Timaru.—Herbert A. Philips is charged on warrant with the theft as a bailee, at Fairlie, on the 13th instant, of a saddle and bridle, value £6 10s.; the property of Andrew McKenzie Davidson, livery-stable keeper, Timaru. Offender is a native of the colony, about thirty years of age, 5ft. 9in. high, medium build, dark complexion and hair, shaved except small dark moustache, rather prominent nose, small dark eyes, Jewish appearance, good address; usually wears a grey-tweed suit, tan shoes, and hard black-felt hat. Has been canvassing for the Government Life Insurance Office at Timaru. Is said to be a son of the Town Clerk, Auckland; has a brother in business on Lambton Quay, Wellington; and is known to Dr. Brownlee, of Christchurch. Has gone north.

(See Police Gazette, 1894, pages 192 and 195.)

CAROLINE ROUT, alias Frances Barrett: This offender, who gave her name as Mary Booth, has since been sentenced by the Oamaru Bench to two months' imprisonment on the charge of false pretences.

(See Police Gazette, 1894, page 181.)

GREYMOUTH. — Matthew Edward Portney, alias Quinn, charged with having used obscene language, has been arrested by the Nelson police.

## Housebreaking, Stealing from the Person, &c.

Auckland.—Arthur James Denniston, bank-manager, St. Stephen's Avenue, Parnell, reports stolen from his dwelling, on the 5th instant, a £1 note on the Colonial Bank, No. (supposed) 604227; and a small gold safety-pin with G on top, value 12s. 6d.

NAPIER.—Joseph Hicks, labourer, Hardinge Road, Spit, reports stolen from his dwelling on the 12th instant a small box, containing three gold studs, plain in centre, edges engraved; two silver sleeve-links, anchor in centre; a Jubilee 5s. piece; and two £1 notes: total value, £2 5s. Box (broken open) and two of the studs since found.

Hastings.—Peter Ramsay, Fernhill, reports that on the 8th or 9th instant his dwelling was broken into, and the following stolen: A £1 note, £1 6s, in silver, and five wooden pipes—three of them GBDs with amber mouthpieces, the others having black-bone mouthpieces and ferrules (samples); value, 13s.

(See Police Gazette, 1894, page 164.)

Hastings.—Breaking into and stealing from the dwellings of the Rev. A. S. Morrison and Harry Knight Thompson: James Studdon and Joseph Mason, who are charged on warrants with these offences, have been arrested at Feilding for housebreaking at Manukau on the 12th instant, and it is probable that they have disposed of Mr. Thompson's two watches somewhere en the way from Hastings; inquiries should therefore be made for them. Mr. Morrison now reports that a silver pencil-case, some old copper coins, and a small round silver brooch with a stone like a cat's-eye in centre, are also missing. It is believed that these and some of the other articles of jewellery mentioned in the abovequoted reference are in possession of a Mrs. Nelson, who, with her three children and two prostitutes (one a half-caste named "Lucy"), reached Auckland by the s.s. "Tasmania" on the 8th instant.

ASHURST.—John Dalzell reports stolen from his dwelling, on the 12th instant, twenty-eight £1 notes and eight half-crowns.

EKETAHUNA. — Walter William Bodmin, storekeeper, Tutaekara, reports stolen from the Temperance Hotel, Eketahuna, between the 1st and 4th instant, a brown Gladstone bag, addressed "W. W. Bodmin, Lower Hutt," containing a black suit of clothes, two Crimean shirts, a dozen white handkerchiefs and collars marked "WWB," the lease of an education reserve, and sundries; value, £8.

Kaikoura (Marlborough).—William Mill, labourer, no fixed place of abode, reports stolen from him while asleep, on the 21st ultimo, one £20 and one £5 note; bank and numbers unknown. Case doubtful.

DUNEDIN.—Maggie Chapman, High Street, reports stolen from her dwelling, on the 24th ultimo, a gold brooch, barpattern, set with three diamonds in centre; four white pockethandkerchiefs; and a calico chemise: value, £613s.6d.

DUNEDIN.—Hugo Lippert, licensee, Scotia Hotel, reports that, about 3 a.m. on the 10th instant, his dwelling was broken into, and the following stolen: A gold hunting stopwatch, three-quarter plate, makers Russell and Co., Glas-

gow, No. 70245, H.L. in monogram outside, value £35; a chamois-leather bag, containing £12 10s.; three flasks of whiskey; and ten packets of cigarettes: total value, £48.

(See Police Gazette, 1894, page 141.)

DUNEDIN.—Stealing John Eadie's tools: George Gardiner has been arrested for this offence by Constable J. Cooney, and committed for trial. Stolen property recovered.

Invergaegill.—John Sutherland, labourer, Gore, reports stolen from a bedroom at the Criterion Hotel, Invergargill, during the night of the 12th instant, three £5 Bank of New Zealand notes and 12s. in siver. Suspicion attached to two men, names unknown. Description: First, about twenty-five years of age, 5ft. Sin, high, medium build, clean-shaved, sallow complexion, dark hair, full round face, dressed in a light suit (striped trousers), straw hat with band, and tan boots; said to be identical with a man named Ernest McKenzie, from Hokitika. Second, about thirty-five years of age, 5ft. 7in. high, medium build, brown hair, reddish whiskers, pointed beard and moustache; wore a dark suit and hard black felt hat. They had two Gladstone bags, one brown and the other black.

Stealing Otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

Waipawa.—Between 8.45 p.m. on the 1st and 6 a.m. on the 2nd instant the post-office at Kaikora North was broken into, and a large number of letters, parcels, &c., stolen. Forty-one letters, including eight envelopes minus enclosures, were found on the road, and from one of the former a cheque for £78 17s. 7d., No. D87817, drawn by Johnston and Co., of Wellington, on the Bank of Australasia, has been abstracted. The following are also known to have been stolen, viz.: A letter, addressed to Mr. W. Hastie, Brow, Kaikora, containing postal notes for 5s. and 1s.; a small parcel, addressed to Miss McKay, Tamumu, containing two fiddle-bridges (label and one bridge recovered); a brass key for railway-points, bent wards; and an ordinary drawer-key.

Ormond (Poverty Bay).—John Wall, carrier, Patutahi, reports stolen from his wagon, on the 9th or 10th instant, eight 40lb. bags of sugar, two 100lb. bags of flour, a tin of biscuits, box of candles, and box of sundries; value, £9.

(See Police Gazette, 1894, page 190.)

Christchurch.—Stealing from the shop of Henry Rogers, bootmaker, Woolston: Frederick John Reece has been arrested by Constable Francis Cullen for this offence, and sentenced to three months' labour. Stelen property recovered.

Akaroa.—Miss Mary Menzies, McIntosh Bay, reports stolen from a box on the wharf at Little Akaroa, about the 30th ultimo, half-dozen "silverine" dessert-spoons and forks, and a pickle-fork with black knobby handle; value, 13s. 6d. Also a quantity of ironmongery, not described. Suspicion attached to the master and crew of the fishing-ketch "Annie," who are well known at Lyttelton and Sumner.

## Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

Christchurch.—Anthony Kennedy, alias John Kennedy, is charged on warrant to apprehend with deserting his five children since the 15th July, 1892. Description: Irish, a carpenter, forty years of age, 5ft. 10in. high, medium build, fair complexion, blue eyes, light-brown hair beard whiskers and moustache. (See Police Gazelle, 1892, pages 139, 147, and 189.) Last heard of in February, 1893, when he was discharged from Wellington Gaol, after serving three months' imprisonment. Complainant: Lily Kennedy, Colombo Road, St. Albans, Christchurch.

Christchurch.—John Daniel Manship is charged on warrant with deserting his wife and four children since the 26th ultimo. Description: English, a drover or labourer, thirty-three years of age, 5ft. 6\(\frac{2}{4}\)in. high, fair complexion, fair hair, grey eyes. Photographed at Lyttelton, the 31st October, 1894. (See Police Gazette, 1894, page 186.) Complainant: Edith Manship, c/o Mrs. Hamilton, Halswell, Christchurch.

(See Police Gazette, 1892, page 129, and 1893, page 39.)
NAPIER.—Robert Loosemore Williams, charged with wifedesertion, has been arrested by Detective Kirby, Napier
police, and remanded.

(See Police Gazette, 1894, page 197.)

Wellington.-William Barrow, charged with disobeying an order for the support of his wife: This warrant has been cancelled.