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ON CRIME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

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Minister for Justice.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit my Report on Crime for the year ended 30th September, 1966.

Hereafter in this report the year ended 30th September, 1966, is referred to simply as "1966". Reference to years 1958 to 1962 are also to be taken as referring to years ended 30th September. Reference to years prior to 1958 relate to calendar years.

PART 1.

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

Total number of Offences.

(1) The number of indictable offences which were reported or became known to the Gárdaí in 1966 was 19,029. The number in 1965 was 16,736 and the number in 1964 was 17,700. The 1966 total shows an increase of 2,293 on the 1965 total and an increase of 1,329 on the 1964 total.

(2) Details of the crimes and information on the result of proceedings are given in Appendix "A".

Detections.

(3) Proceedings were instituted in respect of 11,154 offences in 1966. In 1,356 other cases the offenders were detected but for various reasons proceedings were not instituted. In most of those cases the offenders were either dealt with under the Juvenile Liaison Officer Scheme or the offences were taken into consideration by the courts in dealing with other charges. The total number of offences detected was, therefore 12,510 or 66% of offences recorded. In 1965 the percentage was 70% and in 1964 was 64%.

(4) The incidence of indictable offences and detections in the years 1956 to 1966, inclusive, are shown as a graph in Appendix "B".

Incidence of Crime in Garda Divisions.

(5) The number of indictable offences recorded and detected in each of the 19 Garda Divisions into which the State is divided are shown in Appendix "C". Similar information in respect of the Garda Districts in which the cities of Cork, Limerick, Waterford and Galway are included, is also given there.

(6) The following table shows the number of offences recorded in the Dublin Metropolitan Area and the rest of the State in 1965 and 1966:--

YEAR	Indictable Offences Recorded		
	In Dublin Metropolitan Area	In rest of State	Total
1965	9,192 (55% of total)	7,544 (45% of total)	16,736
1966	11,166 (59% of total)	7,863 (41% of total)	19,029
	Increase of 1,974 (21%)	Increase of 319 (4%)	Increase 2,293

(7) The increase in crime is mainly due to an increase of 1,974 indictable offences in the Dublin Metropolitan Area. The increase in crime in Divisions outside the Metropolitan Area is spread over 8 of the 18 Divisions, the highest being Cork E.R., increase of 254 or 18%, Limerick, increase of 191 crimes or 29%, Louth/Meath, increase of 88 crimes or 14%, Roscommon/Galway E.R., increase of 53 crimes or 32%, Mayo, increase of 27 crimes or 12%, Cavan/Monaghan, increase of 16 crimes or 5%, Galway W.R., increase of 19 crimes or 8% and Sligo/Leitrim, increase of 7 crimes or 5%. Decreases were recorded in the remaining Divisions resulting in an overall increase of 319 in country divisions.

Analysis of Offences in Four Groups.

(8) The number of indictable offences recorded and the number and percentage of detections in the four offence groups are shown in the following table with comparative figures for 1965:-

OFFENCE GROUP	Number of Offences Recorded		Number of Offences Detected		Percentage of Detections.	
	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965
1. Offences against the Person	1,132	1,113	1,060	1,052	94	94
2. Offences against property with violence	4,957	4,213	3,624	3,174	73	75
3. Offences against property without violence	12,631	11,014	7,535	7,160	60	65
4. Other Indictable Offences	309	396	291	365	94	92
TOTALS	19,029	16,736	12,510	11,751	66	70

Group 1 - Offences Against the Person.

(9) This group includes Murder, Manslaughter, Dangerous Driving Causing Death and Serious Bodily Harm, Wounding Assault, Intimidation, Cruelty to and Abandoning Children and Sexual Offences.

(10) The following table gives comparative figures of offences and detections in the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive:

YEAR	Number of Offences reported or known to the Garda.	Number of Offences in which detections were made.	Percentage of Offences in which detections were made.
1966	1,132	1,060	94
1965	1,113	1,052	94
1964	1,045	980	94
1963	1,047	999	95
1962	835	830	94
1961	701	646	92

Murder of Persons aged above one year.

(11) Six murders of persons aged above one year were recorded in 1966. Proceedings were instituted in five cases. Brief particulars of the six cases are given in Appendix 'D'. Seven crimes were recorded in 1965.

Murder of Infants aged One year and Under.

(12) One murder of infant was recorded in 1966 particulars of which are given in Appendix 'D'. No crime was recorded in 1965 or in 1964.

Infanticide.

(13) One crime of Infanticide was recorded in 1966, particulars of which are given in Appendix 'D'.

No crime of infanticide was recorded in 1965. Three crimes were recorded in 1964.

Attempt to Murder.

(14) Two crimes of attempting to murder were recorded in 1966 and proceedings were instituted. Brief particulars are included in Appendix 'D'. One crime was recorded in 1965.

Threats to Murder.

(15) No crime of threatening to murder was recorded in 1966. No crime was recorded in 1965. Two crimes of this nature were recorded in 1964.

Manslaughter (Other than Traffic Fatalities).

(16) Seven crimes were recorded in 1966. Proceedings were instituted in all cases. Five crimes of this nature were recorded in 1965. Brief particulars are given in Appendix 'D'.

Manslaughter (Traffic Fatalities).

(17) Three crimes were recorded in 1966 as compared with two crimes of manslaughter arising from traffic fatalities in 1965. Three crimes were recorded in 1964. Proceedings were instituted in all cases in 1966.

Dangerous Driving Causing Death.

(18) A total of 99 persons were charged with dangerous driving causing death in 1966, as compared with 75 persons charged in 1965. Convictions were recorded against 18 persons within the year and 19 cases are shown pending.

Dangerous driving Causing Serious Bodily Harm.

(19) Fifty six persons were charged with this offence during 1966 as compared with sixty persons in 1965 and one hundred and two persons in 1964. Convictions were recorded against 13 persons and 16 cases are shown pending.

Group 11 - Offences Against Property with Violence.

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

(21) The number of offences recorded in this group in 1966 was 4,957 as compared with 4,213 in 1965, an increase of 744.

(22) Comparative figures of offences and proceedings in this group in the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive, are given in the following table: -

YEAR	Number of Offences recorded.	Number of Offences in which proceedings were instituted.	Percentage of Offences in which proceedings were instituted.
1966	4,957	3,325	67
1965	4,213	2,903	68
1964	4,282	2,860	67
1963	4,006	2,740	68
1962	3,466	2,405	69
1961	3,186	2,246	70

Burglary and Housebreaking.

(23) The number of offences of Burglary, Housebreaking and related offences, (including attempts to break into premises and possession of housebreaking implements), recorded in 1966 was 4,705 as compared with 3,992 in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in 3,152 cases in 1966 and in an additional 286 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown, giving a total of 3,438 detections or 73%. The percentage in 1965 was 75%.

(24) The following table shows the numbers of Burglaries, Housebreakings and related offences recorded in the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive: -

YEAR	Number of Offences Recorded.	YEAR	Number of Offences Recorded.
1966	4,705	1963	3,841
1965	3,992	1962	3,289
1964	4,085	1961	3,018

Robbery.

(25) Seventy three offences of robbery and assaults with intent to rob were recorded in 1966, as compared with seventy seven offences in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in 61 cases. Convictions were recorded in 36 cases for the year and in a further 6 cases the Probation of Offenders Act was applied.

Fifteen cases are shown still pending. Firearms were alleged to have been used in two cases, brief particulars of which are given in Appendix 'E' together with particulars of some other cases.

Arson and other Malicious Injury to Property.

(26) One hundred and seventy five offences under this heading were recorded in 1966, of which 64 were offences of arson. In 1965 the total of offences was 143, of which 58 were offences of arson. Proceedings were instituted in 110 cases in 1966 and in a further 13 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings were taken.

Group 111 - Offences Against Property without Violence.

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

(28) The number of offences recorded in the group in 1966 was 12,631, as compared with 11,014 in 1965.

(29) Proceedings were instituted in 6,516 cases and in an additional 1,019 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings were taken. The total of detections, therefore, was 7,535 or 60%. The detection percentage in 1965 was 65%. Convictions were recorded in 3,700 cases in 1966 and in an additional 2,178 cases the Probation of Offenders Act was applied. Eight hundred and twenty two cases are shown pending.

(30) Comparative figures of all offences in the group, recorded in the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive, are shown in the following table: -

YEAR	Number of Offences Recorded.	YEAR	Number of Offences Recorded.
1966	12,631	1963	10,823
1965	11,014	1962	10,666
1964	11,972	1961	10,623

(31) Comparative figures of larcenies recorded in the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive, are: -

OFFENCES	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961
Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep.	35	72	61	30	49	50
Larceny from the Person	189	157	156	195	234	287
Larceny in House to value of £5 or with menaces	577	470	605	550	424	388
Larceny from Dwellinghouse by Employees	80	108	115	85	85	103
Larceny of Explosives	-	3	1	-	-	1
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	111	82	76	38	62	47
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	1,753	1,588	2,467	1,870	1,703	1,931
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles	2,221	1,809	1,938	1,514	1,339	1,084
Larceny from Shops and Stalls	1,864	1,680	1,506	1,499	1,447	1,385
Other Larcenies (exceeding £50 in value)	281	223	226	242	152	135
Other Larcenies (not exceeding £50 in value)	4,680	3,948	3,999	3,929	4,322	4,451
TOTALS	11,791	10,140	11,150	10,002	9,817	9,861

(32) Of the total larcenies recorded in 1966, 7,620 or 65% were recorded in the Dublin Metropolitan Area, as compared with 6,160 or 60% in 1965.

Embezzlement.

(33) Fifty six offences of embezzlement were recorded in 1966, as compared with 37 in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in 52 cases.

Obtaining Goods, etc., by False Pretences.

(34) Four hundred and twenty nine offences under this heading were recorded in 1966, as compared with 474 in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in 359 cases and in an additional 21 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Frauds.

(35) Eighty seven frauds were recorded in 1966, as compared with 77 in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in 73 cases and in an additional 5 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Receiving Stolen Goods.

(36) Two hundred and sixty eight offences under this heading were recorded in 1966, as compared with 286 in 1965.

Proceedings were taken in 241 cases and in an additional 26 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Group IV - Other Indictable Offences.

(37) Included in this group are offences of Forgery and Uttering, Perjury, Riot and Unlawful Assembly, Offences Against Public Decency, attempting to commit suicide and other indictable offences, not included in Group I, II or III.

(38) The total of offences recorded in the group in 1966 was 309, of which 233 were offences of forgery and uttering. In 1965 the number of offences was 396, of which 314 were offences of forgery and uttering. Proceedings were taken in 280 cases in 1966 and a further 11 cases were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Organised Crime of Violence.

(39) No organised crimes of violence were recorded in 1966, nor were any such crimes recorded in 1965.

Value of Property Stolen and Recovered.

(40) The total value of property reported stolen in 1966 was £354,120 as compared with £298,946 in 1965. The value of property recovered in 1966 was £105,725 as compared with £82,582 in 1965.

(41) In offences against property with violence, (i.e. Housebreakings), the value of property reported stolen in 1966 was £173,050, of which property valued £48,930 was recovered. In 1965 the value of property stolen was £137,678 of which property valued £30,814 was recovered.

(42) In offences against property without violence, (i.e. Larcenies), the value of property reported stolen in 1966 was £181,070 of which property valued £56,795 was recovered. In 1965 the value of property reported stolen was £161,268 of which property valued £51,768 was recovered.

Age Groups of Persons found Guilty of Indictable Offences.

(43) The following table shows the age groups of persons found guilty of indictable offences, including persons against whom the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied, in the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive: -

Year	Under 14 years	14 to 17 years	17 to 21 years	Over 21 years.	Total
1966	1,211	1,957	2,259	3,793	9,220
1965	1,185	1,760	2,068	3,471	8,484
1964	922	1,889	1,986	3,300	8,097
1963	1,288	1,980	1,794	2,996	8,058
1962	1,375	1,689	1,390	2,797	7,251
1961	1,319	2,014	1,298	2,449	7,080

PART 11.

NON - INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

Number of Prosecutions.

The number of persons prosecuted for non-indictable offences in 1966 was 150,213. Details are given in Appendix 'F'.

The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted and the number convicted in respect of non-indictable offences in each of the years 1955 to 1966, inclusive: -

Year	Number Prosecuted	Number Convicted	Percentage of Convictions	Year	Number Prosecuted	Number Convicted	Percentage of Convictions
1955	99,353	75,582	76%	1961	104,057	77,718	75%
1956	94,370	70,029	74%	1962	105,189	77,668	74%
1957	87,085	62,494	74%	1963	101,467	74,054	73%
1958	82,876	62,647	76%	1964	120,715	91,786	76%
1959	88,819	68,604	77%	1965	139,856	107,748	77%
1960	102,795	77,639	76%	1966	150,213	115,584	77%

Principal Offences.

The following table shows the number of prosecutions for the different types of offences which make up the bulk of the total in the years 1965 and 1966, and shows the increases and decreases under each heading: -

OFFENCES	Number of Persons Prosecuted		Increase + Decrease -
	1965	1966	
Unlicensed Dogs	3,484	2,136	- 1,348
School Attendance Act	2,397	2,248	- 149
Highway Acts (Road Acts, Road Transport Acts, and Road Traffic Act).	113,184	126,038	+12,854
Intoxicating Liquor Laws	7,189	7,283	+ 94

Road Traffic Offences.

The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted for various traffic offences during each of the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive: -

OFFENCES	Number of Persons Prosecuted					
	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Lighting Offences-Pedal Cycles	17,520	13,156	9,889	14,057	14,664	14,691
- M.P.V.'s	14,409	13,777	13,362	15,675	20,152	21,311
- Horse-drawn vehicles.	369	495	306	321	322	313
Obstruction	4,427	4,495	4,270	4,264	5,001	5,447
General Bye-Laws for Control of traffic	7,613	6,407	5,288	3,437	5,526	6,364
Local Bye-Laws	6,924	8,776	5,807	9,139	8,408	11,245
Dangerous and Careless Driving	3,772	4,233	4,388	5,231	6,142	6,410
Insurance Offences	2,909	3,148	3,903	4,179	5,075	4,923
Driving or attempting to drive while drunk (M.P.V.'s)	651	912	962	1,208	1,321	1,189

The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted for various traffic offences in 1966 and shown under new headings: -

Offences	Number of Persons Prosecuted
Dangerous Parking	922
Being in charge of M.P.V. while drunk	200
Driving or attempting to drive or being in charge of animal-drawn vehicle while drunk	30
Driving or attempting to drive pedal cycle while drunk	247
Driving dangerously, defective M.P.V.	777
Exceeding speed limit (1) Built-up Area	12,015
(11) Special "	281
(111) Ordinary "	536

"Fines on the Spot".

The system of "fines on the spot" under Section 103 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961, was introduced in the Dublin Metropolitan Area on 1st April, 1963, and was extended to include the cities of Cork, Limerick and Galway on 1st May, 1965.

The following table shows comparative figures for 1965 and 1966 for the Dublin Metropolitan Area: -

	1965	1966
Number of fine notices issued	45,798	68,944
Number of fines paid	35,166	49,995
Number of cases taken to Court	7,459	10,508
Number of notices cancelled	2,756	2,043

The following table shows figures of offences and proceedings in the cities of Cork, Limerick and Galway for 1966: -

	Cork	Limerick	Galway
Number of fine notices issued	10,120	4,573	1,627
Number of fines paid	8,569	4,135	1,356
Number of cases taken to Court	969	175	65
Number of notices cancelled	298	253	192

Intoxicating Liquor Acts.

The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted for various offences under the Intoxicating Liquor Acts in each of the years 1961 to 1966, inclusive: -

	Number of Persons Prosecuted.					
	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Being on Licensed Premises during prohibited hours	3,852	3,465	2,411	2,207	2,649	2,915
Offences by licensed persons (or their servants) against closing regulations.	910	713	531	464	551	622
Other offences by licensed persons (or their servants)	55	100	58	58	85	59
Offences in connection with registered clubs	42	43	24	8	4	16
Drunkenness - Simple	1,646	1,691	1,575	1,728	1,822	1,797
- with aggravation	1,448	1,479	1,594	1,701	1,822	1,687
Other Offences	303	246	228	203	256	187

SUMMARY OF CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITY DURING 1966.

Crime Prevention - General.

Continued attention has been given to this most important field of Garda activity, as in the past three years, since the special Crime Prevention Office was inaugurated in 1963. Efforts have been made to encourage the public to take elementary precautions that would deter many wrongdoers. The uniform Sergeants engaged as Crime Prevention Officers have sustained their efforts to co-ordinate, encourage and educate the general public in the need for applying preventive measures.

Talks are given to all Training Courses passing through the Garda Training School at Templemore, and Criminal Investigation Classes at Garda Headquarters.

Suitable opportunities have been availed of to remind people of their responsibilities in the prevention field. In the Dublin Metropolitan Area, 504 free surveys of premises, and 595 cash-in-transit surveys regarding security were carried out. Follow-up visits were made in 838 cases of premises surveyed previously and 834 follow-ups were made to cash-in-transit surveys. It was encouraging to find that a good percentage of the crime prevention recommendations had been carried out. Crime prevention work involves the active participation of all ranks throughout the country, who are competent to give general advice but in the Dublin Metropolitan Area there are Crime Prevention experts who make a personal approach to firms and individuals and offer advice based on practical experience supplemented by specialist study. A short course for Crime Prevention Officers was held at the Unit's Headquarters, Dublin Castle, for four Sergeants from the Dublin Metropolitan Area.

Throughout the country crime scenes were visited where it was felt that improved security arrangements could prevent a repetition of the crime and security advice was given to the property owners in the hope that the precautions suggested would be implemented and crime incidence reduced thereby.

Lectures.

A total of 36 Lectures in Crime Prevention were given to business and other organisations. Literature on the subject was distributed to those attending in an effort to make members of the community more security conscious.

Leaflets.

Leaflets on the same matter were distributed through the Motor Taxation Offices to vehicle owners all over the State.

Publicity.

Crime Prevention material was regularly fed to the daily newspapers and other publications whose ready co-operation has resulted in widespread publication.

The Exhibition Room.

The permanent Crime Prevention Exhibition Room at Dublin Castle was used by an increasing number of people desiring to see and examine the security devices and appliances on display.

"Garda Patrol" T.V. Programme.

Grateful thanks must be extended to Radio Telefis Eireann for continued assistance in providing facilities for the "Garda Patrol" programme, through which it has not only been possible to obtain valuable help from the public in specific cases but also to present problems with which the Garda is faced, and to secure public co-operation in lessening temptations being put in the way of potential criminals, and in reducing opportunities for the criminal to operate. There were 52 editions of the telecast during the year embracing over 1100 crime items. In addition there were 68 special inserts dealing with selected aspects of crime prevention.

Burglar Alarms.

The number of automatic burglar alarms installed continued to increase as did the number of arrests as a result of these installations.

Exhibitions.

A Stand of crime prevention material including various types of burglar alarm systems, locks, vehicle anti-theft devices, etc., depicting the science of crime prevention were on display at the Science Exhibition at the R.D.S. Grounds, Ballsbridge.

Similar type exhibitions were held at the same venue during the Spring Show in May, and at the Horse Show in August.

A special crime prevention bureau was set up at the Retail Grocers, Drapers, and Allied Traders Association Exhibition at the R.D.S. in September. Crime Prevention Officers were in attendance to give specialist advice to members of the public on all four occasions.

SUMMARY OF DOG SERVICE ACTIVITY.

The dog section was established in 1960. There are now six trained dogs in the Unit, under one Sergeant and five Gardaí, all in the Dublin Metropolitan Area. They have played a very important role in the prevention and detection of crime.

During 1966 numerous calls were made for the services of the section in searching premises; tracing missing persons; locating stolen property, and like activities.

During the period 1st October, 1964 - 31st July, 1966, one hundred and one arrests were made by dog teams, twelve of which are attributed solely to the dogs. In the remainder the dogs assisted and were especially useful in the bringing of the culprits to justice.

In the suppression of hooliganism and vandalism, by special patrols, both foot and mobile, the dog patrols supplemented normal patrols in limiting this type of behaviour and it is pleasing to report their success.

SUB-AQUA UNIT.

The Garda Sub-Aqua Unit was established on an official basis in September, 1966.

Under the general control and supervision of the Inspector of Transport, Dublin Metropolitan Area, and the direct control of the sergeant member, the Unit is comprised of 11 Gardaí and 1 Sergeant, all of whom are competent divers.

The purpose of the Unit is to carry out underwater searches for:-

- (a) weapons used in the commission of crime, proceeds of crime, or other evidence of crime desposited under water.
- (b) bodies of victims of crime or drowning accidents.

The Unit will operate, subject to conditions being suitable, in any inland or coastal waters of the State.

One day per week is devoted to training. The members perform full normal duty on other days when not engaged in carrying out official searches.

Prior to September, 1966, the members carried out underwater searches of an official nature on an voluntary basis. During the 12 months, 1st October, 1965 to 30th September, 1966, eleven such searches resulted in the

recovery of:

4 bodies of persons accidentally drowned.

1 body of a murdered person.

1 portion of a gun used in the commission of crime.

The assistance given by the Unit in recovery of bodies of persons lost through drowning has been much appreciated by relatives of the deceased persons and by the general public.

I have the honour to be Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patrick Carroll". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

COMMISSIONER.

INDICTABLE OFFENCES WHICH BECAME KNOWN TO THE GARDA DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1966

NATURE OF OFFENCES (1)	Number of Offences Reported or known (2)	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were		Information Refused (4)	RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES										Still Pending in District Court (16)	Crimes for which the perpetrators were detected but for which no proceedings are shown (17)	Number (by Sex and Age Groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the Charge was held proved and Order made without Conviction					TOTAL (22)			
		Commenced (3a)	Shown Pending in Previous Return (3b)		Dealt with on indictment and					Dealt with Summarily and							Under 14 Years (18) M. F.	14 to 17 Years (19) M. F.	17 to 21 Years (20) M. F.	Above 21 Years (21) M. F.					
					Convicted (5)	Acquitted (6)	Found Insane and incapable of Pleading (7)	Nolle Prosequi Entered (8)	Adjourned Sine Die or Otherwise Disposed of (9)	Committed for Trial and still awaiting Trial (10)	Convicted (11)	Dismissed (12)	Charge proved and order made without Conviction (13)	Charge Withdrawn (14)							Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (15)				
UP 1. - OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON																									
(a) Murder (of Persons aged above one year) ...	6	5	3		3	1	1		1							2							3		
(b) Ditto (of Infants aged one year and under)	1	1			1																		1		
(c) Infanticide	1	1										1											1		
Attempt to Murder ...	2	2	1			1				1													1		
Threats, Conspiracy, or Incitement to Murder ...	NIL		1							1															
Manslaughter (other than Traffic Fatalities) ...	7	7	2		6	3																	7		
(a) Manslaughter (Traffic Fatalities) ...	3	3	2		1	2		1		1													1		
(b) Dangerous Driving Causing Death ...	99	99	23	27	18	45		6	2	14		2		2	1	5							18		
(c) Ditto Causing serious bodily harm ...	57	56	17	14	12	23		2	1	12	1	2		1	1	4							13		
Wounding and other Acts endangering Life (Felonies) ...	49	44	13	2	15	3				6	21	3	3		2	2					1			59	
Assault, Wounding and other Like Offences (Misdemeanours) ...	578	546	57	2	14	3		2	1	9	405	36	54	3	19	55		4	5	51	137	9	384	9	595
Possession of Firearms with intent to endanger life ...	5	5	4	1		2				2	2			1	1									3	
Endangering Railway Passengers ...	4	3	1								3		1						7	1				8	
Intimidation and Molestation ...	11	11		1							10													2	
Intimidation by Threatening Letters, Notices etc., ...	5	1	5						4				2						1	1				2	
Cruelty to or Neglect of Children (On Indictment) ...	2	2			1											1+								2	
Abandoning Children under two years ...	3	2	1										3											4	
Procuring Abortion ...	NIL																								
Concealment of Birth ...	11	4						1			1		1			1					2			2	
Unnatural Offences and Attempts ...	68	56	14		5			3		3	33	1	12		4	9		9	1	6	5	39		51	
Rape ...	13	10	8		7	2		3		3		1				2								12	
Indecent Assaults on Females ...	156	129	19		12	3	1			2	77	14	25	1	3	10		6	3	20	27	61		111	
Defilement of Girls under 15 years ...	18	18	4	1	1	2				3	6		2	2		5				4	2	3		9	
Defilement of Girls between 15 and 17 years ...	28	24	5	2	7	2				3	9	1	1			4					7	13		20	
Incest ...	2	1																							
Procuration ...	NIL																								
Abduction ...	2	2																							
Bigamy ...	1	1	2		2						1					1								2	
TOTAL (GROUP 1) ...	1,132	1,033	182	50	105	92	2	18	9	60	570	60	104	12	32	101		27	19	93	212	11	577	14	926

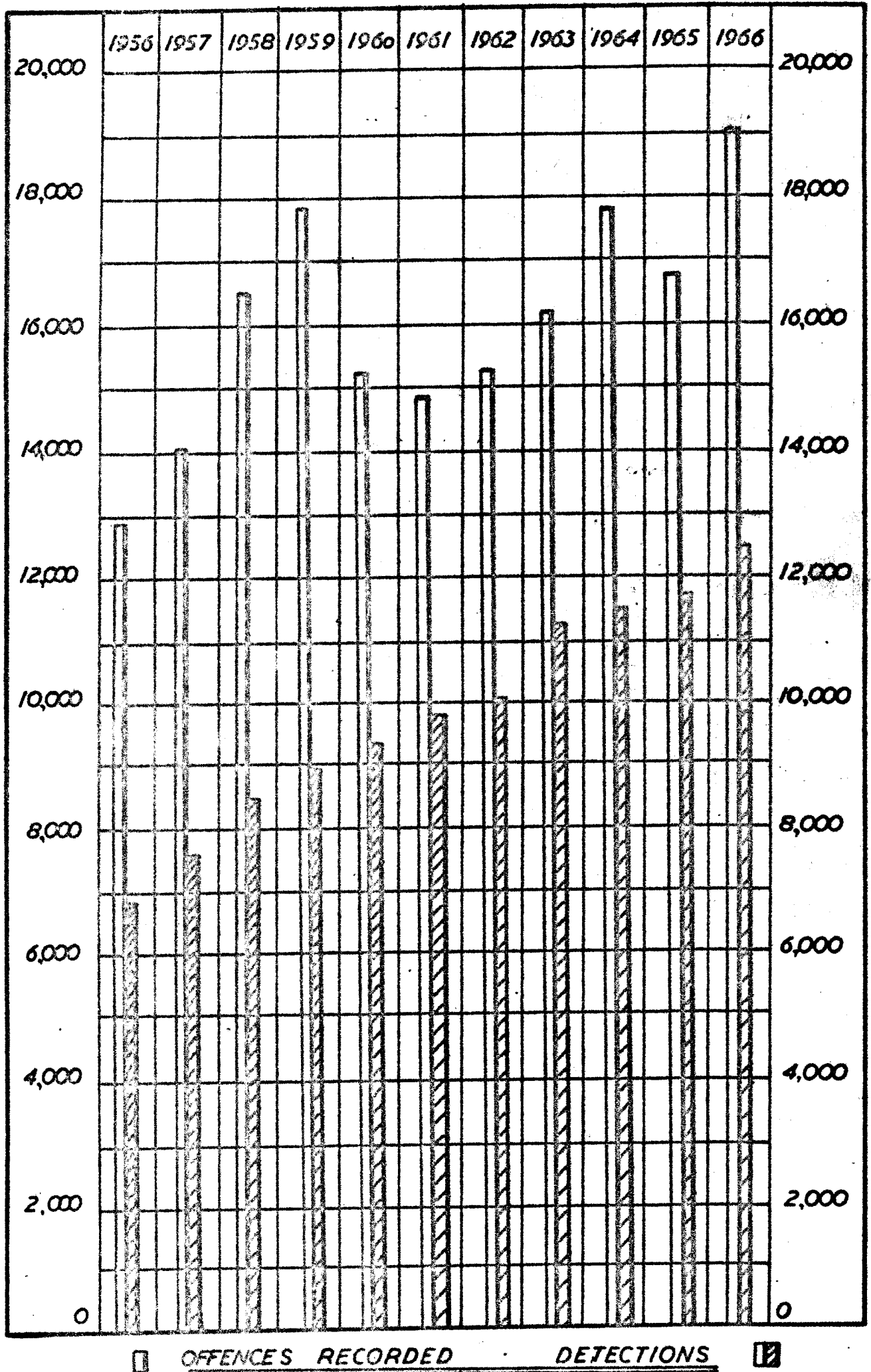
INDICTABLE OFFENCES WHICH BECAME KNOWN TO THE GARDA DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 1966

NATURE OF OFFENCES (1)	Number of Offences Reported or Known (2)	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were		RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES												Number (by Sex and Age Groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the charge was held proved and order made without conviction. (17)	Number (by Sex and Age Groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the charge was held proved and order made without conviction.											
		Commenced (3a)	Shown Pending in Previous Return (3b)	Information Refused (4)	Dealt with on Indictment and						Dealt with Summarily and						Still Pending in District Court (16)	Crimes for which the perpetrators were detected but for which no proceedings are shown (17)	(18)		(19)		(20)		(21)		(22)	
					Convicted (5)	Acquitted (6)	Found Insane and Incapable of Pleading (7)	Nolle Prosequi Entered (8)	Adjourned Sine Die or Otherwise Disposed of (9)	Committed for Trial and still awaiting Trial (10)	Convicted (11)	Dismissed (12)	Charge proved and order made without Conviction. (13)	Charge Withdrawn (14)	Adjourned Sine Die or Otherwise Disposed of (15)				Under 14 Years (18)	M.	F.	14 to 17 Years (19)	M.	F.	17 to 21 Years (20)	M.		F.
1. OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITH VIOLENCE																												
Crilege	26	17	2	2	3		1				5	1	6			1	1	1	4	3	4			12				
Burglary	243	188	27	2	9		1		1	115	10	36		5	36	8	4	27	3	47	3	57	2	143				
Housebreaking (Dwelling Houses)	1,546	1,043	149	5	93	2	1	1	21	601	23	283	8	17	137	115	184	5	207	14	157	8	202	11	788			
Breaking into Shops, Warehouses, Etc.,	2,549	1,627	194	4	186	5	3	1	31	864	46	430	1	28	222	149	277	3	447	2	423	12	424	5	1,593			
Attempts to break into Houses, Shops, Warehouses, &C	138	118	9		1	1		1	1	64	11	22	2	3	19	6	9		15		29		42	1	96			
Entering with intent to commit Felony (Larceny Act, 1916, Sec. 27)	193	149	18		11				3	70	7	40		2	34	7	20		25		25	2	27	4	103			
Possession of Housebreaking Tools, &c.	10	10	7				1			8	2	3			3				2		5		3		11			
Robbery with Arms	2	2							1	1													1		1			
Robbery and Assaults with intent to Rob	71	59	5		6	1			7	29	7	6			8		7		20		29		17		73			
Demand or Robbery of Arms	NIL																											
Assaulting Dwelling-houses (by firing shots into them or by use of Explosives)	3	1													1													
Threatening to Publish or Publishing with intent to Extort	1	1				1																						
Person	64	43	9	3	7	3	3		1	11	4	11		1	8	7	10		4		7		13	1	35			
Killing and Maiming Cattle	3															3												
Illicit Use, Manufacture, or Possession of Explosives	6	3							2	1									2						2			
Other Malicious Injuries to Property	102	64	12	1	5	3			2	27	1	24		2	11	3	38	3	32		30		19		122			
TOTAL (GROUP 11)	4,957	3,325	432	17	321	16		11	3	71	1,796	112	861	11	58	480	299	551	11	785	19	755	25	809	24	2,979		
11. - OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITHOUT VIOLENCE																												
Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep	35	24	11	1	4	3				5	16	3	1		2	1			1		7		20		28			
Larceny from the Person	189	99	14		1		1		1	59	9	30	3	2	7	12	30		33	1	9	1	24	11	109			
Larceny in House to value of £5 or with menaces	577	292	45		11		1	3		165	30	88		1	38	26	11		33	8	40	4	85	18	199			
Larceny from Dwelling-houses by Employees	80	59	9		1					20	1	34	1	2	9	15			5	7	8	14	5	6	45			
Larceny of Explosives	NIL																											
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	111	46	10	2		1	1		8	23	6	4	1	4	6				8		15		14	1	38			
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	1,753	325	24		1					165	34	121		3	25	64	61	2	84	3	55		75	3	283			
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles	2,221	947	79	2	20		1		4	607	25	262	3	12	90	97	103	2	107	3	196	5	228	2	646			
Larceny from Shops and Stalls	1,864	1,337	54	7	6	2			2	653	69	573	4	14	61	352	145	19	164	61	120	101	177	313	1,100			
Other Larcenies (exceeding £50 in value)	281	146	48		25	3	1	1	18	72	4	26	3	4	37	7	3	1	28		29	9	88	6	164			
Other Larcenies (not exceeding £50 in value)	4,680	2,516	256	6	35	5	1	2	9	1,349	148	873	2	54	288	393	199	26	413	53	448	82	725	68	2,014			
Embezzlement	56	52	16	1	5				5	19	1	16		1	20	2			3		3	2	25	1	36			
Obtaining Goods, &c. by False Pretences	429	359	171	2	66	11		9	31	197	27	68	7	5	107	21	5		5		17	1	147	14	189			
Frauds by Agents, Trustees, Directors, &c.	19	14	11					2	5	9		1			8	5							9		9			
Other Frauds	68	59	23	1	21		2		1	33		11			13				1		1	1	29		32			
Receiving Stolen Goods	268	241	31		10	2	1		5	107	52	70	4	4	17	26	18		26	1	32	1	99	20	197			
TOTAL (GROUP 111)	12,631	6,516	802	22	206	27		20	6	94	3,454	409	2,178	28	106	728	1,019	577	50	911	137	988	221	1,751	143	5,082		

INDICTABLE OFFENCES WHICH BECAME KNOWN TO THE GARDA DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 1966

NATURE OF OFFENCES (1)	Number of Offences Reported or Known (2)	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were		RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES												Number (by Sex and Age Groups) of Persons Convicted or against whom the charge was held proved and order made without conviction.										
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					Convicted (5)	Acquitted (6)	Found Insane and Incapable of Pleading (7)	Nolle Prosequi Entered (8)	Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise Disposed of (9)		Convicted (11)	Dismissed (12)	Charge proved and order made without conviction. (13)	Charge Withdrawn (14)	Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise Disposed of (15)			Under 14 Years (18)	M. F.	14 to 17 Years (19)	M. F.	17 to 21 Years (20)	M. F.	Above 21 Years (21)	M. F.	
		(3a)	(3b)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
11. OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY WITH VIOLENCE																										
Sacrilege ...	26	17	2	2	3			1			5	1	6		1	1	1	4	3	4					12	
Burglary ...	243	188	27	2	9			1	1	115	10	36		5	36	8	4	27	3	47	3	57	2		143	
Housebreaking (Dwelling Houses) ...	1,546	1,043	149	5	93	2		1	1	21	601	23	283	8	17	137	115	184	5	207	14	157	8	202	11	788
Breaking into Shops, Warehouses, Etc., ...	2,549	1,627	194	4	186	5		3	1	31	864	46	430	1	28	222	149	277	3	447	2	423	12	424	5	1,593
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Entering with intent to commit Felony (Larceny Act, 1916, Sec. 27)	193	149	18		11					3	70	7	40		2	34	7	20		25		25	2	27	4	103
Possession of Housebreaking Tools, &c. ...	10	10	7					1			8	2	3			3		1		2		5		3		11
Robbery with Arms ...	2	2								1	1					3								1		1
Robbery and Assaults with intent to Rob ...	71	59	5		6	1				7	29	7	6			8		7		20		29		17		73
Demand or Robbery of Arms ...	NIL																									
Assaulting Dwelling-houses (by firing shots into them or by use of Explosives) ...	3	1													1											
Threatening to Publish or Publishing with intent to Extort ...	1	1				1																				
Arson ...	64	43	9	3	7	3		3		1	11	4	11		1	8	7	10		4		7		13	1	35
Killing and Maiming Cattle ...	3																3									
Malicious Use, Manufacture, or Possession of Explosives ...	6	3								2	1									2						2
Other Malicious Injuries to Property ...	102	64	12	1	5	3				2	27	1	24		2	11	3	38	3	32		30		19		122
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Larceny in House to value of £5 or with menaces	577	292	45		11			1	3		165	30	88		1	38	26	11	33	8	40	4	85	18		199
Larceny from Dwelling-houses by Employees ...	80	59	9		1						20	1	34	1	2	9	15		5	7	8	14	5	6		45
Larceny of Explosives ...	NIL																									
Larceny of Motor Vehicles ...	111	46	10	2		1		1		8	23	6	4	1	4	6			8		15		14	1		38
Larceny of Pedal Cycles ...	1,753	325	24		1						165	34	121		3	25	64	61	2	84	3	55		75	3	283
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles ...	2,221	947	79	2	20			1		4	607	25	262	3	12	90	97	103	2	107	3	196	5	228	2	646
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Obtaining Goods, &c. by False Pretences ...	429	359	171	2	66	11		9		31	197	27	68	7	5	107	21	5		5		17	1	147	14	189
Frauds by Agents, Trustees, Directors, &c. ...	19	14	11					2		5	9		1			8	5							9		9
Other Frauds ...	68	59	23	1	21			2		1	33		11			13			1		1	1	29			32
Receiving Stolen Goods ...	268	241	31		10	2		1		5	107	52	70	4	4	17	26	18		26	1	32	1	99	20	197
TOTAL (GROUP 111) ...	12,631	6,516	802	22	206	27		20	6	94	3,484	409	2,178	28	106	728	1,019	577	50	911	137	928	221	1,751	143	5,082

INDICTABLE OFFENCES



OFFENCES RECORDED

 DETECTIONS

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

APPENDIX 'C'.

Table showing by groups, in respect of each Garda Division and the Garda Districts, of the Cities of Cork, Limerick, Waterford and Galway, the number of Indictable Offences, and the number and percentage of detections for year ended 30th September, 1966.

DIVISION	(Group I) Offences against the person.		(Group II) Offences against property with violence.		(Group III) Offences against property without violence.		(Group IV) Other Indictable Offences.		Total Indictable Offences	Number of Detections	Percentage of Detections
	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected			
Carlow/Kildare	57	57	152	105	380	309	12	10	601	481	80%
Cavan/Monaghan	32	31	60	56	235	219	9	9	336	315	94%
Clare	21	21	41	33	86	73	6	5	154	132	86%
Cork E.R.	105	103	402	267	1,112	972	34	33	1,653	1,375	83%
Cork W.R.	35	34	61	46	124	112	7	7	227	199	88%
Donegal	24	24	58	46	106	92	1	1	189	163	86%
Dublin Metropolitan	409	348	2,740	1,943	7,885	3,349	132	126	11,166	5,766	52%
Galway W.R.	32	32	92	78	116	105	8	8	248	223	90%
Kerry	61	60	54	43	230	207	5	5	350	315	90%
Leix/Coffaly	22	22	81	68	148	126	6	5	257	221	86%
Limerick	62	62	296	219	461	411	23	21	842	713	85%
Longford/Westmeath	31	30	54	45	162	145	2	2	249	222	89%
Louth/Meath	52	51	228	169	409	362	11	9	700	591	84%
Mayo	40	39	46	33	163	139	5	4	254	215	85%
Rooscommon/Galway E.R.	41	40	49	41	120	113	9	9	219	203	93%
Sligo/Leitrim	13	13	55	47	75	62	2	-	145	122	84%
Tipperary	24	24	129	96	172	151	8	8	333	279	84%
Waterford/Kilkenny	41	40	222	173	348	318	16	16	627	547	87%
Wexford	30	29	137	116	299	270	13	13	479	428	89%
TOTALS { Whole Country	1,132	1,060	4,957	3,624	12,631	7,535	309	291	19,029	12,510	66%
{ Excluding Dublin { Metropolitan Area	723	712	2,217	1,681	4,746	4,186	177	165	7,863	6,744	86%
Districts											
Cork	67	66	303	188	838	723	22	21	1,230	998	81%
Limerick	30	30	216	161	337	303	18	17	601	511	85%
Waterford	16	16	84	53	158	143	5	5	263	217	83%
Galway	11	11	52	45	60	51	2	2	125	109	87%

Appendix "D".

MURDER, INFANTICIDE, ATTEMPTS TO MURDER, THREATS ETC.,
TO MURDER AND MANSLAUGHTER.

PARTICULARS OF CASES.

Murder - (of persons aged above 1 year) - Six cases.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 15th February, 1966, the dead body of a 47 years old unmarried female was found lying face downwards on the rocks at Sandycove Point. A nylon stocking was tied tightly around the neck. A Postmortem examination of the body revealed that death was due to manual strangulation by a ligature which was the stocking from her right leg. No one has yet been made amenable for this crime.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 2nd March, 1966, a 44 years old unmarried cafe proprietor was shot and fatally wounded by a man who had booked into the Cafe the previous day. The weapon used was a shotgun. The assailant was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused was found to be insane and unfit to plead and was ordered to be detained in the Central Mental Hospital.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 24th July, 1966, a dispute arose between two local youths, aged 15 and 18 years and two Scottish youths on the Strand at Bray, Co. Wicklow. In the course of the dispute, one of the Scottish youths, aged 17 years and 10 months received a stab wound which resulted in his death. The weapon used was a sheath knife. The two local youths were arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court both accused were found "Not Guilty" and discharged.

Co. Limerick.

On 15th October, 1965, a 47 years old housewife was attacked in her home by her 50 years old husband, a farmer, who inflicted fatal injuries by striking her on the head with an iron wrench. An arrest was made and while on remand the accused was ordered to be detained in the Central Mental Hospital.

Co. Louth.

On 11th October, 1965, two young men were seriously assaulted by five youths outside a dance hall. As a result of the assault one of the young men, a 27 years old married iron turner, died from brain injuries resulting from blows on the head by an iron implement. His companion was seriously injured. The assailants were arrested and jointly charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court one of the accused was convicted of murder and sentenced to penal servitude for life, a second accused was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to three years detention in St. Patrick's Institution. The Jury failed to reach a verdict in the case against another of the accused and no date has yet been fixed for the holding of a new trial. Informations were refused in the case against two of the accused.

Co. Waterford.

On 9th October, 1965, a fracas took place outside a dance hall during which a 19 years old unmarried labourer received stab wounds in the chest which resulted in his death. The weapon used was a knife. His assailant, a 15½ years old petrol pump attendant, was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused was convicted of murder and was ordered to be detained at the pleasure of the Government.

(of Infants aged one year and under) - 1 case.

Co. Donegal.

On 8th December, 1965, the dead body of an 11 months old infant was found covered with dead grass and rushes in a shallow road-side drain. The body bore marks of injury. A Postmortem examination revealed that death was due to manual strangulation and haemorrhage from an incised wound of the throat. Both parents were arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court the father of the child was found guilty of murder and sentenced to penal servitude for life. A Nolle Prosequi was entered in respect of the charge against the mother. She pleaded to a charge of infanticide and was sentenced to three years penal servitude. The sentence was suspended on her entering into a bond to keep the peace for five years.

Infanticide - One case.

Co. Kerry.

On 17th July, 1966, a 21 years old shop assistant gave birth to a female infant at her home. The dead body of the infant bearing certain injuries was found in her room. The girl was charged with infanticide. At the District Court she pleaded guilty to the offence. As the Attorney General had consented to summary trial, she was sentenced to three months imprisonment. The sentence was suspended.

Attempt to Murder - 2 cases.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 4th April, 1966, a Garda on duty at Lower O'Connell Street, questioned the driver of a car whom he suspected of plying for hire without being properly licensed. There was a passenger seated in the front seat beside the driver and the latter offered to drive the Garda to Store Street Garda Station to verify his name and address. When nearing the Garda Station the driver accelerated the car and drove in the direction of Custom House Quay, at the same time stating that he was going to drive into the river. He was overpowered by the Garda and prevented from doing so. The driver was charged with attempted murder and attempted suicide. At the Central Criminal Court the accused was found "Not Guilty" on both counts and discharged.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 8th April, 1966, a van driver was involved in a violent altercation with a group of men outside a fish and chip shop. He then drove away from the scene and returned in a short time. He deliberately drove his van on to the footpath and accelerated the vehicle at a group of men standing on the footpath, knocking down and badly bruising four of them. A fifth member of the group suffered three fractures. These were the same group of men with whom the van driver had been previously involved. He was arrested and charged on two counts of attempted murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused was found "Not Guilty" on one count, the jury failing to agree on the second count. At the second trial the accused was found "Not Guilty" on the second count.

Manslaughter (other than traffic fatalities) - 7 cases.

Co. Cavan.

On 8th August, 1966, a 63 year old pensioner was involved in an argument with his brother, a 55 years old farmer. In the course of the dispute the latter struck him with a four pronged fork with fatal consequences. The brother was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused pleaded "Not Guilty" to murder but "Guilty" of manslaughter. His plea was accepted. He was convicted and sentenced to five years imprisonment, suspended on accused entering into a bond to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for a period of five years.

Co. Cork.

On 19th March, 1966, the dead body of a 19 years old unmarried female was found at Morrisson's Quay Cork. Death was due to manual strangulation. An 18 years old unmarried seaman was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court he was found "Not Guilty" of murder but "Guilty" of manslaughter and sentenced to five years penal servitude.

Co. Cork.

On 19th March, 1966, an 18 years old seaman was reported missing from his ship docked at Haulbowline, Cobh. Investigations ultimately established that the seaman had been involved in a fight with another seaman on the steps of the John F. Kennedy Pier, Cobh, on 18th March, 1966. The body of the missing seaman was recovered from the sea near the North German Lloyd Pier, Cobh, on 1st April, 1966. An 18 year old Norwegian seaman was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused pleaded "Not Guilty" to murder, but "Guilty" of manslaughter. His plea was accepted and he was sentenced to three years penal servitude.

Co. Donegal.

On 26th June, 1966, the dead body of a 60 years old spinster was found lying on a bed in the kitchen of her home. A Postmortem examination of the body revealed that death was due to manual strangulation. A 28 years old unmarried lorry driver was charged with her murder. At the Central Criminal Court he was found "Not Guilty" of murder but "Guilty" of manslaughter and sentenced to seven years penal servitude.

Co. Meath.

On 30th January, 1966, in the course of a quarrel, a 46 years old labourer was assaulted and knocked to the ground by a 40 years old labourer. Both men had been drinking together prior to the quarrel. The assailant was arrested and charged with murder and returned for trial. At the Central Criminal Court the charge of murder was withdrawn from the Jury by direction of the trial Judge. The accused was then charged with manslaughter. He was found "Not Guilty" of manslaughter and was discharged.

Co. Leitrim.

On 31st October, 1965, in the course of an altercation on the public street, a 23 years old farmer received two stab wounds which resulted in his death. The weapon used was a knife. His assailant, a 27 years old farmer, was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused was found "Not Guilty" of murder but "Guilty" of manslaughter and sentenced to 7 years penal servitude. Application for leave to appeal against conviction and sentence was refused.

Co. Wexford.

On 24th December, 1965, in the course of an altercation outside a licensed premises, a 73 years old widower was assaulted and knocked to the ground by a 38 years old married farmer. His head struck the ground and he sustained injuries which resulted in his death. His assailant was arrested and charged with manslaughter. At Wexford Circuit Court the accused was found "Not Guilty" of manslaughter and discharged.

ROBBERY.

ROBBERIES WITH FIREARMS AND OTHER
SERIOUS ROBBERIES.

(1) Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 7th December, 1965, three armed and masked men entered the Corporation Rent Collection Office at Coolock. One of the men pointed a revolver at the official taking in rent money and demanded the takings. The official pulled down the shutter of the pay hatch and the alarm was then set off in the cashier's office. The raiders took fright and left without any cash. They drove away in a motor car, subsequently found abandoned. The vehicle was identified as one taken from the owner by two armed men a short time before the attempt to rob the rent office. An arrest was made and one of the culprits was charged on two counts of armed robbery and returned for trial. The case against the accused person has not yet been disposed of. The other culprits involved have not yet been made amenable.

Co. Limerick.

On 25th June, 1966, a man wearing a handkerchief as a mask over the lower portion of his face and armed with what appeared to be an automatic pistol, approached the office of a petrol filling station and ordered the attendant to open the cash register and hand over the takings. The attendant handed over £26. 10s. 0d. Culprit then left the scene and was heard to drive away on a motor cycle. An arrest was made and the culprit charged. The weapon used in the commission of the crime was subsequently identified as being an air pistol. At Limerick District Court, the Defendant pleaded guilty and consented to summary trial. He was convicted and bound to the peace for two years on condition that he would receive psychiatric treatment during that period.

Other Robberies.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

(1) On 16th March, 1966, an attache case containing £225. 16s. 0d. in cash was snatched from a Corporation Rent Collector as he was cycling on the public street. The culprit escaped in a stolen car driven by an accomplice. An arrest was made in the case. In the Dublin Juvenile Court the Justice, after hearing the evidence, stated that he did not think there was sufficient evidence to return the accused for trial and refused informations.

(2) On 21st February, 1966, two men entered a betting office near closing time. One of the men caught the assistant by the throat while the other man ran behind the counter and stole a bank wallet containing the sum of £121. 0s. 0d. Both men then ran from the shop. The culprits were arrested and charged. One of the accused has been returned for trial. The other accused failed to stand his trial and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.

(3) On 18th June, 1966, two youths entered a bookshop under the pretence of purchasing a book. While the shop assistant was engaged in conversation with one of the youths, the second youth knocked her to the ground and held her there while his companion stole the sum of £15 from the cash box. The culprits were arrested and charged. In the Dublin Juvenile Court both were convicted. One youth was sentenced to detention for 3 years in Daingean Reformatory and the other to detention for 6 months in an Industrial School. An appeal by the latter resulted in his period of detention being increased to 2 years.

Co. Cork.

(1) On 14th July, 1966, an airport employee was attacked and robbed of his wallet and contents as he was returning to his home. His assailant butted him in the face and struck him a number of blows with his fist. As a result of the assault he suffered a fracture of the nose. An arrest was made and the offender was returned for trial. At Cork Circuit Court the accused was convicted of (1) assault causing actual bodily harm and (2) larceny and sentenced to imprisonment for 12 months and 2 years respectively, the sentences to run concurrently. On the accused entering into a bond to keep the peace for two years, the sentences were suspended.

OFFENCES (1)	No. of persons proceeded against (2)	Charge withdrawn or dismissed (3)	Number Convicted (4)	Charge proved and Order made without Conviction (5)	Adjourned sine die or otherwise disposed of (6)
1. Adulteration of Food, Drugs, etc.					
2. Assaults	2,249	308	1,562	256	123
3. Cruelty to Animals	252	31	195	20	6
4. Dogs, Offences in relation to Licensing of (Finance Act, 1925)	2,136	73	1,496	564	3
5. School Attendance Act, 1926, Offences against	2,248	190	1,690	313	55
6. Traffic Act, Offences against:-					
(a) Lighting Regulations - Pedal Cycles (i) No front lamp	6,891	269	5,286	1,285	51
" " " (ii) No rear lamp	5,207	143	4,210	803	51
" " " (iii) No reflector	2,593	88	2,014	463	28
(b) " " - M.P.V.	21,311	576	17,102	3,501	132
(c) " " - Animal-drawn vehicles	313	17	264	30	2
(d) Licences - Driving	6,947	526	5,143	1,211	67
(e) Obstruction	5,447	242	4,308	858	39
(f) Dangerous Parking	922	42	789	86	5
(g) General Bye-Laws	6,364	315	4,823	1,163	63
(h) Local Bye-Laws	11,245	565	8,192	2,463	25
(i) Dangerous and Careless Driving	6,410	1,036	4,780	483	111
(j) Compulsory Insurance	4,923	806	3,349	650	118
(k) Driving or attempting to drive m.p.v. while drunk	1,189	305	844	11	29
(l) Being in charge of m.p.v. while drunk	200	33	160	6	1
(m) Driving or attempting to drive or being in charge of animal-drawn vehicle while drunk	30	2	26	2	-
(n) Driving or attempting to drive pedal cycle while drunk	247	12	225	10	-
(o) Exceeding speed limit (i) Built-up Area	12,015	790	10,402	678	145
" " (ii) Special	281	6	267	8	-
" " (iii) Ordinary	536	4	456	58	18
(p) Driving dangerously, defective M.P.V.	777	35	545	164	33
(q) Other Offences	18,183	976	14,466	2,521	220
7. Road Transport Acts	578	91	430	45	12
8. Roads Act and Finance Acts - Excise Licence	13,429	930	9,412	2,776	311
9. Intoxicating Liquor Laws, Offences against:-					
(a) Illegally on Licensed Premises during closing hours	2,915	226	2,619	36	34
(b) Drunkenness, Simple	1,797	56	1,482	252	7
(c) Drunkenness with aggravation	1,687	97	1,400	163	27
(d) Offences by Licensed Persons (or their Servants) against closing Regulations	622	111	475	24	12
(e) Other Offences by Licensed Persons (or their Servants)	59	7	50	1	1
(f) Other Offences against Intoxicating Liquor Laws	187	17	160	6	4
(g) Offences in connection with Registered Clubs	16	1	14	1	-
10. Labour Laws, offences against	7	2	5	-	-
11. Malicious Damage to Animals, Fences, etc	1,475	179	1,003	209	84
12. Noxious Weeds Act, 1936 - Offences against	71	4	59	3	5
13. Police Regulations, Offences against:-					
(a) Dublin Metropolitan Police Acts	1,339	84	907	345	3
(b) Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851	884	33	665	183	3
14. Revenue Laws, Offences against	231	31	167	32	1
15. Stealing, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property (not the subject of larceny at Common Law)	168	38	108	16	6
16. Street Trading Act, 1926 - Offences against	412	37	231	125	19
17. Unlawful possession	485	186	175	114	10
18. Vagrancy Acts - Offences against:-					
(a) Begging	303	26	215	55	7
(b) Other Offences	714	98	427	164	25
19. Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1926 - Offences against:	236	4	196	35	1
20. Other Offences	3,682	314	2,790	466	112
T O T A L	150,213	9,962	115,584	22,658	2,009