

HAMILTON.—On the 8th instant, the dwelling of HENRY VALDER, 81 River Road, was broken into and the following stolen: An oval opal pendant of greenish colour, about size of a shilling, a fine oxidised silver neck-chain attached which is fastened to opal with small silver band; an 18 ct. gold opal and diamond ring, opal is about size of small pea, and on each side of it at an angle are two small diamonds in claw setting; a 22 ct. gold ring, set with a gold-coloured sapphire in claw setting converted from an old flat wedding ring; a small gold ring, set with four small sapphires in form of square; a broken necklet of imitation pearls; a jewel-case with blue leather covering, plain gold-coloured line around top, size about 3 in. by 3 in. by 2 in., stands on four legs, small tray inside, lined with blue leather; a crocodile-leather handbag, containing a driver's license in name of Marie Valder, issued by the Hamilton Borough Council for the year 1938-39; two small leather purses containing about 15s.; a small silver fruit-knife about 4 in. long; a powder compact; and a 6d. lottery ticket in aid of returned soldiers; total value, £45. Identifiable except money.

HAMILTON.—On the 8th instant, the dwelling of GEORGE EDWIN ADAMS WILKES, 4 Tainui Road, was broken into and the following stolen: An 18 ct. gold diamond solitaire ring, claw setting, in a grey leather case, with "Fraser, Jeweller, Timaru," thereon; a ladies' gold signet ring, made to fit little finger, oblong top, with "E.A.W." thereon; a double string of imitation pearls, fastened with silver-coloured clasp in which is a white brilliant; a black silk evening bag, about 5 in. in width at bottom and tapered to point, brilliant clasp, one compartment with small purse fastened inside; and a red leather watch-case lined with blue velvet; total value, £31 19s. 6d. Identifiable.

CAMBRIDGE.—During the night of 17th ultimo, from the Karapiro Bridge which is in the course of construction, the property of the NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT (Public Works Department), a 70 lb. timber-jack with iron toe, No. 18888; value, £10. Identifiable.

WAIROA.—4th instant, from a motor-truck of the Napier-Wairoa-Gisborne Transport Co. at Morere, the property of THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT (Post and Telegraph Department), a small canvas mail-bag, with "Wairoa to Morere" and "Morere to Wairoa" on each side of it in black stencil, containing a registered package, No. 1918, with twenty-five £1 notes in it, addressed to "L. P. South, Postmaster, Morere," from Union Bank of Australia, Wairoa; and a registered package, No. 1942, containing £5 2s. 6d. in stamps of various denominations, addressed to "Postmaster, Morere." Mail-bag only identifiable.

STRATFORD.—On the 7th instant, the office of HENRY RUSSELL KIRKWOOD, garage proprietor, was broken into and the following stolen: A gold lacquered Pan-American E Flat saxophone, alto, No. 34869, dent in neck; and a C melody clarinet, thumb fitting broken off, "Especially made for Arthur Eady, Auckland" on it (both instruments were contained in a wooden case with nickel fittings and covered with black leatherette); and £15 13s. 6d. in money; total value, £67 13s. 6d. Identifiable except money. Suspicion is attached to Les Brent and Charles Preston, referred to in Police Gazette, 1938, page 441, who were seen in the vicinity on the night the offence was committed.

interviewed 6/7/38 arrested 6/7/38

LOWER HUTT.—During the night of 23rd instant, the office of CUNNINGHAM'S SERVICE STATION, 1 Western Hutt Road, was broken into and the following stolen: A cheque, No. 4629, for £1 3s., drawn on the National Bank of New Zealand, Te Aro, by McDuff's Ltd., in favour of E. Harrison, dated 20th June, 1938; a cheque, No. 4985, for £6, drawn on the Union Bank of Australia, Wellington, by Cable and Co., in favour of F. Lewis, dated 20th June, 1938; a cheque, No. T. 9313, for £3, drawn on the National Bank of New Zealand, Lower Hutt, by Janice Gamble, in favour of Hutt Service Station, dated 23rd June, 1938; a cheque, No. A. 425264, for £1 10s., drawn on the Bank of New Zealand, Lower Hutt, by P. Carlyle, in favour of Cunningham's Service Station, dated 22nd June, 1938; a Burrough's portable adding machine, No. 8-1290107, painted black, fitted with cash drawer; two steel drawers, sizes 14 in. by 8 in. by 6 in., painted green, brass handles, used for card filing; £5 7s. 5d. in money; and some deeds and registration certificates of motor-trucks of the Cunningham Carrying Co.; total value, £47 10s. 5d. Identifiable except drawers and money.

portion recovered 6/7/38

WELLINGTON.—9th ultimo, from a lavatory in the Maritime Buildings, the property of WILLIAM HENRY THODEY, 52 Central Terrace, a gentlemen's nickel open-face Empire pocket watch, No. 2570115, "W. H. Thodey" on inside case; value, £3. Identifiable.

WELLINGTON.—During the night of the 20th instant, the shop of LAUCHLAN'S LTD., jewellers, Woodward Street, was broken into and the following stolen: A ladies' 9 ct. gold wristlet-watch with expanding bracelet; a gentlemen's chrome 10½ size Figaro wristlet-watch, radium dial, leather strap; a ladies' 10½ size chrome Nivram wristlet-watch with silk band; a ladies' 3¾ size chrome Nivram wristlet-watch with silk cord; two gentlemen's 10½ size chrome Nivram wristlet-watches; a gentlemen's 12 size chrome Lancet wristlet-watch with leather strap; a gentlemen's 8/12 size chrome Nivrel wristlet-watch with leather strap; two gentlemen's Nivrel wristlet-watches, 7/11 and 10½ sizes, chrome finish, leather straps; a ladies' 9 ct. gold Regal wristlet-watch, case made by Dennison Watch Co.; three gentlemen's chrome Roamer wristlet-watches with leather straps; a gentlemen's chrome wristlet-watch with leather strap, Marvin make; three gentlemen's seven-jewelled hunting Elgin watches, one with engine-turned case and two plain; two ladies' 3¾ size chrome wristlet-watches with black silk cords, "Lauchlan's Ltd., N.Z." on dials; a ladies' 8¾ size chrome Nivrel wristlet-watch, barrel shaped, fitted with silk band, "Lauchlan's Ltd., N.Z." on dial; a gentlemen's twenty-one jewelled pocket watch, ten year gold-filled engine-turned case, "Lauchlan's Ltd., N.Z., made by Corbert Watch Co." on dial; nine 18 ct. gold wedding rings, plain tiffany patterns; three 18 ct. gold and platinum orange blossom wedding rings; an 18 ct. gold fancy wedding ring; three 18 ct. faceted pattern wedding rings; a 9 ct. gold faceted pattern wedding ring; a 9 ct. gold fancy wedding ring, orange blossom design; a 9 ct. gold plain tiffany pattern wedding ring; a string of imitation pearls with fancy paste clasp, bought at Harrods, London; a ladies' 9 ct. gold wristlet-watch with expanding bracelet which is damaged; a fancy 15 ct. gold split shank reconstructed ruby ring; and a 15 ct. gold fancy split shank reconstructed emerald ring; total value, £77. Not identifiable.

PROPERTY RECOVERED.

AUCKLAND.—THE GANE ENGINEERING CO.'S warehouse broken into (see Police Gazette, 1937, page 843): The callipers have been recovered by the Auckland police from a pawnbroker with whom they had been pledged on the 11th December, 1937, by a man who gave the name **Bert Allen**, age about twenty-five, height about 5 ft. 8½ in., slight build, curly fair hair.

CHRISTCHURCH.—JAMES MCNEIL'S bicycle stolen: The frame has been recovered by the Christchurch police, and the offender charged with the offence. (See Police Gazette, 1937, page 548.)

MISSING.

TE AROHA.—Since the 6th instant, **Hugh Duley**, alias **William or Bill Duley**, age sixty-four, height 5 ft. 8 in., labourer and gold-miner, medium build, fresh complexion, long auburn hair, prominent chin, bad teeth; shabbily dressed, and usually wears an old blue torn coat, brown cardigan, and Blucher boots (no hat); eccentric in his behaviour; when unemployed he usually sleeps out at night; a native of New Zealand. He speaks a good deal about the Australian goldfields. Fears are entertained for his safety.

Located 3/8/38

WAIPIRO BAY.—Since the 16th April last, **Joffre Lane**, age twenty-two, height 5 ft. 9 in., station hand, native of New Zealand, fair complexion and hair. It is feared that he was drowned in the Waingakia Stream.

WANGANUI.—Since the 18th ultimo, **Pearl Wright**, age nineteen, height 5 ft. 8 in., waitress and housekeeper, native of New Zealand, good build, fair complexion, wavy dark-brown hair, blue-grey eyes, slight scar below nose, dimple in chin; pencils her eyebrows and uses lipstick freely; usually wears a brown camel hair overcoat; good appearance and personality. Fears are entertained for her safety.

NO FURTHER ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

17/8/38

DESERTER FROM HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

DEVONPORT.—11th instant, on warrant for deserting from H.M.S. "Leander," **Francis Noel Connelly**, age twenty-one, height 5 ft. 9½ in., stoker, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, scar on right forefinger.

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