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NOTICE.—For instructions as to the manner in which reports are required to be furnished for the compilation of the Police Gazette see Gazette No. 1 of this year.

The arrest of offenders described in the *Police Gazette*, or respecting whom crime reports have been forwarded for insertion in the *Gazette*, should be promptly notified by the member of the Force effecting the arrest.

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When notifying the arrest of persons charged with larceny, or suspected of larceny, it should be stated whether the property stolen, or any portion of it, has been recovered.

A description of property supposed to be stolen, found in the possession of offenders, for which owners cannot be found, should be furnished for insertion in the *Gazette*

All communications concerning this Gazette should be addressed to the Commissioner of Police, Wellington, and the envelope marked "For Gazette." Members of the Force in charge of out-stations will forward them direct.

Special Inquiry.

Jack McLachlan, alias McLoughlin, is wanted by the Johannesburg police on a charge of having, in 1895, murdered a man there named Stevenson. Description: About 5 ft. 6 in. high, forty years of age, very dark brown hair beard and moustache beginning to turn grey, fresh complexion, grey eyes, small well-shaped nose, low forehead, very strongly built; "Faith, Hope, and Charity" tattood on right forearm, shield, &c., on left forearm, figure of woman tattoed on both arms; his right hand is off about 6 in. below the elbow, but he has a false hand, upon which he usually wears a kid glove; he is slightly knock-kneed, when walking swings his left arm, his right he holds in a still and constrained position. He was a notorious cracksman and saferobber at Johannesburg, and, as he was mining there, has a good knowledge of explosives. The above offender arrived in Auckland by the s.s. "Mount Sirion," and on the 25th November, 1895, was sentenced, under the name of Thomas Kenny, to twelve months for having house-breaking implements in his possession (see Police Gazette, 1896, page 210), and for a similar offence was sentenced in 1897, under the name of Thomas Kenny, alias John Dell, to three years (see Police Gazette, 1897, page 76), and was sentenced in Lyttelton to fourteen days for being a stowaway (see Police Gazette, 1900, page 199). He left Christchurch on the 10th November last by train going south, and had a kit of tools with him, and intended travelling round the country doing tinsmithing-work. He has also been cooking, and may be found in some out-of-the-way station. Special inquiry will be made to trace his present whereabouts, and, if found, information at once forwarded to the Commissioner's Office. (01/1282.)

£50 Reward and Free Pardon.

Whereas during the night of the 31st ultimo some person or persons unknown unlawfully broke into the Railway-station at Little River, Canterbury, and stole therefrom money and stamps to the value of about £76, the property of

the New Zealand Government: This is to notify that His Excellency the Governor will grant a free pardon to any accomplice in the said offence who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any one or more of the other offenders; and that a reward of £50 will be paid by the Government of New Zealand to any person who shall first give such information to any police officer in the colony.

J. G. WARD,

Minister for Railways.

Wellington, 13th August, 1901.

Offences not otherwise Described.

(See Police Gazette, 1901, page 191.)

AUCKLAND.—John Edmonds, charged with having assaulted Peter McElwain, has been arrested by Detectives P. Herbert and J. McIlveney, Auckland police, and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

(See Police Gazette, 1896, page 91.)

AUCKLAND.—James McQuoid, charged with default of fine for drunkenness and negligently driving a horse and cart, has been arrested by Constable G. Keep, Eden Terrace police, and lodged in Mount Eden Gaol.

PAEROA.— George McNeil is charged with false pretences on John Woolanora Thorp, settler, on the 25th ultimo. Description: Supposed native of Newcastle, New South Wales, twenty-nine years of age but looks younger, about 5tt. 5in. high, pale complexion, fair hair, clean-shaved, flat nose as if broken, turns his toes in when walking; dresses in black-cloth suit, soft black-felt hat, and carries a red-blanket swag. He obtained £5 from Mr. Thorp, by whom he was employed, by falsely representing that the money was for a girl named Pigott, who had a child by him, which was untrue.

(See Police Gazette, 1901, page 47.)

NEW PLYMOUTH.—John Rock, charged with absconding from his apprenticeship with Hal Goodacre, has been arrested by Constable W. Buttimore, New Plymouth police, and has returned to his employment.

Mount Cook (Wellington).— Geoil Payne is charged on warrant with being a rogue and a vagabond. Description: Colonial, a labourer, about twenty-seven years of age, 5tt. 8½ in. high, medium build, fresh complexion, dark-brown hair, moustache only, blue eyes, rather good looking; emblem tattooed on left arm; dressed in dark-tweed sac suit and black-felt hat; an associate of thieves. (See Police Gazette, 1901, page 32.) He was summoned to the S.M. Court, Wellington, on the 21st instant, but failed to appear. He may have gone south, as his parents reside at Gebbie's Valley, near Christohurch.

(See Police Gazette, 1901, page 2.)

MOUNT COOK (WELLINGTON).—Frederick Williams, charged with false pretences on Amelia Sutherland, has been arrested by Acting Detectives J. J. Cassells and A. Cameron, Wellington police, and remanded.