

stout build; hair on arms, breast, and stomach; several small indentures (like pock-marks) on cheeks, one on each temple; three dim vaccine-marks on each up-arm; small flesh-mole, $1\frac{1}{2}$ in., to right of centre of base of back of neck; religion, Protestant; legitimate occupation, book-keeper; education, public (college). He was convicted in San Joaquin County of forgery and embezzlement (three commitments) and sent to San Quentin Prison in 1883, his sentence being commuted in 1887. He is wanted for forgery and embezzlement committed while employed at the prison. He is a fine penman, and has a decidedly German accent. For inquiry only. Information to the Commissioner of Police, Wellington.

Housebreaking, Stealing from the Person, &c.

AUCKLAND.—Henderson and Spraggon, boatbuilders, report that between the 18th and 20th ultimo their shop was broken into and about 20 lb. of brass spikes and a carpenter's square, brass-mounted, stolen; value, £1 3s. Square only identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—Charles Maitland, carpenter, reports stolen from his bedroom in the Enterprise Restaurant, Customs Street, on the 16th or 17th ultimo, a ladies' Geneva silver hunting-watch, No. 86090, maker unknown, No. 66098 on case; value, £2 10s. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—Harry Fountain reports stolen from his dwelling, Vincent Street, on the 17th ultimo, a white gem hat with black band, a sable-coloured fur for the neck, a ladies' green-coloured mackintosh with velvet collar, W. Bond stamped on inside; value, £4 3s. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—Mary Helen Trent, Cook Street, reports stolen from her dwelling, between the 8th April and 15th ultimo, two cardboard shirt-boxes full of silk and satin ribbons of various widths and shades; value, £10. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Mrs. Curtis. Description: About fifty years of age, about 5 ft. 7 in. high, stoutish build, reddish hair; sells watercress.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 123.)

KIHIKIHI.—Theft of jewellery, the property of George Barnes. A Maori named Tukino has been arrested for the offence by Constable J. Fitzgerald. Property recovered.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 114.)

NAPIER.—William Higgins, alias O'Brien, alias Price, charged with assaulting and robbing Cornelius Brosnan, has been arrested by Constable H. J. Montgomery, Auckland police, on a charge of being illegally on premises, and sentenced to three months for the offence.

OTAKI.—Charles A. Hooper, farmer, reports stolen from him at the racecourse, on the 24th ultimo, a gentlemen's silver English lever watch, No. 7556, maker Bell & Co., London; value, £6 10s.

OTAKI.—James Alexander Muir, clerk, Waikanae, reports stolen from him at the Otaki Railway-station, on the 24th ultimo, a gentlemen's silver Waltham hunting-watch, number unknown, monogram "J.A.M." engraved on outside of case, silver chain with thin links attached; value, £3. Identifiable.

OTAKI.—About 3 a.m. 25th ultimo, the Wellington and Manawatu Railway-station was broken into, and an attempt made to blow open the safe with dynamite, which had been placed in the keyhole, with about 7 in. of fuse. Three men were seen to run away; one is described as tall, and the other two as small men. A number of spiliers and thieves were at Otaki during the races.

TENUI.—John Stein, labourer, reports stolen from him at Aohanga, on the 27th or 28th ultimo, five £1 notes. Not identifiable. Suspicion attached to Thomas Aldridge, who slept in the same room with complainant. Description: A native of New Zealand, forty-three years of age, 5 ft. 6½ in. high, stout build, fair complexion, dark-brown hair, whiskers, and moustache; dressed in dark-tweed suit, and dark-brown soft felt hat.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1900, page 278.)

WELLINGTON.—The watch stolen from Oliver Green was recovered by Acting-Detective A. Cameron, Wellington police, and traced to the possession of Edward Wilson. Suspicion no longer attached to Sydney Hunter.

WELLINGTON.——Harding is charged on warrant with the theft, on the 26th May, 1901, of a silver lever hunting-watch, maker Rotherham, number unknown, a silver chain

with long links attached, the property of Fanny Prior; value, £3 10s. Offender is about thirty-three years of age, about 6 ft. high, slight build, dark hair, moustache only; dressed in dark sac suit, light-grey overcoat, no cape; follows up race-meetings, and is said to own a racehorse, and to have kept livery stables at Kaikoura. He was staying at complainant's restaurant, on Lambton Quay, and stole the watch and chain from the sitting-room. He left the house on the 29th ultimo, and may have the watch and chain in his possession.

WELLINGTON.—Michael Lynch, Paikakariki, reports stolen from the cloak room of the Club Hotel, on the 10th ultimo, a gentlemen's grey mackintosh, no sleeves, a dark-cashmere scarf in one of the pockets; value, £2 10s. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON.—Hugh Cox, miner, Greymouth, reports stolen from the sitting-room of the National Hotel, on the 16th ultimo, a fawn cloth-like sleeveless mackintosh with two sleeve-straps, one of them broken, very long cape buttoned to coat, a mark on the right-hand corner of cape where it has been crushed and partly perforated; value, £3. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON SOUTH.—Henry Estall reports stolen from a table in the Kilbirnie Hotel, on the 23rd ultimo, a nearly new brown-and-yellow tapestry table-cover, brown fringe, beer-stains in several places; value, 10s. Identifiable.

MANNERS STREET (WELLINGTON).—Mrs. Margaret Moar, Pohangina, reports stolen from her in Cuba Street, on the 25th ultimo, a black-leather purse with clasps, three compartments, containing two sovereigns, a half-sovereign, 10s. in silver, and two second-class return tickets Ashhurst to Wellington, *via* Wellington-Manawatu Railway. Purse only identifiable.

LYTELTON.—Campbell Brown, licensee, Canterbury Hotel, reports that about 2 a.m., 24th ultimo, his hotel was broken into, the safe carried out of the bar and blown open with dynamite in the yard, and the following stolen. Twelve £1 notes, numbers unknown; four sovereigns; sixteen half-sovereigns; about £15 in half-crowns, florins, sixpences, and threepenny-pieces; two cheques on the Union Bank, Lyttelton—one, No. T. 54893, for £2, drawn by F. Lefare in favour of Cole; the other, No. 970, for £3 18s., drawn by Dalgety & Co.; an order for £3, to C. Brown; a gentlemen's silver lever watch, a very old-fashioned gold bracelet, set with opals and agates, fixed on an elastic-band; value, £54 18s. The watch, order for £3, four half-sovereigns, and 6s. 6d. were found beside where the safe was blown open. Suspicion attached to two men, names unknown, who were about the hotel on the evening of the 23rd ultimo. First: Supposed colonial, about thirty-one years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. or 9 in. high, stoutish build, fair complexion, full face, fair moustache only, smart appearance; dressed in bluish-tweed sac suit, brown-felt hat, front of rim turned down, grey shirt and collar with faint black stripes, light lace-up black-leather boots; was wearing a small-link gold chain. Second: Supposed colonial, about thirty years of age, about 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, square shoulders, fair complexion, light ginger moustache only, thin features, active appearance; dressed in dark-tweed sac suit, light-coloured felt hat with large brim with a very light-coloured hat-band, white shirt, stand-up collar. Both suspects identifiable. Supposed gone to Christchurch.

WOOLSTON.—Emily Murray reports stolen from behind the bar of the Wharf Hotel, on the 16th ultimo, a plush bag, containing £13 in silver, done up in £1 paper packages. Bag only identifiable.

GERALDINE.—Norman H. McFarlane, farmer, reports stolen from his dwelling, on the 26th ultimo, a miniature gold brooch, with lover's knot in Irish diamonds; a gold brooch, hair surrounded with pearls, one pearl much whiter than the others; an enamelled mourning-ring, "Memoriam" on it, set with three pearls; three small gold rings, one set with tiny diamond; a pair of brass oval sleeve-links; a ladies' long thick gold chain; and a gold oval locket with star and diamond in centre; value, £30. Suspicion attached to William Buchanan a native of New Zealand, a labourer, twenty-four years of age, 5 ft. 8½ in. high, fresh complexion, brown hair, hazel eyes. (See *Police Gazette*, 1899, page 191.)

METHVEN.—Andrew Horne, platelayer, reports supposed stolen, between the 8th and 19th ultimo, an English lever open-faced watch, No. 7474; maker, John Hood, Scotland; value, £3.