Wanganui.—5th November last, on warrant for failing to maintain his wife, Isabella Nutbeen, Kai-Iwi Beach, Henry Albert Nutbeen, alias Nutheen, age forty-two, height 5 ft. 8 in., labourer and hotel porter, native of England, strong build, dark sunburnt complexion, dark hair, brown eyes, tip of left middle finger missing, two snakes and spider on left upper arm, Japanese woman on right forearm; dressed in dark trousers and grey coat; slovenly gait. It is also desired that his whereabouts on the night of the murder of Margaret Emily Oates—26th October last (referred to in Special Inquiry, this issue)—be ascertained. He may endeavour to leave this Dominion. (See Police Gazette, 1921, page 579.)

Shannon.—31st ultimo, on warrant for false pretences, T. C. Williams (name probably fictitious), age about seventy-seven, height about 6 ft., strong build, fresh complexion, grey hair and beard, slightly stooped, fresh wound on back of head in which are three stitches; supposed to be dressed in dark-grey trousers and greyish-brown coat and vest, and carried a plain walking-stick with curved handle. Accused obtained £19 19s. from George Ernest Murphy, manager, Bank of New Zealand, Shannon, by means of a valueless cheque for £20 on the Bank of New Zealand, Riverton, at which bank he stated he had an account.

Wellington.—19th ultimo, on warrant for theft from the person, Frederick Courtenay, age forty-five, height 5 ft. 9 in., hawker, native of New Zealand medium build, fresh complexion, light-brown hair grey eyes: usually dressed in a grey or blue suit and felt hat or cap woman's head on right upper arm, horse's head or right tuper arm, horse's head or right forearm. Accused in company with Christopher Martis and Francis Burke, who have been arrested, stole £5 from the person of John Singleton, stableman, Whittaker Street. He travels about hawking inferior tweeds (See Police Gazette, 1921, page 720, and Photographs, page 22.)

Wellington.—10th ultimo, on warrant for deserting from the s.s. "West Nilus," Sheldon Payne, age twenty-three, height 5 ft. 10 in., seaman, native of America, pale complexion, dark-brown hair; dressed in a light-grey suit.

Wellington.—13th ultime, on warrant of commitment to Wellington Prison for two months in default of paying £89 15s. arrears due on a maintenance order for the support of his wife, Lucy Taylor, Swanherald James William Taylor, alias Marshall Alian, age twenty-seven, height 5 ft. 8 in., bootmaker, native of Scotland, fresh complexion, brown hair, scars on forehead and on knees. Arrears computed to 27th August last. (See Police Mazette, 1923, page 583.)

Wellington.—Charles Marchall, absconding from bail. It has been ascertained by the Wellington police that he was convicted for theft in London (England) on 21st January, 1919, under the names Walter Griffith, alias Griffiths. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 666.)

BLENHEIM.—6th ultimo, for failing to comply with an order of the Supreme Court, Blenheim, to pay £29 fine and costs and restitution—in default two months' imprisonment—for theft, Jessie Vance, age forty-six, height 5 ft. 4½ in., domestic, native of Scotland, medium build, fresh complexion, darkbrown hair, hazel eyes; usually dressed in a grey-tweed costume, grey skirt, and silk blouse; smart appearance; eccentric manner. She was allowed fourteen days to pay the fine, &c., but the order has not been complied with, and her arrest is desired. (See Return of Persons dealt with at Blenheim Supreme Court in Police Gazette, 1923, page 695.)

Christchurch.—25th September last, that he may be interviewed regarding his travelling from Rangiora to Culverden on above date on a Workman's Pass (the property of J. L. Kneale), which expired on the 31st August last, Jack Russell (name probably fictitious), age about twenty-seven, height 5 ft. 11 in., labourer, strong build, fair complexion, ginger hair; dressed in a dark-grey suit and cap; slight impediment in speech.

Christchurch.—24th September last, for failing to comply with the conditions of his release upon probation (Offenders Probation Act, 1920), Edward William Joseph Glover Williams, age thirty-two, height 5 ft.  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in., labourer, native of England, medium build, fresh complexion, light-brown hair, blue eyes; dressed in a brown rough-tweed suit and felt hat; clean appearance. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 544.)

Christchurch.—28th ultimo, on warrant for failing to comply with the terms of a maintenance order for the support of his wife, Nellie Amelia Butcher, 282 Worcester Street, Walter Edward Harold Butcher, age, forty-six, height about

5 ft. 6 in., piano-tuner, native of New Zealand, strong build, florid complexion, fair hair, light-blue eyes, prominent ears, good teeth; usually well dressed in a dark suit, slouching gait. Arrears to 11th ultimo, £27.

TIMARU.—On or about the 17th ultimo, on warrant for theft of two cushion-covers (recovered), value £1 10s., the property of Julia Taylor, 26 Latter Street, Leonard Ryan, age about thirty-seven, height 6 ft., labourer and shearer, native of Australia, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair turning grey, brown eyes, woman on each forearm, running sore on one shin; dressed in dark-grey trousers, light-grey coat and vest, and felt hat. Accused was boarding with complainant when he committed the offence and disappeared. There is another charge pending. He is believed to be identical with George Ryan, alias Alfred George Smythe, alias George Henry Grace, alias Alexander Smyth, alias George Ashton, referred to in Police Gazette, 1922, page 162, and Photographs, 1913, page 56

Oamaru.—20th November last, that notices of appeal—Police v. Goodson—may be served upon him, Cornelius Goodson, alias Johnston, age thirty-seven, height 5 ft. 6½ in. butcher, labourer, and bushman, native of New Zealand, fair complexion, light-brown hair, blue eyes, sear on right knee; dressed in a blue-serge suit and black-felt hat. He is not to be given knowledge of the inquiries until the officer interviewing him is in possession of the notices referred to. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 625.)

Dunedin.—26th ultimo, on warrant for breaking and entering the dwelling of Maria Wood, 70 Glen Road, Mornington, and stealing therefrom a pair of navy-blue trousers, a dark-grey-tweed overcoat with grey fleece lining, a bluish-grey-velour hat with shot-silk lining, a gold stud set with a red stone (can be used as a tie-pin), two gold pins, a brown-leather kit-bag, a silver match-box with "O.E.S.W." on it, a metal fetter-and-oval watch-chain, and other articles which have been recovered, total value £39 12s., identifiable, John Aston, alias John Lee Ashton, alias John Ambrose Clarke, age twenty-eight, height 5 ft. 11 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair turning grey, grey eyes, sear on back of head, on right wrist and thigh, and inside left elbow; dressed in navy-blue or gabardine trousers, grey sports coat, and bluish-grey-velour hat. He sold some of the stolen property to a second-hand dealer. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 596, and Photographs, 1920, page 42.)

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Devonport.—Robert Robertson Watson, deserting Navy: No further action to be taken. (See Police Gazette, 1922, page 33.) (P. 23/1740.)

Devonport.—Percy Conway, deserting Navy: Warrant cancelled. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 705.)

AUCKLAND.—Blanche Masters, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the Putaruru police. She had assumed the name Rawhira. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 623.)

Auckland.—Bertie Firmston, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the New Plymouth police. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 716.)

Augkland.—Ronald Gordon Watson, missing, has been arrested by the Warkworth police. He had assumed the name Arthur Bradley. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 649.)

Auckland.—Frederick David Hunter, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the Tuakau police. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 597.)

Auckland.—Guy Shuckburgh Collyns, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the Seddon police. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 716.)

Auckland.—Alfred Hinton, alias Liston, alias Charles Green, forgery and uttering, has been arrested by the Auckland police. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 715.)

Augkland.—Thomas Armstrong, theft, has been arrested by the Taupo police. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 715.)

Auckland.—Jack Courtney, default of expenses incidental to birth of his illegitimate child, has been arrested by the Auckland police. (See Police Gazette, 1923, page 323.)

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