

AUCKLAND.—31st ultimo, from a shed at the railway-station, the property of ALBERT MAXWELL, Koraha Street, a gentlemen's black-enamelled 22 in. bicycle, straight handles with one grip, Railroad tire on back wheel, parcel-carrier attached; value, £5 10s. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—PERCY DEVINE'S watch, &c., stolen: It has been ascertained by the Auckland police that suspect's name is Con Driscoll (not Bruce McLeod), and he may endeavour to leave the Dominion as a fireman or trimmer. (See Police Gazette, 1924, page 699.)

HUNTLY.—Between the 26th November last and the 3rd ultimo, from a dwelling in Farrell's Avenue, the property of HARRY JOE LENG, a ladies' 18 ct. gold ring, set with a diamond in claw setting, "Drews" engraved on inside; value, £75. Identifiable.

KIHIKIHI.—Between the 19th and 20th November last from a motor-car in a shed at Arapuni, the property of RICHARD TURPIN, a battery, No. A1311, serial 8317579; value, £13 5s. Identifiable.

ROTORUA.—Between the 12th and 15th ultimo, from a whare at Mamaku, the property of THOMAS CLARENCE BELL, share milker, a silver open-face keyless Swiss watch, No. 906480; and a gold hunting Swiss watch, No. 3540-20, with "G. C. Bell, 10/1/20" on back case: total value, £29. Identifiable.

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Between the 18th and 19th November last, from a paddock near Okato Hotel, the property of ALFRED JAMES CROSS, contractor, Vogeltown, a nine-year-old bay pony mare, about 12 hands, black mane and tail, small white patch on right hind fetlock, right fore hoof broken; value, £8. Identifiable.

PALMERSTON NORTH.—20th ultimo, from a right-of-way at the Commercial Hotel, the property of ARTHUR FIRMAN TAYLOR, upholsterer, a gentlemen's black-enamelled free-wheel 24 in. bicycle, No. 824, with Manawatu Cycle Company transfer on it, down-turned handles; value, £13 13s. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON.—10th October last, from ASHLEIGH BRUCE FITCHETT'S garage at 77 Kent Terrace, six reamers of various sizes, five drills of various sizes, a set of Crickley expanding reamers, and a set of Allen's assorted box spanners; total value, about £13 5s. Identification doubtful. Suspicion is attached to Percy Joseph Cashman, age thirty-eight, height 5 ft. 6½ in., motor engineer, native of New Zealand, good build, fresh complexion, ginger hair, blue eyes, scar on left forearm and thumb, portion of right forefinger missing; dressed in a grey suit and cap. He has been interviewed by the Wellington police, but no evidence resulted. (See Police Gazette, 1924, page 470.)

GREYMOUTH.—On the 20th ultimo the dwelling of STANLEY BURNETT WHITE in Turamaha Street was broken into, and the following stolen therefrom: A ladies' gold open-face expanding wristlet watch; a gold bangle, set with three rubies; and a brooch, set with a moonstone: total value, £9. Identifiable.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Between the 8th and 9th ultimo, from Christ's College Cricket-grounds, the property of P. H. WEBB, 11 Queen's Avenue, a gentlemen's black-enamelled free-wheel Swift bicycle, No. 439871, Dunlop Railroad tires, straight handles; value, about £5. Identifiable.

### PROPERTY RECOVERED.

OPUNAKE.—HUMPHREY WILLIAM GROVER'S bicycle has been recovered by the Rahotu police and Reginald Clare Trye arrested for the offence. (See Police Gazette, 1925, page 51.)

### MISSING.

ANDERSON'S BAY.—Since the 17th ultimo, John George Winton, alias Winter, alias Maxwell, alias Arthur John McLean, age twenty-one, height 5 ft. 8 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, good build, dark complexion, brown hair and eyes, scar on left side of neck, right thumb broken; dressed in grey saddle-tweed trousers, black coat, and brown soft-felt hat. He is mentally defective, and fears are entertained for his safety. (See Police Gazette, 1924, page 428, and Photographs, 1921, page 85.)  
*located 25/1/25*

BLUFF.—Since the 6th instant, Phillip Ernest Haigh, age forty-eight, height 5 ft. 7½ in., wharf labourer, native of England, medium build, fresh complexion, hazel eyes, thin features; usually dressed in a blue or grey suit and grey cap; fond of drink. Inquiry by Archibald MacDonald, licensee, Bay View Hotel, where he left his personal effects and has failed to return for them.

### DESERTERS FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

DEVONPORT.—5th ultimo, on warrant for being absent from H.M.S. "Dunedin" without leave, George Nicholson Envoldson, age twenty-five, height 5 ft. 9 in., seaman, native of England, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair, blue eyes.  
*cancelled 22/6/27.*

SYDNEY (NEW SOUTH WALES).—4th instant, on warrant for deserting from H.M.A.S. "Sydney," Clive Vincent Bree, age twenty-four, height 5 ft. 7 in., bandsman, native of New Zealand, fresh complexion, light-brown hair, brown eyes; usual place of residence New Plymouth, New Zealand. A reward not exceeding £3 is offered for his arrest.  
*cancelled 3-8-27.*

### MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Memorandum.]

**Motor-vehicles Act: Threshing Machines and Tractors or Traction-engines.**

The Hon. Minister of Internal Affairs has decided that threshing-machines owned by farmers and propelled by their own power along roads, or tractors or traction-engines owned by farmers and used solely for the purpose of conveying threshing-machines from one farm to another, are not to be held to be motor-vehicles within the meaning of the Act.

Registering Officers are being advised accordingly. If farmers' tractors or traction-engines are used on roads for purposes other than conveying threshing-machines from one farm to another, they become subject to the Act and must be registered and licensed accordingly.

A. H. WRIGHT, Commissioner of Police.

Wellington, 27th January, 1925.

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#### Station opened.

Ohura (Wanganui District).

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Matiere (Wanganui District).

#### Death.

No. 1165. Constable Macartney, Francis Denis. 19th January, 1925.

#### Resignation.

No. 2248. Constable Hughes, John Hugh. 8th January, 1925.

### EXTRACTS FROM NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE

Clerk, &c., of Magistrate's Court appointed.

Constable William Alexander Mackrell, Southbridge. (See New Zealand Gazette, 1925, page 171.)

Regulations controlling the Admission of Persons to Mata-mata and Hawera Racecourses.

(See New Zealand Gazette, 1925, pages 226 and 227.)