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A "POLICE GAZETTE" for the colony is published at Wellington.

Communications for this *Gazette* should be addressed to the Commissioner of Police, Armed Constabulary Depot, Wellington. They must be of police interest, or no notice will be taken of them. Officers in charge of districts are requested to report to the Commissioner 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.

CRIME REPORTS.—A copy of each crime report should be immediately forwarded to the Commissioner's Office for *Gazette* purposes.

WARRANTS.—All reports of crime must state whether or not a warrant has been issued for the arrest of the offender. Should a warrant not have been issued in the first instance, but one be subsequently obtained, a supplementary report announcing the issue must be immediately forwarded to all places where the original report has been sent. The supplementary report should repeat the offender's description, or refer to it in the *Police Gazette* or original crime report. Persons reporting crimes should be requested to obtain warrants whenever practicable.

Offenders should be accurately described, their native country, usual occupation, and every particular likely to lead to their arrest and identification minutely given.

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

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.

PROPERTY DESCRIBED.—The age, height, breed, colour, particular marks, &c., of horses should be minutely described, and the brands imitated as nearly as possible, and their exact position given. Cattle should also be carefully described. In forwarding the brands of horses and cattle per telegram, it should be stated of what kind of letters the brands consist, whether of Roman capitals or in writing. 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 metal cover of the dial. All property should be described as minutely as possible.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.—It is requested that, in all reports

respecting cases gazetted, members of the Force 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, where arrests are made, should at once be forwarded to the Commissioner's office, and should contain such information as will clearly identify the case.

CIRCULATION OF CRIME REPORTS.—The officers in charge of districts will be held responsible for the proper circulation of reports relating to crime committed in their respective districts. Where there is reason to believe that the offender is proceeding towards any particular part of the colony, the police of the district in which the crime was committed should report the fact to the police of that place with the least possible delay. They should also communicate without delay with the police of any part of the colony from which it is thought probable that important information regarding any offender can be obtained.

When the member of the Force in charge of a station considers it necessary, so as to insure the speedy arrest of offenders or the recovery of stolen property, &c., to forward crime reports or supplementary crime reports direct to the Commissioner's office, it should be distinctly stated on the one forwarded to the officer in charge of the district that a copy has been supplied to the Commissioner's office, otherwise duplicates may be received, and being mistaken for originals may cause confusion.

REWARDS.—No notice of reward offered by any private person or persons will be inserted in the *Police Gazette* unless there be forwarded to the Commissioner's office the guarantee of some responsible person that the reward shall be payable to the person who performs the service for which it is offered. If such notice be communicated by telegraph, the addition of the words "Guarantee received" will be sufficient; in such cases, however, the guarantee must be forwarded to the Commissioner's office without delay.

In reporting the arrest of offenders, the recovery of property, or otherwise referring to anything notified in the Otago or Canterbury *Police Gazette*, the date and page in which the previous notice appeared should be given.

Extracts from New Zealand Gazette.

(From *New Zealand Gazette*, 3rd January, 1878, page 7.)

RESIGNATION OF LIEUT.-COLONEL MOULE.

Colonial Defence Office, Wellington,
2nd January, 1878.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission and appointment held by Lieut.-

Colonel William Moule as Commissioner, Armed Constabulary Force, and Acting Under Secretary for Defence, from the 31st December, 1877.

G. S. WHITMORE.

(From *New Zealand Gazette*, 10th January, 1878, page 29.)

OFFICE OF INSPECTING SUPERINTENDENT ABOLISHED.

Colonial Defence Office, Wellington,
9th January, 1878.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to abolish the office of Inspecting Superintendent in the Armed Constabulary Force, from the 31st December, 1877.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Incendiarism.

£200 REWARD, AND A FREE PARDON TO AN ACCOMPLICE.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 93.)

BURNING of William J. McBroy and Thomas Rouston's store at Kumara.—£200 reward is offered by the agents of the National and Standard Insurance Companies for such information as shall lead to the apprehension of the offender or offenders; and, in addition thereto, it is notified that His Excellency the Governor will grant a free pardon to any person implicated in the said act, not being the principal offender, who shall give such information as will lead to the apprehension of any one or more of the other offenders.

Offences Not Otherwise Described.

E. G. HEYLMANN is charged, on warrant issued by the Dunedin Bench, with having, on the 10th April last, at Dunedin, forged a bill of exchange for £40 10s., drawn on Francis Crowder. Description: A Prussian, a law clerk and seaman, twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 8½ inches high, medium build, very fresh complexion, large blue eyes, light brown hair, small sandy whiskers and moustache, high bald forehead, small feminine hands, smart erect gait, speaks English fluently, but with a slight foreign accent; usually wears dark clothes and under-leathers. He was employed as clerk in the office of Messrs. Adams and Joyce, solicitors, Dunedin. He left Port Chalmers by the steamer "Arawata" on the 24th October last for Melbourne, and was soon after seen there, when he was clean shaved, and had assumed the name "Hill." He is supposed to be at present residing in Geelong. He is known to a Mr. Holme and to Sarah Sorrel, who reside at 17, Grant Street, Emerald Hill, and also to the chief steward of the steamer "Arawata."

JOHN MAYNE is charged, on warrant issued by the Invercargill Bench, with having, on the 22nd ultimo, at Dee Street, Invercargill, obtained a black cloth trousers and vest, a corded tweed coat, and a white shirt, value £4 19s., from Peter Matthias Peters, by false pretences. Description: A Tasmanian, a saw-mill hand, twenty-seven years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, medium build, brown hair, light brown beard, whiskers, and moustache, small thin face, sallow complexion, in delicate health; wore dark clothes and white straw hat with puggery, and sometimes wears a black hat with puggery. He was seen in Dunedin on the 30th ultimo. He has a sister employed as cook at the Star and Garter Hotel, Oamaru.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 93.)

JOHN HILL, charged on warrant with having obtained a cheque and money from Henry Matson and Co., by false pretences, has been arrested by Detective L. D. Benjamin, Christchurch Police, and committed for trial.

E. COLE is charged, on warrant issued by the Nelson Bench, with having, on the 5th instant, at Nelson, obtained goods and money, value £4 10s., from Isaac Mason Hill, by means of a valueless cheque. Description: English, twenty-four or twenty-five years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, light hair, no beard or moustache; wore dark clothes and dark felt hat. The cheque is dated the 4th instant, signed "J. Marsden," and indorsed "E. Cole." This offender is also charged, on warrant issued at Nelson, with having, on the same date at Nelson, obtained goods and money, value £3 10s., from James Phillips Cooke, by means of a valueless cheque. The cheque is dated the 5th instant, signed "James Marsden," and indorsed "E. Cole." He has left Nelson, where he was not previously known. It is supposed that this offender is identical with Walter Weston, alias Hedge, alias Edward Hedge, alias Joyce, charged on warrant with having issued a number of valueless cheques at Christchurch. (See *Police Gazette*, 1877, pages 77 and 85.) Weston, alias Hedge, alias Joyce, is now described as being only 5 feet 5 inches high, has a crucifixion tattooed on one of his arms, and union jack and coat of arms on the other arm.

A MAN known as Ayegim, or Ayegreen, is charged, on warrant issued by the Kumara Bench, with having unlawfully cut and wounded Elizabeth Campbell, in her house, at Seldon Street, Kumara, on the 23rd ultimo. Description: A Norwegian, a miner, twenty years of age, 5 feet 10½ inches high, medium build, fair complexion, fair hair, no beard or moustache; wore dark coat, tweed trousers, and wideawake hat.

A MAN, name unknown, is charged, on warrant issued by the Wellington Bench, with having, on the 31st ultimo, in Manners Street, Wellington, obtained £3 1s. 6d. and goods, value £1 8s. 6d., from Henry D. Edwards, by means of a valueless cheque. Description: About twenty years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, light-brown hair, no beard or whiskers; wore dark tweed suit and black cap with leather peak. He represented that he was employed by Mr. J. C. Crawford, at Evans Bay, near Wellington.

RICHARD ELSTON is charged, on warrant issued by the Nelson Bench, with having, on the 22nd ultimo, at Wakefield, near Nelson, obtained £13 from Robert Martin Smith by means of a valueless cheque. Description: English, a clerk, twenty-seven years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, red beard, whiskers, and moustache, brown hair, dark brown eyes, blinks with both eyes; wore grey tweed clothes and black high crowned hat. He had a black bag containing a brown suit of clothes in his possession when he left Nelson. It is supposed he has come to Wellington or gone to Auckland. Mr. Smith offers £5 reward for the offender's arrest.

HUGH O'NEIL is charged, on warrant, issued by the Christchurch Bench, with having, on the 7th instant, disobeyed a summons to appear at the Resident Magistrate's Court, Christchurch, to answer a charge of being the master or keeper of a house of ill fame. Description: Irish, a labourer, thirty-seven years of age, 5 feet 4½ inches high, fresh complexion, brown hair, grey eyes, straight nose, small mouth, scar on left side of nose near eye and on forehead; wore dark tweed coat and vest, moleskin trousers, lace-up boots, and old white felt hat; a drunkard. He left his house at Christchurch on the 7th instant, and took with him a blue blanket swag.

House-Breaking, Stealing from the Person and from Dwellings.

BETWEEN noon on the 30th ultimo and noon on the 4th instant the shop of Samuel Stewart, Madras Street, Christchurch, was broken into and the following stolen: A silver hunting lever watch, maker Rotherham, number not known, value £5; a silver hunting Geneva watch, number and maker's name not known, value £2; a silver hunting lever watch, number and maker's name not known, value £2 10s.; an open-face silver Geneva watch, number and maker's name unknown, value £2; an open-face silver verge watch, number and maker's name not known, value £2; a set of gold horse-shoe studs, one stud discoloured, value £1; a worn colonial gold ring, flat square top, value £1; a gold ring with square and compass in pale-coloured stone, value £2; a small fine gold necklet, value 15s.; a twist-pattern gold Albert guard, broken, value £1 10s.; a gold Albert guard with locket attached, value £3 10s.; a walnut-shaped locket, value 15s.; an English gold brooch with three cairngorm stones, value £2; a snake-pattern colonial gold brooch, emerald in centre, gold tassel, value £2; a case containing a silver Napoleon medal, value 10s.; a colonial gold brooch and earrings, value £2 5s.; a six-chambered pin-fire revolver, value £1; a tiger-cat-skin rug with tails, value £5. Identifiable. Also nine gold rings, various patterns, value £3 3s.; three common gold lockets, chased, value 21s.; four common gold keeper rings, value £1 4s.; five gold wedding rings, value 24s. Not identifiable. George Stevens, a hawker, has been arrested for this offence. Other jewellery, value about £40, stolen from the shop during the same time, was found in his possession.

BETWEEN 3 and 4.30 p.m. on the 2nd instant the dwelling of William Clarke, White's Bridge, near Kaiapoi, Canterbury District, was broken into and the following stolen: A leather purse with brass clasps, containing a new £5 Bank of New Zealand note and a half-sovereign. Purse identifiable. Suspicion attached to a man, name unknown, who was seen near the house. Description: A German, about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, short reddish beard, whiskers, and moustache; wore blue cloth suit coat, dark moleskin trousers, black billycock hat, and watch and chain.

STOLEN about the 2nd instant, from the person of Samuel Gibson while drunk and asleep near the Southern Cemetery, Dunedin, a silver hunting American lever watch No. 863873, steel Albert guard attached, value £7 10s.; a receipt from James Sinclair for the watch, and about £3 in silver. Watch and receipt identifiable. Suspicion attached to a woman, name

unknown, who was in informant's company. Description: Supposed to be a native of the North of Ireland or Scotland, about thirty or thirty-five years of age, medium height, fresh complexion, dark hair; wore black jacket and skirt and white hat. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 17th ultimo, from the dwelling of William Malcolm, Winton Bush, Otago District, a gold Albert guard, curb link pattern, plain gold bar, a medium-sized oval-shaped gold locket attached, both new; value £5. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 14th and 17th ultimo, from the dwelling of a Mr. McLeod, Cargill Street, Dunedin, a lady's small open-face gold Geneva watch, gold dial, hands and glass broken, C. McL. engraved on inside of case, number unknown; the property of Jane McDiarmid; value £3. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 11th instant, from the dwelling of Susan Newlyn and Abraham Philips, Kaiwarawara, near Wellington, a brown leather purse containing £6 10s. in gold, a ladies' gold hunting Geneva lever, number 24238, case chased, the word "patent" on dome, a twist pattern gold Albert chain, a gold wedding ring, and a gold locket with compass and square on back, and WFJ written on the white silk inside attached, and a piece of gold mounted greenstone; the property of Susan Newlyn; value £40. Jewellery identifiable. Also a silver lever hunting watch, maker, Russell, London, No. 32780, steel Albert guard, steel battle-axe and two helmets attached; the property of Abraham Philips; value £5. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 22nd ultimo, from the tent of Richard Buss, at Amberley, Canterbury District, a new red blanket, value 17s. 6d.; a new dark drab Crimean shirt with a small cut about an inch long between the two upper button holes of breast, value 16s.; two pairs of new white cotton drawers, value 10s.; an old light drab Crimean shirt, and a new coloured scarf. Shirts identifiable. Suspicion attached to William Turner, who was seen coming out of the tent. Description: English, a labourer, forty years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, stout build, fair complexion, brown hair, whiskers, beard, and moustache, one of cheeks swollen, mark of cut about three inches long on cheek; wore brown cardigan jacket, moleskin trousers, and watertight boots. He is supposed to have gone to Hurunui.

STOLEN on the 9th instant, from a bedroom in the Criterion Hotel, Princes Street, Dunedin, two £5 notes on the Union Bank of Australia, Christchurch Branch; the property of Henry M. Lund.

STOLEN between the 1st and 19th ultimo, from the Winton Hotel, Winton, Otago District, a dark blue paget coat, side pockets with flaps, inside left breast pocket, a single-breasted vest of same material, and a pair of trousers; the property of T. W. Raymond; value £7. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Charles De Garnham, English, a groom, forty years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, stout build, fair hair and complexion, large nose, beard, whiskers, and moustache, slightly deaf.

STOLEN on the 22nd ultimo, from the person of Joseph Edmonds, while drunk at Ida Valley, Otago District, a brown leather pocketbook containing £150 in notes, a receipt for gold, and sundry papers. Pocketbook, receipt, and papers identifiable. Suspicion attached to John Cameron and James Isles, who were drinking with complainant during the time the money was stolen from him. Description: Cameron is a native of the colony, twenty years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, dark complexion, black curly hair, small beard and moustache. Isles is Irish, thirty-six years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, brown hair, beard, whiskers, and moustache, worn full. They are at present employed washing wool at Ida Valley Station. The pocketbook has since been found by Thomas Wilson, who keeps an hotel at Ida Valley; it contained £60 in notes and some papers.

STOLEN on the 26th ultimo, from the dwelling of Mary Horne, at Oamaru, a ladies' black leather bag with red lining, a portion of the sewing at one end of handle ripped, containing five £10 notes on the Bank of New South Wales, one of them was very old and dirty, and a corner was torn off another; ten £1 notes, bank unknown; 10s. 6d. in silver, and a pair of ladies grey gloves. Bag and gloves identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 86.)

THE deposit receipt for £150 stolen from the dwelling of Samuel Graham, at New River, was issued at the Bank of New Zealand, Greymouth, where it is also made payable. The money was lodged for six months at interest.

SUPPOSED stolen on the 1st instant, from the person of Henry Tomlinson, at East Oxford, Canterbury District, two cheques on the Bank of New Zealand, Oxford, drawn by J. O'Halloran, of Gwentire Station, one for £6 in favour of Sea-wood, and one for £5 in favour of H. Tomlinson. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 24th ultimo, from a bedroom in the Wharf Hotel, Queen Street, Auckland, three £1-notes; the property of Noble Johnston.

STOLEN on the 28th ultimo, from the shop of A. Singer, Main Street, Kumara, six gold wedding and keeper rings. A case containing thirty gold wedding and keeper rings, and three pairs of earrings, stolen at the same time, was found by Mr. Singer in the shop next morning. It was pushed under the shop door during the night.

STOLEN on the 21st ultimo, from the dwelling of William Thomas, Caversham, near Dunedin, a white muslin dress, trimmed with white lace about an inch and a half broad round the neck and down the front to waist, six small flowers on front and eight on back, no panier; a silk jacket, trimmed with black lace round the top and bottom of sleeves, in half-circle form; value £2 10. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to a Mrs. Pherson, Scotch, about thirty years of age, 5 ft. 2 in. high, dark complexion, dark hair and eyes; wore dark winey dress and black hat, trimmed with crimson velvet.

STOLEN on the 4th instant, from the dwelling of Mary Smith, Riccarton, near Christchurch, a black-and-red check woollen shawl, having a small hole in it; value 20s. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 22nd instant, from the person of John McPhail, while in a house in Chancery Street, Auckland, five £1 notes. Suspicion attached to James Hill, Scotch, forty years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, hair and whiskers turning grey.

STOLEN on the 3rd instant, from the person of William Hamilton, while lying drunk at Lincoln, Canterbury District, an old purse, with steel clasp, containing six £1 notes, an embossed gold ring, stone lost from setting, A scratched where stone was set, value 20s.; and a common brass ring, with red stone, value 1s. Rings identifiable. Suspicion attached to John O'Connon, alias Bain, whom complainant felt searching his pockets. Description: Irish, a labourer, but is well-educated, thirty-five or forty years of age, 5 ft. 10 in. high, dark hair, long dark beard and moustache, fresh complexion, small dark eyes, high cheek bones, wore blue sac coat, moleskin trousers, and soft black hat; fond of drink. He has left the Lincoln District.

STOLEN between the 26th and 29th ultimo, from the dwelling of Emily Foreman, Alexandra Street, Auckland, a gold brooch, set with ten pearls and a diamond in centre; a pair of gold earrings, each set with five pearls and a diamond in centre; six plated forks, a white blanket, a tablecloth, two sheets, four pillowslips, two bath towels, a nightdress, a pair of drawers, a petticoat, and two chemises; value £20. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to William Wearing and Lizzie Brucke. Wearing is twenty-six years of age, 5 ft. 6 in. high, sallow complexion, clean shaved, slightly pock-pitted, slovenly appearance. Brucke is Irish, about twenty-four years of age, 5 ft. 11 in. high, fair complexion, erect gait, a front tooth wanting.

Stealing otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

JOHN KNOTT MAKIN is charged, on warrant issued by the Auckland Bench, with the larceny, as a bailee at Auckland, about the 1st ultimo, of an ulster coat, a rug, and a pair of watertight boots; the property of Henry Hume; value £5. Identifiable. Description: English, a clerk, twenty-one years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, medium build, thin features, fair complexion, light hair, hazel eyes, slight moustache, no whiskers, a little in-kneed; wore grey tweed suit, low crowned soft felt hat or small straw hat, and lace-up boots; shabby appearance. He arrived from England by the ship "Famenoth" about two months ago. He pawned the coat at Neumegen's pawn office. It is supposed he has gone to Waikato.

STOLEN on the 21st ultimo, from the fore-castle of the brig "Roderick Dhu," at Dargaville Wharf, Auckland District, an open-face silver lever watch, maker, Atkins, London; No. 5037; a piece of white tape and two watch keys attached; the property of Charles McMillan; value £4 10s. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 19th and 29th ultimo, from a tea-chest, between Auckland and Tauranga, a dozen linen handkerchiefs, seven bottles of scent, two bars of preserved ginger, a small, china vase, a feather fan, two scented wood fans, and a nest of

fancy china boxes; the property of How Suit; value £2. Identifiable.

STOLEN between the 2nd and 4th instant, from a case at the Christchurch Railway Station, a carving knife and fork, flat white bone handles, guard of fork broken off, six dinner knives, of same pattern; two corkscrews, one new with dark wooden handle, the other old with white bone handle; some confectionary, and a few towels; the property of John Robinson; value 25s. Carving fork and old corkscrew identifiable.

STOLEN about the 19th or 20th November last, from the coach which plies between Ross and Hokitika, a brown paper parcel containing two ladies' grey felt wrappers, one sewn with red thread; about twenty-six yards of black silk, a black Hyde Park shawl, and two children's grey cloak jackets; the property of Thomas Learmont; value £10. Identifiable by trade mark.

STOLEN on the 16th September last, from the cart of James Gabey, at Temuka, Canterbury District, a new cart-saddle and breeching; value £3. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Joseph Harding, English, a carter and ploughman, twenty-nine years of age, 5 feet 3 inches high, dark hair, very little beard or whiskers, slovenly appearance; wore old grey tweed clothes, watertight boots, and soft black felt hat.

STOLEN on the 17th ultimo, from a railway carriage, between Christchurch and Lyttelton, a semicircle railway carriage-cushion, 2 feet in diameter, covered with blue cloth; the property of the Government; value 2s. 6d. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 3rd November last, from the railway station at Lawrence, Otago District, a parcel containing a drab coat, about half worn; a damaged draught-board, men complete; four dice, and a pair of spectacles; the property of John McKay. Identifiable.

STOLEN about the 19th ultimo, from Devonport Wharf, Auckland, a quarter-chest of tea, with the name "Rees" marked with black paint thereon; the property of William L. Rees; value 30s. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 24th ultimo, from the store-door of G. H. Lavers, Queen Street, Auckland, two bags marked H, containing new potatoes; value £3. Bags identifiable.

STOLEN on the 24th ultimo, from the trousers pocket of Joshua Little, which was hanging in the Club boat-sheds, Avonside, Christchurch, a brown leather purse, about 4 inches long by 2½ inches wide, with elastic band, corners squared off, containing about 30s. in silver, some penny postage stamps, and extracts cut from colonial newspapers. Purse identifiable.

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

THE brace, the property of Thomas Christie, reported stolen at Greytown, Otago District, has been recovered.

STOLEN between the 31st ultimo and 2nd instant, from High Street, Dunedin, a garden spade, handle about 2½ feet long, a split at top which is secured by two nails; the property of Arthur Hitchcox; value 6s. 6d. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 24th ultimo, at New Plymouth, a red-and-white-striped railway rug, and a blue railway rug, having letters worked with thread on one of corners; the property of Alexander Ross; value 38s.

STOLEN about the 31st ultimo, from off a turnip-sowing machine, at Sandour, near Amberley, Canterbury District, four tin cylinders, the property of Frank Courage; value £7. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to a farmer named James Webb, who resides in the neighbourhood.

STOLEN between 5 p.m. on the 7th and 6.45 a.m. on the 8th instant, from the prison carpenters' shop near the gaol at Dunedin, a common carpenters' tool basket, containing a medium-sized coopers' adze, a coopers' draw-knife about 16 inches long, straight back, a coopers' 4-lb. hammer, branded /A on one side, a large spokeshave, a coopers' upright driver with a large iron ferrule round the top of handle, and a common 2-foot rule; the property of the Government. Identifiable.

Horse and Cattle Stealing.

FIVE of the cattle, the property of Charles Coster, reported stolen from Heddon Bush, near Winton, have been recovered. Thompson and Sons, of New River, near Winton, recently sold a large mob of cattle to Alexander Thompson, a butcher, residing at Oamaru. Mr. Coster's cattle may be among this mob which has been driven to Oamaru.

SUPPOSED stolen about the 10th ultimo, from South Rakaia, Canterbury District, a light draught bay mare, 4 years old, 15 hands high, a small white streak down face, near hind fetlock white, unbranded, flat-boned; the property of Arthur Makeig; value £22. Identifiable.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1877, page 95.)

ROBERT SCARF, charged with having deserted his wife at Timaru, has been arrested by Sergeant William Beatty, Oamaru Police.

Deserters from Merchant Vessels.

ALEXANDER CARLO, Louis Macceri, Augusto Busnuier, and George Biven, Frenchmen, are charged, on warrant issued by the Lyttelton Bench, with having, between the 29th and 31st ultimo, deserted from the barque "St. Argnan," at Lyttelton. Carlo is twenty years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, dark complexion, dark curly hair, small dark beard and whiskers, pock-pitted; wore blue tight-fitting smock, watertight boots, and cap with tassel on top; speaks English fluently. Macceri is forty years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, florid complexion, light-brown whiskers, beard, and moustache; wore grey tweed coat and vest, blue cloth trousers, soft black felt hat, and blucher boots; speaks English and Italian. Busnuier is forty-five years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, fair complexion, dark beard and moustache; wore blue smock, light tweed trousers, and straw hat; speaks Italian. Biven is eighteen years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, dark complexion, no hair on face, supposed to be wearing blue-cloth jacket, dark tweed trousers, elastic-side boots, and cap with peak; speaks French only. It is supposed they have gone to Akaroa or Christchurch.

ROSMUS PEDERSON is charged with having, on the 4th instant, deserted from the brigantine "Marie," at Ratray Street Jetty, Dunedin. Description: A Dane, twenty years of age, 5 feet, 7 inches high, stout build, fair complexion, light-brown hair, blue eyes, no hair on face, walks with a stooping gait; usually wears a blue monkey jacket; speaks bad English.

CHARLES BROWN, Thomas Langley, William Lorensen, William Anderson, John Vonstibin, and Augusta Wallin, are charged, on warrant issued by the Lyttelton Bench, with having, on or about the 8th instant, deserted from the ship "Opawa," at Lyttelton. Description: Brown is a Swede, thirty years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, square build, fair complexion, fair beard, whiskers, and moustache. Langley is English, a joiner by trade, twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 11 inches high, dark complexion, light moustache. Lorensen is a Dane, twenty-seven years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, fair hair, beard, whiskers, and moustache. Anderson is a Swede, twenty-four years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, fair complexion, fair hair, whiskers, and moustache. Vonstibin is a Hollander, twenty-six years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, fair complexion, fair hair and moustache. Wallin is a Swede, nineteen years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, fair complexion and hair, no whiskers, beard, or moustache. It is supposed they have gone to Christchurch or Leeston.

Missing Friends.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts of Albert Dymmock, so that proceedings may be taken to compel him to contribute towards the maintenance of his children, who are inmates of the Otago Industrial School. Description: Supposed to be English, thirty-four years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, stout build, short neck, fair complexion and hair, clean-shaved except small fair moustache and imperial, sharp nose, grey eyes, which appear as if half closed; wears earrings; usually dressed in grey tweed suit and Scotch cap. He left Green Island on the 18th ultimo for Port Chalmers, supposed with the intention of leaving the colony. It is believed he resided for some time in Southland.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts of Patrick McLuskey, who it is supposed left Victoria in 1864 and came to this colony. He is a native of Ireland, forty-seven years of age, black hair and dark complexion. He served in the Victorian and Tasmanian Police. No further particulars furnished. Inquiry is made for him at the request of his daughter.

Miscellaneous Information.

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

Resignations.

Second class Sergeant Alexander E. Uloth, No. 85.
Constable Samuel Hughes, No. 20.
Constable Michael Marsh, No. 176.

Constable James Spillard, No. 544.
Constable James Hollywood, No. 755.

Dismissed.

Constable James Joseph Parker, No. 829.

Rewards.

THE sum of £2 has been awarded from the Reward Fund to Sergeant S. C. W. Moller, Greymouth Police, in acknowledgment of zeal displayed by him in the detection and prosecution of J. C. Leebeck, fined £10 and costs for permitting gambling in his licensed house.

THE sum of £3 each has been awarded from the Reward Fund to Sergeant James O'Malley, Geraldine Police, and Detective John Neill, Timaru Police, in acknowledgment of tact and zeal displayed by them in the recovery of stolen property and the arrest of William Sandford, sentenced at the last sittings of the Supreme Court held at Timaru to four years' hard labour for house-breaking and larceny.

(See *New Zealand Gazette*, 20th December, 1877, pages 1197 and 1198.)

SERGEANT HENRY MCARDLE has been appointed Gaoler of the Prison at Lyell; and Sergeant John McMahon Gaoler of the Prison at Charleston.

CONSTABLE HENRY GORDON has been appointed Gaoler, and Jane Gordon, Matron, of the Prison at Clyde.

CONSTABLE JAMES PIERPOINT has been appointed Gaoler, and Annie Pierpoint, Matron, of the Prison at Lawrence.

ABOUT 3 a.m. on the 25th ultimo the meat-safe of Henry Allechin, High Street, Christchurch, was broken open and two geese, two turkeys, seven pies, four dozen of eggs, and a large delf dish taken therefrom, thrown about the street, and destroyed. Suspicion attached to Robert William Jones, a Welshman, a clerk, nineteen years of age, 5 feet 4½ inches high, slight build, pale complexion, fair hair, blind of right eye.

ON the morning of the 27th ultimo, while J. R. Selby was asleep in his bed at Mr. Grigg's station, Long Beach, Canterbury District, a bucket of coal tar was poured over him by which his eyes and ears were injured, his face burned, and clothes value £7 destroyed. A reward of £5 is offered for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the offenders.

ABOUT the 30th ultimo, at Miller's Flat, near Queenstown, Otago District, a bullock, the property of Angus McKennon, was maliciously stabbed with a sharp weapon in four places in the side, which caused the animal's death.

RETURN OF PRISONERS REPORTED AS DISCHARGED FROM GAOLS DURING THE FORTNIGHT ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1878.

Gaol.	Name.	Where Tried.	When.	Offence.	Sentence.	Native of	Trade.	Born.	Height.	Complexion.	Hair.	Eyes.	Nose.	Mouth.	Chin.	Remarks and Previous Convictions.	
Wellington	John Winsor	Wellington	Nov. 23, 1877	assault	1 month's labour	Ireland	hawker	1847	5 5	fair	brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	Half of left arm wanting.	
Wellington	John O'Connor	Wellington	Nov. 2, 1877	assault	2 months' labour	England	sailor	1851	5 6	fresh	dark brown	hazel	small	small	small	Two previous convictions.	
Wellington	Thomas Stoker	Masseyton	Dec. 3, 1877	illegally on premises	1 month's labour	England	stonecutter	1842	5 9	dark	dark brown	blue	small	small	small	Extensive tattoo marks on arms, legs, and body.	
Wellington	John Hemenstall	Wellington	Dec. 31, 1877	breach of the peace, &c.	7 days' labour	Ireland	labourer	1855	5 4	fair	light brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	Three previous convictions. Combed double triangle on left arm.	
Wellington	John McAllister	Wellington	Dec. 31, 1877	breach of the peace, &c.	7 days' labour	Scotland	labourer	1844	5 4	sallow	brown	grey	medium	medium	medium	Two previous convictions. Ship on left arm; Highlander, stars and stripes on left leg; Scotch thistle on right arm; flag on right leg. One previous conviction.	
Wanganui	Hugh McGonigal	Wanganui	Dec. 3, 1877	obscene language and resisting police	21 days' labour	Ireland	labourer	1841	5 8	fresh	brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	Pockpitted; blue dots on back of hands; woman on right arm. Repeatedly convicted.	
Wanganui	Patrick Sullivan	Wanganui	Dec. 24, 1876	atempted burglary	18 months' labour	Ireland	labourer	1846	5 6	pale	brown	grey	medium	medium	large	Large lump on right side of forehead.	
Wanganui	John Killy	Wanganui	Dec. 29, 1877	indecent exposure	4 days' labour	Ireland	labourer	1827	5 3	sallow	brown	grey	medium	medium	medium	Two previous convictions.	
Napier	John Morgan	Wairapa	Oct. 25, 1877	obscene language	2 months' labour	Ireland	labourer	1821	5 8	fresh	grey	grey	medium	medium	medium	One previous conviction.	
Napier	Watene Kiko	Gi-borne	July 19, 1877	obscene language	6 months' labour	N. Zealand	labourer	1857	5 4	copper	black	brown	large	medium	medium	Twenty previous convictions. Upper front teeth out.	
Napier	Frederick Payne	Napier	Dec. 17, 1877	obscene language	14 days' labour	England	sailor	1860	5 6	fair	brown	grey	large	medium	medium	Banners of war on left arm; scar on left side of neck.	
Dunedin	Susannah Phillips	Dunedin	Sept. 28, 1877	vagrancy	3 months' labour	England	married	1820	5 2	fresh	dark brown	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Two previous convictions.	
Dunedin	Jane Martin	Dunedin	Dec. 12, 1877	profane language	14 days' labour	Ireland	married	1832	5 2	fresh	red	grey	medium	medium	medium	One previous conviction.	
Dunedin	Mary Forbes	Dunedin	Sep. 27, 1877	habitual drunkenness	3 months' labour	Scotland	married	1847	5 1	fresh	black	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Twenty previous convictions. Upper front teeth out.	
Dunedin	George H. Herbert	Dunedin	Nov. 23, 1877	larceny	1 month's labour	England	draper	1856	5 3	fresh	black	hazel	large	medium	medium	Banners of war on left arm; scar on left side of neck.	
Dunedin	George Webster	Dunedin	Nov. 23, 1877	larceny	1 month's labour	England	storeman	1843	5 10	fresh	black	hazel	large	medium	medium	Three previous convictions.	
Dunedin	Joseph Brown	Dunedin	Feb. 21, 1877	obscene exposure	12 months' labour	Tasmania	labourer	1849	5 4	fresh	dark brown	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Scar on back of left hand; front teeth out.	
Dunedin	Duncan McGregor	Dunedin	Nov. 24, 1877	vagrancy	1 month's labour	Scotland	water	1850	5 5	fresh	red	grey	large	medium	medium	Three previous convictions. Scar on back of left hand; front teeth out.	
Dunedin	John Brooks	Pt. Chalmers	Nov. 21, 1877	habitual drunkenness	1 month's labour	England	seaman	1851	5 10	fresh	black	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Three previous convictions. Scar on each side of mouth; JB and two stars on right arm; cross and compass on back of right hand; crucifix, HE, and anchor on left arm.	
Dunedin	Joseph Johnson	Dunedin	Dec. 20, 1877	vagrancy	14 days' labour	England	labourer	1837	5 2	sallow	black	grey	large	medium	medium	Left thigh has been broken.	
Dunedin	Sam Queen	Dunedin	April 8, 1874	false pretences	4 years' penal servitude	China	maner	1839	5 5	olive	black	hazel	broad	medium	medium	Two previous convictions. High cheek bones; scar on upper lip.	
Dunedin	On Say	Dunedin	April 4, 1877	housebreaking	9 months' labour	Ireland	married	1842	5 2	fresh	black	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Twenty-three previous convictions.	
Dunedin	Letitia Keed	Oamaru	April 4, 1877	housebreaking	9 months' labour	Ireland	married	1842	5 2	fresh	black	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Twenty-three previous convictions.	
Dunedin	Mary Sullivan	Dunedin	Oct. 5, 1877	habitual drunkenness	3 months' labour	Ireland	labourer	1844	5 3	fresh	dark	grey	medium	medium	medium	Twenty-three previous convictions.	
Nelson	Thomas Maher	Nelson	Dec. 10, 1877	assault	14 days' labour	N. Zealand	labourer	1853	5 11	fair	light brown	blue	straight	small	round	round	An old offender.
Nelson	Charles Spencer	Nelson	Nov. 27, 1877	larceny	1 month's labour	Sweden	seaman	1845	5 9	fair	brown	brown	blue	medium	broad	medium	An old offender.
Nelson	George Percival	Nelson	Dec. 20, 1877	larceny	7 months' labour	N. Zealand	seaman	1864	4 6	freckled	brown	dark	sharp	small	sharp	medium	Sailor smoking pipe and capstan on right arm; eagle with flags and star above on left arm; sailor sitting astride a beer-cask, with can on either hand, digger, and sheath incomplete on breast; two warts on back of neck.
Nelson	Bridget Berry	Nelson	Jan. 2, 1878	assault	3 months' labour	Ireland	carpenter	1848	5 0	fair	brown	grey	flat	large	small	small	An old offender. Military appearance.
Nelson	Charles Libree	Westport	June 15, 1876	maliciously wounding	2 years' labour	America	carpenter	1857	5 9	fair	brown	blue	straight	medium	small	small	An old offender. Military appearance.
Lytelton	William Cody	Christchurch	Sept. 23, 1877	illegally on premises	3 months' labour	Ireland	groom	1847	5 2	fresh	light brown	grey	thin, drooped	small	small	small	A McF on right arm; woman's head unfinished on left arm; cupped on back; mark of cut on left side of forehead.
Lytelton	David Gray	Christchurch	Sept. 25, 1877	larceny	3 months' labour	Glasgow	labourer	1835	5 7	fresh	light brown	grey	long thin, pointed	small	medium	medium	Sailor smoking pipe and capstan on right arm; eagle with flags and star above on left arm; sailor sitting astride a beer-cask, with can on either hand, digger, and sheath incomplete on breast; two warts on back of neck.
Lytelton	Thomas Jones	Lytelton	Dec. 10, 1877	absent from ship without leave	7 days' labour	England	seaman	1841	5 3	fresh	brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	An old offender.	
Lytelton	Charles McCarthy	Lytelton	Dec. 29, 1877	vagrancy	7 days' labour	Ireland	labourer	1836	6 0	pale	light brown	grey	long thin, pointed	large	large	large	An old offender. Military appearance.
Lytelton	James Corbett	Lytelton	Oct. 27, 1877	false pretences	2 months' labour	Greenock	seaman and labourer	1815	5 6	weather beaten	grey	grey	flat	large	large	large	An old offender. Military appearance.

RETURN OF PRISONERS REPORTED AS DISCHARGED, ETC.—continued.

Gaol.	Name.	Where Tried.	When.	Offence.	Sentence.	Native of	Trade.	Born.	Height.	Complexion.	Hair.	Eyes.	Nose.	Mouth.	Chin.	Remarks and Previous Convictions.
Lyttelton	William Gallagher	Christchurch	Mar. 5, 1877	vagrancy	12 months' labour	Ireland	labourer...	1837	5 8	fresh	light brown	grey	straight	small	full	Lame; left hip dislocated. Has only one tooth in upper jaw, none in lower.
Lyttelton	Anthony Ferrick	Christchurch	Oct. 30, 1877	violent assault	3 months' labour	Ireland	labourer...	1836	5 5 1/2	pale	fair	blue	broad	medium	narrow	
Lyttelton	William Binjer	Lyttelton	Oct. 5, 1877	larceny	3 months' labour	London	seaman	1860	5 2 1/2	pale	light brown	grey	small, thin	medium	medium	
Lyttelton	Edward Bishop	Lyttelton	Dec. 26, 1877	larceny	7 days' labour	England	cook	1851	5 3 1/2	fresh	sandy	grey	broad	large	narrow	Repeatedly convicted.
Addington	Ellen Jordan	Christchurch	Dec. 18, 1877	breach of Contagious Diseases Act	7 days' labour	Ireland	prostitute	1845	5 4	swarthy	black	grey	medium	medium	medium	Repeatedly convicted.
Addington	John O'Brien	Christchurch	Nov. 26, 1877	habitual drunkenness	1 month's labour	Ireland	baker	1843	5 0 1/2	fair	light brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	Repeatedly convicted.
Addington	Richard Chadley	Amberley	Nov. 30, 1877	larceny	1 month's labour	England	labourer...	1836	5 7 1/2	swarthy	black	dark	medium	medium	medium	One previous conviction in October, 1875.
Addington	Thomas Murphy	Christchurch	April 30, 1877	vagrancy	6 months' labour	Ireland	labourer...	1856	5 5	fresh	black, curly	hazel	medium	medium	broad	Two previous convictions.
Addington	Same	Addington	Aug. 21, 1877	breach of prison regulations	2 months' labour	Ireland	labourer...	1856	5 5	fresh	black, curly	hazel	medium	medium	medium	WG, English, and American ensigns on right arm; crucifix, ten-pointed star in wreath on left arm; mark from a stab under right arm pit.
Addington	William Gallagher	Christchurch	Dec. 1, 1877	stealing from a till	1 month's labour	Scotland	engineer...	1838	5 3 1/2	pale	light brown	blue	wide	medium	medium	Pockpitted.
Timaru	John Smith	Timaru	Dec. 14, 1877	illegally on premises	fined 40s, or 14 days' labour	Scotland	miner	1841	5 5 1/2	fair	dark brown	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Pockpitted.
Timaru	James O'Brien	Timaru	Dec. 18, 1877	obscene language	14 days' labour	Ireland	cook	1837	5 7	sallow	dark	grey	large	medium	medium	Female, star, and W on right arm; sailor holding American flag, 1871, female in rosehush on left arm.
Timaru	Joseph Clarke	Timaru	Dec. 20, 1877	assaulting police	7 days' labour	London	seaman	1834	5 0 1/2	fresh	brown	blue	long	medium	heavy	Scar on right side of forehead and eyebrow.
Timaru	Timothy Horan	Waimate	Dec. 28, 1877	larceny	7 days' labour	Ireland	labourer...	1849	5 8 1/2	fresh	dark	blue	medium	medium	medium	Two previous convictions.
Invercargill	Agnes Robinson	Invercargill	Nov. 2, 1877	larceny	2 months' labour	Otago	ploughman	1862	4 11	fair	fair	blue	medium	medium	medium	Scar on left eyebrow and on first finger of right hand; little finger broken at first joint.
Invercargill	Cornelius Barrett	Invercargill	Nov. 6, 1877	default of finding	2 months' imprisonment	Ireland	ploughman	1847	5 6 1/2	dark	dark brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	Two previous convictions for larceny. Scar on left eyebrow; cut on back of right hand and on left thumb.
Invercargill	Thomas Tibbet	Mataura	Nov. 6, 1877	assault	2 months' labour	England	painter	1853	5 8 1/2	fresh	dark brown	grey	medium	medium	medium	Crucifix on right arm; lame in right leg.
Westport	John Coughlin	Westport	Nov. 19, 1877	deserting wife and family	fined £5 and 1 month's labour	Ireland	pipe	1838	5 1	fresh	light brown	hazel	straight	medium	pointed	Long features, tender eyes.
Hokitika	Andrew McGuire	Hokitika	May 4, 1876	buggery	2 years' labour	New South Wales	sailor	1860	5 4 1/2	florid	red	blue	long	small	small	Deep set eyes; small scar on left side of mouth; crucifix and female on left forearm. Slovenly appearance.
Hokitika	William Thomas Fowler	Kumara	June 7, 1877	larceny	6 months' labour	New Zealand	sailor	1853	5 8 1/2	dark	brown	blue	short	medium	broad	Two lumps on breast from scalding water.
Hokitika	Edward Russell	Staffordtown	Dec. 5, 1877	habitual drunkenness	1 month's labour	Ireland	butcher	1833	5 9 1/2	dark	black	dark	long	large	medium	Left leg has been broken.
Auckland	John Ross	Shortland	July 16, 1877	vagrancy	6 months' labour	Wales	labourer...	1836	5 5	sallow	grey	grey	medium	medium	medium	Two previous convictions for larceny and one for vagrancy. WD and anchor on right arm.
Auckland	John Isbister	Kopuru	June 25, 1877	larceny	6 months' labour	England	labourer...	1857	5 5 1/2	fresh	light brown	hazel	small	large	medium	Twenty-two previous convictions.
Auckland	William Shuter	Ochunga	Nov. 26, 1877	vagrancy	1 month's labour	Wales	miner	1820	5 3	swarthy	brown	hazel	small	large	medium	One previous conviction for arson and nineteen others. Ship on right arm, tree, emu, and kangaroo on left arm.
Auckland	Mary Ann Muir	Onehunga	Dec. 12, 1877	vagrancy	14 days' labour	England	cook	1842	5 3	fresh	light brown	grey	medium	medium	medium	Star, two hearts, MT, and anchor on right arm; ship, sailor, and anchor on left arm.
Auckland	John Meikles	Auckland	Sept. 23, 1877	vagrancy	3 months' labour	East Indies	cook	1839	5 4 1/2	black	grey	hazel	large	medium	medium	Two previous convictions. Bullet wounds on both legs.
Auckland	Happy William Wilkinson	Shortland	July 21, 1877	larceny (2 charges)	6 months' labour	England	blacksmith	1840	5 0 1/2	swarthy	light brown	hazel	medium	medium	medium	Six previous convictions. Wound on left job.
Auckland	James Lloyd	Raglan	Dec. 15, 1877	stealing from a dwelling	14 days' labour	Wales	labourer...	1848	5 3 1/2	fresh	sandy	brown	medium	medium	medium	Wen on right shoulder.
Auckland	William W. Lloyd	Papakura	Nov. 10, 1877	vagrancy	6 weeks' imprisonment	England	settler	1838	5 9 1/2	fresh	grizzled	light hazel	medium	medium	medium	E. KIRWAN and J on right arm.
Auckland	Michael Ryan	Hamilton	Dec. 4, 1877	vagrancy	1 month's labour	Ireland	labourer...	1837	5 8 1/2	swarthy	brown	grey	medium	medium	medium	
Auckland	James Craig	Auckland	Nov. 5, 1877	obtaining money by false pretences	2 months' labour	Scotland	labourer...	1840	5 8	fresh	light brown	blue	medium	medium	medium	
Newcastle	Henry Widon	Hamilton	Dec. 24, 1877	vagrancy	48 hours' labour	England	labourer...	1845	5 8	pale	dark brown	hazel	medium	medium	medium	
Newcastle	John McCullagh	Cambridge	Dec. 23, 1877	assaulting police	14 days' labour	England	shoemaker	1826	5 5	fresh	auburn	grey	medium	medium	medium	

