

KAMO.—Arthur Hanson reports stolen at Ngunguru, about the 25th April last, a dark-chestnut horse, aged, about 15 hands high, white stockings on hind feet, running up past fetlocks, white star on forehead, roach-backed, pot-bellied, slight cataract over one eye, unbranded; value £5. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Charles Lynn, a bushman, about thirty-five years of age, 5ft. 11in. high, stout build, fair complexion, light moustache only, married. Supposed to be working in the bush at Kaiwaka, near the Hakara. Suspect was seen riding a horse answering the above description.

METHVEN.—John Deans, Riccarton, reports stolen from Waimarama Station, between the 30th March and 2nd April last, seventy breeding ewes, Lincoln and Southdown cross, 4- and 8-toothed, branded JD in red on shoulder, tips off near ears, and notched at points and bottoms of off ears; value 17s. each. May have been driven away with mobs going south.

WYNDHAM.—Donald Stalker, Earndale, reports missing, and believed to have been stolen, from Wyndham Valley, on the 14th or 15th ultimo, nine cross-bred heifers, three years old, all supposed to be in calf, horse-shoe brand on rumps; value £3 each.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1892, page 18).

RE Alexander Gillies, for horse-stealing and disobeying an order for the support of his son (page 17): This offender was seen a few weeks ago at the Makaraka Hotel, Poverty Bay, and it is thought the licensee (Mr. Curry) knows his whereabouts. He is said to be working for a Mr. Ormond.

Missing Friends.

SAMUEL ROSEWARNE, who left England about sixteen years ago, is inquired for by the Manager of the Devon and Cornwall Bank (Limited), Penzance, through the Bank of New Zealand, Christchurch. Last heard of at the latter city fourteen years ago, but cannot now be found. He is described as forty-eight years of age, short stature, and dark complexion. (92/785.)

GEORGE AROA, also known as Smith, is inquired for by the Havelock (Marlborough) Police, with the view of compelling him to contribute towards the support of his mother at Okaramio. He is a labourer, teamster, or station-hand, nineteen years of age, 5ft. 2in. high, stout build, fresh complexion, light hair, dark eyes, single. Last heard of at Palmerston North about twelve months ago. His elder brother Tom & Featherston.

JAMES ALFRED WILSON, who came to this colony from London about eleven years ago, is inquired for by his sister, Mrs. Isabella Russell Mangan, 22, North First Street, Kansas City, Kansas, U.S. He is twenty-nine years of age, about 6ft. high, fair hair, dark eyes. A card was received from him some years ago, and appeared to have been bought at Mrs. Armstrong's, Upper Stafford Street, Dunedin, but letters addressed there have been returned. No entry of his death can be found in the Registrar-General's Office. (R.G. 92/189.)

Miscellaneous Information.

Promotion.

THIRD-CLASS CONSTABLE WILLIAM RAMSAY, No. 488, is promoted to second-class constable, from the 1st instant, for energy and pluck displayed by him in the pursuit and arrest of Arthur Stewart, *alias* Fisher, an escaped prisoner (92/653.)

Electoral Rolls.

(Circular Memo. No. 11/92.)

MEMBERS of the force are requested to render the Registrars of Electors, on application, all possible assistance in purging the electoral rolls, and compiling rolls for new districts, &c., such as giving any information as may be in their power in the matter of the residences of persons on the electoral rolls, and as to persons who have left the electoral district.

A. HUME,

Commissioner of Police,
Wellington, 25th May, 1892. (92/815.)

Rewards.

CONSTABLE N. SCOTT, Aratapu Police, has been awarded £4 by the master of the American schooner "W. F. Witzman," for arresting two deserting sailors. (92/777.)

DETECTIVE L. D. BENJAMIN and Constable J. Dillon Christchurch Police, have been awarded £2 10s. each by the master of the ship "Camptore," for recovering a stolen bag, and conviction of the offender. (92/796.)

CONSTABLE D. BURNETT, Invercargill Police, has been awarded £2 by the master of the barque "Waaland," for arresting a deserter. (92/801.)

SERGEANT H. CLARKE and Constables E. Mackay and L. McDonnell, Auckland Police, have been awarded £4 each for arresting four stragglers from H.M.S. "Ringarooma." (92/802.)

CONSTABLE H. G. HUNT, Ashburton Police, has been presented with a testimonial and a purse of sovereigns in recognition of his presence of mind and energy in suppressing a fire. (92/593.)

CONSTABLE W. WARRING, Southbridge Police, has been awarded £1 4s. 6d. from the Reward Fund for special services rendered in the detection and conviction of D. Crump, fined £5 and costs for illegally shooting native game. (92/799.)

A RECORD of merit has been noted in favour of Sergeant John Briggs, Christchurch Police, for his prompt action and presence of mind in rescuing a child that fell into the River Avon. (92/769.)

Extracts from New Zealand Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1892, pages 769, 721, 735, 738 and 746.)

Prescribing a Close Season for Seals.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of May, 1892.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT
IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make, alter, and revoke regulations (which shall have force and effect only in any waters or places specified therein) for prescribing, among other things, a close season or close seasons for seals:

And whereas it is provided by the third section of "The Fisheries Conservation Act 1884 Amendment Act, 1887," that a penalty not exceeding five hundred pounds may be imposed in respect of the breach of any regulations respecting seals, and a further penalty of not exceeding twenty pounds for every seal illegally taken:

And whereas it is expedient to make the regulations hereinafter set forth with respect to seals inhabiting or found within the waters of the colony hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by the said Act and "The Fisheries Conservation Act 1884 Amendment Act, 1887," and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto; and with the like advice and consent doth order that such regulations shall have force and effect throughout the Colony of New Zealand, and in all salt, fresh, and brackish waters of the colony, and on all shores of such waters or any part thereof.

SCHEDULE. REGULATIONS.

1. THE months of June, July, August, September, October, November, and December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, are hereby prescribed as a close season for seals.

2. No person shall buy, sell, expose for sale, or have in possession any seal, or the skins, oil, or blubber of any seal, taken during the close season hereby prescribed for the same.

3. Any person committing a breach of any of these regulations shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds and not exceeding five hundred pounds, and a further penalty of not exceeding twenty pounds for every seal illegally taken.

4. Every penalty imposed by these regulations shall be recovered in a summary manner before any two or more Justices of the Peace.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.