

CONSTABLES J. CONNELL, No. 666, Lyttelton, and F. J. COLLINS, No. 911, Christchurch, have been awarded £1 each for arresting absentees from H.M.S. "Tauranga." (00/28.)

Extract from Victoria Police Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1900, page 51.)

ROBERT PERCY MOFFAT is charged, on warrant, with larceny as a servant of £6 5s. on Thomas Cook and Son, Collins Street, Melbourne, at Melbourne, on the 16th July, 1899. Description: Twenty-eight years of age, about 5 ft. 8½ in. high, clean-shaven, grey, almost white hair, which is thick, round face; wears a blue-serge suit or a dark-tweed suit and a black hard hat. Left Melbourne by the express train on the 16th instant for Sydney, taking a large-size new brown Gladstone bag, with the intention of proceeding to New Zealand. His arrest is desirable in any of the Australasian Colonies. Information sworn at the instance of George Henry Robert Hatch, manager for the firm.—O.768. 25th January, 1900.

Extract from Tasmania Police Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1900, page 13.)

MERSEY AND LATROBE DISTRICTS.—Edward Dye is charged on warrant issued on the 12th instant by P. C. Maxwell, Esq., P.M., for that he, since the 1st day of August, 1899, has left his wife, Emily Josephine Dye, and his children, John Charles, James Herbert, and Arthur, at Latrobe, without means of support. Description: Fifty years of age, height 5 ft. 6 in., sandy hair and moustache, fair complexion; a bricklayer or plasterer by trade. Was recently at Burnie. May go to the West Coast or New Zealand.

Extract from New Zealand Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1900, page 212.)

Regulations for Netting Trout in the Lakes in the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred by "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said Act; and doth hereby declare that such regulations shall have effect within that part of the Provincial District of Canterbury comprising the Counties of Geraldine and Levels, and that portion of the County of Mackenzie lying to the east of a line commencing at Mount Cook, and proceeding by a right line over the Ball Hut to the Tasman Glacier; thence along the western boundary of the Tasman Glacier to the Tasman River; thence by a line along the middle of that river, and the middle of Lake Pukaki, and the middle of the Pukaki River, to the Waitaki River; together with the Borough of Timaru.

REGULATIONS.

1. UNTIL otherwise ordered by His Excellency the Governor, the South Canterbury Acclimatisation Society (hereinafter termed "the said society") shall have the control and management of all salmon and trout now in or hereafter to be placed in the lakes in the district to which these regulations relate, and for this purpose may divide the lakes in the said district into suitable areas; the right of netting such areas to be let by the said society from year to year, or, at the option of the said society, for any term not exceeding three years, in such manner as the said society shall think fit.

2. The season for netting trout shall extend from the 1st day of October in any year to the 15th day of April in the year following: Provided that in letting any right of netting the said society shall have power to restrict the season for such netting.

3. No nets of a smaller mesh than four inches in diameter (when the net is wetted) shall be used in any portion of the said district for the taking of trout, and all trout taken weighing less than three pounds shall be forthwith returned to the water from whence taken.

4. No net for the taking of fish of any kind or description whatever shall be used or set or placed in any of the rivers, or streams, or creeks within the said district, or within one

mile of the mouth of any river, stream, or creek within the said district.

5. No person shall be permitted to use a net for the purpose of fishing in any of the lakes aforesaid unless he holds a valid license so to do from the secretary of the said society. Any person holding a license to fish for trout, perch, or tench with rod and line only, under the hand of the secretary of the said society, may fish with rod and line in any of the aforesaid lakes, anything contained in these regulations notwithstanding.

6. Notwithstanding anything contained in the regulations for the time being in force for fishing for trout, perch, or tench with rod and line, it shall be lawful for every person duly licensed to net trout to sell any trout which he may have lawfully netted, and it shall be lawful for persons to purchase such trout. The said society may also issue licenses to persons (others than the holders of licenses to net) to sell trout lawfully netted: Provided that it shall not be obligatory on the said society to issue a license to any person. In the case of a prosecution against any person for having unlawfully purchased trout, it shall be a sufficient defence if such person can prove that such trout were purchased from any person having a license to sell the same.

7. Licenses to sell lake trout will be issued only on the express condition that the society, by its officers, rangers, inspectors, constables, members of the council, or any other person duly authorised, shall have full power at all reasonable times to enter the shop or premises of any person holding a license, and to request the licensee to produce his books showing all the particulars required by these regulations to be kept and entered; and it shall be a breach of these regulations for the licensee to withhold from any of such persons as aforesaid any material information relative to such particulars which he is able to give, or which such persons may reasonably require, relating to the taking, procuring, or selling of trout.

8. Every holder of a license to sell lake trout shall keep a book wherein shall be entered the true christian and surnames of every person from whom such license-holder shall purchase or procure any lake trout, specifying the number and weight of trout purchased from each person, and the district, and the exact locality in which such trout was or were taken; and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these regulations, a penalty of not less than one pound shall be incurred for any breach of this section.

9. No person shall use any dynamite or other explosive substance whatever, or any lime or other noxious material of any kind or description whatever, for the purpose of taking or procuring lake trout.

10. Every person committing a breach of these regulations shall on conviction be liable to a penalty, unless otherwise specially provided, of not less than one pound and not exceeding fifty pounds, and his license or licenses thereupon shall immediately become forfeited, without any compensation whatever.

11. These regulations shall come into force on and from the date of the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

(From *Gazette*, 1900, pages 301, 303, and 304.)

Shooting Season for Deer, License-fee, &c., County of Wairarapa South.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that red-deer (stags only) may be taken or killed within the County of Wairarapa South (excepting therefrom the area described in the Schedule hereto) from the seventeenth day of February to the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wellington, and the Postmasters at Masterton, Carterton, Greytown North, Featherston, and Martinborough, are hereby appointed to issue the said licenses; and I do further notify that the said licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued subject to the following condition, namely, that no stag shall be killed carrying antlers with less than ten points.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area of land in the Huangarua Survey District, in the County of Wairarapa South, being Sections 29 to 41 inclusive, 59, 71, 72, 75, 79, 83, 90, 93, 97, 98, and part of