

CHRISTCHURCH.—Donald McLennan, grocer, Sydenham, reports that, between the 22nd and 24th ultimo, his shop was broken into, and £2 19s. 6d. worth of groceries and tobacco stolen.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 99.)

"WAINUI," s.s. (WESTPORT).—Theft of W. M. Espie's portmanteau: The boots and shoes described have been found in the forepeak of the vessel, and Patrick McDermott, one of the seamen, is in custody at Wellington on remand for the offence. None of the other articles recovered. The watch is an open-faced gold Rotherham lever, No. 89672.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 81.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—*Re* Alex. Mollison, charged with disobeying an order of the Court: This warrant has been cancelled.

Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

From H.M.S. "Penguin," at Sydney.

WALTER GEORGE APPLEBEE, A.B., English, twenty-five years of age, 5ft. 3in. high, brown hair, brown eyes, fresh complexion. A reward of £3 is offered for his arrest.

From H.M.S. "Mildura," at Sydney.

On 22nd June, 1895.

JAMES EDWARD ALLEN, boy, 1st class, a native of Waddallah, Victoria, eighteen years of age, 5ft. 7in. high, light-brown hair, brown eyes, fair complexion. A reward of £3 is offered for his arrest.

Horse- and Cattle-stealing.

WELLINGTON.—Albert Victor Edwards is charged on warrant with having, at Upper Hutt, on the 25th ultimo, stolen a mare, saddle, and bridle, value £7 15s., the property of Joseph Arthur Haines, labourer, of Martinborough. Offender is English, about thirty years of age, about 5ft. 7in. high, medium build, dark complexion, clean shaved except dark-brown moustache, small scar the size of a pock-mark on one cheek, Roman nose; dressed in a dark sac-suit, well worn, and soft brown-felt hat; may have on a pair of brown-duck leggings.

WANGANUI.—Robert Ross, Rutland stables, reports stolen from a paddock at Putiki, between the 24th of May and the 6th ultimo, a light-bay mare, three years old, about 15½ hands high, hind feet white, small star on forehead, slight streak on nose, light build, value £12; and a dark-bay mare, about 15 hands high, five years old, small white star on forehead, thick set, no brands; value, £20. Both animals are well bred and broken to harness.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 55.)

OPOTKI.—Stealing Thomas Dawson's horse: William McCarthy, a half-caste, has been sentenced at the Supreme Court, Auckland, to twelve months' labour for this offence. Horse recovered by the Port Awanui police.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 100.)

WARKWORTH.—James Logue's two horses have been found.

Miscellaneous Information.

Dismissal.

CONSTABLE JOHN BRIDGMAN, No. 444.

Rewards.

CONSTABLE J. H. FERGUSON, Gore police, has been awarded £2 by the Railway Department for recovering a tarpaulin and obtaining a conviction for the theft of it. (95/833.)

CONSTABLE E. C. HUGHES, Te Puke police, has been awarded £4 for obtaining convictions against two Natives for sly grog-selling at Waihi, near Maketu. (95/837.)

CONSTABLE T. QUIRKE, No. 627, Auckland police, has been awarded £2 from the Reward Fund, and £1 by Mr. F. Dye, of Kaukapakapa, for tact and ability displayed in the arrest and conviction of Oscar Ranum for housebreaking and theft. (95/849.)

SERGEANT-MAJOR M. SCANLON, No. 102, and Constable J. Sheary, No. 439, Blenheim police, have been awarded £5 5s. each by the National Fire and Marine Insurance Company in recognition of their services in connection with a case of suspected arson at Wairau Valley on the 1st May last. (95/790.)

Extracts from New Zealand Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1895, pages 998, 1002, 1055, and 1056.)

Extending the Close Season for Seals.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of June, 1895.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Sea-fisheries Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make regulations (which shall have general force and effect throughout the colony, or particular force and effect only in any waters or places specified therein) for prescribing, among other things, a close season for seals, and for extending any close season so prescribed:

And whereas it is further provided by the said Act that every person who, during any close season for seals, takes any seals is liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding five hundred pounds, and in addition thereto is liable to a further penalty, not exceeding twenty pounds, in respect of every seal so taken:

And whereas by Order in Council, dated the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, the months of January, February, March, April, May, and June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, were prescribed a close season for seals:

And whereas it is desirable to extend such close season:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by the said Act, 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 close season for seals prescribed by regulations made by Order in Council dated the 21st day of December, 1894, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 1, of the 4th day of January, 1895, is hereby extended up to the 30th day of June, 1896.

2. Every person who, during the close season prescribed as aforesaid, takes any seals is liable to a penalty of not less than £25 nor more than £500, and in addition thereto is liable to a further penalty of not less than £1 nor more than £20, in respect of every seal so taken. The taking of seals means and includes the killing, catching, dredging for, raising, or hunting of any seal, or any attempt so to do.

3. No person shall buy, sell, expose for sale, consign for sale, buy for sale, or have in possession any seal, or any skins, oil, or blubber from any seal, in any manner in contravention of the said Act or of these regulations; and every person so doing is liable for every such offence to a penalty of not less than £1 nor more than £20.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Inspector of Abattoirs, &c., County of Mackenzie, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 25th June, 1895.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable LUKE MULLANY

to be Inspector of Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, under "The Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses Act, 1894," for the County of Mackenzie.

P. A. BUCKLEY.

Inspectors of Abattoirs, &c., County of Collingwood, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 25th June, 1895.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable JOHN NASH and

Constable SAMUEL JOSEPH DEW

to be Inspectors of Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, under "The Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses Act, 1894," for the County of Collingwood.

P. A. BUCKLEY.