

in centre, the other has a horse-shoe stamped on it, and has been set with diamonds and two rubies, but one of the latter and most of the former are missing; value £5.

HASTINGS.—Hariata Hori, Pakipaki, reports stolen from a bedroom at the Albert Hotel, Hastings, on the 23rd or 24th ultimo, a dark-brown-fur boa, of unusual length; value £3.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Charles Stockes reports lost or stolen from him, while drunk in the city, on the 2nd or 3rd instant, a new white-leather pocket-book, about 6in. by 4in., containing a steerage ticket per s.s. "Wakatipu," Lyttelton to Sydney, and one thence to England by the Orient steamer "Cuzco"; value of tickets, £21. Complainant is at Hunter's restaurant, Manchester street.

COALGATE.—Hugh Patterson, labourer, Annat, report that on the 20th ultimo his dwelling was broken into, and four £1 notes (one torn in centre) and £1 in silver stolen.

DUNEDIN.—Mrs. M. E. Gill, milliner, Princes Street, reports that, on the 31st ultimo or 1st instant, her shop was broken into, and a ladies' small gold ring, set with a diamond and three or four rubies, value £1 15s., stolen.

GORE.—William Campion is charged on warrant with having, on the 15th ultimo, stolen a box, containing a pair of sheets, value £1 4s. 6d., the property of Thomas Port. Offender is English, a labourer, thirty years of age, 5ft. 8in. high, stout build, dark complexion, black moustache only; dressed in dark clothes. He left Gore on the above date, supposed for Dunedin, taking the box with him, and was accompanied by complainant's wife, Mary Ann Port, and a boy seven years of age, an inmate of the Caversham Industrial School. The boy, if found, is to be returned to the school.

DENNISTON.—Alfred John Letfort, hairdresser, reports stolen from his shop, on the 27th or 28th ultimo, two German hollow-ground razors, marked "Welman Antona," one has a crack in the blade; and a hair-clipper, Brown and Sharp's patent; value £2 5s.

Stealing Otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

AUCKLAND.—Thomas Alcock, Mount Roskill, reports stolen from his clothing at the railway workshops, Newmarket, on the 27th ultimo, a silver lever open-faced watch, No. 22961, maker Benson, London, slightly worn, machine-cut back, gold hands, one keyhole only; value £5.


DARGAVILLE.—Arthur Graham, Kaeo, reports stolen from a room at the Dargaville Racecourse, on the 24th ultimo, an imitation Waterbury watch, a collar-stud, and necktie; value £1 2s. 6d.

STRATFORD.—George Lunnie reports stolen from a tunnel on the Opunake Road, ten miles from Stratford, between the 27th and 30th April last, a silver Waltham lever hunting-watch, No. 1160761, cases much worn, slight dent in front one; value £7.

ASHBURTON.—Samuel Wright, farmer, Winchester, reports stolen from the waiting-room at the Ashburton Railway-station, on the 6th ultimo, a black Gladstone bag, containing a ladies' nightdress, pair of evening-shoes, flannel jacket, black-silk apron trimmed with black lace; also a black-and-white-check shawl; value £3.

LYTTELTON.—Captain Edward Bain, H.M.S. "Ringdove," reports stolen from the boatshed, Dampier's Bay, on the 29th or 30th ultimo, a canvas boat-cover, nearly new, 20ft. by about 10ft., "Baxter and Son, Dundee," printed thereon, also has the navy mark, and blue lines running through; value £2.

LITTLE RIVER (CANTERBURY).—Arthur John Joblin reports stolen from a paddock, during the night of the 22nd April last, a brown-tweed Inverness cape, nearly new; value £2 17s. 6d.

WAIMATE.—The Railway Commissioners report stolen from the platform at Studholme Junction, during the night of the 26th ultimo, a tarpaulin, supposed branded N.Z.R. ; value £3.

MILTON (OTAGO).—Henry Coomb reports stolen from his clothing at the football-grounds, on the 24th ultimo, a silver lever hunting watch, No. 63325, maker Rotherham; value £6.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1892, pages 121 and 129, and 1893, page 39.)

PALMERSTON NORTH.—Leonard Styles (*alias* Mancktelow), for default of maintenance of his children, has been arrested by Constable J. Madden, Wellington Police, and committed to the Terrace Gaol.

GREYMOOUTH.—Thomas Anderson is charged on warrant with having deserted his wife, Alice Roda Anderson, since the 14th February, 1893. Description: A Norwegian, speaks English well, a sawyer and bushman, about forty-five years of age, 5ft. 10in. high, medium build, square shoulders, sallow complexion, large blue eyes, scar over right one, heavy eyebrows, dark-brown hair, whiskers and moustache of a lighter colour and worn long, stoops when walking, fond of drink; generally dressed decently. He was served with a summons at Westport on the 3rd April last, and since then no trace of him can be obtained. His wife and children are now in receipt of charitable aid.

CHRISTCHURCH.—William Smyth is charged on warrant with having deserted his wife, Jane Grace Smyth, Wordsworth Street, Sydenham, since the 28th April last. He is English, a plasterer, sixty years of age, 5ft. 6in. high, medium build, sallow complexion, grey hair beard and moustache; dressed in a blue-cloth coat, moleskin trousers, and woollen peaked cap. Travels with a knife-grinding machine.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1893, page 66.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—Frederick Jennett, for disobeying an order of the Court, has been arrested by Constable James Gantley, Wellington Police, and remanded to Christchurch.

INVERCARGILL.—John Hunter is charged on warrant with disobeying an order of the Court, made on the 10th February last, to pay 15s. a week towards the support of his three children. Description: A native of the colony, a boot-maker, thirty-five years of age, 5ft. 8in. high, medium build, dark complexion, clean-shaved except small dark-brown moustache, brown eyes, addicted to drink.

Horse- and Cattle-stealing.

HAWERA.—John Hunter and John Syliskie are charged on warrants with having, on or about the 20th February last, at Manaia, stolen twenty-eight head of cattle, the property of H. W. Read. Hunter is supposed a native of Australia, about thirty-five years of age, about 5ft. 11in. high, clean-shaved except brown moustache, brown hair, stout and well built, a good horseman, fond of drink; dressed in a dark-tweed coat and vest, light-tweed trousers, and soft black-felt hat; carried a stockwhip across his shoulder, under his coat; has a revolver. Syliskie is a Frenchman or Pole, twenty-five or twenty-six years of age, 6ft. 1in. or 2in. high, slight slop build, very dark, resembles a half-caste, dark hair and moustache only; dressed when last seen the same as Hunter. Both ride black ponies, and were at Marton on the 5th instant. Offenders are the ringleaders of a notorious gang of horse- and cattle-thieves, four of whom are already in custody, and the arrest of these two is of great importance. They will no doubt endeavour to leave the colony.

FEILDING.—Arthur Osborne (name probably fictitious) is charged on warrant with having, on the 14th April last, at Bunythorpe, stolen a horse, saddle, and bridle, value £14 12s., the property of Henry George Bailey, of Taonui; since recovered. Offender is about thirty years of age, about 5ft. 11in. high, stout build, sallow complexion, large eyes, rather small dark or black side-whiskers and moustache, has the appearance of a labourer; supposed to be wearing a brown-tweed suit, cotton or crimean shirt, and soft drab-felt hat. The horse, &c., were stolen from outside the Bunythorpe Hotel, and sold by the offender to Frank Gay, at Feilding, on the 15th ultimo.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1893, page 87.)

KIKIHI (WAIKATO).—Stealing Hapeta and Kerikeha's horse, mare, and foal. Pari has been arrested by Constable J. W. Forbes, Hamilton Police, and sentenced to nine months' labour on each charge (concurrent). Offender sold the animals, and they have since been recovered.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1893, pages 46 and 81.)

AUCKLAND.—Stealing John Shields's gelding: The suspect, Thomas Atkinson Heaps, has been arrested for this offence by Constable E. H. Law, Gisborne Police. Remanded to Auckland and sentenced to six months' labour.

FEATHERSTON.—Charles J. Pharazyn, Longwood, reports stolen, during the past twelve months, about sixty head of forward cattle, branded AP (conjoined); value £5 each,