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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.

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*.

Arson.

WELLINGTON SOUTH.—On the night of the 13th ultimo an attempt was made to burn down an unoccupied house in Rintoul Street, the property of Mrs. Emily Pierard. The walls were saturated with kerosene, and part of the scrim and paper burned.

Offences not otherwise Described.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 221.)

AUCKLAND.—John Delaney, charged with false pretences on J. E. Taylor, has been arrested by Detective P. T. McMahon, Auckland police. His correct name is John Sheard.

FOXTON.—Edward Charles Ferris (known as Teddy Ferris) is charged on warrant with having indecently assaulted Amy Harris, a child fourteen years of age, on or about October last. Description: Supposed colonial, labourer, thirty-four years of age, about 5 ft. 4 in. high, active, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair turning grey, clean-shaved, theatrical appearances; sings well, and plays the banjo and piano; dressed in blue-serge suit, black Dr. Jim hat or dark-tweed cap, tan boots. When in Wellington stops at Clyde Quay Hotel, and has a relation residing at No. 280, Colombo Street, Christchurch. The complainant is six months *enroute* to offender, and may not get over the confinement. Offender was recently in Christchurch, and intended going to Dunedin.

HASTINGS.—J. W. Bates, chemist, reports that on the 28th ultimo a forged cheque for £2 10s., purporting to be signed by Henry Scott, was uttered to him by George Stevens. Description: Supposed English, a labourer, forty-four years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, dark hair and moustache; suffers from heart disease. Identifiable. He obtained medicine from the complainant, and also £2 7s. change.

ADDINGTON.—Joseph Walker is charged on two warrants of commitment to Lyttelton Gaol, for seven days on each, in default of paying £2 13s. 6d., fine and costs, for falsely representing himself to be a traveller, and refusing to quit licensed premises. Description: A native of New Zealand, a labourer and bootmaker, nineteen years of age, 5 ft. 4 in. high, slight build, dark complexion, black hair worn long in front, no hair on face, dark-brown eyes; generally dressed in dark-tweed suit and cap, bell-bottomed trousers. He was fined £1 and costs on each charge, on the 12th ultimo, and allowed time to pay but failed to do so.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 277.)

METHVEN.—Michael O'Shea, charged with default of fine for drunkenness, has been arrested and lodged in Lyttelton Gaol.

PALMERSTON.—Albert Johnstone is charged on two warrants of commitment to Dunedin Gaol, for forty-eight hours in default of paying £1 2s. fine and costs for drunkenness, and fourteen days in default of paying £3 10s. for committing a breach of the peace. Description: A native of Palmerston, a labourer, twenty-five years of age, about 5 ft. 9 in. high, stout build, fresh complexion, dark hair, no hair on face; dressed in dark-tweed suit and soft black-felt hat; is fond of drink. The sum of £4 12s. is now due on both warrants.

DUNEDIN.—Mary Basan, *nee* Saywell, and John Spence are charged on warrant with having assaulted and robbed Michael Quinn, at Ravensbourne, on the 29th ultimo. Descriptions: First, a prostitute, twenty-six years of age, 4 ft. 10 in. high, fair hair and complexion, scar near chin. Second, an express-driver, twenty-six years of age, 5 ft. 9 in. or 10 in. high, strong build, dark-brown hair, clean-shaved except fair moustache, scar near forehead. The first offender left Dunedin on the 4th instant, supposed for the North Island or the West Coast, and may be accompanied by the male offender.

Housebreaking, Stealing from the Person, &c.

EDEN TERRACE (AUCKLAND).—Jane Edmunds, East Street, reports that on the 7th instant her dwelling was broken into and the following stolen: A petrified-wood brooch (gold-mounted), a silver-quartz gold-mounted brooch, a round gold brooch with twisted gold wire, a wicker basket, two pillow-slips, a half-sovereign, a half-crown, and a florin; total value, £6 8s. 6d.

EDEN TERRACE (AUCKLAND).—John Robertson, gardener, Hazlett Street, reports stolen from the verandah of his house, on the 30th ultimo or 1st instant, a gentlemen's black-enamelled Wolverhampton-Humber bicycle, smooth pedals with clips, free wheel, brazeless joints, Brooks saddle, cork grips (one broken), clips on front for parcels (one broken); value, £15. Identifiable.