

of cheeks shaved; wore blue pilot coat, moleskin trousers, and black billycock hat. They left Balclutha by train for Dunedin.

On the 4th instant, the hut of Richard Thomas, at Weather-spoun, near Oxford, was broken into and the following stolen:—Two £1 notes on the bank of New Zealand, a half-sovereign, and 9s. in silver.

BETWEEN midnight and 6 a.m., on the 1st instant, T. S. Wymond and Co. draper's shop, at Blenheim, was broken into, and the following stolen:—Four £1 notes, £8 in silver, and a Government cheque (Telegraph Department) for £10 8. 4d., No. 5910. Cheque identifiable. Suspicion attached to William Harding, English, thirty-five years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, sandy beard and whiskers, wore double-breasted moleskin jacket and moleskin trousers.

STOLEN on the 30th ultimo, from the person of Mrs. Richmond Biddell, at an auction mart in Grafton Road, Auckland, a buckskin purse containing five £5 notes and three £1 notes on the Bank of New Zealand, and 2s. in silver. Purse only identifiable.

STOLEN about the 23rd ultimo, from the Club Hotel, Timaru, a ladies' mother-of-pearl card-case, about four inches square, containing a small book lined with purple silk; a mother-of-pearl purse mounted with silver, about three inches long, closes with ordinary spring, containing a three half-penny piece with several coins attached, the property of Alfred John Parsons. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Robert Littlecot, who was employed as boots in the hotel. For description see first paragraph under the heading, "Offences not otherwise Described," of this issue.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 32.)

REBECCA POLSER, suspected of having stolen ribbon from the shop of Albert Walker, was proceeded against by summons for the offence, to which she pleaded guilty.

STOLEN on the 20th ultimo, from the shop of James Beatty, Tyne Street, Oamaru, a silver geneva watch, No. 54914 or 54964; value £2. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 17th and 23rd ultimo, from a box in the dwelling of Patrick Sheridan, at Sunnyside, near Christchurch, £50, consisting of six £5 notes, fifteen £1 notes, four sovereigns, a half-sovereign, and about forty-three penny pieces.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, pages 25 and 32.)

WILLIAM GRACE, charged on warrant with having stolen a pair of blankets from the dwelling of Joseph Bromfield, has been arrested by Constable Thomas Ross, Canterbury Police.

STOLEN between the 25th and 30th ultimo, from the Occidental Hotel, Lambton Quay, Wellington, a brown Scotch tweed long loose ulster overcoat, a pocket in each side and one in left breast, a short strap of same material on both sides, no lining below waist; the property of Alexander Ferguson; value £2 10s. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 29th ultimo, from P. A. Jones's boarding-house, Willis Street, Wellington, a new suit of grey check pattern tweed, a light-grey striped pattern trousers and vest, a white shirt, and a soft dark cloth or tweed hat with a peak in front and rear; the property of Urupene Puhara. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 32.)

EDWARD SCOTT'S larceny.—Mary Diver has been arrested for this offence by Detective Farrell, Wellington police, and the stolen gold ring found in her possession.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, pages 25 and 31.)

ROBERT M. HOGG, who confessed to the robbery from the Bank of New South Wales, at Kumara, has been committed for trial for the offence.

STOLEN on the 29th ultimo, from a box in the dwelling of John Davis, at Roxburgh, Otago District, four £1 notes on the Bank of New Zealand. Suspicion attached to Eliza Rees, a native of London, forty years of age, 5 feet 1 inch high, thin features, aquiline nose, dresses well.

STOLEN about the 23rd ultimo, from the Masonic Hotel, at Carlyle, Taranaki District, a gold brooch, four rings combined, an oval-shaped gold locket, a pair of gold sleeve links, a scarf pin, a short grape-leaf gold earring, a long acorn-leaf gold earring, a jet earring, and a lizard-pattern gold ring (one eye wanting), the property of J. G. Beamish; value £6. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Florence Kelly and a man name unknown. First—Irish, a shoemaker, thirty-nine years of age, 5 feet 11 inches high, dark brown hair, thin

features, weak legs, clean shaved except goatee and moustache; had been in the 57th Regiment. Second, a shoemaker, forty years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, hair, beard, whiskers, and moustache turning grey. They went towards Wanganui. Kelly was sentenced at the District Court, New Plymouth, on the 11th March, 1875, to three years' labour for an indecent assault on a girl under twelve years of age, and was discharged from gaol on the 10th April last.

STOLEN about the 1st instant, from the shop of Reuben Beasley, Princes Street, Auckland, a roll of black lustre, containing about thirty-five yards; value £5 5s. Identification doubtful.

STOLEN about the 15th ultimo, from the shop of Reuben Beasley, Princes Street, Auckland, a coloured Maori shawl; value 15s. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 9th instant, from Bradford House, Mulgrave Street, Wellington, a dark diagonal frock coat, bound with braid, the property of Anton V. Jensen value £4 4s. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Victor Clarke, English, an engraver, twenty-four years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, slight build, dark complexion, black hair, whiskers, and moustache.

### Stealing otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

STOLEN between the 22nd and 24th ultimo, from Taggart's Stables, Moray Place, Dunedin, a white oilskin coat, C F supposed marked under loop, the property of Charles Flexman; value 25s. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to John Scott, Scotch, a groom, thirty-seven years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, stout build, red hair, whiskers, and moustache.

STOLEN during the night of the 23rd ultimo, from the clothes-line of William O'Meara, at Ponsonby, Auckland, two linen table-cloths, two linen towels (a large stain on one), about twenty pairs of men and women's stockings (all much worn), a woman's night-dress, and a chemise; value 20s. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 10th and 14th ultimo, from the orchard of John Johnston, at Stokes Point, near Auckland, three small pear trees; value 20s.

STOLEN on the 23rd ultimo, at Ponsonby, Auckland, three white rabbits (a buck and two does), long fur and pink eyes, also the boxes they were in; the property of William Farquhar; value 7s. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 25th ultimo, from the garden of James Cooper, at Waikini, near Invercargill, two holly trees about nine years old. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 18th ultimo, at Springston, Canterbury District, about fourteen bags of Hunter's white wheat, bags marked B with chalk, three blue stripes down sides, three bags of long white oats, and half a bag of barley, the property of Owen Stace; value £15. Wheat and barley identifiable. Suspicion attached to James Wood, Irish, about thirty years of age, 5 feet 9 inches high, stout build, sandy complexion, small sandy beard, whiskers, and moustache; wore dark tweed suit and soft black hat.

STOLEN about the 28th ultimo, from the clothes-line of Berry Brothers, Ferry Road, near Christchurch, a nearly new single blue blanket, a grey woollen shirt with new sleeves, and two white flannel under shirts; value 30s. Grey shirt identifiable.

STOLEN about the 23rd ultimo, from the gold-mining claim of Andrew Christensen, at Macrae's Flat, Otago District, a new eight-prong sluice-fork with oak handle about 5 feet long, prongs 12 inches long; makers, Myers and Ervin, Philadelphia; value 11s.

STOLEN on the 15th of July last, from the stable of John Phillips, at Pairoa, Auckland District, a blue painted box about 20 inches long, by 6 by 6 inches, containing twenty-six mowing machine knives, twelve machine bolts from 2 to 4 inches long, four or five metal keepers, and an envelope containing instructions as to the manner in which a mowing machine should be worked; value 20s. Box identifiable.

STOLEN on the 25th ultimo, from the yard of William Cameron, St Mary's Road, Ponsonby, Auckland, two brown and two slate coloured ducks; value 7s. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Sydney Alexander Tait, a half-caste Maori, sixteen years of age, 5 feet high, stout build, freckled features.

STOLEN on the 31st ultimo, from the wharf at Russell, Auckland District, about 30 fathoms of three-strand rope, the property of George Baker; value 10s. Identifiable.