

BETWEEN the 26th ultimo and the 1st instant a fox-terrier dog, value £5, the property of Richard Kingsford, was maliciously drowned in Lyttelton Harbour.

BETWEEN the 21st and 27th January last the handle, weight-hook, 2-cwt., 1-cwt., 56, 28, and 14-lb. weights of a weighing-machine, the property of John Barton A. Acland, were maliciously taken out of the woolshed at Mount Peel Station, Geraldine, and, it is believed, were thrown into the Rangitata River, as the handle of the machine has since been found there. Suspicion attached to shearers who were refused employment at the station.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1881, page 38.)

THE tramway-line maliciously damaged at Bush Creek, near Queenstown, is the property of the Government, and not of Michael Hughes, as previously reported. William McLarn, who was suspected of the offence, was since caught damaging a wooden shoot used in connection with the tramway, for which offence he will be prosecuted.

ABOUT the 8th January last, at Lighthouse Reserve, Waikawa Bay, Southland, a cow, value £5, the property of Andrew Halda, was maliciously shot, from the effects of which she died.

BETWEEN the 12th and 14th instant a quantity of excreta was maliciously placed in the letter pillar-receiver at the corner of High Street and Rakaia Road, Southbridge, the property of the Government.

Extract from New Zealand Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1881, page 306.)

THE AROHA DISTRICT BROUGHT UNDER THE OPERATION OF "THE OUTLYING DISTRICTS SALE OF SPIRITS ACT, 1870."

(L.S.) ARTHUR H. GORDON, Governor.
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Outlying Districts Sale of Spirits Act, 1870," it is enacted that the Governor in Council may, by Proclamation in that behalf, from time to time define districts and bring the same under the operation of the said Act, and may at any time, and from time to time thereafter, alter the boundaries of such districts, or withdraw any district or any part of any district from the operation of the said Act, and also that no part of any town or city shall be brought under the operation of the said Act, and also that no district shall be defined or brought under the operation of the said Act unless at least two-thirds of the inhabitants of such district are persons of the Native race:

And whereas it is expedient to define and proclaim the district hereinafter defined:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur Hamilton Gordon, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, and of all powers in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby define the district mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and do proclaim and declare that the district defined and mentioned in the said Schedule shall be and the same is hereby brought under the operation of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

THE AROHA DISTRICT.

ALL that parcel of land situated within the boundaries herein described, subject to the exceptions herein specified; commencing at Oreri Point, on the western shore of the Frith of the Thames. Bounded towards the North-west by the Frith of the Thames and the sea from the place above named to Cape Colville; towards the North-east and East by the sea from Cape Colville aforesaid to Nga Kuri-a-whare; towards the South by a right line, in the direction of the summit of Te

Aroha Mountain, until its intersection by another right line, being the production in a northerly direction of the western boundary of Section No. 15, Block IV., Katikati Survey District; thence again towards the East by the last-mentioned line to the south-western corner of Section No. 15 aforesaid; thence by a line to the north-western corner of Section No. 16, Block IV.; thence by Section No. 16 aforesaid; thence by Sections Nos. 65 and 53A of Block VIII., Katikati Survey District aforesaid, by a line to the north-western corner of Section No. 63, Block VIII.; thence by Sections Nos. 63, 62, and 70 of the last-named block to its south-westernmost angle; thence towards the South by a right line due west to the Waihou River at the southern boundary of the Aroha Survey District; thence towards the South-west by the Waihou River aforesaid to its intersection by a right line drawn between the summit of Te Aroha Mountain aforesaid and the north-eastern angle of the Waikato Military Settlements Block; and thence towards the South-east by said right line to the place last named; and towards the West by a right line to Hapukohe Pass; thence by another right line to the most northerly source of the Whangamarino River, and by the Papakura Resident Magistrate's District, as defined in the *New Zealand Gazette*, 1876, page 698, to Oreri Point, first-mentioned, the place of commencement; excepting thereout the Ridings of Parawai, Waio-tahi, and Kauaranga, in the County of Thames, and excepting thereout also any town or city or part of the same situated within the said district.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Honorable Arthur Hamilton Gordon, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Her Majesty's High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

JOHN HALL.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extract from Victoria Police Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1881, page 50.)

INFORMATION is requested respecting Henry Stanhouse, about fifty-six years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, light build, and fair complexion. He was in the Immigration Officer's boat at Williamstown in 1860; subsequently a warder in the gaol at Auckland, N.Z., and was discharged in 1874. Inquiry is made for him at the request of James Elder, Nagambie, who left in his charge, twenty-one years ago, a box containing deeds of land at Footscray. Mr. Elder offers £5 reward.—O. 1290.—22nd February, 1881.

Extract from New South Wales Police Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1881, page 79.)

SYDNEY.—A warrant has been issued by the Central Police Bench for the arrest of Solomon Cooper, charged with larceny as a bailee of a gold watch, value £17 10s., the property of Leopold Hirschman and Mathias Hamburger (trading as Messrs. Hamburger Brothers), George Street, Sydney, on the 11th ultimo. Cooper is about thirty-five years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, dark eyes, dark-brown hair, brown whiskers and moustache, chin shaved, large lump on forehead; a German Pole, speaks English well; a tobacconist and barber. Believed to have gone to Auckland, N.Z., per steamer "Wakatipu," on the 15th ultimo.

SUPPLEMENTARY RETURN OF WINE AND SPIRIT LICENSES CANCELLED OR APPLICATIONS REFUSED FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1880.

Name of Person.	Name of House.	Description of License.	Locality.	Why Cancelled or Refused.	By what Authority.
John G. Mahoney	Belmont Hotel	General license	Paeroa	House small, not well conducted, and not required in district.	Harry Kenrick, Esq., R.M.
John Wilson	Tairua Hotel	"	Tairua	House badly conducted, not properly furnished, and not required in district.	" "