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NOTICE.—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.

KAITIARA.—17th July last, on warrant for failing to maintain his wife, Miriam Baxter, Herekino, **John Baxter**, alias **John Reed Baxter**, alias **Frank John Hodges**, age twenty-four, height 5 ft. 8 in., seaman and labourer, native of Australia, medium build, fresh complexion, red hair, blue eyes, scar on right forefinger and on chin; usually dressed in a grey-tweed suit and brown lace-up boots. (See *Police Gazette*, 1923, page 551, and Photographs, 1920, page 6.)

KAIKOHE.—On or about the 21st June, 1921, on warrant for theft of three rugs (two recovered), value £5, the property of Theodore Richard Broomfield, hairdresser, **Arthur Henry Rountree**, age thirty-six, height 5 ft. 4½ in., tailor, native of New Zealand, medium build, sallow complexion, dark-brown hair going bald, hazel eyes. Accused borrowed the rugs and gave them to Walter Breach, to whom he owed an account for board. (See *Police Gazette*, 1916, page 904, and Photographs, 1917, page 8.)

WHANGAREI.—24th November last, for forgery and uttering, **Woman** (name unknown), age about thirty, height about 5 ft. 9 in., stout build; dressed in a navy-blue costume and small dark hat; slow in movements; pleasant manner. Accused, who by some means got possession of an Auckland Post-office Savings-bank pass-book, the property of Ada N. Keene, domestic, Omana, Dargaville, called at the Parnell Post-office, forged complainant's signature to a withdrawal notice, and obtained £80. The money consisted of six £10 notes Nos. 025227, 105547, 056250, 016742, 023950, and 101389 on the Bank of New Zealand, and a £20 note. **No warrant.**

AUCKLAND.—23rd November last, on warrant of commitment to Auckland Prison for three months in default of paying £45 10s. arrears due on a maintenance order for the support of his four children, **Frederick Jackson**, age thirty-seven, height 5 ft. 5 in., labourer and stableman, native of New Zealand, stout build, dark complexion, dark-brown hair, blue eyes; dressed in a dark-grey suit; erect gait; quiet manner; untidy appearance; fond of drink. (See *Police Gazette*, 1922, page 53.)

Arrested 18.6.24.

AUCKLAND.—20th September last, for failing to comply with the conditions of his release upon probation (Offenders Probation Act, 1920), **Albert Bettridge**, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 8 in., fireman, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh freckled complexion, red hair, blue eyes, scar on right groin and on chest. He has failed to report to the Probation Officer, and his arrest is desired. (See *Police Gazette*, 1923, page 112, and Photographs, page 21.)

arrested 6-4-27.

AUCKLAND.—8th instant, on warrant of commitment to Thames Prison for one month in default of paying £12 arrears due on a maintenance order for the support of his wife, **Peter Silveria**, age about thirty, height 5 ft. 5 in., labourer and fisherman, native of New Zealand, medium build, ruddy complexion, fair hair, blue eyes; usually dressed in a dark suit. Arrears computed to 7th September last.

Cancelled 9/4/24

AUCKLAND.—18th ultimo, on warrant for failing to maintain his child, Victor William Sextone, an inmate of an orphan's home, Auckland, **William Sextone**, age about forty-three, height 5 ft. 4 in., valet, medium build, fair complexion, brown eyes, front teeth separated; usually dressed in a blue suit, tan boots, and black-felt hat.

Cancelled 16/4/24.