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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 theft or suspected of theft, 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*.

PERSONS WANTED.

PONSONBY.—17th ultimo, on **warrant** for theft of a pair of trousers and a vest, the property of Robert Charles Gray, value £2 10s., **John O'Brien, alias John O'Shea**, age twenty-eight, height about 5 ft. 7 in., sailor and labourer, stiff build, fresh complexion, brown hair, clean-shaved, tattoo-marks on his arms, dressed in dark coat, light trousers, light-tweed cap, black kerchief round his neck; fond of drink. Offender sold the stolen articles to Ellen Macpherson, second-hand dealer, on above date.

ROTORUA.—On or about 9th ultimo, on **warrant** for theft of £56 13s. 2d., the money of Thomas Lewis Saulbrey, trustee of the Loyal Mamaku Lodge of Oddfellows Friendly Society, **John Alfred Mercer** (may assume the name of **Davis** or **Pickering**), age thirty-six, height 5 ft. 4 in., clerk, strong build, dark complexion, blue eyes, dark-brown curly hair, turning grey, dark moustache only, long thin Roman nose, flat-footed; dressed in dark-brown suit and black hard hat; addicted to drink. Photograph filed in the Inspector's Office, Thames. Offender was treasurer of the

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lodge, and is supposed to have gone to Auckland on the 12th ultimo.

WELLINGTON.—3rd ultimo, on **warrant** for obtaining £6 from William Lavery by means of a valueless cheque, **Arthur Hobday**, age twenty-six, height 5 ft. 6½ in., gardener and land agent, native of England, medium build, dark complexion, brown hair, hazel eyes, short-sighted (wears glasses). (See *Police Gazette*, 1910, page 210.) Offender was boarding at the Clyde Court Private Hotel, and gave the above cheque on the Bank of New Zealand, Palmerston North, to the proprietor of the hotel.

BLenheim.—On or about the 31st January last, on **warrant** for theft of a light-bay stout cob mare (white star on forehead, no brands), an old saddle (in good repair, leather surcingle and girth), and a double-rein bridle, value £14, the property of Charles Richard Murray, insurance agent, **James Downey, alias Gordan**, age about twenty-one, height about 5 ft. 9 in., labourer and musterer, native of Australia, medium build, dark complexion, thin features, large ears, sharp pointed nose, brown eyes, dark hair, small finger of one hand bent inwards and scarred; generally well dressed in dark suit and straw hat. Complainant lent offender the horse, saddle, and bridle to look for work, but has heard nothing of him since above date.

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WESTPORT.—23rd ultimo, on **warrants** of commitment to Westport Prison for one month in default of paying £12 11s. 3d. costs of treatment in hospital for injury received while helplessly drunk, and fourteen days in default of paying £3 7s. for a breach of prohibition order, **George Broughton**, age thirty-two, height 5 ft. 9½ in., labourer and fireman, native of England, stout build, florid complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, dirty slovenly appearance, is slightly lame from a recent accident. His wife is said to reside in Wellington.

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DENNISTON.—23rd ultimo, on **warrant** of commitment to Westport Prison for seven days in default of paying £1 10s. fine and costs for a breach of the Licensing Act, **Frank Rober, alias Katthoff**, age forty-five, height 6 ft., seaman and miner, native of Germany, strong build, fresh complexion, brown hair, ginger moustache, speaks broken English; fond of drink, and quarrelsome when under the influence of liquor. He paid £1 1s., leaving a balance now due of 9s.

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