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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* 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**.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WELLINGTON.—NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT (Postal Department) mail-bag stolen: The bag also contained a packet enclosing a cheque for £30, No. 352114, on the Bank of New South Wales, Carterton, dated 28th October, 1924, payable to Barnet-Glass Rubber Company, or order, and signed "C. E. Barker." (See *Police Gazette*, 1924, pages 623, 633, and 645.)

See 17/12/24

PERSONS WANTED.

WHANGAREI.—27th August last, on warrant for forgery, **Stuart Christie**, age thirty-one, height 5 ft. 3 in., farmer, native of New Zealand, medium build, swarthy complexion, dark-brown hair, grey eyes, scar on back. Accused forged the signature of J. Christie (who is a cousin of accused) to a post-office receipt for £3 sent per money-order telegram from Hikurangi by complainant's mother. (See *Police Gazette*, 1924, page 457.)

Arrested 10/12/24

HIKURANGI.—30th ultimo, that two summonses for being drunk on a train and failing to pay his railway fare may be served upon him, **Leslie Cameron Laverick**, alias **Leslie Cameron**, age thirty-six, height 5 ft. 9 in., labourer, native of Australia, strong build, dark complexion, brown hair, grey eyes, clean-shaved, scars on back; dressed in riding-breeches and leggings; walks with a limp. He may seek admission to some hospital, and represents himself to be the holder of the V.C. and the D.S.O.

Arrested 17-2-26

WARKWORTH.—4th instant, on warrant for false pretences, **Margaret Beatrice Brodie**, age forty-five, height 5 ft. 5 in., nurse, native of Australia, stout build, sallow complexion, black buster-cut hair with grey streak about 1 in. wide from forehead over crown to neck, brown eyes, dark hollows under eyes, upper teeth artificial, no lower teeth, slightly round-shouldered, large ankles. Accused, who was employed as Matron of the Warkworth Hospital, obtained £4 from Benjamin Hamilton, draper, by means of a valueless cheque for that amount on the Union Bank of Australia, Auckland, signed "B. Brodie." She may be identical with **M. Wallis** and **Grace McKay**, alias **Mary Smith**, alias **Mary Bowen**, alias **Mary McGregor**, alias **Alma Grace McKay**, referred to in *Police Gazette*, 1923, page 470. There are other charges pending.

Arrested 24/12/24

AUCKLAND.—18th instant, on warrant for failing to comply with the terms of a maintenance order for the support of his two children, **Alfred Patten**, age forty-six, height 5 ft. 7 in., labourer and shearer, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, dark-brown hair, blue eyes, clean-shaved, round shoulders. (See *Police Gazette*, 1923, page 567.)

Arrested 17/12/24