

CHRISTCHURCH.—3rd ultimo, from outside the Britannia Private Hotel, Colombo Street, the property of GEORGE ARNOLD CLUTTERBUCK, groom, King's Avenue, Linwood, a gentlemen's 22 in. frame black-enamelled Eadie Star bicycle, No. 4983, wide upturned handles, steel rims; value, £7 10s. Identifiable.

ANNAT.—25th ultimo, from outside the church at Sheffield, the property of FRANCIS WATSON, labourer, a gentlemen's 24 in. frame Swift Royal bicycle, No. 101762, reversible upturned handles, nickel-plated rim on back wheel, rat-trap pedals; value, £8. Identifiable. Suspicion is attached to Frank Peterson, or Petersen, alias Parker, alias Fitzjohn, alias Fritziohn, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 8½ in., fresh complexion, auburn hair, short-sighted, hazel eyes (wears glasses), mole on right upper arm, pimpled forehead, peculiar shifty expression. (See *Police Gazette*, 1910, page 358, and Photographs of Prisoners Discharged, 1910, page 42.)

DUNEDIN.—31st May last, from a bedroom in the Ship Restaurant, the property of CHARLES JOSE, an open-face silver watch, a sea-tiger-skin chain, and a gold and silver medal with two silver ferns and a gold anchor in centre; value, £2 10s. Identifiable.

INVERCARGILL.—21st April last, from near the Public Hall, Kennington, the property of ALFRED TUFFERY, labourer, a gentlemen's 24 in. frame black-enamelled Royal Khaki bicycle, No. 2793 or 2794, Brooks saddle, rat-trap pedals, black-celluloid mud-guards; value, £15. Identifiable.

INVERCARGILL.—24th April last, from the railway-station, the property of HENRY BARBER, fireman, a gentlemen's 22 in. frame black-enamelled Radium bicycle, No. 105781, free wheel, back-peddalling brake; value, £15. Identifiable.

INVERCARGILL.—15th May last, from outside J. E. Watson and Co.'s, Tay Street, the property of ANDREW WALLACE, clerk, a gentlemen's black-enamelled free-wheel Vickers bicycle, B.S.A. parts, No. 235, two dents on top cross-bar, "Vickers, Cycle Agent," on front fork, front-rim brake, front celluloid mud-guard only; value, £5. Identifiable.

INVERCARGILL.—About 23rd ultimo, the business premises of the NEW ZEALAND HARDWARE COMPANY, Dee Street, were broken into, and the following articles stolen therefrom: A set of black opera-glasses; two sets of pearl opera-glasses; a set of lorgnette pearl opera-glasses; a set of field-glasses in large tan-leather case; a black-handle brass-mounted magnifying-glass; five old-English-pattern afternoon teaspoons; a child's fork and spoon, stamped "L. & W., U.S."; a pearl-handle electro-plated child's fork and spoon; a set of ebony military hair-brushes in tan-leather case; a 32 calibre safety-hammer Young America revolver; a 32-calibre double-action model 1905 H. & R. revolver; two hundred 32-calibre (short) Colt U.M.C. cartridges; two ladies' open-face oxide watches; two or three ladies' open-face watches; several Christopher Johnston stag-horn and bone handle castrating-knives; and about two dozen nickel, buff, pearl, and zylo-handle Nixon and Winterbottom, Johnston, Taylor, and Wingfield Humphreys' pocket-knives: total value, £17. Identifiable.

### PROPERTY RECOVERED.

CHRISTCHURCH.—WILLIAM SPROULE'S bicycle has been recovered, and Frederick Robert Rose arrested for the offence by Detectives Ward and Miller, Christchurch police. (See *Police Gazette*, 1910, page 193.)

KING STREET (DUNEDIN).—GEORGE TILBURY'S ladies' gold hunting keyless watch has been recovered by Detective D. Connolly, Dunedin police. It was pledged at the Union Pawn Office, Dunedin, by Dave Marshall (probably fictitious), age about twenty-five, height 5 ft. 8 in., slim build, dark complexion, clean-shaven; dressed in dark-brown overcoat and black hard hat. **No warrant.** (See *Police Gazette*, 1911, page 275.)

### DESERTERS FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

From H.M.S. "Encounter."

SYDNEY.—Joseph Downey, age twenty-five, height 5 ft. 5 in., stoker, native of London, England, light-brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, scar on left cheek. Deserted 12th ultimo. A reward of £3 is offered for his apprehension.

From H.M.S. "Pyramus."

BRISBANE.—Stanley Bell, age twenty, height 5 ft. 5½ in., seaman, native of New South Wales, black hair, grey eyes, dark complexion. Deserted 7th ultimo.

Dudley Ernest Smith, age twenty-one, height 5 ft. 6½ in., stoker, native of New South Wales, black curly hair, grey eyes, dark complexion. Deserted 8th ultimo.

A reward not exceeding £3 is offered for the apprehension of each.

### MISSING.

EKETAHUNA.—Since 21st ultimo, Bessie Dance, *nee* Ormond, age twenty-five, height about 5 ft. 4 in., native of New Zealand, medium build, fair complexion, good-looking, dark hair, blue eyes; dressed in dark-striped skirt and black-fur three-quarter coat. She was last heard of at Pahiatua Railway-station. Inquiry by her husband, Isaac Dance, who requests that she may be induced to return to her home and four children.

### INQUIRIES, ETC., FROM OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND.

NEWTOWN (SYDNEY).—A warrant has been issued by the Newtown Bench for the arrest of James Paterson, charged with disobeying a Magisterial order for the support of his wife (£2 10s. due). He is fifty-eight years of age, 5 ft. 1 in. or 2 in. high, slight build, fair hair and moustache only; generally dressed in a navy-blue suit and brown soft-felt hat; a stonemason. Said to have come to New Zealand. (See *New South Wales Police Gazette*, 1911, page 231.)

MURWILLUMBAH (N.S.W.).—A warrant has been issued by the Murwillumbah Bench for the arrest of George F. Clarke, charged with embezzling cash to the amount of £8 10s., the property of Francis Douglas Black, Mooball, at Murwillumbah, between the 1st and 8th January last. Offender is about thirty-two years of age, 5 ft. 6 in. or 7 in. high, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair and moustache only; has a shifty look when speaking to any one; a stud groom. He spoke of having a sister at Westport, New Zealand, and is supposed to have come to Auckland in January last. If located, an immediate communication is to be sent to the Commissioner's Office, Wellington, before further action is taken. (See *New South Wales Police Gazette*, 1911, page 50.) (11/567.)

WASHINGTON (U.S.A.).—The United States Department of Justice will pay a reward of \$500 for reliable information leading to the discovery of the present whereabouts and the arrest of Edward Valentine Lee, *alias* A. W. Carmichael, *alias* E. W. Andrews, *alias* Barnes, *alias* Burnett, *alias* Donald Smith, a fugitive from justice, who is wanted for larceny of Government funds amounting to over \$46,000, taken from the Paymaster's safe on the U.S.S. "Georgia," on 11th February, 1911. He fled from Havana, Cuba, in February last, and registered at the Hotel Normandie, Philadelphia, on 7th March last, since which date his movements are unknown. Description: Age twenty-five, height about 5 ft. 7½ in., weight about 10 stone, light and straight hair, light-blue eyes, fair complexion, sharp features, erect carriage, deep lines on sides of mouth, scars on left shoulder, left elbow, right index and right middle finger, and right shin, large mole on stomach, two moles on back; quiet manner, self-contained, and slow of speech; fond of women, and spends money freely; dresses neatly. Process-block photograph filed in the Commissioner's Office, Wellington. Inquiry by the American Consul-General, Auckland, through the American Consular Agent, Christchurch. If located, an immediate communication is to be sent to the Commissioner's Office, Wellington, before further action is taken. (11/1391.)