

LINCOLN.—On or about the 18th instant, from a tent, the property of DAVID GORDON TOD, a Bank of Australia £10 note, No. ³/_N 2525; a Bank of New South Wales £10 note, No. 104344; three sovereigns, two half-sovereigns, and 17s. 6d. in silver money. Notes only identifiable. Suspicion is attached to **Joseph McClintock**, age twenty-nine, height 5 ft. 5½ in., labourer, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, light-brown hair and eyes, upper front teeth missing, long thin nose. (See *Police Gazette*, 1914, page 134.)

OAMARU.—On the 3rd instant, from the Oamaru Racing Club's press-room, the property of THOMAS WALKER, a pair of old Zeiss prismatic binoculars, with dark-brown straps attached; value, £14. Identifiable.

PROPERTY RECOVERED.

NEWTON.—CHRISTIAN KARLSON'S dwelling robbed: This offence was committed by **Alfred Clegg**, referred to in *Police Gazette*, 1912, page 659, and Photographs, 1913, page 6, who has been arrested on other charges by the Auckland and Newton police. His correct name is **Alfred George Clegg**. (See *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 555, and following paragraph.)

AUCKLAND.—SAMUEL LEE'S dwelling broken into: This offence was committed by **Alfred Clegg**, referred to in *Police Gazette*, 1912, page 659, and Photographs, 1913, page 6, who has been arrested on other charges by the Auckland and Newton police. His correct name is **Alfred George Clegg**. (See *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 845, and preceding paragraph.)

ONEHUNGA.—THOMAS FRANKLIN'S horse has been found: not stolen. (See *Police Gazette*, 1916, page 36.)

WAITARA.—RICHARD SAMPSON'S bicycle has been recovered. (See *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 673.)

HAWERA.—JOSEPH QUINN'S bicycle has been found: not stolen. (See *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 775.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—WALTER RUFF'S bicycle has been found: not stolen. (See *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 611.)

ABSCONDER FROM AN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

LINCOLN.—10th instant, from Burnham Industrial School, **Victor Bingham**, age seventeen, height 5 ft. 7 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, curly dark-brown hair, blue eyes, scar on left shoulder and wrist, impediment in speech, dressed in a dark-tweed coat and vest, grey trousers, dark cap, and lace-up boots; all clothing should be numbered "114." (See *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 551.)

DESERTERS FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

From the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

AUCKLAND.—17th ultimo, from Avondale Camp, **Michael Leahy**, age twenty-nine, height 5 ft. 9 in., soldier, supposed native of New Zealand, medium build, dark complexion, hair, and eyes; tattooed on each arm. He was a member of the New Zealand Tunnelling Corps.

UPPER HUTT.—12th ultimo, from Trentham Camp, **John Murray**, age twenty-three, height 5 ft. 10 in., commercial traveller, native of Australia, medium build, dark hair and complexion, blue-grey eyes. His last address was care of Ethel Murray, Eirribille Point North, Sydney, and his last employer was Anthony Hordern and Sons, Sydney.

INQUIRIES, ETC., FROM OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND.

ADELAIDE (SOUTH AUSTRALIA).—10th December, 1915, on warrant for theft of £30, the property of James Cyril Bond, **James Donald Leitch**, alias **Edward O'Neil**, alias **Charles Lister**, alias **Henry Morgan**, alias **John Allen**, alias **Henry Scott**, alias **Ferguson**, age fifty, height about 5 ft. 5 in., manufacturer's and indent agent, white hair going bald, blue eyes (penetrating and inclined to be weak and red-rimmed), white bushy eyebrows, prominent nose, thin face, large prominent teeth in upper jaw, three lower teeth missing, talkative and well educated; usually wears pince-nez glasses, and a Panama hat, smart dapper appearance. He may be accompanied by a woman much taller than himself. He was photographed at Wellington (New Zealand) on the 2nd May, 1901 (more recent photograph filed in the Criminal Registration Office, Wellington). If located, an urgent communication is to be sent to the Commissioner of Police, Wellington. (See *New Zealand Police Gazette*, 1902, page 63, and *South Australian Police Gazette*, 1915, page 422.) (C. R. 16/35.)

SUTTON (ENGLAND).—15th October, 1915. Inquiry is requested for **Charles Herbert Wallace**, clerk, age thirty-nine, tall, stout build, full face. He is a good short-hand-writer and typist, book-keeper, and violinist, and is said to have come to New Zealand in 1911. Inquiry by the Under-Secretary for Internal Affairs on behalf of Thomas Wallace, Silverton, Sutton. (P. 15/1874.)

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Motor Regulation Act, 1908.

Part II of the Motor Regulation Act, 1908, has been brought into operation in the Waikohu County, and the Waikohu County Council has been assigned the letters "W.K.," and the numerals "1 to 500" as suitable distinguishing marks.

In addition to the distinguishing letters and numerals, "C. 2001 to 2200," and "C. 3801 to 4000," already assigned to the Geraldine County Council, "G.D. 1 to 500" have also been allotted to that Council. The list published in *Police Gazette*, 1915, page 557, is to be amended accordingly. [P. 14/868.]

LAW REPORT.

(*"Times Law Reports,"* Vol. xxxii, page 97.)

[COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEAL.—(LORD READING, C.J., AVORY AND LUSH, JJ.)—8TH NOVEMBER, 1915.]

REX v. GARDNER.

REX v. HANCOX.

Criminal Law—Evidence—Prisoners in adjoining Cells—Conversation—Prisoners charged jointly—Statement by One—Implication of Other—Admissibility.

Where two persons are charged with being concerned in the same offence and are put in adjoining cells and the police overhear a conversation between them, evidence of the conversation is admissible at the trial.

Where two persons have been separately arrested and separately charged with an offence and have subsequently been put in the dock together and charged jointly, a statement made previously by one of them behind the back of the other and implicating him ought not to be read in the presence of that other. Nevertheless, any material statement or confession by the other in answer to such statement is admissible in evidence, but the Judge ought to reject it if he is satisfied that it was read over to the prisoner for the mere purpose of getting an admission from him.

THESE were appeals against convictions. The appellants had been convicted at the Worcestershire Sessions on a charge of housebreaking. Gardner had been sentenced to twenty months' hard labour and Hancox to twelve months' hard labour.

Mr. Marchant appeared for the appellants; and Mr. Milward for the Crown.