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NOTICE.—For instructions as to the manner in which reports are required to be furnished for the compilation of the *Police Gazette* see *Gazette* No. 1 of this year.

The arrest of offenders described in the *Police Gazette*, or respecting whom crime reports have been forwarded for insertion in the *Gazette*, should be promptly notified by the member of the Force effecting the arrest.

When notifying the arrest of persons charged with larceny, or suspected of larceny, it should be stated whether the property stolen, or any portion of it, has been recovered.

A description of property supposed to be stolen, found in the possession of offenders, for which owners cannot be found, should be furnished for insertion in the *Gazette*.

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Offences not otherwise Described.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 89.)

AUCKLAND.—Agnes Thompson, *alias* Austin, charged on warrant of commitment in default of paying a fine and costs for keeping a brothel, has been arrested by Constable J. P. Miller and lodged in Mount Eden Gaol.

HELENSVILLE.—**Kenneth McLean Black** is charged on warrant with having, on the 20th ultimo, forged and uttered to Ernest Samuel Stretton a cheque for £5. Description: Scotch, fifty-three years of age, 5 ft. 10½ in. high, well built, erect gait, fresh complexion, light brown or almost grey hair, grey beard and whiskers and moustache (whiskers and beard out short); dressed in a rough light-tweed sack-coat, tweed trousers, soft brown-felt hat, and red scarf-tie. (See *Police Gazette*, 1898, page 157.) The cheque is drawn on the Bank of Australasia, Auckland, and was signed "Robert Blackie," but has been returned marked "No account." Offender gave it to complainant in payment of two days' board, receiving £4 10s. 9d. change.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 193.)

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Roy Pardon, charged with the theft of Hal Goodacre's compasses (recovered), has been arrested by Detective Herbert and Constable McIlveney, Auckland police, and remanded to New Plymouth. Offender's correct name is Archibald Roy Parvin.

PUNGAREHU.—**Arthur Pardington** is charged on warrant with the theft, on the 27th ultimo, of a pair of grey pepper-and-salt tweed trousers, size 5, well worn, with patch of blue serge on seat, value 3s.; the property of his employer, Charles Crisp, farmer. Accused is said to be English, but speaks with a slight Scotch accent, a labourer, about twenty years of age, 5 ft. 4 in. or 5 in. high, long thin pale features,

grey eyes, sharp nose, bad teeth, discoloured and almost black, thin but prominent lips, thick brown hair, especially thick above forehead, slight build but appears broad between shoulders, active upright walk, rather effeminate ways, blushes when spoken to sharply; dressed in a dark coat, navy-blue serge trousers, white shirt-front, high white collar, large light necktie, and India kip boots with steel sprigs or small nails in place of toe-caps; may wear spectacles. May be a woman in male attire. Supposed to have gone to Eltham or Hawera.

KIMBOLTON.—Thomas Charles Denton, labourer, Colyton, reports that on the 16th ultimo a man, named John Ballock, obtained from him the loan of a horse to go to the Palmerston Show, and was to have returned it on the 19th, but has not done so. The horse is described as a bay, four years old, 14½ hands high, hind feet white, shod all round, scars from barbed wire on both sides, no brand; value, £8. Ballock is Scotch (broad accent), a labourer, about twenty-three years of age, about 5 ft. 5 in. high, medium build, shaved except dark moustache; dressed in a grey-tweed suit, and skull cap. It is supposed that he will sell the horse, if he has not already done so. No warrant.

FOXTON.—**Alexander Maxwell** is charged on two warrants of commitment to the Wellington Gaol, one for four days' labour in default of paying £1 7s., fine and costs for threatening behaviour, and the other for four days' labour for begging. Description: Scotch, an engineer (formerly of the s.s. "Planet," from Auckland), about forty-six years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. or 9 in. high, stout build, dark complexion, dark hair, blue eyes, shaved except dark moustache; dressed in a blue-cloth coat, dark-tweed trousers, and hard black-felt hat. Seen in Wellington on the 23rd ultimo.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1898, page 97; and 1899, page 35.)

WELLINGTON.—Charles Angus Wilson, charged on warrants of commitment in default of paying fines and costs on two charges of theft, has been arrested at New Plymouth and lodged in the gaol there.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 21.)

WELLINGTON.—Stanley Joseph, charged with false pretences on Sydney Black, has been arrested by Detective G. Fitzgerald, Timaru police, and remanded to Wellington.

DUNEDIN.—**Kenneth McLeod** is charged on three warrants of commitment in default of paying fines and costs, as follows: 15s. 6d., for damaging a constable's uniform; and £2 10s. on each of two charges of being found on licensed premises during the currency of a prohibition order. Description: Scotch, thirty-four years of age, 5 ft. 10 in. high, stout build, high square shoulders, head slightly stooped when walking, blue eyes, fair complexion, fair hair inclined to curl, fair moustache, and had about a fortnight's growth

of beard and whiskers when last seen; usually wears a grey-tweed suit, and cap. Was formerly employed as a seaman, and foundry hand, and may endeavour to leave the colony in a sailing vessel.

DUNEDIN.—On the 20th ultimo, a man, name unknown, indecently assaulted two school-girls at Caversham. Offender is described as about 5 ft. 10 in. high, inclined to be stout, shaved except reddish moustache, a few pimples on one side of his face; wore a dark coat and vest, light-tweed trousers, and light Doctor Jim hat. Can be identified. No warrant.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 194.)

DUNEDIN.—Daniel Dunn, charged on warrant of commitment in default of paying a fine, has paid the amount.

MARITZBURG (NATAL).—James Dawson is charged on warrant with embezzling £700. Description: A book-keeper, thirty-four years of age, 5 ft. 3 in. or 4 in. high, ruddy complexion, reddish moustache, dissolute habits; has a large American travelling-trunk. He left Natal on the 15th October last for New Zealand, and has friends residing at Dunedin. Was accompanied by his wife, slender build, very showy, light hair, probably false. Arrest important, with a view to his return under the Fugitive Offenders Act. (99/2065.)

Housebreaking, Stealing from the Person, &c.

AUCKLAND.—James Farrant (name probably fictitious) is charged on warrant with having, on the 22nd ultimo, stolen from Jervois House, Wellesley Street, two pairs of cricketer-pants, value 10s.; the property of Thomas Hetherington. Recovered. Offender is twenty-seven or twenty-eight years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. or 9 in. high, dark complexion, small dark moustache, medium build, small mole on lower jaw; dressed in a dark-blue serge coat and vest, greyish pants, hard black hat, and brown tan canvas shoes.

AUCKLAND.—Emily Parker, daughter of the licensee, Aurora Hotel, reports stolen, on the 18th ultimo, a ladies' gold band-ring, "Emily" engraved on top, and "W.A." inside, chain and bell attached; a ladies' gold ring, set with three diamonds; and a gold bracelet, cable pattern, locket, with "E.P." thereon attached: Value, £9. Suspicion attached to Albert Asher, who is employed at the hotel. (For description, see *Police Gazette*, 1895, page 58.)

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 250.)

AUCKLAND.—Stealing from Jin Gott's dwelling: Ethel Annie Brown has been arrested by Constable H. P. Kennedy for this offence, and committed for trial. One of the stolen rings recovered and traced to her possession. The other articles not yet traced.

HELENSVILLE.—Elizabeth Graham Reid, licensee, Kaipara Hotel, Helensville, reports stolen from her dwelling, on the 23rd ultimo, a gold brooch, formed by two earrings, each about the size of a sixpence, small diamond in centre of each, with gold tracing in the shape of a Maltese cross; value, £3. Suspicion attached to William Moar, billiard-marker, and Annie Halley, barmaid, both of whom have been discharged, and gone to Auckland. For Moar's description, see *Police Gazette*, 1899, pages 45, 54, and 98. Halley is a native of New Zealand, about twenty-two years of age, medium build, auburn or reddish-coloured hair, fair complexion, blue eyes, high colour, good teeth, round features, short stature, dresses well.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 242.)

STRAATFORD.—John Murray, charged with the theft of Dr. Tom Larkin Padget's waistcoat: This warrant has been cancelled at the request of complainant. Waistcoat not recovered.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 250.)

WANGANUI.—Theft of Isabella Burrell's watch and chain. Marian Scott has been arrested by Constable De Norville, Palmerston North police, for this offence, and committed for trial. Stolen property recovered.

EKETAHUNA.—Brian Weller, station-hand, reports stolen from a whare at Tiraumea, on the 16th or 17th ultimo, a combined pocketbook and purse, made of fawn-coloured leather, 6 in. by 2½ in., with black edges, ink-spots on outside, complainant's name written with pencil inside, containing a £10 note, supposed on the Bank of New South Wales, number unknown; 19s. 3d. in silver, six penny stamps, and sundry receipts, one being from Hollings, solicitor, of Masterton, for £5. Suspicion attached to two swaggers, one about thirty-eight years of age, about 5 ft. 3 in. high, medium

build, dark hair, blue eyes, swarthy complexion, small dark moustache, active walk, dressed in a grey-tweed suit; gave the name of John McLaughlin when searched; the other about sixty-six years of age, 5 ft. 9 in. high, grey hair and beard; dressed in shabby clothes. They are supposed to have gone towards Alfredton.

WELLINGTON.—James O'Keefe, labourer, Victoria Place, reports stolen from his dwelling, on the 24th ultimo, a watch (since recovered), a silver albert, long straight links connected by curb-links, and a pair of men's machine-sewn lace-up boots, size 8, soles worn away; value, in all, £6. The watch was pledged at Griffith's pawn-office, Courtenay Place, by a man who gave his name as Wilkinson. He is described as between twenty-five and thirty years of age, 5 ft. 9 in. or 10 in. high, darkish complexion, respectable appearance. His identification is doubtful.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 220.)

WELLINGTON.—Man, name unknown, charged with the theft of Maurice Thomas McGrath's watch and albert (recovered), and coat. James Dunn, alias Wilson, has been arrested by Constable C. R. Broberg for this offence, and sentenced to two months' labour. Coat not recovered.

DUNEDIN.—Archibald Anderson, alias Matherson, is charged on warrant with breaking into the dwelling of Mary Ann Buskin, boardinghouse-keeper, Maclaggan Street, on the 21st ultimo, and stealing a white-linen sheet, value 6s.; since recovered. For his description, see *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 151. Dressed, when last seen, in a blue-serge saccuit; and will probably be wearing a white-straw hat with black band, or a grey-tweed skull-cap. The offence was committed in company with two others who are under remand. Offender's arrest is important, as there are other charges against him.

INVERCARGILL.—John Sarsfield Murphy, manager, New Zealand Clothing Factory, Bluff Road, reports that between the 14th and 23rd ultimo his dwelling was broken into, and the following stolen: Nine table-forks, twelve dessert-forks, and twelve dessert-spoons, all solid silver; nine table-knives and nine dessert-knives, of which no description can be given; and an iron-cased eight day clock; all quite new, wedding presents: value, £10.

Stealing Otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

THAMES.—The Kauri Timber Company report that between the 18th and 20th ultimo their premises at Kauaranga were broken into, and the following stolen: Five ordinary timber-jacks with iron stocks, branded "S.S.M. Co.," value £6 each; two 6 ft. lightning-saws, value 12s. 6d. each; and an axe, well worn, value 5s.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 177.)

THAMES.—The Kauri Timber Company's two timber-jacks which were stolen from a punt on the Piako River were branded "S.S.M. Co.," not "K.T.C.," as previously reported.

TARADALE (NAPIER).—Stolen, on the 19th or 20th ultimo, from the Newstead sheep-station, a two-wheeled gig, painted dark navy-blue, green stripes on wheels and on shafts, board at back of seat split, a piece broken out and a new piece put in, value £17, the property of Wirihana Aperahama; a double-reined bridle, with two large rings, nickel-plated bit, branded "W.H.N." inside reins and headstall, value 15s., the property of Wi Nuku; a similar bridle, branded "H.N.," value 15s., the property of Pene; and a set of light buggy harness, black colour, partly worn, with silver-plated buckles, brass buckles to blinkers and reins, value £4 10s., the property of Peni Nuku.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1896, pages 77 and 143.)

TARADALE (NAPIER).—Stealing from Joseph Hatwell's paddock. H. M. Rosenberg, alias Lawton, who sold the stolen fork, has returned to the colony, and is now living in College Street, Wellington. Owing to lapse of time, no further proceedings have been taken.

WANGANUI.—Judah Henry Keesing reports stolen, on the 22nd or 23rd ultimo, about 55 ft. of ½ in. rubber hose, joined in centre with a piece of brass piping, and copper-wire; branch, with gas-tap, at end; value, £1 15s.

PALMERSTON NORTH.—Solomon Abrahams, pawnbroker, reports that on the 17th or 18th ultimo his shop was broken into, and the following stolen: A double-cased imitation gold keyless watch, No. 281, "Century, U.S.A.," on inside of case; a ladies' 18-carat gold ring, diamond in centre; a

ladies' 18-carat gold ring, set with a diamond and sapphires; an 18-carat gold ring with buckle; a 9-carat gold ring, with red stone in centre; two gold wedding-rings, and a gold pencil-case, marked "Fenton"; mostly all second-hand: total value, about £10.

PALMERSTON NORTH.—William Henry Cowper, gardener, reports stolen from his wash-house, on the 18th or 19th ultimo, three white-dimity toilet-covers, trimmed with white lace, 4 in. long; two white blankets, one broad, and three narrow blue stripes at each end, in fair order; a trap-rug, dark check, with fringe at each end, well worn; a white-damask table-cloth, with red border, and fringe at each end: a tin of kerosene, a kerosene-pump, and some soap: value, in all, £2 10s.

WELLINGTON.—Joseph Saunders, contractor, reports stolen from his office at the Railway Wharf, on the 18th ultimo, ninety-six £1 notes on the Union Bank of Australia, ten half-sovereigns, and £5 9s. 6d. in silver.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 23.)

NELSON.—George Henry Reeves's bicycle has been found in possession of Daniel Smith, who cannot, however, be connected with stealing it. Smith was recently convicted of a similar theft, and was released on twelve months' probation.

ASHBURTON.—Max Friedlander, merchant, reports stolen from his yard, on the 25th or 26th ultimo, a Mosgiel rug, brown colour, fancy plaid lining; value, £10.

TIMARU.—Frederick Pigeon, contractor, reports stolen from his premises, on the 19th ultimo, a set of silver-mounted dog-cart harness, nearly new, design of thistle on mounting, old kicking-strap on breeching; value, £7.

MILTON.—Alexander Bell, farm-servant, Clarendon, reports stolen from an outhouse, on the 23rd or 24th ultimo, a jet-black collie dog, very long rough hair all over body and head, answers to the name of "Sweep"; value, £6. Suspicion attached to *John Riley*, a native of New Zealand, about twenty-three years of age, about 5 ft. 11 in. high, medium build, fair complexion, fair hair, fair moustache only, round features; dressed, when last seen, in a dark-tweed sac-suit, and soft dark-felt hat. Supposed to have gone to Canterbury, mustering. His parents reside at Otakia, Taieri County.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 251.)

KUROW.—David Alexander Robertson's boots and tweed cloth have been found.

BALCLUTHA.—William Wills, rabbit agent, Clinton, reports stolen from the Railway Hotel, Balclutha, on the 28th October last, a parcel, containing a men's new dark-brown tweed suit, size 5, tailor-made, value, £4 10s.

INVERCARGILL.—The Railway Department report stolen from the goods-shed, about the 29th September last, a wooden case, addressed "Car and Wagon Inspector, Invercargill," containing twelve coir mats for railway-carriages, each about 2 ft. 6 in. by 18 in., four of them having holes in the centres to fit spittoons; value, £3 2s. The property of the New Zealand Government.

INVERCARGILL.—The Railway Department report stolen from the goods-shed, on the 15th or 16th ultimo, a sample-case of whiskey (eight bottles), case marked "H.C." over "D." in a square, over "& Co.;" value, £1 14s. 6d. The property of Henry Carswell and Co.

Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 251.)

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Leonard Alfred Taylor, charged with disobeying an order of Court for the maintenance of his illegitimate child, has been arrested by Constable Simpson, Eltham police, and taken to New Plymouth.

CHRISTCHURCH.—**Malcolm McKinlay** is charged on warrant of commitment to Lyttelton Gaol for two months for disobeying an order of Court to pay £1 per week towards the support of his wife and family. Description: Scotch, a shearer and labourer, thirty-nine years of age, 5 ft. 9 in. high, medium build, round shoulders, fresh complexion, fair hair, fair moustache only, walks with a rolling gait; dressed in a coarse tweed suit, and soft black-felt hat with broad brim. Supposed to have gone towards Springfield, Sheffield, or Annat. The sum of £59 1s. was due and unpaid on the 17th October last.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 125.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—Robert Goodsmen Telfer, charged with disobeying an order of Court, has been arrested by Detective T. Livingstone, and committed to gaol for three months.

Absconding from Industrial Schools.

BURNHAM.

Inquiries are requested for the undermentioned boys, and if traced information should be sent to the Inspector of Police, Christchurch. The master of the school does not wish them arrested.

WILLIAM DAVID HARRINGTON absconded from the licensed service of Mr. Samuel Anderson, Flemington, near Ashburton, on the 29th March, 1897. Description: Seventeen years of age, fair hair and complexion; dress not known. Committed from Christchurch on the 5th June, 1893.

ROBERT DAVID PITCON absconded from the licensed service of Mr. G. Lambre, Mount Somers, on the 1st March, 1898. Description: Sixteen and a half years of age, about 5 ft. 2 in. high, fair hair and complexion; probably wearing a dark-tweed suit.

HERBERT JAMES PRESTING absconded from the licensed service of Mr. J. Sullivan, Pleasant Point, on the 23rd October, 1898. Description: Sixteen years and ten months old, short stoutish build, dark hair and eyes, dark complexion; dress not known. Committed from Napier on the 27th July, 1896.

Deserters from Merchant Vessels.

From the ship "Belford," at Napier.

On 26th November, 1899.

J. Marshall, A.B., a French Canadian, about thirty years of age, about 5 ft. 6 in. high, thin face, dark complexion, black hair, dark moustache only.

James Purcell, A.B., Irish, about thirty-five years of age, about 5 ft. 10 in. high, heavy build, sunburnt face, greyish hair, shaved except greyish moustache.

Warrants issued.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 251.)

GUSTAV ADOLPH ANDERSSON, deserter from the barque "Medea," at Timaru: This warrant has been cancelled, the vessel having left the colony.

Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

From H.M.S. "Penguin," at Fremantle, W.A.

On 20th October, 1899.

Nathaniel Crosby, A.B., twenty-three years of age, a native of Essex, 6 ft. high, brown hair, grey eyes, fair complexion, rose, &c., on left forearm.

On 3rd November, 1899.

James Laverty, A.B., twenty years of age, born at Helburn, Durham, 5 ft. 2½ in. high, black hair, weak grey eyes, fresh complexion, clean shaved.

On 4th November, 1899.

Charles Aldridge, ordinary seaman, eighteen years of age, born at St. Augustine, Norfolk, 5 ft. 4 in. high, dark hair, hazel eyes, fresh complexion, heart tattooed on right forearm.

On 5th November, 1899.

Harry V. Beckett, A.B., a native of Greenwich, Kent, twenty-three years of age, 5 ft. 4 in. high, dark-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, clean-shaved, peculiarly slow way of speaking.

A reward of £3 is offered for the arrest of each of these men.

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

On 6th November, 1899.

John Thomas Jones, stoker, twenty-three years of age, a native of Derby, 5 ft. 4½ in. high, brown hair, hazel eyes, fair complexion, cut on right elbow.

On 11th November, 1899.

James Cardoe, qualified signalman, nineteen years of age, a native of Bathgate, Linlithgow, 5 ft. 7 in. high, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, scar on right side of neck.

A reward not exceeding £3, and expenses, will be paid for the arrest of each of the above men within a period of two years.

Horse- and Cattle-stealing.

PAHIATUA.—**Charles Murcott** is charged on warrant with having, at Makuri, on the 25th ultimo, stolen a dark-bay gelding, aged, 12½ hands high, white streak down face, hair on tail thin at one joint, brand unknown, a model-looking hack; and a colonial-made saddle, with large nickel four-bar stirrups—maker, Wiggins, Wellington; value, in all, £15. Accused is a colonial, a labourer, twenty-two

years of age, about 5 ft. 6 in. high, fair hair and complexion, no hair on face, blue eyes. Last seen on the 27th ultimo near Woodville, riding the stolen horse, and dressed in a black slouched hat, dark navy-blue coat, grey trousers, and new tan shoes; carried a swag rolled up in a sack on front of saddle. Supposed to have gone to Napier, and will probably sell the horse on the way and endeavour to leave the colony for Sydney. His parents reside at or near Dunedin.

CAMBRIDGE.—James McLiesh, saddler, Tirau, reports stolen from a paddock at Cambridge, on the 18th or 19th ultimo, a light-bay gelding, aged, about 15 hands high, one hind hoof white, branded like P on near shoulder, patchy white spots under saddle, used to saddle and harness; value, £10.

HUNTLY.—James Gerrard, storekeeper, Rangiriri, reports stolen, between the 18th September and 16th November last, five head of mixed cattle, two years old, branded G on right shoulder, ear-mark, slit on top of left ear; value, £10.

KARANGAHAKE.—Thomas Cummings, settler, Owharoa, reports stolen from a paddock, on the 28th or 29th October last, a dark-bay gelding, back bred, stiff nuggetty build, branded like F on near shoulder, good in harness, shod all round; value, £10.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1897, page 62; and 1898, page 39.)

WANGANUI.—William (or James) Shears, charged with the theft of Alexander Chase's horse (recovered), has been arrested by Detective F. Bishop, Wanganui police, on information supplied by Detective G. Fitzgerald, of Timaru, and remanded.

FEILDING.—Hans Mortensen, farmer, Makino, reports stolen from a paddock, on the 27th ultimo, a light-bay mare, back bred, nine years old, sixteen hands high, small star on forehead, shod all round, brand two R's (conjoined) on near shoulder; value, £18.

Missing Friends.

THOMAS MURPHY is inquired for by the Winton police. Description: A native of New Zealand, a labourer and rabbit-biter, twenty-three years of age, 5 ft. 11½ in. high, stout and well built, dark-brown hair, small fair moustache only, full face, single, usually wears a dark-serge suit. Said to have been seen at the Bluff on the 6th ultimo. Inquiry is for the purpose of having him bound over to appear at the Supreme Court, Invercargill, on the 6th February next, as a witness for the defence in the case against Henderson and Gerrard for maliciously shooting and killing a horse.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 221.)

JOHN DUNCAN has been found at Greenfield Station.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 210.)

LEONARD WOLFE, also known as Woberton, is in the employ of Mr. J. J. Webb, of Manaroa, near Picton.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 251.)

WILLIAM MELODY'S body has been found on the Wangaeu Beach, and at an inquest held on the 22nd ultimo an open verdict was returned.

Miscellaneous Information.

Appointment as Constable.

WILCOCKS, JAMES SELLERS, No. 936, 2nd instant.

Resignation.

CONSTABLE LOMAX, HENRY PERRY, No. 877, 30th ultimo.

Rewards.

CONSTABLE H. W. WILLIAMS, No. 909, has been awarded £6 for services in obtaining convictions for sly-grog selling at Otorohanga and Te Kuiti. (99/2004.)

NATIVE CONSTABLE J. BEAZLEY, Rawene, has been awarded £3 for obtaining a conviction against Waata Taiawhio for sly-grog selling at Rakauwahi. (99/2026.)

CONSTABLE P. J. DUNN, No. 127, Mangonui police, has been awarded £3 for obtaining the conviction of J. Kralavich for sly-grog selling. (99/2029.)

Fire-brigades.

(Circular No. 36/99.)

INSPECTORS in charge of districts are requested to furnish the following information for the Registrar-General:—

1. Place where brigade is situated.
2. Number of officers, as on 31st December, 1899.
3. Number of men.

J. B. TUNBRIDGE,

Commissioner of Police.

Wellington, 4th December, 1899.

"Arms Act, 1880."—Expiration of Dealers' Licenses.

LICENSING OFFICERS are reminded that dealers' licenses are in force for only one year from the date specified on each license, and if the persons to whom they were issued continue to deal in arms, gunpowder, &c., after the expiration of that period they must obtain new licenses.

General attention is also directed to the Order in Council and instructions, *vide Police Gazette*, 1898, pages 164 and 172.

Summary Jurisdiction in Indictable Offences.—Regina v. Anderson.

THE following decision of His Honour Mr. Justice Edwards, taken from the *Wellington Evening Post* of 1st June, 1899, is published for general information:—

The question for determination, His Honour said, was whether the jurisdiction of the superior Courts over certain indictable offences mentioned in "The Indictable Offences Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1894," was taken away by that Act, which gave a summary jurisdiction over such offences to two Justices or a Magistrate. There could be no doubt that the general rule, as laid down by Tindall, C.J., was that "the jurisdiction of the superior Courts was not taken away except by express words or necessary implication." Lord Campbell had laid down a similar rule. It was true, however, that jurisdiction might be taken away by implication as well as by express words, but the intention must in that case be necessarily implied. Applying the general rules laid down to the question now under consideration, there was, in his Honour's opinion, no difficulty in arriving at the conclusion that the jurisdiction of the superior Courts was not, by "The Indictable Offences Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1894," taken away with respect to the offences therein mentioned. Prior to this enactment the Justices had, under sections 176–194 of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882," power to deal summarily with certain indictable offences. This power was in all cases to be exercised at their discretion, and in most cases only with the consent of the person charged. Those provisions were repealed by the Act of 1894. To support the contention of the prisoner's counsel it would be necessary to read section 4 of the Act as though it ran: "The offences mentioned in this Act which were heretofore indictable shall cease to be indictable, and any two or more Justices and a Magistrate shall have summary jurisdiction and authority in respect of such offences." No change in the language less violent would support the contention advanced, and his Honour thought that it was plain that such a change could not upon any principle be made. There was nothing in the Act which, in his opinion, led to the inference that this was the intention of the Legislature. On the contrary, some of the offences mentioned in the Act were of so shocking a character that it was impossible to suppose that it was intended that they should in all cases be dealt with summarily, or that if the offenders could escape prosecution for six months they should evade all punishment for their crimes. The result, in his Honour's opinion, was that an offender who may under the Act be dealt with summarily by Justices may yet at their discretion be committed by them for trial by a superior Court, and that such an offender who has evaded prosecution for six months must be so committed for trial. It was contended by counsel for the prisoner that if the jurisdiction of the superior Courts was not taken away, the limitation of time within which prosecutions under the Act of 1894 must be begun applied to prosecutions under the provisions of the Criminal Code Act for the same offences, and that consequently offenders who may be summarily dealt with under the Act of 1894 cannot after the expiration of six months from the date of their offences be prosecuted under the Criminal Code Act. No authority was cited in support of that contention, and it was sufficient to say that it appeared to be quite untenable. No costs were allowed.

Extract from New South Wales Police Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1899, page 418.)

SYDNEY.—Escaped, about 2.30 p.m. on the 16th instant, from the Central Police Station, **Charles Creagh**, who is under committal for trial at the Central Criminal Court, on a charge of manslaughter, and **George Solomon**, who is charged with breaking and entering. Creagh is thirty years of age, 5 ft. 6½ in. high, medium build, brown hair, fair moustache, scar in centre of forehead; dressed in blue serge sac-suit, and black hard hat. Identical with discharged prisoner of same name, *vide Police Gazette*, 1898, page 103. Solomon is twenty-three years of age, 5 ft. 4½ in. high, medium build, sallow complexion, brown hair, dark moustache only, Jewish appearance, scar on left temple, two moles on left cheek; dressed in a blue serge sac-suit and brown soft-felt hat, with band around it. Identical with discharged prisoner George D. Solomon, *vide Police Gazette*, 1899, page 226. [For photographs see New South Wales Police Gazette, page as above quoted.]

RETURN OF PRISONERS REPORTED AS DISCHARGED FROM GAOLS DURING THE FORTNIGHT ENDED 25TH NOVEMBER, 1899.

Gaol, and Name of Prisoner.	Where tried.	When.	Offence.	Sentence.	Native of	Trade.	Birth.	Height.	Complexion.	Hair.	Eyes.	Nose.	Remarks, and Previous Convictions.
Auckland Joseph McGrath	Auckland	11/11/99	assault	..	Ireland	bushman	1872 5 2½	5 ft. 2½	fresh	dark brown	blue	long, crooked	Right little finger off; two anchors on left arm. Fine paid.
Edward Peter Neilson	Auckland	14/11/99	default of maintenance	remanded to Christchurch	Christch'ch	dairyman	1875 5 9	9	fresh	black	dk. grey	medium	Stout build; hair thin forepart of head; long scar at left knee.
Henry Dyer	Auckland	15/11/99	theft	..	Auckland	scullery-boy	1884 5 3½	3½	fair	red	blue	prominent	Slight build; wart on right hand.
William Williams	Auckland	9/11/99	theft	..	Auckland	labourer	1878 5 3	3	fresh	dark brown	lt. grey	medium	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 187.
William Hinton	Auckland	16/10/99	obstructing police	..	Auckland	labourer	1878 5 3	3	fresh	dark brown	lt. grey	medium	Scar on left forefinger; cross on right arm.
George Miller	Auckland	3/11/99	false pretence (3 charges)	..	England	canvasser	1863 5 10½	10½	fresh	dark brown	brown	medium	Small scar on right cheek and left arm.
Annie Robertson	Auckland	17/10/99	habitual drunkenness	..	Sydney	herbalist	1842 5 10½	10½	dark	black, turning grey	lt. hazel	crooked	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 245.
William Frank Baker, <i>alias</i> "Ballarat Bill," <i>alias</i> Becker	Thames	17/5/99	threatening language	..	Sydney	herbalist	1842 5 10½	10½	dark	black, turning grey	lt. hazel	crooked	13 p.c. Stout build; large mouth; all front teeth out; scar across left eye, nose, and right cheek; ruptured left side.
Annie Francis Maunder	Te Awamutu	20/10/99	assault	..	Ireland	..	1856 5 7½	7½	sallow	brown, turning grey	lt. blue	small	Stout build; large mouth.
Te Ngene, <i>alias</i> William Hamilton	Rawene	13/6/99	theft	..	N. Zealand	labourer	1856 5 5½	5½	copper	black	dark br.	flat	HARIATA on left arm; top off left forefinger; left little finger stiff.
John Clements, <i>alias</i> Fleming, <i>alias</i> Gaffney, &c.	Huntly	21/9/99	theft	..	Scotland	labourer	1837 5 6½	6½	sallow	grey	blue-grey	long	24 p.c. Slight build; scar on nose and right arm; right little finger contracted.
Michael Hudson, <i>alias</i> Neill, <i>alias</i> Brannigan, &c.	Auckland	22/9/99	rogue and vagabond	..	Adelaide	labourer	1860 5 6½	6½	sandy	dark brown	lt. grey	small	7 p.c. Stout build; half-witted; two scars on right arm. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1895, page 126.)
Mary Jane Rooke	Auckland	15/11/99	drunkenness	..	England	..	1852 5 3½	3½	sallow	dark brown	blue	large	2 p.c. Almost blind; scar on nose and right eyebrow. See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 118.
Percy Joseph Bosworth	Auckland	7/11/99	drunkenness	..	England	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 235.
John Joseph Inkster	Auckland	23/10/99	habitual drunkenness	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 235.
Samuel Joy	Auckland	20/11/99	resisting police	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 245.
Nganaho Nepe Teawapouri	Auckland	20/11/99	assaulting police	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 245.
William, <i>alias</i> John Williams, Shearman	Auckland	20/11/99	cattle-stealing	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 214.
Archibald Roy Parvin	Auckland	22/11/99	theft	..	Auckland	bootmaker	1877 5 4½	4½	fresh	black, curly	lt. grey	prominent	Four upper front teeth out; prominent upper lip; two small scars on left wrist and one on left thumb; burn-scar above left ankle.
John Henry Madeley	Paeora	27/10/99	false pretence	..	England	labourer	1861 5 4	4	dark	black	brown	small	Long scar on left arm and one below right little finger.
Charles, <i>alias</i> George, West	Auckland	20/11/99	forgery	..	N. Zealand	billiard-marker	1873 5 8½	8½	fresh	dark brown	lt. blue	large	Large mouth; two pimples on right cheek; mole under left breast. Photographed at Auckland, 20/11/99.
David Morrison	Auckland	26/8/99	bribe	..	Ireland	grocer's assistant	1874 5 8	8	fresh	light brown	blue-grey	medium	Burn-scar on right wrist; scar on left thumb and on first and second left fingers.
Gisborne Louisa Peterson	Gisborne	8/11/99	theft	..	Norway	washer-woman	1842 5 0	0	fair	fair	blue	flat	..
Hakaraia Taingahue	Gisborne	26/11/99	theft	..	N. Zealand	labourer	1878 5 3½	3½	copper	black	brown	flat	..
Napier Frank, <i>alias</i> Christopher Emile, Anderson	Napier	14/11/99	theft	..	Norway	sailor	1868 5 6½	6½	fair	light brown	blue	medium	4 p.c. Anchor, heart, cross, and wreath on right arm; anchor on right hand; woman's head and wreath on left wrist; star on left hand; ring on left middle finger. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 202.)
Jack Rakatairi	Hastings	15/11/99	theft	..	N. Zealand	shearer	1877 5 7	7	lt. copper	black	brown	broad, flat	Has lost an upper front tooth; moles on back of neck; forehead narrow. Fine paid.

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Gaol, and Name of Prisoner.	Where tried.	When.	Offence.	Sentence.	Native of	Trade.	Born.	Height.	Complexion.	Hair.	Eyes.	Nose.	Remarks, and Previous Convictions.
Napier —continued. John Cuddy, alias Murphy	Waipawa	11/11/99	vagrancy	7 days	Ireland	labourer	1847	6 1	sallow	fair	blue	large	8 p.c. Large mouth and chin; strong build; scar at outer corner of left eye.
James James	Napier	17/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 48 hours	England	labourer	1843	5 6½	dark	black, turning grey	hazel	long	1 p.c. Large mouth; bald; wart on left eyelid; mole in bend of left arm. See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 97.
Frances Middleton	Napier	2/2/99	incorrigible rogue	12 months	England	..	1854	5 2½	pale	dark brown, turning grey	blue	large, crooked	11 p.c. Has lost nearly all her teeth; scar on right brow; nose injured.
Frances Curry, alias Jones	Woodville	26/9/99	vagrancy	2 months	N. Zealand	labourer	1872	5 5	fresh,	red	grey	rather	Full lips; very bad teeth; mole over left eye and two on left cheek; soars and birth-mark on left arm.
Jas. McCrouther	Hastings	8/11/99	lunacy	discharged	N. Zealand	labourer	1882	5 4	sallow	light brown	brown	medium	Scar on upper lip and on right cheek; slight cast in both eyes.
New Plymouth — George Oron	N. Plymouth	12/4/99	assault	9 months	N. Zealand	labourer	1845	5 7	sallow	black, turning grey	blue	medium	Wart and scar on left side of nose; round shoulders. See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 86.
Francis Sweeney	N. Plymouth	11/11/99	drunkenness	remanded	Ireland	labourer	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 86.
Wanganui — Joseph Keene	Feilding	4/10/99	trespassing on a race-course	1 month	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 86.
John Edward Bailey	Wanganui	20/11/99	indecent assault	acquitt'd at D.C.	England	labourer	1865	5 3½	fresh	fair	blue	sharp	JEB and two scars on left arm; anchor on right arm.
Annie Johnston	Foxton	10/11/99	illegally on premises	14 days	Denmark	prostitute	1866	4 11	fresh	brown	brown	pug	Repeatedly convicted.
Wellington — Frederick Lyness, alias Thomas Black, alias Thompson, &c.	Wellington	15/5/99	theft	3 months	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Numerous p.c. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 86.)
Thomas Jones	Wellington	16/8/99	theft	3 months	Ireland	fireman	1854	5 7½	dark	grey	grey	large	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 189. Blue dot near left thumb; right little finger injured; strong build.
Henry Erwin	Wellington	16/11/99	manslaughter	acquitt'd at S.C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 p.c. Indistinct tattoo-mark on right hand.
James Butler	Wellington	23/8/99	vagrancy	3 months	England	seaman	1854	5 5	fresh	dark brown	grey	large, oblique	Right little finger has been broken.
George William Benson	Wellington	4/11/99	theft	14 days	England	labourer	1861	5 9½	fair	light brown	blue	medium	Large scar on upper lip.
Jack Terry	Wellington	6/11/99	assault	14 days	N. Zealand	labourer	1882	5 8	fresh	light brown	brown	large	Dimple on chin.
Samuel James	Wellington	16/11/99	obscene language	7 days	England	cook	1876	5 8½	fair	brown	grey	medium	Pierced heart on right arm; T on left hand; tattoo-marks on left arm. Bailed.
James Taylor, alias Thomas Coles	Nelson	20/9/99	attempted rape	com. for trial.	N. Zealand	labourer	1877	5 6½	fair	light brown	blue	medium	..
..	Levin	23/9/99	theft	2 months	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	Nelson	30/10/99	theft	7 days	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wairoa — Pirihī Kaihōe	Nelson	30/10/99	damage	4 days, or fine	N. Zealand	labourer	1849	5 9	dark	black	brown	large	Previously committed to asylum.
Westport — John Barber	Wairoa	26/10/99	rescuing cattle from being impounded	from fine, or 14 days	England	coal-miner	1843	5 7½	fair	sandy	blue	small	Scar on right cheek.
Hokitika — Annie Whickman	Westport	13/11/99	lunacy	com. to asylum	England	..	1838	5 3½	fair	dark	grey	long	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 121.
Lytelton — James McGuire	Greymouth	11/11/99	vagrancy	14 days	Ireland	washer-woman	1838	5 3½	sallow	dark	grey	long	..
..	Akaroa	14/8/99	assaulting police	3 months	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	Christchurch	13/11/99	resisting police	3 months	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
William Rae	Christchurch	13/11/99	drunk and disorderly	fine, or 1 month	N. Zealand	jockey	1878	5 4½	fresh	brown	grey	large	1 p.c.
Henry Stockman	H.M.S.	18/10/99	theft	12 mo's probation	England	A.B.	1871	5 5½	dark	dark brown	brown	medium	..
..	"Mildura"	10/11/99	breaking away from working-party on shore	from 28 days	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Frederick Hoppe	Lytelton	10/11/99	drunk and disorderly	fine, or 4 days	Germany	seaman	1870	5 5	fresh	dark brown	light br.	medium	Stout build; emblem and FH on left arm; three upper front teeth out.
Frank Berkett	Christchurch	17/2/96	attempted rape	6 days	N. Zealand	labourer	1866	5 6½	fair	fair	hazel	medium	Indistinct tattoo-spots on left arm.
Eliza Begarie	Christchurch	17/10/99	soliciting prostitution	5 years	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 87.

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Gaol, and Name of Prisoner.	Where tried.	When.	Offence.	Sentence.	Native of	Trade.	Boys.	Height.	Complexion.	Hair.	Eyes.	Nose.	Remarks, and Previous Convictions.
Lytelton —continued.													
Adelan Shott ..	Christchurch	14/11/99	theft	fine, or 48 hours	England	bootmaker & debt collector	5 8½	fresh	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 255.
William Hedley Payne ..	Christchurch	4/11/99	keeping unregistered dog	fine, or 24 hours	England	gardener	5 2½	fresh	..	..	..	..	Ruptured on left side; left wrist has been broken.
Henry George Walsh ..	Christchurch	11/11/99	fishing without a license	fine, or 12 hours	Ballarat	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Right leg stiff.
Neils Ludwig, alias Ludovick ..	Christchurch	18/8/99	vagrancy	3 months	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 57.
Roland Kirk ..	Christchurch	15/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 24 hours	Scotland	bootmaker	5 3½	swarthy	..	..	..	..	Tombstone and "In memory of my beloved wife, Agnes, died 1868, aged 17 years" on right arm; ship and anchor on right arm; flowers on left arm; star on each wrist.
Henry Stratford ..	Timaru	13/6/99	wilful damage	fine, or 48 hours	England	seaman	5 4	fresh	..	..	..	..	10 p.c. Crucifix and JCM on left arm; bracelet on right wrist; rings on fingers of each hand.
James Hoskins, alias Chubb ..	Christchurch	21/8/99	theft	3 months	England	labourer	5 4½	fresh	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 38.
Thomas Richards ..	Rangiora	14/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 7 days	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 173.
James O'Connell, alias O'Connor, alias O'Donovan ..	Christchurch	14/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 24 hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 173.
Mary Haynes, alias Kelly, alias Smith ..	Christchurch	14/11/99	indecentcy	7 days	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 237.
Anthony Ferrick ..	Christchurch	23/8/99	drunkenness	fine, or 24 hours	Ireland	labourer	5 4½	fresh	..	..	..	..	Repeatedly convicted.
Emily Russell ..	Christchurch	23/8/99	vagrancy	3 months	England	prostitute	5 1½	fresh	..	..	..	..	Repeatedly convicted. Burn-mark on left side of neck.
Charles McMahon, alias P. C. Maomahon ..	Waimate	26/9/99	false pretences	2 months	England	surveyor	5 6½	fresh	..	..	..	..	Scar on forehead and on right leg.
Christina Lawson ..	Christchurch	26/10/99	drunkenness	1 month	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 247.
James Campbell ..	Christchurch	11/11/99	stone-throwing	fine, or 14 days	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 255.
Timaru —													
John Burke O'Brien ..	Timaru	14/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 24 hours	Scotland	labourer	5 5½	fresh	..	..	..	..	Numerous p.c. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 217.)
Andrew Gilmore ..	Timaru	17/10/99	drunkenness	1 month	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 p.c. Scar on right cheek. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1896, page 178.)
John Armstrong ..	Temuka	13/11/99	indecentcy	48 hours	England	labourer	5 3½	fresh	..	..	..	..
Oamaru —													
Angus Stewart ..	Oamaru	13/11/99	lunacy	discharged	Scotland	labourer	5 6	fair	..	..	..	..
Dunedin —													
Charles John McLennon, alias Criss, alias McClelland, &c. ..	Dunedin	6/3/99	theft from a dwelling	10 months	N. Zealand	carter	5 6½	fresh	..	..	..	..	6 p.c. Photographed at Dunedin, 10/11/99. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1897, page 161.)
Alfred George Weippert ..	Dunedin	9/6/99	theft	6 months	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 111.
Benjamin Smith, alias Thompson ..	Dunedin	3/11/99	theft	14 days	N. Zealand	labourer	5 3½	fresh	..	..	..	..	6 p.c. (See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1898, page 15.)
Kate France ..	Dunedin	8/11/99	theft	remanded	England	matron	5 4	fair	..	..	..	..	Died in hospital 9th November, 1899.
Patrick Glynn ..	Dunedin	23/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 24 hours	N. Zealand	miner	5 9½	fair	..	..	..	..	J (reversed) and E on left arm; gun-shot wound on right leg; right leg shorter than left. Bailed.
James Eccles ..	Dunedin	15/11/99	breaking and entering, and theft	remanded	N. Zealand	carriage-trimmer	5 4	fair	..	..	..	..
Invercargill —													
William Lee ..	Invercargill	6/6/99	forgery	6 months	Scotland	sailor	5 7½	fair	..	..	..	..	Bracelet on both wrists; W. LEE on left arm; mole on left cheek.
John Dwyer ..	Gore	14/11/99	drunkenness	7 days	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	See <i>Police Gazette</i> , 1899, page 40.
James Hickey ..	Invercargill	14/11/99	drunkenness	fine, or 24 hours	Ireland	labourer	5 5	fresh	..	..	..	..	Small mouth.

