ABSCONDER FROM A STATE INSTITUTION.

WAIPUKURAU .-- 28th October last, for absconding from the licensed service of Frederick Sydney Wells, farmer, Alfred Morrison, age eighteen, height 5 ft. 7 in., farm hand, native of New Zealand, good build, ruddy complexion, dark hair, staring eyes; dressed in a grey suit, felt hat, and dark over-He was licensed out from Weraroa State Institution. coat.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Members of the Force will please note that this is the last issue of the Police Gazette this year. The next publication will be on the 11th January, 1928.

Officers of Police Force appointed.

Police Department, Wellington, 12th December, 1927.

His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to appoint

Inspector Joseph Charles Willis

to be a Superintendent;

Sub-Inspector James Alexander Mathew, and Sub-Inspector Peter Harvey

to be Inspectors; and

Senior Sergeant James Fitzpatrick, Senior Sergeant Philip John McCarthy, and Senior Sergeant John Lander

to be Sub-Inspectors of the New Zealand Police Force, the appointment in each case to take effect as from the 1st January.

F. J. Rolleston, Minister of Justice.

Transfers under Regulation No. 5 from Detective to Uniform Branch with Designation of Senior Sergeant.

No. 947. Senior Detective Lewis, William Edward. From 1st January, 1928.

No. 1282. Senior Detective Cummings, James. From 1st January, 1928.

Appointments as Senior Sergeants.

No. 701. Sergeant Whitehouse, Edwin James. From 1st January, 1928.

No. 1276. Sergeant Fox, John, From 1st January, 1928.

Appointment as Senior Detective.

No. 1272. Detective-Sergeant Carroll, John. From 1st January, 1928.

Promotion to Rank of Sergeant.

Constable Cleary, James Francis. From 1st No. 1217. January, 1928.

No. 1745. Constable Clark, David. From 1st January, 1928

Appointment as Detective.

No. 2638. Constable Allsopp, Thomas William. From 1st January, 1928.

Resignations.

No. 998. Senior Sergeant Scandrett, George. 16th Decem-

ber, 1927. No. 2540. Constable Carter, George William. 15th December, 1927.

No. 2897. Constable Ashby, Frederick. 19th December, 1927.

Dismissed.

No. 2886. Constable Reston, Richard John. 15th December, 1927.

Death.

No. 568. Senior Sergeant Barrett, Thomas. 18th December, 1927.

To the Members of the Police Force.

I take this opportunity and medium of addressing you collectively to express my appreciation and very high commendation of the courteous and effective service and assistance rendered by you during the past year.

I deem it a privilege to thank you.

I do this with sentiments, not only of gratitude but pride, for the personal association of such officers, non-commissioned officers and men, and the realization that the people of the Dominion also appreciate your watchful, efficient, and tireless protection.

Kindly accept from me the Season's Greetings and All Good Wishes for a Glad, Prosperous, and Successful New Year.

W. B. McIlveney, Commissioner of Police.

Wellington, 19th December, 1927.

Alterations in Districts.

The following stations are detached from the Hamilton District and added to the Auckland Head District as from 1st January, 1928: Huntly, Thames, Thames South, Paeroa, Waihi, Coromandel, Whitianga, and Kerepehi. Murchison station is detached from the Greymouth District,

and added to the Wellington District as from the same date.

EXTRACTS FROM NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.

Special Provision with respect to Deer in Portion of Westland Acclimatization District.

(See New Zealand Gazette, 1927, page 3633.)

Open Season for Deer-shooting in Westland and Southland (See New Zealand Gazette, 1927, pages 3642-44.)