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PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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By His Honor's Command,

EDWARD JOLLIE,
Provincial Secretary.

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1. COMMUNICATIONS.—All official communications from any district or station in connection with this department, whether by telegraph or otherwise, should be forwarded direct to the Commissioner of Police, Christchurch.

2. POLICE GAZETTE.—Communications for this GAZETTE should be addressed to the COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, prepaid; they must be of Police interest, or no notice will be taken of them. Officers in charge of stations are requested to report to the Commissioner of Police every instance of the non-delivery of the GAZETTE, and to suggest from time to time such alterations in the addresses and in the mode of transmission as may be considered necessary.

3. WARRANTS.—Whenever it is desired that any individual, whose name is given, shall be apprehended, it should be stated in the advertisement for the GAZETTE whether or not a warrant has been issued for the apprehension of the Offender. When a warrant has not been issued in the first instance, any subsequent report announcing the issue of a warrant should refer to it in the POLICE GAZETTE.

4. NAMES.—It is particularly requested that in all Informations the names of persons and places may be spelt correctly, and written legibly, the Christian name being given with the Surname, and written in full, to prevent mistakes.

5. STRAY CATTLE.—No advertisement of lost horses or cattle will be published in this GAZETTE, unless they be Government property, but notices of horses or cattle believed to be stolen will be inserted gratuitously.

6. PROPERTY DESCRIBED.—The brands of horses and cattle should be imitated as nearly as possible, and their exact position given. In describing watches, it should be stated whether they are open-faced, hunting, double-cased, or half-hunting,—the term "double-cased" being reserved for those watches whose outer case is removed in order to wind; "half-hunting" implying a very small glass in the middle of the dial.

7. REWARDS.—No rewards must be accepted by the Members of the Force without the sanction of the Commissioner of Police. When such claims are made, a full report of the circumstances must accompany the application. They will not be allowed except in cases where meritorious actions showing unusual ability take place, or when they have been sanctioned by Legislative enactment.

8. PREVIOUS REFERENCES.—It is requested that in all reports respecting cases already gazetted, Officers in charge of Police, or others concerned, will be good enough to quote the date and page of the POLICE GAZETTE in which the previous notice has appeared, and, in reporting arrests, to state by whom effected. Supplementary reports of cases already reported, but not gazetted, should contain such information as will clearly identify the case.

9. TELEGRAMS.—In telegrams, the use of figures must be avoided, and words at full length substituted. In forwarding the brands of horses and cattle per telegraph, it should be stated of what kind of letters the brands consist, whether of Roman capitals or in writing, &c.

NOTICE.

THE following Rules and Regulations for the better management of the Detective branch of this Force having been approved by his Honor the Superintendent, on the 7th March, 1874, are published for the information and guidance of the Members of the Canterbury Constabulary Force.

DETECTIVES.

1. The Detectives, although subject to the same discipline, are in most other respects a distinct body of the Force, their duties being to detect, rather than prevent, crime.

2. They are under the control of the Chief Detective, whose office is in Christchurch, and who receives his orders direct from the Commissioner.

3. Detectives when stationed in out districts will correspond direct with the Chief Detective in Christchurch; but, although they look to him for orders, they will be under the control of the Officer in charge of the District in which they may be stationed, so far as his orders do not clash with those they receive from the Detective Office at Christchurch.

4. If this system is properly carried out with the view to the interests of the public, there should be no difficulty in detecting crime, and tracing out offenders, who to escape detection have fled from town to country, or from one district to another; and it is expected that the Preventive Police will consider it imperative upon them to afford every information in their power to the Detective Police, and to facilitate in every possible way the proper discharge of their particular duties.

5. The Detective Force is formed by selecting from the Preventive Police such persons as may be considered suitable for detective duty; they are employed on trial as supernumeraries, during which time they receive the pay of ordinary constables, and if reported favorably of by the Chief Detective, they are promoted to the rank of Third-class Detective. Although this is a general rule, candidates who from previous habits, experience, or other reasons may appear to be particularly adapted for Detective duties, may be taken on as supernumeraries without having served in the Preventive Police, and if after due trial they are approved of, are promoted in the usual manner.

6. In reporting crime, the Rules which appear at page 73, under the head "Criminal Offence," will apply to the office of the Chief Detective as well as to the Commissioner's, and the head quarters of each of the Districts.

7. No further detail of Detective duty is here given, as the members of that branch of the service will from time to time receive such instructions as are necessary for their guidance from the Chief Detective.

8. The foregoing Regulations shall be read and construed with and as part of the regulations which appear in the "Manual of Police Regulations," for the guidance of the Canterbury Constabulary Force, framed under the third clause of an "Ordinance to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Constabulary Force, Session VII., No. 2."

R C. SHEARMAN,

Commissioner of Police.

Stolen.

STOLEN, from the person of William Hyndman, at Southbridge, on the 23rd February, 1874, a yellow leather purse, with elastic band, containing colonial gold ring, heart in hand device, marked W. H. inside, and weighing 7 dwts., about 7 dwts. of alluvial gold, of which two small nuggets weigh about 5 dwts., a £1 note, and about 15s. in silver, total value £5. Ring, nugget, and purse identifiable. A man named Fairfax, about 50 years, 6ft., stout build, florid complexion, brown hair turning grey, brown moustache, shaved chin, and long grey Dundreary whiskers, who had been drinking with Hyndman during the day, is suspected. Still in Southbridge.

STOLEN, from the Rising Sun public house, Caledonian Road, between 12 and 1 p.m. on the 1st inst., an opened-face silver lever watch, silver dial, with snake pattern chain attached. Identifiable. Thomas Collins, English, about 48 years, 5ft 7in., stout build, fresh complexion, bald on top of head, grey whiskers, no moustache, dressed in old tweed suit and billycock hat, is suspected. Still in Christchurch.

STOLEN, from the person of William Miller, of Mein's Meat Preserving Factory, during the night of the 4th inst., a brown leather pocket-book containing a cheque for £5 8s. 9d., drawn by E. G. Wright, upon the Union Bank of Australia, Christchurch, and about thirty single notes, bank or number unknown. The cheque has been paid into the bank over the counter. A man about 28 years of age, 5ft. 11in., thin face, sallow complexion, shaved on cheeks, dark moustache, and goatee, dressed in a tweed suit, and black hat, supposed to have gone to Auckland, is suspected.

STOLEN, from the Railway Reserve at Timaru, between 5.30 and 9.30 p.m. on the 6th inst., a double blue blanket swag, with a stripe of the red edge about 5in. long by 1in. broad torn out of the end, containing one volume

Mauder's Treasury of Knowledge, one set shoe brushes, C. P. marked on back, one pair corduroy trousers, one pair grey tweed trousers, one new flannel singlet, one looking glass 8 x 6 in., one hair brush marked X on back, and 4 white-handled knives and forks. All identifiable.

STOLEN, from the dwelling of Mrs. Smith, Christchurch, some time between the 6th and 12th inst., one hammer, one chisel, one pair pincers, and a silver open-faced watch, with flowers marked on back of case, and two small notches on the handle, maker's name and number unknown. Watch only identifiable.

Inquests.

AN inquest was held at Christchurch, on the 16th February, 1874, before J. W. S. Coward, Esq., Coroner, upon the body of George Hartshorn Ward, aged 10 years, who was drowned whilst bathing with his brother in the river Heathcote, at Wilson's bridge, on the 14th February, 1874. Verdict—"Accidental death."

AN inquest was held at Christchurch, on the 19th February, before J. W. S. Coward, Esq., Coroner, upon the body of Ellen Brooks, aged 15 years. A *post mortem* examination was made by Dr. Nedwill, who stated that the girl died of diphtheria. Verdict—"Death from natural causes."

AN inquest was held at Lyttelton, on the 20th February, 1874, before J. W. S. Coward, Esq., Coroner, upon the body of Robert Harris, aged 66, who was killed by a fall from his horse at Dyer's Pass, on the 18th February. Verdict—"Accidental death."

AN inquest was held at Christchurch, on the 23rd February, 1874, before J. W. S. Coward, Esq., Coroner, upon the body of Mary Jeffreys, who died from childbirth at Halswell on the 21st February, 1874. Dr. Nedwill stated that when he arrived at the house Mrs. Jeffreys was in a dying state, and he could do nothing for her. Verdict—"Died from natural causes—to wit, childbirth."

AN inquest was held at Ashburton, on the 24th February, 1874, before A. Saunders, Esq., J.P., upon the body of Robinson Clough, aged 72, who was found dead in his hut in Alford Forest, on the 22nd February, 1874. Verdict—"Died from apoplexy, probably caused by excessive drinking."

AN inquest was held at Ashburton, on the 5th instant, before Alfred Saunders, Esq., J.P., upon the body of John Travis, aged 45 years, who died suddenly at Ashburton on the previous day. Verdict—"Died from inflammation of the stomach and bowels, accelerated by exposure."

A WARRANT is filed in Commissioner's office for the arrest of Stephen Adolphus Swaysland, described as "missing friend" in *Police Gazette* No. 24, 1873, page 126.

RALPH GIBSON FLINDELL is charged on warrant, filed in Commissioner's office, with wife desertion on the 22nd January last. English, 35 or 37 years, 5ft. 6 or 7 in., stout build, dark complexion and hair, beard, whiskers, and moustache. A hawker by trade. Dressed when leaving home in dark tweed suit and Scotch cap. Supposed to have gone to Oamaru.

REVERTING to *Police Gazette* No. 4, 1874, page 24, offender Joseph Leatham has been arrested by Chief-Detective Sergt. Feast.

A YOUNG looking man, no whiskers, rather boyish appearance, about 20 years of age, 5ft. 10 in. high, wearing a dark brown hat, brown tweed coat, dark dirty-looking trousers with a sort of faded stripe through them, and a dirty white-looking pocket-handkerchief round his neck, is charged by Clara Cox with indecent exposure of his person to her and some other children in the Domain grounds, between 5 and 6 p.m. on the 11th instant.

A MAN described as an Englishman, 30 years of age, 5ft. 8 in., slender build, thin and very red face, dark hair, small dark whiskers and moustache, dressed in dark clothes, white shirt, tall black hat, respectable looking appearance, is charged with indecently assaulting Clara Burrows at 9 p.m. on the 4th inst., in the neighbourhood of the cemetery.

A MAN, supposed to be a tinsmith, about 27 years of age, 5ft. 7 in. high, medium build, fair complexion, dark whiskers, wearing a cap, blue coat, and moleskin trousers spotted with black, is charged with indecently assaulting Mrs. Mary Vague, at 9 a.m. on the 17th February last, on the Papanui Road.

REVERTING to Criminal Offences, Christchurch, dated 7th March, 1874, the offender therein described is believed to be identical with Alfred Osborn arrested by Chief-Detective Feast, and sentenced to one year's imprisonment hard labour, for indecent exposure of his person.

At 4 p.m. on the 21st February last, a cottage at the Sheep Dip near the home station at Messrs. Buckley and McLean's run, Waitangi, was set on fire; it is supposed maliciously. A reward of fifty pounds for the discovery of the perpetrator is offered by Mr. Buckley.

SOME mischievous persons removed some stones from the arch of the bridge, and broke a gate leading into the grounds of Mr. William Wilson, Ferry Road, on the night of the 31st December, 1873.

Missing Friends.

INQUIRY should be made for the whereabouts of William Davies, a carpenter, Welsh, about 30 years, 5ft. 7 or 8in., slight build, sandy complexion, thin face, rather prominent nose, Yankee beard, married, but no children; was accompanied by a brother named David, and a niece named Jane Quinlain, all natives of North Wales. Came to Canterbury from Greymouth. David Davies is about 27 years, stout build, round face, rather freckled, dark brown hair, fresh complexion, a carpenter. Information to be sent to the Commissioner of Police, Christchurch.

INQUIRY should be made for the whereabouts of Thomas Bryant, said to be a sawyer, Irish, 34 years, 5ft. 5in., stout build, dark hair and whiskers, who failed to appear when on bail at Resident Magistrate's Court, Christchurch; his recognizance has been estreated, and notice to show cause issued. Information to be sent to Commissioner of Police, Christchurch.

(Extracts from *Victorian Police Gazette*,
24th February, 1874.)

INFORMATION is required respecting Alfred Walmesley, who is supposed to have assumed the name of "Alfred Gordon," and to have

sailed from Glasgow or Liverpool for Australia or New Zealand about the 23rd October, 1873. Description—24 years of age, 6ft. high, slight whiskers and moustache, brown and wavy hair, prominent nose, figure erect; wears gold signet ring with red stone and crest "lion crowned"; and dresses in yachting dress and cap. His father resides at Brettlands, near Tunbridge Wells, Kent, to whom information is to be given.

INFORMATION is required respecting Nathaniel Werry, who arrived in Melbourne from England in 1869, and who is supposed to have gone to New Zealand and returned to Victoria. Description—About 25 years of age, tall and very stout, dark brown hair, late a lieutenant 20th Regiment.

INFORMATION is required respecting William Sinclair Johnston, who left Liverpool on 27th April, 1857, per ship *Eaglespeed*, for Melbourne, and who was last heard of in the year 1859 or 1860, when he stated that he and a man named Macnaughton were in company together as carriers between Sandhurst and Melbourne. Description—41 years of age, 5ft. 11in. high, powerfully made, red hair, and not much beard or whiskers; a native of Pomona, Orkney, Scotland, N. B.

RETURN OF PRISONERS TRIED AT THE DISTRICT COURT, TIMARU, MARCH SESSIONS, 1874.

NAME.	OFFENCE.	BY WHOM ARRESTED.	PLEA.	SENTENCE.	REMARKS.
John Brook Hunter ...	Larceny as a bailee ...	Const. Barry, Otago Police ...	Not Guilty	Acquitted	