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NOTICE.—For instructions as to the manner in which reports are required to be furnished for the compilation of the *Police Gazette*, see *Gazette* No. 1 of this year.

The arrest of offenders described in the *Police Gazette*, or respecting whom crime reports have been forwarded for insertion in the *Gazette*, should be promptly notified.

When notifying the arrest of persons charged with larceny, or suspected of larceny, it should be stated whether the property stolen, or any portion of it, has been recovered.

A description of property, supposed to be stolen, found in the possession of offenders, for which owners cannot be found, should be furnished for insertion in the *Gazette*.

Communications for this *Gazette* should be addressed to the Commissioner of Police, Wellington, and the envelopes marked "For *Gazette*."

Incendiarism.

On the morning of the 22nd ultimo, at Temuka, a threshing-machine, the property of Francis White, was maliciously destroyed by fire. The machine was an old one, and out of repair. It was insured in the London and Lancashire Office for £140.

Offences Not Otherwise Described.

ALFRED ROBIN is charged, on warrant issued by the Wellington Bench, with having, on the 21st May, the 30th July, and the 5th September last, at Wellington, embezzled £6 0s. 3d., £18 10s., and £15 6s. 1d. respectively, the moneys of the Gear Meat-preserving and Freezing Company of New Zealand, by whom he was employed. Description: English, a clerk, twenty-three years of age, 5ft. 9in. high, medium build, fresh complexion, brown eyes, dark-brown hair, light-brown moustache, and mutton-chop whiskers, smart gentlemanly appearance. He was committed for trial at the Supreme Court, Wellington, on the charges referred to, and admitted to bail, himself in £100 and two sureties of £50 each, but when called upon on the 3rd ultimo to stand his trial he failed to appear. He was last seen in Wellington on the 28th September last.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1879, page 52, and 1880, page 151.)

ROBERT FERGUSSON, charged on warrant with having indecently assaulted Caroline Charlotte McTeague, at Otupua, surrendered to the Timaru Police, and has been discharged.

A MAN, name unknown, is charged with having indecently exposed his person to Maude Raymond and others on the Otupua Road, near Timaru, between 3 and 4 p.m. on the 18th ultimo. Description: Middle age, long black whiskers. Identification doubtful.

JUDAH BARSHI is charged, on warrant issued by the Ashburton Bench, with having, on the 17th ultimo, at Ashburton, obtained £1 10s. from William Stephen Wilson by false pretences. Description: A Jew, a hawker, twenty-one years of age, 4ft. 10in. or 11in. high, medium build, active, full

features, dark hair and eyes, small dark moustache, dark skin; when last seen was dressed in dark-tweed suit and hard black hat. He is well known to jewellers in Canterbury, and his father is a tailor in Christchurch. He represented himself as a traveller for the Australian Jewellery Importing Company, Christchurch, and obtained the money as a deposit on a watch and chain, which he promised to forward. There is no such company known in Christchurch. There are several other charges of a similar nature pending against him. He was seen in Christchurch on the 24th ultimo.

BETWEEN 7 and 8 p.m. on the 16th ultimo, at Cromwell, a wire was maliciously tied about 1ft. from the ground to each side of the gate of the main entrance leading from Donegal Street to the English Church, with the intention of tripping members of the congregation when leaving the church.

A. O. STODART, *alias* Ting Stodart, whose proper name is supposed to be A. Octavius Stodart, is charged, on warrant issued by the Auckland Bench, with having, on the 15th August last, at Auckland, forged and uttered a promissory note for £9 10s. to James Rae. Description: A native of Ireland or the colonies, recently employed as a gumdigger, about twenty-five years of age, 5ft. 7in. high, very slight build, sallow complexion, long thin features, dark hair, no hair on face except (supposed) small dark moustache, blue eyes, very large ears, small rat-like teeth, screws his mouth aside when speaking, when walking usually keeps his hands behind him; supposed dressed in blue- serge suit and soft black hat. His father was formerly a sharebroker in Auckland, but now lives in Sydney. The promissory note purports to be signed by C. G. B. Gore, and to be indorsed by T. D. Cleghorn, both residents of Auckland. He is supposed to have gone to some of the gumfields in the Auckland District.

ABOUT 9 p.m. on the 20th ultimo, at Kaikoura, Christchurch District, a milk-pan and other property, belonging to Charles M. Maddock, was maliciously damaged to the extent of about 5s.

JOSEPH CRYER, *alias* Crier, is charged, on warrant issued by the Coalgate Bench, with violently assaulting Elizabeth Wonacott, at Glentunnel, on the 5th ultimo. Description: A native of the colony, a shoemaker, sixteen years of age but looks older, about 5ft. 5in. high, medium build, dark hair and complexion, rather thin features; when last seen was dressed in an old blue-cloth overcoat, dirty striped-moleskin trousers, and old drab-felt hat with broad brim; carried a swag wrapped in a blue-and-white-striped counterpane, in which it is supposed he had a good suit of mixed tweed. He was seen at the Rakaia Railway-station on the 7th instant, and is supposed to have gone south by train. He is also charged with escaping from custody. (See *Police Gazette*, 1887, page 214.)

ON the morning of the 29th ultimo, at Ross, a valuable cow, the property of Honora Minahan, was maliciously fired at and wounded about the head and face and other parts of the body with shot-pellets.