PROPERTY RECOVERED.

QUEEN STREET WHARF (AUCKLAND).—HAROLD ERNEST WAUGH'S dinghy has been recovered and offender arrested by the Auckland police. (See Police Gazette, 1940, page 315.)

Hamilton.—ETHEL LENTFER'S bicycle has been recovered by the Hamilton police. (See Police Gazette, 1940, page 357.)

GISBORNE.—GRAHAME STEWART'S bicycle has been recovered by the Wairoa police. (See Police Gazette, 1940, page 158.)

NAPIER.—ERIC FREDERICK PETTIFER'S bicycle has been found, not stolen. (See Police Gazette, 1940, page 158.)

[Christchurch.—YEE WAPS watch has been recovered and the offender arrested by the Christchurch police. (See Police Gazette, 1940, page 171.)

DUNEDIN.—DIANA MARIE GRAFTON'S watch and ring have been found, not stolen. (See Police Gazette, 1940, page 369.)

MISSING.

HELENSVILLE,-Since the 18th December last, Walter Ronald Miller, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 5 in., labourer, native

Ronald Miller, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 5 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, sallow complexion, hollow chested; usually dressed in green trousers and coat; quiet manner. He left his employment with Mr. A. R. Hanson, farmer, Parakai, on the 18th December last, leaving his motor-cycle and working clothes behind, and nothing has since been heard of him. If located he is to be induced to communicate with his sister, Miss M. Miller, 110 Yarrow Street, Invercargill.

Located: 144955

Auckland.—Since the 17th ultimo—(1) William Albert Ryan, age twenty-three, height 5 ft. 8\frac{3}{2} in., naval reservist, native of New Zealand; wearing trousers, probably white jumper, and an oilskin. (2) Desmond Clyde Waite, age twenty, height 5 ft. 5\frac{1}{2} in., naval reservist, native of New Zealand, dark grey eyes; wearing trousers, probably white jumper, and an oilskin. On the 17th ultimo, in company with another man whose body has been found, they went for a cruise in a small yacht and failed to return. Fears are entertained for their safety.

ABSENTEES FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

Auckland.—30th March last, on warrant for being absent from the Ngaruawahia Mobilization Camp, Nathaniel Charles Henry Weston, age twenty-three, height 5 ft. 6½ in., native of New Zealand, medium build. arrested 14/8/40.

Auckland.—8th ultimo, on warrant for being absent from North Head Military Camp without leave, Samuel Lewis, age fifty-two, height 5 ft. 9 in., barman, native of New Zealand, fair complexion, brown hair turning grey, brown eyes, wrinkled face, two vaccination-scars on left arm; slow quivering speech. slow quivering speech. A rested, 6/2/52.

AUCKLAND.—29th March last, on warrant for being absent from Papakura Mobilization Camp without leave, Ernest from Papakura Mobilization Camp without leave, Ernest Edward Davies, age twenty-seven, height 5 ft. 9 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, three vaccination scars on left arm; a member of the New Zealand Medical Corps. He may be identical with a man of the same name referred to in Police Gazette, 1933, page 739, and Photographs, 1932, page 58.

Auckland.—Ist ultimo, on warrant for being absent from North Head Military Camp without leave, Tracy Fry, age twenty-three, height 5 ft. 11 in., motor salesman, native of Australia, fresh complexion, fair hair, hazel eyes, scar on right thigh, slight nazal accent. He was a gunner in the 13th Heavy Battery, New Zealand Artillery.

arrested 10/7/40.

DESERTER FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

DEVONPORT.—18th ultimo, on warrant for deserting from H.M.S. "Achilles," Alfred Dodds Walton, age thirty-five, height 5 ft. 8\frac{3}{2} in., blacksmith, native of England, strong build, sallow complexion, dark-brown hair, blue eyes, scar on left elbow.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Appointment as Detective.

No. 3313. Harris, Arthur Gaythorne. 1st April, 1940.

Dismissed.

No. 3629. Constable Bovett, John Charles Lawrence.

24th April, 1940, No. 3622. Co April, 1940. Constable Aitken, Adolphus Kitchener. 24th

Resigned.

No. 3109. Constable Wells, Harry John. 30th April, 1940.

Memorandum.

Motor Registration: Re-licensing of Vehicles for Year ending 31st May, 1941.

The following copy of a memorandum received from the Registrar of Motor-vehicles is published for general information. It is desired that proceedings be taken against persons observed to be using motor-vehicles on and after 1st June next with the old number-plates (black numerals and border-line on orange ground) attached, but in cases where a motorist, having purchased new registration-plates, has a valid reason for not having them affixed on the 1st June to the motor-vehicle to which they belong, discretion should be exercised as to whether a prosecution should should be exercised as to whether a prosecution should necessarily follow, as each case should be judged on its merits. When it is desired to ascertain from the Motor Registration

Office the name and address of the owner of a motor-vehicle bearing the old number-plates, application should be made by memorandum from the Officer in Charge of the District to the Registrar of Motor-vehicles, Wellington.

D. J. CUMMINGS, Commissioner of Police. Wellington, 9th May, 1940. (P. 40/545.)

> Office of Registrar of Motor-vehicles, Wellington, C. 1, 3rd May, 1940,

M.R. 15.

Memorandum for

The Commissioner of Police, Wellington.

MOTOR REGISTRATION: RE-LICENSING OF MOTOR-VEHICLES FOR YEAR 1940-41.

The re-licensing of motor-vehicles for the ensuing year is being commenced at all Deputy Registrars' Offices throughout the Dominion on Monday the 6th instant. All motor-vehicles in use on public highways on and after the 1st June next should have the new year's plates (white numerals and border line on a venetian-red ground; the symbol being a diamond) affixed thereto as an indication that they have been both licensed and insured for the 1940-41 licensing year. year.

No changes have been made insofar as the issuance of

plates for the year 1940-41 is concerned.

I would like again to express appreciation of the assistance received from your Department in the past in co-operating with my officers with a view to ensuring that owners of motor-vehicles comply with the re-licensing and insurance requirements, and I should be glad if you would again circularize the various police-stations asking them to take action against motorists using their motor-vehicles on public highways on and after 1st June next with the obsolete (black on orange) plates attached thereto. As you are aware, such breaches are viewed seriously, as owners who have not re-licensed their vehicles are not covered in terms of the Motor-vehicles Insurance (Third-party Risks) Act, 1928.

J. G. Young, Acting Registrar of Motor-vehicles.