

dark sac suit and dark skull-cap. Second: About seventeen years of age, about 5 ft. 3 in. high, slight build, brown hair and complexion, round features, rather talkative; dressed in dark sac suit and dark skull-cap. The suspects stopped at the Dreyerton Hotel, and were riding horses resembling those stolen. They took a new saddle, the property of the licensee, and left an old one that was on one of the stolen horses. The horse stolen from Michael Savage was recovered on the 13th instant by the Eketahuna police at Marongorongo, where the above suspects, who gave the names of Norman Aiken and Alfred Westlake, sold the horse and a saddle and bridle to James Aldridge for £5. He also bought from them a chestnut horse, branded H, for £1.

ST. ALBANS.—Thomas Mummery, farmer, reports supposed stolen from a paddock in Kelly's Road, about the 30th November last, a light-draught brown mare, aged, 16 hands high, white streak down the forehead, off hind fetlock white, and a white spot on shoulder, no brands; value, £25. Identifiable.

Missing Friends.

MINNIE E. NEWLAND is inquired for by the Hunterville police at the instance of her husband. Description: Thirty-nine years of age, 5 ft. high, slight build, blue eyes, dark-brown hair, upper teeth project. She left her home at Hunterville on the 4th June last, taking her boy, eighteen months old, with her, and was then about five months *en route*. Before leaving she drew £300 from the Bank of New Zealand, and is supposed to have gone to Christchurch with a man named W. G. Cains, about twenty-seven years of age, about 5 ft. 6 in. high, dark complexion, small dark moustache, high cheek-bones. She may take her maiden name of Wells.

JANE ALLEY is inquired for by the Wellington police at the instance of Adjutant Spargo, of the Salvation Army. Description: A native of New Zealand, twenty-two years of age, about 5 ft. 5 in. high, slight build, pale complexion, auburn hair; is poorly dressed in light-coloured blouse, light-striped skirt, and black belt. On the 17th instant she left the Maternity Home and took her child, about a month old, with her. She had no money, and will probably try to make her way to Woodville, as she came from there to Wellington about six weeks ago.

WILLIAM KENNEDY is inquired for by the Dunedin police with a view of proceedings being taken against him for the support of his son, eleven years of age, left destitute with Mrs. Stevens, St. Andrew Street, Dunedin. Description: A native of Scotland, labourer, about fifty-seven years of age, about 5 ft. 11 in. high, fresh complexion, medium build, full beard whiskers and moustache turning grey. Was last heard of at Dunedin in 1900.

GEORGE BERRY ELLIS is inquired for by the Christchurch police at the instance of his wife. Description: A native of England, a butcher, forty-six years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, fair complexion, dark-brown hair, clean-shaved except sandy moustache; dressed in fawn-coloured plaid suit, grey soft hat, and a blue-striped shirt. He was last seen in Manchester Street, Christchurch, on the 23rd ultimo; he was in ill-health and despondent, and it is feared he may have committed suicide.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1896, page 102.)

DAVID JELLY, inquired for by the Ahaura police, is living at Epsom, Auckland.

THOMAS MCCOY is inquired for by the Palmerston North police at the instance of his wife. Description: A native of Ireland, labourer, sixty-four years of age, 5 ft. 5½ in. high, thin build, white whiskers, excitable manner. He left his home on the 17th ultimo, and wrote to his wife from Penrose, Auckland, on the 25th ultimo, stating that he left her any property or money he was entitled to.

PENDER.—Information is requested by the Tasmanian police concerning the whereabouts of Charles Edward Pender, formerly clerk to Messrs. Webster and Son, Hobart. Description: A native of Tasmania, a clerk and dealer, forty years of age, 5 ft. 8½ in. high, dark complexion, black curly hair, brown eyes, several moles on right cheek. (See *Police Gazette*, 1898, page 69.) He arrived in Wellington about 1896, but has not been seen there since about the end of 1898. (02/261.)

HARRISON.—Information is requested concerning George Harrison, a miner, about forty-three years of age. He left his home at the Dromedary, near Bridgewater, Tasmania, in 1877, and was last heard of at the Brandy Creek Diggings; he is now supposed to have come to New Zealand. Inquiry by F. Evelyk, lay reader, St. David's Cathedral, Hobart,

Tasmania, at the instance of his mother, Mrs. James Harrison, 13, Lower Collins Street, Hobart. (02/344.)

(See *Police Gazette*, 1901, page 291.)

ALBERT HORNER, inquired for, has been found working as a miner at Taitapu, Collingwood. (01/1976.)

(See *Police Gazette*, 1902, page 28.)

ELIZA MINNIX, inquired for by the Inglewood police, has been found at Wanganui.

(See *Police Gazette*, 1902, page 28.)

THOMAS LEARY has been found by the Taihape police, and fine paid.

Inquest.

WANGANUI.—On the 20th instant, at 6 a.m., the body of a man was found floating in the Wanganui River near the Cattle Wharf by John and Henry Hood when fishing. Dr. Hatherley made an examination, and stated that the body was about three weeks in the water; and at an inquest held the following verdict was returned: "That deceased met his death by drowning, but there was no evidence to show how he came into the water." Description of deceased: About fifty-five or sixty years of age, about 5 ft. 7 in. high, stout build, square-shouldered, about 14 stone weight, fresh complexion, full face, grizzly hair cut short, clean-shaved except grey beard and moustache; dressed in dark-tweed sac coat and vest, brown saddle-tweed trousers, and lace-up boots, dark cotton shirt with lighter stripes running through it; was wearing a silver lever hunting-watch, maker Rotherham, London, No. 3776, with silver chain attached, cable-link pattern, with common watch-key at end; match-box and common wooden-halted pocket-knife; four silk handkerchiefs—a mauve, a white, a brown, and a white and brown; seemed to have the appearance of one employed about hotels or stations. Photograph of deceased was taken in the morgue, and is filed in the Inspector's office, Wanganui. Information obtained concerning deceased should be forwarded to the Inspector of Police, Wanganui, without delay.

Miscellaneous Information.

Retirement under "The Police Provident Fund Act, 1899."

CONSTABLE WHITE, THOMAS, No. 86: 15th February, 1902, with life allowance of £80 3s. per annum, under section 12. (02/1.)

Resignation.

CONSTABLE DAVIS, ARTHUR ROBERT, No. 815: 19th February, 1902. (02/314.)

Rewards.

DETECTIVE G. FITZGERALD, No. 502, and Constable C. Dalton, No. 759, Timaru police, have been awarded £3 10s. each for arrest of Henry J. Baker, deserter from the s.s. "Discovery" (see *Police Gazette*, 1902, page 5). (02/66.)

CONSTABLE T. O'ROURKE, No. 453, Otaki police, has been awarded £5 for services in obtaining the conviction of William Wise for sly-grog selling at Paraparaumu. (02/75.)

CONSTABLES J. FRASER, No. 807, and E. H. Law, No. 133, have been awarded £12 and £5 respectively by the Customs Department for services in obtaining the conviction of Robert Barlow Ferguson, fined £100 at Coromandel for being the owner of an unlicensed still. (01/735.)

The following amounts have been awarded to the Port Chalmers police for services in obtaining the conviction of W. Dyer for smuggling opium: Constable D. Hannafin, No. 694, £20; Sergeant M. J. Geerin, £10; Constable E. T. Bosworth, No. 652, £10. (01/1971.)

Clothing.

(Circular No. 8/02.)

1. CLOTHING issued to members of the Force will be inspected as follows, viz.: At headquarter stations when men are paraded to receive their monthly pay, and at out-stations either by the officers in charge of districts, or by the sergeants in charge of sub-districts when making their periodical visits. The object of the inspection is to insure that the clothing is kept clean and in good condition.

2. In the event of any member dying or leaving the service, the following articles of the last free issue to such member are to be obtained and returned to the Police Storekeeper, Wellington, by officers in charge of districts, viz.:-

- Coats, night duty.
- Coats, waterproof (mounted or foot).
- Helmets.
- Leggings.
- Shakos.