

INVERCARGILL.—2nd instant, that he may be located and interviewed regarding the maintenance of his five children in the care of the Education Department, **James Calder Duff**, age thirty-eight, height about 5 ft. 10 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, medium build, bushy auburn hair; roughly dressed, and never wears a hat; fond of drink and talkative.

interview'd 10/1/40.

Breaches of the Employment Promotion Act.

The following persons are to be interviewed regarding non-payment of their registration levies:

AUCKLAND.—(1) **Ronald Alfred Frith**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1938, page 520. His coupon-book is No. 4/533354. (2) **Thomas Jackson**, labourer. His coupon-book is No. 3/536335. (3) **John Alexander Campbell Creighton**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1937, page 751, and Photographs, page 40. His coupon-book is No. 4/296098. (4) **Joseph McGuire**, age about twenty-three, salesman. His coupon-book is No. 3/544623.

AUCKLAND.—(1) **Russell Wheeler**, carpenter. His coupon-book is No. 4/298353. He may be identical with a man of the same name referred to in Police Gazette, 1938, page 301. (2) **John Turner Harris**, age about fifty-two, labourer. His coupon-book is No. 3/456052. He may be identical with a man of the same name referred to in Police Gazette, 1937, page 492. (3) **William Charles Limpus**, age about sixty, tall, drainlayer, slight build, dark complexion, curly black hair. His coupon-book is No. 3/478535.

MOUNT EDEN.—(1) **Arthur William Bradley**, age twenty-three, motor mechanic, native of New Zealand. His coupon-book is No. 3/530338. (2) **Byron Bernard Bennett**, labourer. His coupon-book is No. 3/262414.

WANGANUI.—**George William Payne**, age about forty, height 5 ft. 7 in., labourer, native of Ireland, slight build, fair hair going bald, blue eyes, small face, broad forehead.

PALMERSTON NORTH.—**Percy Henry Birchfield**, alias "Tup," referred to in Police Gazette, 1939, page 350. His coupon-book is No. 4/473686.

APPREHENSIONS, PERSONS FOUND, ETC.

DEVONPORT.—**Alfred Dodds Walton**, deserting Navy; Warrant cancelled. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 411.)

AUCKLAND.—**Patrick William Lysaght**, theft, has been arrested by the Auckland police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 391.)

AUCKLAND.—**Allan Cameron**, default of maintenance, has been arrested by the Mount Eden police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 49.)

AUCKLAND.—**William Henry Reed**, inquired for, has been interviewed by the Auckland police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 78.)

AUCKLAND.—**Ivan Huia Leslie**, alias **Ivanhoe Huia Leslie-Bicknell**, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the Parnell police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 267.)

AUCKLAND.—**G. H. Cook**, suspected of theft, has been arrested by the Hamilton police, and the gabardine trousers have been recovered. He is identical with **George Harold Cook**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1939, page 45. There was no other man associated with him in the commission of the offence. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 285.)

AUCKLAND.—**David Stevenson Cumming**, default of maintenance, has paid the amount to the Runanga police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 391.)

AUCKLAND.—**Albert John Peard**, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the Masterton police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 409.)

PAPAKURA.—**Benjamin Connelly Bradly**, breach of probation, has reported to a Probation Officer, and no further action is to be taken. (See Police Gazette, 1938, page 215.)

HAMILTON.—**Norman Edward Morrison**, alias **Ronald Edward Morrison**, missing, has been located by the Blenheim police, and he has also been interviewed regarding the money owing to the Department of Labour. He assumed the name **Edward Ronald Bennett**. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 218.)

OTOROHANGA.—**Muriwaka Takiaho**, missing, has been located, and no further action is to be taken. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 411.)

NEW PLYMOUTH.—**John McCauley**, deserting ship, has been arrested by the New Plymouth police. His correct name is **John James McCauley**. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 371.)

WANGANUI.—**James Reginald Robert Bain**, missing, was found drowned in the Wanganui River on the 27th ultimo. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 394.)

MASTERTON.—**Alec Robert Pratt**, inquired for, has been interviewed by the Petone police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 372.)

WELLINGTON.—**Mary Hill**, inquired for, has been interviewed by the Masterton police. (See Police Gazette, 1938, page 549.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—**Charles Noel Barrs**, failing to maintain, has been arrested by the Mount Roskill police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 232.)

METHVEN.—**William Frederick Leah**, suspected of theft, has been interviewed by the Christchurch police, and he admitted the offence. (See Police Gazette, 1934, page 180.)

OAMARU.—**Stanley Alexander Peterson**, default of fines and costs, has paid the amount to the Oamaru police. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 232.)

DUNEDIN.—**Donald Clive Rugg**, escaping from mental hospital, has been located by the Dunedin police, and no further action is to be taken. (See Police Gazette, 1939, page 216.)

PROPERTY STOLEN.

QUEEN STREET WHARF (AUCKLAND).—15th March last, from a suit-case in the Railways Outward Goods-shed, the property of **OLGA WILHELMINE SEMON**, George Street, Dunedin, a dark-yellow polished transparent amber bracelet, links held with two elastic cords; a neck-chain of alternate gold and silver oblong links, about 15 in. long, large links joined with small rings; a bracelet of same pattern as neck-chain, but links are slightly smaller; a magnifying glass, 1½ in. in diameter, black vulcanite rim; a Hohner mouth-organ, 5 in. long; a ladies' ostrich-skin handbag, about 9 in. by 6 in., fastens with metal clips, small handle; and a leather pencil-case of envelope shape, about 8 in. long and 2½ in. deep, fastens with domes: total value, £16 13s. Identifiable.

AUCKLAND.—6th April last, from the shop of **HENRY NETTLESHIP**, jeweller, 67 Karangahape Road, an 18 ct. gold diamond engagement ring, set with a cluster of nine diamonds and two smaller stones on shoulder in platinum setting, "M19" scratched on inside; and a diamond engagement ring of which no further description is available: total value, £28 10s. One ring only identifiable. Suspicion is attached to **Man** (name unknown), age about thirty-five, height about 5 ft. 10 in., strong build, ruddy complexion, full face; dressed in a blue suit, light felt hat, and tan shoes; well spoken; pleasant manner. On the above-mentioned date he called at complainant's shop and requested to see some diamond rings. He examined some but did not purchase any, and after he had left the shop the pad of rings was placed in the safe for a few days when it was discovered that the two rings described had been stolen and a cheap imitation ring left in place of one of them.

AUCKLAND.—During the night of 15th ultimo, the counting-house of **E. ASTLEY AND SONS, LTD.**, was broken into and the following stolen: An office safe, 15 in. square and about 20 in. high, painted dirty green, brass handle and small brass plate over keyhole, believed to have been made by **E. Cotterell**, Birmingham; a black cash-box, about 9 in. by 5 in., dent in lid of one compartment; an envelope marked "A. Cant," containing £1 14s. 2d.; an envelope marked "Richards," containing 13s. 7d.; 7s. 2d. cash; an envelope containing £2 14s. 1d.; twelve each of 1d. and ½d. stamps; a duplicate writing-book, about 9 in. by 5 in. by ½ in., containing letters written by **Frank Astley** to his brother **John**; and a 78 in. steel flexible tape measure: total value, £12 13s. 3d. Identifiable except money and stamps.

AUCKLAND.—28th April last, from the shop of **JOHN MURRELL**, 5 Strand Arcade, a German eight-day chiming clock, dark oak case with arched top, about 11 in. base, 8½ in. high and 6 in. wide, chromium bezel which is not a perfect fit at top; value, £6 10s. Identifiable. The following-described **Men** (names unknown), were associated in the commission of the offence—(1) Age about thirty-seven, height about 5 ft. 8 in., strong build; wearing a new greyish overcoat with brown fleck and belt and light hat to match. (2) Age about thirty-seven, height about 5 ft. 9 in., strong build, dark complexion, brownish hair, soft hands with dirty oily fingernails, long scar on inside of left thumb; dressed in a suit with pin stripes, blue shirt, red tie, and tan footwear (no hat). The first-described man stole the clock from a china cabinet while the other man engaged the attention of complainant.