

(recovered) and an old nickel-plated open-faced stop-watch, glass cracked, "Made in Sweden" on dial, value 10s., has been arrested by Acting Detective A. Cameron, Wellington police. Open-faced watch still missing.

WELLINGTON.—William Henry Tisdall, gunmaker, reports that about the 13th of April last, C. Williams (name supposed fictitious) hired for a day a double-barrelled breech-loading gun, maker "Beattie," value £5, and has failed to return it. Williams is about eighteen years of age, medium height and build, very dark hair, and fairly well dressed in dark clothes. He falsely represented he resided at No. 6, Ghuznee Street, and that he worked at Luke's Foundry.

THORNDON (WELLINGTON).—Frank J. Dyer, 5, Park Street, reports stolen from Popham's Stables, on the 18th ultimo, a gentlemen's ten-ribbed umbrella, covered with a silk-and-cotton mixture, has a cherry-wood handle with knob; value, £1. Identifiable.

MOUNT COOK (WELLINGTON).—William Letham, Messrs. Kempthorne, Prosser, and Co., reports stolen from his coat, in the pavilion of the College football-grounds, on the 17th instant, an 18-carat gold ring, with diamond in claw setting; value, £20. Identifiable.

MOUNT COOK (WELLINGTON).—Frederick Simmons and William Illingworth report stolen from a shed at the back of No. 75, Taranaki Street, on the 24th or 25th ultimo, a jack, a rabbit and a smooth plane, a rip-saw, a claw-hammer, oil-stone in case, a carpenter's kit containing gouges, small chisels, &c.; all branded "F. S."; the property of F. Simmons; value, £1 10s.; a keyhole-saw and a hand saw stamped "W. Illingworth," a ratchet-brace, "G. I." stamped on it; a leather pouch, containing bits from  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. to 1 in.; a leather nail-pocket, containing a 3 ft. rule: the property of W. Illingworth: value, £2 5s. Identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 170.)

GREYMOUTH.—John Morrison, charged with theft of boot-brush stands and brushes, the property of Edgar Toby, has been arrested by the Ahaura police, and sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour in default of fine and costs.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Arthur Otway, clerk, Ballantyne and Co.'s, reports stolen from a shed in Lichfield Street, between the 5th and 10th instant, a gentlemen's Sterling bicycle, No. 116, in good repair, recently enamelled green, reversible handles; value, £14.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Charles W. Ziele reports stolen from outside Tyree and Co.'s warehouse, on the 16th instant, a gentlemen's Beeston Humber bicycle, No. 68208 on several places, "Beeston" stamped on front tube, 26 in. frame, electro-plated bolt through each joint, roller chain, 82 gear, Dunlop tires, extra cover on back tire; value, £32.

CHRISTCHURCH.—O. T. J. Alpers, teacher, Boys' High School, reports stolen from the Federal Club, Worcester Street, between the 26th and 28th ultimo, a gentlemen's Imperial bicycle, No. 106655, black 26 in. frame; value, £12.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Charles Myhir, assistant, Grummett and White's, reports stolen from outside the Hereford Hotel, on the 10th instant, a gentlemen's Triumph bicycle, No. 13, Westwood rims, Dunlop tires, 24 in. frame, Brook's saddle, block chain; value, £12.

ALEXANDRIA.—James Nieper, fruiterer, reports stolen from off his horse, in Athlone Street, on the 19th or 20th instant, a new canvas horse-cover, no brands; value, £1 1s. 6d. Not identifiable.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 170.)

WINTON.—The indiarubber belt reported stolen from George Queale has been found; not stolen.

### Deserting Wives and Families, &c.

AUCKLAND.—Mary Bert is charged on warrant with deserting her illegitimate child. Description: A native of New Zealand, twenty-three years of age, 4 ft. 7 in. high, stout build, brown hair, peculiar-shaped mouth. She was in service with Mr. Mitchell, of Whakatane, and was heard of at Tauranga on the 17th May last. The child was boarded out in Auckland, and is now being supported by the Charitable Aid Board.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 171.)

AUCKLAND.—Daniel Lindsay, charged with disobeying an order of Court for the support of his illegitimate child, has been arrested by Chief Detective W. Chrystal, Christchurch police, and remanded to Auckland.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1900, page 108.)

NAPIER.—John O'Connell, charged with disobeying an order of Court to pay £1 a week towards the support of his wife, has written to his mother that he is a farrier in the Prince of Wales Light Horse, in South Africa.

HASTINGS.—Andrew McMillan is charged on warrant with deserting his wife, Helen McMillan, since March last. Description: A native of Scotland, a station hand, fifty years of age, about 5 ft. 10 in., medium build, broad shoulders, fresh complexion, grey hair, shaved except sandy moustache, walks lame on right leg. Is well known in the Timaru district, where he and his wife were employed on a station, and has relations named Bain at Fairlie Creek, and a brother-in-law named McLeod at Geraldine.

WOODVILLE.—William Motley is charged on warrant with failing to provide for the maintenance of his unborn illegitimate child. Description: A native of Woodville, twenty years of age, 5 ft. 9 in. high, medium build, dark complexion, pale face, black hair, no hair on face, rather large sunken eyes, small eyebrows, long neck, sloping shoulders. Supposed to have left by s.s. "Star of England" as pantry-boy, about three weeks ago from Napier. Complainant: Laura Smith, Woodlands Road, Woodville.

WANGANUI.—John Johnson is charged on warrant with failing to provide for the maintenance of his unborn illegitimate child. Description: Colonial, twenty-eight years of age, a wood-carver, 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, sallow complexion, brown curly hair, large blue eyes, high cheekbones, clean-shaved except small moustache, peculiar expression of face; dressed in dark suit and black soft hat. Was a member of the Wanganui Fire Brigade. Left Wanganui by the s.s. "Stormbird" on the 16th instant for Wellington, and may try to leave the colony. He has a brother in Christchurch.

WELLINGTON.—Hugh McFarlane is charged on warrant of commitment to the Terrace Gaol, Wellington, for four months in default of paying £16 12s. arrears due up to the 1st July, 1901, for the maintenance of his wife. Description: A native of New Zealand, a labourer, thirty-four years of age, 5 ft. 10 in. high, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair, grey eyes. He was last seen at Wellington on the 8th instant. (See *Police Gazette*, 1901, pages 107, 125, and 167.)

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 158.)

WELLINGTON.—Robert Matson, charged with disobeying an order of Court, has been arrested by Sergeant T. King, Lawrence police, on information supplied by Constable E. Bingham, Riverton police, and lodged in Invercargill Gaol.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 171.)

WELLINGTON.—John James Roberts, alias John Crombie, charged with wife-desertion. The warrant has been cancelled on the application of the complainant.

MOUNT COOK (WELLINGTON).—William Martin Hatfield is charged on warrant with deserting his wife, Eleanor Fulton Hatfield, since the 15th ultimo. Description: A native of Timaru, a trainer and jockey, thirty-six years of age but looks younger, about 5 ft. 5 in. high, medium build, very dark hair, heavy dark moustache, long dark eyebrows, a large scar on one thigh; usually wears a shabby dark suit. He was employed as nightwatchman at the Tramway Stables, Adelaide Road, Wellington, and left there on the 15th ultimo.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 171.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—William Morgan, charged with failing to provide for the maintenance of his illegitimate child, has been arrested by Detective T. Livingstone, Christchurch police, and remanded.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 171.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—Arthur John Agar, charged with failings to provide for the maintenance of his illegitimate child, has been arrested by Constable J. Watt, Helensville police, on information supplied by Constable N. Scott, Aratapu police.

### Absentee from His Majesty's Service.

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

On 12th July, 1901.

Robert Lackey, stoker, thirty-eight years of age, a native of Lancashire, England, 5 ft. 7 in. high, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, various indistinct tattoo-marks on left arm, brown stains on back of both legs. A reward of £1 will be paid for his apprehension.