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DESCRIPTION:

Lamar, Carrie

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Witnesses:

Geo. M. Blount

Counsel,

Filed

day of Nov

1886

Pleads,

Argued

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Carrie Lamar

KEEPING A HOUSE OF ILL FAME, ETC.

(Sections 322 and 385, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Part III April 13/87

Pleads Guilty.

A True Bill.

*[Signature]*

Foreman

Steve H. Coe

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Sec. 322, Penal Code.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK ss.

17 District Police Court.

George W. Blunk  
of No. the 29th Precinct Street, in said City, being duly sworn says  
that at the premises known as Number 117 West 28th Street,  
in the City and County of New York, on the 7 day of July 1886 and on divers  
other days and times, between that day and the day of making this complaint

Mrs Carrie Lamar  
did unlawfully keep and maintain and yet continue to keep and maintain a disorderly  
house and did then, and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully procure  
and permit as well men as women of evil name and fame and of dishonest conversation to visit, frequent and come  
together for unlawful sexual intercourse, and for the purpose of prostitution and lewdness, and then and on the said  
other days and times, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and yet continues to permit said men and women of evil  
name and fame there to be and remain drinking, ~~dancing, fighting~~ disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving  
themselves, whereby the peace, comfort and decency of persons inhabiting and residing in the neighborhood, and  
there passing is habitually disturbed, in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

Deponent therefore prays, that the said Mrs Carrie Lamar  
and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises, occupied by said  
Mrs Carrie Lamar  
may be apprehended and dealt with as the law in such cases made and provided may direct.

Sworn to before me, this 8  
day of July 1886

Solomon B. Smith  
Police Justice

George W. Blunk

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Police Court—2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George W. Alant  
vs.

McLarnie Lanna

AFFIDAVIT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Dated July 5 1886

Quilich Justice.

Geo. W. Alant Officer.

29 Precinct.

WITNESSES :

July 10  
9. am



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Sec: 151.

Police Court— 2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

*In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County of New York, or to any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING:*

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police Justices for the City of New York, by George W. Blunk of No. 29 Rensselaer Street, that on the 7 day of July 1888, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Mrs. Carrie Lamar did keep and maintain at the premises known as Number 117 West 28th Street, in said City, a Disorderly House and there unlawfully procure and permit as well men as women of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation to visit, frequent and come together for unlawful sexual intercourse, and for the purpose of prostitution, and there unlawfully and wilfully did permit said men and women of evil name and fame there to be and remain drinking, dancing, fighting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves whereby the peace, comfort, and decency of persons inhabiting and residing in the neighborhood and there passing is habitually disturbed in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, in the name of the People of the State of New York, to Command you, the said Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the body of the said

Mrs C. Lamar and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises occupied by said Mrs C. Lamar and forthwith bring them before me, at the 2 DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 8 day of July, 1888

Solo B. Smith  
POLICE JUSTICE.

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Police Court—2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George W. Blount  
vs.

Mrs. C. L. Lander

WARRANT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Dated July 5 1886

Julius Magistrate

Geo W Blount Officer.

29 Precinct.

The Defendant

taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer  
the within charge, pursuant to the command con-  
tained in this Warrant.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

Solomon Blum Police Justice.

having been brought before me under this Warrant, is committed for examination to the  
WARDEN and KEEPER of the City Prison of the City of New York.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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Police Justice.

The within named

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Carrie Lamar being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is her right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against her; that the statement is designed to  
enable her if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against her  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that her waiver cannot be used  
against her on the trial.

Question What is your name?

Answer Carrie Lamar

Question How old are you?

Answer 30 years

Question Where were you born?

Answer Virginia

Question Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer No 117 West 28 St. 2 months

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer Housekeeper

Question Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the  
testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer.

I am not guilty  
and I demand a trial  
by jury

Carrie Lamar

Taken before me this

July 9  
1885  
at New York  
with  
Justice



Second District  
Police Court

The People vs  
George W. Blunk  
Carrie<sup>r</sup> Lamar

Examination Before Justice Smith  
July 10 1886

George W. Blunk, the complaining  
witness, being duly sworn and  
examined by the Court deposes  
and says:-

Q What do you know about these  
premises 117 West 24th Street?

A I went to that house with a  
lady on the 7th of this month.

Q Who was the woman?

A A lady by the name of  
Wilson.

Q Was she a prostitute?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Whom did you see there?

A I asked for a room and  
this lady here gave me a  
room.

Q Did you pay her for it?

A She said two dollars and  
I paid her two dollars and  
she let me have the top  
floor back room.

Q What did you do when you



went there?

A. I went there for the purpose of ascertaining some evidence to see whether it was an assignation house or not.

Q. Did you see any person about the premises?

A. At the time I went in - Yes Sir - not in the room I got.

Q. In the building?

A. Yes, Sir.

Q. Who were they?

A. A gentleman and lady sitting in the back room.

Q. Did you know them?

A. No, Sir.

Q. Did you know the defendant?

A. I saw her there.

Q. Do you know anything of the character of the persons who frequent the place?

A. No, Sir.

Q. All that you know about the house is you going there with this woman?

A. Yes, Sir.

Q. Did you have any conversation with the defendant at that time about the room?

A. Yes, Sir.

Q. What was it?

A. She asked me who sent me.

there. I told her that a friend of mine sent me. She asked me who it was. I said it was a man named Reagan belonging to the 22nd Regiment.

Q. Did you tell her what you wanted the room for

A. I told her "to stop a little while"

Q. Have you stated the whole conversation?

A. She said she wanted to know what kind of a looking man he was; to give her a description; that he might be a gentleman who was there the other night. The conversation stopped with that. She went up stairs and came down and told me the room was ready. I then paid her two dollars. I then went up stairs with the woman and went to bed for an hour or three quarters, when I came down stairs. When I got there I asked the defendant for one of her cards and she gave it to me.

Q. Did you have connection with the woman there?

A. Yes.

Q. More than once?

(objected to)

Cross examined by Mr. Mc Clelland.

Q You are an officer?

A Yes

Q Did you get your instructions from anybody?

A Yes

Q From whom?

A My superior officer Captain Williams

Q — Did he tell you to go into this house of assignation and have sexual intercourse with a prostitute in order to ascertain whether the house was used for the purpose of fornication?

A No, Sir; he did not.

Q He merely told you to go?

A I thought that the best way to get evidence

Q You thought that the best way to get evidence?

A Yes.

Q Are you married?

A Yes, for twenty years.

Q Anything else?

A No — that is all.

SWORN TO BEFORE ME

THIS 10 DAY OF July 1885

POLICE JUSTICE.



Justice Smith - Do you know anything  
about this place Sergeant Cross?

Sergeant Cross - I know nothing at all  
- If that evidence is not sufficient  
we can get some more.

Sgt held to answer \$500 bond.

The foregoing is a correct  
transcript of the proceedings as  
reported by me in this case.

W. L. Armbryst  
Stenographer

2nd Dist Court.

Arron to before within  
day of May 1892  
Solomon Smith

Police Justice



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Sec. 192.

*2* District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before *Solon D. Smith* a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging *Carrie Lamar* Defendant with  
the offence of *Keeping a Disorderly House*

and she having been brought before said Justice for an examination of said charge, and it having been made to  
appear to the satisfaction of said Justice that said examination should be adjourned to some other day, and the hear-  
ing thereof having been adjourned,

We, *Carrie Lamar* Defendant of No. *117*  
*West 28* Street; by occupation a *Housekeeper*  
and *Manassah L. Goldman* of No. *27 Eldridge*  
Street, by occupation a *Real Estate Agent* Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that  
the above named *Carrie Lamar* Defendant  
shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the District Police Court in the City of New York,  
during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of *three*  
Hundred Dollars,

Taken and acknowledged before me, this

day of

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*July*  
*Solon D. Smith*  
Police Justice

*Carrie Lamar*

*Manassah L. Goldman*

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

Sworn to before me this 1st day of March 1881

Manassah L. Goldman

the within named Bail and Surety being duly sworn, says, that he is a resident and holder within the said County and State, and is worth Five Hundred Dollars, exclusive of property exempt from execution, and over and above the amount of all his debts and liabilities, and that his property consists of a house and lot

located and known as number 74  
Qual street said city and is worth not  
less than fifteen thousand dollars  
free and clear

Manassah L. Goldman

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
vs.  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,  
vs.  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,  
vs.

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District Police Court.

Defendant with  
a Police Justice

Indorsing to effect during the examination



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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Manhattan Street

No. 2, by

Residence

Street

No. 3, by

Residence

Street

No. 4, by

Residence

Street

#279 X54B  
Police Court 21 District.  
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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George W. Blank  
29 Street

Carrie Lamar

1  
2  
3  
4  
Offence Disorderly  
House

Date July 8 1886

Blanch Magistrate.

Witnesses  
No. 19 \$4 Precinct.

No. Street.

No. 300 to answer \$3  
Bailed

been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

Carrie Lamar  
I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Three Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated July 10 1886 Solon B. Smith Police Justice

I have admitted the above-named Carrie Lamar  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated July 10 1886 Solon B. Smith Police Justice

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order h to be discharged.

Dated 1886 Police Justice.

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Police Department of the City of New York.

Precinct No. 3

New York, April 13<sup>th</sup> 1887

To Recorder Smyth  
Sir

Carrie Lamar has vacated  
premises 117 W 28<sup>th</sup> St.

Capt. Williams.

J.H.



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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Rennie Saman*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this Indictment, accuse

*- Rennie Saman -*

(Section 322,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING AND MAINTAINING A COMMON BAWDY HOUSE AND HOUSE OF ILL FAME, committed as follows:

The said

*Rennie Saman,*

late of the *20th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *nineteenth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, and on divers other days and times as well before as afterwards, to the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain common bawdy house and house of ill fame, unlawfully and wickedly did keep and maintain; and in the said house divers evil-disposed persons, as well men as women, and common prostitutes, on the days and times aforesaid, as well in the night as in the day, there unlawfully and wickedly did receive and entertain; and in which said house the said evil-disposed persons and common prostitutes, by the consent and procurement of the said

*Rennie Saman,*

on the days and times aforesaid, there did commit whoredom and fornication; whereby divers unlawful assemblies, disturbances and lewd offences on the days and times aforesaid, as well in the night as in the day, were there committed and perpetrated; to the great damage and common nuisance of all the good people of the said State there inhabiting and residing, in manifest destruction and subversion of, and against good morals and good manners, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT.—

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*- Rennie Saman -*

(Section 385,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF MAINTAINING A PUBLIC NUISANCE, committed as follows:

The said

*Rennie Saman,*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *nineteenth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

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and eighty-~~six~~ and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, unlawfully did keep and maintain a certain common, ill governed house, and in ~~the~~ said house, for ~~their~~ own lucre and gain, certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, as well men as women, of evil name and fame and dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together then and on said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on said other days and times there to be and remain, tippling, drinking, gaming, cursing, swearing, quarreling, making great noises and otherwise misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and ~~suffer to the great annoyance, injury and danger~~ of the comfort and repose of a great number of persons, good citizens of our said State there residing, and passing and repassing, to the common nuisance of the said citizens, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

THIRD COUNT.—

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*Harvie Sammar* —

(Section 822,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING A DISORDERLY HOUSE, committed as follows:

The said

*Harvie Sammar,*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the ~~seventh~~ day of ~~July~~, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~six~~, and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, unlawfully did keep a certain ill-governed and disorderly house, the same being a place of public resort, and in the said house and place of public resort, for ~~their~~ own lucre and gain, certain persons, as well men as women, of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together, then and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women, in ~~the~~ said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on the said other days and times, there to be and remain, drinking, tippling, gambling, rioting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully, did permit, and yet continues to permit, by reason whereof the peace, comfort and decency of the neighborhood around and about the said house were, and yet are, habitually disturbed, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**  
District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Lamb, John

DATE:

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*Lawrence of Kentucky a*  
*C. O. Kinney*  
Counsel,  
Filed, 4 day of Nov. 1886  
Plends, *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*John Lamb*  
*April 1st 1887*  
*Spied & convicted of*  
*Murder 2 day -*

MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.  
[Section 183, Penal Code.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.  
*D. H. Hovins*

A True Bill. *Mohr 17th*  
*W. H. Johnson*

Foreman.  
*March 2nd*  
*March 2nd*  
*March 2nd*



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# STATE OF NEW YORK.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, SS.

## AN INQUISITION,

Taken at the house of Coroners' Office  
No. 67 Park Row Street in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward of the City of  
New York, in the County of New York, this 13 day of November  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and 86 before  
Ferdinand Levy Coroner,  
of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the Body of James Conlon  
lying dead at

Seven good and lawful men of the State of New York, duly chosen and  
sworn, or affirmed and charged to inquire, on behalf of said people, how and in what manner the said  
James Conlon came to his death, do  
upon their Oaths and Affirmations, say: That the said James Conlon  
came to his death by

Hemorrhage from incised wound  
of thigh, caused by a knife in the hands of John Lamb  
on 10th. Ave. near 34th St. on October 30/86 about 8.45 P.M.

In Witness Whereof, We, the said Jurors, as well as the CORONER, have to this Inquisition  
set our hands and seals, on the day and place aforesaid.

### JURORS.

Julius Fischer 427 E. Houston	Salvador Lucetman 2317
Wm. W. L. 2316 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.	Albert H. Wieg 2332 1/2 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.
John Christian Goepfert 2325 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.	Jas. Brown 2326 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.
Isidor Lindner 2328 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave.	

Ferdinand Levy  
CORONER, E. S.

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CORONER'S OFFICE.

TESTIMONY.

Officer George <sup>M.</sup> Krawl, 20<sup>th</sup> Precinct being sworn says: On October 31/86 about 8.45 PM I was on post on 32<sup>nd</sup> St and 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, when I heard some people call out that the prisoner John Lamb had stabbed a boy. The prisoner was coming toward me at the time, I started after him about 1/2 the block between 32<sup>nd</sup> & 33<sup>rd</sup> St, as I approached near the people call out to me to look out for a knife, when I had got close on to him I grabbed both his arms from behind and held him. I asked him where the knife was and he did not answer. I searched his pocket and found the knife (produced) in his pants pocket, I saw that there was fresh blood on it, I opened it and shut it again. I put it in my pocket and hurried the prisoner to the drug store where the deceased was lying — a distance of two blocks — to have him recognized, but just as I got to the store the doctor pronounced the deceased dead. I took the prisoner to the Station House, where he was locked up. He was taken to Court the next morning (Jefferson Market Court) where he was held without bail. The prisoner was under the influence of liquor when I arrested him.

George W. Krawl

Taken before me

this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1886

Ferdinand Levy CORONER.

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CORONER'S OFFICE.

TESTIMONY.

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George W. Fox being sworn says: I reside at 502 W. 34<sup>th</sup> St. Am in Fish & Oyster Business. On Oct 30/86 about <sup>bet.</sup> 8.30 + 8.45 Pm I was sitting in my store at 502 W. 34<sup>th</sup> St. when my attention was drawn by the cry of "Police". I went to my door, & as I got there I saw the deceased James Conlon having the defendant by the coat collar pushing him past my door. When the deceased & the defendant got up the street at a little I went to the corner with the intention of kicking the deceased & putting him away from the defendant. When I got within 8 or 10 feet of them I saw the defendant make a backward plunge and the deceased cried aloud "I'm stabbed". The deceased ran to the middle of the street. I followed him, I saw him saturated with blood. The defendant went up 34<sup>th</sup> St. I followed him at a distance of 30 to 40 feet. He turned down 9th Ave. from 34<sup>th</sup> St. Some boy ran ahead of defendant and told the officer on post at 9th Ave & 32<sup>nd</sup> St that a man had stabbed a boy. The Officer came up, got a hold of defendant. I am sure the defendant now in Court is the person who did the stabbing. The deceased handled the defendant pretty roughly. he pushed him about 75 feet past my store. <sup>there was no crowd when I first saw the deceased & defendant. The</sup> Taken before me defendant was under the influence of liquor at the time.

this 13 day of November 1886 Geo W. Fox  
Ferdinand Levy CORONER.



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CORONER'S OFFICE.

TESTIMONY.

Henry Fickler being sworn says: I reside at 445-10<sup>th</sup> Ave. I live with my parents and work in a Grocery Store. On Oct 30/86 about 8:45 P.M., I was standing by the door where I work when the prisoner and his wife passed. They got as far as 34<sup>th</sup> St. & they were about to cross the Ave when the woman fell & the prisoner fell over her. The people around them helped them up & they proceeded down the street when they stopped in 34<sup>th</sup> St. when the deceased came along, took hold of the prisoner, by the coat collar and was pushing him along in front of him. When they reached the corner of 34<sup>th</sup> St & 10<sup>th</sup> Ave the prisoner stopped. After that I saw the prisoner make a plunge at the deceased. After that I heard the deceased cry "I'm stabbed" when the deceased reached the cor. of 34<sup>th</sup> St. he dropped and was carried to a drug store, 449-10<sup>th</sup> Ave. There was a large crowd of people there then. I did not see any one with a collar when he took hold of deceased. I did not hear any boy call the defendant names or shout after him.

Henry Fickler

Taken before me

this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1886

Ferdinand Levy

CORONER.

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CORONER'S OFFICE.

TESTIMONY.

Patrick Conlon being sworn says,  
I reside at No 47. 10th Avenue  
the deceased ~~James~~ Conlon was  
my son, I heard on Oct 30th  
that he had been hurt at  
34th and 10th and was  
at the 20th Precinct Station House.  
I went there and found him  
dead, I know nothing only  
what I heard

- Patk Conlon

Taken before me

this 12 day of Nov 1886

Ferdinand Levy

CORONER.

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John Canlow  
Lancaster, Pa.



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CORONER'S OFFICE.

TESTIMONY.

Autopsy

Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup> 1886 at 6 P.M.

At 447 South Ave

James Coulon, white act. 18 years single  
Said to have died October 30<sup>th</sup> 1886 at 8<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
in drug store 449 South Ave.

Refr. marks present, body fairly well  
nourished.

On anterior surface of right thigh just  
below the groin there is a vertical incision  
about 4 inches in length. The upper angle  
of wound is about 1/2 inch below Psoas  
ligament. prolonging the incision above  
& below & dissecting up the large vessels of  
thigh find the sartorius muscle partly  
divided, and the large branch of the  
femoral artery (the profunda femoris) com-  
pletely severed at the point of external wound  
& also the vein adjacent incised. Direction  
of wound back with thumb. depth about  
2 inches.

Other organs normal.

Cause of death: Hemorrhage from  
incised wound of right thigh above  
described involving the Profunda  
femoris artery & vein adjacent.

W. J. Lusk, M.D.

Taken before me

this 31<sup>st</sup> day of November 1886

Ferdinand Levy CORONER.

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Coroner's Office,

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } SS.

John Lamb being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge, and being informed that he was at liberty to answer or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz. :

Question—What is your name?

Answer—

John Lamb

Question—How old are you?

Answer—

46 years

Question—Where were you born?

Answer—

England

Question—Where do you live?

Answer—

No 1 - 9th Ave

Question—What is your occupation?

Answer—

Weaver

Question—Have you anything to say, and if so, what, relative to the charge here preferred against you?

I have nothing to say at present

John Lamb

Taken before me, this 13 day of November 1886

Ferdinand Levy

CORONER.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0242

4th. Mar. 31 - 1886

HOMICIDE

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

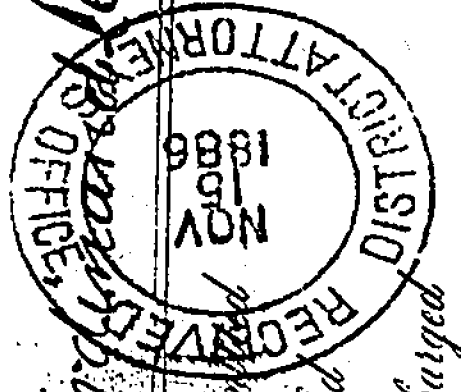
James Conlon

whereby it is found that he came to  
his Death by the hands of

John Lamb

Inquest taken on the 13th day  
of November 1886  
before

Mr. J. J. Conlon, Coroner.



Date of death October 30/86

~~Witness~~  
Herald  
Hose  
Drinker  
Patrick Lamb

AGE.	Years. Months Days.		PLACE OF NATIVITY.	WHERE FOUND.	DATE When Reported.

MEMORANDUM.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0243

STATE OF NEW YORK,  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT,

DISTRICT.

Deputy Police

of No. 20<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police

George Frank age 27 years

Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says that on the

30<sup>th</sup>

day of

October

1886

at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

John Lamb (now here)

did, by an act immovably dangerous to others and  
evincing a depraved mind regardless of human life,  
kill a human being by name James Corbin with  
a knife, by cutting and stabbing the said James Corbin  
in the abdomen with said knife which the said John  
Lamb then and there held in his hand - as deponent  
has been informed and for the following reasons truly  
believes.

That deponent has been informed by Harry Becker of  
No 445-10<sup>th</sup> St., that about the hour of 8.45 P.M. on the  
above date he saw the defendant John Lamb and the  
deceased James Corbin in 34<sup>th</sup> Street near 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue,  
that the deceased James Corbin had a hold of the defendant  
John Lamb by the coat collar with one hand and was  
leading him through 34<sup>th</sup> Street; that immediately on  
reaching the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 34<sup>th</sup> Street he  
saw the defendant John Lamb make a movement as  
though drawing something from his pants pocket and  
at the same instant the said John Lamb defendant  
struck the deceased James Corbin with the hand with  
which he had made the above described movement  
in the abdomen and followed said blow with an upward  
movement of said hand as though ripping - and immediately  
thereafter the deceased James Corbin called out - as deponent

That deponent is further informed by George M. Fox of  
No 53<sup>rd</sup> West 34<sup>th</sup> Street that about the hour of 8.45 P.M.  
on the above date, he was seated in his fish-store at the  
above address, when his attention was attracted to the  
street by cries of "Police" and on going into the street, he

Saw the deceased James Carlin having a hold of the defendant John Hunt by the coat-collar with one hand and pushing the defendant ahead of him: that immediately on reaching the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 84<sup>th</sup> Street and when there was about six feet from the deceased and the defendant, he saw the defendant John Hunt thrust one hand into his pants pocket and withdraw it and with the other hand make a movement as though drawing the blade of a knife and immediately thereafter make a movement with the hand in which he held something and which he had withdrawn from his pocket as though making an upward cut in the abdomen of the deceased, that thereupon the deceased James Carlin called out: I am stabbed;

Deponent further says that about the hour of 8.45 P.M. on the above date as he was on post and at the Cor of 85<sup>th</sup> and 82<sup>nd</sup> Street that he was informed that the defendant John Hunt who was coming down 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue towards deponent had stabbed a boy. That he pursued the defendant and overtook him at 83<sup>rd</sup> Street; that he immediately placed him under arrest and on searching his pockets deponent found a pocket jack-knife the large blade of which was covered with wet blood and blood also upon the defendants hands. That he took the defendant to the drug store at the Cor of 85<sup>th</sup> Street and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, where deponent saw the dead body of the deceased with a large cut in the right groin: that immediately thereafter took the defendant to the 20<sup>th</sup> Precinct Station.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 31 day of October 1886

John J. [Signature]

George W. Krow

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Dated

Witness

Disposition

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0245

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 28 years, occupation Rich. Dealer of No.

507 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of George H. Brown  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 8<sup>th</sup> }  
day of Sept 1886 } Geo W. Ford

G. Humphord  
Police Justice.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 13 years, occupation Wm. Fickens of No.

445-10 Avenue Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of George H. Brown  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 8<sup>th</sup> }  
day of Sept 1886 } Henry Fickens

G. Humphord  
Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0246

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, { ss

*John Lamb* being duly examined before, the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is his right to make a statement in relation to the charge against him; that the statement is designed to enable him if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against him, that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John Lamb*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *Forty-four years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *England*

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer. *No 1 - 9th Avenue, New York*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *None*

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your exculpation?

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

*John Lamb*

Taken before me this

day of *October*

188*6*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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BAILED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

1682

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1. *James Smith*  
2. *John Smith*  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Offence *Murder*

Dated *Sept 31* 188*6*

*James Smith* Magistrate.

*James Smith* Officer.

*James Smith* Precinct.

Witnesses

No. *445* *John Smith* Street.

No. *592* *John Smith* Street.

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It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_

guilty thereof, I order that *John Smith* be held to answer the same and ~~he be admitted to bail in the sum of~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~Hundred Dollars,~~ and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of

the City Prison of the City of New York, until ~~he give such bail.~~ *he legally discharged*

Dated *Sept 31* 188*6* *John Smith* Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named \_\_\_\_\_ to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_ guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

7/86  
9002

The People  
vs.  
John Lamb.

Court of General Sessions, Part I.  
Before Judge Gildersleeve.

Tuesday, March 29, 1887.

Indictment for murder in the first degree.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Bedford for the People.

Mr Kingsley for the Defence.

A Jury was empanelled and sworn.

George W. Fox sworn and examined. I am in the fish and oyster business, I reside at 502 West 34th St. on the evening of October 30 between eight and nine o'clock I was in my store at 502 West 34th St., I saw the Defendant pass my store between eight and nine o'clock in the evening with the deceased James Conlon, Conlon said he was going to lock the Defendant up for being drunk, they were walking pretty lively, the Defendant ahead and the deceased was about a foot and a half behind him, Conlon had hold of him by the coat collar, they were walking rapidly and he was pushing the Defendant ahead of him, not violently, he had him by the collar just shoving him along easily, no violence was used then; I went towards them with the intention of getting the deceased away from the Defendant, I followed them about twenty-five or thirty feet, I saw the Defendant place his hand in his pocket and withdraw his hand again and make a backward plunge and the boy cried aloud, "I am stabbed"; he just had the knife in his hand, I did not see the knife; the prisoner was running in a stooping position and the boy was pushing at the same time; the Defendant did not look back at all; the boy Conlon ran to the opposite side of the street and I went over, I seen the way he was saturated with blood



and I came back and the prisoner was still on the corner, he was just walking towards Ninth Avenue, a pretty lively walk, I followed him about three blocks when he was arrested by Officer Krowl at Ninth Avenue between 32nd and 33rd Streets. The officer caught him and pulled the knife out of his pocket, whether the knife was opened or closed I could not say, I do not remember that, the knife was saturated with blood and the prisoner's hands were saturated with fresh blood. The boy who was stabbed was taken to the drug store at 35th Street and 10th Avenue; after the prisoner was arrested I went back with the officer so that the boy could identify the prisoner but when we got back the boy was dead. I should judge he lived about five or six minutes after the stabbing. I went to the Station House, I saw there Sergeant Brown and a correspondent of the Associated Press, the prisoner had been arraigned before the Sergeant.

Cross Examined. Before this homicide I was not acquainted with any of the Conlon family, the boy's father me when I thought the trial would come off, I told him I was perfectly ignorant of it, I testified before the Coroner that the deceased was handling the defendant so roughly that I ran from the store with the intention of kicking him, that is what I say still, he pushed the Defendant but he was not using violence; the Defendant was crying, "police, murder, watch", that is what attracted me from the store. The night was a rainy, misty night; when I first saw the defendant he was passing my store, going towards 10th Avenue and the deceased held him by the collar, pushing him along the street, he was about twenty-five feet from my place of business when I came

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out of the sidewalk, I was just walking up lively to get hold of the boy and put him away to save the boy's life if I could, I stated before the coroner I went there to give the boy a kick to put him away from the Defendant, I did not say that I wanted to save the boy, if I had been there a minute sooner I could have saved the boy's life, I did not know whether the boy would be killed or not, I did not know what would happen, the defendant and the deceased were about eight or ten feet ahead of me in front of a liquor saloon; the deceased was on the right side of the Defendant, partly behind him and partly on the side of him, on the right side. I have not got a diagram of the position but I seen the man's elbow moving. From the time I heard the cry of "police, murder", I did not see the deceased use the prisoner roughly or violently. I went there because he was tormenting the man, shoving him ahead, he had no right to shove the man because the man was under the influence of liquor, he was rushing him by the door and the Defendant was calling, "help, police, murder, watch".

William T. Jenkins sworn and examined.

I am a practicing physician and remember the evening of October 31st, I was the coroner's physician, I saw James Conlon, who was alleged to have been killed by John Lamb; when I first saw him he was dead. He was a young man, fairly well nourshed, said to be about eighteen years of age; on the right thigh about in this position, just below the ligament there was an incised wound about four inches in length; it was a wound about three inches in



depth and about four inches in length, it was an incised stab wound; it could be caused by a knife like the one shown me; the death was caused by hemorrhage from the wound just described, an artery in the leg was severed and the vein adjacent, he bled to death from hemorrhage, that was the direct cause of death.

Cross Examined. The wound was about four inches in length and seemed to be backward and slightly upwards perhaps. I do not think the point of the knife made such a wound, I think it was more of a triangular shaped wound, the base of the triangle being on the outer surface of the leg, if I remember correctly; the drawing of the knife out would make four inches externally, the point need not have had that much motion. The prolongation of the surface may have been made by drawing out the knife.

George W. Krowl sworn and examined.

I am an officer of the 20th precinct. I was on duty on the evening of October 30th between half past eight and nine o'clock; about a quarter after eight I was at 34th Street between 33rd and 34th Streets on Ninth Avenue; from the distance of a block I seen them running from 34th Street corner and crying out that some man had killed a boy, to stop him; there was several people running after him, it seems that no one would approach him, I was about twenty-five or thirty yards away from the corner and I started to go up to him, I should say he was on a slow run, he was coming towards me when I first saw him, I had my uniform on, I ran towards him, he turned and went back across the street towards the northeast of 33rd



Street going towards Eighth Avenue, I caught him by the back of the neck and held his both arms behind him and took the knife away from him; the knife now shown me is the one, it was dripping with blood when I took it off him, I took it from his pocket and it was closed, I searched several pockets at the time and took a pair of shears from him about eight inches long, I took him through 34th Street to the corner of 10th Avenue and 35th Street and took him into a drug store; this boy that was cut was lying on the floor dead, I took the prisoner towards the Station House, he tried to grab the back of his hand to bite it; there was another officer there at the time when the prisoner tried to bite his own hand, he knocked his hand down before I got to it, I took him to the Station House which was four blocks away. Sergeant Brown was in command and after taking the prisoner's pedigree he came from behind the desk to see if there were any marks on him, there were no marks to be discovered on him, I saw him make the examination, he examined his hands and face, I did not notice any marks, the prisoner was taken to the cell and locked up.

Cross Examined. I saw the blood dripping from the knife after I had taken it from his pocket. I never saw the prisoner before that night and know nothing about him, he had the smell of liquor on him, he had been drunk but was not staggering. I had no conversation with him in the Station House, he did not speak anything to me; he gave his name, trade and where he was born to the Sergeant.

Just before the doorman had taken him back there was citizens bringing his wife in, I saw his wife brought in

the Station House, she was intoxicated, she could not stand, I smelt her breath, I made a charge of intoxication and drunk and disorderly against her. His wife was not with the Defendant when I arrested him, she was coming toward the drug store at the time. The Defendant said when I was taking him to the Station House that he was troubled by those boys. I did not notice that the Defendant's wife's head was cut or that blood was streaming down on her shoulder, I did not notice blood on her shawl, I did not see any doctor examine her, I did not examine her head, I made a charge of intoxication against her in Jefferson Market, she was held for examination and about six or seven days after she was discharged. I never saw the defendant with his wife before that night; he said he was troubled by the little boys before he got to the 34th Street corner. The prisoner had been drinking but he understood everything that was said to him. They had a great deal of trouble to bring his wife in, she fought against it and halloed. A man whom I afterwards learned was an officer told me when I got to the drug store that the party who was killed was a relative of his. He was an officer in the 20th precinct.

Stephen E. Brown sworn. I am a Sergeant under Capt. Washburn and was behind the desk on duty on the evening of October 30 between half past eight and nine o'clock; on that occasion the Defendant now on trial for murder was brought before me by Officer Krowl. About nine o'clock on the evening of the 30th of October Officer Krowl brought John Lamb to the Station House and



charged him with killing a boy on Tenth Avenue and 34th Street, I took his pedigree, his name, age, color, nationality, married or single, whether he could read or write and his residence. I asked him why he had done it? He said he had been assaulted. I asked him where; he said they had struck him in the face, he did not know positively who struck him, somebody had struck him. I came from behind the desk and asked him to show me where he was struck. He said it was either in the right or left jaw, I am not positive; but I examined him very carefully and could not see any mark that would be caused by the blow. I saw no evidences of a blow on his face but there was something the matter with the thumb of one of his hands; one of the officers told me that; they said he had tried to bite his finger and they had taken his hand away. Officer Krowl gave me the knife and I marked it; the knife now shown me is the one. I directed him to be locked up; his wife was brought in right afterwards. In my opinion the prisoner had been drinking, but he understood what I said and appeared to answer me intelligently.

Cross Examined. I am certain that I have not stated all that he said to me because I can't remember everything in detail. I did not appear before the Coroner because I had no summons and did not appear before the Committing Magistrate. I am not positive whether the prisoner was at the desk or not when his wife was brought in, I believe three or four young men carried her in, I think I took her pedigree. I had a Roosevelt Surgeon of the ambulance examine Mrs. Lamb, I did not



remember whether she was senseless when taken into the Station House. I do not remember the prisoner saying to me anything about a fellow kicking him and running him along the street but he said somebody had struck him in the face. I asked the prisoner why he stabbed that man and he said that he was assaulted, I don't know whether he said he did or did not stab him. I did not know the deceased, I might have seen him but do not remember, I saw him dead in the Station House.

Thomas Hurson sworn and examined. I am an officer of the 22nd precinct, I met Officer Krowl and Lamb on my way to the Station House, a large crowd was following them, I showed my shield to Officer Krowl and told him I was an officer, I was in citizens clothes and I walked along side of him, I saw the prisoner put his hand in his mouth as though to bite it and I grabbed the left hand and pulled it down to his side and held on to his hand all the way to the Station House. I was present when the prisoner was searched by Officer Krowl when he was arraigned before the Sergeant. I was behind the desk but I did not notice what was found on him. The Sergeant asked the prisoner how he come to do the stabbing? He said somebody hit him; the Sergeant said, where? He said, here (pointing his hand to the right cheek); the Sergeant came from behind the desk and examined his face and found no mark of violence on it; I then went behind the desk again looking up the Coroner's address to get a permit for the body because the deceased

was a relative, a brother-in-law. I paid no more attention to the prisoner, I went right out then to get a permit to remove the body. I saw the Sergeant examine the prisoner's face and there were no traces of his having received a blow.

Cross Examined. I first heard of the stabbing about five minutes before I met the prisoner and the officer, I ran for the drug store, went in and looked at the body and found he was dead, I did not remain probably more than a minute; on the way to the Station House I showed me shield to Officer Krowl, that is the first time I saw him that night, I did not address him in the drug store but it was outside of the door, corner of 35th Street and Tenth Avenue, I had been in the drug store and was just coming out. I did not give the prisoner a chance to put his hand in his mouth, I caught it before he had a chance to put it in. I did not see Mrs. Lamb at any time, I was present when the Sergeant took the Defendant's pedigree, I did not hear the Sergeant tell Officer Krowl to go out and bring in Mrs. Lamb. The Defendant was taken away from the desk out of my sight within five minutes but I couldnot tell who took him away. I know nothing about the Defendant and never saw him before that night. I should judge he was under the influence of liquor; he seemed to answer questions very intelligently.

Philip Oppenheimer sworn and examined.

I am an officer of the 20th precinct and on the evening of October 30 I saw the prisoner about twenty minutes after eight. As I was patrolling my post going to West 34th St.



right off Tenth Avenue, I come along and I saw him and his wife sitting on a stoop. I says, "my friend, what are you doing there?" He says, "I am just resting myself; I said, "you will have to find some other place than this to rest"; he says, "All right, Officer, I did not do any harm, did I"? I says, "no, not a bit"; so he got up and he says, good day and I says good day and he and his wife walked up Tenth Avenue towards 35th St. That is all I know about it, I did not see the affray that occurred afterwards.

Cross Examined. They were on the third stoop from the corner on the north side, that was about twenty minutes past eight between Ninth and Tenth Avenues. They did not seem to be drunk; he told me that his wife was very tired, that they had walked a good deal that afternoon and she sat down to rest herself; she did not seem to be very much under the influence of liquor because she did not stagger; there were electric lights there but it was on the dark side of the way, I am sure the defendant is the man, I could not be mistaken; she was a short woman she was dressed in black and had a shabby hat on; I did not see her after that, I do not know anything about the Defendant and never saw him before that day. This thing occurred on my post; after they went away I went on my post which is 34th St. from Tenth to Seventh Ave.; it generally takes from half to three-quarters of an hour to go around my post. I had just been in the middle of the block when I heard an officer had caught him, I run down and they had just left the drugstore, I saw the boy lying on the floor and he was dead. I did not see the



Defendant's wife drunk. There was a large crowd; the boy was dead, they had taken him away at that time. The homicide was committed on the outside of my post on the west of the Avenue. A little girl came up and told me that there was a boy stabbed and I ran down and saw him in the drug store, I don't know anything about the case only I ordered the Defendant away from the stoop; after he had gone away I stood on the corner, I could not see them because it was dark and raining.

Henry Ficken sworn and examined. I live at 445 10th Avenue; on the evening of October 30 between half past eight and nine o'clock I was near 34th Street on 10th Avenue, I saw the Defendant and his wife coming down past where I was standing, I was standing at the door where I worked on the west side of Tenth Avenue, They went until they got to the corner when his wife stumbled and when he was trying to pick her up he stumbled over her at the corner of 34th Street; they were both down at the same time. Conlon, the boy who was killed came up to them and he picked the Defendant up; they walked down a little further until they came down to the boiler shop which is about seventy-five feet from the corner, they were walking down and when his wife stumbled some one picked her up, I did not notice who it was; then Conlon came across and took the Defendant by the collar, he was pushing him across the street until he came to the corner when I saw the defendant make a motion as if to draw something from his pants pocket, I saw him make a motion to go down and then up, like that. (Illustrating and pointing towards the stomach) James Conlon

cried out, "I am stabbed. I was not watching the prisoner at the time but Conlon crossed over and had his hand to his stomach until he reached the corner when he fell and they carried him up to the drug store and laid him down. I did not know Conlon personally, I knew him before the evening of the stabbing and recognized him as a man I knew by sight.

Cross Examined. It was a dark night, Conlon caught the Defendant by the coat collar and as I remember pushed him with his left hand, he was not walking very slowly but he was pushing him ahead. I remember being before the Coroner. I have not had any conversation with any one about this case since then only they asked me if the trial was coming off. About this upward and backward motion, you did not say anything like that before the Coroner, you said you saw his hand move up and down in his pocket and come out and strike behind him, you did not say anything about the forward or backward motion, who told you to say that? Nobody told me to say it. I was on the side, I could see right between, I could see the man's arm. The other boys were fooling with the deceased I noticed there was something the matter, the way they acted and I went down as far as the corner, there was no boys following him, the boys were in 34th St., I went right behind him. The Defendant called, "police, help, watch, murder"; when I saw the Defendant and his wife I thought they were drunk. At the time that you saw them going along up to the time that you saw the stabbing take place were any of the boys then around him or following him or plaguing him? They were around there, standing



around where the wife was; the wife was on the north side of 34th St. behind the prisoner, they were on the south side and the wife was on the north side, the Defendant was ahead and Conlon was behind. When I saw the prisoner stab Conlon there were no other boys with him except Conlon was pushing him along, Conlon said to him, "if you don't go home I will lock you up", he did not say anything else. Why did not you state before the Coroner, "I will lock you up if you don't go home?" I was mixed up then, I did not know what I was saying; nobody told me to say he said that. Before the Coroner you said, "after that I saw the prisoner make a plunge at the deceased, I heard the deceased cry, I am stabbed", do you remember saying that before the Coroner? Yes sir.

Catherine Thomas sworn and examined.

I live 502 West 34th Street, I remember the evening of October 30th between eight and nine o'clock, I saw John Lamb and James Conlon from my window, I saw Conlon catch Lamb by the collar of the coat and shove him from the opposite side of the way across to near the corner, I did not see Lamb stab Conlon. I went back to the kitchen to my baby and when I came out I saw Conlon run across and halloo, "I am stabbed, catch him"; that is all I saw of it.

Cross Examined. My house is 502 West 34th St. between the 10th and 11th Avenues, the second door off the corner from the 10th Avenue on the south side; they were coming from towards 11th Avenue, Conlon ran him



across the street by the coat collar, not ran him but pushed him ahead of him.

Garrett Brophy sworn and examined.

I live at 768 Ninth Avenue and on the 30th of October last I was in the neighborhood of Tenth Avenue and 34th St. between eight and nine o'clock at night. I went down to see Mr Fox, he was in the store between eight and nine o'clock and the boy Conlon and this prisoner came past the door, he had hold of him by the shoulder, I went inside again and Mr Fox went out and followed the boy; it was not long after until I heard somebody cry out, "I am stabbed", I seen the boy holding his hand to his thigh like and running across the street. There was a man standing there by the lamp-post and he asked this man to help him. So I run over across the street and the boy fell down, I got hold of him by the arm and helped him up and he commenced to walk and he had not gone far before he fell; so I took one side of him to carry him and some other person took the other side of him and we carried him to the drug store; we laid him down on the floor and they sent for the ambulance and the doctor and the druggist said he could not do anything with him, I remained there I don't know whether he was dead or not. I went back to Mr Fox's place and I washed the blood off my hands and shoes, it was the blood I got from Conlon, the blood which came from his thigh ran down my hand and arm and on my shoes. I came out again and I saw the prisoner coming up with the policeman and went into the drug store again and I believe the boy was dead.

Cross Examined. I do not work for Mr Fox, I was in his store; when I first saw these people they were coming by the door from 11th Avenue on the south side, I did not trouble to look after them.

Patrick Conlon sworn. I live 417 Tenth Ave. and am the father of the boy that was stabbed on the 30th of October; my son lacked four days of seventeen years and eight months, he was born on the 4th of March 1869, the very day that Grant was sworn in. I don't know what his weight was but by his looks he weighed something around one hundred, I think he was about five feet seven, he was slim.

George W. Fox recalled by Counsel for the Defence. These people were coming from 11th Avenue on the south side of the street when I first saw them, my door I guess is about seventy-five or a hundred feet from 10th Avenue on the south side; when I first saw them they were going past my window, they stopped about twenty-five or thirty feet past my store, that is where the boy was stabbed. I did not see Conlon run this man across the street; just as he got in front of my door he hallooed "murder, watch, police", something like that; that is what brought me out.

Thursday, March 31, 1887.

The Case for the Defence.

Mr Prior opened the case for the Defendant.

James B. Ryer sworn. I am an importer and manufacturer of upholstery goods at the corner of Canal and Elizabeth Streets and have been there twelve years, I have a partner named Wagner, I know the Defendant Lamb, he was in my employ between three and four years, since 1881, he was a good workman and we never had any trouble with him; he is regarded by others as a quiet, able workman; he was loom boss at our place and he was considered to be the best one we ever had by our foreman, who never made any reports against him.

Cross Examined. I should consider a quiet workman to be one who was attentive to his business and did not interfere with other men. I probably have seen the Defendant slightly under the influence of liquor and on those occasions I never saw him in any way annoying to anyone around him; I smelled his breath probably passing through the factory.

Matthew Salarte sworn. I live 420 West 46th Street and am foreman in the silk factory of Smith & Kaufman in 37th St. between 8th and 9th Aves. I have been there since the 15th of December, I have been in business for myself for six years. I know Lamb, the Defendant since 1876, between ten and eleven years, he worked for me. I remember the day of his arrest, the 30th of October, Saturday, he left off work at five o'clock, he worked for me for eight months as a workman under my control where I was foreman, I was satisfied with him, he was smart in his duties and honest, I consider him a quiet man and during the time he worked for me I had



no dispute or trouble with him. He was a steady, sober man in his work, I have never seen him under the influence of drink.

Henry Giroud sworn and examined. I live 146 Christopher Street and am a workman in the silk trimming business, I have been in business for myself but I am not now, I work for Green & Co. corner of prince and Marion Streets. I know John Lamb for sixteen years, he has been working for me, I have been foreman in the place and he has been working two or three years for me, that was in 1871. I know other people who know him and I never heard it said that he was a fighting or a quarrelsome man. I know he had been drinking some but I never saw him intoxicated.

Caroline Wintheimer sworn and examined. I live 1083 Lexington Avenue and am in business at 504 West 38th St. I was in the upholstery trimming business when Lamb was with me, I guess he was there from 1831 to 1882, nearly two years, I saw him almost every day, he was a very good and quiet man, I never heard anything bad against him, he was the best man I ever got. He called on me once since and he was a little under the influence of liquor but he was very nice and friendly.

Owen H. Barnard sworn. I am a manufacturer of undertakers' trimmings at present, 511 West 30th St. I have been in business about thirty-two years, I have known Lamb about twenty-three years, he went to work for me then and he has worked on and off for me since then,

I have always known him to be quiet and never knew him to be in any brawls, I have only seen him once during the last three years, he worked for me I think about five years ago, I have seen him under the influence of liquor and I have said to him that I could not give him work in that state and discharged him and hired him over again; he has never been boisterous or quarrelsome when under the influence of liquor, he was not an ugly man when he was drunk but always good natured, I never saw the man in a brawl in my life.

George Groatman sworn. I reside 535 Lorimer St., Greenpoint and my business is upholstrey and trimming manufacturer, I am employed as foreman at 812 Broadway, I know the defendant John Lamb for five years, he has worked for me about three years from 1882 to 1885 I know other people who know him and his character for peace and quietness is always pleasant, I have never known him to quarrel with any one, I have never

Counsel: ~~stated that the defendant was a prisoner~~ to read a certificate of Dr W. L. Baner as to the condition of the prisoner's wife.

Department of Public Charities and Correction.

Charity Maternity and Epileptic Hospital, Blackwell's Island. Roberts, Warden. New York, March 20, 1887.

This is to certify that Annie E. Lamb is an inmate of Ward 10, Female and is at present physically incapacitated from appearing in Court.

W. L. Baner, House Physician.

John Lamb sworn and examined. I am the Defendant and am a weaver, I am between forty-six and forty-seven years old and am a married man; my wife is in the hospital and I have four children, I have been in this country since 1863; my first employment when I came here was in my trade of weaving, Mr Martin was my first employer, his place of business is in 36th St. between Ninth and Tenth Avenues. I was next employed in Yonkers by George P. Skinner about two years; my next employment was in Yonkers with another firm, that firm sold out and I went with the firm that bought the place and remained there about three years. I was next employed by William Rightmeyer in New York on 10th Avenue between 35th and 36th Sts. I was next employed in Patterson by William Hurd and worked there for about four years, I was employed in Patterson also by S. E. Orr & Co., it was sometime around the Centennial, then I returned to New York and was employed by William Rightmeyer again and worked there about three years. I next went to Williamsburgh and was employed by Mr Hobley, I think about 1880 or 1881, I was next employed by Mr Barnard whose factory was in 30th St. between Tenth and Eleventh Avenues; after I left Mr Barnard I went to work for Mrs. Wintheimer and Bassett, they do not keep a factory, they did keep in Green St. near Prince, I worked for Ryer & Wagner in Canal St. and I was last employed by Mr Smith in 14th St. between Ninth and Tenth Avenues, Mr Salarte was my Foreman on the 30th of October last, I have been a Foreman myself, I was discharged by Mr Barnard and others on five or six occasions perhaps during the twenty-five or thirty



years for being under the influence of liquor; that is what they discharged me for but they did not tell me at the time what it was for. The knife now shown me is mine, I remember using it on the night of October 30th, I have to use it every day in the shop whittling and adjusting wires as a guide for fringes. I have to use scissors all the time too cutting off threads. I remember the night of my arrest, it was on Saturday but I do not remember the date, I was working in the shop that day in 14th St. between Ninth and Tenth Avenues, I quit work about five o'clock and went straight home to No. 1 Ninth Avenue, I did not stop any place to drink; my wife was home and we had supper, after supper my wife and I went out about seven o'clock, I always go out Saturday night with my wife to buy something for Sunday provision, I went to see a friend of mine, the last I saw of him he was living in 11th Avenue and 35th St., his name is Cox and he is a wheelwright, we walked leisurely up and on the way she bought provisions, some ham and tea and a few things, about two dollars worth, I drank some beer at supper and on my way up to 35th St. I went in and got a drink, we sat on the stoop for a couple of minutes, my wife is a very fat, small woman and she complained of being tired and we sat down; my wife was not intoxicated, I think she only had one glass of beer out of the pint at supper, the officer told us we could not wait there and we got up and went away. I went to 35th St. and 11th Avenue and inquired for Cox, it was a saloon boarding house, my wife did not go in at first but she came in afterwards and I wondered what brought her in, I asked

her could not she wait outside a minute, I would not stay a minute, she said there was some fellows out there that insulted her and she didnot like to stay out, I said sit down a little while and they will be gone in a short while, she sat down and had a glass of beer, I drank whiskey because it was a chilly night and I did not feel very well; we might have remained there about ten minutes we waited there long enough to give the parties on the outside a chance to get away; we went up towards Tenth Avenue to go home, a lot of fellows assaulted us there and my wife and I parted, when we got a little ways up going towards Tenth Avenue a party got hold of me and my wife and parted us, dragged my wife's shawl off and knocked her hat off and one of the fellows ran away with the provisions; after I got along with my wife I went back towards 11th Avenue and called "police, help", I got to the middle of the street again on 11th Ave. between 34th and 35th Sts., they attacked me the second time and we got away from them again. A man and woman who were there said, "let the people alone", and the fellows saattered away, I got into 34th St. then and went up to go to 10th Avenue to go home, I live in 10th Ave. The same gang again attacked us in the middle of the block on the uptown side; somebody struck me right in here (pointing to the stomach) and someone struck me from behind on the back of my neck, they pulled and kicked me all over abd dragged the coat near off me, I believe t was Conlon, the deceased kicked me in the stomach, I heard some one of the crowd remark that the woman was not my wife; one of them says, "get that son of a b--- out of the way , he



*"If we get her down the street we will get a piece of her."*  
aint her husband"; I was wrestling with one fellow at the time, I was calling, "police help" and my wife screamed too, I was trying to get away the best I could and I did get possession of my wife again; there was some person came on the other side and that is the reason why they let me go, they scattered. My wife hollered and fell down, she said she was hit on the head, I put her bonnet on and they knocked the bonnet off, I felt of her head and it was bloody; before I could get her up some one from behind seized me by the collar and ran me along the street I should think the leggh of this court-room, I cannot judge because I was too excited, I was not drunk and was not staggering before that. While he was pushing me along I says, "you had better let up on this, you have gone far enough now and I know all of you and I will get a warrant for you to-morrow morning and get the whole of you arrested; while he was running me along he said, "go on, you son of a b----, you will never see morning"; while he had hold of me I put my hand in my pocket for the knife, I pulled the knife out and opened it and then I cut him, I thought that would make him let go of me and I could get away. I cut him back, that way (showing); he loosed me right away, I shut the knife and put it in my pocket. I looked around for my wife, I could not see where my wife was, I thought she would naturally go towards home, I saw some of the crowd there that assaulted us and I got away as quick as I could. When I left my wife she was on the ground. I did not go to any crossing over to Tenth Avenue, fall down with her, pick her up and fall down again, nothing of that kind, I did not run away



from any officer on Ninth Avenue between 32nd and 33rd Sts., the officer came behind me and arrested me, I offered no resistance, I was glad when I saw the officer, the officer took the knife out of my pocket; I offered no insult to any of those young men prior to that, I did not speak to them I did not speak to a soul until I was attacked, I was not staggering and was not drunk, I might have had about five glasses of whiskey that night, I can stand more than that, I have used liquor now for the last twenty years. I saw my wife in the 37th St. Station House that same night, I also saw her in Jefferson Market I do not know what they did with her, they kept her there for examination, they did not do anything to my wife, I have heard that she is now in the hospital but have not seen her there.

Gross Examined. I had a pint of beer for supper but did not drink the whole of it; she was sent to the hospital for being sick but it was not for excessive drinking. I believe I had been discharged several times from my employment for drinking but I was not told I was discharged for being a drinking man. I was never in trouble in Boston for stabbing or shooting a man, I positively swear to that. Conlon did not come over and pick me up when I fell and leave me alone, I did not then walk seventy-five feet, my wife did not then fall and Conlon did not cross the street and say, "you are drunk, I am going to have you locked up. When you went to the Station House why did not you tell Sergeant Brown that your wife had been grossly insulted, that her bonnet had been taken off, that your provisions had been stolen that bad language had been used to you and that Conlon

had kicked you in the stomach? He did not ask me, he did not say anything to me, he commenced speaking to the officer. He asked me where I lived and how old I was and I told him. He did not ask me why I stabbed the boy.

I did not at any time voluntarily say that somebody struck me; the Sergeant did not leave the desk and come around to examine my face to see if there was any mark of violence on it to my knowledge, he might have looked at me, I was in such a position that had he done [it I should have known it. Neither the Sergeant nor the officer examined my face to see if there were any bruises upon it; I did not volunteer to tell the Sergeant anything because there seemed to be so much emotion in the Court they did not seem to take much notice of me whether I said anything or not. When this knife which certainly had some blood on it was taken from you and given to the Sergeant did you attempt to make any explanation how you came to stab the young boy? No sir, they did not ask me, I did not say anything about the rough handling I had simply because they did not ask me.

Redirect Examination. When I was taken to the Station House the Sergeant asked me certain questions about my age and where I lived but I have no recollection at the present time of his having referred to the stabbing of the young man; as soon as he asked me those questions I was taken away, I was frightened, I felt so sick, I hardly knew what to do and I was glad when they took me away so that I could lie down. I have always have had something the matter with my side and that kick affected me. I weigh about one hundred and twenty-three pounds and I think my height is five feet four and a half

or five, I have not been measured for a long time. I believe Conlon was taller than I.

Matthew Salarta recalled by Counsel. Look at that knife, are knives of that character and size used in your business? Yes sir, they generally need strong knives for fixing up the machinery, the looms; we also use shears in that business, we have to trim off silk and cotton in weaving.

The Jury retired to deliberate upon their verdict, and failing to agree at ten o'clock in the evening, they were locked up for the night.

Friday, April 1, 1887.

The Jury came into Court and rendered a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the second degree and on account of the Defendant's good character recommended him to the mercy of the Court. He was sentenced to the State Prison for four years.



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*Testimony in the  
case of  
John Lamb  
filed Nov 1936*

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POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,  
Precinct No. ....

*Chief Clerk's  
Office*

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*Left by me on 3/1/87*  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Charity, Maternity and Epileptic Hospital,  
BLACKWELL'S ISLAND,

ROBERT ROBERTS,  
Warden.

New York,

*March 29<sup>th</sup> 1887*

*This is to certify that  
Anna E. Hahub is  
an inmate of Ward  
#10 Female and  
is at present physically  
incapacitated from  
appearing in Court.*

*W. L. Bane,  
House Physician*



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**PART I.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE SECOND STORY, AND FRONTING THE PARK.

If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.

Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To

Off Geo Krowl

of No.

Street,

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building in the Park of the said City, on the 28 day of March instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

John Laub  
in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of March, in the year of our Lord 1887

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

Ask to see Mr. Bedford  
at 2 o'clock P.M.  
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*Capt. Cortright will notify  
the Dist. Atty. when Officers*

*Knowle reports for duty.*

Should the case not be called on for trial, and no reason assigned in Court, please inquire in the District Attorney's Office about it, and you may save time.

If inconvenient to remain, and you prefer another day, state this early to the District Attorney, in the Court.

If ill when served, please send timely word to the District Attorney's office.

If you know of more testimony than was produced before the Magistrate, or if a fact which you think material was not there brought out, please state the same to the District Attorney or one of his assistants.

State of New York, } ss.  
City and County of New York, }

being duly sworn, deposes and says he .....

Subpoena, of which the within is a copy, upon .....

..... on the ..... day of

....., 188 , by .....

Sworn to before me, this ..... day }  
of ..... 188 }

Notary Public,  
N. Y. Co.

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**SUBPÆNA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

*Court of General Sessions of the Peace.*

*The People of the State of New York,*

To *Off Howell*

of No. \_\_\_\_\_

Street,

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building in the Park of the said City, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of *March* instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

*John L. Lamb*  
in a case of Felony, whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *March*, in the year of our Lord 1887

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*



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Officer Krowl sick  
Capt. C. Knight will notify  
West City Urban Krowl  
get better

Notary Public,  
N. Y. Co.

Sworn to before me, this 188 day of

Krowl is satisfied  
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Attorney or one of his assistants.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*John Sands*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment accuse *John Sands* —

of the CRIME OF Murder in the First Degree, committed as follows:

The said

*John Sands,*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twentieth* day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one

*James Cardin,* —

in the peace of the said People then and there being, wilfully, feloniously, and of *his* malice aforethought, did make an assault, and *he* the said

*John Sands, him,* —

the said

*James Cardin,* with a certain *knife* — which *he* the said *John Sands* — in

*his* right hand then and there had and held, in and upon the *shoulder* of *him* the said *James Cardin,* —

then and there wilfully, feloniously, and of *his* malice aforethought did strike, stab, cut and wound, giving unto *him* the said *James Cardin,* —

then and there with the *knife* aforesaid, in and upon the *shoulder* of *him* — the said *James Cardin,* —

one mortal wound of the breadth of one inch, and of the depth of six inches, of which said

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mortal wound *She* — the said *James Cardin,*  
~~at the City and County aforesaid, from the day first aforesaid, in the year aforesaid, until the~~  
~~day of~~ in the same year  
~~aforesaid, did languish, and languishing did live, and on which said~~  
~~day of~~ in the year aforesaid, the said  
~~at the City and County aforesaid,~~  
~~of the said mortal wound did die.~~

*Then and there died.*

And so the Grand Jury aforesaid do say: That the said

*John Sands, Jurin, —*

the said *James Cardin,* in the manner and form, and by  
the means aforesaid, wilfully, feloniously, and of *his* malice aforethought, did kill,  
and murder, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the  
peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

**District Attorney.**



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Lentz, George

DATE:

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Witnesses:

After Examining the  
Complainant I am  
willing to accept  
Plea of assault in  
3<sup>rd</sup> degree G.S.D.  
Dec 1<sup>st</sup> A.D. 1902  
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Counsel, *Stacopy*  
Filed 16 day of Nov 1886

Pleads *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE

*St. John vs.*

*George Lutz*

ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, ETC.  
(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code).

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*Dr. W. S. G. District Attorney.*

*Yours Obedt Servt.*

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A True Bill.

*W. J. Martin*

Foreman.

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Police Court—3 District.

City and County {  
of New York, } ss.:

of No. 74 Allen Montraville Burr Street, aged 32 years,  
occupation Oyster Dealer being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 12th day of November 1886 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

✓ George Lentz (now here)  
He came into Deponent's place of  
business at 11:30 p.m. on said  
date, flourishing a razor and a  
pocket knife and said to Deponent  
"I am going to kill you now"  
Deponent grabbed the Defendant  
and attempted to take the said  
weapons away when Defendant  
cut Deponent on the right hand.

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or to do him grievous bodily harm; and without  
any justification on the part of the said assailant

Wherefore this deponent prays that the said assailant may be apprehended and bound to answer  
for the above assault, etc., and dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 19th day  
of November 1886

Montraville Burr

J. H. H. H. H. Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

*George Lentz* being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is his right to make a statement in relation to the charge against him; that the statement is designed to enable him if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against him that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your exculpation?

Answer.

*I am not guilty I was intoxicated and don't know anything about it*  
*George Lentz*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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Residence

**Street.**

No. 3, by -

Residence

**Street**

No 4, by ..

Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Street.

# THE PEOPLE

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George A. Smith

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Date:

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Magistrate.

Officer.

**Recipient:**

**Wizires**

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**Street.**

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*Dated*.....188 . .....*Police Justice.*

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*George Senter*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse

*George Senter*

of the Crime of ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

*George Senter*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the

*Twenty* day of *November*, in the year of our Lord

one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, with force of arms, at the City and

County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Montrealle Burr*,

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault

and *in* the said *Montrealle Burr*,

with a certain *knife*, and *also a certain dagger*

which the said

*George Senter*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being *deadly* and

dangerous weapons, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound,

with intent

*in*

the said

*Montrealle Burr*,

thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*George Senter*

of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

*George Senter*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the

year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and

upon the body of one *Montrealle Burr*

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and

wrongfully make an assault, and *in* the said

*Montrealle Burr*

with a certain *knife* and *also a certain dagger*

which

*he*

the said

*George Senter*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being *likely*

likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and

there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully beat, strike, stab, cut and wound,

against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the

peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Handwritten signature of District Attorney*

District Attorney



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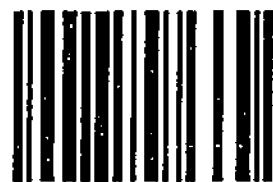
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Miss Lawrence & ad.

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Wardlaw's Law

Henry Dundas

Brother of Mrs. J. J. J. J. J.

Answer before

Isaac Lewis

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THE PEOPLE

**vs.**

Charles F. G.

Maurice S. Green

ANDOLPH B. MARTINE.

*District Attorney.*

# A True Bill.

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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

POLICE COURT, 3 DISTRICT.

Herman Rosenberg  
of No. 174 Attorney Street, aged 26 years,  
occupation Manufacturer being duly sworn deposes and says  
that ~~on the~~ day of

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Morris Simon,

Now here, is the person named  
in the annexed affidavit of  
deponent by the name of  
"Mose Simon". That he now  
here in open Court admits  
committing the crime mentioned  
in said affidavit, in conjunction  
with Charles Ley and Henry  
Skupfer, the other defendants  
named in said affidavit.

H. Rosenberg

Sworn to before me, this  
of October 1886 day

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court—3rd District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York, }

of No. 174 Attorney Herman Rosenberg Street, aged 28 years,  
occupation Cloak Manufacturer being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that the premises No. 126 Attorney Street, 11th Ward  
in the City and County aforesaid the said being a brick building

and which was occupied by deponent as a Cloak Manufacturing  
and in which there was at the time a human being, by

Booke and  
were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly knocking open  
the door leading into deponent's  
manufactory on the 2nd floor of said  
premises, at about the hour of 11  
o'clock P.M.

on the 24th day of October 1886 in the night time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Thirty-three ladies Cloaks, in all  
of the value of two hundred  
and fifty dollars

the property of J. Schuchat Berkes, and in deponent's charge,  
and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen and carried away by

Charles Lery and two other unknown  
to deponent

for the reasons following, to wit:

That deponent closed and  
secured said manufactury at the hour  
of 9 o'clock on the night of said day  
and said property was then within said  
manufactury. That about the hour  
of 11th o'clock P.M. on said day deponent  
found the prisoner Charles Lery, now  
here, in charge of officer Wheeler  
here present, in front of said premises.

And the said J. J. Chubb in a wagon  
standing in the street. That defendant  
then discovered that said door had  
been broken open and said property  
taken therefrom. That defendant is  
informed by James Rubens here  
present, that he, said James, saw  
the said defendant and another  
man with said property in their  
possession; and saw them drop  
the property from their hands to  
the sidewalk, and run away.  
That officer Nagler also informs  
defendant that said defendant  
admitted to him, said officer, that  
he, said defendant, and one Henry  
Shelper and one Max Simeone  
went together concerned in the  
commission of said crime.

Swear to before me this Herman Rosenberg  
25 day of October 1886

J. H. Patterson Police Justice

Dated 1886 Police Justice

guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named

Dated 1886 Police Justice

I have admitted the above named

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated 1886 Police Justice

of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of

committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been

Police Court, District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

Offence—BURGLARY.

1 2 3 4

Date

1886

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses.

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

\$ to answer General Sessions.



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ORIGINAL

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 28 years, occupation Sailor of No. 255 East Houston

Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Herman Rosenberg  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 25<sup>th</sup>  
day of October 1886 } Jonas Rubin

W. Patterson  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0295

Sec. 198—200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

*Charles Levy* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is h<sup>is</sup> right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against h<sup>im</sup>; that the statement is designed to  
enable h<sup>im</sup> if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h<sup>im</sup>,  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that h<sup>is</sup> waiver cannot be used  
against h<sup>im</sup> on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer

*Charles Levy*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*19 years 2 or 3*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer.

*152 Albany St. 2 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer

*Sailor*

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the  
testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer.

*I have nothing to say.  
Charles. Levy.*

Taken before me this

*25*

day of *August* 188*6*

*W. H. Witterman*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0296

Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY {  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

*Morris Simon* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is h<sup>e</sup>'s right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against h<sup>im</sup>'; that the statement is designed to  
enable h<sup>im</sup>' if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h<sup>im</sup>.  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that h<sup>is</sup>' waiver cannot be used  
against h<sup>im</sup>' on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer

*Morris Simon*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*21 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer.

*114 1/2 Stanton St. 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer

*Cigarette Maker*

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the  
testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer.

*I am guilty of the charge.*  
*Morris Simon.*

Taken before me this

*26*

day of *February* 188*8*

*Edw. J. McCann* Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Witness for the People  
Jesse H. Herring  
196 Attorney St.

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_

BAILED,

Police Court District 34 16/10

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Herman Rosenberg

1st Attorney  
Charles Levy

2nd Attorney  
Morris Levinson

3rd Attorney  
4th Attorney

Offence Burglary & Larceny

Dated October 25 1886

Magistrate  
William H. Patterson

Officer  
William H. Patterson

Witness  
James H. Herring

No. 255 East Houston Street,  
Charles Levy

No. 11 West 10th Street,  
Morris Levinson

No. 126 Attorney St.,  
Jesse H. Herring

No. 1500 West 10th St.,  
to answer J. S.

Conrad

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

Charles Levy

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated October 25 1886 William H. Patterson Police Justice.

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

Morris Levinson

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated October 26 1886 William H. Patterson Police Justice.

guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1886 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

The People  
 Charles Levy and Maurice Simon } Court of General Sessions, Part II  
 Before Recorder Smyth. Nov. 10, 1886  
 Indictment for burglary in the  
 third degree. Hermann Rosenberg sworn. I  
 live 176 Attorney st. and my place of business  
 is 126. I am a cloak maker, it is a brick  
 building in the rear, three story high and my  
 factory is on the second floor; the stairs are  
 outside the house; there is a carpenter's shop  
 down stairs. I closed my place up on the night  
 of the 24<sup>th</sup> of Oct. last, the doors were locked and  
 the windows were closed. I had about a thousand  
 dollars worth of property in the place I closed up  
 about 9 o'clock and came back 11 1/2 the same  
 night; when I returned I found all the doors  
 open, the lock of one of the doors was broke.  
 I missed thirty three cloaks worth \$250. I  
 saw them that same night at 11 1/2 o'clock  
 I saw them on a wagon and at the station  
 house and identified them as my property.  
 I saw Charles Levy that night in the station  
 house but had no talk with him. I did  
 not see either of the prisoners in possession  
 of the wagon upon which the cloaks were.  
 Charles Prager sworn. I am a police  
 officer attached to the eleventh precinct; the  
 premises 126 Attorney St. are in the 11<sup>th</sup> ward.  
 I was on duty the night of the 24<sup>th</sup> of October.



I arrested Charles Levy on Houston St. I was patrol-  
ing on Houston towards Attorney St. and as I  
was going by Pitt St. I saw the defendant chasing  
down through Houston St.; when he saw me  
he sheared and ran around the wagon. I  
chased after him two blocks and a half and  
when I caught him he says, "There was some  
boys wanted to lick me." I did not believe his  
story. I says, "You come back with me." When I  
came back to the corner there was a crowd  
and Rubins halloed, "That is the man." I  
found the goods on the street in Attorney St.,  
two different lots of cloaks, one was thirty three  
and the other twenty six, belonging to two different  
firms; the thirty three belonged to Mr. Rosenberg,  
which he identified and the twenty six to Mr.  
Rosenshine. I brought Levy to court on the follow-  
ing morning. I took him over to the Inspector's  
office and on the way he confessed to me that  
Moses Simon and Henry Shelter and him-  
self were the three who had committed the  
burglary. I put the cloaks on a truck; they  
did not have time to take them away; they  
were taken to the station house. Officer Brennan  
arrested Simon. Mr. Rosenberg came to the  
wagon, looked at the goods and said they belonged  
to him. I told him he would have to come to  
the station house and get them there.



Jonas Ruben sworn. I live 255 Stanton St. and am a tailor. I remember the night of the 24<sup>th</sup> of Oct. last, I saw the defendants that night at 11 1/2 on the 24<sup>th</sup> in Attorney corner of Stanton St. and they ran to the other side of the street. I saw that they had bundles, and I thought they were not honest. I shouted, "Police." The Policeman caught Levy and the other one ran away. They threw the bundles away and the bundles were taken to the station house; the bundles were cloaks. Cross Examined. I work for Mr. Levison in Attorney St. I was at a wedding, but I took nothing to drink. I saw Levy running and I saw when the policeman arrested him.

Patrick Brennan sworn. I am a special officer attached to the 11<sup>th</sup> precinct. I arrested Simon at 8 o'clock on the evening of the 25<sup>th</sup> in his own house in bed charged with this burglary. When he came out on the street he said, Levy gave me away, didn't he? I says, 'no.' he said, he did; going down he said, I know I was in it I might as well say it. I guess I will plead guilty. I brought him before the Magistrate; he pleaded guilty and said, Levy and Henry Sheflin was with him. I arrested Simon in his own house 184 Stanton St. in bed. This conversation occurred on the way to the station house. I am sure he said he was guilty in the Police Court.

The case for the Defence.

Maurice Simon sworn. I am 21 years old and live at 184 Stanton St. I had nothing to do with committing a burglary upon the premises 126 Attorney St. A man who keeps a fruit stand on the corner told me of it the next morning; the officer arrested me the following evening about 8 o'clock. I did not say to the officer that Levy had given me away. The clerk asked me some questions. I was so nervous I do not know what I said. I said, 'yes' to what he asked me. I was never arrested before. I am a silk finisher. I have not been working this last two or three months. I worked in 91<sup>st</sup> St. corner of First Avenue, Hines and Kippers and also in 643 Broadway Cross Examined. I have known Levy about a year and sheftin five years. I saw Levy that night at 7 o'clock at the corner of Attorney and Stanton Sts. The officer said, "I have got you dead." I said I don't know what you mean. "He did not say a word to me nor I to him about Levy. I signed the paper before the Magistrate, "I am guilty of the charge." The night of the supposed robbery I was at the corner of Stanton and Attorney Sts.

Charles Levy sworn. I knew nothing of this burglary and had no bundle with me. Ruben told the officer I was the boy that stole the bundle. I did not tell the officer that Simon assisted me in the burglary. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0302

Testimony in the  
case of  
Chas. Levy and  
Maurice Simon

Filed Nov. 1886



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0303

Mr. Michael,  
Wendler  
4 weeks

PART I.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE SECOND STORY, AND FRONTING THE PARK.

If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.

Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

To see Recorder

SUBPŒNA

Not Record these

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To Mrs Michael

of No. 26 Ave. A. Street,

3 floor

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all-business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building in the Park of the said City, on the 12 day of November instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

Chas Levy

in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall, in our said City, the first Monday of November, in the year of our Lord 1886

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0304

Witnesses for Morris Simon

Mr. Chris. Young, Barber.  
673 Broadway

N.Y. City

Mr. Morris Lowenthal - Groceries

151 Attorney St

N.Y. City

W. Henry Simon, (Brother)

184 Stanton St

N.Y. City.

Witnesses for Chas Levy

Mr Henry Hirsch Tailor  
154 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St  
Brooklyn Ed.  
N.Y.

Mrs Michael 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.  
26 Ave A  
N.Y. City.

Mr. Isaac Levy (Father)  
127 Nostrand Ave  
Brooklyn  
N.Y.

Mr Jacobs (Tailor)  
No 7 Pitt St 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
N.Y. City.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0306

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Charles Levy<sup>and</sup>  
Maurice Simon

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse

Charles Levy<sup>and</sup> Maurice Simon

of the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE THIRD DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Charles Levy<sup>and</sup> Maurice Simon, both

late of the Eleventh Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the twenty fourth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty six, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit: the manufactory of one

Herman Rosenberg,

feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: with intent, the goods, chattels and personal property of the said

Herman Rosenberg,

in the said manufactory, then and there being, then and there feloniously and burglariously to steal, take and carry away, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

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SECOND COUNT—

AND THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID, by this indictment, further accuse the said

\_\_\_\_\_ Charles Levy<sup>2d</sup> and Maurice Simon  
of the CRIME OF *Grand* LARCENY *in the second degree*; committed as follows:

The said *Charles Levy and Maurice Simon,*  
*both* \_\_\_\_\_

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid,  
at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in the *night* time of the said day, with force and arms,

*thirty three cloaks of the value of*  
*eight dollars each,* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Herman Rosenberg,*—

in the *manufactory* of the said *Herman Rosenberg;*—

there situate, then and there being found, *in the manufactory,* aforesaid, then and there  
feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the statute in such case made and  
provided and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Randolph B. Martin,*  
*District Attorney*

0300

**BOX:**

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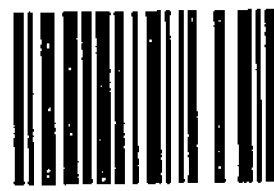
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Lohman, John

**DATE:**

11/19/86



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Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed, 14 day of Apr 188

Pleads, *Indefinite*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*John Bohman*

*John Bohman*  
*June 1987*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Clear Judy* Foreman.

*June 1987*

*N.Y. State 15-1887*

*I hereby certify to  
have the within case  
heard in the Court of  
Appeals, Session of  
the Peace in and for  
the City and County of  
New York*

*G. Lepmann*

*Adulterated milk*

*Section 183, Statute 1887, S.  
Criminal Code 177, Laws of 1886, S.*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

03 10

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

John Lohman

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse

John Lohman

of the CRIME of Exposing for sale unclean, impure,  
unhealthy, adulterated and unwholesome milk,  
committed as follows:

The said

John Lohman,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York afore-  
said, on the third day of August, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

did unlawfully expose for sale, three  
quarts of unclean, impure, unhealthy, adul-  
terated and unwholesome milk [the same  
not being skimmed milk then and there  
produced, and exposed for sale for and  
as such] against the form of the Statute  
in such case made and provided, and  
against the peace and dignity of the  
said People.

Randolph B. Benedict

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

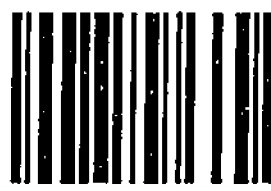
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Lowenfeld, Pincus

**DATE:**

11/08/86



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Witnesses:

This indictment  
was found in  
1886 - after an  
interview with the  
officer, who tells  
me he knows nothing  
against the prisoner.  
Does this imply  
offence - I said that  
the deft be dis-  
charged on his  
own recognizance  
Sept 11/93  
J. C. M. A.D.A.

Counsel,

Filed,

Pleads,

day of Nov 1886

THE PEOPLE

vs.

James Lowenfield

SABBATH BREAKING.  
(Section 267, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

Paul H. District Attorney.

Paul H. District Attorney

A True Bill.

W. J. M. J.

Foreman

Section

Let this be a warning to  
me. a 1886

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POLICE COURT,                      DISTRICT.

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Frederic Lawrence  
-feld (nowhere) was in premises  
782-3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue in said City  
& that said Lawrence did  
then & there sell \$1 to a person  
in the presence of deponent one  
shirt, one undershirt & one handker-  
chief; for which he (Lawrence)  
received money in return.  
In violation of Section 269  
of the Penal Code of the State  
of New York

Louis. Franklin

Sworn to before me, this  
of July 1924

186  
*W. H. H.*  
 Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0314

Sec. 195-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY {  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

*Pinchas Lowenfeld* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is *his* right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against *him*; that the statement is designed to  
enable *him* if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against *him*  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that *his* waiver cannot be used  
against *him* on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the  
testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer.

*I thought I had a right  
to sell before ten o'clock  
in the morning. I was  
tried by jury*  
*Pinchas Lowenfeld*

Taken before me this

day of

188

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0315

BAILED, Carl Grace  
No. 1, by Carl Grace  
Residence 104, 6104 19  
No. 2, by Carl Grace  
Residence 104, 6104 19  
No. 3, by Carl Grace  
Residence 104, 6104 19  
No. 4, by Carl Grace  
Residence 104, 6104 19

Police Court 1008 District 1008  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF James Thompson  
James Thompson  
Dated July 11 1886  
Magistrate Franklin  
Offence Violation Section 267 of Penal Code

Witnesses 19  
No. 1100 Street 1008  
No. 1100 Street 1008  
No. 1100 Street 1008

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named defendant

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of One Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated July 11 1886 Curry Photo Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named defendant to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated July 11 1886 Curry Photo Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named defendant guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

Dated July 11 1886 Curry Photo Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0316

WELL - 30th St -  
DIRECTIONS.

The Grand Jury Rooms are in the third story of large brown stone Building in Chambers Street, near Centre Street, adjoining the New Court House in the Park.

When you arrive at the witness room, hand this Subpena to the officer or Clerk at the desk.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPCENA FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE GRAND JURY OF THE COURT OF  
GENERAL SESSIONS.

In the Name of the People of the State of New York.

To

of No.

YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear before the Grand Jury of County of New York, at the Grand Jury Room, in the third story of the Sessions Building, adjoining the New Court House in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on the day of Feb 1893 at the hour of 101/2 in the forenoon of the same day, as a witness in a criminal action prosecuted by the People of the State of New York, against

Dated at the City of New York, the first Monday of Feb  
in the year of our Lord 1893

DE LANCEY NICOLL, District Attorney.

At 11 o'clock A.M.  
to see Mr. Rudford  
Street 194 West Broadway

P. Lowenfield

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0317

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Emilia Lombardi*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse

*Emilia Lombardi*

of the CRIME OF SABBATH BREAKING, committed as follows:

The said

*Emilia Lombardi*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*seventh* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*six*, the same being the first day of the week,  
commonly called and known as Sunday, at the City and County aforesaid, unlaw-  
fully did publicly sell ~~and expose for sale to~~ *a certain*

~~divers~~

persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, certain property,

*to wit: one shirt and one*

*handkerchief,*

to the serious interruption of the repose and religious liberty of the community,  
against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace  
and dignity of the said People.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

District Attorney.



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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2320

DESCRIPTION:

Lowey, Heinrich

DATE:

11/05/86



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Witnesses:

No connection can be had  
in this case, the officers  
who made the arrest brought  
Fred Overton's two children  
was found, 11/17/1915  
April 7th 1895. Mrs. W. W. H. H.  
of that date.

Counsel,

Filed 10th day of 1886

Pleas:

*[Handwritten notes and signatures]*  
Violation of Excise Law  
(Sunday)  
[III Rev. Stat. (7th Edition), page 1088 Sec. 5]  
Hennrich Lowrey  
231 Bowery  
New York City  
Jan 1 1886

Present for Dec 17th 1886  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

Acting R.H. [illegible]  
on motion of [illegible]  
[illegible]  
[illegible]

on motion of [illegible]  
[illegible]  
[illegible]

Police Court  
Third District

The People vs  
James Burke  
Heinrich Lowrey

Examination before Justice Gorman  
July 29 1886

For the defendant Mr. Osborn.

James Burke, the complaining witness  
being cross examined upon his  
affidavit deposes and says:

Q You say you visited the premises  
231 Bowery last Sunday?

A Yes Sir

Q And you saw Heinrich Lowrey?

A Yes

Q What did you see him do?

A I saw him with a great  
tray of glasses of beer in his  
hand coming from the bar.  
He held a tray of 8 or ten  
glasses of beer in his hands.  
I saw him take two glasses  
and deposit them on a  
table and take pay in coin.

Q Was that at 231 Bowery or  
233

A 231 - both premises have  
saloon attached



2 - How wide is the beer garden?

A - About 25 or 30 feet.

2 - How wide is the other room?

A - About the same

2 - Are not 231 and 233 two separate and distinct lots of ground?

A - Yes

2 - The premises 231 are composed of a bar room are they not?

A - Yes Sir

2 - With a door opening into the street?

A - Yes Sir

2 - The bar room occupies about one third the space?

A - I would not be positive

2 - A portion of it?

A - Yes

2 - The balance is occupied as a music hall?

A - They were playing music when I was in there

2 - Next door to this is another hall way is there not?

A - Yes

2 - You pass into where they have a gravelled walk, chairs and tables?

A - Yes

2 - When you go in - how did you go in - through this hall way

that leads to the garden

A Through this door that leads into the garden

2 How did you get in?

A - I went in through W 233.

2 From there you passed into the open garden?

A Into the open garden

2 - From the open garden you pass into a doorway into a hall?

A Into 231

2 Now when you came to the hall way of 231 is it not true that the bar was covered?

A Well, there was three bar tenders behind the bar, dressed as bar tenders usually are. They were stooping down and filling beer in glasses and putting them on the counter just as quick as they could.

2 Is it not a fact that the bar was closed - covered.

A Well; they were getting beer.

2 Did it cover the bar from view?

A That was on one end - I saw the bar and they got beer at the bar

2 Inside the place?

3 A In the front hall

Q Could you see it from the garden?  
A Yes, through the doorway. This  
canvas covering covered the  
entrance as you went in.

Q. This tray that you saw you  
was in the garden when you  
saw that?

A I was within fifteen feet  
of the bar.

Q Where were the customers  
to whom he gave it?

A The second time I went  
there there was 500 people.  
There was beer—about 15, 16,  
or 18 waiters going all around  
carrying beer.

Q. You say you saw him come  
out with some glasses— and  
lay down two glasses and  
take coin in payment?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Do you know what was  
in those glasses?

A I tasted it, and it was  
beer.

Q Will you swear that it  
was lager?

A I will, to the best of my  
knowledge, that it was lager  
beer.

Q Will you swear to the best  
of your knowledge it was not Weiss



- beer?
- A I swear before that it was lager beer
- Q Not Weiss beer?
- A I swear it was lager beer.
- Q You swear positively that it was not weiss beer?
- A I swear it was lager beer - beer we usually get for lager

Michael White, being duly sworn  
deposes and says: - I am a  
Special Deputy Officer in the  
house employed by Mr Kraus. I  
am employed to keep order in  
the place. I look out for the  
door. I am 43 years old. I  
reside at 139 Broome street  
I was present last Sunday  
I am acquainted with the  
premises 231 and 233 Bowery  
Q you know that on those  
premises is a bar room?

- A Yes
- Q And that lot 233, the lot  
adjoining, has recently been  
hired by Mr. Kraus?
- A Yes
- Q Was you present at the  
time of the arrest of this  
man?

A Yes  
Q Where was the arrest made?

A In the hall off 231

Q What was the condition of the front of these premises?

A It was effectually closed.

Q The door locked?

A Yes ways

Q Was there a curtain up?

A The curtain was drawn across the bar across the counter

Q By Justice Gorman

Q Did it cover the counter?

A It covered everything.

Q Did it cover the counter?

A Partly

Q How partly?

A This cover they had across there

Q Did it cover the counter?

A Partly

Q What part?

A Ten or twelve feet

Q How long is the counter?

A Fifteen or twenty feet.

Q Leaving eight or ten feet uncovered?

A In this way - right across

By Mr Osborn

Q Drawing the hall from the bar

room?

A. Yes.

Q. The doors were locked?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know what was being given out to customers there?

A. No Sir; I know nothing about that.

Q. Nothing sold while you was there?

A. I did not pay any attention to it.

Q. Was you in the garden at the time?

A. I was outside around the door.

Q. Could anybody go into the garden except through No 233 Brewery?

A. No, Sir.

Q. The front doors of No 231 were actually closed?

A. They were locked. I saw that they were locked.

Henry Lewis, the defendant, being duly sworn deposes and says: I am 34 years old. I live at 80 Willett Street, I am a waiter employed by Mr.



Kraus in the saloon

Q Were you selling any beer  
on that day?

A Weiss beer

Justice Gorman How could they  
have had the place closed  
if they were selling weiss beer

Q - Did you sell any lager beer  
on that day?

A No, We have had strict  
orders - not to sell any beer  
on Sunday - nothing but  
weiss beer, soda water, lemonade  
and beer called weiss beer.

Alexander Henige testimony

See case of The People vs  
Brake v Henige Examination  
before Justice Gorman July  
29 1886.

POOR QUALITY  
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Excise Violation-Selling on Sunday.

POLICE COURT- 34 DISTRICT.

City and County } ss.  
of New York, }

*James Burke*  
of No. the 10<sup>th</sup> precinct police Street,  
of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on SUNDAY the 25 day  
of July 1886, in the City of New York, in the County of New York, at  
premises No. 231 Broadway Street,  
Henry Lucie (now here)  
did then and there SELL, CAUSE, SUFFER and permit to be sold, and GIVEN AWAY under his  
direction or authority strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, being intoxicating liquors,  
to be drunk as a beverage contrary to and in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

WHEREFORE, deponent prays that said Henry Lucie  
may be arrested and dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 26 day } James Burke  
of July 1886 }

John H. H. H. H. Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0329

Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss  
OF NEW YORK,

*Henry Green* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is *his* right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against *him*; that the statement is designed to  
enable *him* if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against *him*  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that *his* waiver cannot be used  
against *him* on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Henry Green*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *19 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Austria*

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer. *80 Willett Street, New York*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Writer*

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the  
testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer. *I am not guilty and  
demand a trial by Jury*

*Heinrich Levy*

Taken before me this

*26*

day of *August* 188*8*

*John W. Brown*  
Police Justice



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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3 DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

THE PEOPLE,  
ON COMPLAINT OF

*James Burke*

agst.

*Hennrich Lowey*

Examination had *July 29* 188 *6*

Before *John J. Gorman* Police Justice.

I, *Waterman L. Ormsby* Stenographer of the *3d* District Police Court, do hereby certify that the within testimony in the above case is a true and correct copy of the original Stenographer's notes of the testimony of *James Burke, Michael White, Henry Lowey* as taken by me on the above examination before said Justice.

Dated *July 29* 188 *6*

*John J. Gorman*  
Police Justice.

*Waterman L. Ormsby*  
Stenographer.

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Sept 25. 2 P.M.

Oct 13 2 P.M.

No. 2, by Philip B. Benjamin

Residence 328 Canal Street.

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

44034/254 32 District.  
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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Henry Adams

West

Offence

Dated July 26 1886

Magistrate

Officer

Witnessed hereby consent that this case be  
transferred to the Court of Criminal  
Sessions for final and final disposition.

Part 2. Canal St. 150 N.

Street

No. 100 to answer

Street

been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

guilty of, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated July 26 1886 Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated October 14 1886 Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order h to be discharged.

Dated 1886 Police Justice.

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0332

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*David Sauer*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse

*David Sauer*

of the CRIME OF SELLING INTOXICATING LIQUORS AND WINES AS A BEVERAGE  
ON SUNDAY, committed as follows :

The said

*David Sauer*

late of the ~~First Ward~~ of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*Twenty-fifth* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*five*, at the ~~Ward~~ City and County aforesaid, the same  
being the first day of the week, commonly called and known as Sunday, with force and arms,  
certain intoxicating liquors and certain wines, to wit : One gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one  
gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whisky, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill  
of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain  
intoxicating liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell as a beverage to

certain \_\_\_\_\_ persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, against  
the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People  
of the State of New York, and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT :

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*David Sauer*

of the CRIME OF GIVING AWAY INTOXICATING LIQUORS AND WINES AS A BEVERAGE, ON SUNDAY  
committed as follows :

The said

*David Sauer*

late of the ~~Ward~~ City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit : On the day and in the year  
aforesaid, at the ~~Ward~~ City and County aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week.



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commonly called and known as Sunday, with force and arms, certain intoxicating liquors and certain wines, to wit: One gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whisky, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain intoxicating liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did give away as a beverage to

certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

**THIRD COUNT:**

**And the Grand Jury aforesaid,** by this indictment, further accuse the said

*- Edmund Sawyer -*

of the CRIME OF KEEPING OPEN ON SUNDAY a place licensed for the SALE OF STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, WINES, ALE AND BEER, committed as follows:

The said

*Edmund Sawyer*

late of the ~~Ward~~ City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week, commonly called and known as Sunday, being then and there in charge of and having the control of certain premises at number

*Two Hundred - and - Fifty - one Sawyer*

in the City and County aforesaid, which said place was then duly licensed as a place for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, the said place, so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did not close, and keep closed, and on the said day, the said place so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did then and there open, and cause and procure, and suffer and permit, to be open, and to remain open, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**  
District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2320

**DESCRIPTION:**

Lyons, James

**DATE:**

11/23/86



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Filed, 23 day of Dec, 1886

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# THE PEOPLE

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Grand Larceny, (FROM THE PERSON)  
Sections 628, 680, Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*District Attorney.*

# A True Bill.

**Foreman,**

S. Three years.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court—1st District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

of No. 57 Spring Street, aged 48 years,  
occupation Green Painter being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 30th day of November 1886 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the Evening time, the following property viz :

One gold watch and chain <sup>with clasp</sup> being  
together of the value of  
Twenty Dollars

the property of Deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by James Lyons <sup>(known)</sup> and two other persons  
who are as yet not arrested, and who were  
acting in concert with each other, for  
the reason, that about the hour of  
half past one o'clock on the night  
of the aforesaid date, deponent had said  
property which was attached to a chain  
in the left hand pocket of the vest  
he then had on, and while walking through  
Spring street, said Lyons and said unknown  
persons followed deponent when said  
Lyons grabbed said property and ran  
away with the same, and deponent caused  
him to be arrested and fully identified him as  
the person who took and carried away said  
property and who acted in concert with  
said unknown persons not yet arrested.

Sworn to before me this 1st day of December 1886  
at New York  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200

1st District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

James Lyons being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge, and being informed that it is h to right to make a statement in relation to the charge against h h; that the statement is designed to enable h h if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h h that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that h to waiver cannot be used against h h on the trial,

Question What is your name?

Answer.

James Lyons.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

17 years.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

New York City.

Question. Where do you live, and how long have you resided there?

Answer.

213 Mulberry Street, 3 years.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer,

Restaurant

Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the testimony against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your exculpation?

Answer.

I am not guilty.

James Lyons.

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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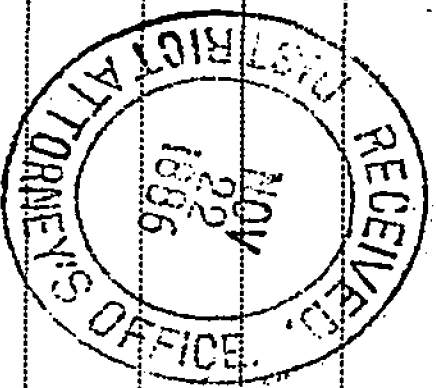
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Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

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Police Court 102 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James Lyons  
Offence Larceny from Person  
Dated 188

Magistrate,  
14  
Officer,  
Precinct.



Witnesses  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
to answer \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_

James Lyons  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of five Hundred Dollars, \_\_\_\_\_ and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail

Dated Nov 21 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named \_\_\_\_\_  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0339

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
against

*James Sugars*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse

*James Sugars*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *First* DEGREE, committed  
as follows:

The said

*James Sugars,*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*Xmas* day of *November*, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, at the City and County aforesaid, in the  
*night* time of the same day, with force and arms,

*one watch of the value of*  
*Twenty dollars, one chain of*  
*the value of Twenty dollars,*  
*and one watch-chain of the*  
*value of five dollars.*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one *Frederick Adams,*  
on the person of the said *Frederick Adams,* then and there being  
found, from the person of the said *Frederick Adams,* then and there  
feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the Statute in such case made  
and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

*Handwritten signature*

District Attorney.