

unbranded; the property of George Colbeck; value £5. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Henry Jones, a deserter from the American ship "Iroquois," twenty-one years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, dark complexion, small brown moustache, scar on chin, small shot-marks on neck, one of finger-nails black and coming off, sailor tattooed on one of arms; dressed in grey-tweed coat and trousers, and lace-up boots cut in front by an axe; rough sailor-like appearance. He is also suspected of stealing a small saddle with flowered flaps, newly mended across the seat; the property of a man named Ninkey; value £1. He was working at the Ohaupo Saw-mills up to the morning of the 16th ultimo. It is supposed he has gone towards Tauranga or Taupo. It is said that his friends live at the Thames.

SUPPOSED stolen during the night of the 14th ultimo, from a paddock at Warkworth, a bay mare with black points, about seven years old, about thirteen and three-quarter hands high, star on forehead, a white speck on off eye, off side of mouth torn by bit when being broken in, shod all round, unbranded; the property of Archibald Thomson; value £10. Identifiable.

STOLEN during the night of the 12th ultimo, at Featherston, a bay gelding, hack-breed, aged, fourteen and a half hands high, black points, anchor brand on near shoulder; the property of Alexander McKenzie; value £40. Identifiable. It is supposed that the person who stole this horse also stole William Buckeridge's saddle and bridle.

WILLIAM WALTERS is charged, on warrant issued by the Clive Bench, with stealing, on the 1st February last, at Clive, a roan mare, about fifteen hands high, aged, branded D on near shoulder; the property of Alfred Dyett; value £15. Description: About twenty years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, fair complexion, brown hair, no hair on face; wore blue-serge sac-coat, dark-tweed trousers, black soft felt hat, and light lace-up boots. He exchanged the mare with Samuel Crowther, hotelkeeper, Opipi, for another horse, receiving £3 to boot. He is supposed to have gone to Tauranga.

STOLEN on the 23rd or 24th ultimo, from a paddock, at Waimea Road, Nelson, a grey pony-mare, aged, about fourteen hands high, unbranded, answers to the name of Polly; the property of Andrew Bogle.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1885, page 4.)

THE horse, the property of William Iggalden, supposed stolen at Masterton, has been recovered.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1885, page 43.)

CHARLES WAKEFIELD, charged on warrant with deserting his children, has been arrested by Sergeant-Major John Bevin, Dunedin Police, and discharged.

HENRY COLE is charged, on warrant issued by the Christchurch Bench, with deserting his wife, at Christchurch, since the 23rd ultimo. Description: English, a billiard-marker and waiter, twenty-seven years of age, about 5 feet 5 inches high, very black hair, full beard, dark eyes, clear complexion, a red speck (a birth-mark) under one of eyes, small scar over right eye, very natty in dress and person; wears a silver watch-guard with compass in centre, and usually a round felt hat. He was lately employed at Bamford's Hotel, Patea.

HENRY ASHMORE is charged, on warrant issued by the Featherston Bench, with having no visible lawful means of support, at Featherston, on the 25th ultimo. Description: A native of Gladstone, Wellington District, a labourer, about twenty-five years of age, between 5 feet 11 inches and 6 feet 1 inch high, medium build, sallow complexion, round face, high cheek-bones, brown hair and eyes, clean-shaved except moustache. (See *Police Gazette*, 1883, page 183.)

Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

EDMUND H. BOURNE is charged with deserting from Her Majesty's ship "Swinger," at Cookstown, on the 24th January last. Description: A native of Faversham, England, twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 2 inches high, fresh complexion, light-brown hair, and blue eyes, anchor tattooed on right hand, bracelets on wrists, man's head on right arm, and ship on breast.

Deserters from Merchant Vessels.

ALEXANDER DEANS is charged with deserting from the ship "Rakaia," at Bluff Harbour, on the 14th ultimo. Description: Scotch, an able seaman, about twenty-seven years of

age, 5 feet 7 inches high, well built, red face, rather long nose, fair hair, clean-shaved except moustache. It is supposed he went to Invercargill.

Missing Friends.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Joseph Roger Haynes, a native of the colony, a labourer and a survey-hand, about thirty-seven years of age, about 5 feet 11 inches high, medium build, fresh complexion, light-brown hair, sandy beard whiskers and moustache, sometimes shaved on chin; usually wears blue-serge suit and black hard hat; married. He had been in the Constabulary, and may endeavour to obtain an appointment again. He left Foxton about five weeks ago. He is inquired for so that he may be proceeded against for the recovery of arrears due for the support of his children in the Nelson Industrial School.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Isaac Edmonds, a native of England, a miner, &c., about forty-one years of age, about 5 feet 11 inches high, stout build, straight upright carriage, fresh complexion, light-brown hair beard whiskers and moustache, scar on upper lip. He left Canterbury in 1864 for Waikato, joined a Militia regiment, and was stationed at Cambridge, where it is said he was allotted land. He is inquired for at the instance of his brother, George Edmonds.

INFORMATION is requested respecting William Bramley, a native of England, a farmer, about thirty-two years of age, about 5 feet 9 inches high, slight active appearance, fair complexion, light-brown hair and moustache, very slight whiskers, chin shaved, well educated, very gentlemanly manner; usually wears light-tweed suit, and round black hard felt hat. He was seen on the evening of the 8th ultimo at Governor's Bay, and early on the following morning his clothes (except hat) which he wore the previous evening were found on the Beach Road, Governor's Bay, about one and a half miles from his residence. A towel was on top of the clothing, suggesting that he had gone into the sea to bathe. An unsuccessful search was made for his body in the harbour about where the clothes were found. He, a few days previously, sold most of his stock, his farm implements, &c., and received, on the 7th ultimo, a cheque for £79 from the auctioneer, which he cashed, receiving the greater portion of the money in gold. The police are of opinion that he was not drowned, but has left the district. He at one time had a farm at Harewood Road, near Papanui. He is inquired for at the instance of his wife.

INFORMATION is requested respecting John James Croft, a native of England, a gentleman, fifty-nine years of age, about 5 feet 10 inches high, fair hair inclined to grey, blue eyes, walks very steadily. He arrived in Canterbury by the ship "Ashburton" in November, 1868. It is supposed he went to the Otago Gold Fields, and frequented the station of a Mr. McNab, on the Mataura River.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1885, page 38.)

WILLIAM LOGAN has returned to his home at Rimu.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Julia Bateman, sometimes called Berry, supposed a native of Dublin, a cook or general servant, about forty-one years of age, about 5 feet 5 inches high, slight build, dark complexion, long visage, dark hair turning grey. She arrived in Wellington from London about seven years ago, and acted as housekeeper for John Ward, late a drummer in the 65th Regiment, and a messenger in the Government Buildings up to the time of his death, which occurred about six years ago. She left Porirua about four years ago, and has not since been heard of. She is inquired for at the instance of her sister, who resides in New York.

INFORMATION is requested respecting William Blake Graham, late lieutenant of the 18th Royal Irish and 87th Royal Irish Fusileer Regiments. He came to this colony about the year 1858, and was appointed on the staff at Dunedin, where he remained some years, and was then transferred to Wanganui and appointed adjutant to the Wanganui Militia. He resigned his appointment in the Militia on the 20th July, 1867, and became sub-editor of the *Wanganui Herald*. He is inquired for at the instance of Mr. Bowen, Customs Department.

INFORMATION is requested respecting D. R. P. Harris, a native of London, a chemist, but may be employed about an hotel or railway camp, thirty-six years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, medium build, red hair beard whiskers and moustache, one of hands partly disabled from a scald, good address, fond of drink. He was heard of at Patea on the 23rd May, 1883. He is known at nearly all the money order offices in the Wellington and Hawke's Bay Provincial Districts. He is inquired for at the instance of his father, who is anxious to hear from him.