



OTAGO POLICE GAZETTE.

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INCENDIARISM.

£50 REWARD.

Maliciously setting Fire to seven stacks of wheat.

WHEREAS about 11.20. o'clock on the night of the 23rd ult, seven stacks of wheat situate at Flag Swamp, near Waikouaiti, the property of Alexander Annan, were discovered to be on fire, by which they were destroyed. And whereas, at an inquest held on the 27th ultimo, at the Bendigo Hotel, near Waikouaiti, to enquire as to the origin of the said fire, the jury returned the following verdict: "That the stacks were wilfully set on fire by some person or persons at present unknown."

Notice is hereby given that a Reward of £50 will be paid by the Provincial Government of Otago to any person who will first give such information to the Police 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 an accomplice, not being the person who actually caused the fire, who will give such information as will lead to a like result.

T. K. WELDON,
Commissioner of Police.

Police Office, Dunedin,
1st April, 1875.

MURDER.

The Body of a Female Child found in a Waterhole or Shaft near Arrowtown.

FIFTY POUNDS REWARD.

WHEREAS on the 9th instant the body of a fully developed Female Child with four punctured wounds in the head, supposed to have been dead between two and four months; was found in a waterhole known as Barracouta Shaft, near Arrowtown. The body was wrapped in a piece of scarlet flannel, covered with white calico, and sewn up in the remains of a pink cotton dress, placed in a pasteboard box, and put into an empty mustard or lozenge tin cannister. And whereas at an inquest held on the same day by H. A. Stratford, Esq., R.M. and Coroner, on the body of the said child, the jury returned a verdict of Wilful Murder against some person or persons unknown,

Notice is hereby Given, that a Reward of £50 will be paid by the Provincial Government of Otago to any person who will first give such information to the Police as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who caused the death of the said Child, and His Excellency the Governor will be advised to grant a Free Pardon to an accomplice, not being the person who actually caused the child's death, who will give such information as will lead to a like result.

T. K. WELDON,
Commissioner of Police.

Police Office, Dunedin,
18th March, 1875.