminal breach of trust                                                | 119          | 744             | 12       | 12        | 860             | 648            | 212          | 75        | 104          | 111         | 77        | 472          | .. | .. | .. |
| 35             | 411 to 414             | .. Receiving stolen property.                                              | 58           | 261             | 3        | 2         | 365             | 283            | 82           | 4         | 14           | 8           | 8         | 8            | .. | .. | .. |
| 36             | 419, 420               | .. Cheating                                                                | 98           | 510             | 3        | 7         | 566             | 348            | 218          | 46        | 127          | 31          | 22        | 137          | .. | .. | .. |
| 37             | 447, 448, 453 and 456. | .. Criminal or house trespass and lurking house-trespass or housebreaking. | 34           | 241             | 2        | 3         | 417             | 199            | 218          | 1         | 62           | 666         | 449       | 3,908        | .. | .. | .. |
| 38             | 461, 462               | .. Breaking closed receptacle.                                             | ..           | 2               | ..       | ..        | 2               | ..             | ..           | ..        | ..           | 1           | 1         | ..           | .. | .. | .. |
| Total ..       |                        |                                                                            | 2,108        | 16,132          | 221      | 312       | 17,695          | 13,619         | 4,076        | 286       | 2,194        | 2,351       | 1,526     | 8,142        | .. | .. | .. |
| Grand total .. |                        |                                                                            | * 6,426      | 34,302          | 535      | 1,089     | 39,258          | 24,085         | 15,173       | 697       | 7,153        | 3,902       | 2,456     | 13,332       | .. | .. | .. |

\* The variation from the corresponding figure for the year 1939 is due to the alterations noted and explained in the district returns for 1940.

## STATEMENT AA.

## RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940.

## PART I.—Return of cases.

| Serial number. | Law.                                                                                                                                     | Offence.                    | (1)<br>Number pending from previous year. | (2)<br>Number reported in the year. | (3)<br>Number in which investigation was refused. | (4)<br>Number remaining for investigation (col. (4) + (5) - (6)). | (5)<br>Number proved or declared to be false. | (6)<br>Number due to mistake of law or fact or declared non cognizable. | (7)<br>Number pending at end of year. | (8)<br>Convicted. | (9)<br>Discharged or acquitted. | (10)<br>Not detected or apprehended. | (11)<br>Total true cases (col. (6) + (7) + (8) + (9)). | (12)<br>Total magistrates' true cases. | (13)<br>Total magistrates' cases ending in conviction. | (14)<br>Grand total of true cases (col. (12) + (13)). | (15)<br>34 |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|                |                                                                                                                                          |                             |                                           |                                     |                                                   |                                                                   |                                               |                                                                         |                                       |                   |                                 |                                      |                                                        |                                        |                                                        |                                                       |            |
| 1              | 269, 277, 279, 280, 283, 285, 286, 289, 291 to 294 and nuisances punishable under Acts III of 1888 and III of 1889 and other local laws. | Public and local nuisances. | 16,434                                    | 261,459                             | ..                                                | 277,893                                                           | 1                                             | 23                                                                      | 17,151                                | 258,213           | 2,008                           | 6                                    | 260,227                                                | 2,782                                  | 2,899                                                  | 263,009                                               |            |
| 2              | Offences under special and local laws declared to be cognizable.*                                                                        |                             | † 3,523                                   | 76,226                              | 275                                               | 79,474                                                            | 14                                            | 122                                                                     | 4,699                                 | 72,778            | 1,309                           | 121                                  | 74,483                                                 | 4,019                                  | 3,775                                                  | 78,502                                                |            |
| 3              | Offences under Criminal Tribes Act VI of 1924†                                                                                           |                             | ..                                        | † 800                               | 2,609                                             | 1                                                                 | 3,408                                         | 2                                                                       | 46                                    | 2,173             | 170                             | 15                                   | 2,359                                                  | 8                                      | 7                                                      | 2,367                                                 |            |
| Total          |                                                                                                                                          |                             | 20,757                                    | 340,294                             | 276                                               | 360,775                                                           | 17                                            | 191                                                                     | 22,745                                | 333,164           | 3,487                           | 142                                  | 337,069                                                | 6,809                                  | 6,481                                                  | 343,878                                               |            |

\* These cases are not all strictly cognizable under Section 4 (f) of the Criminal Procedure Code, but include those in which police officers above the rank of constable have power to arrest of their own motion.

† These cases are not all cognizable under Section 4 (f) of the Criminal Procedure Code, but they are shown in this statement for the sake of convenience.

‡ The variation from the corresponding figure for the year 1939 is due to the alterations noted and explained in the district returns for 1940.

## STATEMENT AA—concluded.

## RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—concluded.

## PART II.—Return of persons concerned in cases.

| Serial number. | Law.                                                                                                                                     | Offence.                    | (1)<br>Persons in custody pending trial or investigation on bail under Section 170, Criminal Procedure Code, at beginning of year as concerned in cases reported to, or in cases taken up by the police. | (2)<br>Arrested by the police during the year. | (3)<br>Released under Section 169, Criminal Procedure Code. | (4)<br>Released by magistrates' order before trial. | (5)<br>Number of persons tried. | (6)<br>Number convicted. | (7)<br>Number of persons evading arrest at close of year. | (8)<br>Number in custody pending trial or investigation on bail at end of year. | Persons concerned in magistrates' cases. |                           |                                         |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
|                |                                                                                                                                          |                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                |                                                             |                                                     |                                 |                          |                                                           |                                                                                 | (9)<br>Number arrested.                  | (10)<br>Number convicted. | (11)<br>Number acquitted or discharged. |
| 1              | 269, 277, 279, 280, 283, 285, 286, 289, 291 to 294 and nuisances punishable under Acts III of 1888 and III of 1889 and other local laws. | Public and local nuisances. | 2,515                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 167,622                                        | 1,419                                                       | 16                                                  | 263,308                         | 261,237                  | 2,071                                                     | 3                                                                               | 1,964                                    | 2,874                     | 118                                     |
| 2              | Offences under special and local laws declared to be cognizable.                                                                         |                             | 661                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 48,198                                         | 195                                                         | 58                                                  | 78,824                          | 76,956                   | 1,868                                                     | 12                                                                              | 2,902                                    | 4,151                     | 251                                     |
| 3              | Offences under the Criminal Tribes Act VI of 1924.                                                                                       |                             | 206                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2,137                                          | ..                                                          | 28                                                  | 2,356                           | 2,180                    | 176                                                       | 259                                                                             | 6                                        | 7                         | 4                                       |
| Total          |                                                                                                                                          |                             | * 3,382                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 217,957                                        | 1,614                                                       | 102                                                 | 344,488                         | 340,373                  | 4,115                                                     | 274                                                                             | 4,872                                    | 7,032                     | 373                                     |

\* The variation from the corresponding figure for the year 1939 is due to the alterations noted and explained in the district returns for 1940.

## STATEMENT B.

## RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940.

## PART I.—Return of cases.

| Serial number.                                                 | Law.                                               | Offence.                                                                                                                  | (1) | (2)   | (3)   | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7)   | (8) | Number of cases<br>tried to a con-<br>clusion and<br>ending in |             |                                                                                                                                                                                                       | (11) | (12) | (13) | (14) |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
|                                                                |                                                    |                                                                                                                           |     |       |       |     |     |     |       |     | Discharge or acquittal.                                        | Conviction. | Cases in which accused died,<br>escaped or became insane during<br>trial, or in which charges were<br>abandoned, compounded or with-<br>drawn (sections 247, 248, 259,<br>333, 345 and 484, Cr.P.C.). |      |      |      |      |
| SECTIONS OF INDIAN<br>PENAL CODE.                              |                                                    |                                                                                                                           |     |       |       |     |     |     |       |     |                                                                |             |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |      |      |      |      |
| 1                                                              | 115, 117, 118, 119 ..                              | .. Abetment of non-cognizable<br>offence.                                                                                 | 1   | 2     | 3     | ..  | 1   | ..  | 2     | ..  | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                                                | 120-B (1), 120-B (2)                               | .. Non-cognizable criminal con-<br>spiracy.                                                                               | ..  | ..    | ..    | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..    | ..  | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| CLASS I.—Offences against the State, public tranquillity, etc. |                                                    |                                                                                                                           |     |       |       |     |     |     |       |     |                                                                |             |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |      |      |      |      |
| 2                                                              | 121 to 130, 505 ..                                 | Offences against the State ..                                                                                             | ..  | 30    | 30    | 1   | ..  | 1   | 28    | ..  | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 3                                                              | 137 ..                                             | .. Harbouring deserters by master<br>of ship.                                                                             | ..  | 8     | 8     | ..  | 2   | 4   | 2     | ..  | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 4                                                              | 172 to 190, 201 to 204, 214,<br>225-A, 227 to 229. | Offences against public justice.                                                                                          | 115 | 1,636 | 1,751 | 44  | 56  | 134 | 1,377 | 140 | 1                                                              | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 5                                                              | 161 to 169, 217 to 223 ..                          | Offences by public servants ..                                                                                            | 10  | 41    | 51    | 1   | 1   | 6   | 38    | 5   | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | 1    |
| 6                                                              | 193 to 200, 205 to 211, 421 to<br>424.             | .. False evidence, false complaints<br>and claims, and fraudulent<br>deeds, and disposition of<br>property.               | 41  | 329   | 370   | 32  | 27  | 143 | 125   | 43  | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 7                                                              | 465 to 477-A ..                                    | .. Forgery or fraudulently using<br>forged documents not being<br>Government promissory notes<br>and falsifying accounts. | 17  | 62    | 79    | 21  | 6   | 30  | 13    | 9   | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 8                                                              | 264 to 267 ..                                      | .. Offences relating to weights and<br>measures.                                                                          | 21  | 216   | 237   | 1   | 5   | 24  | 194   | 13  | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 9                                                              | 482 to 489 ..                                      | .. Making or using false trade<br>marks.                                                                                  | 2   | 16    | 18    | 1   | 3   | 3   | 8     | 3   | ..                                                             | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| 10                                                             | 149, 153-A to 156, 160 ..                          | .. Rioting, unlawful assembly,<br>affray.                                                                                 | 14  | 2,594 | 2,608 | 7   | 42  | 122 | 2,429 | 8   | 2                                                              | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Total ..                                                       |                                                    |                                                                                                                           | 220 | 4,932 | 5,152 | 108 | 142 | 467 | 4,214 | 221 | 4                                                              | ..          | ..                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ..   | ..   | ..   | 1    |

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## CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person.

|          |            |                                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------|------------|--------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 11       | 312 to 316 | Causing miscarriage            | 2  | 1  | .. | 3  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 12       | 370        | Buying or disposing of slaves. | .. | .. | 1  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 12-A     | 376        | Rape by the husband            | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. |            |                                | 2  | 2  | 4  | 4  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |

## CLASS III.—Serious offences against property.

|          |            |           |   |    |    |    |   |    |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------|------------|-----------|---|----|----|----|---|----|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 13       | 384 to 389 | Extortion | 9 | 42 | 51 | 17 | 4 | 19 | 5 | 6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. |            |           | 9 | 42 | 51 | 17 | 4 | 19 | 5 | 6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |

## CLASS IV.—Minor offences against the person.

|          |               |                                      |     |        |        |       |       |       |       |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 14       | 345           | Wrongful confinement                 | ..  | 194    | 2      | 2     | 1,524 | 2,435 | 464   | 145 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 15       | 352, 355, 358 | Criminal force                       | ..  | 6,829  | 6      | 6     | 1     | ..    | 1     | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 16       | 334           | Hurt on grave or sudden provocation. | ..  | ..     | ..     | ..    | ..    | 3,266 | 868   | 399 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1  |
| 17       | 323           | Voluntarily causing hurt             | 467 | 8,441  | 8,908  | 1,069 | ..    | 1     | ..    | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 18       | 374           | Compulsory labour                    | ..  | ..     | 1      | 1     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. |               |                                      | 661 | 15,279 | 15,940 | 2,594 | 5,703 | 5,766 | 1,333 | 544 | 4  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1  |

## CLASS V.—Minor offences against property.

|          |               |                                        |    |       |       |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------|---------------|----------------------------------------|----|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 19       | 417, 418      | Cheating                               | 5  | 90    | 95    | 35  | 33  | 23  | 1   | 3  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 20       | 403 to 405    | Criminal misappropriation of property. | 9  | 127   | 136   | 32  | 30  | 43  | 22  | 9  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 21       | 426, 427, 434 | Mischief (simple)                      | 52 | 1,081 | 1,133 | 268 | 342 | 399 | 82  | 42 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. |               |                                        | 66 | 1,298 | 1,364 | 335 | 405 | 465 | 105 | 54 | 1  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1  |

## CLASS VI.—Other offences not specified above.

|    |                                      |                                         |     |        |        |     |     |     |        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|-----|-----|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 22 | 295-A, 298                           | Offences against religion               | ..  | ..     | 3      | 2   | ..  | ..  | 1      | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 23 | 490 to 492                           | Criminal breach of contract of service. | ..  | ..     | ..     | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..     | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 24 | 493 to 498                           | Offences relating to marriage           | 35  | 474    | 509    | 95  | 184 | 173 | 33     | 14 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 25 | 500 to 502                           | Defamation                              | 24  | 227    | 251    | 80  | 31  | 79  | 32     | 29 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 26 | 504, 506 to 510                      | Intimidation, insult and annoyance.     | 123 | 3,489  | 3,612  | 543 | 778 | 701 | 1,497  | 93 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 27 | 271 to 276, 278, 284, 287, 288, 290. | Public and local nuisances              | 70  | 11,661 | 11,731 | 10  | 71  | 324 | 11,248 | 78 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |

STATEMENT B—continued.  
RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—continued.

| PART I.—Return of cases—concluded. |                                                                          |                                               |                                      |                             |                                         |                                 |                                                                                                                            |                         |                                                                   |                                  |                                                             |                                                                         |                                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Serial number.                     | Law.                                                                     | Offence.                                      | (1)                                  | (2)                         | (3)                                     | (4)                             | (5)                                                                                                                        | (6)                     | (7)                                                               | (8)                              | (9)                                                         | (10)                                                                    | (11)                                     |
|                                    |                                                                          |                                               | Number pending at beginning of year. | Cases reported in the year. | Total for disposal (cols. (4) and (5)). | Number dismissed without trial. | Cases in which accused died, abandoned, compounded or with- drew (Sections 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252 and 253, Cr.P.C.). | Discharge or acquittal. | Number of cases tried to a con- clusion and ending in conviction. | Number pending at close of year. | Number declared by the court to be mistakes of law or fact. | Number in which the court held that a cognizable offence was committed. | Cases reversed on appeal or on revision. |
| 28                                 | Class VI.—Other offences not specified above—cont.                       | Keeping a lottery office                      | 2                                    | 43                          | 45                                      | 2                               | ..                                                                                                                         | 3                       | 39                                                                | 1                                | ..                                                          | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
| 29                                 | * Cases under Chapter VIII (A), Cr.P.C.                                  | Security for keeping the peace on conviction. | ..                                   | ..                          | ..                                      | ..                              | ..                                                                                                                         | ..                      | ..                                                                | ..                               | ..                                                          | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
| 30                                 | Cases under Chapter X, Cr.P.C.                                           | Public nuisances                              | ..                                   | 219                         | 219                                     | ..                              | 5                                                                                                                          | 3                       | 211                                                               | ..                               | ..                                                          | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
| 31                                 | Cases under Chapter XII, Cr.P.C.                                         | Disputes as to immovable property.            | 11                                   | 13                          | 24                                      | 2                               | 7                                                                                                                          | 1                       | 9                                                                 | 5                                | ..                                                          | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
| 32                                 | Cases under Chapter XXXVI, Cr.P.C.                                       | Maintenance of wives and children.            | 133                                  | 1,083                       | 1,226                                   | ..                              | ..                                                                                                                         | 871                     | 221                                                               | 134                              | ..                                                          | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
|                                    | Total ..                                                                 |                                               | 398                                  | 17,224                      | 17,622                                  | 734                             | 1,086                                                                                                                      | 2,156                   | 13,292                                                            | 354                              | ..                                                          | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
|                                    | Offences under other special or local laws not cognizable by the police. |                                               | 3,280                                | 175,820                     | 179,100                                 | 1,809                           | 37,584                                                                                                                     | 12,046                  | 124,611                                                           | 3,050                            | 9                                                           | ..                                                                      | ..                                       |
|                                    | Grand total ..                                                           |                                               | † 4,637                              | 214,599                     | 219,236                                 | 5,601                           | 44,925                                                                                                                     | 20,919                  | 143,562                                                           | 4,229                            | 13                                                          | 5                                                                       | 3                                        |

\* The number of persons ordered during the year to give security is shown in column (11) against this serial in Part II.  
† The variation from the corresponding figure for the year 1939 is due to the alterations noted and explained in the district returns for 1940.

STATEMENT B—continued.  
RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—continued.

| PART II.—Return of persons concerned in cases.                 |                                                 |                                                                                                               |     |       |     |                                     |       |     |     |       |      |                |       |      |      |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-------|------|----------------|-------|------|------|----------|
| Serial number.                                                 | Law.                                            | Offence.                                                                                                      | (1) | (2)   | (3) | Persons against whom process issued |       |     | (7) | (8)   | (9)  | Persons tried. |       | (12) | (13) | Remarks. |
|                                                                |                                                 |                                                                                                               |     |       |     | (4)                                 | (5)   | (6) |     |       |      | (10)           | (11)  |      |      |          |
| SECTIONS OF INDIAN PENAL CODE.                                 |                                                 |                                                                                                               |     |       |     |                                     |       |     |     |       |      |                |       |      |      |          |
| 1                                                              | 115, 117, 118, 119 ..                           | Abetment of non-cognizable offence.                                                                           | 1   | 2     | ..  | ..                                  | 3     | ..  | ..  | ..    | ..   | 2              | 100.0 | ..   | ..   | ..       |
|                                                                | 120-B (1), 120-B (2).                           | Non-cognizable criminal conspiracy.                                                                           | ..  | ..    | ..  | ..                                  | ..    | ..  | ..  | ..    | ..   | ..             | ..    | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| CLASS I.—Offences against the State, public tranquillity, etc. |                                                 |                                                                                                               |     |       |     |                                     |       |     |     |       |      |                |       |      |      |          |
| 2                                                              | 121 to 130, 505 ..                              | Offences against the State.                                                                                   | ..  | 29    | ..  | ..                                  | 29    | ..  | 1   | 28    | 96.6 | ..             | ..    | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 3                                                              | 137 ..                                          | Harbouring deserters by master of ship.                                                                       | ..  | 8     | ..  | ..                                  | 8     | ..  | 4   | 2     | 25.0 | ..             | ..    | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 4                                                              | 172 to 190, 201 to 204, 214, 225-A, 227 to 229. | Offences against public justice.                                                                              | 29  | 1,689 | 67  | 5                                   | 1,780 | 6   | 195 | 1,495 | 85.1 | 31             | 53    | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 5                                                              | 161 to 169, 217 to 223.                         | Offences by public servants.                                                                                  | 2   | 45    | 4   | ..                                  | 51    | ..  | 8   | 39    | 79.6 | 3              | 1     | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 6                                                              | 193 to 200, 205 to 211, 421 to 424.             | False evidence, false complaints and claims, and fraudulent deeds, and disposition of property.               | 11  | 369   | 2   | 3                                   | 379   | 6   | 204 | 127   | 34.2 | 12             | 30    | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 7                                                              | 465 to 477-A ..                                 | Forgery or fraudulently using forged documents not being Government promissory notes and falsifying accounts. | 20  | 61    | 16  | 1                                   | 96    | 4   | 66  | 20    | 26.0 | 2              | 4     | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 8                                                              | 264 to 267 ..                                   | Offences relating to weights and measures.                                                                    | 20  | 189   | 51  | 3                                   | 257   | ..  | 42  | 201   | 83.8 | 9              | 5     | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 9                                                              | 482 to 489 ..                                   | Making or using false trade marks.                                                                            | 1   | 25    | ..  | ..                                  | 26    | ..  | 4   | 17    | 68.0 | 2              | 3     | ..   | ..   | ..       |
| 10                                                             | 149, 153-A to 156, 160.                         | Rioting, unlawful assembly, affray.                                                                           | 26  | 3,925 | 3   | ..                                  | 3,954 | ..  | 374 | 3,488 | 88.8 | 5              | 87    | ..   | ..   | ..       |
|                                                                | Total ..                                        |                                                                                                               | 109 | 6,340 | 143 | 12                                  | 6,580 | 16  | 898 | 5,417 | 83.6 | 64             | 185   | ..   | ..   | ..       |

STATEMENT B—concluded.  
RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1940—concluded.

PART II.—Return of persons concerned in cases—concluded.

| Serial number. | (1)        | (2) | (3) | Persons against whom process issued                               |               |                                                            | (7)                                                                                                                                               | (8)                                     | (9)                                                | Persons tried.                 |            | (12) | (13) | Remarks                                                                                                                  |                                                                  |                                                                  |
|----------------|------------|-----|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                |            |     |     | Persons against whom process had issued at beginning of the year. | On complaint. | On magistrate's own motion or information from the police. | Persons not arrested because they absconded or were out of the country, and persons against whom process were outstanding at the end of the year. | Persons who appeared before the courts. | Persons discharged after appearance without trial. | Absconded or failed to appear. | Convicted. |      |      | Number concerned in cases abandoned, compounded or withdrawn, and those who died, escaped or became insane during trial. | Number of those in column (11) convicted of cognizable offences. | Persons who died, escaped or were transferred before appearance. |
| 11             | 312 to 316 | ..  | ..  | ..                                                                | 1             | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                                                                                | 1                                       | 1                                                  | ..                             | ..         | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                                                       | ..                                                               | ..                                                               |
| 12             | 317 to 320 | ..  | ..  | ..                                                                | ..            | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                                                                                | ..                                      | ..                                                 | ..                             | ..         | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                                                       | ..                                                               | ..                                                               |
| 12             | 376        | ..  | ..  | ..                                                                | ..            | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                                                                                | ..                                      | ..                                                 | ..                             | ..         | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                                                       | ..                                                               | ..                                                               |
| (a)            | Total      | ..  | ..  | ..                                                                | 1             | ..                                                         | ..                                                                                                                                                | 1                                       | 1                                                  | ..                             | ..         | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                                                       | ..                                                               | ..                                                               |

CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person.

CLASS III.—Serious offences against property.

CLASS IV.—Minor offences against the person.

CLASS V.—Minor offences against property.

CLASS VI.—Other offences not specified above.

33 Offences under other special or local laws not cognizable by the police.

\* In calculating these percentages, the number shown in column (11) against serial No. 29 has been left out of account.  
† The variation from the corresponding figure for the year 1939 is due to the alterations noted and explained in the district returns for 1940.

## STATEMENT C.

## Property stolen and recovered.

| Offence.                                                                        | Number of cases in which property was stolen. | Number of cases in which property was recovered. | Percentage of cases in which property was recovered to cases in which property was stolen. | Amount of property stolen. | Amount of property recovered. | Percentage of value of property recovered to value of property stolen. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (1)                                                                             | (2)                                           | (3)                                              | (4)                                                                                        | (5)                        | (6)                           | (7)                                                                    |
| <b>A.—Cognizable.</b>                                                           |                                               |                                                  |                                                                                            |                            |                               |                                                                        |
|                                                                                 |                                               |                                                  |                                                                                            | RS.                        | RS.                           |                                                                        |
| 1 Theft ..                                                                      |                                               |                                                  |                                                                                            |                            |                               |                                                                        |
| a. In conjunction with lurking house-trespass or house-breaking.                | 6,283                                         | 2,729                                            | 43.4                                                                                       | 6,72,841                   | 1,77,641                      | 26.4                                                                   |
| b. In conjunction with receiving of stolen property.                            | ..                                            | 146                                              | ..                                                                                         | ..                         | 15,609                        | ..                                                                     |
| c. Other thefts ..                                                              | 21,707                                        | 11,917                                           | 54.9                                                                                       | 10,68,838                  | 3,83,430                      | 35.9                                                                   |
| 2 Robbery. {                                                                    |                                               |                                                  |                                                                                            |                            |                               |                                                                        |
| a. Dacoity ..                                                                   | 107                                           | 45                                               | 42.1                                                                                       | 20,116                     | 3,456                         | 17.2                                                                   |
| b. Other robbery ..                                                             | 545                                           | 158                                              | 29.0                                                                                       | 46,388                     | 10,588                        | 22.8                                                                   |
| 3 Criminal breach of trust ..                                                   | 1,126                                         | 513                                              | 45.6                                                                                       | 1,49,057                   | 38,325                        | 25.7                                                                   |
| 4 Criminal breach of trust by public servant or by a banker, merchant or agent. | 156                                           | 39                                               | 25.0                                                                                       | 94,770                     | 4,995                         | 5.3                                                                    |
| Total ..                                                                        | 29,924                                        | 15,547                                           | 52.0                                                                                       | 20,52,010                  | 6,34,044                      | 30.9                                                                   |
| <b>B.—Non-cognizable.</b>                                                       |                                               |                                                  |                                                                                            |                            |                               |                                                                        |
| 5 Extortion ..                                                                  | 24                                            | 1                                                | 4.2                                                                                        | 739                        | 12                            | 1.6                                                                    |
| 6 Criminal misappropriation ..                                                  | 98                                            | 17                                               | 19.3                                                                                       | 7,748                      | 1,324                         | 17.1                                                                   |
| Total ..                                                                        | 112                                           | 18                                               | 16.1                                                                                       | 8,487                      | 1,336                         | 15.7                                                                   |

Remarks.—Recoveries made during the year of property lost in cases of previous years—Rs. 21,507.

APPENDIX A  
STATEMENTS D AND E

**STATEMENT D.**  
**Return showing sanctioned strength and cost of police for 1940.**

| (1)<br>Ranges.  | (2)<br>Districts.         | (3)<br>Number of Inspector-General and Deputy Inspector-General. | (4)<br>Number of District Superintendents. | (5)<br>Number of Assistant District Superintendents. | (6)<br>Number of Deputy Superintendents. | (7)<br>Number of Inspectors. | (8)<br>Number of sub-inspectors. | (9)<br>Number of sergeants-major and sergeants. | Number of head constables. |                |                  |               | Number of constables. |                  |       | (16)<br>Total. |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------|----------------|
|                 |                           |                                                                  |                                            |                                                      |                                          |                              |                                  |                                                 | (10)<br>Foot.              | (11)<br>Water. | (12)<br>Mounted. | (13)<br>Foot. | (14)<br>Water.        | (15)<br>Mounted. |       |                |
|                 |                           |                                                                  |                                            |                                                      |                                          |                              |                                  |                                                 |                            |                |                  |               |                       |                  |       |                |
| Northern Range. | Chief Office ..           | 1                                                                | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | ..                           | ..                               | 1                                               | 2                          | ..             | ..               | 17            | ..                    | ..               | 22    |                |
|                 | Madras City ..            | 1                                                                | 3                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 20                           | 79                               | 55                                              | 252                        | 23             | 4                | 1,745         | 131                   | 19               | 2,332 |                |
|                 | Deputy Inspector-General. | 1                                                                | ..                                         | ..                                                   | ..                                       | ..                           | ..                               | ..                                              | ..                         | ..             | ..               | ..            | ..                    | ..               | 1     |                |
|                 | Vizagapatnam ..           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 11                           | 67                               | 5                                               | 124                        | ..             | ..               | 905           | ..                    | ..               | 1,113 |                |
|                 | East Godavari ..          | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 11                           | 60                               | 7                                               | 120                        | ..             | ..               | 918           | ..                    | ..               | 1,117 |                |
|                 | West Godavari ..          | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 5                            | 28                               | 3                                               | 54                         | ..             | ..               | 353           | ..                    | ..               | 444   |                |
|                 | Kistna ..                 | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 7                            | 37                               | 5                                               | 86                         | ..             | ..               | 569           | ..                    | ..               | 705   |                |
|                 | Guntur ..                 | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 8                            | 50                               | 4                                               | 102                        | ..             | ..               | 794           | ..                    | ..               | 959   |                |
|                 | Nellore ..                | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 10                           | 61                               | 5                                               | 104                        | ..             | ..               | 782           | ..                    | ..               | 963   |                |
|                 | Total ..                  | 1                                                                | 6                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 52                           | 303                              | 29                                              | 590                        | ..             | ..               | 4,321         | ..                    | ..               | 5,302 |                |
| Central Range.  | Deputy Inspector-General. | 1                                                                | ..                                         | ..                                                   | ..                                       | ..                           | ..                               | ..                                              | ..                         | ..             | ..               | ..            | ..                    | ..               | 1     |                |
|                 | Kurnool ..                | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 9                            | 56                               | 3                                               | 89                         | ..             | ..               | 807           | ..                    | ..               | 965   |                |
|                 | Bellary ..                | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 9                            | 47                               | 4                                               | 90                         | ..             | ..               | 691           | ..                    | ..               | 842   |                |
|                 | Anantapur ..              | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 8                            | 48                               | 4                                               | 86                         | ..             | ..               | 710           | ..                    | ..               | 857   |                |
|                 | Cuddapah ..               | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 8                            | 48                               | 3                                               | 78                         | ..             | ..               | 675           | ..                    | ..               | 813   |                |
|                 | Chittoor ..               | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 8                            | 49                               | 4                                               | 105                        | ..             | ..               | 822           | ..                    | ..               | 989   |                |
|                 | Chingleput ..             | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 7                            | 46                               | 6                                               | 115                        | ..             | ..               | 838           | ..                    | ..               | 1,013 |                |
|                 | North Arcot ..            | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 8                            | 52                               | 4                                               | 118                        | ..             | ..               | 852           | ..                    | ..               | 1,035 |                |
|                 | Total ..                  | 1                                                                | 7                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 57                           | 346                              | 28                                              | 681                        | ..             | ..               | 5,395         | ..                    | ..               | 6,515 |                |
|                 | Western Range.            | Deputy Inspector-General.                                        | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | ..                           | ..                               | ..                                              | ..                         | ..             | ..               | ..            | ..                    | ..               | ..    | 1              |
| Salem ..        |                           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 11                           | 66                               | 6                                               | 134                        | ..             | ..               | 987           | ..                    | ..               | 1,205 |                |
| Coimbatore ..   |                           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 11                           | 62                               | 4                                               | 125                        | ..             | ..               | 910           | ..                    | ..               | 1,113 |                |
| The Nilgiris .. |                           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 3                            | 15                               | 5                                               | 44                         | ..             | ..               | 311           | ..                    | ..               | 379   |                |
| Malabar ..      |                           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 11                           | 68                               | 4                                               | 154                        | ..             | ..               | 1,142         | ..                    | ..               | 1,380 |                |
| South Kanara .. |                           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 6                            | 29                               | 4                                               | 58                         | ..             | ..               | 441           | ..                    | ..               | 539   |                |
| Trichinopoly .. |                           | ..                                                               | 1                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 8                            | 52                               | 5                                               | 119                        | ..             | ..               | 848           | ..                    | ..               | 1,033 |                |
| Total ..        |                           | 1                                                                | 6                                          | ..                                                   | ..                                       | 50                           | 292                              | 28                                              | 634                        | ..             | ..               | 4,639         | ..                    | ..               | 5,650 |                |

NOTE.—(1) This statement does not include 7 subadars, 20 jamadars, 5 havildars-major, 23 havildars, 34 nalks and 675 constables of the Malabar Special Police. (2) The sanctioned strengths of the Central Recruits' Schools have not been shown in this statement, as they have now been treated as temporary additions to the permanent strength—vide G.O. No. 558, Public (Police), dated 30th October 1938.

\* Includes orderlies of the District Superintendents of the Railway Police.

† Includes orderlies of the C.I.D.

‡ Excludes the Commissioner of Police, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, and includes one District Superintendent of Police for deputation reserve.

§ Excludes 1 District Superintendent of Police for deputation reserve, 40 Deputy Superintendents, 40 Deputy Superintendents and 13 Sergeants of the undistributed reserve.

¶ Excludes 2 subadars, 8 jamadars, 2 havildars-major, 8 havildars, 8 nalks and 300 constables including 24 lance nalks sanctioned for the Malabar Special Police.



**STATEMENT E.**  
**Return showing equipment, discipline and general internal management of the Force for 1940.**

[Paragraphs 2, 3, 5 and 6.]

| Return showing equipment, armaments and strength. |               |           |                        |                   |           |                                               |           |                      |            |           |                                                      |           |                   |           |                                                  |           |                                        |                 |      |      |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|
| Total strength.                                   |               |           | Armament of the Force. |                   |           | Punishments.                                  |           |                      |            |           |                                                      |           |                   |           |                                                  |           |                                        |                 |      |      |
| Districts.                                        | Strength.     |           | Actual.                | Number of rifles. |           | Number of smooth-bore (-476 and 410 muskets). |           | Number of revolvers. | Dismissed. |           | Punished departmentally otherwise than by dismissal. |           | Under Police Act. |           | Under Secs. 390, 391, 348, of Indian Penal Code. |           | Under Chapter IX of Indian Penal Code. | Other offences. |      |      |
|                                                   | Men.          | Officers. |                        | Men.              | Officers. | Men.                                          | Officers. |                      | Men.       | Officers. | Men.                                                 | Officers. | Men.              | Officers. | Men.                                             | Officers. |                                        |                 |      |      |
| (1)                                               | (2)           | (3)       | (4)                    | (5)               | (6)       | (7)                                           | (8)       | (9)                  | (10)       | (11)      | (12)                                                 | (13)      | (14)              | (15)      | (16)                                             | (17)      | (18)                                   | (19)            | (20) | (21) |
| Chief Office                                      | ..            | 1         | 19                     | 1                 | 19        | ..                                            | ..        | 22                   | ..         | ..        | ..                                                   | ..        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
| Madras City                                       | ..            | 154       | 2,174                  | 138               | 2,167     | ..                                            | 515       | 151                  | ..         | 6         | ..                                                   | 34        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
| Northern Range.                                   | Vizagapatnam  | ..        | 83                     | 1,029             | 82        | 211                                           | 592       | 75                   | ..         | 4         | ..                                                   | 43        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | East Godavari | ..        | 78                     | 1,038             | 73        | 228                                           | 263       | 30                   | ..         | 5         | ..                                                   | 36        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | West Godavari | ..        | 36                     | 407               | 36        | ..                                            | 182       | 41                   | ..         | 1         | ..                                                   | 2         | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | Kistna        | ..        | 49                     | 655               | 49        | ..                                            | 289       | 58                   | ..         | 2         | ..                                                   | 13        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | Guntur        | ..        | 62                     | 896               | 59        | ..                                            | 390       | 65                   | ..         | 2         | ..                                                   | 24        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | Nellore       | ..        | 76                     | 886               | 69        | ..                                            | 365       | ..                   | ..         | ..        | ..                                                   | ..        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
| Total                                             | ..            | 384       | 4,911                  | 368               | 4,902     | 439                                           | 2,081     | 335                  | ..         | 15        | 2                                                    | 152       | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
| Central Range.                                    | Kurnool       | ..        | 68                     | 896               | 65        | ..                                            | 401       | 56                   | 1          | 4         | 1                                                    | 27        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | 1    | 2    |
|                                                   | Bellary       | ..        | 60                     | 781               | 58        | ..                                            | 386       | 50                   | ..         | 2         | 1                                                    | 30        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | 1    | 1    |
|                                                   | Anantapur     | ..        | 60                     | 796               | 57        | ..                                            | 329       | 53                   | ..         | 2         | 1                                                    | 29        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | 2    | 2    |
|                                                   | Chittoor      | ..        | 59                     | 753               | 59        | ..                                            | 326       | 57                   | ..         | 6         | ..                                                   | 15        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | 1               | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | Chingleput    | ..        | 61                     | 927               | 62        | ..                                            | 399       | 60                   | ..         | 2         | ..                                                   | 26        | ..                | 2         | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | 5    |
|                                                   | North Arcot   | ..        | 59                     | 953               | 53        | ..                                            | 683       | 59                   | ..         | 10        | 4                                                    | 34        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
| Total                                             | ..            | 431       | 6,076                  | 418               | 6,056     | ..                                            | 3,027     | 387                  | 3          | 30        | 11                                                   | 187       | ..                | 2         | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | 1               | 3    | 11   |
| Western Range.                                    | Salem         | ..        | 83                     | 1,121             | 83        | ..                                            | 637       | 82                   | ..         | ..        | 1                                                    | 10        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | 1    |
|                                                   | Coimbatore    | ..        | 77                     | 1,035             | 77        | ..                                            | 333       | 64                   | ..         | 2         | 2                                                    | 25        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | The Nilgiris  | ..        | 23                     | 355               | 23        | ..                                            | 165       | 18                   | ..         | ..        | ..                                                   | 12        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | 2    |
|                                                   | Malabar       | ..        | 83                     | 1,296             | 83        | 174                                           | 320       | 73                   | ..         | ..        | ..                                                   | 4         | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | 1    |
|                                                   | South Kanara  | ..        | 39                     | 499               | 34        | ..                                            | 247       | 30                   | ..         | ..        | ..                                                   | 25        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |
|                                                   | Trichinopoly  | ..        | 65                     | 967               | 63        | ..                                            | 430       | 55                   | ..         | ..        | ..                                                   | ..        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | 5    |
| Total                                             | ..            | 370       | 5,273                  | 363               | 5,245     | 174                                           | 2,132     | 322                  | ..         | 2         | 3                                                    | 80        | ..                | ..        | ..                                               | ..        | ..                                     | ..              | ..   | ..   |

|                                             |         |        |       |        |       |          |    |    |    |     |    |    |    |    |        |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|--------|-------|----------|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|--------|
| South Arcot                                 | 61      | 851    | 55    | 850    | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Tanjore                                     | 78      | 1,059  | 75    | 1,055  | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| North Madras                                | 58      | 896    | 57    | 893    | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| South Madras                                | 26      | 271    | 25    | 267    | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Ramanad                                     | 67      | 983    | 67    | 980    | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Tinnevely                                   | 75      | 1,100  | 70    | 1,094  | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Total                                       | 365     | 5,160  | 349   | 5,139  | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Railway Police, Madras                      | 41      | 644    | 38    | 636    | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Railway Police, Trichinopoly.               | 41      | 725    | 38    | 719    | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Total                                       | 82      | 1,369  | 76    | 1,355  | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Criminal Investigation Department.          | 37      | 37     | 36    | 37     | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Provincial Police Training School, Vellore. | 10      | 25     | 100   | 24     | 1     | 111      | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Central Recruits' School, Vellore.          | ..      | ..     | ..    | ..     | ..    | 225      | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Central Recruits' School, Coimbatore.       | ..      | ..     | ..    | ..     | ..    | 180      | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Central Recruits' School, Anantapur.        | ..      | ..     | ..    | ..     | ..    | 165      | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Central Recruits' School, Vizianagram.      | ..      | ..     | ..    | ..     | ..    | ..       | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Total                                       | 10      | 25     | 100   | 24     | 2     | 681      | .. | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..     |
| Grand total                                 | * 1,847 | 25,044 | 1,849 | 24,944 | † 770 | † 10,687 | 3  | 67 | 33 | 693 | .. | .. | 2  | .. | 1 3 28 |

NOTE.—(1) This statement does not include Assistant District Superintendents or Deputy Superintendents or officers of higher rank nor does it include 7 subadars, 20 jamadars, 5 havildars-major, 23 havildars, 34 nalks and 676 constables of the Malabar Special Police.  
 (2) Jamadars, head constables, head sowars, sowars and constables are shown as men.  
 (3) The difference in the actual strength of officers and men between this statement and the strength and armament statement is due to the adoption of revised figures since available.  
 (4) For purposes of this statement, sub-inspectors of Railway Police, and head constables of the C.I.D., who have been attached to districts, are shown against the Railway Police districts and the C.I.D., respectively, both under the actual strength of the respective forces.  
 (5) The actual strength of the Central Recruits' Schools are not shown in this statement, as they have now been treated as temporary additions to the permanent strength—vide G.O. No. 558, Public (Police), dated 30th October 1935.  
 \* Includes an undistributed reserve of 13 sergeants.  
 † Includes 90 probationary sub-inspectors under training in the school.  
 ‡ Includes arms supplied to the special and temporary additional forces, but excludes 822 rifles, 120 revolvers, 20 Lewis guns and 8 D.P. guns with the Malabar Special Police, and 2 ordinary guns of 12 bore with the Provincial Police Training School, Vellore.

## STATEMENT E—concluded.

Return showing equipment, discipline and general internal management of the Force for 1940—concluded.

| Districts.                                         | Rewards.                  |       | Education.                               |        | Number of constables.            |                                            |                                             |                                       |                            |                         | Number who have left the Force during the year. |               |                                             |               |           | Percentage on total actual strength of |                                                                      |         |      |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|------------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------|
|                                                    | Rewarded during the year. |       | Number of police who can read and write. |        | Number enlisted during the year. | Of one year and under five years' service. | Of five years and under ten years' service. | Of ten years and under fifteen years. | Of fifteen years and over. | On pension or gratuity. | By resignation without pension or gratuity.     | By dismissal. | By discharge otherwise than under sentence. | By desertion. | By death. | Admissions into hospital.              | Daily average number of men absent from duty on account of sickness. | Deaths. |      |
|                                                    | (35)                      | (36)  | (37)                                     | (38)   |                                  |                                            |                                             |                                       |                            |                         |                                                 |               |                                             |               |           |                                        |                                                                      |         | (39) |
| Chief Office .. .. .                               | ..                        | ..    | 1                                        | 19     | ..                               | 5                                          | 2                                           | 6                                     | 4                          | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | 1         | 20'0                                   | 0'6                                                                  | 5'0     |      |
| Madras City .. .. .                                | ..                        | ..    | 135                                      | 2,167  | 133                              | 486                                        | 1,870                                       | 343                                   | 361                        | 79                      | 7                                               | 6             | 16                                          | ..            | 14        | 275'8                                  | 3'1                                                                  | 0'6     |      |
| Vizagapatam .. .. .                                | ..                        | ..    | 82                                       | 1,029  | 58                               | 124                                        | 281                                         | 320                                   | 320                        | 51                      | ..                                              | 4             | 8                                           | ..            | 15        | 92'7                                   | 6'7                                                                  | 1'3     |      |
| East Godavari .. .. .                              | ..                        | ..    | 462                                      | 73     | 20                               | 106                                        | 142                                         | 280                                   | 370                        | 43                      | ..                                              | 5             | 4                                           | 1             | 4         | 113'0                                  | 8'9                                                                  | 0'4     |      |
| West Godavari .. .. .                              | ..                        | ..    | 170                                      | 38     | 42                               | 27                                         | 58                                          | 102                                   | 123                        | 31                      | ..                                              | 1             | 1                                           | ..            | 4         | 130'2                                  | 6'9                                                                  | 0'9     |      |
| Kistna .. .. .                                     | ..                        | ..    | 203                                      | 49     | 31                               | 62                                         | 114                                         | 156                                   | 215                        | 47                      | 3                                               | 1             | 20                                          | 1             | 5         | 163'6                                  | 8'1                                                                  | 0'7     |      |
| Guntur .. .. .                                     | ..                        | ..    | 341                                      | 59     | 34                               | 97                                         | 107                                         | 188                                   | 368                        | 41                      | 1                                               | 2             | 2                                           | ..            | 6         | 121'5                                  | 4'9                                                                  | 0'6     |      |
| Nellore .. .. .                                    | ..                        | ..    | 234                                      | 69     | 18                               | 92                                         | 153                                         | 225                                   | 295                        | 54                      | 1                                               | 2             | 1                                           | 1             | 10        | 88'6                                   | 4'2                                                                  | 1'0     |      |
| Total .. .. .                                      | 1                         | 1,909 | 368                                      | 4,756  | 203                              | 508                                        | 713                                         | 1,232                                 | 1,691                      | 267                     | 5                                               | 15            | 36                                          | 3             | 44        | 114'0                                  | 6'6                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| Kurnool .. .. .                                    | ..                        | ..    | 65                                       | 822    | 78                               | 175                                        | 78                                          | 240                                   | 246                        | 57                      | 2                                               | 5             | 2                                           | ..            | 3         | 215'9                                  | 5'1                                                                  | 0'3     |      |
| Bellary .. .. .                                    | ..                        | ..    | 120                                      | 58     | 50                               | 127                                        | 85                                          | 206                                   | 235                        | 37                      | ..                                              | 2             | 6                                           | ..            | 4         | 154'7                                  | 7'2                                                                  | 0'5     |      |
| Anantapur .. .. .                                  | ..                        | ..    | 214                                      | 57     | 40                               | 132                                        | 139                                         | 190                                   | 209                        | 28                      | 1                                               | 2             | 3                                           | ..            | 7         | 160'2                                  | 9'2                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| Cuddapah .. .. .                                   | ..                        | ..    | 403                                      | 59     | 713                              | 59                                         | 133                                         | 197                                   | 193                        | 56                      | 1                                               | 2             | 4                                           | ..            | 3         | 105'6                                  | 5'5                                                                  | 0'4     |      |
| Chittoor .. .. .                                   | ..                        | ..    | 397                                      | 62     | 926                              | 1                                          | 228                                         | 139                                   | 212                        | 44                      | 2                                               | 6             | 1                                           | ..            | 6         | 68'2                                   | 8'1                                                                  | 0'6     |      |
| Chingleput .. .. .                                 | ..                        | ..    | 184                                      | 53     | 919                              | 77                                         | 110                                         | 88                                    | 260                        | 302                     | 40                                              | 1             | 11                                          | 9             | 8         | 144'7                                  | 3'7                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| North Arcot .. .. .                                | ..                        | ..    | 657                                      | 64     | 928                              | 68                                         | 156                                         | 131                                   | 231                        | 269                     | 38                                              | 1             | 5                                           | 11            | 11        | 104'4                                  | 2'0                                                                  | 1'1     |      |
| Total .. .. .                                      | 1                         | 2,308 | 418                                      | 5,861  | 373                              | 1,061                                      | 753                                         | 1,536                                 | 1,698                      | 300                     | 8                                               | 33            | 36                                          | 1             | 42        | 135'6                                  | 5'7                                                                  | 0'6     |      |
| Salem .. .. .                                      | ..                        | ..    | 503                                      | 83     | 19                               | 211                                        | 161                                         | 296                                   | 311                        | 42                      | 2                                               | ..            | 7                                           | 2             | 6         | 126'3                                  | 3'9                                                                  | 0'5     |      |
| Coimbatore .. .. .                                 | ..                        | ..    | 340                                      | 77     | 20                               | 256                                        | 133                                         | 227                                   | 272                        | 43                      | ..                                              | 2             | 3                                           | ..            | 8         | 45'3                                   | 4'6                                                                  | 0'7     |      |
| The Nilgiris .. .. .                               | ..                        | ..    | 124                                      | 23     | ..                               | 146                                        | 64                                          | 42                                    | 63                         | 17                      | 3                                               | ..            | 1                                           | ..            | 3         | 84'9                                   | 4'4                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| Malabar .. .. .                                    | ..                        | ..    | 470                                      | 83     | 59                               | 156                                        | 243                                         | 188                                   | 483                        | 87                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | 9         | 124'8                                  | 3'2                                                                  | 0'7     |      |
| South Kanara .. .. .                               | ..                        | ..    | 212                                      | 34     | ..                               | 109                                        | 94                                          | 54                                    | 186                        | 30                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | 6         | 95                                     | 5'5                                                                  | 1'1     |      |
| Trichinopoly .. .. .                               | ..                        | ..    | 267                                      | 63     | 38                               | 156                                        | 113                                         | 291                                   | 253                        | 27                      | 3                                               | ..            | 3                                           | ..            | 10        | 59'8                                   | 5'1                                                                  | 1'0     |      |
| Total .. .. .                                      | 3                         | 1,915 | 363                                      | 5,232  | 136                              | 1,034                                      | 808                                         | 1,098                                 | 1,568                      | 246                     | 8                                               | 2             | 14                                          | 2             | 42        | 92'1                                   | 4'3                                                                  | 0'7     |      |
| South Arcot .. .. .                                | ..                        | ..    | 291                                      | 55     | 44                               | 154                                        | 124                                         | 170                                   | 250                        | 41                      | 2                                               | 1             | 7                                           | ..            | 6         | 90'2                                   | 4'6                                                                  | 0'4     |      |
| Tanjore .. .. .                                    | ..                        | ..    | 334                                      | 75     | 65                               | 194                                        | 161                                         | 242                                   | 263                        | 32                      | 3                                               | 3             | 12                                          | 1             | 13        | 87'7                                   | 5'3                                                                  | 1'1     |      |
| North Madura .. .. .                               | ..                        | ..    | 296                                      | 57     | 53                               | 123                                        | 197                                         | 217                                   | 204                        | 36                      | 1                                               | 1             | 3                                           | 1             | 7         | 57'9                                   | 5'5                                                                  | 0'7     |      |
| South Madura .. .. .                               | ..                        | ..    | 115                                      | 25     | 21                               | 33                                         | 60                                          | 47                                    | 74                         | 17                      | 1                                               | 1             | 1                                           | 1             | 4         | 107'2                                  | 8'1                                                                  | 1'4     |      |
| Raman .. .. .                                      | ..                        | ..    | 355                                      | 67     | 2                                | 317                                        | 176                                         | 188                                   | 190                        | 39                      | 1                                               | 2             | 2                                           | 1             | 7         | 103'2                                  | 5'2                                                                  | 0'6     |      |
| Tinnevely .. .. .                                  | ..                        | ..    | 276                                      | 70     | ..                               | 177                                        | 217                                         | 193                                   | 380                        | 49                      | ..                                              | 2             | 7                                           | 1             | 7         | 75'0                                   | 2'7                                                                  | 0'7     |      |
| Total .. .. .                                      | 4                         | 1,667 | 349                                      | 5,109  | 185                              | 998                                        | 935                                         | 1,057                                 | 1,361                      | 214                     | 8                                               | 11            | 33                                          | 5             | 44        | 84'2                                   | 4'8                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| Railways and the C.I. Invg. Dept. .. .. .          | ..                        | ..    | 238                                      | 38     | 35                               | 92                                         | 72                                          | 130                                   | 241                        | 34                      | ..                                              | ..            | 3                                           | 1             | ..        | 6                                      | 47'9                                                                 | 1'8     | 0'9  |
| Total .. .. .                                      | ..                        | ..    | 198                                      | 38     | 49                               | 135                                        | 94                                          | 200                                   | 176                        | 37                      | 1                                               | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | 1         | 6                                      | 38'8                                                                 | 1'5     | 0'7  |
| Criminal Investigation Department .. .. .          | ..                        | ..    | 436                                      | 76     | 84                               | 227                                        | 166                                         | 330                                   | 417                        | 71                      | 1                                               | 3             | 1                                           | 1             | 12        | 43'1                                   | 1'6                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| Total .. .. .                                      | 18                        | 36    | 37                                       | ..     | ..                               | 3                                          | 1                                           | 3                                     | 9                          | 3                       | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | ..        | 9'6                                    | 2'5                                                                  | ..      |      |
| Provincial Police Training School, Vellore .. .. . | ..                        | ..    | ..                                       | 100    | 24                               | ..                                         | ..                                          | ..                                    | ..                         | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | ..        | ..                                     | ..                                                                   | ..      |      |
| Central Recruits' School, Vellore .. .. .          | ..                        | ..    | ..                                       | ..     | ..                               | ..                                         | ..                                          | ..                                    | ..                         | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | ..        | ..                                     | ..                                                                   | ..      |      |
| Central Recruits' School, Coimbatore .. .. .       | ..                        | ..    | ..                                       | ..     | ..                               | ..                                         | ..                                          | ..                                    | ..                         | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | ..        | ..                                     | ..                                                                   | ..      |      |
| Central Recruits' School, Anantapur .. .. .        | ..                        | ..    | ..                                       | ..     | ..                               | ..                                         | ..                                          | ..                                    | ..                         | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | ..        | ..                                     | ..                                                                   | ..      |      |
| Central Recruits' School, Vizianagaram .. .. .     | ..                        | ..    | ..                                       | ..     | ..                               | ..                                         | ..                                          | ..                                    | ..                         | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | ..        | ..                                     | ..                                                                   | ..      |      |
| Total .. .. .                                      | ..                        | ..    | 100                                      | 24     | ..                               | ..                                         | 3                                           | 2                                     | 7                          | ..                      | ..                                              | ..            | ..                                          | ..            | 1         | 308'1                                  | 1'9                                                                  | 0'8     |      |
| Grand total .. .. .                                | 9                         | 9,097 | 1,849                                    | 24,560 | 1,114                            | 4,325                                      | 3,950                                       | 5,612                                 | 7,109                      | 1,180                   | 37                                              | 70            | 136                                         | 12            | 200       | 119'2                                  | 4'9                                                                  | 0'7     |      |

Notes.—(1) This statement does not include Assistant District Superintendents or Deputy Superintendents or officers of higher rank nor does it include 7 subedars, 20 jamadars, 5 havildars-major, 23 havildars, 34 malks and 675 constables of the Malabar Special Police.

(2) Jamadars, head constables, head sowars, sowars and constables are shown as men.

(3) The difference in the actual strength of officers and men between this statement and the strength and armament statement is due to the adoption of revised figures since available.

(4) For purposes of this statement, sub-inspectors of Railway Police, and head constables of the C.I.D., who have been attached to districts, are shown against the Railway Police districts and the C.I.D., respectively both under the sanctioned and actual strength.

(5) The sanctioned strength of the Central Recruits' Schools are not shown in this statement, as they have now been treated as temporary additions to the permanent strength—vide G.O. No. 558, Public (Police), dated 30th October 1935.

## APPENDIX B.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT OF THE MADRAS CITY POLICE  
FOR THE YEAR 1940.

## PART I.

## The Police Force.

**Personnel.**—I held charge of the City Police throughout the year.

There was a change only in the personnel of the Assistant Commissioner of Police, Crime Branch. The officers who held charge of the various departments of the City Police during the year were—

## Law and Order—

|                                                         |                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Deputy Commissioner of Police.                          | Mr. H. D. Latham.                     |
| Assistant Commissioner of Police, Northern Subdivision. | Sri Rao Bahadur P. K. Monnappa, B.A.  |
| Assistant Commissioner of Police, Southern Subdivision. | Yousuf Ali Sayeed Sahib Bahadur, B.A. |

## Crime—

|                                   |                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Deputy Commissioner of Police.    | Sri Rao Bahadur T. G. Sanjivi Pillai, M.A.                                                                             |
| Assistant Commissioner of Police. | Sri Rao Sahib N. Ganeswara Rao (till 21st April 1940).<br>Sri Rao Sahib N. V. Totadri Ayyangar (from 22nd April 1940). |

## Traffic and Licensing—

|                                   |                                             |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Deputy Commissioner of Police.    | Mr. D. C. T. Cameron.                       |
| Assistant Commissioner of Police. | Sri Rao Sahib G. R. Devareja Ayyangar, B.A. |

## Hospital—

|                |                        |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Police Surgeon | .. Dr. C. T. Verghese. |
|----------------|------------------------|

**2. Strength.**—The strength of the City Police was reduced by 4 constables consequent on the centralization of the offices sanctioned in G.O. No. 1394, Home, dated 19th March 1940. The sanctioned strength of the City Police on 31st December 1940 was 20 inspectors, 5 sergeants-major, 79 sub-inspectors, 50 sergeants, 2 jamadars, 273 head constables and 1,876 constables while the actual strength was 19 inspectors, 4 sergeants-major, 71 sub-inspectors, 44 sergeants, 2 jamadars, 268 head constables and 1,876 constables.

**3. Recruitment.**—309 recruits were enlisted during the year 1940. Of these, 227 were enlisted from the City and 82 from the mufassal. This includes 159 enlisted against temporary establishments sanctioned on account of the War and undergoing training in the Central Recruits' School, Vellore. The type of recruit was fair. Of the recruits, 18 were from the scheduled classes. There were no ex-military men enlisted.

It has been found virtually impossible to obtain suitable recruits for the Mounted Branch under present conditions.

**4. Casualties.**—The following statement shows the casualties during the last three years :—

|                                      | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Retired on pension or gratuity ..    | 74    | 70    | 79    |
| Resigned ..                          | 15    | 7     | 7     |
| Dismissed or removed from service .. | 12    | 4     | 6     |
| Discharged ..                        | 16    | 6     | 16    |
| Died ..                              | 21    | 23    | 14    |
| Total ..                             | 138   | 110   | 122   |

**5. Police Surgeon's department—Health of the Force.**—The health of the Force was on the whole satisfactory.

There were 519 cases of admission into the other hospitals as against 606 in 1939.

6,357 patients were treated in the City Police Dispensary during the year 1940 as against 5,294 in 1939 and the daily average attendance was 62.02 as against 56.72 in the previous year. There was an epidemic of dysentery during the last quarter of the year. The common diseases were as usual influenza, malaria, fevers of all sorts and respiratory diseases.

**In-door patients.**—Total number of patients in all the City State hospitals was 519 with a mortality of 6, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 606 and 8 respectively.

Two sub-inspectors, 7 head constables and 39 constables were invalided during the year.

Two hundred and ninety-nine recruits of the City Police were medically examined and 50 were declared unfit.

Three hundred and thirty-four age certificates were issued under the Madras Children's Act of 1920.

Three hundred and one medical certificates were issued to professional motor drivers during the year.

Consequent on the savings effected by the reorganization of the Mounted Branch a nursing orderly and 3 beds for post-operative cases in the Police Hospital were sanctioned by Government during the year.

**6. Discipline and appeals—Discipline.**—The discipline of the Force remained at a high standard. The number of punishments awarded during the year shows a slight increase as compared with the figures of 1939 :—

|                            | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Blackmarks ..              | 191   | 253   | 302   |
| Deferred blackmarks ..     | 43    | 75    | 61    |
| Reductions ..              | 35    | 26    | 23    |
| Suspensions ..             | 8     | 9     | 11    |
| Censures ..                | 21    | 8     | 26    |
| Removals and dismissals .. | 12    | 4     | 6     |

The number of punishments awarded for indebtedness decreased from 63 in 1939 to 38 in 1940.

**Appeals.**—There were 18 appeals in 1940 as against 15 in 1939. Twelve appeals were confirmed and 6 modified as against 11 appeals confirmed, one modified and 2 cancelled in 1939.

**Judicial punishments.**—One police officer in the City was judicially punished for an offence committed in his private capacity during the year.

**7. Titles and rewards.**—The Indian Police Medal was awarded to Rao Sahib N. Ganeswara Rao, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Crime Branch, sub-inspector Saiyid Hussain Sahib and head constable No. 395 Raju Pillai. A comparative statement showing the amount of money rewards granted in the last two years is furnished below :—

|                                 | 1939.              |             | 1940.              |             |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                                 | Number of persons. | Amount. Rs. | Number of persons. | Amount. Rs. |
| Rewards to police officers.     | 1,203              | 3,086       | 844                | 2,893       |
| Rewards to private individuals. | 390                | 1,567       | 611                | 2,329       |

Private persons were rewarded more freely during the year.

The details rankwar of police officers rewarded during 1939 and 1940 are given below :—

|                    | 1939. | 1940. |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| Inspectors ..      | ..    | ..    |
| Sub-inspectors ..  | ..    | ..    |
| Sergeants ..       | ..    | ..    |
| Head constables .. | 227   | 112   |
| Constables ..      | 976   | 732   |
|                    | 1,203 | 844   |

**8. Promotion Board.**—The annual promotion examination was held as usual under the direction of the Promotion Board consisting of the three Deputy Commissioners of Police. It conducted the annual examination as usual. Thirty-nine constables appeared for the examination and 32 were selected.

**9. General Provident Fund.**—The percentage of subscribers was 95.3 in 1940 as compared with 90.3 in 1939, the increase in the number of admissions being due to constant scrutiny—

|                    | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Inspectors ..      | 15    | 17    | 17    |
| Sergeants-major .. | 4     | 4     | 4     |
| Sergeants ..       | 46    | 47    | 44    |
| Sub-inspectors ..  | 64    | 68    | 66    |
| Head constables .. | 223   | 231   | 264   |
| Constables ..      | 1,527 | 1,651 | 1,781 |
|                    | 1,879 | 2,018 | 2,176 |

**10. Co-operative Societies.**—The City Police Officials' and Constables' Co-operative Societies—the two 'A' class societies—did another year's good work.

(a) **The City Police Officials' Co-operative Society.**—The society had on its rolls—

|                                                             |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| (1) Number of members ..                                    | 143        |
| (2) Share capital ..                                        | Rs. 13,023 |
| (3) Deposits ..                                             | 18,266     |
| (4) Reserve fund ..                                         | 5,416      |
| (5) Loans issued ..                                         | 56,721     |
| (6) Dividend declared for the co-operative year—4 per cent. |            |

(b) **The City Police Constables' Co-operative Society.**—The society had on its rolls—

|                                                              |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| (1) Number of members ..                                     | 1,107      |
| (2) Share capital ..                                         | Rs. 33,121 |
| (3) Deposits ..                                              | 2,199      |
| (4) Reserve fund ..                                          | 4,513      |
| (5) Loans issued ..                                          | 1,15,811   |
| (6) Dividend declared for the co-operative year—3½ per cent. |            |

**11. Cost.**—The total cost of the City Police was Rs. 15,01,988 as against Rs. 14,97,630 in 1939.

**12. Housing of the Force.**—The police officers and men of the Madras City Police remaining still to be housed are as shown below :—

|                       | Inspectors. | Sergeants-major. | Sergeants. | Sub-inspectors. | Head constables. | Constables. |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|
| Total strength ..     | 20          | 5                | 50         | 79              | 273              | 1,876       |
| Quarters available .. | 7           | 2                | 31         | 17              | 205              | 1,138       |
| Still to be housed .. | 13          | 3                | 19         | 62              | 68               | 738         |

The quarters occupied by the sub-inspector of police attached to the Egmore Court were ordered to be vacated by Government for conversion of the building into a Special Court Hall. The quarters were vacated by the sub-inspector on 8th December 1940.

Proposals for the construction of quarters for sub-inspectors and constables on the Army Clothing Factory site, Vepery site and the vacant land near G-3 sub-inspector's quarters are pending improvement in the financial situation.

The housing problem is very acute in the City but in view of the present financial situation this state of affairs has had to continue.

**13. Armed Reserve.**—The Armed Reserve has had a year of strenuous work especially owing to the additional duties thrown upon it on account of the War. It has well maintained its reputation for thoroughness and efficiency. The usual training was carried out but was again much interfered with on account of the many extraneous duties it was called upon to perform, which duties also prevented participation in the Stevenson Shield Competition.

Twelve non-commissioned officers were sent to the Malabar Special Police from which they returned qualified to impart physical and bayonet training. The difficulty in obtaining men for continuous training has however prevented full benefit being derived from these trained men.

The Emergency Force shed was improved in many respects and the Lorry workshop with its battery charging plant was completed during the year besides the addition of a shed for storing training equipment. Sanction has been requested for a petrol pump near the Transport Garage and the sooner it is sanctioned, the better.

The Inter Division Drill Competition was held during the year as also the Inter Platoon Championship for the Armed Reserve. The Pudupet parade ground is being levelled by

fatigue parties which will ensure two full sized hockey grounds and one football ground.

14. **Mounted Branch.**—The Mounted Branch was reorganized during the year in G.O. No. 4330, Home, dated 25th October 1940. The strength of the horses was reduced from 64 to 43 and the consequent savings have been utilized in improving the other branches of the City Police. The strength of the Mounted Branch at the close of the year was 57 horses. Three horses were destroyed during the year and one died. The average age of casualties was 9.

**Stable management.**—Stable management continued to be of the same high standard as in the previous year. The services of the Sowar Troop at large meetings, processions, etc., continued invaluable. Horses were inspected once a quarter by a Veterinary Surgeon from the Veterinary College. Excellent co-operation was again received from the Principal and staff of the Veterinary College.

15. **Motor transport.**—The six motor lorries did good service during the year. Government have sanctioned the purchase of two additional lorries and of two motor cycles, the latter for the use of the officers checking the various guards of the Armed Reserve.

The running cost per mile for each vehicle was as follows:—

|                 | RS. | A. | P. |
|-----------------|-----|----|----|
| No. 1 .. .. .   | 0   | 5  | 1  |
| No. 2 .. .. .   | 0   | 4  | 9  |
| No. 3 .. .. .   | 0   | 3  | 8  |
| No. 4 .. .. .   | 0   | 1  | 3  |
| No. 5 .. .. .   | 0   | 1  | 3  |
| No. 6 .. .. .   | 0   | 3  | 7  |
| Ambulance .. .. | 0   | 4  | 1  |

The increase is due to the more frequent repairs required for the older lorries, the increase in price of articles and materials due to the War and to the application of the rate of taxation as applied to ordinary lorries in the place of a flat rate of Rs. 25.

**Ambulance.**—A sum of Rs. 308-14-0 was collected from private individuals for the hire of the motor ambulance during the year.

#### 16. General licences—

|                                                                                                                 | 1939. | 1940. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| <b>Arms Act.</b>                                                                                                |       |       |
| Licence to import arms and military stores (Form II).                                                           | 51    | 60    |
| Licence to import arms and military stores by land (Form III).                                                  | 9     | 1     |
| Licence to export arms and military stores by sea (Form IV).                                                    | 14    | 9     |
| Licence to export arms and military stores by land or river to Indian States and foreign territories (Form VI). | ..    | ..    |
| Licence to transport arms, ammunition or military stores (Form VII).                                            | 219   | 218   |
| Licence to manufacture, sell and possess arms (Form IX).                                                        | ..    | ..    |
| Licence to keep and sell arms and sulphur (Form X).                                                             | 26    | 32    |
| Licence for safe custody of arms, ammunition, etc. (Form XIII).                                                 | 4     | 4     |

#### Arms Act—cont.

|                                                                                                                                      | 1939. | 1940. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Licence to possess ammunition or military stores (Form XIV).                                                                         | 10    | 9     |
| Licence to possess fire-arms (Form XIV).                                                                                             | 30    | 17    |
| Licence to possess arms and ammunition for personal use, including renewals during the year (Form XVI).                              | 1,870 | 1,773 |
| Temporary licence for possession of arms and going armed during the period occupied in journey from the port of arrival (Form XVII). | 12    | 15    |
| Licence to go armed on a journey (Form XX).                                                                                          | 2     | ..    |
| Sales of arms and ammunition verified.                                                                                               | 6,757 | 5,294 |

#### Explosives Act.

|                                                                                                      | 1939. | 1940. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Licence to import explosives (Form I).                                                               | 70    | 53    |
| General licence to transport explosives (Form II).                                                   | 68    | 63    |
| Licence to manufacture, possess and sell explosives (Form A).                                        | 9     | 8     |
| Licence to possess and sell explosives (Form B).                                                     | 218   | 158   |
| Licence to possess gunpowder, etc. (Form C).                                                         | 4     | 3     |
| Licence to possess gunpowder for bona fide blasting purposes (Form E).                               | ..    | ..    |
| Licence to possess explosives generally (Form F).                                                    | 1     | 1     |
| Licence to possess explosives other than fulminates and to sell explosives from a magazine (Form J). | ..    | ..    |

#### Poisons Act.

|                                        |    |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|----|
| Licence to possess and sell poisons .. | 84 | 92 |
|----------------------------------------|----|----|

#### City Police Act.

|                                                             | 1939. | 1940. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Licence for hotels, eating and boarding houses, etc.        | 1,286 | 1,250 |
| Licences for vaddy, liquor, ganja and opium shops, etc.     | 147   | 141   |
| General licence for music and religious institutions.       | 182   | ..    |
| Occasional licence to sell foreign liquor.                  | 65    | 54    |
| Licence for gymnasium, licence for places of public resort. | 82    | 73    |
| Other music licences .. .. .                                | 2,252 | 2,490 |

#### Cinematograph Act.

|                                                                  |    |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|
| Number of licences issued to cinematograph theatres.             | 20 | 23 |
| Number of certificates issued in respect of cinematograph films. | 67 | 86 |

17. **Harbour Police.**—Crime has considerably decreased chiefly due to the fact that admission into the harbour was greatly restricted. There was also a slight fall in the quantity of shipping making use of the harbour. Good preventive work has been done by putting up 128 cases under the preventive sections. Owing to the demand for manilla rope there was an outbreak of theft of this article from ships. Two employees of the Royal Yacht Club were caught redhanded while cutting ropes from water tanks at the boat basin and with their arrest and conviction this kind of theft has stopped. Efforts to stop pilfering were taken but were not very successful. However, an increase in cases under the preventive sections again took place. In one case, where a Port Trust servant was caught with a bottle of Horlicks Malted Milk that had been taken from a broken case, it was most unfortunate that the magistrate

discharged the accused, or otherwise an example might have been made. The changes referred to in last year's report whereby sergeants were to be given more direct responsibility for the handling of sections, could not be carried out as all the sergeants were required for guarding the gates.

The following are the figures for crime during the past three years:—

|                           | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Housebreaking .. .. .     | 4     | 2     | 4     |
| House thefts .. .. .      | 30    | 39    | 16    |
| Thefts .. .. .            | 19    | 28    | 14    |
| Cycle thefts .. .. .      | ..    | 6     | 1     |
| Preventive sections .. .. | 66    | 119   | 128   |

#### PART II.

##### \* Crime.

18. **Crime.**—The following are the figures for crime for the past three years:—

| Offences.                                                                    | Year.   | Cases.    |         | Persons. |            | Property. |            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
|                                                                              |         | Reported. | True.   | Tried.   | Convicted. | Lost.     | Recovered. |
| (1)                                                                          | (2)     | (3)       | (4)     | (5)      | (6)        | (7)       | (8)        |
| <b>Total crimes.</b>                                                         |         |           |         |          |            |           |            |
| Classes I to V—Statement A (Police)                                          | 1938 .. | 3,178     | 3,038   | 1,499    | 1,205      | 4,15,776  | 37,648     |
| —Offences under the Indian Penal Code.                                       | 1939 .. | 4,063     | 3,913   | 1,943    | 1,746      | 3,25,888  | 49,119     |
| Statement AA (Police)—Nuisances and offences against special and local laws. | 1940 .. | 4,011     | 3,854   | 2,329    | 2,044      | 2,20,998  | 34,665     |
|                                                                              | 1938 .. | 87,842    | 87,781  | 93,090   | 92,837     | ..        | ..         |
|                                                                              | 1939 .. | 104,819   | 104,819 | 109,231  | 108,954    | ..        | ..         |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | 123,394   | 123,394 | 129,094  | 128,897    | ..        | ..         |
| <b>Grave crime.</b>                                                          |         |           |         |          |            |           |            |
| Murder .. .. .                                                               | 1938 .. | 13        | 13      | 13       | 6          | ..        | ..         |
|                                                                              | 1939 .. | 7         | 7       | 10       | 8          | ..        | ..         |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | 18        | 18      | 9        | 8          | ..        | ..         |
| Dacoity .. .. .                                                              | 1938 .. | 3         | 2       | ..       | ..         | 33        | 15         |
|                                                                              | 1939 .. | 4         | 3       | 9        | 3          | 634       | 100        |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | 17        | 10      | 6        | 2          | 256       | 65         |
| Robbery .. .. .                                                              | 1938 .. | 9         | 7       | 4        | 3          | 497       | 455        |
|                                                                              | 1939 .. | 15        | 9       | 10       | 5          | 407       | 262        |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | 343       | 343     | 116      | 100        | 53,585    | 6,274      |
| Housebreaking and lurking house                                              | 1938 .. | 390       | 386     | 122      | 108        | 41,487    | 8,565      |
| trespass.                                                                    | 1939 .. | 355       | 351     | 127      | 113        | 26,813    | 4,852      |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | 25        | 24      | 24       | 19         | 629       | 402        |
| Cattle theft .. .. .                                                         | 1938 .. | 66        | 66      | 68       | 61         | 861       | 590        |
|                                                                              | 1939 .. | 40        | 36      | 34       | 32         | 1,007     | 780        |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | 2,157     | 2,074   | 812      | 722        | 103,256   | 18,711     |
| Theft (ordinary) .. .. .                                                     | 1938 .. | 2,888     | 2,756   | 1,191    | 1,110      | 113,970   | 20,605     |
|                                                                              | 1939 .. | 2,897     | 2,805   | 1,314    | 1,256      | 107,498   | 19,485     |
|                                                                              | 1940 .. | ..        | ..      | ..       | ..         | ..        | ..         |
|                                                                              |         |           |         | 1938.    | 1939.      | 1940.     |            |
| Total cognizable crime .. ..                                                 |         |           |         | 3,217    | 4,145      | 4,001     |            |
| Total reported to police .. ..                                               |         |           |         | 3,038    | 3,913      | 3,854     |            |
| Grave crime .. .. .                                                          |         |           |         | 2,479    | 3,234      | 3,222     |            |
| Cases reported direct to courts ..                                           |         |           |         | 179      | 232        | 147       |            |

The total number of true cognizable crimes recorded during the year under the Indian Penal Code excluding nuisance cases was 4,001 as against 4,145 in 1939 and 3,217 in 1938, while the number reported to the police was 3,854 as against 3,913 in the previous year which is a decrease by 59 in cases. This difference is too small to call for comment. The level of crime during 1939 and 1940 has been almost the same. The causes that operated in 1939 were noticed again this year. Unfavourable economic conditions and unemployment as in the previous year continued. A rapid rise in the price of metal led to a noticeable increase in thefts of metal articles. Reports of the thefts of cesspool covers, metal tubes, iron gratings and brass vessels were constantly received and investigation disclosed that they were for the most part due to stray offenders. The influx of criminals from the districts noticeably increased during the year. Two hundred and sixty of these were spotted as against 199 in the previous year and 161 in 1938. In spite of these adverse conditions the vigorous action taken under the preventive sections of the Criminal Procedure Code, increased

co-operation from the public obtained by a free use of rewards and the employment of the Civic Guards to strengthen the station staffs for night patrols during the last quarter of the year led to marked results. The percentage of detection during the year was 40 as against 33 in 1939 and 32 in 1938.

The gazetted officers of the Crime Department continued to watch carefully and maintain records of the work of all men in the Crime detachments. Men who were found to lack keenness and interest or who were found to be unsuitable for crime work or who showed no detective ability were removed from the Crime detachments.

The necessity for treating all classes of the public with courtesy has been impressed on all ranks. There were welcome signs of increased co-operation and assistance from the public in the prevention and detection of crime.

There were, as usual, many instances in which the same criminal or set of criminals was responsible for a series of occurrences of the same kind

\* The figures of crime given in this part exclude magistrates' cases.

such as housebreaking, cycle thefts and thefts of jewels from children. To deal with such crimes, special patrols were organized and criminals responsible for several of such series were traced and convicted. Specialization in investigation work was organized during the year. Teams of selected sub-inspectors under their inspectors were allotted for the investigation of particular types of crime such as children jewel thefts, cycle thefts, housebreakings, bungalow thefts, etc. This has worked very satisfactorily.

**19. Nuisance and obstruction cases.**—There has been a considerable increase in the number of nuisance and obstruction cases put up during the year; but there was no proportionate improvement in the result on account of the inadequate sentences awarded by the trying magistrates who continue to labour under a false sense of sympathy with the offenders and a misunderstanding of the sections of the City Police Act (Section 71, clause 9) which had to be corrected by obtaining rulings from the High Court on appeals taken up in a few selected cases. There has been no satisfactory increase in the average fine imposed in these cases in spite of representations in the matter.

Statistics of arrests and convictions for drunkenness are given below :—

| Number arrested. |        | Number convicted. |        |
|------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| Men.             | Women. | Men.              | Women. |
| 3,891            | 129    | 3,884             | 126    |

**20. Cases in which investigation was refused under Section 157 (b), Criminal Procedure Code.**—The following is a statement of cases in which investigation was refused under Section 157 (b), Criminal Procedure Code :—

| Year.             | Total number of cases reported (Charges 1 to V of Statement A, Police). | Cases dealt with under Section 157 (b), Criminal Procedure Code. | Percentage. |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1938 .. .. .      | 3,178                                                                   | 58                                                               | 1.8         |
| 1939 .. .. .      | 4,063                                                                   | 49                                                               | 1.2         |
| 1940 .. .. .      | 4,011                                                                   | 27                                                               | 0.7         |
| Theft (ordinary). |                                                                         |                                                                  |             |
| 1938 .. .. .      | 2,157                                                                   | 57                                                               | 2.8         |
| 1939 .. .. .      | 2,838                                                                   | 47                                                               | 1.7         |
| 1940 .. .. .      | 2,897                                                                   | 27                                                               | 0.9         |

**21. Murder.**—Eighteen cases of murder (five of which were infanticides) were reported in the year. Eight of them ended in conviction, four in acquittal and four are pending trial. Two cases were reported as undetected. The motives for these cases are as follows :—

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Sexual .. .. .          | 4 |
| Private quarrel .. .. . | 8 |
| Other causes .. .. .    | 6 |

**22. Dacoity and robbery.**—A series of three dacoities was committed in the heart of the City during the course of four weeks by a local organization consisting of nine persons. Their *modus operandi* was to attack stray businessmen returning to their homes at nights with cash and other property. The gang was rounded up and charged

in all the three cases and for conspiracy. All the three cases ended in conviction.

Five of the nine robberies ended in conviction. Three ended in acquittal and one was reported as undetected. None of the robberies was the result of organized activity.

**23. Housebreaking.**—351 true cases were reported during the year as against 386 in the previous year with 112 cases detected as against 95 in 1939. The bulk of this type of crime was chiefly due to local criminals. Some were due to outside criminals, particularly up-country Muhammadans who committed a number of burglaries in shops. A large number of these have been rounded up. The Government have under consideration legislation to empower the Commissioner of Police to extern outside criminals who have been repeatedly convicted for property offences.

In one case of burglary the finger-prints left at the scene of burglary led to the tracing of the culprit. In another case in the printing section of the Press in the Penitentiary, the offender who was already undergoing a term of imprisonment was located by the foot-prints left at the scene.

**24. Thefts.**—Thefts increased from 2,756 in 1939 to 2,805 in 1940. This slight increase was as already mentioned due to an increase of thefts of articles of metal as a result of the increase in the price of metal. The graver types of the offence of theft, viz., thefts of jewel from children and cycle thefts showed a decrease during the year. There were 146 cases of thefts from children as against 190 and 315 cases of cycle thefts as against 401 in the previous year.

This satisfactory feature was due to the following special precautionary methods adopted during the year. Cinema slides warning the public to keep their cycles under lock and chain were exhibited in English and in Tamil in various cinema theatres in the City. Periodical distribution of handbills and radio talks on how to prevent cycle thefts were made. Police officers furnished with up-to-date consolidated lists of stolen cycles were detailed at the Corporation licensing office for checking the cycles brought there for obtaining half-yearly licences. Cyclists, buses and lorries were periodically held up by special pickets and the vehicles checked. Special patrols with motor cars and motor cycles were organized to deal with offenders who moved about on cycles and committed theft of jewels from children.

Thirty-six cases of cattle thefts occurred during the year as against 66 in 1939, a decrease by 45 per cent. Twenty-nine cases ended in the conviction of 32 persons.

The average value of property lost in theft cases was Rs. 38 as against Rs. 42 last year per case.

Investigation was refused in 27 cases as against 47 in the previous year. Due care was taken to see that this provision of law was not abused.

During the year under review nine cases of counterfeiting coins came to light. Five of these ended in conviction.

**25. Criminal breach of trust.**—Cases of this kind decreased from 225 in 1939 to 170 in 1940. 108 cases ended in conviction and 108 persons were convicted.

**26. Cheating.**—One hundred and nineteen cases were reported during the year as against 109 in

the previous year. The following cases are of particular note :—

(1) Defalcation and cheating by a clerk (Srirangarajan) of the Accountant-General's office where he misappropriated by forgery and cheating a sum of Rs. 23,000. The case ended in conviction.

(2) A gang of cheats from Hyderabad pretending to be a Nawab and his followers cheated a local Marwari money-lender of Rs. 14,000 by a clever trick of substitution. They sealed a box of jewels in the presence of the money-lender but before delivery to him substituted it for another containing four blocks of lead. The Marwari grew suspicious after a few days and petitioned the police but would not have the box opened. The box was therefore X-rayed and this disclosed the presence of pieces of metal in place of the articles of jewellery. The gang has since been located in Hyderabad and the jewels have been seized. Extradition proceedings are in progress. This gang was found also to be responsible for a series of similar frauds in Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Bombay, Bangalore, Kurnool and other places.

(3) An Advocate of Madras and his clerk in conspiracy with two of his clients in Tanjore district created false records purporting to relate to a Privy Council Decree for a large sum and on the strength of those documents cheated a number of persons to the extent of Rs. 30,000. All the four stand charged under Sections 120-B, 420 and 467-A, Indian Penal Code.

(4) The case in which two well-known businessmen of this Province started a concern called "The Sugar and General Investment Trust", collected share money to the extent of about Rs. 98,000 and misappropriated the same is under investigation.

#### 27. Property lost and recovered—

| Offences.                                                               | Number of cases. |                     | Property lost. | Property recovered. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|
|                                                                         | Property stolen. | Property recovered. | RS.            | RS.                 |
| Thefts in conjunction with housebreaking.                               | 319              | 95                  | 26,813         | 4,852               |
| Other thefts .. .. .                                                    | 2,816            | 1,361               | 1,08,555       | 20,265              |
| Dacoity .. .. .                                                         | 3                | 3                   | 634            | 100                 |
| Robbery .. .. .                                                         | 9                | 6                   | 407            | 262                 |
| Criminal breach of trust, Sections 406, 408 and 409, Indian Penal Code. | 170              | 95                  | 84,589         | 9,186               |
| Total .. .. .                                                           | 3,317            | 1,560               | 2,20,998       | 34,665              |

Remarks.—Recoveries made in the year of property lost in cases of previous years—Rs. 7,713.

A comparative statement for the past three years is given below. This shows an appreciable decrease in the value of property lost and a slight increase in the percentage of recovery :—

| Year.        | Lost.    | Recovered. | Percentage. |
|--------------|----------|------------|-------------|
|              | RS.      | RS.        |             |
| 1938 .. .. . | 4,15,776 | 37,648     | 9.05        |
| 1939 .. .. . | 3,25,888 | 49,119     | 15.1        |
| 1940 .. .. . | 2,20,998 | 34,665     | 15.7        |

**28. Results in cases prosecuted.**—The number of cases (excluding cases under Nuisances and Special and Local Laws) brought to trial and decided was 2,018. Of these, 1,799 or 89 per cent ended in conviction. In these cases, 2,329 persons were tried and 2,044 or 87.8 per cent were convicted. Of the 125,877 cases of cognizable crime

prosecuted by the police under the Indian Penal Code, Nuisances and Special and Local Laws, 124,850 or 99.2 per cent ended in conviction.

**29. Prosecuting staff.**—The prosecuting staff prosecuted 3,491 cases as against 3,901 in the previous year and 2,845 or 81.5 per cent ended in conviction. Consequent on the savings effected by the reorganization of the Mounted Branch, one additional prosecuting inspector was sanctioned by Government during the year.

**30. False cases.**—Thirteen cases were struck off as wilfully and maliciously false as against 14 in the previous year. In 4 cases, the complainants were prosecuted for preferring false complaints. Of the total cognizable crime prosecuted by the police during the year under the Indian Penal Code and Special and Local Laws, no case was declared false after trial.

**31. Escapes.**—Four prisoners escaped from police custody and they were recaptured during the year. Three constables were departmentally punished for this.

**32. Cases referred by magistrates.**—The number of cases referred to the police by the magistrates under Section 202, Criminal Procedure Code, increased from 15 in 1939 to 47 in 1940.

**33. Gambling and opium dens.**—Ninety-four gambling dens were successfully raided during the year as against 92 in 1939 and 63 in 1938. The average fine per case in 1938 was Rs. 38, in 1939 Rs. 46 and in 1940 Rs. 53. The average fine per person in 1938 was Rs. 6-0-7, in 1939 Rs. 7-10-3 and in 1940 Rs. 9-0-8. More vigorous action was taken in all divisions in this respect.

**Street gambling.**—1,057 persons were convicted in 1940 as against 720 in 1939. This remarkable increase was mostly due to the more energetic action taken by the divisional police against this form of crime in the City. The average fine in 1940 was Rs. 4-3-0 per case as compared with Rs. 4-4-0 per case in 1939. The average fine per person was Rs. 1-12-8 in 1938, Rs. 1-9-11 in 1939 and Rs. 1-7-1 in 1940.

**Bucket shops.**—A vigorous and more sustained drive against bucket shops was carried on with the result that 366 successful raids were conducted in 1940 as against 301 in 1939 and 141 in 1938. 347 persons were convicted in 1940 as against 269 in 1939. The average fine per case in 1937 was Rs. 44-2-0 and there has been a gradual fall to Rs. 32-2-0 in 1938, Rs. 29-15-0 in 1939 and Rs. 29-7-0 in 1940. The average fine per person in 1938 was Rs. 21-5-7, in 1939 Rs. 23-13-4 and in 1940 Rs. 22-2-2. In previous years, the average fines in street gambling, house gambling and bucket shop cases have been calculated on the number of cases convicted. In these cases, there are usually more than one accused and at times even as many as 10 or more, and to gauge the deterrent effect of fines I have this year furnished the average fine per person convicted. This will give a clearer picture of the situation. It will now be seen from these figures that the average fine per person is very low and cannot have any deterrent effect. The magistrates are impervious to argument and fail to realize the demoralizing effect of the numerous prosecutions resulting in nominal fines. It is needless to say that the fines imposed by the magistrates in bucket shop cases are ridiculously low and are not in keeping with the seriousness and

persistence of the offenders and with the task involved in the detection and trial of such cases. In many instances, the same offenders have been charged more than once for the same offence and the magistrates have imposed the same nominal fine each time without taking into account the previous convictions. It is obvious that encouraged by these nominal fines the offenders carry on with impunity as the return they get is very attractive. The magistrates still fail to realize the demoralizing effect which this evil has on the public and in spite of the increasing number of prosecutions launched by the police year after year this evil has not abated.

My remarks in the administration reports of 1938 and 1939 may be perused and Government may be pleased to take necessary action. I may state that unless magistrates change their present policy and co-operate with the police who are making a determined drive against bucket shops, the evil cannot be eradicated and the police efforts will only be in vain.

In this connection, I may mention that all the seven bucket shop organizations in the City, apart from the numerous agents, were successfully raided during the year and the principal organizers are undergoing trial and keenly contesting their cases. Two instances have come to notice in which the organizers have cheated punters by refusing to pay large amounts due on winning bets. There are many other instances in which agents have similarly cheated the public for small amounts but the punters are reluctant to report as they have themselves committed an offence by betting in bucket shops.

In one of the two instances of cheating by the organizers, a test case was brought under Section 51, City Police Act, and the case has been undergoing a very slow trial for the last seven months in the Court of an Honorary Magistrate in Egmore. I may also add that on account of perverse interpretation of the law and improper appreciation of the evidence, some cases were acquitted by the stipendiary and honorary magistrates. I reported these cases to Government and Government were pleased to take the cases on appeal to the High Court. The High Court set aside the orders of the magistrates and convicted the accused in all the cases taken on appeal. In spite of this, cases on the same point of law are still being acquitted without due attention being paid to the recent High Court decisions. It is not possible to take up every case on appeal.

In my administration report for 1939, I reported the colossal profit of Rs. 2,18,531 made by "The New Sports Club," one of the bucket shop organizations in the City. On 30th December 1940, "The Aryan Sports Club," another such organization, was raided by a gazetted police officer and an examination of their accounts for four race days, i.e., on 21st, 24th, 26th and 28th December 1940 disclosed a total business of Rs. 48,133 and a net profit of Rs. 10,556.

I have again to stress the fact that when these organizations are found to be making such huge profits without any risk, no useful results can be obtained by the police however determined their efforts without the co-operation of the magistrates. Sentences of imprisonment alone will have the desired effect on the organizers.

**34. Suppression of Immoral Traffic Act.**—A vigorous campaign against brothels was again carried on during the year. 34 brothels were successfully raided in 1940 as against 47 in 1939. The police are very much handicapped in putting down this even in the City for want of co-operation from the public and the magistrates who still insist upon the impossible procedure of adducing the evidence of persons who had visited a brothel prior to the raid for proving that a place has been habitually used as a brothel.

Twenty-four girls were rescued during the year as against 43 in 1939 and sent to the Rescue Home. In this connexion, I would like to point out that the Madras Vigilance Association Rescue Home has been of great use not only in affording shelter to the girls rescued from brothels but also in preventing the brothel keepers from tampering with their evidence.

**35. Criminal Tribes Act.**—During the year 6 Yanadis and 2 Donga Dasaris (seven males and one female) were re-registered under the Criminal Tribes Act.

Thirty-two criminal tribe members were removed from the register, 13 on their death and 19 for good conduct.

Details of the registered resident criminal tribe members in the City on 31st December 1940 are furnished below :—

*Criminal Tribe Members (Tribe-war).*

|                                                 | Males. | Females. |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| 1 Madras City Koravars .. .. .                  | 285    | 17       |
| 2 Madras City Jogis .. .. .                     | 11     | 1        |
| 3 Madras City Yanadis .. .. .                   | 12     | ..       |
| 4 Chingleput Koravars .. .. .                   | 15     | ..       |
| 5 Chingleput Adi-Dravidas .. .. .               | 7      | ..       |
| 6 Chingleput Kal-Oddars .. .. .                 | 8      | ..       |
| 7 Chingleput Jogis .. .. .                      | 8      | ..       |
| 8 Chingleput Kepmaris .. .. .                   | 1      | ..       |
| 9 Chittoor Koravars .. .. .                     | 12     | ..       |
| 10 Chittoor Donga Dasaris .. .. .               | ..     | 2        |
| 11 Cuddapah Yerakalas .. .. .                   | 2      | ..       |
| 12 South Arcot Irulars .. .. .                  | 2      | ..       |
| 13 South Arcot Veppur Adi-Dravidas .. .. .      | 4      | ..       |
| 14 North Arcot Sakkarathamadai Koravars .. .. . | 5      | ..       |
| 15 North Arcot Chengampundi Koravars .. .. .    | 2      | ..       |
| 16 North Arcot Ponnai Koravars .. .. .          | 10     | ..       |
| 17 North Arcot Dubai Koravars .. .. .           | 4      | ..       |
| 18 North Arcot Uppu Koravars .. .. .            | 1      | ..       |
| 19 Nellore Yanadis .. .. .                      | 3      | ..       |
| 20 Nellore Dommaras .. .. .                     | 1      | ..       |
| 21 Nellore Donga Dasaris .. .. .                | 4      | 4        |
| 22 Madura South Piramalai Kallars .. .. .       | 1      | ..       |
| 23 Salem Melur Nattu Koravars .. .. .           | 1      | ..       |
| 24 Tanjore Uppu Koravars .. .. .                | 1      | ..       |
| 25 Trichinopoly Thogamalai Koravars .. .. .     | 1      | ..       |
|                                                 | 399    | 24       |
| Total .. .. .                                   | 423    |          |

Of these, 13 are in jail, 8 out of view, 3 exempted from reporting under rule 18 of the Criminal Tribes Act Rules and the rest under obligation to report under Section 10 or 11 of the Criminal Tribes Act.

Orders to report were in force against 32 as against 30 on 1st January 1940, the remainder being under abeyance.

16 instances criminal tribe members who violated the conditions imposed on them were warned while in the case of 14 members who persisted in violating the rules and who were also suspected to have been absent with criminal intent, prosecutions were launched. Twelve of them were convicted while 2 are still under trial.

**36. Prevention.**—There was a very large increase in the volume of work turned out by the City Police under the preventive sections during 1940. Many of these preventive arrests disclosed series of unreported cases. As many as 1,937 persons were arrested under the preventive sections as against 1,194 in 1939 and 402 in 1938.

The number of habitual criminals under the surveillance of the police on 31st December 1940 was 583 as against 600 in 1939 and 546 in 1938. 195 bad characters were convicted during the year. 187 persons were sentenced to enhanced punishment under Section 75, Indian Penal Code, and 61 persons were ordered to notify residence or change of residence under Section 565, Criminal Procedure Code. 23 persons were convicted for failure to notify residence or change of residence.

Prosecutions for bad livelihood were instituted against 80 persons of whom 77 were bound over.

One hundred and twenty-five persons were convicted under Section 64, City Police Act, and 261 persons under Section 65, City Police Act. 1,831 finger-print slips were sent for record. 2,753 references were made to the Finger-Print Bureau and antecedents were traced in 942 cases. During the year one ex-convict was prematurely released. He did not resort to crime and it was not found possible to provide him with a job.

At the close of the Fourth High Court Criminal Sessions of 1940 which lasted for two months and three days, the presiding judge paid a high compliment to the police in the open court. His observations are as under :—

"It struck me that the investigating officers connected with Police Department have done their work conscientiously and with scrupulous regard for truth. I did not find a single instance of embellishment of the evidence, much less of any attempt at manipulation. Indeed, there was one case which I very distinctly remember and in which the dying declaration gave a particular hour and the prosecution evidence tended to show that the hour at which the occurrence took place was totally different and there was between the two an interval of nearly four hours. Temptation would have been very great for people who are not very scrupulous to make the prosecution story coincide with the statements contained in the dying declaration. I appreciate the fact that the police did not make the slightest endeavour to trim the evidence or to make the evidence appear in a way which was not the true light. My experience of police work is not very extensive but the cases that came before me oblige me to pay this compliment to the police and I hope that in the discharge of their onerous and responsible duties they will adhere to truth whatever the result of the prosecution might finally be. I am very glad to bear this testimony to the conduct of the police which is marked by a sense of duty and by a desire not to yield to temptation which I hear people say the police very often yield to. If the police do their work in the way in which they have done in

the cases that came before me, I should say that that criticism is an unmerited one."

**37. Crime Record Section.**—Fifty-one new histories were opened and the histories of four persons were brought from the "Inactive" to the "Active" list, as they reverted to crime. The histories of 20 persons who died were destroyed and the histories of 7 persons were discarded during the year. The total number of histories at the end of the year was 1,511 comprising 1,018 for resident criminals, 130 for Chingleput district criminals and 363 for other district criminals. Of the resident criminals, 811 were classified as "active" and closely watched. During the year new indexes were opened for the following :—

- (1) Bad characters having dealings 90  
with pawn shop keepers and their  
known methods of disposal of  
stolen property.
- (2) Pawn shop keepers having deal- 108  
ings with bad characters.
- (3) Bad characters of mufassal dis- 381  
tricts who have operated in Madras  
City during the last seven years.

The total number of index cards under all classifications opened during the year was 3,449. The total number of cards at the end of the year was 21,580. The number of general information files at the end of the year was 638.

The number of out-of-view known depredators was 173 and strenuous efforts were made to trace them.

Investigating sub-inspectors and divisional inspectors regularly visited the Record Section. The section publishes a daily Crime and Occurrence Sheet, Fortnightly Summary and other publications regularly. The retention of the temporary staff of 3 sub-inspectors, 6 head constables and 5 constables was sanctioned for a further period of two years from 4th August 1940.

**38. Photographic Section.**—The Photographic Section continued to do another year's useful work.

Card albums of 50 active cycle thieves of the City were prepared and distributed to all the stations in the City and Traffic Department. In addition to this, albums of active burglars and children jewel thieves present in the City were prepared and supplied to 'X' station investigating officers.

**39. Intelligence Section.**—The work in connection with the Registration of Foreigners Act, the Registration (Emergency Powers) Act and the issue of passports and visas during the hot weather were dealt with in this section. Temporary establishments were sanctioned to cope with the additional duties which devolved on this section consequent on the outbreak of the War.

During the year 7,916 references were dealt with in this section as against 6,786 during the previous year.

Assistance was also rendered to the Harbour Police in checking passports of passengers arriving by the Rangoon boats and in keeping a look-out for suspicious arrivals, smuggled arms, prohibited literature, etc. 2,051 foreigners as against 1,400

in the previous year were noted and reported to the Special Branch.

On 19th December 1940 the officers of the Central Crime Station located and arrested Mohan Kumaramangalam and three of his active communists and seized a large quantity of communist and other objectionable literature. Mohan Kumaramangalam and another of the arrested persons were wanted for detention under the Defence of India Rules and had gone underground. They formed the headquarters of the Communist Party of India for the Presidency and were vigorously organizing objectionable activities among students and various sections of labour and disseminating illegal communist doctrine and literature. A case for conspiracy and under the Defence of India Rules is under investigation.

**Political meetings.**—147 political meetings as against 326 in the previous year, and 220 labour meetings as against 282 in the previous year were attended by shorthand sub-inspectors and proceedings were recorded and reported. Three political conferences, as against three and one labour conference as against one in the previous year were held.

**Press work.**—Security was demanded under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act in respect of six periodicals. As usual, particulars were supplied to Government regarding newly started and revived journals and their editors and publishers and keepers of presses. Newspapers and periodicals were checked and particulars necessary for the compilation of the annual return were supplied to the Chief Presidency Magistrate.

## PART III

## Traffic Department.

**40. Office.**—During the year the office was reorganized and the staff was increased. The full benefits of this have not yet been experienced owing to the increase of work which took place as a result of the new Motor Vehicles Act coming into force. The re-registration of over 5,000 vehicles has been accomplished. The histories of public service vehicle owners have all been re-written. New index cards for over 10,000 issues and renewals of driving licences were prepared. In spite of this extra work, there has been an improvement in administration, even though the additional staff which was asked for was not sanctioned.

The taxation staff continued to be vigilant and there is very little evasion of tax. As against 159 cases of detection of foreign cars entering the City without paying tax in 1939, there were 263 in the year under report with a collection of the sum of Rs. 3,771-12-0 as against Rs. 2,311 in 1939. The taxation staff has also been successful in detecting 29 cases of vehicles running without current permits or brake certificates.

During the year it was discovered that 10 h.p. 'Opel' cars actually weighed more than 15 cwt. though the manufacturers had mentioned the weight as 14 to 15 cwt. and was accepted as such. Notices were issued to 97 'Opel' car owners of Madras City to produce their vehicles for re-weighment. 64 of them were produced and 57 weighed more than 15 cwt. An extra sum of Rs. 427-8-0 has been realized this quarter and this will result in an annual increase of taxation revenue by nearly Rs. 2,000.

**General licences.**—In June 1940, as a consequence of the reorganization of the audit and other branches of the Commissioner's Office, the issuing of arms, cinema, eating-house licences, etc., was transferred to the Central Office and five clerks were transferred to the Central Office.

## 41. Statistics.—

## Registration of vehicles, issue of permits, etc.

|                                 | 1938.  | 1939.  | 1940.  |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Registrations—                  |        |        |        |
| Private cars .. .. .            | 903    | 984    | 574    |
| Motor cycles .. .. .            | 49     | 79     | 34     |
| Buses .. .. .                   | 60     | 87     | 23     |
| Lorries .. .. .                 | 176    | 124    | 63     |
| New taxis .. .. .               | 16     | 10     | ..     |
| Fire engine .. .. .             | ..     | ..     | 1      |
| Issue of—                       |        |        |        |
| Driving licences .. .. .        | 12,310 | 11,881 | 12,008 |
| Permits for buses .. .. .       | 304    | 495    | 447    |
| Permits for lorries .. .. .     | 670    | 512    | 478    |
| Permits for taxis .. .. .       | 105    | 134    | 158    |
| Hackney carriages—Registration— |        |        |        |
| Victorias .. .. .               | 18     | 17     | 15     |
| Jatkas .. .. .                  | 613    | 506    | 447    |
| Bullock carts .. .. .           | 783    | 725    | 528    |
| Rickshaws .. .. .               | 5,293  | 4,298  | 4,217  |
| Cycles .. .. .                  | 33,085 | 32,518 | 33,405 |

(Licensed in last complete six months.)

## Number of vehicles which paid tax in Madras City.

|                       | For the quarter ending 31st March 1939. | For the quarter ending 30th June 1939. | For the quarter ending 30th September 1939. | For the quarter ending 31st December 1939. |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Motor cycles .. .. .  | 410                                     | 381                                    | 494                                         | 424                                        |
| Lorries .. .. .       | 527                                     | 497                                    | 538                                         | 414                                        |
| Taxis .. .. .         | 108                                     | 117                                    | 113                                         | 109                                        |
| Buses .. .. .         | 351                                     | 433                                    | 357                                         | 361                                        |
| Pleasure cars .. .. . | 5,136                                   | 4,982                                  | 4,968                                       | 4,654                                      |
| Total .. .. .         | 6,532                                   | 6,410                                  | 6,465                                       | 5,962                                      |

|                       | For the quarter ending 31st March 1940. | For the quarter ending 30th June 1940. | For the quarter ending 30th September 1940. | For the quarter ending 31st December 1940. |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Motor cycles .. .. .  | 408                                     | 423                                    | 409                                         | 403                                        |
| Lorries .. .. .       | 481                                     | 378                                    | 408                                         | 403                                        |
| Taxis .. .. .         | 116                                     | 113                                    | 106                                         | 84                                         |
| Buses .. .. .         | 365                                     | 343                                    | 299                                         | 353                                        |
| Pleasure cars .. .. . | 5,010                                   | 4,841                                  | 4,438                                       | 4,587                                      |
| Total .. .. .         | 6,440                                   | 6,096                                  | 5,655                                       | 5,839                                      |

## Number of short-term licences issued to pleasure cars in Madras City.

|                                       | 1939.   |          | 1940.   |          |
|---------------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
|                                       | Weekly. | Monthly. | Weekly. | Monthly. |
| Quarter ending 31st March .. .. .     | 52      | 6        | 76      | 16       |
| Quarter ending 30th June .. .. .      | 39      | 7        | 40      | 5        |
| Quarter ending 30th September .. .. . | 40      | 6        | 52      | 3        |
| Quarter ending 31st December .. .. .  | 40      | 8        | 71      | 16       |
| Total .. .. .                         | 171     | 27       | 239     | 40       |

**42. Accidents.**—Comparative figures of any practical value are still lacking. Figures required by the Government are furnished quarterly. Owing to the wording of the original orders on the subject only those accidents were recorded in which fatal injuries or grievous hurt as defined in the Indian Penal Code, were caused. For the last two quarters in 1940 the orders were slightly changed and all accidents are now being recorded unless only material damage or trivial injury was caused in an accident. At the same time, in order to take adequate steps for the prevention of accidents, as many accidents, or even incidents, as possible should be included for analysis. It is only by ascertaining the causes of a very large number of cases over a considerable period of time and over a wide area, that measures can be taken to abolish these causes, and for this reason the Traffic Department now records all accidents

for the purpose of analysis. Incidentally, restrictive measures which are invariably by their very nature irksome to the public, can be rendered somewhat more palatable if the authorities can show good reasons for such measures. Haphazard measures are productive of more harm than good.

A sub-inspector of the investigation staff is permanently employed on statistical work, and some advance towards the scientific and systematic study of City accidents is being made. It is repeated that the following figures include all accidents, trivial as well as major, but comparative figures cannot be furnished as data for many of the classifications that are given have only been available since June 1939. Unless otherwise indicated, the figures relate to 1940.

|                                                | Number of accidents. |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Areas where accidents are heaviest—            |                      |
| Mount Road .. .. .                             | 255                  |
| China Bazaar Road .. .. .                      | 122                  |
| Poonamallee High Road .. .. .                  | 93                   |
| Broadway .. .. .                               | 73                   |
| Royapetta High Road .. .. .                    | 65                   |
| General Hospital Road .. .. .                  | 60                   |
| North Beach Road .. .. .                       | 59                   |
| Wall Tax Road .. .. .                          | 51                   |
| Elephant Gate Bridge .. .. .                   | 32                   |
| Fort Road .. .. .                              | 27                   |
|                                                | 837                  |
| Straight roads .. .. .                         | 1,523                |
| Road junctions .. .. .                         | 194                  |
| Cross roads .. .. .                            | 53                   |
| Places controlled by police or traffic signal. | 33                   |
|                                                | 1,803                |

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Persons responsible—              |     |
| Pedestrians .. .. .               | 542 |
| Drivers of motor vehicles .. .. . | 538 |
| Drivers of other vehicles .. .. . | 357 |
| Pedal cyclists .. .. .            | 309 |
| Passengers .. .. .                | 57  |

|                                                           |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Pedestrians—                                              |     |
| Running and crossing .. .. .                              | 363 |
| Walking in roadway .. .. .                                | 57  |
| Playing .. .. .                                           | 46  |
| Confused by traffic .. .. .                               | 29  |
| Sleeping, sitting and standing .. .. .                    | 28  |
| Defective vision .. .. .                                  | 6   |
| Drunkenness .. .. .                                       | 6   |
| Defective hearing .. .. .                                 | 5   |
| Boys hanging behind carts .. .. .                         | 2   |
|                                                           | 542 |
| Motor vehicles—                                           |     |
| Negligent (high speed, inattentive and careless) driving. | 219 |
| Overtaking negligently or curving in or out.              | 126 |

## 43. Statement of killed and injured (six month periods from July 1939)—

|                                              | Pedestrians. | Cyclists. | Drivers of motor vehicles. | Jatka drivers. | Bullock cart drivers. | Rickshaw pullers. | Hand cart pullers. | Passengers. | Total. |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------|
| 1939.                                        |              |           |                            |                |                       |                   |                    |             |        |
| From 1st July to 31st December 1939—Injured. | 335          | 117       | 17                         | 4              | 3                     | 20                | 27                 | 74          | 597    |
| Whole of 1939—Killed.                        | 21           | 5         | ..                         | ..             | 1                     | 1                 | 2                  | 3           | 33     |
| 1940.                                        |              |           |                            |                |                       |                   |                    |             |        |
| From 1st January to 30th June 1940—Injured.  | 333          | 107       | 16                         | 6              | 2                     | 12                | 19                 | 49          | 544    |
| From 1st July to 31st December 1940—Injured. | 281          | 97        | 7                          | 6              | 8                     | 14                | 24                 | 57          | 494    |
| Whole of 1940—Killed.                        | 19           | 3         | ..                         | ..             | 1                     | 1                 | 2                  | 4           | 30     |

|                                                                   | Number of accidents. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Emerging from side streets or ways or entrances.                  | 37                   |
| Following vehicles too closely .. .. .                            | 29                   |
| Bad reversing .. .. .                                             | 25                   |
| Swerving in front of moving vehicles or turning into side street. | 25                   |
| Defective mechanism (brakes, steering or open doors).             | 22                   |
| Inadequate clearance .. .. .                                      | 16                   |
| Rounding corners on the wrong side .. .. .                        | 13                   |
| Disobeying traffic signal .. .. .                                 | 6                    |
| Disregarding off-side rule .. .. .                                | 6                    |
| Off-side parking .. .. .                                          | 5                    |
| Sudden application of brakes and injuring inmates.                | 3                    |
| Driving under influence of liquor .. .. .                         | 3                    |
| Motor cyclists slipping .. .. .                                   | 2                    |
| Glaring head lights .. .. .                                       | 1                    |
|                                                                   | 538                  |

**Other vehicles.**—Most of the rickshaw pullers (out of 122) caused accidents by swerving in front of fast vehicles. The hand carters away in dragging heavy loads especially in up-hill climbs. The drivers of horse and bullock drawn vehicles were responsible for not keeping to their proper side of the road and also in not showing the signals before intending to turn.

|                                                                                          | Number of accidents. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Pedal cyclists—                                                                          |                      |
| Negligent (high speed, inattentive and careless) riding.                                 | 127                  |
| Emerging from side streets or crossing suddenly.                                         | 55                   |
| Turning in front of or behind vehicles without signal or warnings and into side streets. | 52                   |
| Overtaking or cutting in or out .. .. .                                                  | 25                   |
| Disobeying traffic signals .. .. .                                                       | 18                   |
| Not due to collisions (self-falling) .. .. .                                             | 12                   |
| Rounding corners on the wrong side .. .. .                                               | 10                   |
| Inefficient brakes .. .. .                                                               | 5                    |
| Confused by traffic .. .. .                                                              | 3                    |
| Double riding .. .. .                                                                    | 2                    |
|                                                                                          | 309                  |

**Passengers (57).**—Most of the cases are due to passengers alighting from trams in motion. About 21 boys were injured when stealthily riding on trams and buses and jumping off the vehicles when observed and while the vehicles were in motion.

## Peak periods of accidents—

|                               | PER CENT |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| 12 midnight to 6 a.m. .. .. . | 1.7      |
| 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. .. .. .      | 11.5     |
| 9 a.m. to 12 noon .. .. .     | 26.3     |
| 12 noon to 3 p.m. .. .. .     | 16.4     |
| 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. .. .. .      | 25.8     |
| 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. .. .. .      | 15.6     |
| 9 p.m. to 12 midnight .. .. . | 2.7      |

44. **Traffic control.**—1940 saw the permanent adoption of the road patrol system which has undoubtedly proved its efficacy in places like the Thousand Lights Bazaar on the Mount Road and China Bazaar. These patrols have only been found by removing men from point duty. Traffic at such points loses the advantages of a controlled junction but on the whole more traffic receives benefit from the clearer roads produced by the road patrols. Furthermore, the accident figures show that it was the straight stretches of the Mount Road and China Bazaar which contribute more accidents than junctions. There is no doubt that in this very backward City, progress in this direction by a large increase in road patrols would bring about a very vast improvement. As soon as financial considerations justify this increase, it should take place, particularly because such an increase would not require to be permanent. Road patrols provide compulsory education in Road Sense. The more Road Sense is acquired the less need there is for the Traffic Police. Before the final disbandment of the special forces enrolled as a result of the War, the Government might consider the value of employing them as extra Traffic Police. It is emphasised that such an increase in the Traffic Department need only be temporary.

The whole of the Traffic Department were engaged throughout the year in a matter very closely connected with the object of road patrols, namely, general Road Sense Propaganda work. Nearly every school in the City has its own teacher or other who has spoken to on the subject, and the Corporation were persuaded to send two of their employees to Bombay to undergo a course in Safety First lectures. A scheme is now under preparation with the Education Officer to have one teacher in every school thoroughly trained so that all school children can receive regular instruction. In the same connection the use of the portable loud speakers has proved of great assistance and together with the van that has been felt for a van for the Traffic Department, work in this direction has led to a request being made to the Government for a specially fitted van. This, I am glad to say, has been sanctioned.

An earlier experiment was brought to an end during the year. An attempt was made to centralise the work of the department as a result of the introduction of road patrols with the idea that these might be posted to any required place in the City as and where they were required. For want of means of transport, and sufficiently rapid means of communication, this system did not prove satisfactory, and sergeants had under this system far too high responsibility. Decentralization was, therefore, ordered and responsibilities in the sergeants' groups have been specified. The out-door staff, inadequate as it is for the amount of traffic in Madras, have had extra work to do as a result of lighting restrictions. The difficulty of proving that a particular driver was in charge of a vehicle in respect of which an offence at night has been detected, hinders enforcement against the small minority which has deliberately not co-operated in making the obscuration restrictions completely successful. The restrictions have not resulted in any increase in accidents. On the other hand a sharp decrease took place immediately after the restrictions came into force. This, however, was very much the result

of a special campaign in which two to three hundred volunteers took part. The results which these special efforts achieved afford very clear proof of the necessity for a Safety First Association that can make these campaigns a regular feature. There is no doubt that accidents can be reduced if the public can be persuaded to take steps. A branch of the Safety First Association has been formed and it is to be hoped that it will be productive of much good. Such an Association deserves all the encouragement and support that it can obtain both from the Government as well as the public.

**Traffic offences.**—The following statement gives a comprehensive view of police action taken in their attempt to control road traffic in Madras :—

#### Motor Vehicles Act and Road Traffic Rules.

|                                                                                                                                                                     | 1939.     |          | 1940.     |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
|                                                                                                                                                                     | Division. | Traffic. | Division. | Traffic. |
| Warnings issued for excessive use of horns, no tail lights or head lights, indistinct number plates, lighting restrictions and speeding and parking without lights. | ..        | 1,595    | ..        | 1,237    |
| Prosecutions under—                                                                                                                                                 |           |          |           |          |
| Section 304-A, I.P.C.                                                                                                                                               | ..        | 11       | ..        | 6        |
| Sections 337 and 338, I.P.C.                                                                                                                                        | ..        | 4        | ..        | 121      |
| Section 5, M. V. Act (rash driving).                                                                                                                                | ..        | 12       | 1         | 27       |
| Section 6, M. V. Act (without driving licence).                                                                                                                     | ..        | 36       | 4         | 56       |
| Rule 254, M. V. Rules (without due care).                                                                                                                           | ..        | 45       | ..        | 168      |
| Other traffic cases ..                                                                                                                                              | ..        | 336      | ..        | 94       |
| Total ..                                                                                                                                                            | ..        | 405      | ..        | 1,419    |
| Disciplinary action, suspension, etc.                                                                                                                               | ..        | 837      | ..        | 2,762    |
| Grand total ..                                                                                                                                                      | ..        | 405      | ..        | 2,762    |

#### Cycles.

|                           |    |            |
|---------------------------|----|------------|
| Prosecution for—          | .. | 888        |
| Neglect of traffic signal | .. | 1,434      |
| Without lights            | .. | 342        |
| Without reflectors        | .. | 874        |
| Carrying second person    | .. | 3,538      |
| Total number of cases ..  | .. | Re. 0 10 6 |
| Average fine ..           | .. |            |

#### Hackney carriages.

|                                               |    |       |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|-------|
| Prosecution for—                              | .. | 675   |
| Unlicensed rickshaws                          | .. | 489   |
| Without plates                                | .. | 3,100 |
| Without pullers' licence                      | .. | 505   |
| Allowing unlicensed persons to pull or drive. | .. | 411   |
| Without badge                                 | .. | 1,173 |
| Plying with time-expired badge                | .. | 3,513 |
| Carrying more than one person                 | .. | 1,646 |
| Obstruction                                   | .. | 2     |
| Using counterfeit plates                      | .. |       |

**Road lay-outs.**—Informal discussions between this department and the Corporation resulted this year in regular consultations between the two authorities whenever road works are contemplated. It is time that these consultations were placed on a statutory basis. The success of these consultations depended entirely on the personal willingness of individual officers in the Corporation to

co-operate with the Department which is particularly indebted to Mr. Pulla Reddi, the Corporation Commissioner, and his Engineering staff for the ready response to all suggestions that have been put forward. New pavements have been constructed, old pavements have been cleared of obstructions, road junctions altered as a result of their work but a very great deal of improvement is still required. To facilitate extension in the work of improving roads it is suggested that statutory orders should issue regarding the joint responsibility of the Corporation and the Traffic Department in such matters.

Roundabout systems of traffic control at complicated junctions were introduced in two very important places and also in a few more less important points. There seems to be no doubt as to their success in spite of the fact that all have been constructed without any attempt to acquire corners for the purpose of extending carriage ways. The assistance of the Corporation officers in this connection was indispensable.

45. **Hackney carriages.**—The Government have sanctioned an addition of 1 sub-inspector, 1 head constable and 4 constables to this Department with effect from the 1st of January 1941 to cope with the increase in work. There are now 3 sub-inspectors and a staff of 1 head constable and 4 constables under each sub-inspector. They have been placed under the 3 sergeants-major who will have direct control of these vehicles within their ranges. The Hackney Carriage Act has since been amended giving power to the Commissioner to limit the number of vehicles to be registered annually and a more efficient control will be aimed at.

#### Petroleum Act.

|                                                                            | 1939. | 1940. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Licence to possess carbide of calcium (Form B).                            | 2     | 2     |
| Licence to store dangerous petroleum (not more than 60 gallons) (Form I).  | 26    | 22    |
| Licence to import dangerous petroleum (not more than 60 gallons) (Form H). | 36    | 26    |

#### Hackney Carriage Act.

|                                          |       |       |
|------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Number of hackney carriages registered.  | 1,248 | 1,070 |
| Number of rickshaws registered           | 4,298 | 4,217 |
| Number of drivers' licences issued       | 1,292 | 1,261 |
| Number of rickshawmen's licences issued. | 4,586 | 4,569 |

#### PART IV.

#### Miscellaneous.

46. **Fire Brigade.**—The Fire Brigade has continued to work efficiently. For a Provincial capital City with 645,586 inhabitants, it is most inadequate. The question of its reorganization is still under consideration by the Corporation Council. An efficient Fire Brigade for a City of the size of Madras is not a job for part-time amateurs; full-time trained professionals are an urgent necessity. Petty adjustments and acquisitions here and there are a mere waste of time and money. Full scale reorganization to bring the Fire Brigade into line with other modern Fire Brigades is urgently called for. The proposal of the Corporation to allot funds for the Fire Brigade after reorganization, on the basis of the last two years' expenditure will entirely preclude any possibility of reorganization or improvement.

One new Dennis fire engine and 2 new Dennis trailer pumps were brought on to the strength during the year and the old No. 1 fire engine was taken out of commission.

The Fire Crews were taught the new type of drill as followed by modern Fire Brigade. The Corporation cleaners and lascars have now been incorporated in and trained as members of the Fire Fighting Crews instead of being little more than spectators as in the past. The system is working very well and is a great improvement over the old method.

The blue uniforms and smoke respirators mentioned in last year's report have now been issued.

The Fire Brigade turned out for 55 fires at which engines actually worked during the year 1940 as against 56 in 1939.

47. **Missing children.**—499 injured and helpless persons were removed to hospitals or their homes or other institutions as against 216 in the previous year. In 1940, 75 foundlings, 265 boys and 139 girls under the age of 17 years were reported missing. Of these, 237 boys and 130 girls were traced.

48. **Inquests.**—272 inquests were held during the year as against 341 in the previous year.

49. **Mentally deranged persons.**—192 mentally defective persons were sent to the Mental Hospital as against 164 in the previous year.

50. **General.**—1940 has been a comparatively peaceful year. There were few labour strikes, the most prominent being the beedi workers' strike which lasted for about a week and was confined mostly to the Washermanpet and Georgetown areas. The police acted firmly but tactfully in controlling this strike and more than 100 prosecutions were launched.

The year was completely free from communal troubles between Hindus and Muslims, even in the Vyasarjadi area. Due to adequate police arrangements, the Muharram festival throughout the City passed off without any untoward incidents.

A disastrous fire broke out at the All-India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition held in the compound of the Congress House, General Patters Road, on the afternoon of the 2nd January 1940. Most of the stalls were burnt out and the inside of the main building was gutted. The Fire Brigade arrived promptly at the scene and, though quite inadequate for so large a conflagration, did excellent work in preventing the spread of the fire.

His Excellency the Viceroy visited the City in the month of July. Elaborate police arrangements which received the appreciation of His Excellency the Governor of Madras had to be made at short notice. In this connection a contingent of about 400 Reserve Police had to be drafted into the City from the mufassal and were accommodated in the Royal Theatre, which proved a convenient camp.

About the middle of the year the organization of a Civic Guard for the City was taken up in order to enable the members of the public to render voluntary assistance to the police to perform

certain routine police duties so that the members of the permanent Force might be free to attend to emergent and more important duties. After a slow start there has been recently a more encouraging response from the public and a good number of suitable candidates have volunteered, with the result that in each division there is a reasonable number of enthusiastic Civic Guards ready to relieve the regular Force from their routine police duties.

This scheme, as it stands to-day, of bringing in a private agency to undertake police duties purely on a voluntary and honorary basis promises to be successful, but it remains to be seen whether the benefits derived will be commensurate with the trouble taken in recruiting and training.

Lighting restrictions were introduced here on a stricter basis from 1st November 1940. As a result of the preliminary steps taken by the police by way of propaganda and persuasion, the ready co-operation of the public was enlisted for enforcing the restrictions. Continued vigilance on the part of the police and the co-operation of the public is securing the strict observance of the lighting restrictions according to the instructions issued in the Government Press communiqué, dated 2nd October 1940.

The individual Civil Disobedience movement started by the Congress in the month of November is being dealt with satisfactorily by the police.

Since the outbreak of War all the vulnerable points in the City continue to be guarded by the police.

The abovementioned matters combined with routine duties have again thrown a very heavy strain on the Law and Order division police, especially during the latter part of the year.

The co-operation between Law and Order, Crime and Traffic departments continued to be satisfactory.

**Station inspections.**—All Law and Order stations were inspected by the two Assistant Commissioners of Police during the year.

**Polish Fund.**—The capital of the Fund on 31st December 1940 was Rs. 1,216-6-11.

The Fund continues to maintain its usefulness. From the profits accruing it has been possible to purchase a Radio set which has been installed

in the Reserve Lines for the benefit of the Constabulary. A '22 Miniature Rifle was also purchased and presented to the Police Club Miniature Range. Contributions were also made by the Fund to supplement Sports Prizes, etc.

Several new lines in general use by the City Police have been introduced such as white and khaki drill and shirting material, officers' topees, Sam Brown belts, sub-inspectors' belts, whistles, cords, etc.

**Kardex system.**—The Kardex system which came into working with the year has fully justified expectations. The increase in the Force occasioned by the War would have rendered the efficient working of the audit section impossible under the old conditions. In fact the work would have been beyond the capacity of the present staff. The timely introduction of the system has prevented this.

**Offices.**—The offices except that of the Traffic Branch were centralised from 1st June 1940 under G.O. No. 1394, Home, dated 19th March 1940, and the Arms and General Licence Sections are now under the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Law and Order.

Government have sanctioned in G.O. No. 189, Home, dated 11th January 1941, the further retention of the temporary lower division clerk in the pay section till 31st March 1942. Also on account of the extra work involved by the employment of temporary additional police staff for duties in connexion with the War, Government have sanctioned in G.O. No. 4871, Home, dated 3rd December 1940, two additional temporary lower division clerks for the audit section of the office.

**Stores.**—Woollen articles were obtained through the Indian Stores Department with considerable difficulty and at higher rates than in previous years.

A new typewriter was supplied to the Traffic Inspector to save time and add efficiency to his work.

Four cycles were supplied to the Traffic Inspector for use of the investigating staff and one to the Stores.

The price of all store articles increased on account of the War.

L. B. GASSON,  
Commissioner of Police.

CITY POLICE OFFICE, EGMORE, MADRAS,  
19th February 1941.

# Government of Madras

## HOME DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. 3232, 21st July 1941

Administration Report—Police—1940—Reviewed.

Order—No. 3232, Home, dated 21st July 1941.

The slight increase in grave crime from 30,617 offences in 1939 to 32,100 in 1940, may to a certain extent be attributed to the inadequacy of the south-west monsoon in some districts, the increase in prices of food-grains and the fact that agricultural economic conditions generally were in the same comparatively unfavourable state during the year as they were in 1939. This slight increase in grave crime followed a decided increase in the previous year and the total figure of grave crime in 1940 was the highest during the past fifteen years.

Cognizable crimes, excluding cases under local and special laws, and the nuisance sections of the Indian Penal Code, increased from 45,795 in 1939 to 46,371 in 1940. The figures for murder, ordinary theft, robbery and housebreaking increased from 1,153 to 1,226, 17,877 to 19,282, 535 to 584 and 6,865 to 6,894 respectively, and those of dacoity and cattle theft decreased slightly, from 156 to 116, and from 4,031 to 3,998.

2. Particularly in view of this high figure of grave crime, the Government note with considerable satisfaction that the percentages of detection of grave and of cognizable crime have increased from 41.3 per cent to 48.5 per cent and from 43.5 per cent to 47.1 per cent respectively. Since 1930, the percentage of detection of grave crime has risen sharply from 32.7 per cent to its present record figure of 48.5 per cent, and the percentage of detection of total cognizable crime has increased from 37.8 to its present figure of 47.1. The Government also note with satisfaction the figures of detection of housebreaking that are quoted by the Inspector-General showing that while in 1939 detection in this Province was by far the highest in India, the figure under this head during 1940 again improved by 6.2 per cent. The Inspector-General attributes this marked improvement in detection to the more scientific study of crime and to better co-ordination between districts and the central organization, and, while the Government agree with him on this point, they also endorse his tribute to the assistance of the Village Vigilance Committees, the Civic Guards and the public generally.

3. The number of cases of rioting and unlawful assembly increased from 703 to 800. Except for the riots in Malabar on "Protest Day," the public peace was on the whole well maintained. Twenty districts were free from serious cases of rioting during the year. The Police had to open fire to restore order on seven occasions.

4. The careful precautions taken during periods of potential communal trouble and during festivals, especially in Madras City and in North Arcot and Nellore districts, were successful in averting any serious incident.

5. During the year there were a few threatened breaches of the peace owing to subversive agrarian movements and these were quickly dealt with, while the subversive activities of the more extreme political organizations were effectively dealt with under the Defence of India Rules.

6. The number of labour strikes decreased substantially from 31 to 23 and, apart from continued trouble at Samalkot, there was no serious threat to the public peace as a result of these labour movements.

7. The Malabar Special Police maintained their high standard of efficiency, although the considerable increase in their strength due to the formation of temporary companies raised their strength by roughly 350 of all ranks by the end of the year; the training of the extra strength was and is being conducted on very efficient lines.

In addition to the increase in the strength of the Malabar Special Police, two extra forces were formed during the year and were stationed for training at Pallavaram and at Vizianagram. The Presidency General Reserve and the District Armed Reserves were

kept up to strength during the year and continued to serve their purpose efficiently, the Presidency General Reserve doing particularly good work during times of communal tension.

8 The Government desire to place on record the satisfactory progress in the formation of a new scheme of Civic Guards during the year and of the assistance that these Guards rendered in a number of places to the regular police. The scheme, which at first aimed at organizing detachments of Civic Guards at every place where there is a police station, has recently been revised in the light of experience so that detachments exist only at centres where their work can be really useful; and the Government are glad to be able to acknowledge the substantial usefulness of their work. The two concrete instances quoted by the Inspector-General where the Civic Guard Group in Tanjore overpowered an armed thief in spite of injuries received by them, and where the Civic Guards in Turaiyur in Trichinopoly district stood by the side of the Police against rioters, are noted by the Government with satisfaction as instances of the value of the Civic Guards.

9. The provisions of the Suppression of Immoral Traffic Act were extended to one municipality and one panchayat board area during the year. The successful working of this Act requires the co-operation of local bodies in the provision of rescue homes and the Government have taken the opportunity on various occasions of making this requirement clear.

10. The experimental scheme, introduced in 1939, of replacing Prosecuting Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors by recruits from the Bar, continued to work satisfactorily in the five districts in which the scheme was put into operation. The Government after considering the reports on the working of the scheme, have since decided to try the experiment in five more districts.

11. A scheme for the enlistment of Indians and Anglo-Indians as Sergeants was sanctioned during the year. The first batch of recruits have begun their training with the Malabar Special Police.

12. The Government are glad to conclude this review with a general commendation of the work of the Police force during the year.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

A. R. MACLEWEN,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector-General of Police, Madras.  
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