

BETWEEN 4 p.m. on the 13th and 8.30 a.m. on the 15th ultimo the office of the Fern Hill Railway and Coal Company, Vogel Street, Dunedin, was broken into, and the following stolen: A white-bone-handled office-knife, about fifty small indiarubber types, a box of steel pens, branded "Ferguson and Mitchell, Dunedin;" four small brass weights, an indiarubber eraser, an agate still, 3d. in coppers, and some postage-stamps; value 11s. Eraser, office-knife, and types identifiable.

STOLEN between the 1st November last and the 19th ultimo, from the hotel of Alfred J. Parsons, Wanganui, a gold masonic emblem in the shape of a carpenters' square, each side about 3 inches long by $\frac{1}{2}$ inch broad, the 42nd proposition of the first book of Euclid engraved at the angle, and on the back of the square the words "Presented to P.M. A. J. Parsons by the members of St. John's Lodge, Timaru, as a token of esteem, &c;" had three gold clasps with the words "St. John's Lodge, Timaru, No. 1137, E.C.," engraved on the back of the first, a piece of blue ribbon attached to each clasp; between 3oz. and 4oz. weight; value £25. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the night of the 25th ultimo, from the shop of Alfred N. Hyland, Fleet Street, Dunedin, about £20, consisting of half-crowns, florins, and sixpences. Not identifiable.

STOLEN on the night of the 30th ultimo, supposed in the Brunswick Hotel, Upper Willis Street, Wellington, a large leather purse with brass clasp, containing a £5 note and eight single notes, bank and numbers unknown; "Bridget Daily" written on the memorandum leaves inside; it also contained a receipt signed by Mr. Payne; the property of George Aris. Purse and receipt only identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1884, page 200.)

THE silver watch and chain and one of the sleeve-links stolen from Leslie Marriner, between the 11th and 15th October last, have been recovered, and traced to the possession of Michael Kelly, who has been committed for trial for the larceny of same.

ON the night of the 20th ultimo the store of Messrs. Eves and Aikin, Tokatōka, North Wairoa, was broken into, and the following stolen: Five bags of gum, well scraped; two bags of sugar, each weighing 56lb., marked OI; a box of sperm candles, marked EA; value £20. Not identifiable.

BETWEEN 1 p.m. on the 13th and 6 a.m. on the 15th ultimo the Bank of New Zealand at Kawakawa was broken into, and an unsuccessful attempt made to break open the safe with a miners' pick, the point of which was found in the keyhole, which was much battered, the lock injured, and the safe removed several inches out of its place. The office drawers were ransacked, and the documents tossed about the floor. Nothing stolen.

STOLEN between 11 p.m. on the 30th and 7 a.m. on the 31st ultimo, from the dwelling of William Edward Paige, Masterton, three bottles of Glenlivet whiskey and a bottle of Hennessy's brandy; value £1 5s.

BETWEEN 8 p.m. on the 30th and 8 a.m. on the 31st ultimo the shop of John Morrison, Ross Place Street, Lawrence, was broken into, and the following stolen: About eighteen pairs of ladies' kid elastic-side boots with fancy stitching on fronts, about eight pairs of men's elastic-side boots with iron heel- and toe-plates, except two or three pairs on which there are no toe-plates; about ten pairs of ladies' plain elastic-side boots, a few pairs of ladies' plain elastic-side boots, small size; about six pairs of small lace-up boots with nails, and one pair of long gum-boots; value £20. Identification doubtful.

DURING the night of the 30th ultimo an attempt was made to break into the store of Messrs. Herbert and McKinlay, Ross Place Street, Lawrence.

STOLEN on the 23rd ultimo, from the person of Robert Johnstone, while asleep in a hut at Ida Valley Station, Otago, thirteen £1 notes and 17s. 6d. in silver.

STOLEN during the night of the 27th ultimo, from the shop of James Wilkie, Thames Street, Oamaru, a small calico bag containing a roll of bacon, about 18lb. or 20lb. weight; value 15s. Bag identifiable.

Stealing Otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

STOLEN on the night of the 11th ultimo, from the premises of the Brunner Brick and Timber Company, Taylorville,

near Brunner, a brass safety-valve, value £1; an iron nut and collar, value £1; two brass side-cutters of a planing-machine, value £5; a shifting-spanner, value 15s.; and two screwjacks, value £10. The screwjacks and one brass side-cutter only identifiable. Suspicion attached to Alexander McKenzie and John Barnett, both residing at Brunner.

STOLEN on the 30th November last, at Petone, a binocular field-glass, covered with black leather, partly mounted with plated silver, the screw has been repaired; the property of Henry Tyer; value £2 10s. Identifiable. Jacob Epuni, a Maori residing at Petone, suspected.

STOLEN on the 17th or 18th ultimo, from the railway-shed at Glentunnel, near Coalgate, six military white shirts, with collars attached; the property of Townley Filgate Culbert; value £1 10s. Identification doubtful.

STOLEN between the 8th and 15th ultimo, on board the steamer "Wareatea," between Westport and Lyttelton, a £5 Colonial Bank of New Zealand note, number not known; the property of John Silvester. Not identifiable.

STOLEN on the 7th or 8th ultimo, from the conservatory of John Pugh Jones, St. Clair, Caversham, a geranium pot about 12 inches high, containing a camelia plant in bloom, flowers scarlet and white, about 24 inches high; value £5. Identifiable. Alfred Simonds, of South Dunedin, suspected.

STOLEN between 6 p.m. on the 12th and 8 a.m. on the 13th ultimo, at Mount Smart, Penrose, near Onehunga, a try-ing-plane, a smoothing-plane, a $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch chisel, a new $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch brace-bit, a pair of carpenters' compasses with brass screw-rivet, branded "B. Taylor;" a new brace, a 1-inch bit, a $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch chisel, $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch ditto, $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ditto, $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch ditto, two gouges, a tenon-saw, a 6-inch square, an oil-stone, a pair of carpenters' compasses, a saw-set, three gimlets, three files branded "W. Hume;" a rip-saw, a level, a 9-inch square, an oil-stone, a $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch screw-bit, a saw-set, branded N.M.K.; and a tool kit; the property of John Mathieson and N. W. Pollard; value £5. Identifiable.

STOLEN between 3 p.m. on the 21st and 2.30 a.m. on the 22nd ultimo, from the premises of the Auckland Dairy Company, Newmarket, near Auckland, a leather harness-saddle, a breeching, a pair of leather traces with a few iron links at each end, a pair of brass hames, a pair of winkers, and a pair of leather reins; value £6. Identifiable.

STOLEN between 9 a.m. on the 22nd and 9.30 p.m. on the 24th ultimo, from a shed at Castle Street, Dunedin, a calico chemise and a pair of ladies' drawers, the making of which had not been completed; a yard of shepherd's-plaid dress-material, three silk neckties, and two linen aprons, nearly new; value 12s.; the property of Mary Murphy. Identifiable.

STOLEN on the 28th ultimo, from the cabin of the "Kestrel," while lying at Dampier's Bay, Lyttelton, a silver English lever hunting-watch, No. 22318, with silver chain and locket attached, an anchor on one side of locket; the property of William Matthews; value £8. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to a man, name unknown, supposed Irish, forty years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, fair beard, supposed mixed with grey, cheeks shaved; wore dark coat, light trousers, and light billycock-hat. Identifiable. Supposed gone to Christchurch.

STOLEN on the 11th ultimo, from a shed on the premises of Thomas Wear, Kumeu, a sack containing $1\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of kauri gum; value £2 10s. Not identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1884, page 183.)

STEALING carpenters' tools, between the 27th and 29th September last, at Papanui, near Christchurch, the property of William Stephenson, Benjamin Fielder, James Mead, and Charles Freeman: John William Crabtree has been arrested for this offence by Detectives Thomas Neil and Maurice O'Connor, Christchurch Police, and committed for trial. Part of the property has been recovered.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1884, page 191.)

STEALING carpenters' tools, on the 17th October last, at Merivale Lane, Fendalton, Christchurch, the property of James Stubberfield and J. Goss: John William Crabtree has been arrested for this offence by Detectives Thomas Neil and Maurice O'Connor, Christchurch Police, and committed for trial. Most of the property has been recovered.

STOLEN on the 25th or 26th November last, from the flag railway-station, at Waitohi Road, Pleasant Point, Canterbury, five gallons of Scotch whiskey, a case of old tom, a