

AUCKLAND.—18th October last, the property of JOHN JOSEPH MURRAY, 13 England Street, an accordion, Helligonka make, two horn-shaped sound-releasers, about five patches on bellows, eight bass, twenty-four full and half notes, leather shoulder-straps attached; value, £3. Identifiable. Complainant left the accordion in a taxi.

AUCKLAND.—2nd November last, from a counter in a shop at 201 Symonds Street, the property of CRYSTAL WILLIAMS, 125 Bassett Road, Remuera, a ladies' 9 ct. gold 15-jewel wristlet-watch, Swiss movement, Dennerson case, Arabic numerals, "Tip Top" on dial, fastens with moire ribbon which has gold clasp; value, £3. Identifiable. The watch is an unusual make. Suspicion is attached to **Man** (name unknown), age about thirty-three, height about 5 ft. 10 in., medium build, fair complexion, fair hair thin on top; dressed in light suit (no hat), and was wearing spectacles, believed to be horn-rimmed. He was seen in the shop near where the watch had been placed, and when asked if he wanted anything shook his head and walked out.

AUCKLAND.—16th November last, from a motor-car outside the Pig and Whistle, Mission Bay, the property of JOHN TAYLOR COLE, 19 Selkirk Road, Mount Albert, a gentlemen's double-breasted grey and black herringbone overcoat, fit man about 5 ft. 11 in., two buttons on each side, half-lined, three outside pockets, one inside pocket, made by Ross and Glendining; value, £5 5s. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—31st October last, from the hall in the Aurora Hotel, the property of WILLIAM BRUCE TRIGG, Okaihau, a fibrecane suit-case, about 27 in. by 10 in. by 16 in., two wooden bands and two nickel locks, containing a Bengal blade razor; a black horse-hide strop; a shaving-brush; a large pair of scissors; a set of striped coloured pyjamas with extra pair of trousers; a white and brown striped canoe shirt; a pair of brown underpants; some handkerchiefs with "B.T." or "Bruce" on them; a Farmers' Trading Co. dividend warrant for 4s. in favour of W. B. Trigg; a yellow woollen scarf with red fringe; an Onoto fountain-pen with "W.B.T." on gold band; and some ties: total value, £3. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—Between the 14th and 16th November last, the engineer's shop of ROBERT BRENNAN, Cleave Avenue, was broken into and the following stolen: An adjustable 6 in. spanner, branded "Crestoloy," small hole drilled in end of handle; a chisel, $\frac{3}{8}$ in. blade, with J. N. Sturrock "cut in it; a polished steel cold chisel, about 6 in. long, "G.D.A." punched in barrel; a Bridgeport screwdriver, about 12 in. long, "G. D. Allely" cut in blade; two centre punches, sizes $\frac{3}{16}$ in., and $\frac{1}{8}$ in., about $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. long; five engineers' files, sizes from 6 in. to 12 in., round, square, and flat shapes; seventeen Dormer Carbon twist drills, sizes from 7 to 52; a Crescent adjustable spanner, 8 in. long; a steel try square, 6 in. blade; a flexible steel rule, about 6 in. long, "D. P. Ryan" on it; a Rabone stainless steel rule, 12 in. long, "D. P. Ryan" on it; a micrometer, French make, English measure, ratchet handle; two tap wrenches, T-type, chuck jaws; a double-ended set spanner, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. and $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; two pairs of calipers; a pair of spring dividers, about 4 in. long; a double-ended set spanner, $\frac{3}{8}$ in. and $\frac{7}{16}$ in.; and five pairs of pliers: total value, £6. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—16th ultimo, from the dwelling of FLORENCE MORTON, Wallace Avenue, Manurewa, a dark-brown stone marten fur necklet, three skins (one head and two tails); a cream linen tablecloth, hand embroidered in green and red strawberry design, machine crochet, scalloped border; a cream linen tablecloth with green and brown stripes, dark-green border about 4 in. wide; a cream linen tablecloth with deep yellow border; and a pale-blue organdie tea-wagon cover, hemstitched and embroidered in two corners with pink and green roses: total value, about £17 5s. Identifiable. Suspicion is attached to **Benjamin Marshall**, age about thirty, height about 5 ft. 9 in., carpet salesman, native of England, medium build, sallow complexion, thick black hair, gold fillings in front teeth, round full face; appears to have dark blood in him; smart appearance; good address. He called on complainant endeavouring to sell her a carpet, and the above-mentioned stolen property was offered to him as part payment, but he would not accept it. The carpet was subsequently sold for cash, and after he left it was found that the fur necklet, &c., were stolen. He is travelling through the Dominion selling shoddy carpets which he describes as genuine Wilton, and is accompanied by his wife and a man named Burgess. Both men drive Chrysler "77" saloon motor-cars. Description of suspect's wife: Age about twenty-five, height about 5 ft., slight build, sallow complexion, fair hair, hazel eyes, thin features; speaks quietly with English accent. She was wearing a light-brown stone marten fur necklet on the day the offence was committed. The suspect follows an occupation known as a "shoddy dropper." *interviewed 27/11/37*

AUCKLAND.—Between the 28th and 30th November last, between Sydney (Australia) and Auckland, from a cabin in the m.v. "Wanganelia," the property of WILLIAM HENRY FORWARD, motorman, a gentlemen's gold cushion-shaped open-face Dunklings wristlet-watch, No. 3291/2, Arabic numerals, thick luminous hands, gold dial, unbreakable glass, 9 ct. gold wrist-band about $\frac{3}{8}$ in. wide attached to watch by small spring clip; value, £10 10s. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—On the 17th or 18th ultimo, from a cabin on the m.v. "Rangitane," which was berthed at Wellington, the property of JARDINE WHYTE, 52A Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster, London, a pair of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. square platinum cuff-links with diamond cross surrounded by sapphires in Egyptian setting, long split platinum link joins each cuff-link; value, £100. Identifiable.

MOUNT EDEN.—27th October last, from a garage at 24 Parke Avenue, Grafton, the property of ALEXANDER BRUCE ROSS, a theodolite, Stanley make, 5 ft. long, contained in case of New Zealand cedar wood which is covered with leather; value, £5. Identifiable.

HAMILTON.—19th ultimo, from a motor-car in Alexander Street, the property of GEORGE MEREDITH, Collingwood Street, a .22 calibre Winchester repeating rifle, No. 275-698; value, £5 15s. Identifiable.

CAMBRIDGE.—Between the 26th and 30th November last, from the wool-shed of Percy Hunt, Fencourt, the property of JAMES A. COURT, Ellerslie, a jute bale of Romney wool, "J.A.C." in blue raddle on it; value, £20. Not identifiable. Suspicion is attached to **Royal Desmond Capner**, alias **Capley**, alias **Roy Clarke**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1936, page 575, and Photographs, 1921, page 88. A man of similar description to the suspect, who was in possession of a green truck and accompanied by two other men, one of whom was Keith Terence Gemmill, called at Hunt's to purchase some skins. Gemmill has admitted to the Auckland police that he committed thefts of a similar nature, and has made a statement implicating **Capner**. The latter is also suspected of other thefts of wool, and when he is located an urgent communication is to be sent to the Inspector of Police, Hamilton, who will forward the file so that he may be interviewed. He has sold the truck referred to above.

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STRATFORD.—Between the 1st October and 9th November last, from the dwelling of FRANCIS PADDON TUBBY, Portia Street, a gentlemen's silver hunting Rotherhams watch, key wind, Roman numerals; and a silver chain, about 12 in. long, small curled links at each end graduating to large ones in centre, bar at one end, and a squirrel, the base of which is oval red glass, in squatting position at other end: total value, £12. Identifiable.

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HAWERA.—13th November last, from the waiting-room in the Royal Hotel, the property of RITA KINGSWELL McCARTHY, 15 Home Street, Wellington, a composition suit-case, about 30 in. by 24 in. by 8 in., "Miss R. K. McCarthy" in ink on top left corner inside lid, containing a black lace evening frock, Georgette sleeves; a black velvet evening coat; a black and white spot ensemble, large white collar with rows of black stitching around it, about ten shiny black buttons down front; a blue floral cotton frock, about fifteen self buttons down back; a knitted light-blue jumper cardigan, silver-coloured buttons; a navy-blue knitted wool suit, stocking stitch pattern, navy-blue buttons down front of coat; a maroon checked skirt with pieces of same material put on at hips, bone button on each of them; three white boiling-silk blouses, "R. K. McCarthy" on bottom hems; a pair of pink corselettes; three pairs of interlock bloomers, "R. K. McCarthy" on them; a pair of silk locknit bloomers, "R. K. McCarthy" on them; three white singlets, one interlock and other two woollen mixture, "R. K. McCarthy" on them; a blue silk brocade nightdress, cream lace on neck and sleeves; two sets of white interlock pyjamas, one has blue facings, the other green facings, "R. K. McCarthy" on them; a pink fugi silk bed jacket, embroidered in colours on each side at front; three undershirts, one pink fugi silk, one blue locknit, and the other white locknit; a pair of blue leather Court shoes with blue beaded buckle; a pair of navy-blue suede brogue shoes, lace-ups with flaps; a pair of dark-brown brogue shoes, wide straps; a pair of silver-coloured evening shoes with strap; a pair of black satin evening shoes with strap; a pair of black leather shoes, All-over goloshes attached (all shoes are size 3); three pairs of fawn silk stockings; a small compo attache-case containing toilet requisites; some handkerchiefs, "R. K. McCarthy" on them; a white crepe de Chine collar and cuffs, black eyelet holes in front; a black Nugget shoe-cleaning outfit; a machine-knitted fawn cardigan, three fawn buttons; a needle work-bag of cotton material; and a pair of slip-on black goloshes: total value, £29 16s. 8d. Identifiable.

WAIPAWA.—Between the 31st ultimo and 3rd instant, from a room in the Empire Hotel, the property of NEIL HAMILTON STRATFORD, a brown leather wallet, fold-up type, laced edges, containing four £1 notes; a driver's license for current year issued to complainant by Levin Borough Council; a radio license for Philco wireless-set with complainant's name on it; and a letter addressed to "N. H. Stratford" from the Survey Department, Dunedin: total value, £4 10s. Identifiable except money.