

shaped scar on left eyebrow, dressed in moleskin trousers, flannel drawers, boot on right foot, a long boot of grained leather, and woollen socks, leather belt round the waist, and a black silk neckerchief, which was found floating down the river on the 22nd January, 1864. Verdict that the deceased came by his death by drowning, but when and in what manner he came into the water there was no evidence to show.

A coroner's inquest was held on the 9th February, 1864, at the Octagon Hotel, Dunedin, by Thomas M. Hocken, Esq., Coroner, on the body of George Hutchison, who was accidentally killed, a quantity of earth falling upon him while working at an excavation in Moray Place, Dunedin, on the 9th of February, 1864. Verdict accordingly. Deceased was an Englishman, and arrived in this Province per ship Alfred Lemont, in September, 1863.

A magisterial inquiry was held on the 16th of January, 1864, at Portuguese Flat, by W. L. Simpson, Esq., Resident Magistrate, on the body of Bernard Trainer, aged 30 years, a sawyer, who was found drowned in the Clutha River, on the 13th of January, 1864. Verdict accidental death by drowning.

A coroner's inquest was held on the 8th February, 1864, at the Robin Hood Hotel, Dunedin, by T. M. Hocken, Esq., Coroner, on the body of John Brown, aged 25 years, a labourer, who committed suicide by hanging himself at the Half-way Bush, on the 5th February, 1864. Verdict, deceased committed suicide while labouring under temporary insanity. Deceased was a native of Northallerton, Yorkshire, England, where his father resides, and a brother, Richard Brown, is reported to be living with a Mr. George Coulton, at Tamworth, New South Wales.

MISSING FRIENDS.

Missing from his tent at Hamilton, since the 14th January, 1864, John Bruce, 30 years old, 5 feet 3 inches high, dark complexion, dark whiskers and moustache worn full; dressed in brown woollen shirt, moleskin trousers, plush hat, and new watertight boots.

Inquiry is made for Mr. Hamilton Vachell, late of Horseleydown, Southwark, in the county of Surrey, England, who will, on communication with Mr. T. C. Soulsby, Christchurch, Canterbury, New Zealand, hear of something much to his advantage.

Vide Otago Police Gazette, 18th January, 1864, page 8.

The dark brown horse, the property of Mr. Thomas Bowes, Tuapeka, has been recovered, strayed.

Vide Otago Police Gazette, 18th January, 1864, page 8.

The open-faced Geneva watch, the property of Mr. George Findlay, has been recovered, not having been stolen.

Extract from *Provincial Government Gazette*, 13th June, 1864, page 7.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.—BAY GELDING LOST.

Lost from Mount Stuart, since the 13th December last, a bay gelding, about 14½ hands high, branded ^HF on near shoulder, F on off shoulder, F on near hip, has one fore and one hind foot white, and a star on forehead.

Information or delivery received at the Survey Office, Dunedin, or by Mr. Polson, at Mr. Murray's Station, Glenore.

THOMAS DICK,
Provincial Secretary.

EXTRACT FROM VICTORIA POLICE GAZETTE.

Extract from *Victoria Police Gazette*, 3rd December, 1863.

Stolen from the store of William Armstrong, Almeida Reef, Dunolly, about the 26th Nov., five £5 notes, viz.: London Chartered Bank, No. 79179; Bank of Australasia, Nos. 4847, 5216, 353 and 5287; also twenty-five £1 notes. Suspicion, but no warrant, against two men only known respectively as *Harry* and *Tom*. *Harry* is a Londoner, about 30 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, slight build, about 10 stone weight, dark brown hair and whiskers, the latter worn all round, one or two front teeth wanting, and slovenly gait; wore grey jumper, moleskin trousers, and dirty felt hat. *Tom* is 50 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, 11 stone weight black hair, bushy whiskers, swarthy complexion, and one front tooth wanting; wore grey shirt, moleskin trousers, and wideawake. They are supposed to have gone either to Gipps Land or to Castlemaine, or to Melbourne for New Zealand.—1st December, 1863.

EXTRACTS FROM NEW SOUTH WALES POLICE GAZETTE.

From *Police Gazette*, 16th September, 1863.

ESCAPED PRISONER.—Escaped on the 11th instant, from the Penal Establishment, Cockatoo Island, *Frederick Brittain* and *Frederick Ward*—the former convicted of mail robbery the latter of cattle stealing. *Brittain* is a native of Hobart Town, a laborer, 25 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, fair ruddy complexion, light brown hair and hazel eyes. *Ward* is a native of Windsor, New South Wales, a laborer, 27 years of age, 5 feet 8¼ inches high, pale sallow complexion, light brown curly hair, hazel grey eyes, mole on wrist, and two warts on back of middle finger on left hand.

See *Government Gazette*, 13th October, 1863, page 2175.

SEVENTY-FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

Whereas on the night of the 15th September last, three convicts named *John Jobson*, alias *Weeks*, *Joseph Marshall*, and *John Reilly*, effected their escape from Her Majesty's Gaol, Berrima: Notice is hereby given that a reward of Twenty-five pounds will be paid by the Government to any person who may first give such information as shall lead to the re-apprehension of each of the offenders named.

CHARLES COWPER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Sydney, 12th October, 1863.