

off, broken in two and tied together with thread; a silver open-face English lever watch, number not known, a silver guard and watch key attached, barrel of key split; a long 18-carat English gold chain, secret-link pattern; an Indian-made gold ring, enlarged by having a piece let in, extensively chased, four rubies in claw setting; an English gold ring about half worn, with white stone, which is cracked; a large ivory brooch with Chinese design deeply carved thereon, border of gold about a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch wide, in form of a twisted rope, brass pin; a set of gold shirt studs with cross of twisted gold wire set on face; a gold locket about 1 inch long by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch broad, containing Mr. Wynd's likeness; a chased round gold shield; and a gold anchor $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches long. Identifiable. It is believed that George Creswell, formerly a clerk in Mr. Guthrie's office, and Robert McEwen, a labourer and carter residing in Dunedin, were the only persons who knew that the jewellery was kept in the safe.

STOLEN on the 21st ultimo, from the dwelling of David Stewart, Toatoaroa, near Cambridge, Auckland District, a pair of nearly new light watertight No. 8 boots, 7 lbs. of tea, and 6 lbs. of sugar; value £2 3s. Boots identifiable.

STOLEN between 5 p.m. on the 21st and 8 a.m. on the 22nd ultimo, from a house at the Queen of May Gold Mining Claim, Thames, about 30 lbs. of rich quartz specimens and 30 lbs. of a less rich description; the property of the Queen of May Gold Mining Company; value about £45. Identification doubtful.

BETWEEN the 1st and 15th ultimo, the dwelling of William Kennedy, Rangitata Island, Canterbury District, was broken into and the following stolen: A new red double blanket, value 20s.; a single red blanket about half worn, value 10s.; a new hand-saw, value 7s. 6d.; a tomahawk, value 5s.; a pair of hemp reins, value 4s. 6d.; and six yards of calico, value 3s.; the property of William Kennedy; and a suit of men's grey tweed clothes, value £4, the property of Samuel McCulloch. Clothes identifiable. Suspicion attached to some of the farmers residing on the island.

BETWEEN 8 p.m. on the 20th and 6 a.m. on the 21st ultimo, the shop of Phenix Briggs, Adelaide Road, Wellington, was broken into, and the following stolen: A pair of unfinished shoes which were on the lasts, patent leather fronts and sealskin backs, a pair of new elastic-side boots, back straps pulled out, several pairs of elastic-side boots with tacks in soles, a number of elastic-side boot fronts, and two lasts. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 70.)

THE gold watch stolen from the person of Isabella Ritson, in the Theatre Royal, Wellington, has been restored to the owner by a boy, who stated that he found it in the street opposite the Oddfellows' Hall.

STOLEN about the 22nd ultimo, from the dwelling of Walter Ramsay, Hall Street, Hokitika, a blue napped whitney overcoat, lined with grey tweed; value £2 10s. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 5th September and the 10th October last, from the Princess Hotel, Dee Street, Invercargill, a set of nearly new white muslin window-curtains, fern pattern, hemmed at ends, value 18s.; ten stone china dinner plates—pattern, smoked gold edges with a twisted gold streak between a red, blue, and black streak, large circle of same description on bottom, crown over circle, "P. B. & Co." within circle, "Pender Brown, and Co. 7-75, 1617," stamped outside circle on outer bottom, value 20s.; a pie-dish of same pattern, value 3s.; two large dessert forks with fiddle handles, value 7s.; four small britannia-metal dessert forks, plain handles, value 12s.; two pairs of unbleached calico sheets, machine-stitched except about an inch at each corner, which is hand-button sewn, value 10s.; four bleached calico pillow-slips, machine-stitched, except the tapes, which are hand-sewn, value 4s.; nine old white-handle knives, value 5s.; a lady's white calico nightdress, hand-sewn, trimmed with tape, the name "Wheeler" or "Nurse" supposed to be marked with ink on bosom, value 5s.; six turkish towels, some supposed to be marked "Princess Hotel," value 14s.; a white calico nightshirt, value 5s.; three blue check glass cloths, value 3s. 9d.; four birds'-eye diaper table napkins, mixed sizes, value 6s. 8d.; and several other articles which cannot be described; the property of Samuel Jackson. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Kate Ramsay, alias Malland, who was employed as cook in the hotel. Description: Thirty-five years of age, medium height, about 15-stone weight, round full face, dark complexion, dark brown hair.

STOLEN during the night of the 16th ultimo, from a bedroom in Pearson's Boardinghouse, Ashburton, a £5 note and two £1 notes, supposed on the Union Bank of Australia; the property of Caleb Cook. Suspicion attached to a man, name unknown, who slept in the room during the night and left early next morning for Lyttelton. Description: Supposed to be a native of London, about twenty-one years of age, 5 feet 9 inches

high, beardless, fair complexion; wore light tweed suit, a tear in left knee of trousers which is sewn up, and light billycock hat with broad rim.

STOLEN between the 1st and 15th ultimo, from the dwelling of William Campbell Walker, Upper Riccarton, Canterbury District, a silver card-case with MW in monogram engraved on one side. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 9th ultimo, from Partridge's tobacco shop, Queen Street, Auckland, a malacca riding whip with dog's head of german silver and chamois thong; the property of Alfred Smith; value 16s. 6d. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 12th ultimo, from the dwelling of Abraham Warbrick, at Tauranga, Auckland District, about 30 lbs. of bacon; value 30s.

STOLEN on the 20th ultimo, from a bedroom in Linklater's Boardinghouse, Stuart Street, Dunedin, three £5 notes, a £1 note, and 4s. 6d. in silver; the property of Thomas Dyer.

STOLEN within the last month, from the shop of Henry Schroeder, Revel Street, Hokitika, two pairs of trousers; value £4. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Thomas Muir, Scotch, a basket-maker, forty-five years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, dark whiskers mixed with grey; wore old tweed clothes and glazed cap.

STOLEN about the 19th ultimo, from a bedroom in the Governor Browne Hotel, Hobson Street, Auckland, a black leather purse with brass clasp, containing four £5 notes and two £1 notes on the Bank of New Zealand; the property of John Mathews. Purse only identifiable.

STOLEN on the 26th ultimo, from the dwelling of a Mrs. Fennick, Bell Tower, Dunedin, a purse containing a £1 note, a half-sovereign, 20s. in silver, and a steel umbrella chain about 6 inches long; the property of Ann Black. Purse and chain identifiable. Stolen at same time, and from same place, a portemonnaie, containing five 2s. pieces, two tickets of the Pioneer Lodge, Dunedin, I.O.G.T., an oval-shaped colonial gold brooch, leaf pattern, coral bead and white pearl set in centre, and a small bird on stem at top, value 20s.; two pairs of kid boots, both nearly new, one plain, the other with sham buttons, value 26s. 6d.; the property of Mary Wilson. All identifiable, except the money. Suspicion attached to a milk-boy, name unknown, about twelve or fourteen years of age, 4 feet 6 inches high, medium build, fair hair and complexion, large mouth, prominent teeth, and flat nose. He is in the employment of Mr. Smail, of Tomahawk Valley.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 70.)

THE pocket-book and money the property of Gilbert Ross, reported stolen from the dwelling of D. F. Main, Dunedin, have been recovered, and restored to the owner.

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STOLEN about the 20th ultimo, from the bleaching-green of David Weir, Russell Street, Dunedin, two tablecloths, one marked "D. Weir," the other has a hole in it; a white petticoat with flounce and small tucks, mark of iron rust on flounce, marked "N. Weir;" two lace antimacassars, a pair of new white stockings, a white marsella jacket with wide sleeves and fringe, an oval lace mat, six dressing-table toilet covers with yellow braid on edges, and a table napkin marked "D. Weir;" value £7 10s. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 53.)

THE five picks, the property of William Smith, stolen at Fairfield, near Dunedin, have been recovered.

STOLEN during the night of the 14th ultimo, from the premises of William C. Arthur, Symonds Street, Auckland, five almond pigeons, almond colour with black spots; five kit pigeons, black with a reddish bronze, small heads; and two Jacobin pigeons, light buff colour, with a white frill over the heads; value £20. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 15th ultimo, at Christchurch, a carpenter's kit, containing a rip-saw, "Glasgow 1876" stamped on blade, a hand-saw, "6" stamped on blade, a smoothing-plane, a jack-plane, a square marked TH, a compass, two hammers, three chisels, and two gauges; the property of Frank Hoffmann; value £3 7s. Marked tools identifiable.

STOLEN about the 17th ultimo, at Greymouth, three sucking pigs; two months old, the property of William Norris; value £2.