

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

THOMAS WALLACE is charged, on warrant issued by the Hamilton Bench, with deserting his wife at Hamilton, since April, 1875. Description: Scotch, a carpenter, about thirty-four years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, medium build, ruddy complexion, fair hair and whiskers. He had been in the 70th Regiment. He is supposed to be residing in the Hawke's Bay District.

GEORGE EDWARD THOMAS is charged with absconding from the Industrial School at Caversham, on the 29th November last. Description: Twelve years of age, fair complexion and hair, blue eyes, smart active appearance. It is supposed he has been taken to Christchurch by a man believed to be named James, a woolsorter or fellmonger.

HENRY GALLAND is charged, on warrant issued by the Dunedin Bench, with disobeying a summons to appear at the Police Court, Dunedin, on the 3rd instant, to answer a charge of having assaulted William George Burnett. Description: English, a carpenter, about thirty years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, sandy hair, beard, whiskers, and moustache, blue eyes, smart active appearance.

JAMES ELLEN is charged, on warrant issued by the Christchurch Bench, with failing to provide his son, aged eleven years, with adequate means of support, at Eyreton, since the beginning of December last. Description: English, a labourer, thirty years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, slight build, small features, brown hair, thin brown beard, whiskers, and moustache. It is supposed he has gone South to work on a railway line or at road-making.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1878, page 27.)

THE warrant issued by the Oamaru Bench for the arrest of Harry Fielding, charged with wife-desertion, has been cancelled.

Deserters from Merchant Vessels.

THOMAS RAINE is charged with deserting, on the 13th instant, from the steamer "Wellington," at Wellington. Description: A native of the colony, an apprentice seaman, fourteen years of age, 4 feet 6 inches high, stout build, light hair, fair complexion, smooth face; wore a coloured-cotton shirt and moleskin trousers. He had been in the Naval Training School at Auckland.

DUNCAN MONTGOMERY and Samuel Goodwin are charged, on warrant issued by the Port Chalmers Bench, with deserting from the brig "Star of Mersey," at Port Chalmers, on the 2nd instant. Description: Montgomery is Scotch, twenty-seven years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, stout build, fresh complexion, brown hair, whiskers, and moustache. Goodwin is Scotch, forty-five years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair, whiskers, and moustache.

FREDERICK MAIN, Peter Bendis, Henry Horne, Andrew Vaulk, and George Williams are charged, on warrant issued by the Lyttelton Bench, with deserting from the barquentine "Charles Deering," at Lyttelton, on the 14th instant. Description: Main is Irish, twenty-five years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, medium build, dark complexion and hair, small dark moustache. Bendis is a German, twenty-two years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, stout build, fair complexion and hair, reddish moustache. Horne is a German, twenty-four years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, medium build, dark complexion, pockpitted, small moustache. Vaulk is a German, sixteen years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, fair hair and complexion. Williams is a German, twenty-four years of age, 5 feet 9 inches high, stout build, fair hair and complexion, small fair moustache. A reward of £2 each is offered for their arrest.

GEORGE MARTIN, Samuel Weekes, Leonard Fry, and Charles Libery are charged with deserting from the barque "Clan Ferguson," at Auckland, between the 11th and 13th instant. Description: Martin is English, twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, slight build, light hair, beard, and moustache, cheeks shaved. Weekes is a Nova Scotian, twenty-five years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, slight build, black hair and moustache. Fry is English, twenty-one years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, slight build, fair hair, and small moustache. Libery is a Swede, twenty-two years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, stout build, full face, fair hair, no whiskers, speaks good English. A reward of £3 is offered for their arrest.

PATRICK O'BRIEN and Harold O'Shepherd are charged with deserting from the ship "May Queen," at Auckland, on the 5th instant. Description: O'Brien is a native of the colony, nineteen years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, fair hair, whiskers

beginning to grow, dirty appearance. O'Shepherd is English, twenty-three years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, medium build, long features, brown hair, whiskers commencing to grow. A reward of £3 each is offered for their arrest.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1878, page 174.)

THE warrants issued for the arrest of David Hopkins and Carl Hansen, charged with deserting from the ships "Kildonan" and "Halcione," at Port Ahuriri, have been cancelled.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1879, page 12.)

A warrant has been issued by the Wellington Bench for the arrest of James Cashman, charged with deserting from the ship "St. Leonards," at Wellington.

GEORGE ALEXANDER is charged, on warrant issued by the Wellington Bench, with deserting from the ship "Wairoa," at Wellington, on the 13th instant. Description: A native of Australia, twenty-one years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, slight build, dark hair, brown eyes, swarthy complexion; wore blue sac-coat, light-brown tweed trousers, and cheese-cutter cap. He was third mate of the "Wairoa." A reward of £2 is offered for his arrest.

Missing Friends.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts and circumstances of Thomas Liddell, who left England in 1857 for the Australian Colonies. He left his wife and family unprovided for in England. No further particulars furnished. Inquiry is made for him at the request of Thomas Liddell, Adlington, Lancashire, England.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts of Thomas Hunt, who left London about 1861 for the Australian Colonies. Description: About thirty-five years of age, tall, stout build, dark fresh complexion. He is a son of William Hunt, sawyer, Blackwall Yard, St. Leonard's Road, Poplar. When last heard of he was employed by a Mr. McCloud, on a sheep station, but he is supposed to be at present manager of a sheep station in this colony. Inquiry is made for him at the request of Mrs. Sophia Kemp, care of Mrs. Birk, Enderboy's Cottages, Marsh Lane, East Greenwich, Kent.

ON the night of the 28th ultimo, Henry Richardson left Cromwell for his home at Bannockburn, and has not since been heard of. Description: English, a miner, forty years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, medium build, black hair, beard, whiskers, and moustache, worn long; dressed in black-tweed suit and soft black-felt hat.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1878, page 164.)

JAMES SOMERVILLE was found dead on the Rough Ridge Ranges, near Puketoi Station, on the 1st ultimo.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts of Alfred Levi Clark. Description: English, has worked at a foundry, learning engineering, fifteen years of age, tall for his age, slight build, light-brown hair, grey eyes, very large feet, stooped shoulders, limping gait; wore blue-serge suit. He worked at Little Omaha for a farmer named Young, who paid his passage by the "Annie Melbank" to Auckland on the 13th November last. Inquiry is made for him at the request of his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Beasley, Princes Street, Auckland.

INFORMATION is requested respecting the whereabouts of Richard James Owen, a native of England, arrived in the colony when very young, nineteen years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, smart appearance, sallow complexion, blue eyes, dark-brown hair, small moustache; wore dark or drab suit, light-coloured soft-felt hat, old silver-garnet watch, and heavy steel chain; when walking works his hip peculiarly. He served three years as an apprentice to the painting trade with Mr. D. Dakins, at Auckland, and is likely to be now employed as an improver or journeyman painter.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1878, page 179.)

JESSE BAXTER left Kumara about eighteen months ago, with the intention of going to Canterbury.

Miscellaneous Information.*Appointments as Constables.*

Daniel O'Donohue, No. 1041.

Edward Ware, No. 1042.

John Shearman, No. 1043.

Horatio de Courcy Martelli, No. 1044.