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N OTICE.—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 members 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, shall 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.

AUCKLAND.—Bernard Faber, alias Smith, obscene language, is now serving a sentence of three months in Sydney for theft from the person. (See *Police Gazette*, 1914, page 777.) (C.R. 11/115.)

Woodville.—18th ultimo, on warrant for forgery and uttering, Sydney Mexted, age thirty-four, height 5 ft. 11 in., native of New Zealand, good build, fair complexion; dressed in riding-breeches and leggings or putties, navy-blue coat and vest, and Panama bat. Accused forged his father's signature ("Jesse Mexted") to a cheque for £10 10s., and uttered it to Frank Martin Kenney, jeweller, in payment of £5, for a silver hunting lever watch, No. 302762. He is in possession of his father's cheque-book on the Bank of New Zealand, Dannevirke, Nos. 73441 to 73464. There are other charges pending.

Hastings.—21st October last, on warrant for false-pretences, Franklin John Smith, age twenty-two, height 5ft. 6in., showman, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, dark-brown hair, hazel eyes. Accused obtained £13 from Patrick Joseph Charles Lloyd, teller, Bank of New South Wales, Hastings, by falsely representing that he had £20 in that bank at Auckland. The photograph of Frank Smith in Police Gazette, 1915, page 56, has been identified as that of accused. (See Police Gazette, 1916, pages 228 and 591.)

Wanganui.—26th July last, that he may be compelled to maintain his wife, an inmate of Porirua Mental Hospital, Francis Sorrell Smith (known as Pompy Smith), age about forty-six, height 5ft. 6½ in., labourer and pawn-broker, native of England, good build, dark-brown hair going bald, decayed prominent teeth, prominent chin, thin face, clean-shaved; usually dressed in a grey suit and cap or felt hat; untidy appearance. He was discharged from Featherston Camp on 20th May last.

WANGANUI.—2nd instant, on warrant for failing to comply with the terms of a maintenance order for the support of his wife, Florence Ruth Frances Dorothy Roy, and two children, Alfred Franklyn Roy, age fortynine, height 5 ft. 8 in., sailmaker and lineman, native of England, medium build, sallow complexion, curly black hair, dark eyes, tattooed on arms, small brown moustache, wrinkled face; usually dressed in a grey suit and black hard hat; stooped shoulders; fond of drink. Arrears to 12th ultimo, £7 7s. (See Police Gazette, 1918, page 314.)

Wellington.—17th ultimo, for theft of a ladies' gold ring (recovered), value £20, the property of Jeff Johnson, showman, New Zealander Hotel, **Edward Myers**, alias **Myer Myers**, age forty-one, height 5 ft. 5 in., tailor, native of England, medium build, dark complexion, black bair, hazel eyes, scar on right side; dressed in a dark brown coat and soft-felt hat. The ring was stolen from a bathroom in the New-Zealander Hotel and sold to a second-hand dealer for £1 5s. on the 20th ultimo by a man who gave the name "M. Myers." The photograph of the suspect has been identified as that of the offender. **No warrant**. (See Police Gazette, 1918, page 449, and Photographs, 1915, page 33.)