From H.M.S. "Wallaroo," at Sydney. On 2nd, 4th, and 6th November, 1901.

William John Henry Sillence, seaman, twenty-four years of age, a native of England, 5 ft. 6½ in. high, dark-brown hair, hazel eyes, dark complexion, red spot under right eye. Deserted on the 2nd November.

Samuel Shawcross, stoker, twenty-one years of age, a native of England, 5 ft. 23 in. high, brown eyes, scald scar on left arm, scar on right side of nose. Deserted on the 4th November.

James Lowery, stoker, twenty-four years of age, a native of England, 5 ft. Sin. high, auburn hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion. Deserted on the 4th November.

Walter R. Watts, private, R.M.L.I., twenty-five years of age, a native of England, 5 ft.  $6^{3}_{10}$  in. high, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, scar on left groin and on palm of left hand. Deserted on the 6th November.

## Deserting from Merchant Vessel.

 $From \ the \ ship \ ``Machrinhanish,'' \ at \ Wellington.$ 

(See Police Gazette, 1901, page 253.)

A reward of £10 is now offered for the arrest of each of the offenders, Samon Mattison and John Garaz.

## Absentees from Merchant Vessel.

From the s.s. "Knight of St. George" at Auckland.

On 12th and 14th November, 1901.

James Yeasey, fireman, a native of England, 5 ft. 4 inhigh, thirty-two years of age, fair complexion, sandy hair, slight, fair moustache; dressed in light-grey suit. Pubblis Falzon, trimmer, a native of Malta, twenty-

Pubblis Falzon, trimmer, a native of Malta, twentyfive years of age, 5 ft. 5 in. high, dark complexion, sharp thin features, clean shaved; dressed in dark suit.

## Absconding from Industrial Schools.

James Alexander Lory absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 24th September last. Description: Fourteen years and two months old, 4 ft. 8 in. high, stout build, brown eyes, brown hair, fresh complexion, hoarse voice. Probably in the Invercargill district. Was committed on the 5th April, 1900, from Waipawa.

HERBERT JAMES PRESLING absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 17th May, 1900. Description: Eighteen years and nine months old, 5 (t. 3 in. high, stout build, blue eyes, brown hair; seems half-witted. Committed on 27th July, 1896, from Napier. His parents then lived in Havelock Road, Napier.

ROBERT HAWTHORNE absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 8th Augustlast. Description: Fifteen years and one mouth old, 5 ft. 4 in. high, slight build, brown eyes, brown hair, dark complexion. Mother lives at Prebbleton. Was committed from Christchurch on the 25th June, 1901.

CHARLES ROBERT PETERSON absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 4th June, 1900. Description: Nineteen years old, 5 ft. 6 in. high, stout build, blue eyes, brown hair, fresh complexion, peculiar twitch of eyelid and side of lip. Is supposed to have made for the West Coast. (See Police Gazette, 1900, page 164.)

Samuel Jones Ritchie abscorded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 17th October, 1900. Description: Eighteen years and five months old, 5 to 6 in. high, stout build, blue eyes, fair hair, fair complexion; mother lives in East Street, Newton, Auckland. Was committed from Auckland on the 10th April, 1895. (See Police Gazette, 1900, page 280.)

ARTHUR CECIL QUARTERMAIN absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 19th October, 1900. Description: Nineteen years and seven months old, 5 ft. 4 in. high, stout build, blue eyes, fair hair, fair complexion; parents live at Riccarton. Was committed on the 6th July, 1899, from Christchurch. (See Police Gazette, 1900, page 280.)

WILLIAM HENRY WELLS absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 13th September, 1899. Description: Seventeen years and four months old, 5 ft. 4 in. high, slight build, dark-brown eyes, fair hair, fair complexion. Was committed from Wellington on 23rd December, 1898. See Police Gazette, 1899, page 209.)

PERCY MURRAY, alias PERCY HAMMOND, absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 1st October, 1899. Description: Fifteen years and nine months old, 5 ft. 2 in. high, slight build, blue eyes, fair hair, pale complexion-His mother, Christina Ballantyne, lived in Christchurch. May travel about with hawkers. Was committed on the 3rd January, 1896, from Christchurch.

JOHN LAWRIE absconded from the Burnham Industrial School on the 12th April, 1897. He is now eighteen years of age, and was committed from Westport on the 12th April, 1894. His parents are living in Wellington.

EDWARD ERNEST WILLIAMSON, licensed from the Burnham Industrial School, absconded from the service of Mr. Chinnery, Papanui, on the 25th January, 1900. Description: Eighteen years and seven months old, about 5 ft. 2 in. high, slight build, blue eyes, fair hair, fair complexion. Committed from Auckland, 11th July, 1895.

BERTIE ALBERT HIGHSTED, licensed from Burnham Industrial School, abscouded from the service of James Corbett, Hornby, on the 25th February, 1900. Description: About nineteen years of age, about 5 ft. 4 in. high, stout build, brown eyes, fair hair, fresh complexion, scar in front of throat. Committed from Christchurch, 26th December, 1896.

WILLIAM EDGAR MINNS, licensed from Burnham Industrial School, absconded from the service of F. A. Saunders, Mount Somers, on the 6th September, 1900. Description: Nineteen years and eight months old, about 5 ft. 7 in. high, stout, heavy build, fair hair, ruddy complexion, slouching walk. Committed from Nelson, 13th September 1893.

WILLIAM RICHARD COLEMAN, licensed from Burnham Industrial School, absconded from the service of James Copeland, Chertsey, on the 29th November, 1900. Description: Nineteen years and three months old, 5 ft. 8 in. high, stout build, brown eyes, dark hair, dark complexion. Committed from New Plymouth, 6th July, 1897.

The Manager of the Burnham Industrial School should be notified before any of the above absconders are arrested.

Horse- and Cattle-stealing.

HELENSVILLE. — Herbert Edward Richards is charged on warrant with theft, on the 21st October last, of a horse, the property of William Rawson (recovered); value, £4. Description: A native of New Zealand, fourteen years of age, fresh complexion, dark hair cut short; when last seen was wearing a grey suit—long trousers, which were noticeable as the boy is small for his age, straw hat with redand-white band; may be wearing a tweed cap. His mother resides at Northern Wairoa, and he has relations near Tupiri, Waikato, and at Swanson, near Auckland. Other charges pending.

(See Police Gazette, 1901, page 272.)

WHITIANGI. - Francis Kirk's horse, saddle, and bridle have been recovered.

Cambridge—Channing C. Buckland, farmer, reports stolen at Ratanui, during February or July last, thirty steers, two and two and a half years old, branded on off-side rump with vertical bar, two horizontal bars across it, a square niche out of top and bottom of right or off ear; one or two of them may have a square niche out of bottom of each ear, may have other ear-marks, but the above brand and earmarks are very distinct: value, £100. Suspicion attached to the brothers James and William Power. Description: First, a native of Christchurch, about twenty-five years of age, about 5 ft. 8 in. high, dark hair, blue eyes, reddish florid complexion, clean shaved, medium build, good address, gentlemanly appearance. Second, about eighteen, about 5 ft. 9 in. high, dark hair, slight build, blue-grey eyes. They have since been committed for trial for horse-stealing (see following paragraphs, Hastings and Napier Stations). It is suspected that the stolen cattle were sold to Napier or Taranaki dealers.

(See Police Gazette, 1901, pages 65 and 75.)

HASTINGS.—James Brown's horse has been recovered, and James and William Power arrested for the offence by Constable A. McGilp, Cambridge police, and committed for trial.

(See Police Gazette, 1901, page 86.)

NAPIER.—Dr. Arthur Edwin Roland's horse has been recovered, and James and William Power arrested for the offence by Constable A. McGilp, Cambridge police, and committed for trial.