CHRISTCHURCH. - 23rd ultimo, from the bedroom of ROBERT SMITHSON, stationer, 101, Manchester Street, a gentlemen's silver Geneva hunting watch, "Robert Smithson, from J.O., 1860," on inside of case; value, £1 10s. Identifiable. Breaking and entering.

LITTLE RIVER.-16th instant, from the bedroom of FREDERICK HOGG, labourer, Little River, an open-faced nickel watch, black hands, a silver chain three links and bar pattern, a gold-mounted tusk-shaped greenstone pendant, and a silver sovereign-case ; value, £3 10s. Identifiable.

CULVERDEN.-Between 14th and 20th ultimo, from the paddock of LIONEL OLLIVER, sheep-farmer, twenty-one six and eight tooth cross-bred ewes, branded C over D in red on shoulder, a slit in off car and punch-hole in near car; value, £21. Identifiable.

DUNEDIN.-Between 14th and 16th ultimo, from the ware-house of the DRAPERY IMPORTING COMPANY, ten ten yards of double-width dark-grey worsted cloth, value £6 5s.; and two dark-coloured check Mosgiel rugs, value £3. Identifiable.

DUNEDIN. - 26th ultimo, from MICHAEL FAHEY, labourer, an open-faced silver lever watch, No. 362181, "Laucashire Clock Company" on dial, a brass albert long and short link chain, a cherry-wood pipe, a large pocket-knife, a black hard hat, and about 9s. in silver; total value, £4. Identifiable, except money. Theft from the person.

MILTON.-14th ultimo, from the Commercial Hotel, the property of ALBERT WARD, labourer, a gentlemen's new Hudson bicycle, No. 93990 or 93991 underneath the seat, adjustable handles; value, £15. Identifiable.

PROPERTY RECOVERED.

MOUNT COOK.-MICHAEL ENNIS, dwelling broken into. The ladies' old-fashioned gold watch, the gold brooch com-posed of two polo-sticks crossed and two balls inside, and the gold brooch composed of two hearts, have been recovered by Detective J. J. Cassells and Acting-Detective T. Kemp, Wellington and Mount Cook police, and traced to the pos-session of Charles Henry Cox, who has been charged with the offence and committed for trial. (See *Police Gazette*, 1904, page 332.)

MISSING.

WESTFORT. - Since 4th December last, MARSHALL JOHN FORMAN, age twenty-four, height 6 ft., a bushman and miner, native of New Zealand, medium build, fair complexion, grey eyes, straight nose, scar across fore-head, both hands injured when working in the bush at Kaikohe. Inquiry by his mother.

BLENHEIM .- Since 10th ultimo, ELIZABETH JACOBS, age thirty, height 5 ft. 2 in., native of New Zealand, dark complexion, dark hair and eyes; dressed in black skirt, white blouse, and white-straw hat. Inquiry by her husband, Edward Jacobs, Spring Creek.

INQUIRIES, ETC., FROM OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND.

BRISBANE. - A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Andrew McMullen for child-desertion. Description : Age forty, height 6 ft., a drayman, native of Ireland, medium build, fair complexion, dark hair turning grey, brown eyes and moustache, regular nose, bald on top of head and a V-shaped scar on bald portion, small toe missing from one foot: foot; dressed in black-cloth coat and vest, slate-coloured trousers, tan boots, and Panama hat. If found, to be induced to contribute 10s. a week towards the support of his child. His sister, Mrs. James Breen, resides at Papanui, Christchurch. (04/2253.)

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Chief Clerk and Accountant appointed.

Police Department, Wellington, 26th January, 1905.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint MR. JOHN TASKER

to be Chief Clerk and Accountant in the Police Department, as from the 1st January, 1905. (P04/2351.)

JAS. MCGOWAN.

Appointments as Detectives.

1st February, 1905.

No. 739, CONSTABLE (Acting-Detective) MILLER, JOHN PATON.

No. 795, Constable (Acting-Detective) Hill, William Edward.

Appointments as Constables.

1st February, 1905.

- No. 1145. WILLIAMSON, JAMES SINCLAIR.
- No. 1146.-Allan, Richard.
- No. 1147.—Thompson, Andrew James. No. 1148.—Mahoney, William. No. 1149.—Mackenzie, John.

- No 1150 -Glassett, Michael. No. 1151.-
- Snow, Charles Alfred Edwin.
- No. 1152.—Young, Robert. No. 1153.—Coppell, Arthur William.

No. 1154.-Hampton, James Edward.

- No. 1155.—Kelly, Walter. No. 1156.—Warwick, Arthur Oscar. No. 1157.—Butler, Patrick.