

WELLINGTON.—**Robert Matson** is charged on warrant of commitment to Invercargill Gaol for six months for disobeying an order of Court to pay 5s. a week towards the support of his illegitimate child. Description: A native of Petone, Wellington, a labourer, twenty-four years of age, about 5 ft. 9 in. high, medium build, fresh complexion, dark hair, no hair on face, supposed grey eyes, scar on top of nose, dressed in dark suit, usually wears a Dr. Jim hat. Is said to be fond of drink, football, and cricket, and may seek employment in a wool factory. There is now in arrears the sum of £33 5s.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 38.)

WELLINGTON.—**Frederick Theophilus Coley**, charged with wife-desertion, has been arrested by Constable J. Riordan, Taradale police, and remanded.

CLYDE QUAY (WELLINGTON).—**Alfred Frederick Gosden** is charged on warrant with deserting his wife, Julia Gosden, since the 17th ultimo. Description: A native of England, a butcher, forty-five years of age, about 5 ft. 7½ in. high, stout build, fair complexion, fair hair, hazel eyes, mole on left temple, clean shaved except fair moustache, Roman nose; dressed in slate-coloured sac-suit, black hard hat. He shipped on the s.s. "Mararoa" about two months ago, and on arrival at Melbourne left the vessel, but no trace can be obtained of him there.

CHRISTCHURCH.—**Richard Davis** is charged on warrant with disobeying an order of Court to pay 5s. a week towards the support of his illegitimate child. Description: A native of New Zealand, a venetian-blind maker, twenty-three years of age, 5 ft. 6 in. high, medium build, fresh complexion, dark hair, grey eyes, peculiar shaped under-lip. On the 21st May last there was in arrears the sum of £4 10s. Complainant, Elizabeth Moorar, Addington, Christchurch.

CHRISTCHURCH.—**John Marigold** is charged on warrant with failing to provide for the maintenance of his illegitimate child. Description: About 5 ft. 8 in. high, slight build, dark complexion and hair, blue eyes, clean shaved, two wreaths tattooed on one of his arms, "L.P.K." in one, and "J.M." in the other wreath, bullet-wound in palm of one hand. Supposed gone to Dunedin. Complainant, Elizabeth King, Tuam Street, Christchurch.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 117.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—**William Ayers**, charged with disobeying an order of Court, has been arrested by Detective T. Livingstone and Constable J. Fahey, Christchurch police, and remanded.

Deserters from His Majesty's Service.

From H.M.S. "Pylades," at Auckland.

On 16th June, 1901.

Carlo V. Mecallef, domestic, third class, Maltese, nineteen years of age, 5 ft. 4½ in. high, dark hair and complexion, hazel eyes, small scar on cheek-bone; dressed in light-coloured suit and skull-cap.

From H.M.S. *Pylades* at Lyttelton.

On 27th June, 1901.

Edward J. Palmer, petty-officer, first-class, a native of Suffolk, England, twenty-eight years of age, 5 ft. 7½ in. high, dark brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, "T.P." tattooed on left forearm, bracelet on each wrist.

A reward of £3 will be paid for the apprehension of each, in addition to £5 from the Colonial Government.

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

On 1st June, 1901.

William Whittaker, ordinary, twenty-three years of age, a native of York, England, 5 ft. 6 in. high, brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, dots on right forearm.

Harry T. French, A.B., twenty-one years of age, a native of Sussex, England, 5 ft. 5 in. high, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion.

From H.M.S. "St. George," at Sydney.

On 1st June, 1901.

James Yardley, bandsman, twenty years of age, a native of Chester, England, 5 ft. 4 in. high, light-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, bust of woman on left arm.

Walter Smith, stoker, twenty years of age, a native of Guernsey, 5 ft. 5 in. high, brown hair, grey eyes, dark complexion.

John William Pont, bandsman, nineteen years of age, a native of Sussex, England, 5 ft. 1½ in. high, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, dots on left arm.

From H.M.S. "Royal Arthur," at Sydney.

On 3rd June, 1901.

Albert Price, ordinary, twenty-one years of age, a native of Worcester, 5 ft. 3 in. high, brown hair, hazel eyes, fair complexion.

James F. Murray, A.B., twenty-four years of age, a native of Lancaster, 5 ft. 2 in. high, light-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion.

Herbert G. Brockway, A.B., twenty-four years of age, a native of Dorset, 5 ft. 5 in. high, dark-brown hair, brown eyes, fresh complexion, anchor on left arm.

From H.M.S. "Karrakatta" at Sydney.

On 10th June, 1901.

Francis Joseph Leonard, domestic, twenty-six years of age, 5 ft. 5 in. high, brown hair and eyes, pale complexion, various coats of arms, &c., tattooed on chest and arms.

A reward not exceeding £3 will be paid for the apprehension of each of the above deserters.

Absentees from His Majesty's Service.

From H.M.S. "Mildura," at Wellington.

On 16th June, 1901.

George E. Shaw, acting corporal, native of London, twenty-eight years of age, 5 ft. 6½ in. high, fresh complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, scar and tattoo dot on right forearm, dot on left forearm, scar on right thigh, and scar on left eyelid.

William P. Gunning, private, a native of Ireland, twenty-one years of age, 5 ft. 6 in. high, fresh complexion, brown hair, grey eyes, scar below left elbow, several faint scars on left shoulder-blade, one on seat of left thumb, mole on right cheek, on back of neck, and several on both arms.

From H.M.S. "Wallaroo," at Wellington.

On 17th June, 1901.

Edward Doel, stoker, native of London, twenty-one years of age, 5 ft. 6¾ in. high, brown hair and eyes, fresh complexion.

A reward, not exceeding £1, will be paid for the apprehension of each of the above absentees.

Horse and Cattle Stealing.

PORT ALBERT.—**Lambert Heywood**, farmer, reports stolen, between the 1st April and 28th May last, twenty-three six-tooth ewes, tar mark on back with cross in circle, piece out of right ear; value, £11 10s.

TE AROHA.—**Tuwhenua** reports stolen at Waharoa, on the 12th or 13th February last, a dark-bay hack horse, about fourteen years old, about 17 hands high, white face, three white legs, one fore-foot white, white on belly extending under saddle-flap on one side; and an old saddle, a bridle, and a martingale: value, £14 10s.

TE AROHA.—**Samuel Shaw**, settler, reports stolen, about the 28th May last, a dark-chestnut mare, about sixteen years old, about 14 hands 1 in. high, nugget build, branded "J.L." on near shoulder, white face and feet; supposed in foal: value, £5 10s.

TAIHAPE.—**Frank Carter**, sawmiller, reports stolen from a stall behind Holmes's boardinghouse, on the 9th ultimo, a bay mare, aged, about 14 hands high, white star on forehead, scar on off-leg, shod all round; value, £9. Identifiable.

MANAIA.—**William Pearce**, farmer, reports supposed stolen, on the 10th or 11th ultimo, a brown half-draught mare, aged, about 16 hands high, long tail; value, £15. Two foals, one, a dark-bay horse, hack breed; the other, a chestnut draught-horse, no brands, four white feet, white face, and silver mane. Total value, £29. Identifiable.