

WOODVILLE.—J. G. Gow, Wellington, reports stolen from the Club Hotel, on the 12th ultimo, a long Inverness coat, very small grey check pattern, velvet collar, Kaiapoi make; has inside pocket on left side: value, £3. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 148.)

INGLEWOOD.—Adam McDuff's watch has been recovered, and James Ireland arrested for the offence by Constable W. B. Young, New Plymouth police, and remanded. Suspicion no longer attached to Sydney Hunter.

WELLINGTON.—Harry Ranish, billiard-table manufacturer, reports stolen from his dwelling between the 18th and 20th ultimo, a silver lever English open-faced watch, "H. R." scratched on inside of case; a 9-carat gold double-chain with long links; a gold locket with flower on it on one end, and a silver match-box at the other end of chain; a ladies' small rolled-gold hunting watch, "Philadelphia" on dial; a metal chain, square links, joined by small round ones: total value, £12. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON.—William Richmond Hursthouse, clerk, National Bank, Nelson, reports stolen from the passage of the A1 Hotel, on the 19th ultimo, a rough blue-serge full-size Inverness waterproof overcoat, light-blue lining: value, £29s. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 124.)

WELLINGTON.—Jacob Turina's portmanteau stolen: Frederick Warren has been arrested for this offence by Detective C. R. Broberg, Wellington police, and sentenced to twelve months' hard labour. Property recovered.

WELLINGTON.—Joseph Parker, labourer, Kemp's Farm, Kaupokonui, Taranaki, reports stolen from an unlocked box in his room, No. 222, Willis Street, on the 22nd or 23rd ultimo, twenty £1 notes on the Bank of New Zealand. Numbers unknown. Suspicion attached to Charles Edward Tilby, who occupied the same room and induced complainant to draw the money out of the Savings-bank to become partner with him as a photographic artist. Description: A native of England, a ship's steward, about twenty-seven years of age, about 5 ft. 5 in. high, slight build, dark hair, small dark moustache only, dressed in dark suit, double-breasted vest, white shirt, high collar, and dark-tweed cap. Is well known to ships' stewards, for whom he often paints pictures of ships. He was hard-up for money, and cleared out on the 23rd instant, leaving his luggage behind him. He knew the money had been placed in the box by the complainant.

WELLINGTON.—Mrs. Henry Sutton reports supposed stolen from her at the Manawatu Railway Station, on the 17th ultimo, a small black morocco purse, containing a £5-note (bank and number unknown), two first-class return tickets to Hawera, and a plain gold watch, "M.A.S." engraved on it, value £1 5s. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON.—John Storah, labourer, Waipawa, reports stolen from the Central Hotel, on the 7th ultimo, a Beeston-Humber bicycle, about a 26 in. black-enamelled frame, Westwood rims, black spokes, Champion saddle, broken, 70 gear, new tire on back wheel, front tire much worn, nickel-plated bars, cork grips; value, £10. Identifiable.

MANNERS STREET (Wellington).—John Gibbs, boiler-maker, reports stolen from his bedroom, on the 13th ultimo, a pair of nearly new light-tweed pants with small dark spots; value, £1 5s. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to a man, name unknown, who occupied the same room. Description: About twenty-three years of age, about 5 ft. 7 in. high, medium build, small dark moustache, prominent front teeth, dressed in shabby dark coat and vest, brown canvas shoes, and brown felt hat.

MANNERS STREET (Wellington).—John Toovey, blacksmith, reports stolen from the Masonic Hotel, on the 18th ultimo, a swag (recovered); value, £5. Suspicion attached to a man, name unknown, who sold it at Heavey's second-hand shop. Description: About thirty-five years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, dark complexion, small moustache, dressed in blue-serge suit and cap.

CLYDE QUAY (WELLINGTON).—James Gray, carpenter, reports that about 4.30 p.m., 7th ultimo, he was assaulted and robbed of 18s. in silver by a man, name unknown. Description: About thirty years of age, 5 ft. 3 in. high, fair complexion, full face, clean-shaved except brown moustache, stout build; dressed in blue-serge suit, soft-felt black hat, and blucher boots. Identifiable. Complainant had been drinking with the offender, and when passing through the Tea Gardens at Oriental Bay with him he pushed him down and took the money from his trousers pocket.

NELSON.—George Frank, telegraphist, reports stolen from his dwelling on the 25th ultimo, a lady's Geneva silver open-faced watch, both hands broken, number and maker unknown; a ladies' silver watch-chain, with very fine links, two gold tassels attached; also, 10s. in silver: total value, £2 10s.

NELSON.—Catherine Floyd, boardinghouse-keeper, reports stolen on the 15th or 16th ultimo, a ladies' brown cape, with very deep-black curly hair, collar fastened with hooks in front, no buttons on cape, a narrow velvet ribbon on inside of back for a belt: value, £3 10s. Identifiable. Suspicion attached to Mrs. Tolmin, alias Madam Mayne, who was boarding at Mrs. Floyd's. Description: Supposed three-quarter caste Maori, about thirty-five years of age, about 5 ft. 3 in. high, very stout build, dark complexion, very dark hair, very full round face, dark eyes; was wearing a khaki dress trimmed with narrow red velvet, dark-brown mackintosh, black-velvet hat trimmed with red velvet; has a little girl, about three years old, with fair curly hair, with her. Left for Wellington per s.s. "Mapourika" on the 16th ultimo.

HOKITIKA.—Ellen Caldwell, domestic servant, Sale Street, reports that about 3 p.m., 10th ultimo, in Cass Square, a leather purse with clasp, containing 10s. in silver, was snatched from her hand by a man, name unknown. Description: About forty or forty-five years of age, dark hair, short dark whiskers, very pale, sickly, dissipated looking face, slender build; dressed in dirty grey suit, and black slouch hat. Identification doubtful.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Henry G. Guthrie, traveller, Moray Place, Dunedin, reports stolen from the passage of the Market Hotel, on the 6th or 7th ultimo, a large brown-leather Gladstone bag, containing samples of patent brushes, "Moire, Glasgow" stamped on the handles, and three book rolls of samples of paperhangings; value, £13 5s. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette* 1901, page 148.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—Theft of John Kelly's watch. William Whitehead, alias H. Wheeler, has been arrested for this offence by Detective G. Fitzgerald and Constable J. Fahey, Christchurch police.

AMBERLEY.—Henry Owen Brooks, hotelkeeper, reports stolen from him, between the 2nd and 4th ultimo, a cheque for £2 5s., drawn by the Kowai Road Board. Suspicion attached to a man, name unknown, who cashed the cheque at the Bank of New South Wales on the 4th ultimo. Description: About twenty-five years of age, tall and thin, shaggy beard, looked like a swagger, supposed wearing light-coloured trousers and soft hat. Identification doubtful.

ELLERSLIE.—On the 21st or 22nd ultimo there was stolen from the Harp of Erin Hotel a small alms-box, "Alms for the poor, Sisters of the Poor" printed on it, supposed containing about £1 10s. in silver and coppers. Suspicion attaches to Frank Rush, colonial, about nineteen years of age, about 5 ft. 7 in. high, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair; recently from New Plymouth, and looks after racehorses.

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AUCKLAND.—James Albert Cooper, hatter, reports that, between the 22nd and 24th ultimo, his shop in Queen Street was broken into and the following stolen: A black mackintosh, a brown check waterproof, and a green-and-white waterproof: value, £7 5s.; also a small bag made of blue and white shirting, containing a £1 note and £4 17s. 3d. in mixed silver.

NEWTON (AUCKLAND).—Alexander Thomas Craig, builder, Marine Parade, reports stolen from a building in Hopetown Street, between the 22nd and 24th ultimo, two 2½ in. chisels, one with boxwood, the other with an ash handle; a leather bag, containing about nine bits (different sizes), compasses, four gouges, a 3 ft. rule, broke and mended with a piece of copper, and a punch: value, £1 7s. Identifiable.

DARGAVILLE.—Charles Henry Barton Foster is charged on warrant with the theft, on or about the 4th June, 1901, of £5 10s., moneys of George McBride, merchant tailor, Victoria Street, Auckland. Offender is a native of New Zealand, about twenty-four years of age, 5 ft. 8½ in. high, medium build, clean-shaved, brown eyes, dark smooth complexion, tinted reddish colour, dark-brown hair; generally dressed in a greenish-grey coloured sac suit and tweed golf cap, or in blue Vicuna suit and hard black hat. Was last seen in Auckland on 19th ultimo. (See *Police Gazette*,