



# OTAGO POLICE GAZETTE.

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## Incendiarism.

MALICIOUSLY SETTING FIRE TO A  
DWELLING HOUSE.

£50 REWARD AND A FREE PARDON TO  
AN ACCOMPLICE.

Whereas on the night of the 8th instant a two-roomed weather-board dwelling house situate at Maheno near Otepopo, the property of John Dodds; value about £50 was destroyed by fire; and whereas at an inquest held on the 22nd instant at the Court House, Oamaru, by T. W. Parker, Esquire, Coroner, to enquire as to the origin of the said fire, the Jury returned the following verdict:—"That the fire took place under very suspicious circumstances, but by whom caused there is no evidence to show." Notice is hereby given that a reward of £50 will be paid by the Provincial Government of Otago to any person who will give such information as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons by whom the said fire was caused; and His Excellency the Governor will be advised to grant a free pardon to any accomplice not being the person who actually caused the fire, who will give such information as will lead to a like result.

## Felonies and other Offences.

A warrant has been issued by the Queenstown Bench for the arrest of William Brown, charged with bestiality at Queenstown on the 4th inst. Offender is a native of East End, London; about 30 years of age; 5 feet 2 inches high; medium build; smart active gait; dark complexion, hair and moustache; very little if any whiskers; peculiar expression of face, as if mouth was crooked; criminal appearance; dressed in dirty bedford cord trousers; dark coat; hat or cap; and old elastic side boots. He was seen at Morvan Ferry on the 5th inst., and at Chibes on the 6th; and then said that he was going to Lowe's Station on the Manuherika to shear or cook there. He arrived in Otago from England in 1868, by the ship Countess of Kintore, and worked his passage out.

Warrants have been issued by the Oamaru Bench for the arrest of Thomas Sullivan and James Lamont, charged with assaulting Mrs. Dorah Weiss at Papa-kai-o near Oamaru on the 7th instant. Sullivan is supposed to be an Irishman; a labourer; 27 to 30 years of age; 5 feet 10½ inches high; thin build; dark brown hair, beard and moustache; dressed in narrow striped light tweed trousers; black coat; light crimean shirt with dark spots; and dirty white felt hat. Lamont is a Scotchman; a labourer; 45 years of age; 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high; stout build;