

AUCKLAND.—Mahomed Alli is charged on warrant with having, on the 30th ultimo, obtained from Deeder Bux goods to the value of £12 19s. 3d. by false pretences. Offender is a Hindoo hawker, twenty-five or twenty-six years of age, 6ft. high, medium build, rather dark complexion, small dark whiskers and moustache; usually wears a long dark coat, light striped trousers, and round skull-cap. Has a brother, Ismael Joe, at New Plymouth, and may have gone there.

AUCKLAND.—Maurice Iekerson is charged on warrant with having had an unlicensed still on his premises in Elliott Street, on the 4th ultimo. Description: A German, sixty-three years of age, 5ft. 4in. high, stout build, full grey beard; dressed in grey tweed. Has gone to Sydney.

NAPIER.—William McDonald is charged on warrant with having, at Awatoto, on the 15th instant, obtained the sum of £4 17s. 6d. from Edward Ernest Aulsebrook, hotelkeeper, by means of a valueless cheque. Offender is supposed English, about thirty years of age, 5ft. 8in. or 9in. high, medium build, dark-brown hair, clean-shaved except fair moustache, rather long at ends; dressed in a dark sac coat, light-tweed trousers, no vest, may be wearing a light-grey tweed cap or soft brown-felt hat; no swag; a shearer and cook. He obtained the above amount and drinks to the value of 2s. 6d. in exchange for his cheque for £5, drawn on the Bank of New Zealand, Napier, and it has been ascertained that he has no account there. He went south on the following day.

WELLINGTON.—Ward is charged on warrant with having, on the 9th instant, forged and uttered to William Colman, Cuba Street, a cheque for £8. Supposed English, about thirty-eight years of age, 5ft. 8in. or 9in. high, medium build, dark hair and complexion, moustache (turning grey) only; wore dark clothes and hard black-felt hat. Offender obtained a ladies' gold Waterbury watch, value £3 10s., and £4 10s. in cash, stating that the cheque was drawn by Mr. Poynton, solicitor; but it has been declared a forgery.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 9.)

KAIKOURA.—John Reid, charged with having forged and uttered a cheque to John Davidson: This offender is now said to be in the North Island, and may be wearing a pair of dungaree trousers. He talks a good deal of horse-racing, and is no doubt identical with John Reid, who was convicted of obscene language at Palmerston North on the 13th June last. (See *Police Gazette*, 1894, page 115.)

(See *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 2.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—Alfred Doble, charged with the theft of 5s., money of William Hayes, has been arrested by Constable J. Gantley, Wellington police. Remanded to Christchurch, and discharged.

DUNEDIN.—John A. Docherty is charged on warrant with the theft, on the 8th ultimo, of £1 1s. 1d., money of the Taieri and Peninsula Milk-supply Company, by whom he was employed. Offender is Irish, about twenty-five years of age, about 5ft. 6in. high, blue eyes, brown hair, small fairish moustache, light build. He collected the amount, but failed to hand it over to the company. Several similar charges against him are pending.

DUNEDIN.—John Sidey, Caversham, reports that about the 31st ultimo a bullock was maliciously shot dead. He guarantees a reward of £10 on conviction of the offender.

INVERCARGILL.—John Hampton is charged on warrant with the theft, on the 5th instant, of a £10 note on the Bank of Australasia, No. 329 or 6288, the property of William Fowler, carpenter. Offender is supposed English, said to be a labourer, about 5ft. 6in. high, medium build, full face, fresh complexion, nose slightly bent to the right, large blue eyes, dark hair and moustache, slight impediment when speaking quickly; dressed in a blue- serge suit, blue-flannel shirt, and soft brown-felt hat. He obtained possession of the note to take care of it, but afterwards denied having it, and cleared out. Last heard of at Gore.

TAPANUI.—Dibb Ido is charged on warrant with false pretences on Frederick Harley, labourer, Conical Hills, on the 20th December, 1894. Offender is an Egyptian, a hawker, about twenty years of age, 5ft. 6in. high, dark hair and complexion, brown eyes, broad nose, large mouth; flags, 1875, and D.I. tattooed on right arm, and crucifix on left hand. Photographed at Invercargill on 26th May, 1894 (See *Police Gazette*, 1894, page 129). He obtained the sum of £1 from complainant by falsely representing that he was travelling for a Dunedin tailor, the amount being a deposit on a suit of clothes. His parents are living in Dunedin, but he is supposed to be hawking through the country.

Housebreaking, Stealing from the Person, &c.

AUCKLAND.—George Makgill, solicitor, Orakei Road, Remuera, reports stolen from his bedroom, between the 15th December, 1894, and the 15th ultimo, two ladies' small old-fashioned gold dress-rings—one set with two rubies and two emeralds, with diamond in centre (forming a cross), and has a small piece let in below to enlarge the ring; the other is set with four rose and four white diamonds, shell design; also a few ladies' white handkerchiefs, marked FEM: value, about £7.

AUCKLAND.—James Reid, Haydn Street, reports stolen from his dwelling, between the 1st and 13th instant, an 18-carat gold ring, weighing 1oz., having a heart raised at top, with grapes at each side; a mother-of-pearl pencil-case, gold-mounted; and a gold-washed albert guard, short links: value, £4.

PORT ALBERT (AUCKLAND).—John James Allen, Topuni, reports stolen from his dwelling, on the 26th ultimo, a silver double-cased lever watch, No. 18290, maker believed to be W. Ehrhardt, London; an 18-carat gold chain; and a silver albert, large and small links: value, £15 12s. 6d.

DARGAVILLE.—Thomas Cunningham and George Neild report stolen from their ware, at Okahu, on the 21st ultimo, a pair of dungaree trousers, two flannel shirts, a mosquito curtain, pair of worsted drawers, some tea and coffee, and about 1cwt. of kauri-gum: value, £3 16s.

NAPIER.—Walter Grey, labourer, reports stolen from a bedroom at the Railway Hotel, Spit, on the 2nd instant, a sailor's bag 15in. by 6in., two sailmakers' palms, a bone rubber marked W, a sheath-knife, shoemaker's knife, needle-case 8in. long, skein of twine, and a German razor in case; value, £1 5s. Suspicion attached to James Bailey, who slept in the adjoining room, and left on the above date. Description: Colonial, about 5ft. 4in. high, thin features, slight build, large nose, dark hair hanging over forehead, small brown moustache; dressed in light pants with yellow stripes, dark jacket, and cheese-cutter cap.

MARTON.—Alexander Honeyman, farmer, Bridle Track, reports that about the 6th instant his dwelling was broken into, and the following stolen: A silver hunting-watch, case dented, maker and number unknown, with silver chain, boot-lace pattern, attached; a carriage-rug, black on one side, imitation of leopard's skin on the other; a new Mazella quilt; and a long brown waterproof coat, nearly new, brown-cloth buttons, one nearly off: value, £13. Suspicion attached to a tall thin man, name unknown, shaved on chin, very small feet, wore a black soft felt hat. Supposed to have gone towards Hunterville.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Herbert B. Petherick, butcher, Colombo Street North, reports stolen from his dwelling on the 11th instant a silver lever hunting-watch, No. 57876, J.P.P. to H.B.P. on outside shield; value, £6. Suspicion attached to George Davies, a groom, residing in Henley's Lane, St. Albans.

CHRISTCHURCH.—John Leahy, farmer, Lakeside, near Southbridge, reports stolen from him while drunk, in Christchurch, during the night of the 3rd instant, a silver lever hunting-watch, No. 29284, silver chain, long and short links, with steel compass and key as pendants, attached, value £5; and a cheque on the Bank of New Zealand, Christchurch, for £5, drawn by and payable to himself.

OAMARU.—Robert Johnston, farmer, Awamoko, reports stolen from him at Fitzgerald's Circus, Oamaru, on the 11th instant, a black-leather purse, with steel clasps and knobs, containing three £1 notes on the National Bank, and £1 in silver, and some stamps.

DUNEDIN.—Charles Johnson, draper, reports that about 10.30 p.m. on the 2nd instant he was assaulted in Elm Row, and robbed of a buff-leather pocketbook, containing £6 10s. His assailants were two young men, of whom no description can be given.

WAITATI.—James Green, Esq., M.H.R., reports that on the 8th instant his dwelling was broken into, and the following stolen: A silver Geneva hunting-watch, "J. Green" scratched inside case, value £3; a ladies' gold dressing, set with sapphires and diamonds (cross design), value £4; a pair of tan slippers, size 4, value 2s.; a matchbox with pearl sides, value 5s.; two elastic rings, and a dark-brown leather clasp purse, 3in. long, two pockets, containing four sovereigns, 3s. 9d. in change, an I.O.U. for £30, the key of a ballot-box, and a piece of paper with "Miss Nelson, Waianakarua," written thereon.