MISSING FRIENDS.

Left his home, Pine Hill, Water of Leith, at 10 a.m. the 15th instant, and has not since been heard of, George Scotney. 35 years old, stout build, 5 feet 8 inches high, fair complexion, red hair, and whiskers worn all round the chin, no moustache; dressed in drab cloth trousers, striped calico shirt, grey cap with peak, no shoes or stockings; had been drinking freely during the week.

Information is requested by the friends of William Morant of his present whereabouts. He is described 5 feet $10\frac{1}{2}$ or 11 inches high, florid complexion, dark hair slightly bald dark whiskers, blue eyes.

Information is requested of the present whereabouts of Michael Ralph Kelly, 5 feet 11 inches high, fair complexion, brown hair, hazel eyes, small mouth and chin, walks erect, intelligent but very reserved; was last heard of about 5 months ago, when he is supposed to have sailed from Dunedin to Melbourge in the *Benjamin Heape*.

Information is requested by the friends of William Duncan, of his present address; he sailed from Glasgow for Dunedin in the ship *Henrietta* in 1860, and was last heard of by letter dated from the Waipori Goldfield, 10th March, 1862. The only additional particulars that can be given is that he is a gardener.

Vide Police Gazette, 26th October, 1863, page 110. Further inquiries having been made by the

Further inquiries having been made by the friends of John Gray, every exertion is to be used to endeavour to trace him.

Extracts from Otago Provincial Government Gazette, of 2nd and 9th March, 1864.

PROCLAMATION of a Gaol at West Taieri Goldfield. By the Honorable John Hyde Harris, Superintendent of the Province of Otago.

Whereas it is expedient to proclaim the Lock-up situate at Hamilton's, West Taieri Goldfields, to be a Public Gaol.

Goldfields, to be a Public Gaol. Now, therefore, I, John Hyde Harris, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, in pursuance of the power in me vested in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the building or lock-up, situate at Hamilton's, West Taieri Goldfield, shall henceforth be a Public Gaol of the Colony of New Zealand.

- Public Gaol of the Colony of New Zealand. Given under my hand at Dunedin, and issued under the public seal of the Province of Otago, this 23rd day of Feb., 1864.
- (L.S.)

J. HYDE HARRIS, Superintendent. By His Honor's Command,

THOMAS DICK, Provincial Secretary.

His Honor the Superintendent desires it to be notified, that he has appointed Thomas Cooper, a member of the Police Force of the Province of Otago, to be Gaoler of the Public Gaol situate at Hamilton's, West Taieri Goldfield.

THOMAS DICK, Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Treasury, Dunedin, 1st March, 1864.

His Honor the Superintendent directs it to be notified, that he has appointed the following Macleod Orbell, Thomas Jones, William Stevenson, Andrew Todd, George Shand, Thomas Henderson, James Cullen, William Jaffray, Donald Bruce, Frederick Lowe Jeffcoat, Neil Joseph Bruce M'Gregor, Robert Gibson, George Turnbull, John Mackie Williamson, Gilbert Buchanan, John Young, Alexander Familton, William Reynolds Havne, M.D,., William Craig, Robert Hastie, Wiliiam Murcott, William Young Spiers, William Dnff, Robert Charteris, Donald M'Master, William Grey, Arthur Gerrard, John Hall, Alexander Merrilees, to be Assistant Inspectors for the Province of Otago (without salary) under the "Diseased Cattle Act, 1861." and that the appointments as Inspectors of Cattle under the said Act, of the said Frederick Wayne, Clement Macleod Orbell, Thomas Jones, William Stevensøn, Andrew Todd, George Shand, Thos. Henderson, James Cullen, William Jaffray. Donald Bruce, Frederick Lowe Jeffcoat. Neil Joseph Bruce M'Gregor, Robert Gibson, George Turnbull, John Mackie Williamson, and Gilbert Buchanan, have been cancelled.

JOHN L. GILLIES, Provincial Treasurer.

Provincial Secretary's Office, Dunedin, 7th March, 1864.

His Honor the Superintendent directs it to be notified, that he has been pleased to appoint Richard Cogar Bryant, second-class sergeant, Water Police, to be Harbor Master for Lake Wakatipu.

THOMAS DICK, Provincial Secretary.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD

Will be given for the recovery of each of the horses aftermentioned. Dark Grey Mare, well bred, JB on near shoulder. JJ on off shoulder. Has been running during last winter near Mr. Murison's out-hut, on the Upper Taieri Plain. Was last seen near the Kyeburn a month since. Dark Bay Horse, five years old. black points, white mark under the left nostril, brand L on near shoulder. Has been running with the mob in the lower part of Shag Valley, where he is thought to have been last seen a month since.

Parties finding the horses will please com municate with Dr. Hector, Provincial Geologist.

THOMAS DICK, Provincial Secretary. Dunedin, 7th March, 1864.