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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 by the member of the Force effecting the arrest.

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 envelope marked "For Gazette."

Offences Not Otherwise Described.

BETWEEN 11 p.m. on the 2nd and 6.30 a.m. on the 3rd instant the hair of the tail and the mane were maliciously cut off a horse at Whare Flat, near Dunedin; the property of Donald McQuilkan.

On the morning of the 6th instant, at Eketahuna, three signboards, the property of Daniel E. Toohill, were maliciously smeared with coal-tar, and damaged to the extent of £1 10s.

On the 26th ultimo, at Waikaia, a saddle and bridle, the property of Charles George Thurston, were maliciously cut in several places with a knife, and damaged to the extent of £1 10s.

EDWARD JOHN ROBINSON is charged, on warrant issued by the Wellington Bench, with having, on the 11th March last, at Wellington, embezzled £1 7s. 3d., the moneys of Her Majesty's Customs. Description: A native of the colony, a clerk, about twenty-five years of age, about 5ft. Sin. high, medium build, athletic appearance, black curly hair, small black moustache and side whiskers, chin and lower part of cheeks shaved, brown eyes, swarthy complexion with traces of Maori or Indian blood; when last seen wore dark ulster and black hard-felt hat with low crown and wide brim. He is a prominent Wellington footballer and cricketer, and also a petty officer in the Wellington Naval Brigade, and will probably have photograph groups of football and other teams in his possession. He was until recently employed as a clerk in the Customs Department, Wellington, and while acting in that capacity embezzled the money. Other defalcations to the amount of £50 have been discovered. He is supposed to have left Wellington on the 4th instant by the steamer "Tarawera" for Sydney.

A MAN, name unknown, is charged with having, at 6 p.m. on the 10th ultimo, in the bar of the British Hotel, Queen Street, Auckland, uttered to Alexander Johnson a counterfeit

sovereign. Description: About forty years of age, 5ft. 8in. high, stout build, clean - shaved except dark moustache; dressed in dark clothes and soft black-felt hat; looked like a labourer. Identification doubtful.

(See Police Gazette, 1890, page 121.)

It is now believed that the endless machine-wire at the paper-mills of Coulls, Culling, and Co., Mataura, was accidentally cut.

Housebreaking, Stealing from the Person and from Dwellings.

(See Police Gazette, 1890, page 54.)

ANNIE alias AGNES GREEN, charged on warrant with stealing a dress and jacket from the dwelling of Jessie Stubbs, has been arrested by Detective L. D. Benjamin, Christchurch Police, and sentenced to one month's labour.

(See Police Gazette, 1889, pages 84 and 94, and 1890, page 83.) BENGE DOWNS, charged on warrant with stealing a watch from the whare of John Johnson, at Moutoa, near Foxton, has been charged with the offence by Sergeant William Manning, Palmerston North Police, and was sentenced on the 1st instant to two months' labour. He was arrested on the 25th ultimo by Constable James Joseph Tuchy, Feilding Police, for stealing money, for which offence he was sentenced to two months' labour, when he gave his name as Jim Downs, but he was subsequently identified by Sergeant Manning as being identical with Benge Downs.

Two men, names unknown, are charged with having, about 11.30 p.m. on the 20th ultimo, at Christchurch, assaulted and robbed William Thomas of 18s. 6d. in silver. Description: First, about thirty years of age, about 5ft. 9in. high, stout build, sandy complexion, brown hair beard whiskers and moustache; dressed in dark-tweed suit and black-felt hat. Second, about eighteen years of age, 5ft. 6in. high, slight build, fair complexion, pale face, fair hair; dressed in light-tweed suit. Complainant was drunk at the time.

(See Police Gazette, 1890, page 112.)

BREAKING into the dwelling of V. Almao, Avenal, near Invercargill: A portion of the stolen braid was found on the 24th ultimo in the Waihopa River, near the Gladstone Bridge.

STOLEN supposed on the 29th ultimo, from the dwelling of George Henry Judd, Waddington, Malvern, about £3 in silver.

STOLEN on the 27th or 28th ultimo, from the dwelling of Catherine Ryan, Ross, a morocco-leather case containing a large gold oval brooch with three or four purple stones set in it, one stone missing, oak-leaf pattern, a large gold leaf in centre which can be lifted up and the brooch is then converted into a locket, small oak-leaves all round, containing a few locks of hair, a gold ring at top, from which it can be suspended, value £9; seven or eight gold nuggets, two of them