

Since 1917 the Board has dealt with the following hard-labour cases :—

TABLE C.—HARD-LABOUR CASES.

|                                                          |     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Total individual cases considered                        | 779 |
| Number discharged from prison on recommendation of Board | 147 |
| Number released on probation on recommendation of Board  | 240 |
| Left the Dominion                                        | 14  |
| Absconded                                                | 1   |
| Recommitted for other offences                           | 8   |
| Completed probation                                      | 160 |
| Reporting on probation at 31st December, 1923            | 32  |

## OFFENDERS PROBATION ACT, 1920.

During the year twenty-four applications for discharge from probation were considered by the Board, and of the number received eighteen were granted.

TABLE D.—SHOWING RELEASES AND DISCHARGES, ETC., EFFECTED EACH MONTH.

| 1923.     | Released on Probation. |                          |                              | Discharged from Prison. |                          |                              | Discharged from Probation. |                          |                              |                             | Re-labour missions. | Total. |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------|
|           | Hard-labour Cases.     | Habitual-criminal Cases. | Reformative-detention Cases. | Hard-labour Cases.      | Habitual-criminal Cases. | Reformative-detention Cases. | Hard-labour Cases.         | Habitual-criminal Cases. | Reformative-detention Cases. | Offender-probationer Cases. |                     |        |
| January   | 8                      | 7                        | 13                           | 9                       | 1                        | 3                            | 1                          | ..                       | 1                            | 4                           | 1                   | 48     |
| February  | 15                     | 4                        | 21                           | 3                       | ..                       | 3                            | ..                         | ..                       | ..                           | ..                          | 2                   | 48     |
| March     | 8                      | 4                        | 17                           | 3                       | ..                       | 6                            | ..                         | 1                        | 2                            | ..                          | ..                  | 41     |
| April     | 7                      | ..                       | 4                            | 2                       | ..                       | ..                           | ..                         | ..                       | ..                           | ..                          | 1                   | 14     |
| May       | 10                     | 4                        | 21                           | 2                       | 1                        | 5                            | 2                          | ..                       | 1                            | 4                           | ..                  | 50     |
| June      | 6                      | 1                        | 18                           | 7                       | ..                       | 12                           | ..                         | 1                        | ..                           | ..                          | ..                  | 45     |
| July      | 2                      | 1                        | 14                           | 3                       | ..                       | 6                            | ..                         | 1                        | ..                           | 1                           | 1                   | 29     |
| August    | 9                      | 1                        | 16                           | 7                       | ..                       | 2                            | ..                         | ..                       | ..                           | ..                          | ..                  | 35     |
| September | ..                     | ..                       | 11                           | 5                       | ..                       | 3                            | 2                          | 1                        | 1                            | 6                           | 2                   | 31     |
| October   | 1                      | ..                       | 10                           | 10                      | ..                       | 3                            | ..                         | ..                       | ..                           | ..                          | ..                  | 24     |
| November  | 4                      | 2                        | 14                           | 3                       | ..                       | 4                            | ..                         | 2                        | ..                           | 2                           | ..                  | 31     |
| December  | 10                     | 4                        | 26                           | 8                       | ..                       | 3                            | ..                         | ..                       | ..                           | 1                           | ..                  | 52     |
| Totals    | 80                     | 28                       | 185                          | 62                      | 2                        | 50                           | 5                          | 6                        | 5                            | 18                          | 7                   | 448    |

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

The following table shows the cases considered year by year by the Board over the last decade :—

TABLE E.

| Year.  | Habitual Criminals and Offenders. | Reformative Detention. | Hard Labour. | Habitual Criminals for remission, Hard Labour. | Probationers for Discharge from Probation. |                        | Totals. |
|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|
|        |                                   |                        |              |                                                | Crimes Amend-ment Act.                     | Offender Probationers. |         |
| 1914   | 117                               | 332                    | ..           | ..                                             | ..                                         | ..                     | 449     |
| 1915   | 101                               | 273                    | ..           | ..                                             | ..                                         | ..                     | 374     |
| 1916   | 102                               | 322                    | ..           | ..                                             | ..                                         | ..                     | 424     |
| 1917   | 95                                | 329                    | 14           | ..                                             | ..                                         | ..                     | 438     |
| 1918   | 87                                | 201                    | 92           | ..                                             | ..                                         | ..                     | 380     |
| 1919   | 97                                | 471                    | 115          | ..                                             | 18                                         | ..                     | 701     |
| 1920   | 74                                | 467                    | 75           | ..                                             | 32                                         | ..                     | 648     |
| 1921   | 75                                | 564                    | 167          | ..                                             | 18                                         | 17                     | 841     |
| 1922   | 93                                | 594                    | 271          | ..                                             | 19                                         | 30                     | 1,007   |
| 1923   | 74                                | 671                    | 304          | 4                                              | 16                                         | 24                     | 1,093   |
| Totals | 915                               | 4,224                  | 1,038        | 4                                              | 103                                        | 71                     | 6,355   |

Owing to the growth of the Board's work, meetings have of necessity to be held more frequently than hitherto, and during the year, as will be observed, the Board sat on some fifteen occasions.