

DUNEDIN.—12th October last, from a building in course of erection in Richardson Street, an open-faced nickel keyless watch, "Moa" on face, back case screws off, value £1 5s. (identifiable), property HENRY RUGBY, 172 Dundas Street; an ordinary dark-tweed sac coat, with white spots, may have "Helean" on tab, value £1 (identifiable), property of JOHN LUM, 172 Dundas Street.

DUNEDIN.—11th ultimo, from the Hospital grounds, property of CHARLES FREEMAN, carpenter, Burnside, a "Diston" rip-saw, "A" on top part of handle; value, 7s. Identifiable.

PROPERTY RECOVERED.

GISBORNE.—MAJOR HOOPER CLARKE'S bicycle has been recovered, and John Hailing arrested for the offence by Sergeant Hutton and Detective Rawle, Gisborne police, and remanded. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 452.)

MASTERTON.—ROBERT WELLS'S bicycle has been found in the Waipoua River, tires missing. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 510.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—ROBERT WORKMAN'S gig has been recovered on the property of Mrs. Cobblewick, Ealing, by Constable McLennan, Ashburton police, on information supplied by Constable McClinchy, Christchurch police, and returned to owner. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 83.)

INVERCARGILL.—ROBERT GARDINER'S bicycle has been found: not stolen. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 453.)

BLUFF.—ARTHUR G. JAMES'S property has been recovered by the Tasmanian police, except the bank-draft, and handed to complainant. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 511.)

DESERTERS FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

WELLINGTON.—Francis Charles Laird, age twenty, height 5 ft. 7½ in., stoker, native of Australia, brown hair, grey eyes, fair complexion. Deserted H.M.S. "Challenger," 19th ultimo. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 503.)

Aubery Harold Smith, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 10½ in., stoker, native of Australia, light-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion. Deserted H.M.S. "Challenger," 19th ultimo. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 503.)

A reward of £3 will be paid for the arrest of each.

ABSENTEE FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

PORT CHALMERS.—Frank A. Barton, age twenty, height 5 ft. 5½ in., ordinary seaman, native of England, strong build, fresh complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, Faith, Hope, and Charity on right hand, cross, crossed flags, and "H. I." on right forearm, ship, clasped hands, and "I love G." on left forearm. Absent from H.M.S. "Pioneer" since 25th ultimo. A reward of £1 will be paid for his arrest.

MISSING.

MOUNT COOK.—Since September last, Raymond Victor Dawson, age sixteen, height 5 ft. 5 in., driver, native of New Zealand, slight build, fair complexion, grey eyes, front teeth prominent. Supposed to have gone up-country. Inquiry by his mother, Elizabeth Dawson, Adelaide Road, Berhampore, as she is anxious as to his whereabouts.

ISLAND BAY.—Since 27th February last, Ethel M. Siffect, age about seventeen, height about 4 ft., domestic servant, native of New Zealand, very stout build, dark complexion, dark hair usually in curls, dark eyes; when last seen was wearing dark clothes and white sailor hat. She was boarded out to her mother at Island Bay, and was employed at Cliff House Tea-rooms, Island Bay. Inquiry by Education Department.

HOKITIKA.—Since 25th ultimo, Frederick Arthur Boyes, age forty-four, height 5 ft. 10 in. or 11 in., mine-manager, native of New Zealand, clean-shaved, slightly bald, dark hair turning grey, sallow complexion; generally wears dark-grey tweed suit and hard black-felt hat; reserved manner. He has been rather despondent, and fears are entertained for his safety.

QUEENSTOWN.—Since the 16th October last, Thomas Wilson, age thirty-five, height 6 ft., shepherd, native of New Zealand, medium build, active appearance, fair moustache only, third finger of right hand missing; wearing blue-velvet coat and vest, and drab-coloured Bedford-cord pants, soft light-coloured shirt, and light lace-up boots; fond of drink. He was employed as head shepherd on the Kawarau Falls Station. It is now believed that he is insane, and fears are entertained as to his safety. Inquiry by Daniel McBride, by whom Wilson was employed. (See *Police Gazette*, 1908, page 474.)

INQUIRIES, ETC., FROM OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND.

SYDNEY.—A warrant has been issued by the Central Police Bench, Sydney, for the arrest of Alfred Dale, charged with Frank Anderson, carter, now under arrest, with conspiring to defeat the ends of justice. He is thirty-five years of age, about 5 ft. 8 in. high, 10 stone weight, medium build, smooth pale complexion, black hair inclined to be wavy (thin on top), clear bluish-grey eyes, black medium moustache; when last seen was clean-shaved; sensual mouth; generally dressed well in dark-blue coat, light vest and trousers; a barber. Has a brother, Charles Dale, said to be living in Windmill Street, North Sydney; and another brother, J. C. Dale, whose address is Greenbushes, West Australia; also another brother, Frank Dale, who is said to be a soldier in Victoria Barracks, Sydney. It is said that Dale may try and make to his brother in West Australia. The arrest of this offender is very desirable. The offence is indictable in this State. Was last heard of at Newcastle, New South Wales. (08/2614.)

KOGARAH.—A warrant has been issued by the Newtown Bench for the arrest of Colin Campbell, charged with wife-desertion. He is forty-five years of age, 5 ft. 8 in. high, medium build, fair complexion, reddish moustache only; a labourer. Said to be in New Zealand. Complainant, Jean Campbell, St. Catherine Street, Mortdale. (See *New South Wales Police Gazette*, 1908, page 430.)

MARRICKVILLE.—A warrant has been issued by the Newtown Bench for the arrest of William Charles Fry, charged with wife-desertion. He is fifty-two years of age, about 5 ft. 4 in. or 5 in. high, medium build, fair complexion, grey hair and moustache only, blue eyes, bandy-legged, nose slightly on one side; usually dressed in dark clothes; a blacksmith; an Englishman. Last beard of at Wellington, New Zealand. Complainant, Susan Fry, 11 Garden Street, Marrickville. (See *New South Wales Police Gazette*, 1908, page 430.)

ENGLAND.—Inquiry requested for George Henry Hedges, age thirty-nine, height about 5 ft. 7 in., stoker, native of London. He left England in 1898 for San Francisco, and came to New Zealand about six years ago. He was employed about three years ago by the Meat Export Company, Wellington, and left there intending to return to San Francisco. Inquiry by Mrs. Clara Hedges Jacobs, London. (08/2439.)

SAN QUENTIN (CALIFORNIA).—Inquiry requested for Robert Thompson, alias Bob Thompson, for violation of his parole from San Quentin Prison. Description: Age thirty-two, height 5 ft. 5½ in., labourer, native of Melbourne, Australia, 164 lb. weight, foot size 7, hat size 7, blue eyes, dark-brown hair, small mouth, eyebrows meet, short bull-neck, stiff build, Cockney accent, small scar above forehead, boil-scar back of neck (left side), small mole base of neck (right side), small bumpy scar on left shank. Has a tendency to associate with prize-fighters and hangers-on round sporting places. He was sentenced to fifteen years for robbery. If traced, information to be forwarded to the Commissioner's Office, Wellington, before he is arrested. (08/2616.)

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Rewards.

THAMES.—Constable L. Spellman, No. 1083, has been awarded £2 for services in connection with the conviction of Richard Johnston for sly-grog selling at Mamaku. (08/2605.)

WELLINGTON.—Sergeant B. Rutledge, No. 489, has been awarded £2 for services in connection with the conviction of John Elliott for sly-grog selling. (08/2604.)