

## AVERAGE ATTENDANCES AT GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1932.

Date.	1st 1A.	Malifa (Senior).	Vaipouli (Boys only).	Malifa Intermediate.	Avele (Boys only).	Totals.
31st March, 1931 .. ..	216	82	52	390	92	832
30th June, 1931 .. ..	211	80	45	391	90	817
30th September, 1931 ..	213	79	49	407	85	833
31st December, 1931 .. ..	213	*	55	522†	90‡	880
31st March, 1932 .. ..	216	..	54	460	70	800

\* Transferred to Avele.

† Increased by transfer of Avele Intermediate.

‡ Senior boys from Malifa.

## JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

The conditions relating to the work of the Department during the year proved to be quite normal, and the difficulties which were being experienced several years ago have disappeared entirely. The High Court holds frequent sittings in Apia as circumstances require, and, in addition, the Chief Judge held two sessions of the High Court in Savai'i. There was one murder charge, resulting in a Chinese labourer being sentenced to death, but this was commuted to life imprisonment. Civil actions filed during the year numbered 241; judgments being recorded in 192 cases—49 being either struck out or withdrawn. Particulars of the criminal cases are given in the tables hereunder, which show there has been a substantial decrease in the number of offences reported—a reduction from 1,478 to 987. One notary public was enrolled under the Samoa Notaries Order, 1931.

## CRIMINAL OFFENCES IN THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL, 1931, TO 31ST MARCH, 1932.

*Cases heard at Apia before the Chief Judge or Judge of the High Court, at Mulinu'u before the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of Native Affairs as Commissioners of the High Court, and in Savai'i before the Chief Judge (eighty cases), or the Resident Commissioner as a Commissioner of the High Court.*

Offences.	1930-31			1931-32.															Increase.	Decrease.
	Offences reported.	Offences reported.	Number arrested or summoned.	Number convicted in High Court.						Offences withdrawn or dismissed by High Court.										
				Apia.		Mulinu'u.		Savai'i.		Apia.		Mulinu'u.		Savai'i.						
Misleading justice—					M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.						
Escape from lawful custody	14	11	8	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3		
Contempt of Court ..	425	61	61	37	4	..	..	..	14	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	..	364		
Offences against morality—																				
Adultery ..	12	5	5	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7		
Abduction, carnally to know	15	7	7	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8		
Carnal knowledge ..	3	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2		
Offences against the person—																				
Assault, common ..	98	92	92	52	..	..	..	21	1	17	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6		
Assault, indecent ..	7	6	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Assault, causing actual bodily harm	10	6	6	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4		
Assault, causing grievous bodily harm	9	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7		
Rape ..	2	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Murder ..	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Threatening to kill ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Manslaughter ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Attempted suicide ..	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Insulting words ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Bigamy ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Administering dangerous drugs	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3		
Buggery ..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..		
Offences against property rights—																				
Burglary ..	11	16	9	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..		
Thefts from dwellings ..	2	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Theft ..	107	170	154	127	5	..	..	8	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	63	..		
Trespass ..	16	33	36	30	1	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	20	..		
Trespassing cattle ..	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Wilful mischief ..	6	59	54	35	..	..	..	2	2	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	..		
Forgery and uttering ..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1		
Receiving stolen property	5	5	5	2	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Unlawfully in dwelling-house at night	3	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Police offences—																				
Threatening behaviour ..	1	6	6	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..		
Insulting language ..	3	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2		
Provoking breach of the peace	8	10	10	..	..	..	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..		
Disorderly conduct ..	43	27	27	7	9	..	..	..	..	7	4	..	..	..	..	..	16	..		
Drunkenness ..	12	5	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7		
Throwing stones ..	3	11	11	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	8	..		