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Stolen on the 8th instant, in Princes street, Dunedin, from Richard Round, a carpet bag, nearly new, with new brass padlock, containing a flannel singlet, a dark tweed vest, a light striped crimean shirt, all new, a curtain ring, a pair of worn elastic side boots, a wooden pipe with white metal cover and chain; a leather purse with clasp, containing a receipt for a registered letter, addressed to Esther Round, Hobart Town, 13s. in silver, and one penny. All identifiable except the money. A man of the following description was seen taking the bag from Round, who was drunk at the time:—About 25 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, stout build, fair hair and complexion, sandy beard, whiskers, and moustache, wore blue monkey jacket, striped trousers, and woollen cap with peak.

Supposed stolen about the 8th instant, from Caversham, a chestnut horse, about 14 hands high, branded JD on near shoulder, white streak down face, long switch tail, shod all round, the property of David Kirkness. Value, £8. Identifiable.

Stolen on the 5th instant, from the hotel of Archibald Blue, at Clyde, a £5 note on the Bank of New South Wales, and four £1 notes. Suspicion attached to Ann Blacklam, who at present resides at Clyde.

Inquests.

An inquest was held on the 5th ultimo, at the residence of William Waugh, Moa Flat, by John Beighton, Esquire, J. P. and acting Coroner, on the body of Jose De Silve, a labourer, aged 35 years, who was found dead in his bed there on the previous morning. Verdict: Died from disease of the heart.

An inquest was held on the 9th ultimo, at the Rising Sun Hotel, Walker-street, Dunedin, by T. M. Hocken, Esquire, Coroner, on the body of a female child, aged 6 days, daughter of Mary M'Loughlan, who died in her mother's residence off Walker-street, Dunedin, on the day previous, from the effects of injuries inflicted on her head. Verdict: The child was in a weak and delicate state when born, and died from injuries received on the head, but how or by what means such injuries were received there is no evidence to shew.

An inquest was held on the 11th ultimo, at the Awamoka Hotel, Awamoka, by T. W. Parker, Esquire, R. M. and Coroner, on the body of Thomas Howard, a carpenter, aged 30 years, who was found dead at Black Point, Awamoka, on the day previous, and who, it is supposed, died there about the 1st ultimo. Verdict: Found dead.

An inquest was held on the 11th ultimo, at the Rose, Thistle, and Shamrock Hotel, Green Island, by T. M. Hocken, Esquire, Coroner, on the body of Patrick Dempsey, a miner, aged 26 years, who was killed on the day previous, by a quantity of earth falling upon him while at work in the railway tunnel at Chain Hills. Verdict: Accidentally killed.

An inquest was held on the 11th ultimo, at the Rose, Thistle, and Shamrock Hotel, Green Island, by T. M. Hocken, Esquire, Coroner, on the body of

Thomas Kerr, a foreman miner, aged 37 years, who was killed by a quantity of earth falling upon him while at work in the railway tunnel at Chain Hills, on the day previous. Verdict: Accidentally killed.

An inquest was held on the 20th ultimo, at the Hospital, Dunedin, by Isaac N. Watt, Esquire, R. M. and acting Coroner, on the body of Lilly Millar, a prostitute, aged 25 years, who was found dead in her residence off Walker-street, Dunedin, on the day previous. Verdict: Died from disease of the heart accelerated by intemperance.

An inquest was held on the 22nd ultimo, at the Court House, Blacks, by W. L. Simpson, Esquire, R. M. and Coroner, on the body of a male child, aged 10 days, son of Samuel Leask, who died at his parents' residence at Blacks, on the day previous. Verdict: Died from natural causes.

An inquest was held on the 23rd ultimo, at the Court House, Tokomairiro, by E. H. Carew, Esquire, R. M. and Coroner, on the body of a newly born female child, whose body, with the throat cut, was found concealed in a bundle of clothes under the mattress of the bed occupied by Margaret Collins, in the Exchange Hotel, Milton, on the 20th ultimo. Verdict: Murder, against Margaret Collins, the mother of the child, who has been arrested and committed for trial.

An inquest was held on the 29th ultimo, at Blackstone Hill, by W. H. Robinson, Esquire, R. M. and Coroner, on the body of Thomas Turnbull, a labourer, aged 40 years, who died there suddenly on the day previous. Verdict: Died from disease of the heart.

An inquest was held on the 4th instant, at the Hospital, Dunedin, by I. N. Watt, Esquire, R.M. and Acting-Coroner, on the body of Alice Hawley, a prostitute, aged 34 years, who was found dead in a hut in a right-of-way off Walker street, Dunedin, on the previous day. Verdict: Died from apoplexy, caused by intemperance.

An inquest was held on the 5th instant, at the Clarendon Hotel, Invercargill, by Thomas Perkins, Esquire, J.P. and Acting-Coroner, on the body of William Smith, a carpenter, aged 51 years, who died at his residence, Esk street, Invercargill, on the 3rd instant. Verdict: Died from continued excessive drinking of spirituous liquors.

An inquest was held on the 3rd instant, at the Court House, Blacks, by W. L. Simpson, Esquire, R.M. and Coroner, on the body of James Clouston, a laborer, aged 19 years, who was killed at Blacks on the 1st instant, by falling from a dray which he was driving. Verdict: Accidentally killed by a fall from a dray.

Missing Friends.

Information is requested respecting the whereabouts of John Quin, the principal witness and informant in the case of Regina v. Harry Pearce, committed for trial for stealing from the person at Dunedin. Quin is a native of Cork, Ireland, a laborer and shearer, 36 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, sandy hair, sandy whiskers, beard and moustache worn rather short, thin features, florid complexion, light blue eyes, large front teeth, described in the *Otago Police Gazette, 1871, page 71, as John Roland,*