

assaulted Victor Granville, has been arrested by Constable William Brennan, Cambridge Police. Fine and costs paid.

MARTIN SALES is charged, on warrant issued by the Christchurch Bench, with deserting his child, at Linwood, near Christchurch, since the 20th ultimo. Description: A native of England, a gardener and labourer, twenty-six years of age, about 5ft. 5in. high, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair, clean-shaved: generally wears a darkish-tweed suit. He is supposed to have gone to Westland.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1885, page 222, and 1886, page 71.)

THOMAS O'BRIEN, charged on warrant of commitment to Wanganui Gaol in default of paying £1 fine and 7s. costs for being drunk in a railway-carriage, has paid the fine and costs.

CHARLES SMITHEL is charged, on warrant issued by the Ashburton Bench, with deserting his wife and six children, at Ashburton, since the 14th November last. Description: A Dane, a labourer and contractor, fifty years of age, 5ft. 10in. high, stout build, fresh complexion, blue eyes, fair hair, clean-shaved except moustache and imperial; coarse, rough, bloated appearance. He is a rowdy drunkard and a constant frequenter of publichouses. He worked for a time at Kairourā, Clarence, and Upper Waiau Ferry. He was in Christchurch about three months ago, when he spoke of going to Napier. His wife and children are in very destitute circumstances.

Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

JAMES DWYER, Walter C. Hodgson, George Brown, Henry Benjeyfield, and Charles Lyon are charged on warrants with deserting from Her Majesty's ship "Nelson," at Auckland, on the 5th January last. Description: Dwyer is a native of Cahir, County Tipperary, a stoker, about twenty years of age, 5ft. 10in. high, fresh complexion, brown hair, and blue eyes. Hodgson is a native of Essex, nineteen years of age, 5ft. 6in. high, fresh complexion, brown hair, hazel eyes, American crest on right forearm. Brown is a native of Stratford, England, eighteen years of age, 5ft. 1in. high, ruddy complexion, dark-brown hair, hazel eyes. Benjeyfield is a native of Somerset, England, nineteen years of age, 5ft. 5in. high, fair complexion, light hair, blue eyes, anchor tattooed on left arm. Lyon is a native of Surrey, eighteen years of age, 5ft. 4in. high, dark complexion, black hair, and dark eyes, CL tattooed on right arm and T on left arm. A reward of £3 each is offered for their arrest, in addition to £5 reward offered by the Colonial Government.

JOHN YOUNG and Frederick O'Neill are charged on warrants with deserting from Her Majesty's ship "Nelson," at Wellington, on the 16th and 20th January and on the 15th February last. Description: Young is a native of Boston, Lincolnshire, an ordinary-seaman, nineteen years of age, 5ft. 2in. high, fresh complexion, brown hair, grey eyes, flags tattooed on right hand. O'Neill is a native of Boston, Lincolnshire, an ordinary-seaman, nineteen years of age, 5ft. 6in. high, fair complexion, light-brown hair, grey eyes, clasped hands tattooed on back of right hand. A reward of £3 each is offered for their arrest, in addition to £5 reward offered by the Colonial Government. The Government desires special exertions to be made towards effecting the arrest of the deserters from Her Majesty's ship "Nelson."

(See *Police Gazette*, 1886, page 88.)

WILLIAM DEANE and Henry Llewellyn, charged on warrants with deserting from Her Majesty's ship "Nelson," at Wellington, have been arrested by Constable Patrick L. Harnett, Lower Hutt Police.

Missing Friends.

INFORMATION is requested respecting H. Von Lorch, a German, about thirty years of age, medium height, strong build, reserved disposition, and gentlemanly bearing, speaks English fluently, and is well conversant with mercantile business and nautical matters. He lived for a number of years in San Francisco, and was last seen in Paris on the 4th May, 1881, and it is thought may have come to this colony. A reward of \$50 is offered for the first information received as to his whereabouts. Photograph in Commissioner's office.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1886, page 88.)

WERNER BRODKORB has been found. He is residing at Tauranga.

INFORMATION is requested respecting John Rippingdale, a native of Ireland, a carpenter, about twenty-eight years of age, 5ft. 5in. high, medium build, fair complexion, nose slightly turned up, fair hair beard whiskers and mous-

tache, worn short. He was heard of at Oamaru about three years ago. It is thought he may have gone to Sydney. He is inquired for at the instance of his mother, who resides at Tralee, County Kerry, Ireland.

INFORMATION is requested respecting David Bothwick, a native of Lyttelton, fifteen years of age, about 5ft. 4in. high, medium build, fair hair and complexion, round features, blue eyes; wore old dark-tweed suit (the sleeves of coat and legs of trousers are lengthened with black cloth) and black soft felt hat. He left the Racecourse Hill Railway-station on the 6th instant by train for Christchurch. He may go to Lyttelton or Leeston. It is supposed he will endeavour to go to sea. If found, please inform the Malvern Police, so that his friends may send for him.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Thomas Webb, a native of England, a labourer, formerly a railway-porter at Wellington, about thirty-five years of age, 5ft. 8in. high, medium build, brown hair whiskers and moustache, chin shaved. His wife is in the Wellington Lunatic Asylum, but he is supposed to be living with another woman who passes as his wife. It is said he came to Wellington from Auckland in May, 1885, but only remained a few days, when he returned to Auckland. He is inquired for at the instance of the Public Trustee, Wellington.

INFORMATION is requested respecting Sarah Kelly, a native of the colony, a domestic servant, seventeen years of age, medium height, fresh complexion, full face, dark-reddish hair. She was seen in Auckland on the 20th ultimo, in the company of a pockpitted man, with whom she is supposed to be living. She is inquired for at the instance of her mother, who resides in Dublin Street, Ponsonby, Auckland.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1886, page 12.)

ERNEST CALVERT WILKINSON has written to his wife from the Rev. Mr. Williams's place, Hawke's Bay District.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1885, page 77.)

DAVID THOMAS RICHARD WHEELER, *alias* Richard Wheeler, has been found at Wedderburn, Naseby District. He was recently arrested by Constable William Bell, St. Bathans Police, for deserting his family, &c., and was ordered to pay 10s. per week towards the support of his children, or, in default, fourteen days' labour.

INFORMATION is requested respecting William James, English, a labourer, about thirty-six years of age, about 5ft. 6in. or 7in. high, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair, small beard whiskers and moustache of a brown-reddish colour. He was employed for a number of years in stores at the Kaipara, and was last heard of in the Wairarapa District. He has left his son destitute in the Wanganui District.

Inquest.

An inquest was held on the 15th instant, at the Hospital, Auckland, by Dr. Philson, Coroner, on the body of a man, name unknown, who was killed on the previous morning by jumping into Little Queen Street from a window on the third floor of Henry Borsbroom's boarding-house, then on fire. Verdict: Accidentally killed by a fall. Description: About forty-eight or fifty years of age, 5ft. 5in. high, medium build, thin features, short straight nose, hazel eyes, two upper front-teeth out, long dark hair mixed with grey, very small side-whiskers, full beard and moustache, nearly white; looked like a clerk. A small gold sleeve-link, horse-shoe pattern, was found on the body. Photograph of deceased in Commissioner's office.

Miscellaneous Information.

Appointments in Torpedo Corps.

SERGEANT Arthur McKeown, No. 352,
Sergeant Charles Grey, No. 312,
Sergeant William Pacey, No. 141, and
Sergeant Alexander Gordon Grant, No. 2636,
to be petty officers, with the seniority of their original rank of sergeants.

Reversion in Grade.

SECOND-CLASS Sergeant Henry Salmon, No. 235, reverts to the rank of third-class constable on transfer from the Field Force to the Police Branch at his own request.

Resignations.

CONSTABLE Peter O'Hanlon, No. 2646.
Constable William O'Reilly, No. 2681.