

METHVEN.—William Ulyatt, farmer, reports that on the 19th ultimo his dwelling was broken into, and two £1 notes, £2 in silver, and twelve penny stamps stolen.

ASHBURTON.—Reginald Hart, bank-clerk, reports stolen from the bar of the Commercial Hotel, between the 20th and 25th ultimo, a yellow horse-rug with red facings, "R. H." in white silk on the near quarter; value, £1 10s. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 85.)

LINCOLN.—The coat reported stolen from the Rev. John Edwin Blackburn has been found: mislaid, not stolen.

AMARU.—Robert Chalmers reports stolen from the Queen's Hotel linen-room, between about the 1st March and the 15th ultimo, a brown-leather Gladstone bag, containing a black-tweed sac suit, "J. H. Milligan & Co." on tab of coat; a drab-coloured waterproof overcoat with very small cape, well worn; a Masonic apron, two white-silk handkerchiefs, two white shirts, and two Oxford shirts with blue stripes, Chinese letters on all the neck-bands: value, £9 15s. The Gladstone bag was found, empty, under an unoccupied house. Suspicion attached to *Charles Watson*. Description: A native of New Zealand, a labourer, eighteen years of age, 5 ft. 5½ in. high, fresh complexion, light-brown hair, grey eyes. (See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 132.) Supposed gone towards Christchurch.

DUNEDIN.—William Taylor, gardener, reports that at 11 p.m., 25th ultimo, in Rattray Street, a man name unknown, about twenty-five years of age, 5 ft. 6 in. high, and wearing a grey sac coat, snatched from him a silver Waltham hunting watch, No. 977921; value, £2 10s.

WOODHAUGH.—William Cole Davey, fancy-goods dealer, reports that on the 26th or 27th ultimo his dwelling was broken into and the following stolen: A silver lever hunting-watch, maker Stanford, London, "M. O." in monogram on outside of case; a razor, a seal, and a mouth-organ: value, £5 17s. 6d.

ST. BATHAN'S.—W. J. Alexander, labourer, reports stolen from the Blackstone Hill run, about the 17th March last, 120 rabbit-traps with pins attached, some of them with file-mark across the teeth; a short-handle spade, two yellow jars, a small square looking-glass, two mugs, and knives and forks: value, £6 10s.

RIVERTON.—Thomas McCullough reports stolen from his hut, between August, 1900, and the 13th ultimo, a silver lever open-faced watch, maker Campbell, London, No. 22241, "T. M." on back, nickel chain attached; also several books and cooking utensils: value £5 10s.

Stealing Otherwise than from the Person or from Dwellings.

AUCKLAND.—Alfred Dye, Victoria Avenue, reports stolen from St. George's Hall, on the 2nd ultimo, a blue-serge mackintosh, about 4 ft. 9 in. long, no sleeves, second button from bottom missing, "Smith and Caughey" on inside; value, £2. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—Thomas Bowen, traveller, Avondale, reports stolen between Kawhia and Auckland, between 15th April last and 4th ultimo, a silver hunting lever stop-watch, No. 2099; value, £5.

AUCKLAND.—Mrs. McCallum reports stolen from her wash-house, Short Street, on the 16th or 17th ultimo, a sheet, two frilled pillow-slips, and a pair of ladies' drawers, all marked "S. L. McCallum"; a ladies' nightdress, marked "S. L. Gaudin"; a nightshirt, a pair of ladies' drawers, and a chemise, not marked: value, 15s.

PARNELL (AUCKLAND).—Rev. William Garden Cowie reports stolen, about March last, from his coach-house, a pair of new silver-mounted carriage-lamps, terrace on top, square glass; also two pairs of ordinary carriage-lamps: value, £3.

DEVONPORT.—William Joyn, carpenter, reports that, on the 23rd or 24th ultimo, a shed in Picton Street was broken into and the following stolen: Three handsaws, one with "Joyn," and two with "W.J." on the handles; a tryng-plane, "W.H." and "L.K." on ends; a jack-plane, branded "W. Joyn"; 1 in., ¾ in., and a ⅝ in. chisel; a ⅝ in. gouge; a 12 in. square, branded "W.T."; a bevel, a 9 in. square, and brace, branded "W. Joyn"; sundry bits; a new leather pocket; a hammer, bound with string; a 2 ft. rule; and a square steel nail-punch: value, £2 9s.

GISBORNE.—Claude Bolton, teacher, reports that on the 20th or 21st ultimo the school at Makauri was broken into, and the following stolen: A round metal alarm-clock, dent in rim; seven new Murche's Science Readers, book v.; and 15s. 9d. in mixed silver: total value, £1 14s. 9d. Clock only identifiable.

JOHNSONVILLE.—Patrick Costin, hotelkeeper, reports stolen from the Railway-station at Porirua, on the 21st or 22nd ultimo, an octave of brandy, bond-mark H. 191; a case of gin, bond-mark H. 761; and two cases of whisky, bond-mark D. 665; value, £32.

WELLINGTON.—John Hutchings, clerk, reports stolen from the Colonial Mutual Buildings, Harbour Street, on the 20th ultimo, a James Special bicycle, black enamelled frame, Westwood rims, nickel spokes, dropped handles, Brookes B 10 saddle, B. S. A. parts, lamp-bracket fitted to head-post; value, £13. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON.—Joseph Alfred Heginbotham, Kilbirnie Tea-gardens, reports stolen from the s.s. "Wainui," on the 21st ultimo, an exceptionally large-sized camera, maker "Thornton-Pickard"; five slides; two lenses, "Taylor, Taylor, and Hobson," and an 8 in. by 5 in. Goerz. The lenses were in a cocoa-tin, the other accessories were attached to the camera, which was in a light-coloured solid-leather case, size 15 in. by 12 in. by 8 in., owner's name in ink on bottom of case: value, £40. Identifiable.

MANNERS STREET (WELLINGTON).—Veitch and Allen, drapers, report stolen from outside their shop, on the 31st ultimo, a pair of dark-tweed trousers and vest, size 6; value, £1 10s. Identifiable.

CLYDE QUAY (WELLINGTON).—Arnold Morrison, expressman, reports stolen from his stable, Lorne Street, on the 22nd or 23rd ultimo, a pair of reins, a new horse-collar lined with brown leather, and a back-band; value, £2.

MOUNT COOK (WELLINGTON).—May Gillooly, barmaid, Victoria Hotel, Petone, reports stolen from the Skating Rink, on the 25th ultimo, a nearly new three quarter fawn jacket, brown-velvet collar, "M" in red cotton under the flap of collar; value £2 10s. Identifiable.

MOUNT COOK (WELLINGTON).—Mrs. Mary O'Meara, Petone, reports stolen from the Skating Rink, on the 25th ultimo, a nearly new large black-cloth cape, no lining except collar, which is lined with black silk, has three large pearl buttons; value, 16s. 6d. Identifiable.

ST. ALBANS.—John James Soanes, fruiterer, reports stolen from Papanui-Road, on the 16th ultimo, a Star bicycle, Nos. 3537 and 53569, 24 in. frame, Brookes saddle, no brake or mud-guards, one old and one new pedal; value, £15.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 106.)

RAKAI.—Henry Francis Hargreaves, charged with theft of clothes from Edward Hampton, has been arrested by Constable T. O'Rourke, Otaki police, and remanded.

TEMUKA.—John James Connolly, returned trooper of Second Contingent, reports stolen between Christchurch and Temuka, on the 11th ultimo, a brown-leather Gladstone bag, labelled "Temuka," containing a blue-serge suit, size 7; two pairs of woollen drawers; three Crimean shirts; a pair of tan boots, size 7; and two pom-pom shells: value, £3. Identifiable.

KING STREET (DUNEDIN).—David Comrie, storekeeper, reports stolen from his stable, on the 25th or 26th ultimo, a well-worn colonial saddle, new gullet recently put in, and a few plated nails in pommel with "J.M.W." on the heads; a leather girth; round stirrup-irons; and a well-worn single-rein bridle without throat-strap: value, £2 10s. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, pages 107 and 113.)

MIDDLEMARCH.—Theft of Ruth Elizabeth Naylor's jewellery. Thomas Chiles has been arrested for the offence by Constable T. J. Johnston, Naseby police, and remanded. Property not recovered.

INVERCARGILL.—John Edmond and Co., ironmongers, report stolen from their warehouse, on the 25th or 26th ultimo, a small tin cash-box, containing £27 13s. 8d. in notes, gold, silver, and coppers, not identifiable; two cheques, one drawn by W. Aitken, No. 427144, on the Bank of New Zealand, Gore, for £3 4s. 6d.; and the other drawn by H. Johnston on the National Bank of New Zealand, Invercargill, for £7 5s.