BELFAST.—2nd instant, from outside the Belfast Hotel, the property of JOHN SMITH, labourer, a gentlemen's Kent bicycle, green frame, straight handles, fixed wheel, rat-trap pedals; value, £3. Identifiable.

PLEASANT POINT.—13th instant, from the dwelling of JOHN LINDSAY, surfaceman, a brown-leather purse containing a 9 ct. gold band ring, two small keys, two £1 notes, and 10s. in silver.

RANFURLY.—Between 20th December last and 7th instant, from a paddock at Patearoa, the property of STAFFORD O'NEILL, about one hundred and fifty-seven cross-bred sheep and lambs, mixed sexes, branded with "U" on rump, back, or side, top and front bit off near ear for wethers and off ear for ewes; value, about £70.

Winton.—8th ultimo, from the hut of JOHN HAWKINS, farm labourer, Barkley, a gentlemen's hunting silver Botherham watch, No. 312180, "F. Tilley, Winton," on dial; value, £5. Suspicion attached to James Kane, who was seen near the hut and was also employed on the same farm, age thirty-eight, height 5 ft. 8 in., farm labourer, native of Ireland, medium build, sallow complexion, fair hair, blue eyes.

PROPERTY RECOVERED.

TE AWAMUTU.—JOHN RICHARD GOLDSMITH'S bay mare has been found. The black buggy-mare is still missing. (See *Police Gazette*, 1912, page 6.)

PETONE.—THE PETONE BOROUGH COUNCIL have recovered the bicycle reported stolen. (See *Police Gazette*, 1911, page 591.)

Christchurch.—B. HORWELL'S bicycie has been found. (See *Police Gazette*, 1912, page 89.)

CHRISTCHURCH. — THOMAS KANE'S watch has been recovered, and Edwin Steele, alias Joyce, arrested for the offence by Acting-Detective Osborn, and Constable O'Connor, Christchurch and Sydenham police. (See *Police Gazette*, 1912, pages 50 and 89.)

DESERTERS FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

From H.M.S. "Challenger."

HOBART. — Walter Coghlan, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 83 in., A.B., native of Sussex, England, black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion, several scars on right shin. Deserted 27th ultimo.

Martin J. Dalton, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 10 in., seaman, native of Victoria, brown hair, hazel eyes, fresh complexion. Deserted 26th ultimo.

Percy John Andrews, age twenty-four, height 5ft. 5 in., seaman, native of Western Australia, light-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, "M. H." tattooed on right forearm. Deserted 26th ultimo.

Herbert A. Greening, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 10 in., native of Western Australia, stoker, dark-brown hair, grey eyes, dark complexion.

Archibald Black, age twenty, height 5 ft. 5½ in., seaman, native of Glasgow, brown hair and eyes, fresh complexion, letters tattooed on some part of body, no other particulars given. Deserted 28th ultimo.

William R. Heavers, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 6 in., seaman, native of Wales, brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, several small scars on back. Deserted 27th ultimo.

Frederick G. Greaves, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 9 in., A.B., native of Burton-on-Trent, England, black hair, hazel eyes, fresh complexion, cross on left forearm. Deserted 26th ultimo.

Frederick Wright, age thirty, height 5 ft. 8 in., native of England, brown hair, brown eyes, fresh complexion, burnscar on right side, operation-mark on right side of abdomen, tattoo-mark on left forearm. Deserted 26th ultimo.

Nicholas Keohane, age twenty-seven, height 5 ft. 8 in., native of Skibbern, County Cork, Ireland, light-brown hair, dark-blue eyes, fresh complexion, sear on left thumb. Deserted 27th ultimo.

John F. Sutherland, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 6 in., officers' steward, native of County Cork, Ireland, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion. Deserted 27th ultimo.

George H. Bambery, age twenty, height 5ft. 7\(^2\) in., A.B., native of Dunedin, New Zealand, brown hair, hazel eyes, fresh complexion.

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

From H.M.S. "Fantome."

Thomas Sanderson, age twenty-four, height 5 ft. 4 in., A.B., native of Bombay, India, dark-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, tattooed on both forearms. Deserted 2nd instant. A reward of £3 will be paid for his apprehension if arrested before the 1st February, 1914.

Robert George Prothero, age twenty-two, height 5ft. 3 in., native of County Down, Ireland, dark-brown hair, brown eyes, fresh complexion. Deserted 6th instant. It arrested before the 5th February, 1914, a reward of £3 will be paid for his apprehension.

From H.M.S. "Torch."

SYDNEY.—**Daniel Taylor**, age twenty-seven, height 5 ft. 5½ in., A.B., native of Liverpool, England, light-brown hair, brown eyes, fresh complexion, eagle and snake on right forearm, ship and woman with broom on left forearm. Deserted 8th instant.

James Tait, age twenty-six, height 5 ft. $5\frac{1}{2}$ in., native of Forfar, Scotland, fair hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, scar on left temple. Deserted 9th instant.

Robert Scott Taylor, age twenty-six, height 5 ft. 6 in., native of England, engine-room artificer, dark-brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, mole on forehead. Deserted 12th instant.

John McLeay, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 6 in., private R.M.L.I., native of Greenock, Scotland, brown hair, blue eyes, fresh complexion, small mole on abdomen. Deserted 12th instant.

A reward not exceeding £3 will be paid for the apprehension of each.

MISSING.

Kihikihi.— Since March, 1909, Frank Walker, also known as James Martin, age nineteen, height about about 5 ft. 6½ in., stout build, large feet, brown hair and eyes, two upper teeth decayed, dark complexion, stoops when walking. Inquiry by his mother. (P. 12/356.)

INQUIRIES, ETC., FROM OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND.

VICTORIA.—Inquiry requested for **Theophilus William Draper**, who has deserted his wife and children, height 5ft. 9 in., electrical engineer, sallow complexion, dark hair and eyes. He formerly resided at Zeehan, which place he left in April, 1910, for Sydney, and may have come to New Zealand. Inquiry by Corr and Corr, barristers and solicitors, Melbourne. (P. 12/357.)

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Retirement under the Public Service Classification and Superannuation Act, 1908 (Section 36), as medically

No. 1525.—Constable Reeves, Horace Terence. 23rd February, 1912.