

1887.

NEW ZEALAND.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, PRISONS BRANCH

(REPORT ON), FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1886.

ALSO,

REPORT ON THE OPERATION OF "THE FIRST OFFENDERS' PROBATION ACT, 1886,"

UP TO 31st DECEMBER, 1886.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

The INSPECTOR of PRISONS to the Hon. the MINISTER of JUSTICE.

SIR,—

Justice Department, Prisons Branch, Wellington, 17th March, 1887.

In presenting this my seventh annual report on the prisons of the colony, I have the honour to inform you that in the year ended the 31st December last I visited the thirteen larger prisons on the dates stated in the attached table, marked J. I have also visited several of the smaller or police gaols whenever time and circumstances permitted my doing so, and have devoted the entire time at my disposal to the various duties appertaining to my office as Inspector of Prisons. I have every reason to be satisfied with the manner in which these institutions are conducted, as well as with the care and treatment of the inmates; and, as in several instances no preparations could have been made, my visits having been at times when I was least expected, I am satisfied that the condition in which I have found the prisons and their inmates on the occasions of my periodical visits is what always exists.

2. It is a matter for congratulation this year to be able to report that, while there has been a considerable decrease in the daily average number of male prisoners, with only a very slight increase in the females, the cost of their maintenance is much less than last year, and there has been a large falling-off in the number of prison offences.

3. In no instance have there been any complaints regarding the quality of the rations supplied; and these, together with the clothing, bedding, and other necessaries, which, as usual, are obtained by contract, have been carefully inspected before delivery, and, if not found of good quality and according to sample, have been at once condemned and replaced.

4. There were four escapes during the year—viz., one at Nelson, Gisborne, Lyttelton, and Dunedin respectively; but in every case the prisoners were speedily recaptured. In the Nelson escape a female managed to run away from the matron, but had only gone a short distance when she was retaken. At Gisborne, a Maori succeeded one afternoon in getting over the gaol-fence; but was recaptured by the police the following evening. At Lyttelton, a prisoner awaiting trial, who had volunteered for work, was taken outside the prison-walls to labour, when he attempted to escape by running away, but was immediately followed and retaken in a few minutes. In the Dunedin case, a prisoner, when at labour at the Otago Heads, escaped during the afternoon, and was not missed till cease-labour hour, but was recaptured the same night by the police. After investigating the whole of the circumstances of this escape I was fully convinced that it was entirely due to gross negligence of two officers—viz., the principal warden in charge of the works, who was accordingly reduced in rank, and the warden immediately in charge of the escaped prisoner's party, whose services were dispensed with, this being the second time of his allowing a prisoner to escape from his charge.

5. Table A shows that the health of the prisoners throughout the year has been good at all the prisons. The daily average of sick has been 14·13 males and 1·95 females, showing a daily average increase over last year of ·38 in the males and ·35 in the females. Three deaths occurred, as against seven in 1885—viz., at Addington, Lyttelton, and Woodville—and in each case they were male prisoners.

6. There were no executions last year. At Gisborne one death-sentence was passed, which His Excellency the Governor was pleased to commute to penal servitude for life.

7. A reference to Table A shows that at the commencement of the past year there were 511 male and 78 female prisoners confined in the prisons of the colony, and at the close of the year there were 557 male and 68 female prisoners; giving an increase of 46 males and a decrease of 10 females. In the year 1885 there passed through the prisons 4,776 males and 1,059 females, while during the past year the numbers were 4,536 males and 1,056 females; being a decrease of 240 males and 3 females, giving a total decrease in cases dealt with of 243. These statistics are extremely satisfactory.

8. During the past year the daily average number of prisoners in gaols has been 532·05 males and 74·55 females, being a decrease of 22·4 males and an increase of 2·15 females, giving a net average decrease of 20·25 for the year as compared with the previous year. There is this satisfactory feature about the present condition of affairs: that the prison-population has for the last six years successively continued to decrease. Statistics, as far as my experience goes, usually show that the prison-population has generally risen and fallen alternately during periods of about three years: it might therefore have been reasonably expected that the fall which commenced in 1881 would have continued till 1884, and then be followed by a rise till 1887. But, as the numbers have continuously fallen during the six years, it certainly seems justifiable to infer that our penal reformatory system, though worked under great difficulties and not yet thoroughly developed, has been made effective, and that recent legislation has not only completely succeeded in its object of promoting uniformity, economy, and improved administration, but also in that which is the main object of all, the repression of crime.

9. According to figures obtained from the Registrar-General, the population of the colony was, at the end of the year 1886, 340,500 males and 290,694 females—total, 631,194 persons—while the number of prisoners at that date was 557 males and 66 females—623 persons. The average percentage of prisoners according to population was therefore ·098, being a very slight increase on the previous year, which showed a percentage of ·094.

10. During the past year 152 male and 2 female misdemeanants in default were detained in the gaols of the colony, and during the same period 83 male and 19 female supposed lunatics were detained in the various prisons; giving the same number of male misdemeanants in default as in the previous year, with a decrease of 3 females, and the large increase of 16 males and 5 females supposed lunatics.

11. In each of my annual reports I have protested against the prevailing practice of sending persons suffering from *delirium tremens*, and supposed lunatics, to the various prisons for treatment, and have pointed out that gaols are not designed for the cure of such diseases: the buildings are not adapted for the purpose, the officers are not trained to the work, and, in fact, all the essential conditions are wanting. A case which occurred in Addington Prison during the past year has afforded a striking illustration of the necessity of my repeated protests. A prisoner suffering from *delirium tremens* was received into Addington Gaol on the evening of the 12th February, 1886, and at once located in one of the largest cells, which contains 1,188 cubic feet of space, with ventilators in the ceiling and over and under the door. So bad was the attack from which the man was suffering that, as a means of precaution, it was deemed necessary to place two other prisoners in the cell with him. After remaining in the cell for two days, on the afternoon of the 14th of the same month he was removed to and placed alone in the padded cell, which contains 960 cubic feet of space, with a window 26in. by 18in., which is always open. He died the same night at 11·30 o'clock. At the Coroner's inquest the jury returned a verdict of "Death from excessive drinking," adding as a rider, "they trusted that the fact of the want of proper ventilation in the cells, and the necessity for a proper staff of nurses for such cases as the present, would be referred to the proper quarter for consideration." What the jury thought a proper amount of ventilation did not appear, but, as no cells in the prisons of the colony contain more space, or are any better ventilated than the ones in question, it follows that, if the practice of sending such cases to prisons for medical treatment is to continue, it is imperative that more spacious cells be constructed, and a regular staff of nurses be maintained at each prison, at a considerable expense. A reference to "The Licensing Act, 1881," section 145, subsection (2); "The Lunacy Act, 1882," sections 67 and 68; and to "The Police Offences Act, 1884," section 21, lead clearly to the conclusion that the intention of the Legislature when passing these Acts was that persons suffering from *delirium tremens* and suspected lunacy should be treated elsewhere than in prisons. The instructions recently issued from the Justice Department, to the effect that after the 31st of the present month no more such cases will be received for medical treatment into the prisons will, it is hoped, be strictly observed.

12. During the year 1886 416 males and 53 females were acquitted or discharged after remand, being a decrease of 70 males and 13 females on the previous year.

13. With reference to prisoners under sentence of penal servitude, there were at the close of last year in the several prisons 184 males and 3 females, being a decrease of 10 males and 1 female on the previous year.

14. As regards the financial table given under heading B, it will be found that the prisoners were maintained last year at a gross cost per head of £53 18s. 9d., as against £53 9s. 9d. for the previous year; and at a net cost per head of £33 5s. 11d., as against £41 7s. for the year 1885. The gross totals are made up as follows: Staff supervision, £34 11s. 1d.; maintenance, £15 3s. 10d.; incidental, £4 3s. 10d. It will be noticed that, while there are substantial reductions on the previous year's expenses under the heads of staff supervision and maintenance, there is an increase in the incidental expenses, which is accounted for by the heavy expenses incurred in connection with the sensational trials at Timaru and Dunedin, necessitating the removal of two prisoners under a strong escort several times from Addington and Lyttelton and back, and of one of them to Dunedin and back. Had it not been for the expenses connected with these trials, the gross and net cost per prisoner for the past year would have been very much less. I would here point out that every

expenditure in connection with the various prisons is debited to each respectively, and the simple but accurate system of keeping the accounts now adopted prevents the possibility of any incorrect charges being made or fictitious credits being taken.

15. In the gross cost per prisoner Timaru is the highest, at £115 10s. 9d., which is mainly due to the expenses attending the trial before alluded to, and in a small respect to the falling-off in the daily average number of prisoners. As a large reduction has now been made in the staff of this prison, it is confidently expected that a corresponding reduction in the cost of prisoners per head for the present year will result. The next highest gross cost per head is at Wanganui, with £88 15s. 8d.; while the lowest is Auckland, at £41 9s. 9d., followed by Mount Cook at £45 4s. 8d.

16. The receipts and credits for prison-labour, road-metal, bricks, needlework, maintenance of prisoners, &c., for the past year, amounted to £12,270 6s. 2d., as against £7,481 15s. in 1885.

17. As regards the education of prisoners, a reference to Table C shows that, out of a total of 4,025 males and 978 females, 3,324 males and 749 females were able to read and write well, while 462 males and 135 females were unable to read or write.

18. It is with deep regret I have to report, as I anticipated last year, a very large increase in the number of juvenile offenders who passed through the prisons during 1886; those under ten years of age being 39, as against 40 in 1885; while in those from ten to fifteen years of age the numbers are 101, as against 68; and in those aged from fifteen to twenty the numbers are 295, as against 269: giving a total increase during the past year of 58 prisoners under the age of twenty years.

19. In many instances the crimes of which these young offenders have been convicted were of such a serious nature as to necessitate the prisoners being sent for trial to the Supreme Court—viz., forgery, uttering, breaking into and entering, placing obstacles on the railway, &c.; and in one instance a child seven years old was committed to take his trial at the Supreme Court sessions for breaking into a store. The Grand Jury, however, ignored the bill, and the child is now in an industrial school. Although there is a decrease on the previous year of 1 in those under ten years of age, it is nevertheless a matter for the gravest consideration that so many as 39 children under ten years of age have been detained in the prisons during the past year, while as many as 140 under fifteen years of age have passed through the prisons. It is beyond argument that to place young people of such tender years in ordinary prisons with adult criminals, on the same scale of rations, especially with the great facilities for contamination by association which the prisons still afford, owing to the new buildings not yet being ready for occupation, not only is not calculated to check their criminal tendencies, but rather to develop them, and to deprive prisons of the dread they ought to inspire. I feel sure it will be necessary to establish a reformatory for juvenile criminals unless the successful working of the First Offenders Probation Act obviates it, and so to have an establishment for the reception of convicted juvenile offenders, as distinct from the industrial schools, which should be purely preventive and training institutions for unconvicted orphans or neglected and homeless children.

20. The total number of prison-punishments awarded during the past year was 227, as against 339 in 1885. These were minor punishments by Visiting Justices; while 19 serious or aggravated prison-offences, after first being investigated by a Visiting Justice, were reheard in open Court, as against 47 similar cases in 1885. It is extremely satisfactory to find that at Mount Cook Prison, with a daily average of 52.5 prisoners, it has been found necessary to punish only one prisoner during the year. The small number of prison-punishments at Lyttelton—viz., 21 minor and 2 Court cases, with a daily average of 111.6 prisoners; and at the Terrace Prison, Wellington, of 29 minor and 1 Court case, with a daily average of 73 prisoners—must, I think, induce the most sceptical to admit that no error on the side of excessive leniency towards prisoners was made by the Legislature in passing "The Prisons Act, 1883," which abolished flogging and additional imprisonment being awarded by Visiting Justices. It would be erroneous to suppose for one moment that where there are so few punishments discipline is in any way relaxed; but, on the contrary, the highest state of discipline prevails at the three prisons above-mentioned, while the amount of work performed by the prisoners at these establishments, both in quantity and quality, reflects the utmost credit on the gaolers and their officers. The prison-offences at Auckland and Dunedin I hope to see considerably reduced, which can only be accomplished by the officers more carefully studying the diverse temperaments and natures of those under their charge, encouraging them to self-restraint and good behaviour, and endeavouring to secure discipline and subordination by other means than severity and force, and at the same time to refine, and so to raise the characters of their prisoners, which is the foundation of prison reformation.

21. Under Table H it will be noticed that of the more serious offences of which prisoners have been convicted during the past year there were—forgery and uttering, 19; larceny, 37; indecent conduct and rape, 4; housebreaking and burglary, 8: being an increase on the previous year of 9 cases of forgery and uttering, with decreases in larceny, rape, and housebreaking of 18, 1, and 4 respectively. The increase in forgery and uttering I believe to be mainly, if not entirely, due to the facilities offered by unscrupulous persons issuing blank cheques to entire strangers, without taking ordinary precautions, in the hope of making some pecuniary gain.

22. The number of offences committed by prison-officers last year was 25, as against 23 in 1885. Except in the case of one officer for repeated acts of intoxication, and another for allowing a prisoner to escape (before referred to), the majority of offences were ordinary cases of absence and neglect of duty. It was my painful duty to investigate charges of gross neglect of duty and making a false representation to a Visiting Justice, against a Gaoler of long standing, which were fully proved; but, as he tendered his resignation before you had fully considered his case, and as the same was duly accepted, I considered it unnecessary to recommend any punishment, on account of previous good services rendered. On the whole, I have reason to be satisfied with the conduct of the officers during the past year, and I feel the annual decrease of prison offences, without the discipline being in any way impaired, conclusively proves that the prison staff are gradually learning

that their aim in dealing with those under their charge should be, not to degrade but to elevate, and by humane and wise treatment prove that cure, not punishment, is their main object and consideration.

23. The prison-buildings in course of erection at Mount Cook (Wellington) and Auckland have made good progress during the year; and one effectual step in the direction of classification of prisoners has been the abolition of the prison-hulk at Otago Heads. The reclamation works at Sticking Point, Lyttelton, have been carried on during the past year to the satisfaction of the Harbour Board. Brickmaking at Mount Cook is energetically pushed on, and there is an order on hand for about one million and a half bricks for the new Government Printing Office in Wellington. Large quantities of bricks have also been supplied to the Public Works Department, to the Wellington and Manawatu Railway contracts, and Wellington Woollen Company, which could not conveniently be obtained privately. These bricks are universally admitted to be the best ever manufactured in the colony.

24. New prisons have been built (by contract) and completed at Wanganui and Greymouth, and the centre dome of the New Plymouth Gaol should be shortly completed, while the levelling round the site, referred to in my last report, is being carried out as quickly as the amount of prison-labour at my disposal for this work admits of.

25. An attempt on the part of the Otago Harbour Board to obtain a reduction in the rates paid for prison-labour from 2s. to 1s. per man per diem led to my being able to recommend a considerable saving in the cost of maintenance and supervision by the removal of the prisoners from the Otago Heads to the prisons at Lyttelton, Mount Cook, and New Plymouth, where their labour is far more remunerative to the department. For reasons I am unable to account for it has been obvious to any one closely watching the matter that for some time past there has been a desire to retard prison-labour at the Otago Heads, while every effort has been made in furtherance of the free men's labour. It has been a daily occurrence for prisoners to be kept idle upwards of half an hour at a time waiting for trucks, while the free men were never a moment without any appliances or tools they might require. Yet, notwithstanding all drawbacks, the Board's Engineer, after the periodical measuring-up had taken place, invariably expressed himself satisfied with the prisoners' work. At a meeting of the Board, however, it was evident that some of the members put no confidence in these measurements of work, though they were made by their own servants, and it was determined to discontinue employing prisoners. As a proof that this feeling against the employment of prisoners is not of a recent date, I would point out that as far back as 1880, when I first took charge of the prisons, this Board were paying only 1s. per man per diem, and the Engineer informed me that even that low rate of payment for prison-labour was a loss to the Board. The system adopted at the Otago Heads of working prisoners and free men side by side is a bad and unfair one; but, as attention has so often been invited to the unserviceable and dangerous state of the hulk, together with the several serious drawbacks to discipline and classification that must necessarily exist in a hulk-prison, it is, I think, a matter of considerable congratulation that the prisoners have been removed. A reduction of six officers has already been made, and I hope shortly to be able to recommend still further reductions. The more the prisoners are concentrated in prisons, the less will be the cost of supervision.

26. In October last Mr. McAllister, Clerk and Accountant, was transferred as Deputy-Registrar to the Supreme Court, Dunedin, and was succeeded by Mr. T. E. Richardson. I take this opportunity of placing on record my appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the department by Mr. McAllister for six years. A reduction has been made in the office by the transfer of the cadet to the Wellington Resident Magistrate's Court.

27. In closing this report it is respectfully pointed out, as conclusive evidence of the strictest economy being exercised in the management of the colonial prisons, that the amount asked for in the estimates for the various establishments for the current year is £7,500 less than the sum demanded for their maintenance when I first took charge seven years ago, notwithstanding that twenty-two police-gaols have now to be provided for which were not then in existence. I prepared a balance-sheet showing the cost of prisoners in the Dunedin Gaol for the year 1877, and another for the past year; and a comparison of these shows that at this prison, in the year 1877, with a daily average of 133·94 prisoners, the gross annual cost per head was £69 9s. 7½d., and the net cost £66 12s. 3½d.; whereas during the past year, with a daily average of 85·1 prisoners, the gross cost per head was £55 12s. 9d., and the net cost £44 8s. 2d. These statistics, I venture to assert, not only prove what has already been stated in support of economical administration, but give a conclusive answer to the repeated invidious comparisons between the present and the past which appear at intervals in some of the Otago newspapers.

FIRST OFFENDERS' PROBATION ACT REPORT.

As to the ultimate benefit to be derived from the principle embodied in the Act, I cannot but take a sanguine view. The population of New Zealand is one which pre-eminently has passed through the test of natural selection. The long distance from Europe has secured for us emigrants in whom it may be almost universally asserted there is not a taint of hereditary crime, and an almost perfect immunity from the criminal class; the consequence being that reformation may be attempted with strong hope of success. In my experience, it has too frequently occurred that by the mode of punishment hitherto adopted persons of naturally good propensities have been crystallized into criminals through the long and compulsory association with those who have lost all sense of shame. It is very often given as a cause of a young person's first fall that he or she got into bad company; and under the old system we say, "You have made a mistake through the unsatisfactory character of your associates: we will reform you by compelling you to

live with worse." The frequent consequence is that, when their sentence expires, and they are released from prison, they are at war with society and society is at war with them. It is not for a moment argued that reformation is the only thing to be considered in dealing with crime; but I think it will be generally admitted that it is fast becoming the most important question. Retaliation, which seems to have been the origin of punishment, has virtually been eliminated from civilized notions, at all events in theory: we now punish to protect society. But is not reformation the strongest protection? Society has one less to guard against and one less to support.

2. To a young, vigorous community like ours it is a subject of the most momentous import that the country should be saved from the social cancer of a criminal class, and is worth every possible experiment. A criminal class means also a pauper class.

3. It may also be asserted of the probation system that it has passed out of the region of experiment now, since it has been tried with such great success in America. The New Zealand First Offenders' Probation Act was passed last session, and virtually came into operation on the 1st October last, and the first difficulty that presented itself was how suitable Probation Officers were to be obtained. As, however, it was decided that no salary could be granted for the performance of these duties, the choice lay between the Gaolers and the police-officers; but, as the police are administered under another department, and as the Probation Act had been thought out and introduced by yourself, it was only reasonable to conclude it would be more successfully worked out by those serving in a department immediately under your own administration. Hence, at those places where prisons exist the Gaolers were selected for Probation Officers, while in other localities these duties have been assigned to the senior officer of the local police force.

4. For the three months, ending the 31st December, 1886, during which the Act has been in force, 18 persons (see Table L) were placed on probation, and have in every instance satisfactorily carried out the conditions of their license by reporting themselves at the stipulated periods, and paying by instalments such part of the costs of their prosecutions as were directed by the Court.

5. The total amount paid by these 18 persons is £56, and the probable cost of their imprisonment, had not probation intervened, amounts to about £375, thus giving a saving of about £431 for the three months. Of these 18 persons the terms of probation to be served vary from two years to as little as three months.

6. As far as can at present be ascertained, there is every reason to believe that in the cases of these 18 persons reformation may be expected without imprisonment, and the best interests of the public, as well as of the offenders, have been subserved by placing them on probation.

7. It cannot for a moment be expected that in future, as the operations of the Act extend, so large a percentage of reformants can reasonably be reckoned upon; but a word of praise is due to the Probation Officers for the discrimination shown by them in prosecuting the necessary inquiries, and the selection of those recommended to be brought under the provisions of the Act.

8. There are several matters of detail in the working of the Act which may, no doubt, have to be amended when, with more experience, the faults have been detected. And some difficulty has presented itself in those districts where Gaolers are Probation Officers, by their not being immediately informed of the arrest of a person by the police against whose character nothing is previously known; but, doubtless, as time goes on such difficulties will be easily surmounted. In places where the police are Probation Officers it has been ruled by their department that in forwarding reports on probationers to this office they must be submitted through the inspector in charge of the district, instead of direct; which appears to me a grave error, and most unfair to the persons reported upon, by giving unnecessary publicity to their previous history and character, which I believe was never contemplated by the Act.

I have, &c.,

A. HUME,

Inspector of Prisons.

TABLE A.
NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COLONY, AND THEIR DISPOSAL, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1886.

State of the Prisons.	Addington.	Auckland.	Dunedin.	Hokitika.	Invercargill.	Lyttelton.	Napier.	Nelson.	New Plymouth.	Timaru.	Wanganui.	Wellington (Mt. Cook).	Wellington (Terrace).	Minor Gaols.	Total.	Grand Total.
IN PRISON 1st JANUARY.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	
Debtors	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Lunatics	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
For trial, on remand, and <i>in transitu</i>	1	13	9	3	1	7	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	2	40	47
Sentenced to—																
Death	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Penal servitude	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
One year's hard labour and upwards	4	17	11	3	4	19	7	4	9	3	1	60	19	..	194	4
Three months' hard labour and upwards	1	30	9	1	4	16	12	3	1	3	7	1	23	..	163	8
Under three months' hard labour	7	15	6	2	7	7	2	3	1	3	3	..	5	..	95	31
Simple imprisonment	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	63	22
Simple imprisonment	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	7	6
Total	13	116	64	23	9	162	23	1	14	9	16	61	58	8	511	78
RECEIVED.																
Debtors	18	26	1	1	12	1	11	1	4	1	13	..	16	..	145	2
Lunatics	..	2	..	..	18	..	8	..	..	4	5	..	1	..	81	19
For trial, on remand, and on transfer (not including prisoners sentenced as below)	77	106	13	5	18	37	24	12	20	29	21	32	88	11	728	86
Sentenced to—																
Death	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Penal servitude	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
One year's hard labour and upwards	..	10	..	..	7	11	5	2	1	2	3	..	6	..	44	4
Three months' hard labour and upwards	2	22	11	1	7	21	10	2	17	1	3	..	13	..	93	4
Under three months' hard labour	169	473	191	11	76	63	18	32	5	108	111	..	312	106	347	148
Simple imprisonment	1	36	2	14	10	8	7	6	4	2	21	..	22	7	223	36
Total received	267	772	239	53	133	306	244	58	76	155	185	32	486	123	994	225
Total for year	280	888	257	62	163	408	267	66	90	164	201	93	544	131	1014	592
DISCHARGED.																
Debtors	17	26	1	1	13	1	10	2	3	1	14	..	16	..	148	2
Lunatics transferred to asylums	..	5	..	..	16	2	4	..	3	4	5	..	1	..	38	19
Acquitted and after remand	70	86	12	5	18	23	10	7	15	24	2	..	65	10	416	53
On remission of sentence	6	86	3	3	5	39	19	4	14	7	7	..	29	..	258	25
At expiration of sentence	177	551	226	43	92	216	163	42	44	119	132	..	347	112	302	757
On bail	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Transferred to other prisons or police	2	2	..	..	2	2	20	8	..	11	30	4	12	..	300	57
Pardoned	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	1
Executed	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Died naturally	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
Total discharged	273	756	242	54	145	308	226	63	79	159	190	25	474	123	983	988
In prison at end of year	7	10	132	8	17	100	41	3	11	5	11	68	70	8	557	68
Total for year	280	888	257	62	163	408	267	66	90	164	201	93	544	131	1014	592
Greatest number of both sexes at one time	32	164	101	21	39	135	44	13	25	15	19	68	89	..	..	..
Least number of both sexes at one time	12	129	73	10	10	95	16	8	10	1	2	47	52	..	..	..
Daily average	6.9	14.7	15.8	5.2	18.3	11.6	27	6.8	16.6	6.75	10	52.5	67	6	10.8	1.5
Prisoners ill 48 hours or more	..	66	25	148	44	77	29	1	1	2	2	23	10	2	396	98
Prisoners admitted to hospital	..	18	8	9	1	6	3	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	37	11
Daily average on sick list	..	1.8	5.2	1.9	..	2.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14.13	1.95

Table B.

EXPENDITURE under the different Heads of Service in the Larger Prisons for the Year ending 31st December, 1886.

—	Addington.		Auckland.		Dunedin.		Hokitika.		Invercargill.		Lyttelton.		Napier.		Nelson.		New Plymouth.		Timaru.		Wanganui.		Wellington (Mount Cook).		Wellington (Terrace).		Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Daily average number of prisoners { Males... Females	6.9 14.7	129.6 15.8	58.2 26.9	10.0 5.0	18.3 1.1	111.6 ...	27.0 1.0	6.8 1.2	16.6 0.5	6.75 0.75	10.0 0.1	52.5 ...	67.0 6.0	521.25 73.05															
Total	21.6	145.4	85.1	15.0	19.4	111.6	28.0	8.0	17.1	7.5	10.1	52.5	73.0	594.3															
HEADS OF SERVICE.																													
Staff:																													
Salaries and allowances	756 7 2	3,814 4 1	3,237 16 10	833 15 0	860 0 0	3,329 1 10	987 1 8	364 15 8	798 15 0	591 8 4	522 10 0	1,360 0 0	2,403 3 11	19,883 19 6															
Uniforms	13 16 3	155 7 6	47 1 6	26 5 6	19 2 3	115 14 0	24 16 6	12 7 10	31 0 11	21 2 8	18 10 1	88 4 1	70 17 6	644 6 7															
Total	770 3 5	3,969 11 7	3,284 18 4	880 0 6	879 2 3	3,444 15 10	1,011 18 2	377 3 6	829 15 11	612 11 0	541 0 1	1,448 4 1	2,479 1 5	20,528 6 1															
Cost per prisoner	35 13 1	27 6 0	38 11 6	58 13 4	46 5 4	30 17 6	36 2 10	47 3 0	48 10 6	81 13 5	53 11 3	27 12 6	33 19 2	34 11 1															
Maintenance:																													
Rations	152 16 9	1,009 0 7	774 16 4	197 16 3	214 18 3	726 17 8	213 1 8	85 16 2	169 14 8	59 13 4	79 4 6	369 13 7	503 13 5	4,557 3 5															
Fuel and light	107 1 9	145 11 2	115 3 0	46 1 0	44 10 8	391 14 1	39 4 0	25 1 3	31 13 2	33 19 6	41 4 0	17 12 3	179 7 2	1,218 3 0															
Bedding and clothing	47 12 11	333 11 7	194 13 11	98 14 6	50 2 5	497 15 9	137 15 5	14 3 6	63 13 9	33 17 5	72 9 2	219 1 1	446 3 3	2,179 14 8															
Medicines and medical comforts, including tobacco	25 2 9	94 12 10	69 15 3	14 15 6	1 3 4	163 1 0	12 0 1	(c)	10 16 6	5 12 8	5 15 7	64 2 1	57 10 5	529 8 0															
Furniture	18 19 0	38 18 0	26 16 5	33 18 0	19 0 0	21 12 3	...	...	34 8 0	46 4 0	30 2 8	29 8 0	95 11 10	397 18 2													
Soap, cleaning materials, &c.	22 1 7	17 5 6	13 14 0	17 10 0	1 15 0	35 3 6	3 11 8	1 10 2	...	5 14 1	3 13 0	9 5 2	14 8 6	145 12 2															
Total	373 14 9	1,603 19 8	1,194 18 11	411 15 3	331 9 11	1,844 4 3	405 12 10	126 11 1	310 6 1	185 1 0	232 8 11	709 2 2	1,296 14 7	9,027 19 5															
Cost per prisoner	17 6 0	11 1 4	14 0 8	27 9 0	17 8 11	16 10 1	14 9 9	15 16 5	18 2 11	24 13 4	23 0 4	13 10 6	17 15 3	15 3 10															
Incidental:																													
Rates, rent, &c.	...	55 1 0	...	...	...	98 10 0	7 10 0	...	34 7 1	20 0 0	18 0 0	7 0 0	3 0 0	243 8 1												
Conveyance of officers and prisoners	32 18 6	68 18 4	125 16 5	4 4 3	9 9 0	235 1 3	52 3 5	11 4 0	...	40 3 5	24 5 3	60 6 4	31 19 6	696 9 8															
Tools, material, &c.	42 12 0	223 18 6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	271 10 6				
Gratuities to prisoners on discharge and sundries	44 11 10	100 14 8	131 16 7	15 3 11	23 3 11	445 13 9	13 3 0	9 7 8	75 18 8	8 15 4	81 0 5	146 14 3	184 16 8	1,281 0 8															
Total	120 2 4	453 12 6	257 13 0	19 8 2	32 12 11	779 5 0	72 16 5	20 11 8	110 5 9	68 18 9	123 5 3	214 0 7	219 16 2	2,492 8 11															
Cost per prisoner	5 11 2	3 2 5	3 0 6	1 5 11	1 14 4	6 19 8	2 12 1	2 11 5	6 9 0	9 3 10	12 4 1	4 1 8	3 0 3	4 3 10															
Gross total cost	1,264 0 6	6,032 3 9	4,737 10 3	1,311 3 11	1,243 5 1	6,065 5 1	1,430 7 5	524 6 3	1,250 7 9	865 10 9	896 14 8	2,371 6 10	3,995 12 2	32,048 14 5															
Gross cost per prisoner	58 10 3	41 9 9	55 12 9	87 8 3	65 8 7	54 7 3	53 4 7	65 10 10	73 2 5	115 10 9	88 15 8	45 4 8	54 14 8	53 18 9															
Deduct:																													
Cash received for maintenance, labour, &c.	18 18 10	914 1 5	939 14 3	3 9 0	203 17 8	1,402 18 10	92 7 6	13 18 6	...	29 3 6	...	852 0 8	13 12 9	4,484 2 11															
Credits, work for other departments &c.	476 9 4	4,402 3 2	16 13 1	...	...	2,511 13 4	...	0 12 6	...	1 7 6	...	285 5 2	91 19 2	7,786 3 3													
Total	495 8 2	5,316 4 7	956 7 4	3 9 0	203 17 8	8,039 14 12 2	92 7 6	14 11 0	...	30 11 0	...	1,137 5 10	105 11 11	12,270 6 2															
Net total cost	768 12 4	715 19 2	3,781 2 11	1,307 14 11	1,039 7 5	2,150 12 11	1,337 19 11	509 15 3	1,250 7 9	835 19 9	896 14 8	1,234 1 0	3,890 0 3	19,778 8 3															
Net cost per prisoner	35 11 8	4 18 6	44 8 2	87 3 8	54 1 5	19 0 5	49 18 7	63 14 5	73 2 5	111 9 4	88 15 8	23 10 9	53 5 9	33 5 11															

(*) 450 per annum paid to hospital under contract for attendance and medicines. (b) Includes £2,511 13s. 4d., value of work at Sticking Point, as estimated by Inspector of Works of Lyttelton Harbour Board. (c) £25 per annum paid to hospital under contract for attendance and medicines.

Table C.
EDUCATION of PRISONERS received during the Year 1886.

Prisons.	Superior Education.		Read and write.		Read only.		Unable to read.		Total.		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Total.
Addington	19	3	217	108	10	34	21	6	267	151	418
Auckland	5	..	626	185	31	7	110	47	772	239	1,011
Dunedin	2	..	313	173	10	7	34	40	359	220	579
Hokitika	2	..	43	32	3	..	5	4	53	36	89
Invercargill	11	2	126	18	4	..	12	12	153	32	185
Lyttelton	3	..	268	..	6	..	29	..	306	..	306
Napier	2	..	218	14	1	1	23	6	244	21	265
Nelson	1	..	46	8	5	3	6	..	58	11	69
New Plymouth .. .. .	..	..	64	4	3	1	9	2	76	7	83
Timaru	1	1	129	8	9	2	16	2	155	13	168
Wanganui	4	..	136	23	3	1	42	2	185	26	211
Wellington (Mount Cook)	1	..	29	..	..	..	2	..	32	..	32
" (Terrace)	12	..	382	107	8	16	84	..	486	123	609
Minor gaols	24	..	727	69	59	16	69	14	879	99	978
Total	87	6	3,324	749	152	88	462	135	4,025	978	5,003

Table D.
AGES of PRISONERS received during the Year 1886, and CAUSES of their DETENTION.

	Addington.	Auckland.	Dunedin.	Hokitika.	Invercargill.	Lyttelton.	Napier.	Nelson.	New Plymouth.	Timaru.	Wanganui.	Wellington (Mount Cook).	Wellington (Terrace).	Minor Gaols.	Total.
Under 10 years:															
Felony	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	9
Misdemeanour .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1
Minor offences .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	27	29
Debt or lunacy .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10 to 15 years:															
Felony	5	14	1	..	3	..	7	1	..	..	7	..	5	7	50
Misdemeanour .. .. .	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	4	15
Minor offences	1	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	22	36
Debt or lunacy .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15 to 20 years:															
Felony	15	21	16	5	6	16	6	2	7	6	6	..	10	21	137
Misdemeanour	4	12	..	1	2	3	1	..	..	1	4	..	16	24	68
Minor offences	2	32	8	..	1	8	10	..	..	..	..	..	16	10	87
Debt or lunacy .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3
20 to 25 years:															
Felony	14	31	17	2	5	10	9	..	6	5	8	3	20	23	153
Misdemeanour	6	11	..	1	6	1	2	2	3	2	7	..	27	16	84
Minor offences	20	57	47	1	12	45	18	4	..	2	..	..	24	38	264
Debt or lunacy	1	2	2	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	12	27
25 to 30 years:															
Felony	10	28	25	1	6	8	15	3	3	6	5	8	37	18	177
Misdemeanour	3	2	3	..	6	1	4	5	3	10	7	..	39	28	111
Minor offences	26	95	62	6	10	30	21	6	..	10	2	..	29	89	386
Debt or lunacy	1	4	1	..	3	..	3	1	1	2	1	..	2	10	29
30 to 40 years:															
Felony	24	50	25	5	7	25	11	3	12	5	13	12	32	25	249
Misdemeanour	16	7	4	1	15	10	11	1	7	15	8	..	63	47	205
Minor offences	100	179	142	26	20	49	31	10	..	13	13	..	81	155	819
Debt or lunacy	9	10	4	..	5	..	6	1	1	2	7	..	6	23	74
40 to 50 years:															
Felony	14	47	19	..	6	26	13	..	8	1	15	7	20	18	194
Misdemeanour	15	7	5	2	7	4	6	3	11	9	34	1	26	36	166
Minor offences	70	217	121	28	15	43	44	9	..	43	19	..	54	150	813
Debt or lunacy	5	5	6	1	10	..	5	..	6	1	5	..	2	28	74
50 to 60 years:															
Felony	6	14	11	4	1	10	3	3	3	1	5	1	7	10	79
Misdemeanour	2	4	3	2	5	..	3	1	5	5	14	..	16	16	76
Minor offences	33	88	34	3	13	10	19	1	1	18	11	..	20	73	324
Debt or lunacy	3	4	1	..	4	1	3	..	..	1	3	..	4	8	32
60 years and upwards:															
Felony	1	10	4	..	1	3	2	..	3	..	4	..	4	8	40
Misdemeanour	2	1	..	..	4	..	2	..	1	..	2	..	13	7	32
Minor offences	8	45	12	..	2	3	7	13	..	9	6	..	21	21	147
Debt or lunacy	1	1	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	13
Summary:															
Felony	90	217	120	17	35	98	66	12	44	24	63	31	136	131	1,084
Misdemeanour	48	49	16	7	45	19	29	12	30	43	76	1	204	179	758
Minor offences	260	718	429	64	73	188	150	43	1	95	52	..	251	585	2,909
Debt or lunacy	20	27	14	1	32	1	20	2	8	6	20	..	18	83	252
Total	418	1,011	579	89	185	306	265	69	83	168	211	32	609	978	5,003

Table E.
PREVIOUSLY-CONVICTED PRISONERS received in 1886.

Prisons.	Once.		Twice.		Thrice or oftener.		Total.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Addington	37	19	15	10	56	91	108	120
Auckland	95	20	71	14	240	153	406	187
Dunedin	33	16	23	12	101	153	157	181
Hokitika	12	3	..	2	3	29	15	34
Invercargill	3	..	10	2	25	20	38	22
Lyttelton	30	..	13	..	34	..	77	..
Napier	28	..	12	..	20	12	60	12
Nelson	8	..	3	1	4	7	15	8
New Plymouth	5	..	3	..	7	3	15	3
Timaru	17	..	8	2	33	2	53	4
Wanganui	27	4	13	3	54	12	94	19
Wellington (Mount Cook)	6	..	7	..	9	..	22	..
" (Terrace)	60	20	27	17	71	46	158	83
Minor gaols	103	13	61	6	125	30	289	49
Total	464	95	266	69	782	558	1,512	722

Table F.
PREVIOUSLY-CONVICTED PRISONERS for Six Years, 1881-86.

Year.	Once.		Twice.		Thrice or oftener.		Total.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1881	411	58	235	55	656	425	1,090	532
1882	393	67	255	51	723	440	1,245	553
1883	479	93	279	69	798	655	1,556	827
1884	483	81	282	65	720	597	1,485	743
1885	462	69	279	47	757	576	1,498	692
1886	464	95	266	69	782	558	1,512	722

Table G.
NUMBER of CONVICTS (Prisoners sentenced to Penal Servitude) in the different Prisons.

Prisons.	31st December, 1885.		31st December, 1886.		Increase.	Decrease.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		
Addington	3	2	..	1
Auckland	38	33	..	5
Dunedin	20	19	..	1
Hokitika	1	1	..	..
Invercargill	1	1	..
Lyttelton	52	40	..	12
Napier	1	2	1	..
Nelson
New Plymouth	3	5	2	..
Timaru
Wanganui
Wellington (Mount Cook)	60	66	6	..
" (Terrace)	20	18	..	2
Total	198	187	10	21
Net decrease	11

Table H.
CRIMES of PRISONERS sentenced to PENAL SERVITUDE or HARD LABOUR for Twelve Months and over during 1886.

Assault causing bodily harm	7	Larceny from a dwelling	10
Arson	4	Manslaughter	1
Bestiality	1	Murder	1
Burglary	11	" attempted	1
Demanding money by threats	1	Obtaining goods by false pretences	4
Escaping from legal custody	2	Perjury	2
Embezzlement and fraud	9	Rape	1
Feloniously receiving	1	" attempted	1
Forging and uttering	19	Robbery	2
Horse- and cattle-stealing	15	" with violence	2
" cattle-shooting	1	Sheep-stealing	1
Housebreaking, and having implements for	8	Shooting at	1
Indecent assault	2	Stealing post-letters	1
Larceny, not otherwise described	16	Vagrancy	13
" as a bailee	2	Wounding	3
" from the person	9		

Total, 152.

N.B.—In Table A the total number received on sentences of twelve months and upwards is 142. The ten additional here shown are among the prisoners for trial and remand from previous year, and, though sentenced in 1886, were received in 1885.

Table I.
VISITS of the VISITING JUSTICES to the Thirteen Larger Prisons during the Year 1886.

Prisons and Visiting Justices.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Addington :													
Richmond Beetham, R.M. . . . .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Alexander Lean	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	5
Richard Westerra	1	2	3	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	11
Auckland :													
H. G. Seth-Smith, R.M. . . . .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Joseph Newman	3	2	4	2	4	3	2	1	2	2	2	1	28
Charles La Roche	7	4	3	4	4	3	3	2	2	1	1	5	36
S. Thorne George	3	5	5	4	4	2	3	3	4	3	3	2	41
T. Thompson, M.H.R.	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	8
Dunedin :													
E. H. Carew, R.M.	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	1	8
I. N. Watt, R.M.	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Captain Baldwin, R.M.	1	1	1	..	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	15
John Logan	2	..	1	1	1	1	3	..	4	4	5	2	24
G. G. Russell*	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
W. L. Simpson	1	..	3	..	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	16
W. P. Street	3	4	3	2	1	..	1	..	..	2	3	1	20
George Fenwick	1	3	4	2	2	3	5	2	3	3	2	2	32
William Thompson .. .. .	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
W. Elder.. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Hokitika :													
Joseph Giles, R.M.	1	2	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	1	..	8
Hon. J. A. Bonar, M.L.C.	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	7
John Bevan, M.H.R.	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Richard J. Seddon, M.H.R. . . . .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Invercargill :													
Henry McCulloch, R.M.	2	1	2	4	..	3	1	1	1	3	..	..	18
John Turnbull .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	5
Henry Feldwick	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	2	1	8
David Roach .. .. .	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	..	1	2	9
Lyttelton :													
Harry Allwright, M.H.R.	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	7
Richard Westerra	3	5	4	3	5	3	5	2	5	..	3	2	40
Thomas H. Potts	2	4	2	..	5	4	..	1	3	7	4	2	34
Napier :													
James Anderson	1	1	..	1	1	1	1	1	..	2	3	..	12
H. S. Tiffen	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	1	2	..	8
Nelson :													
Oswald Curtis, R.M.	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	5
William Wells .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
John Sharp .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lowther Broad, D.J. . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Plymouth :													
R. Parris.. .. .	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	1	2	3	3	31
T. King .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	2	8
Colonel Trimble, M.H.R.	1	2	..	1	1	..	..	1	2	1	2	..	11
C. E. Rawson, R.M. . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	3
H. Weston	1	1	3	2	..	2	1	..	1	..	1	2	14
Timaru :													
J. S. Beswick, R.M. . . . .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2
E. G. Stericker	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
J. Jackson .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	4
Wanganui :													
Robert Ward, R.M.	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	21
W. H. Russell	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
W. H. Watt	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
E. N. Liffiton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	2	2	1	2	13
Wellington (Mount Cook) :													
James Mackay	1	..	2	2	..	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	10
J. S. M. Thompson .. .. .	..	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	5
W. E. Gudgeon .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	1	..	..	..	6
J. G. Butts .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	4
Wellington (Terrace) :													
Joe Dransfield	2	1	2	1	2	..	1	1	..	1	..	2	13
John Duthie	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Edward Pearce	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	7
W. E. Gudgeon .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	..	1	1	6
J. R. Blair .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	4
J. G. Butts .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	4

* In England.

Table J.

VISITS of the INSPECTOR to the Thirteen Larger Prisons during the Year 1886.

Prisons.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.
Addington .. ..	..	..	..	..	5, 7	..	..	25, 27, 30	3, 18	..	9, 11	..
Auckland .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	9-12, 14, 17, 21	..	..	..	..	22-24, 26, 27	..
Dunedin	1, 2, 4, 5	..	..	28, 29, 30	..	..	..	..	..	30, 31	1-4	..
Hokitika .. ..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..
Invercargill .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27, 28	..	..
Lyttelton	9	..	..	19, 20	6, 8	..	..	26, 28, 30	2, 4, 14, 18	..	8, 11-13	..
Napier .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	20	..
Nelson .. ..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22, 23
New Plymouth	6, 7	..	..	..	20	24	..	..	29, 30	..	30	..
Timaru .. ..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1, 16, 17	..	5	..
Wanganui .. ..	..	8	..	..	17	25	..	..	27	1	..	1, 2, 28, 29
Wellington (Mount Cook*) .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" (Terrace)	11, 14, 24, 29	2, 16, 19, 26	4, 16, 23	15	11, 27, 31	29	3, 8, 25	5	8	19	..	10, 14, 19

* Twice weekly when in Wellington.

Table K.

PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886.

ADDINGTON PRISON.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
N. B.	Disobeyance of orders ..	Pl.-Warder Beasley ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
C. L.	Communicating with other prisoners without leave, and making signs	The Matron and Asst.-Matron McIntosh	Alec. Lean, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
N. B.	Insulting language to a prison officer	Pl.-Warder Beasley ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	7 days' separate treatment.
S. A.	Indecent behaviour ..	The Matron ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
F. S.	Making frivolous complaint to the Official Visitor	The Gaoler ..	" ..	Forfeit 48 marks.
E. E.	Stealing sugar from Asst.-Matron's day-room	Asst.-Matron Black ..	" ..	1 day bread and water.

AUCKLAND PRISON.

G. F. M.	Obscene language ..	Warder Walsh ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
P.	Possessing a Jew's harp, and disobedience of orders	Warder Ryan ..	" ..	Forfeit 30 marks.
L. W.	Assaulting a prison officer ..	Warder Hillsden ..	J. Newman, V.J., and S. Y. Collins, J.P.	3 days bread and water.
J. D.	Unnecessary noise in cell, and communicating with a prisoner on remand	Warder Madigan ..	J. Newman, V.J. ..	"
G. F.	Unnecessary noise in cell ..	" ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
S. M.	Disobeying lawful orders ..	Asst.-Matron Shillington	" ..	"
C. N.	Having tobacco ..	Pl.-Warder Woolley ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
C. N.	Attempting to send clandestine correspondence out of the prison	Warder Madigan ..	" ..	"
L. W.	Absence from Divine service	Asst.-Warder Forsythe	J. Newman, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
Te te H.	Idleness ..	Warder Martin ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
Te te H.	Inciting a fellow-prisoner to mutiny, using personal violence to his officers, and breaking and destroying prison property	Pl.-Warder Woolley and Warders Ryan and Madigan	H. G. Seth-Smith, V.J.	6 months' hard labour in addition to former sentence.
J. M.	Disobeying lawful orders ..	Asst.-Warder Hunter	J. Newman, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
L. W.	Idleness, and using insulting language to his officers	Asst.-Warder Forsythe	S. Thorne George, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
L. W.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner	Warder Tyne ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	"
J. M.	Absence from Divine service	Pl.-Warder Woolley ..	S. Thorne George, V.J.	"
J. M.	Idleness ..	Warder Ryan ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	"
L. W.	Offensive and insulting language to an officer	The Gaoler ..	W. R. Waddell, J.P., and R. W. Moody, J.P.	1 month's hard labour in addition to former sentence.
T. P.	Having tobacco ..	Asst.-Warder Crook ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
T. W. B.	" ..	Asst.-Warder Maloney	" ..	"
R. G.	" ..	" ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
AUCKLAND PRISON—continued.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
W.H.W.	Leaving his place of labour without permission, and insolence	Pl.-Warder Rutherford	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	Forfeit 18 marks.
W.H.W.	Insulting and disrespectful language to his officer	Asst.-Warder Gideon	" ..	Forfeit 36 marks.
R. O. B.	Leaving his cell without permission, and receiving tobacco from fellow-prisoner	Warder Madigan ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
L. W.	Disobeying lawful orders ..	Asst.-Ward. Henderson	H. G. Seth-Smith, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
H. M.	" ..	Warder Tyne ..	T. Thompson, V.J. ..	
H. M.	Disorderly conduct ..	Warder Ryan ..	" ..	Forfeit 2 "days" marks.
J. M.	Having tobacco ..	Warder Tyne ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
C. W.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner	Asst.-Warder Maloney	S. Thorne George, V.J.	24 hours bread and water.
Te te H.	Refusing to work ..	Pl.-Warder Rutherford	" ..	72 hours bread and water.
H. H.	Threatening language to a fellow-prisoner	Warder Coffey ..	J. Newman, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. K.	Leaving his place of labour without permission, and insolence	Warder Ryan ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. K.	Unnecessary noise in cell	Asst.-Warder Crook ..	S. Thorne George, V.J.	
J. & P.	Leaving their places of labour without permission	The Gaoler ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	Forfeit 12 marks each.
G. E. S.	Making frivolous complaint	" ..	S. Thorne George, V.J.	48 hours bread and water.
T. W.	Quarrelling and fighting ..	Warder Delahey ..	" ..	72 hours bread and water.
J. M.	Having a newspaper ..	Warder Martin ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
A. W.	Idleness and threatening language to his officer	Asst.-Warder Treacy	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
P.	Disorderly conduct on works	Asst.-Warder Gideon	S. Thorne George, V.J.	
P.	Insulting and threatening language to his officer	" ..	" ..	Removed to a lower class for 1 month.
T. te H.	Refusing work and idleness	Pl.-Warders Woolley and Duncan	J. Newman, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
P.	Violent and threatening language to his officer	Pl.-Warder Woolley ..	T. Thompson, V.J. ..	"
P.	Damaging prison property	" ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	Reduced to a lower class for 1 month.
J. M.	Insulting and threatening language to his officer	Warder Martin ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. W.	Idleness ..	Warder Tyne ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. W.	Improper language to his officer	" ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
E. L.	Unnecessary noise in cell ..	" ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. D.	Lending his library-book without permission	The Gaoler ..	" ..	Removed to a lower class for 21 days.
J. M.	Refusing to work ..	Pl.-Warder Duncan ..	J. Newman, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
C. L.	Unnecessary noise in cell, and refusing to work	The Matron ..	" ..	"
R. C.	Having a file ..	Asst.-Warder Maloney	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. K.	Having tobacco ..	Pl.-Warder Woolley ..	S. Thorne George, V.J.	48 hours bread and water.
J. D.	Insulting language	Prisoner Fred Harris	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
W. H.	Surreptitiously obtaining extra clothing	Asst.-Warder O'Donohue	" ..	"
P. H.	Disobeying lawful orders ..	Warder Tyne ..	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
T. H.	" ..	Warder Martin ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. C.	Insulting remarks regarding a fellow-prisoner	Prisoner Wakeham ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. C.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner	Warder Delahey ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. W.	Idleness and disrespect ..	Warder Hillsden ..	J. Newman, V.J. ..	"
O. G.	Idleness ..	Pl.-Warder Rutherford	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
E. C.	" ..	Pl.-Warder Duncan ..	" ..	3 days bread and water.
E. J. R.	" ..	" ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water
M. R.	Fighting ..	Asst.-Warder Hunter	" ..	each.
R. H.	Disrespectful conduct to Gaoler	The Gaoler ..	J. Newman, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. C.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner	Asst.-Warder Henderson	" ..	Reduced to third class for months.
M. R.	Behaving in a manner calculated to subvert the peace, order, and good government of the prison	Convict Healey ..	" ..	Reduced to second class for month.
P. H.	Disorderly behaviour at Divine service and insolence	Warder Delahey and Pl.-Warder Woolley	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
C. N.	Fighting ..	Pl.-Warder Duncan ..	S. Thorne George, V.J.	{ 24 hours bread and water
R. H.	" ..	" ..	" ..	each.
R. H.	Creating a nuisance in cell	Pl.-Warder Woolley ..	" ..	Reduced to third class for 1 month.
J. R.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner	Asst.-Warder Hunter	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. D.	Insolence to his officer ..	Warder Ryan ..	S. Thorne George, V.J.	24 hours bread and water.
J. D.	Having dirty cell-utensils ..	Warder Delahey ..	" ..	"
F. H.	" ..	" ..	" ..	"
P. S.	Singing and unnecessary noise in his cell	Asst.-Warder Gillespie	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
AUCKLAND PRISON—continued.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
C. N. T. G. J. D.	Insulting language to officer Idleness Unnecessary noise in cell ..	Asst.-Warder Gillespie Pl.-Warder Duncan .. Asst.-Warder O'Donohue	C. La Roche, V.J. .. S. Thorne George, V.J. C. La Roche, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water. 24 hours bread and water. Forfeit 3 days' marks.
P. S. S. W. A. M.	Insulting language to officer Idleness Idleness and carelessly performing work	Warder Tyne .. Pl.-Warder Duncan .. Pl.-Warder Rutherford	" J. Newman, V.J. .. T. Thompson, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water. Forfeit 3 days' marks.
J. D.	Damaging prison property	Asst.-Warder O'Donohue	"	"
A. M. J. C.	Idleness Insulting language to officer	Warder Walsh .. Warder Ryan ..	S. Thorne George, V.J. C. La Roche, V.J. ..	72 hours bread and water. Forfeit 6 days' marks, and 24 hours bread and water.
S. W.	Neglecting work, behaving and acting like a lunatic	Warder Tyne ..	"	24 hours bread and water.
J. D. E. N. A. M. J. K.	Having tobacco Refusing to go to labour .. Disobeying lawful orders .. Damaging prison property	Pl.-Warder Woolley .. " Warder Ryan .. Asst.-Warder O'Donohue	" " J. Newman, V.J. .. S. Thorne George, V.J.	" " " 48 hours bread and water.
R. C. R. C. J. D.	Idleness Insulting language to officer Talking from cell to fellow-prisoner, and threatening language	The Gaoler Pl.-Warder Rutherford Asst.-Warder Crook ..	C. La Roche, V.J. .. " J. Newman, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water. 48 hours bread and water. "
W. O'B. T. W. G. W.	Talking from cells, and profane and obscene language	"	"	24 hours bread and water each.
R. G. R. P.	Obscene language Threatening language, and wilfully destroying prison property	Asst.-Warder Gideon Pl.-Warder Rutherford and Warder Delahey	C. La Roche, V.J. .. H. G. Seth-Smith, V.J.	Forfeit 18 marks. 7 days bread and water.
E. W.	Disobeying lawful orders, and impertinence	Asst.-Warder O'Donohue	C. La Roche, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
E. W.	Idleness	Asst.-Warder Garven	"	"

DUNEDIN PRISON.

W. M.	Unnecessary noise, and insulting language to officer	Asst.-Warder McWilliams	I. N. Watt, V.J. ..	Close confinement for 24 hours.
H. P. F.	Unnecessary noise when under punishment	Warder Morrison ..	H. F. Hardy, J.P., and Hugh Gormley, J.P.	12 hours bread and water.
H. P. F.	Ditto	Asst.-Warder McDonald	T. Brydone, J. P., and H. Driver, J.P.	"
S. McC.	Giving provisions to another prisoner	Asst.-Warders Connor and Little	W. P. Street, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. O.	Obscene and threatening language, unnecessary noise, and threatening language to officers	Matron Shirley and Asst.-Matron Martin	G. G. Russell, V.J. ..	"
W. M. M. D.	Secreting tobacco Disobeying orders and profane language	Chief-Warder Ferguson Asst.-Matron Martin	W. P. Street, V.J. .. W. L. Simpsons, V.J.	" "
E. B.	Quarrelling with a fellow-prisoner	Matron Shirley ..	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	Forfeit 21 marks.
E. W. J. O. J. O. J. O.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner " " Insolent and threatening language to officer	" " Asst.-Matron Martin Matron Shirley	" I. N. Watt, V.J. .. " H. Driver, J.P., G. P. Farquhar, J.P., and W. Dymock, J.P.	2 days bread and water. 3 days bread and water. " 14 days' close confinement in a light cell on each charge (concurrent).
J. O. H. J. S. H. J. S.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner Idleness Threatening language to an officer	Asst.-Matron Martin Pl.-Warder Pointon .. Warder Bennie ..	W. P. Street, V.J. .. " "	3 days bread and water. " (cumulative). "
E. D.	Idleness	Pl.-Warder Pointon and Warden Bennie	"	3 days bread and water.
H. J. S. H. W. P.	Disobedience "	Warder Morrison .. Asst.-Warder McWilliams	" "	24 hours in irons. 24 hours bread and water.
H. W. P.	Insulting language to an officer	Ditto	"	" (cumulative).
H. J. S.	Wilfully making a disturbance when under punishment	Warder Parker and Asst.-Warder Connor	E. H. Carew, R.M. ..	To be kept in close confinement (in a light cell) in irons till noon, 27th Feb., 1886: 25/2/86.
H. W. P. E. D. W. M. W. M.	Ditto " Unnecessary noise Insulting language to an officer	Ditto " Pl.-Warder Carte .. Pl.-Warder Carte and Asst.-Warder McWilliams	" " W. P. Street, V.J. .. "	Ditto. 2 days bread and water. 24 hours bread and water. "

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
DUNEDIN PRISON—continued.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
W. M.	Unnecessary noise ..	Pl.-Warder Carte and Asst.-Warder McWilliams	W. P. Street, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
W. M.	Disobedience	Ditto	"	"
W. M.	Disturbing the quiet of the prison after 8 p.m.	"	"	" (all cumulative).
H. W. P.	Unnecessary noise ..	"	"	24 hours bread and water
H. W. P.	Disobedience	"	"	" (cumulative).
E. D.	Unnecessary noise ..	"	"	24 hours bread and water
E. D.	Disobedience	"	"	" (cumulative).
H. P. F.	Unnecessary noise ..	"	"	24 hours bread and water.
H. P. F.	Disobedience	"	"	"
H. P. F.	Unnecessary noise after 8 p.m.	"	"	" (all cumulative).
H. W. P.	Disrespect to the Gaoler ..	Warder Bennie ..	W. L. Simpson, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
H. W. P.	Insulting and threatening language to officer	"	"	"
H. W. P.	Unnecessary noise ..	Asst.-Warder Connor	"	"
H. W. P.	Insulting language to officer	"	"	12 hours " bread and water (all cumulative).
L. W.	Giving provisions to fellow-prisoner under punishment	Warder Bennie ..	"	24 hours bread and water.
E. D.	Disobedience	"	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
L. W.	Refusing to go to labour (repeated)	"	"	"
L. W.	Insulting and threatening language to officers (repeated)	Pl.-Warder Carte ..	A. Thomson, J.P., and J. Mill, J.P.	10 days' solitary confinement in light cell, with bread and water.
L. W.	Purloining bread from fellow-prisoner	Warder Parker ..		
L. W.	Unnecessary noise ..	Pl.-Warder Carte ..	"	"
H. W. P.	Idleness	Warder Bennie ..	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
I. L.	Communicating with a prisoner without leave	Warder Parker ..	"	"
A. S.	Secreting a tobacco-pipe ..	Matron Shirley ..	W. P. Street, V.J. ..	Close confinement in light cell for 24 hours.
A. S.	Illicit communication with persons outside the prison, and receiving prohibited articles	"	"	Ditto (cumulative).
A. S.	Damaging prison property ..	"	"	Close confinement in light cell for 24 hours.
A. S.	Clandestine correspondence	"	"	Ditto (cumulative).
M. E. G.	"	"	"	Close confinement in light cell for 24 hours.
M. S.	Disobedience	"	"	Forfeit 24 marks.
M. S.	Obstructing officer in execution of his duties	Warder Morrison ..	"	"
M. S.	Damaging prison property ..	Matron Shirley ..	"	48 hours bread and water.
W. G.	Secreting tobacco and pipe, and smoking in cell	Pl.-Warder Pointon and Warder Bennie	"	3 days bread and water.
J. H.	Fighting with J. G. ..	Warder Morrison ..	"	24 hours bread and water.
J. G.	Fighting with J. H. ..	Warder Forsythe ..	"	48 hours bread and water.
I. H.	Wilfully making a disturbance when under punishment	Warder Parker and Asst.-Warder Hawkins	E. H. Carew, R.M. ..	2 days bread and water.
I. H.	Ditto	Ditto	"	4 days bread and water (cumulative).
J. S.	Refusing to go to labour ..	Pl.-Warder Carte ..	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
J. S.	Making unnecessary noise	Warder Parker ..	"	"
J. S.	Disobedience	Asst.-Warder Hawkins	"	" (all cumulative).
H. P. F.	Unnecessary noise, and using insulting and threatening language to officer	Asst.-Warders Connor and Hawkins	W. L. Simpson, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
H. P. F.	Refusing to work, and unnecessary noise	Pl.-Warder Carte and Warder Parker	"	"
H. P. F.	Unnecessary noise, disobedience, throwing cap at, and using threatening language to, an officer	Pl.-Warder Carte and Asst.-Warder Hawkins	"	"
H. P. F.	Unnecessary noise, disobedience, and using insulting and threatening language to officers	Pl.-Warder Carte and Warder Parker	"	" (all cumulative).
M. S.	Profane cursing and swearing	Matron Shirley and Asst.-Matron Black	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	To forfeit 20 marks.
M. S.	Disobedience	Ditto	"	"
M. S.	Obstructing an officer in the execution of his duty	Pl.-Warder Carte and Warder Morrison	"	3 days bread and water.
J. S.	Irreverent behaviour at Divine service	Warder Rennie and Asst.-Warder Connor	W. Baldwin, V.J. ..	2 days bread and water.
J. S.	Insulting language to an officer	Ditto	"	" (cumulative).

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
DUNEDIN PRISON—continued.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
J. H.	Disrespect to Gaoler ..	Chief-Warder Bratby	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. H.	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
J. H.	Disobedience	Asst.-Warder Little ..	" ..	" ..
J. H.	"	Pl.-Warder Pointon ..	" ..	" ..
J. H.	Disrespect to Chief Warder	Chief-Warder Bratby	" ..	" ..
J. H.	Disrespect to Gaoler ..	Warder Scott ..	" ..	" ..
J. H.	Disobedience	Chief-Warder Bratby	" ..	" ..
J. S.	"	Pl.-Warder Carte and Asst.-Warder Hawkins	E. H. Carew, R.M. ..	7 days' close confinement in light cell. (all cumulative).
J. S.	"	Warder Parker and Asst.-Warder Brebner	" ..	Ditto (cumulative).
H. C.	Disobedience (repeated) ..	Ditto	W. L. Simpson, V.J.	48 hours bread and water.
T. J.	Disobedience	Warder Parker ..	" ..	24 hours " bread and water (cumulative).
T. J.	Disobedience (repeated) ..	Asst.-Warder Brebner	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
A. L.	"	Warder Parker ..	" ..	12 hours bread and water.
W. E.	Purloining and secreting a ration of bread	Asst.-Warder Hawkins	" ..	7 days bread and water.
J. S.	Gross misconduct, insubordination, and disobedience	Pl. - Warder Pointon and Warder Scott	E. H. Carew, R.M. ..	" (cumulative).
J. S.	Ditto	Pl. - Warder Pointon and Warder Bennie	" ..	5 days bread and water.
A. L.	Wilful disturbance whilst under punishment, and disobedience	Pl. - Warder Pointon and Warder Scott	" ..	3 days bread and water.
J. McF.	Secreting tobacco and pipe	Warder Bennie and Asst.-Warder Hawkins	W. P. Street, V.J. ..	" ..
J. McF.	Clandestine correspondence	The Gaoler and Asst.-Matron Black	" ..	" (all cumulative.)
J. McF.	Wilful damage to prison property	Warder Bennie ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water, and forfeit 50 marks.
L. T.	Writing a clandestine letter	Chief Warder Bratby	W. L. Simpson, V.J.	Ditto.
J. J. O'C.	"	" ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. P.	Secreting " money, tobacco, and a book	" ..	W. P. Street, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
J. G.	Unnecessary noise and disobedience	Pl. - Warder Pointon, Warder Parker, and Asst.-Warder Little	G. Fenwick, V.J. ..	" ..
J. G.	Throwing soup over an officer's uniform	Ditto	" ..	" ..
J. G.	Wilfully disturbing the quiet of the prison from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	"	" ..	" ..
J. G.	Persisting in unnecessary noise	"	" ..	" ..
J. G.	Communicating with another prisoner without leave	"	" ..	" (all cumulative.)
H. P. F.	Secreting part of table-knife, ear of bucket, pieces of wood, and a lead pencil	Warder Bennie ..	" ..	1 day bread and water.
H. P.	Wilfully making an unnecessary noise	Pl.-Warder Pointon ..	" ..	3 days bread and water.
H. P.	Repeatedly disobedient ..	Asst.-Warder Little ..	" ..	" ..
H. P.	Communicating with fellow-prisoner without leave	Asst. - Warder McDonald	" ..	" ..
H. P.	Profane language to Gaoler and Gaol Surgeon	Ditto	" ..	" (all cumulative.)
H. R.	Communicating with fellow-prisoner without leave	Warder Parker and Asst.-Wr. McDonald	" ..	2 days bread and water.
H. R.	Unnecessary noise, and obstructing his officer in the execution of his duty	Ditto	" ..	" (cumulative.)
P. M.	Secreting pipe and tobacco	Warder Bennie ..	W. Baldwin, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
H. P.	Unnecessary noise under punishment, disobedience, communicating with fellow-prisoner in defiance of all orders, and insolence to officers	Pl.-Warder Pointon ..	E. H. Carew, R.M. ..	14 days bread and water.
J. G.	Unnecessary noise under punishment and disobedience	Pl.-Warder Pointon and Asst.-Warder Little	" ..	14 days' close confinement in irons in a light cell.
J. G.	Ditto	Ditto	" ..	14 days bread and water (concurrent with other sentence)

HOKITIKA PRISON.

M. K.	Idleness	Pl.-Warder Steele ..	J. Bevan, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
M. D.	"	" ..	" ..	1 day bread and water..
M. K.	Threatening language ..	" ..	Hon. J. A. Bonar, V.J.	Forfeit 42 marks.
M. K.	Disrespectful conduct ..	" ..	" ..	3 days bread and water.

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
INVERCARGILL PRISON.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
W. T. T.	Profane and insulting language to fellow-prisoner	Prisoner R. McD. ..	John Turnbull, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
H. T.	Assaulting fellow-prisoner..	Prisoner C. H. M. ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
T. G.	" ..	Warder Sutherland ..	" ..	" ..
A. E. M.	" ..	Pl.-Warder McKellop ..	" ..	" ..

LYTTELTON PRISON.

H. R.	Obscene language ..	Chief Warder ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
H. R.	Disorderly conduct ..	Asst.-Warder Theobald ..	T. H. Potts, V.J., and R. Westenra, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water (cumulative).
G. T.	Idleness, and damaging prison property	Chief Warder ..	Ditto ..	3 days bread and water.
J. F.	Refusing to work..	Pl.-Warder Duncan ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
G. T.	Disorderly conduct ..	Chief Warder and Asst.-Warder Manning ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	" ..
E. R. D.	" ..	Pl.-Warder Bell ..	T. H. Potts, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
G. T.	Idleness, and insolence to Medical Officer	Chief Warder ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. W.	Insolence to officer ..	Asst.-Warder O'Brien ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
G. T.	Assaulting officer..	Chief Warder and Asst.-Warder Clark ..	J. Ollivier, R.M. ..	14 days bread and water.
J. C.	Disorderly conduct ..	Asst.-Warder Walsh ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
G. T.	Disobedience, insolence, and refusing to work	Chief Warder and Pl.-Warder Bell ..	T. H. Potts, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
E. R. D.	Insolence to Medical Officer	Chief Warder ..	" ..	" ..
W. McG.	Attempting to correspond with friends surreptitiously	" ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. H.	Aiding another convict to correspond with friends surreptitiously	" ..	" ..	" ..
J. M.	Inciting two other convicts to fight	Pl.-Warder Bell ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
H. R.	Using threatening language	Asst.-Warder O'Brien ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
H. McB.	Damaging prison property	Chief Warder ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
G. McC.	Idleness ..	Pl.-Warder Bell ..	" ..	" ..
H. McB.	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
G. T.	Disorderly conduct, and an assault on an officer	Asst.-Warders O'Brien and Donovan ..	J. Ollivier, R.M. ..	7 days bread and water, and 30 days in irons.
M. K.	Refusing to work..	Chief Warder ..	R. Westenra, V.J. ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. C.	Damaging prison property	" ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.

NAPIER PRISON.

J. R.	Refusing to work..	Warder Nicholson ..	H. S. Tiffen, V.J. ..	3 days' solitary confinement.
W. M.	Obscene and abusive language	" ..	J. Anderson, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
A. McN.	Insulting and threatening language to officer, and damaging prison property	The Gaoler ..	H. S. Tiffen, V.J. ..	" ..

NELSON PRISON.
Nil.

NEW PLYMOUTH PRISON.

C. T.	Disobedience to prison regulations by putting his cell-light out and turning into bed before allotted time	Pl.-Warder Flahavan and Warder Ferguson ..	R. Parris, V.J., T. King, V.J., and H. Weston, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
C. T.	Insulting language to the Gaoler, and threatening the Principal Warder	The Gaoler ..	R. Parris, V.J., T. King, V.J., and H. Weston, V.J. ..	" ..

TIMARU PRISON.
Nil.

WANGANUI PRISON.

W. H.	Insubordinate conduct, and insolence to officer	Asst.-Warder Morrow ..	R. Ward, V.J. ..	3 days bread and water.
W. H.	Singing, whistling, and dancing in cell	The Gaoler and Asst.-Warder Morrow ..	" ..	" ..
C. J.	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	" ..	" ..
W. G.	Idleness ..	Asst.-Warder Morrow ..	E. N. Liffiton, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
W. J.	" ..	Asst.-Warder Meehan ..	" ..	48 hours bread and water.
J. McC.	Disobedience ..	" ..	" ..	24 hours bread and water.
J. McG.	Having cell and utensils in an unclean and disorderly state, and idleness	The Gaoler and Asst.-Warder Meehan ..	" ..	3 days bread and water.

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
WELLINGTON (MOUNT COOK) PRISON.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
W. H. J.	Assaulting a fellow-prisoner by striking him on the forehead with a piece of board	Prisoner R.	W. E. Gudgeon, V.J.	3 days, and forfeit 14 days' marks.
WELLINGTON (TERRACE) PRISON.				
D. J.	Assaulting and molesting officers in discharge of their duties	Chief Warder H. Ferguson and Asst.-Wardens McKinstry and Coyle	H. S. Wardell, R.M.	30 days' confinement in irons
W. W.	Idleness at work, and in-subordinate language towards officer	Asst.-Warder Nilsen	J. Duthie, V.J.	48 hours bread and water.
H. E.	Obscene language	Asst.-Warder Bradley	E. Pearce, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
J. W.	Irreverence at Divine service, and disobedience	Warder Swan	J. Dransfield, V.J.	24 hours bread and water.
W. W.	Fighting on Mount Cook Prison works	Pl.-Warder Reardon	E. Pearce, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
D. J.	Fighting in the prison yard	Asst.-Warder Coyle	J. Dransfield, V.J.	24 hours bread and water each
W. C.			"	
J. J.	Highly insubordinate language to officer	Asst.-Warder McCormack	"	48 hours bread and water.
W. W.	Direct disobedience of orders	Asst.-Warder Riddick	W. E. Gudgeon, V.J.	24 hours bread and water.
J. D.	Refusing to do the work ordered	Asst.-Matron Stenson		
J. R.	Positive disobedience of orders	Pl.-Warder Reardon and Warder White	"	3 days bread and water, and forfeit 14 days' marks.
J. D.	Filthy and insubordinate language	Matron Maher and Asst.-Matron Stenson	J. R. Blair, V.G	24 hours bread and water.
A. T.	Filthy and insubordinate language, singing, shouting, and disturbing the quiet of the gaol	Ditto	"	12 hours bread and water.
T. H.	Disobedience of orders	Pl.-Warder Reardon	E. Pearce, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
T. H.	Insulting language to his officer	"	"	" ; (cumulative).
A. T.	Refusing to obey repeated orders	Matron Maher	W. E. Gudgeon, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
J. J.	Threatening and insulting language to officer	Pl.-Warder Reardon	J. G. Butts, V.J.	"
J. J.	Attempting to assault the Pl.-Warder	Pl.-Warder Millington	"	"
J. R.	Insulting language on labour parade	Pl.-Warder Reardon	J. Dransfield, V.J.	24 hours bread and water.
D. K.	Disrespectful conduct towards an officer	Asst.-Warder McKinstry	E. Pearce, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
J. R.	Leaving his work without permission	Acting Pl. - Warder Duggan	J. R. Blair, V.J.	2 days bread and water.
J. R.	Disrespectful language towards officer	Ditto	"	"
F. A.	Disturbing the quiet of the prison at 6.10 a.m. by whistling and singing	Asst.-Warder McKinstry	J. Dransfield, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
F. A.	Insubordinate language to officer	Ditto	"	"
A. T.	Refusing to work, smashing a pane of glass, and breaking cell door	Matron Maher and Asst.-Matron Tracey	J. G. Butts, V.J.	"
A. T.	Obstructing officers in execution of their duties, and being highly insubordinate	Ditto	"	" (cumulative.)
D. J.	Fighting on Mt. Cook Prison works	Pl.-Warder Reardon	W. E. Gudgeon, V.J.	3 days bread and water.
D. J.	Creating a disturbance on Mt. Cook Prison works	"	"	" (cumulative.)
D. M.	Idleness, and neglecting work	"	J. Dransfield, V.J.	48 hours bread and water.
D. M.	Assaulting prisoner B., by striking him on the face	"	"	" (cumulative.)
H. W.	Having a saw-blade and file in his possession, apparently for prison-breaking purposes	Pl.-Warder Millington	W. E. Gudgeon, V.J.	3 days bread and water, and forfeit 14 days' marks.
L. de C.	Conniving at a serious breach of the prison regulations, having tools in his possession for prison-breaking purposes, and refusing to give them up	"	"	Ditto.

Table K—continued.
PUNISHMENTS for PRISON OFFENCES during the Year 1886—continued.
WELLINGTON (TERRACE) PRISON—continued.

Initials of Prisoner.	Offence for which punished.	By whom reported.	By whom sentenced.	Punishment.
H. W.	Positive disobedience of orders	Warder George ..	W. E. Gudgeon, V.J.	1 day bread and water, and forfeit 14 days' marks.
J. B.	Positive disobedience of orders, and using improper language to officer	" ..	"	Forfeit 7 days' marks.
C. L.	Threatening language to fellow-prisoner	Asst.-Matron Tracey ..	J. G. Butts, V.J. ..	24 hours bread and water.
W. T.	Leaving ranks, and wilfully overturning barrow on line of march	Warder Reston ..	" ..	3 days bread and water.
W. T.	Wilfully damaging his cell window	Asst.-Warder Coyle ..	" ..	" (cumulative.)

Table L.

OFFENDERS RELEASED under "The First Offenders' Probation Act, 1886," to 31st December, 1886.

Period of Probation.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Invercargill.	Napier.	Timaru.	Total.
Two months ..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Three months ..	..	3	4	..	2	9
Six months ..	5	..	..	..	1	6
Eighteen months ..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Two years ..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Totals ..	6	4	4	1	3	18

[Approximate Cost of Paper.—Preparation, nil; printing (1,550 copies), £21 7s. 6d.]

By Authority: GEORGE DIDSBURY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1887.