

STOLEN during the night of the 18th ultimo, from the fowl-house of Patrick Lee, Leith Street, Dunedin, four cock and three hen turkeys, grey common breed; value £2 12s. 6d.

STOLEN between the 23rd and 25th ultimo, from St. Leonards Railway Station, near Dunedin, two common oil drums, containing a gallon of raw oil and four gallons of boiled oil; the property of Basil Sivewright; value £1 4s. Drums identifiable.

STOLEN about the 1st ultimo, from the stable of Robert Graham, at Ellerslie House, near Auckland, a large saddle nearly new, pigskin seat, chafed on right side, large knee pads, oval stirrup-irons, a common strap substituted for a stirrup-leather; value £5 10s. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 7th and 14th ultimo, from an unoccupied house at Okarito, Westland District, a five- or six-gallon boiler, value 15s., and a book called "Fiery Cross," value 1s.; the property of Caroline Brett. Book identifiable.

SUPPOSED stolen between the 24th and 27th ultimo, from on board the steamer "Rotorna," between Lyttelton and Auckland, a large brown-leather portmanteau, with brass mountings on handles, containing a maroon-coloured silk dress with white maltese lace trimming, value £30; a new handsome English-made black-silk dress, value £31 10s.; a black-velvet jacket trimmed with black maltese lace, value £15 15s.; a large gold-mounted jet brooch, containing Mr. Nathan's likeness, an oval-link gold-mounted jet necklet with a man's head inside each link or circle, and a pair of gold-mounted jet earrings with two drops, value £35; a New York pea-jacket, value £3; a child's New York white dog-skin jacket, value £2; several white and coloured shirts, collars and cuffs attached; a quantity of ladies' under-linen marked L.N., a straw-worked fancy basket, an English prayer-book, a large quantity of skeins of variegated silk, a fancy lace antimacasser, and several other articles; the property of Lawrence D. Nathan.

Horse and Cattle Stealing.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1878, page 69.)

THE horse, the property of Francis Bethell, reported stolen from Waitakerie East, has been found straying.

STOLEN on the 9th ultimo, from Whau, near Auckland, a black saddle mare, about 15 hands high, hair rubbed off top of rump, branded R on near shoulder; had on an old saddle with pummel split and leather off one of knee pads, and an old bridle; the property of James Robert Walters; value £11 10s. Identifiable.

STOLEN during the night of the 27th ultimo, from Carnarvon, between Foxton and Sandon, Wellington District, a dark-brown gelding, saddle breed, aged, 15 hands high, branded in diamond on near shoulder; the property of Thomas Coyle; value £8. Identifiable. Mr. Coyle tethered this horse on the road-side near his house on the night of the 27th ultimo, and at 6 o'clock on the following morning the animal could not be found. Near where the horse was tethered he found a grey gelding, unbranded, which appeared to have been severely ridden, and was spur-marked.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

PATRICK KENNEDY is charged, on warrant issued by the Dunedin Bench, with having, on the 15th ultimo, at Dunedin, disobeyed an order for the maintenance of his three children, who are inmates of the Otago Industrial School. Description: Irish, a labourer, about forty-three years of age, 5 feet 7½ inches high, smart active build, florid complexion, brown hair and whiskers, chin shaved, sore lips as if from cold. He has been in the army. He is supposed to be working on the railway line near Clinton.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 45.)

JOHN DONOVAN, charged on warrant with having disobeyed a summons to answer a charge of drunkenness, has been arrested by Constable Andrew McKnight, Auckland Police.

RALPH BARTLE is charged, on warrant issued by the Christchurch Bench, with having disobeyed a summons to appear as a witness at the Resident Magistrates' Court, Christchurch, on the 20th ultimo. Description: English, a practical engineer, thirty-five years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, medium build, fresh complexion, black hair and eyes; very dark beard, whiskers, and moustache; wore dark-tweed suit. He was informant in a sly grog case, and summoned as a witness, but failed to appear. He is also charged with embezzlement.

SAMUEL BRADLEY is charged, on warrant issued by the Hamilton Bench, with having committed a breach of the Auckland Rural Police Act, at Hamilton, on the 22nd of April last. Description: English, a carpenter, twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, medium build, thin light-coloured moustache, no whiskers; wore dark galatea coat, light-tweed trousers, and black alpine hat. He was summoned for having left dead animal remains in a public place, whereby a nuisance was caused, but failed to appear. He is supposed to have gone to Auckland.

DUNCAN MCCALLUM is charged, on warrant issued by the Christchurch Bench, with having, since the 16th of April last, failed to provide adequate means of support for his wife and family, at Christchurch. Description: Scotch, a sailor and labourer, forty years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, stout build, sallow complexion, black hair; large dark-brown whiskers, beard, and moustache; brown eyes; wore black sac coat, dark-brown cloth trousers, and blucher boots. He is supposed to have gone to Temuka.

Deserters from Merchant Vessels.

WILLIAM GRANT and James Lambert are charged with having, about the 22nd ultimo, deserted from the ship "Strathblane," at Port Chalmers. Description: Grant is Scotch, eighteen years of age, 5 feet high, stout build, dark complexion and hair, blue eyes, round full face. Lambert is English, about twenty-five years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, fair fresh complexion, grey eyes, brown hair, small brown whiskers, scar on left cheek.

Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

CHRISTOPHER R. CURTIS is charged with having deserted from H.M.S. "Wolverine," at Auckland, on the 10th ultimo. Description: English, an ordinary seaman, nineteen years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, white hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, slightly pockpitted. A reward of £3 is offered for his arrest.

Missing Friends.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts of John George, formerly of the 65th Regiment, and afterwards of the 3rd Waikato Regiment. He was last seen in the Waikato District in 1867. Inquiry is made for him at the request of his only surviving relative.

Miscellaneous Information.

RETURN OF APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, DISMISSALS, DEATHS, REWARDS, ETC., IN THE ARMED CONSTABULARY FORCE.

Appointments as Constables.

William King, No. 902.
Frederick Beattie, No. 905.
Austin James Malone, No. 910.
Roderick Gray, No. 914.
Timothy McCarthy, No. 916.

Promotion.

Second-class Sergeant Robert Knyland, No. 215, to be First-class Sergeant.

Dismissal.

Constable Albert Davis, No. 316.

Death.

Constable Daniel Divine, No. 559.

Rewards.

THE sum of £5 has been awarded from the Reward Fund to Detective John Mitchell Walker, Christchurch Police, in acknowledgment of zeal and ability shown by him in the arrest, &c., of Quen Yam, sentenced at the last sittings of the Supreme Court, at Christchurch, to ten years' penal servitude and fifty lashes for rape committed on a child between ten and twelve years old.

THE sum of £3 has been awarded from the Reward Fund to Detective L. D. Benjamin, Christchurch Police, in acknowledgment of tact and zeal displayed by him in the arrest, &c., of Charles McGunnigale, sentenced at the last sittings of the Supreme Court, at Christchurch, to two years' labour for an indecent assault; and for zeal and efficiency shown in the case of John Jackson, *alias* Charles Ellis, *alias* James Miles, sentenced at the same sittings of the Court to eighteen months' labour for forgery and uttering.

THE sum of £3 has been awarded from the Reward Fund to Sergeant Thomas McGann, Cromwell Police, in acknowledgment of zeal and ability shown by him in the prosecution of Jane Wilson and Lung Kim, fined £30 and costs and £20 and costs respectively for sly grog-selling.