INVERCARGILL.

			Earnings.					
	Mont	h.	Skilled.	Unskilled.	Female.			
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Total earnings, £275 17s. 10d.

Skilled workmen, none.

Unskilled workmen, daily average, 18; average monthly earnings, £1 5s. 6d.

Female, none.

Gross annual cost per prisoner, £65 18s. 3d. Net annual cost per prisoner, £52 12s. 2d.

N.B.—The monthly average of female prisoners was about two. The unskilled earnings include the few days' labour which these women performed. It is so small as not to be worth making a separate entry, and was performed in spare hours after washing and cleaning prison, &c.

LYTTELTON.

						Earnings.					
	Month.			Skilled.		Unskilled.		Female.			
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Total earnings, £802 8s. 2d.

Skilled workmen: Printers, daily average, 12; net earnings, £544 0s. 8d.; average monthly earnings, £3 15s. 4d. a man. Tailors, daily average, 8; net earnings, £172 0s. 2d.; average monthly earnings, £1 15s. 10d. a man. Shoemakers, daily average, 6; net earnings, £60 9s. 4d.; average monthly earnings, 16s. 9d. a man.

In addition to above, carpenter prisoners made 94 days' work during year, for which £13 5s. was received, and a tinsmith prisoner did 25 days' work, for which £1 13s. was received.

Unskilled workmen: Daily average, 100; net receipts, £11; average monthly earnings, 2d. a man. Except for a short period in December the unskilled labourers were employed at work not paid for.

The discrepancy between the earnings of printers as here stated and the value of their work, as computed by Government Printer in his report, is, owing to the fact that the Prisons Department claims credit only for work paid for, while the Government Printer values all the work done. At Mr. Didsbury's estimate, the monthly earnings of a Lyttelton prisoner printer average £7 4s. 5d. This, however, makes no allowance for foreman's wages and work done by him.