

In its report for the year 1918 the Board gave a general review of its work up to the end of that year, and it is unnecessary to repeat those observations here. If, however, the statistics contained in that report are completed to the end of 1919 the result and scope of the Board's work for the past ten years is shown as follows :—

Table B.—Reformative-detention Cases.

Total number sentenced to reformative detention	1,288
Released on recommendation of Board	920
Discharged from reformatories on completion of full sentence	49
Died while undergoing sentence	18
Remaining in reformatories on 31st December, 1919	301
	1,288
Total number released as above	969
Of whom there were—	
Returned to reformatories for non-compliance with conditions of release	52
Returned to reformatories for further offences	51
Returned for offences committed after discharge or expiry of period of probation	80
Total number returned	183
Absconded and not traced	19
Died	4
Left Dominion to return to former domiciles	16
Known to have been killed in action while on active service	3
Returned to Weraroa	1
Committed to Rotoroa	1
Committed to mental hospital	2
Committed to Mount Magdala Home	1
Committed to Salvation Army Home	1
Reporting on probation at 31st December, 1919	67
Number who have not offended since their discharge or expiration of period of probation, and presumably doing well	671
	786
	969

Of the number returned to reformatories 39 individuals were returned twice, 14 three times, 5 four times, and 1 five times.

Table C sets out the habitual criminals dealt with during the same period as that covered by Table B.

Table C.—Habitual Criminals.

Total number declared habitual criminals	261
Of whom there were—	
Released on recommendation of Board	220
Died while undergoing sentence	3
Remaining in prison on 31st December, 1919	38
	261
Total number released as above	220
Of whom there were—	
Returned to prison for non-compliance with conditions of release	41
Returned to prison for further offences	60
Returned to prison for offences committed after their discharge from probation	6
Total number returned	107
Absconded and not traced	16
Died	7
Left Dominion to return to former domiciles	21
Committed to mental hospital	1
Reporting on probation at 31st December, 1919	38
Number who have not offended, so far as known, since their discharge from probation, and presumably doing well	30
	113
	220

Of those returned to prison 22 returned twice, 3 returned three times, and 2 returned four times.

In 1917 the Statute Law Amendment Act, by section 14, authorized the Board to deal with hard-labour cases, and the following table shows the number so dealt with since that date :—

Table D.—Hard-labour Cases.

Total individual cases considered	175
Number discharged from prison on recommendation of Board	8
Number released on probation on recommendation of Board	30
Left the Dominion	3
Recommitted for other offences	1
Completed probation	11
Reporting on probation at 31st December, 1919	15