STOLEN on the 13th instant, from the wharf at Wellington, a double-breasted blue cloth galatea coat with velvet collar; the property of Charles Carson; value £2. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 3rd and 8th instant, from the premises of John Joseph Daly, at Timaru, eight ducks about nine weeks old, a grey and black hen, and about a dozen eggs; value 17s. Identification doubtful.

STOLEN during the night of the 7th instant, from the stable of the Rev. B. T. Hallames, eight chickens about two months old; value 14s.

Stolen on the 15th instant, from the vest pocket of George McCullogh, at the Railway goods shed, Christchurch, a silver hunting lever watch, No. 45597, maker's name unknown, long link silver chain with cross bar resembling a horse's leg attached; value £8 12. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Peter Moyers, who was the only person seen loitering about the place. Description: English, a tailor, twenty-six years of age, 5 feet 9 inches high, slender build, sallow complexion, black hair, clean shaved except small black moustache; wore blue cloth paget coat, dark tweed trousers, and light felt hat; dirty slovenly appearance. He came to Christchurch from Nelson in September last. STOLEN on the 15th instant, from the vest pocket of George in September last.

(See Police Gazette, 1877, page 38.)

THE box, mowing-machine knives, &c., reported stolen from the stable of John Phillips, at Pairoa, Auckland District, have been recovered.

STOLEN during the night of the 13th instant, from Queen Street Wharf, Auckland, a snatch block about 50 lbs. weight, bound with iron, iron sheave; the property of John Taylor; value £4 10. Identifiable.

STOLEN during the night of the 1st instant, from the yard of Arthur Stoddart, Saint Mary's Road, Ponsonby, Auckland, two boat sculls about 10 feet long; value 16s. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 14th instant, from off the necks of two dogs at Newton, Auckland, two leather collars with iron rings, one had a brass plate attached by rivets with the name "W. Robinson" engraved thereon; the property of William Robinson. son; value 5s. Identifiable.

Stolen on the 17th instant, at Tinui, Wellington District, a cavalry snider rifle, mark of filing under back sight; the property of George Kirk. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Hamilton Glasspell, a native of the Isle of Wight, a labourer, twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, stout build, fresh complexion, brown hair, dark brown whiskers beard and moustache, slovenly gait.

STOLEN on the 15th instant, from off a horse while tied to a fence at Masterton, Wellington District, a gentleman's riding saddle, Sydney pattern, and a lady's brown saddle cloth bound with brown braid; the property of John Betts. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 1st instant, from Shelly Beach, Ponsonby, Auckland, a flat bottom dingy about 12 feet long, sharp at ends, painted all over, upper part white and lower part black; the property of William Cooper; value £2 10s. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 3rd instant, from an unoccupied house in Beach Street, Hokitika, 12 yards of strong white calico, about a yard wide; value 13s.

STOLEN between the 10th and 16th instant, at South Dunedin, thirteen Spanish hens, eleven white and two black; the property of George Prior; value £1 12s. 6d.

(See Police Gazette, 1877, page 87.)

The silver watch reported stolen from the vest pocket of Walter Briggs, at the Pelichet Bay Railway Station, Dunedin, has been recovered, not stolen.

STOLEN about the 12th instant, at Roxburgh, Otago District, ninety cylinder blasting cartridges, nine of which weigh a pound; "John Hall and Son, Faversham and London" printed pound; "John Hall and Son, Faversham and London" printed in red letters on each cartridge; four drills, two 2½ and two 4½ feet long; the property of John Crawford; value £4.

STOLEN between the 15th and 17th instant, from Hancock's Brewery, Kyber Pass Road, Auckland, a cross-cut saw, 6 feet long, movable handles; the property of William Anderson; value £1.

Horse and Cattle Stealing.

(See Police Gazette, 1877, page 79.)

The iron grey filly, the property of Alexander Trotter, reported stolen from Deepdale, Otago District, has been recovered, not stolen.

(See Police Gazette, 1877, page 88.)

THE dark bay gelding, the property of John Hoskyns, supposed stolen at Christchurch, has been found in the pound at

(See Police Gazette, 1877, page 65.)

AMENDED description of the horse sold at Coromandel by the offender David Wilson, alias Nesbitt, alias Jones, which it is believed was stolen by him: A dark bay horse, about seven years old, 15½ hands high, branded WH on near shoulder, star on face, fore fetlocks white, and a little white on near hind fatlock; relight 110. near hind fetlock ; value £10.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

(See Police Gazette, 1877, page 80.)

James McDonald Carlille, charged with having deserted his wife at Nelson, has been arrested by the Greymouth police, and ordered to pay £1 per week towards her maintenance.

ROBERT SCARF is charged, on warrant issued by the Timaru Bench, with having deserted his wife at Timaru on the 18th instant. Description: English, a coal merchant, about forty years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, stout build, fair complexion, fair whiskers, beard, and moustache; wore light tweed suit and blue felt hat. It is supposed he has gone to Oamaru.

MICHAEL KEEVEY is charged, on warrant of commitment to gaol for seven days' labour issued by the Leeston Bench in default of paying a fine of £1 and 5s. costs, for having assaulted John Cralldon at Leeston, Canterbury District, ou the 7th instant. Description: Irish, a labourer, forty years of age, 5 feet 3 inches high, dark curly hair; wore light tweed coat, dark trousers, and soft black felt hat.

Property Lost.

Lost on the 20th ultimo, while in transit from the steamer "Arawata" at Port Chalmers to Dunedin, a dark red leather portmanteau, 2 feet 8 inches long, containing a cylindrical-shaped brown-japanned tin case, about 2 feet long and 3 inches in diameter, which contained a diploma issued at McGill's University, Montreal, Canada, to J. R. Wanless, and a registration certificate issued to Dr. J. R. Wanless at Christ-church; a physician's diary for 1872, containing memoranda in pencil; a large black morocco leather porte-monnaie, containing a number of letters addressed to Dr. Wanless, and bearing ing a number of letters addressed to Dr. Wanless, and bearing the Montreal post mark, and a £5-note on the Bank of New Zealand; an album bound with green morocco, with brass clasp, containing photographs of professors in McGill's College and medical men in gowns; a dark morocco leather pocket medicine case, containing thirty-six small vials filled with homopathic tinctures; a Hughes' therapeutic, 8 x 5 x 2; a Walker and Webster's pocket dictionary; a black diagonal cloth single-breasted frock coat, with a very large pocket in tail for carrying surgical instruments; a pair of light grey tweed trousers, two white linen shirts marked J. R. Wanless, a pair of new dogskin gloves, a pair of light kid gloves, three cotton night-shirts marked J. R. Wanless, a hair brush and comb, two razors and strop, a spatula steel, and several white linen handkerchiefs marked J. R. Wanless; the property of Dr. J. R. Wanless.

Miscellaneous Information.

RETURN OF DISMISSALS, REWARDS, ETC., IN THE POLICE FORCE.

The sum of £1 has been awarded to Constable Edward Coffee, Port Chalmers police, for the recovery of a dog reported lost.

(See New Zealand Gazette, 13th December, 1877, page 1171.)

Inspectors of Slaughterhouses Appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following members of the police force in the Westland District to be Inspectors of Slaughterhouses and of Cattle in