

brollas, one with turned handle and one of ribs broken, the other with a straight handle; the property of Dr. Julius D. Tripe and Henry William Young; value £1 10s. Identification doubtful.

Horse- and Cattle-Stealing.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1883, page 217.)

THE horse, the property of Daniel Gunn, supposed stolen from a paddock near Wanganui, has been recovered.

STOLEN about the 12th December last, from Hamilton East, Auckland, a bay gelding, pony breed, 14 hands high, four years old, pretty head, branded RH on off rump; the property of Henry Chitty; value £7. Identifiable.

SUPPOSED stolen during the night of the 20th ultimo, from Gisborne, a bay pony mare, hack breed, aged, about 14 hands high, black points, small star on forehead; the property of H. W. Kustain; value £6. Identifiable.

SUPPOSED stolen during 1883, from Fairfield, near Oamaru, about 500 ewes, lambs, and wethers; lambs, branded LM on rump; ewes and wethers various brands, some with O on near ribs and P on rump, others with \ominus J.O.U. and CH or GH on different parts of body; the property of Edward Fargeter Barbury; value £250.

SUPPOSED stolen on the 15th November last, from a paddock at Southbrook, Canterbury, an upstanding bay hack, five years old, about 16 hands high, branded like \odot on near shoulder, rather indistinct, hind and one of fore fetlocks white, two lower front teeth broken out, well bred; had on a head collar and a new cover; the property of James Kirk; value about £10. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1884, page 9.)

THE mare, the property of Alexander Peddie, supposed stolen from a paddock at Blenheim, has been recovered.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

HENRY JUPP is charged, on warrant issued by the Christchurch Bench, with deserting his wife, at Christchurch, since the 9th ultimo. Description: English, a carter, forty-six years of age, 5 feet 9 inches high, fair hair, small fair beard whiskers and moustache, light-blue eyes, very round-shouldered, teeth all out except two in front, large flat feet, slightly lame; dressed in blue calico slop or dark-grey tweed coat and vest, corduroy trousers, watertight boots, and soft black-felt hat; impediment in speech; fond of drink. He left Lyttelton about four months ago by the steamer "Rotorua" for Wellington, taking with him two horses and a dray, supposed with the intention of working on Messrs. O'Malley and Pepperell's railway contract, Foxton.

WILLIAM GILL, *alias* Gillett, is charged on warrant of commitment to Waipawa Gaol for seven days, in default of paying £2 fine and 15s. costs, for being drunk and committing a nuisance on the railway premises, at Takapu. Description: Irish, has been a soldier, about forty-two years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, stout build, fair complexion, very red face, nose broken, fair beard whiskers and moustache, turning grey; very dirty appearance.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1883, page 173.)

JAMES EDWARDS, charged on warrant of commitment for fourteen days to Timaru Gaol, in default of paying £2 fine, has been arrested by Constable James Murphy, Dunedin Police.

ROBERT BIRD is charged, on warrant issued by the Dunedin Bench, with deserting his wife, at Sydney, New South Wales, since the 16th December, 1882. Description: English, a bricklayers' labourer, thirty-six years of age, 5 feet 7½ inches high, stout build, fresh complexion, sandy hair, reddish whiskers and moustache, cut marks on face and forehead, tattoo marks on both arms, "Emma" on one of arms; usually wears dark coat and vest and moleskin trousers. In December last he was in the employment of Mr. Carter, Billy Bong Station, Marsden, New South Wales. He requested his letters to be addressed in care of Mr. Jenkins, Pictou Arms Hotel, Newmarket, Sydney. He may go to Western Australia.

MICHAEL MORRISON and Henry Poppleton absconded from the Caversham Industrial School, near Dunedin, on the 27th ultimo. Description: Morrison is fourteen and a half years of age, tall for his age, pale complexion; wore light moleskin suit. Poppleton is twelve and a half years of age,

stout build, ruddy complexion; wore check moleskin suit. They are supposed to have gone to Oamaru or Invercargill.

Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

ROBERT COTTER and Charles C. Warne are charged with deserting from Her Majesty's ship "Miranda," at Hobart, on the 5th ultimo. Description: Cotter is a native of Cork, Ireland, an able seaman, twenty-two and a half years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, fresh complexion, brown hair, and grey eyes. Warne is a native of Devonport, a private, R.M.L.I., twenty-one years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, fresh complexion, brown hair, and hazel eyes. A reward of £3 each is offered for their arrest, in addition to £5 reward offered by the Colonial Government.

Deserters from Merchant Vessels.

FRANK ROBERTS is charged, on warrant issued by the Wellington Bench, with deserting from the ship "Westland," at Wellington, during the night of the 25th ultimo. Description: English, an ordinary seaman, twenty years of age, about 5 feet 9 inches high, stout build, fair complexion, fair hair, no hair on face; usually wears dark-tweed suit and hard black-felt hat. A reward of £3 is offered for his arrest.

A. GUSTAFHSON and Omund Hansen are charged with deserting from the barque "Ada Melmore," at Lyttelton, during the night of the 18th ultimo. Description: Gustafhson is a Finlander, an able seaman, about thirty years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, fresh weather-beaten complexion, light hair, no hair on face except goatee; dressed in dark-blue clothes and soft black-felt hat. Hansen is a Norwegian, an ordinary seaman, twenty-three years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, very stout build, fresh complexion, fair hair, no hair on face; dressed in dark-blue clothes and black soft-felt hat.

ARTHUR UNDERWOOD is charged with deserting from the ship "Hermione," at Lyttelton, on the 17th or 18th ultimo. Description: English, a ships' steward, about twenty years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, medium build, fresh complexion, dark expressive eyes, dark hair; dressed in dark single-breasted paget coat and dark trousers. He is supposed to be in Christchurch.

Missing Friends.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Abel Ashburn or Ashburner, a native of Main Street, St. Bees, Camforth, England, a farm labourer, about twenty-seven years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, fresh complexion, light-grey eyes, light-brown hair, full lower lip, bridge of nose round. "A A" marked with Indian ink on one of arms. He left Glasgow on the 7th August, 1878, by the ship "Timaru," for this colony, and was last heard of from Timaru on the 9th July, 1879. Inquiry is made for him at the instance of his father.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Frank William Foley, a native of Ireland, a clerk, thirty-three years of age, 6 feet high, medium build, dark-brown hair, small dark whiskers and moustache, chin shaved, active appearance. He recently arrived from Cape Town, South Africa, and was arrested for drunkenness at Wellington on the 15th December last, and was subsequently seen at Masterion, but he cannot be found there now. He is inquired for so that a bank deposit receipt for £6,000, which he lost at Wellington, may be returned to him.

INFORMATION is requested respecting James Williams Willan, a native of Liverpool, a metal agent when in Liverpool, thirty-three years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, fair complexion, rather stout build. He left London on the 6th June, 1877, as a second-class passenger by the ship "Orari," for Wellington, and was heard of at New Plymouth on the 26th April, 1880. He was learning farming with a Mr. Wade, at Lower Mangorei, Taranaki, and it is said subsequently purchased land there. In 1880 he spoke of going to Melbourne to meet a brother whom he expected from home. He is inquired for at the request of James Willan, 193 Park Street, Liverpool. Photograph in Commissioner's office.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Edward Conlan, a native of County Armagh, Ireland, a farm labourer, seventy-three years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, stout build. Information is also requested respecting his son John Conlan. They left Ireland about twelve years ago for this colony, and were heard of, about six years since, from Otago. They are inquired for at the instance of Hugh Conlan, care Mr. Ford, 112 Bridge Street, Dublin.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Robert Henry Mulley, who is said to be in this colony. His mother and sisters