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Off Wagner
Hugh Kelly

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Property 8th - Free

near 92 m. to 94 m.

Filed 21 day of July 1897
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THE PEOPLE

Feb 28th P

Ludwig Bernauer

DE LANCEY NICOLL.

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Michael Foreman

Feb 3, November 29/93

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Feb 5/91
Wm. W. W. W.

Translation from German.

Hon. Sir,

Yesterday called on me the Reporter of "Staatszeitung" and told me that the answer had arrived from Vienna - but that reporter did not understand me right.

When I was a young man aged 18, I was induced by an actress Hein Schneider to pass to her goods from my business place and hence my conviction, my father made good everything and at her point of death, the actress confessed to my brother-in-law Dr. Link that my condemnation had weighed upon her conscience for 25-28 years. The reason why I concealed this, is, because I thought that said error of mine had already the benefit of prescription.

In 1874 I assumed the management of my paternal house & business for florins 30000 in Haag, Upper Austria; I was aged 24 and owing to the financial Crisis of 1877 I, as well as hundreds of people, had to fail in business. In 1880 I undertook Bank & Brokerage business on my own hand and through diligence and fortune I accumulated 40000 florins - in 1887 my wife died and I inherited flor 20000; thereupon I set paying up my creditors and satisfied them all with flor 36000, so that I owe them no more a cent. In 1888 my failure in business was declared settled. From 1880 to 1892 I was business man on the Exchange and never had the least trouble.

This is the history of my misadventures and after the lapse of these last years of great contact, 25-28 years I hoped my youthful aberration ^{to be} atoned; now I am in full possession of my estate and name, with regular Passport, and I

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never could have conceived of such an idea, as to touch on anything that had been stolen, and had I known the coats were stolen goods, I never would have taken them in my hands.

No - not even ^{if} under the torture I could I say that I knew the least about this matter.

I beseech you, to ~~safe~~ save to rescue me; if I am compelled to stay here ^{any} longer, I must needs lose all my goods and property and also my Talent. As I felt, I paid up all my creditors and owe not one Cent to any one.

Shortly before leaving for America I drew from Seckhausen's Bank fln 5000. I had there on deposit in the old Sav. Bk I had 3000, in the new one 3000 in Escompte Bk & Trading Bank 3000 each.

I am a voting Citizen of Vienna and nobody can say anything against me.

Help - Rescue! Your Honor - the Almighty God knows I am innocent like a child.

High Justice - with my hands that I were in repair, I am

Yours respectfully
Ludwig Obermayr

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S. D. Sowards,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,
STEWART BUILDING,
(No. 280 BROADWAY.)

Telephone Call:
971 Cortlandt.

Cable Address:
Sowards, New York.

New York, January 12, 1894.

Hon. James Fitzgerald,

Dear Judge:

In the matter of Ludwig Obermair I have just received from the Austrian Consul in this City the answer sent to him by the Police Authorities of Vienna together with an extract from the record of Mr. Obermair of which I have prepared a translation which is respectfully submitted.

Yours truly,

S. D. Sowards

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(Translation.)

The Chief of Police of Vienna
to
The Austria-Hungarian Consulate General at New York.

In answer to your request of the 7th ulto. I have the honor
to enclose an extract from the record of Ludwig Theodor Ober-
mair.

He was born in 1847 at Attnang, District of Ried in Austria-
Superior, is a Catholic, a married man, was lately a resident
of Vienna and is a part-owner of the house No. 6 Stroimayer
Street in this City.

His record shows that he was ordered to leave Vienna in 1870,
but on the 24th day of February, 1891 he obtained from this
office leave to live in Vienna for one year, and on the 18th
of February, 1892 that leave was extended indefinitely during
good behavior.

Vienna, December 29th, 1893.

(sgd) Selka.

Extract of the record of Ludwig Theodor Obermair.

Date of sentence, November 13th, 1865 punishment, imprison-
ment for one year for larceny by the District Court of Kuern-
berg.

April 22d, 1869, sentenced to one year States Prison for lar-
ceny by the County Court of Vienna.

April 25th, 1870, ordered by the Chief of Police of Vienna to
leave the City permanently.

May 13th, 1876, fined 20 florins for insulting a guard by the
District Court of Haag.

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August 27th, 1888, sentenced to two and one-half years States
Prison for deceit by the Circuit Court of Wells.

February 19th, 1891, imprisonment for 48 hours for returning
to Vienna without leave, by the District Court of Mariahilf.

From the Office of the Chief of Police at Vienna, December
29th, 1893.

(sgd) Krain.

Lebensgeschichte

Guten morgen Herr Reporter
Die Zeitung bei uns n. freizeit mit der
Antwort aus Wien für eingeschlossen. Der
Reporter hat auch mit Kopf von Herrn
Der jüngere Herr mit 18 Jahren
hat ein paar Schauspielerinnen Namen Korn-
Schneiderin in einem Theater in Wien aus dem
Opfer zu geben aber das würde ich aber
nicht, wenn Vater hat einen Pfad
angebracht. Die Schauspielerin hat auf
dem Totenbette meinen Schwager Dr. Danks
gegründet. Sie hat mich auf 100 Jahre
weisen soll 25-28 Jahre zurück n.
wenn ich dies nachher gegeben und weil
ich den Mann mit dem mein Leben
von 25-28 für angesetzt.

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Im Jahre 1874 übernahm ich das
etwa 24 jähriger in Haag ab. & wurde
wieder aber durch die Weltwirtschaft
heftig. Krisis mit für den in
Caneours gut übernahm. 1880 ging ich
an die Wiener Börse & übernahm dort
das Bank & Börse Geschäft in der
Haag. Nachher wurde ich
mit einer Summe von 40.000
im Jahre 1887 probierte ich an
etwa 20.000. - mich ging ich in
alle meine Gläubiger zu bezahlen und
bedrückte alle mit 36.000. - so dass
Kriem eine 1. Stelle. 1888 wurde
von Caneours als aufgelassen erklärt

Ich war fünf 12 Jahre (1880 bis 1892)
 von der Bozsa Gähz & wie sie den
 Rheinfarm Herfup zu Götchen kommen
 lassen.

Wenn Hochachtung haben Sie in ein
Klagenbuch zu verzeichnen. Der Letzte 16
Jahre gute Erfahrung des mein Ding an.
Wird wohl 25-28 Jahre zurück
gehe ich auf die Welt. Ich meine hier
wird es in Namen der nun folgenden Pats
bei uns. Ich bin mir sicher, dass wir
im Laufe der Zeit sehr viel mehr
Hoffnung zu zeigen. Ich bin
gewiss, dass die Reihe der Pats
sich in die Hand zu geben.

For want of Town guaranteed
inside Route of main paper drop of main
but forcing the contents

I like our Raking &
Hills more of week longer for
them with moisture of Feb. 2. Just
2. men Patient. This age of forbe
all we can do is each one of us
to catch Rain in water Holes
and use.

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Ich habe in meine alte
Kasse in einem kleinen Kasten
5000 - aus der Schatzkammer Sp. Bank
gezogen und setze in der alten
Sp. Bank 3000. - in die Sp. Bank 3000
Escompt Bank & Neukopf 3000.

Ich bin ein Mann, welcher
gewissen & kein Mann kann
mit seiner Zeit nur das Ge-
ringste zu Last legen!

Hochachtungsvoll
& Respekt. Ich bin der Stillschreiber
meiner Schrift. Aufgabt. in die
Kasse bin ich. Hoher Herr Richter
Jandering und nachher
Ludwig Bernauer

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS, PART III.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF

NEW YORK,

vs.

LUDWIG OBERMAN.
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INDICTMENT FILED

NOVEMBER 21st, 1893.

INDICTED FOR BURGLARY

IN THE THIRD DEGREE.

BEFORE

HON. JAMES FITZGERALD AND A JURY.

New York, November 29th, 1893.

A P P E A R A N C E S.

FOR THE PEOPLE, ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ROBERT
TOWNSEND.

FOR THE DEFENDANT, MR. J. OLIVER KEAN.

DUDLEY A. DELAND, a witness for the people,
sworn, testified:

I live in Elizabeth, New Jersey. I am employed by
Rogers, Peet and Company as Assistant Superintendent and
Credit Clerk. Their place of business is at Number 569
to Number 575 Broadway in this city. I have been in
their employ for eighteen years. On the 18th day of
November I was in their employ as such Superintendent
and Credit Clerk. On that day I could not tell exactly
how many coats were in the show window. I am certain

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that I saw two coats in the window on that afternoon, which I afterwards saw in the Station House, and identified by private marks as the property of Rogers, Peet and Company. I left the store at ten minutes past six on the night preceding this burglary. I returned at a quarter of seven on Saturday morning. When I returned to the store I noticed that one of the show windows was broken, and that the store was in charge of a detective from the Holmes Burglar Alarm Company. I am positive that that show window was in good condition when I left the store on that night. At the time the store was closed up I looked at the window, and I saw two coats in it, on exhibition, which I afterwards saw in the Station House. I saw the defendant in the Station House, and was informed by an officer that these two coats had been found in his possession, and he had been seen in the neighborhood of the store on the night in question.

CROSS-EXAMINATION:

- Q. Your duties require you, if I understand it correctly, to superintend the movements of certain employees in the building?
- A. I have charge of the retail department.
- Q. Will you kindly tell us what your duties are?
- A. My duties are to assist the Superintendent.
- Q. In what respect?
- A. To see that customers are properly treated, and to see that everything goes along nicely in the store. To

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attend to correspondence.

Q. You are not the window dresser?

A. No sir.

Q. You have testified here that on the 18th of November, in one of the windows of that store there were two over-coats?

A. Yes sir.

Q. And you have described them?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you pay any particular attention to those two over-coats, any more than to any other garments that were in that window?

A. No particular attention; no sir.

Q. There are other employees who have charge of placing garments in that window?

A. Yes sir, there are window dressers.

Q. *Do you swear these were* ~~that~~ *that* that were in that window?

A. I swear positively that there were two over-coats of that material in the window.

Q. How do you identify those two over-coats?

A. We have a mark on the inside of the collar of every over-coat manufactured by our establishment. I could also tell by the color of the goods, and the make.

Q. Can you state positively that those two over-coats were not purchased in your store?

A. I cannot tell that they were not purchased, but I am positive that they were over-coats that were at one time

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in our store.

A NEW WITNESS:

JAMES K. DOHERTY, a witness for the people,
sworn, testified:

I am a police officer connected with the Eighth Precinct in this city. On the night of the 18th of November and on the morning of the 19th of November, I was on post on Broadway. The store of Rogers, Peet and Company on Broadway, was on my post on that night. I passed said store several times during the evening, and noticed that everything was correct. Twice during that evening I saw this defendant standing on the northwest corner of Prince Street and Broadway. This corner is right opposite the store of Rogers, Peet and Company. He was under an electric light, so I had an opportunity of getting a good view of his face. I am positive that he is the man I saw standing there at that time. The time I refer to was fifteen minutes or ten minutes past twelve o'clock. It was very soon after I had gone on post. At the time I noticed this defendant standing opposite the store of Rogers, Peet and Company I tried the doors of that store, and looked at the windows, and everything was intact. Later on during the evening I saw this defendant walking up Broadway. He was in front of about 550 and 552, Broadway, near the corner of Prince. At ten minutes to two I met another officer on

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the beat, and while we were talking two men from the Holmes Burglar Alarm Company, and an officer from the Tenth Precinct came down and told us that something had happened in the store of Rogers, Peet and Company. We went back and looked at the window, and we found that one of the show windows in that store had been broken. I should say that the break in the window was about sixteen to eighteen inches in width. I called the watchman and he came out and let me in. When I got in I had the watchman go into the show-case, and when he got in there he found this stone, which I now produce. It is a piece of flag-stone. I brought the piece of flag-stone to the Station House, and when I got there I found this defendant there, he having been arrested by another officer. When I saw him there I positively identified him as the same man whom I had seen standing in the street opposite Rogers, Peet and Company twice during that same evening.

NEW WITNESS:

ADAM WAGNER, a witness for the people, sworn, testified:

I am a police officer in this city connected with the Eighth Precinct. My post includes the-
from Mercer and *to May Prince St.*
On the 18th of November, at about ten minutes past two I saw the defendant come running down Prince Street with a bundle under his arm. I did not know what was the matter. I was standing on the corner of Prince and Mercer

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Street. He turned into Mercer Street and ran about fifty feet from the corner of Prince. There I saw him put the bundle down, and put one of two coats that he had in it, on him. He tried to get one on top of the other. I went over to him, and arrested him. Before I was able to arrest him he ran away, and I ran after him. I caught him. He dropped the coats before I arrested him. He ran up through Mercer Street about fifty feet from the corner of Prince before I was able to catch him. I asked him where he got the coats, and he told me that his brother gave them to him. I says, "Where is your brother?" He told me, "Up at the corner." I said, "We will go to the corner and see your brother." When we started up he said to me, "No, I bought those coats over in Atlantic Garden for five dollars, off of a man named Smith." Then I said to him, "You had better come to the Station House with me, anyhow, and I will find out there where these coats came from." I took him to the Station House, and a few minutes after we arrived there, another officer, with two detectives, came in, and said that there had been a burglary committed at the store of Rogers, Peet and Company, on Broadway. The following morning the Superintendent of that concern came to the Station House, and identified the two coats which I found in the possession of this defendant, as the property of that concern. The defendant denied that he had stolen the coats from the window, but insisted on his story that he had bought them from a man named Smith

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whom he met in the Atlantic Garden.

D E F E N S E.

LUDWIG OBERMAN, the defendant, sworn, testified:

I am a German. I live at 132 Twelfth Street, near Third Avenue, on the east side of this city. I came to this country on the first of April, from Vienna. When I arrived here I went to Brooklyn to reside, and after that I went to Chicago. I have a patent, and I went to exhibit it at the Chicago Fair. It is a substitute for leather. I remained at the Chicago Fair for three months. When I came to this country I had about two hundred dollars, but that money was all expended during my stay in Chicago. While I was in this city I met a man named Smith, around in the different saloons which I visited. He induced me to play cards, and I lost a great deal of money playing cards. This is the same man named Smith that I told the officer about. I met him in Atlantic Garden on the evening of my arrest. He asked me if I would go with him to Broadway. I went with him to Broadway, and I stood in a doorway. In a short time he came to me with two coats, and told me to take those coats and pawn them, and that I could keep the money. I was hard up for money at that time, and that is the reason I took the coats from him. I did not know they had been stolen. I started to put one of the

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coats on me, and to carry the other. Just at that time a policeman came up to me, and placed me under arrest. I told him at first that I had procured the coats from my brother, and afterwards I told him the truth about meeting this man Smith in the Bowery, and he giving me the coats to pawn.

CROSS-EXAMINATION:

Q. What time did you leave Smith? in the saloon?

A. We went together to Broadway.

Q. Where did Smith leave you?

A.. In Broadway. He told me to wait at No. 550 Broadway.

I went to No. 550 Broadway, and I waited there in a hall-way. I saw several policemen pass by there and look at me. I was kind of uneasy, and I was about to leave, but I waited a little while longer and he came with the two coats.

Q. You saw several policemen?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is this the policeman you saw? (pointing to one of the officers in the case.)

A. I saw several policemen passing by, and they looked at me. I could not tell which one it was. I tried to run away from the officer because I had done nothing, and I did not want to be arrested.

Q. Did you know where Smith lived?

A. He told me when I got acquainted with him that he lived in Fifth Street, but I never was in his place, and I do not know anything further about him. I lived in Twelfth

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Street, and I had a room there.

Q. Did you send word to Mr. Smith that you had been arrested the next day?

A. No sir; he did not tell me where I could send word to him.

Q. Have you been in prison ever since?

A. Yes sir, I was locked up on that night, and have been in prison ever since.

Q. Have you got a wife and family?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where did you come from?

A. Vienna. I came here to attend the World's Fair. When I came I had plenty of money, but now I have none.

The Jury returned a verdict convicting the defendant of the crime of burglary in the third degree.

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Q. Now I had plenty of money, but now I have none.

A. Yes. I came here to attend the World's Fair. When I

were did you come home?

Q. Yes.

A. Have you got a wife and family?

Q. Yes, I have.

A. Yes sir, I was locked up on that night, and have been in

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Indictment filed Nov. 2, 1913

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Attorney at Law
Nov. 29, 1913

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Indictment filed Nov. 2, 1903

Count of General Sessions
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The People of
County of
State of New York
vs.
John J. Smith
Defendant
Arraigned Nov. 2, 1903
at the Court of Sessions

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Police Court—2 District.

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

Dudley A. Saland
of No. 569 Broadway Street, aged 27 years,
occupation Assistant Supp for Ryan Petrol being duly sworn
deposes and says, that the premises No 569 Broadway Street,
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a six story brick
building, store floor of
and which was occupied by deponent as a Goldring Store,
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name

Hugh Kelly
were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breaking and
destroying a plate of glass in
the show window.

on the 18th day of November 1883 in the Night time, and the
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Two overcoats of the value
of fifty dollars.
\$9.00
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the property of Ryan. Peck & Company
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

Ludwig Bernmaier (now known)
for the reasons following, to wit: That deponent is informed
by Officer Adam Wagner that he
directed the defendants about 150
o'clock A.M. on the corner of
Myer and Prince Streets that
the defendant then had two
overcoats in his possession that
about 15 minutes thereafter
he Wagner discovered that

the said premises had been
broken into and entered as
aforesaid.

Dependent is further informed
by Officer James J. Doherty
that he examined the said
plate of glass at about 1⁴⁵
o'clock A.M. and that the
it was then in good condition.

Dependent further says that he
fully identifies the two overcoats
found in the defendant at the
property of Rogers Park and Company
and that the said property was
in the show window where the
the break and entry had been
effected.

Therefore dependent charges
the defendant with burglariously entering
the said premises as aforesaid
and feloniously taking sleeping and
carrying away the said property and
for that he be held to answer
thereof before me } Duane St. Halland.
this 1st day of Nov 1893
J. J. Doherty

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Degree

Burglary

Dated

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Magistrate

Officer

Clerk

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$

Bail

Bailed by

No.

Street.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

1877.

aged 30 years, occupation Police Officer of No. 100

St. Paul Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Dudley A. Buland

and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 18

day of Nov 1893

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James J. O'Hearty

E. J. Hogan
Police Justice.

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Adam Wagner

E. J. Hogan
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Rudwig Obermaier

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

45 yrs. years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Austria.

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

Answer.

132 East 12 St 2 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Gentleman

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
a man by the name of
Anton Smith gave me the
crates to take home, I received
the property from Smith at about
one o'clock

Rudwig Obermaier

Taken before me this
day of Nov 1893

Police Justice.

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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--2 District. 1893

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William A. Baskin
of the City of New York
vs.
Andrew Thompson
Burglary

Dated Nov 18 1893

Stephen J. Hogan
Magistrate.

Charles Magnus, Brooklyn

Witnesses
Hugh Wells
No. 164, Broadway, Street, Precinct.

Witnesses
Samuel M. Baskin
No. 14, Broadway, Street, Precinct.

Witnesses
S. L. Munnell
No. 14, Broadway, Street, Precinct.

Witnesses
Cecil Spencer
No. 14, Broadway, Street, Precinct.

Witnesses
John J. Kane
No. 14, Broadway, Street, Precinct.



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

Andrew Thompson

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Twenty 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 18 1893 Stephen J. Hogan Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 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 18 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

Ludwig Obermaier

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

Ludwig Obermaier

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

The said

Ludwig Obermaier

late of the *8th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *eighteenth* day of *November*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three* in the *ninth* time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *store* of one *Frank R. Chambers*

there situate, 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

Frank R. Chambers in the said *store*

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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ORIGINAL

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SECOND COUNT—

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

Ludwig Obermaier
of the CRIME OF *Grand* LARCENY *in the second degree*, committed as follows:
The said *Ludwig Obermaier*

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 said day, with force and arms,

*two overcoats of the value
of forty-five dollars each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Frank R. Chambers

in the

store

of the said

Frank R. Chambers

there situate, then and there being found, in the *store*
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.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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THIRD COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said
Ludwig Obermaier
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said

Ludwig Obermaier

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

*two overcoats of the value of
forty-five dollars each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

Frank R. Chambers

by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen from the said

Frank R. Chambers

unlawfully and unjustly did feloniously receive and have: (the said

Ludwig Obermaier

then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels and personal property to have been feloniously stolen, 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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Brien, William

DATE:

11/23/93



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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Witness:
Robert Gilman

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Counsel, *W. B. [Signature]*
Filed, *W. B. [Signature]* 189
Pleads, *W. B. [Signature]*

THE PEOPLE

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vs.
Wm Allen O'Brien
prisoner

William O'Brien

Jan 2 - Nov. 24 1893.
Pleads guilty as a convict.

Dec 6 mos. 1891
Nov. 24/93
DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney

INJURY TO PROPERTY.
[Section 654, Penal Code.]

A TRUE BILL.

H. V. [Signature]
Foreman.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Police Court, 3 District.

1901

City and County of New York, ss. Robert Gilman
of No. 245 East 75th Street, aged 45 years,
occupation Bar tender being duly sworn, deposes and says,
that on the 18 day of Nov 1893 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, William O'Brien

(now here) who did willfully and
maliciously throw a stone in the
store of premises No. 15 Bowery
doing damage to the Bar fixtures
to the amount of Seventy & five
dollars.

\$ 75.00

Wherefore deponent prays
that said defendant may be
dealt with according to law

Robert Gilman

Sworn to before me
this 19 day of November 1893
J. J. Sullivan
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0700

POLICE COURT 3 DISTRICT.

City and County of New York, ss.

THE PEOPLE

vs

On Complaint of

For

William O'Brien

Robert Gilman
Malicious Mischief

After being informed of my rights under the law, I hereby waive a trial by Jury on this complaint, and demand a trial at the COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York.

Dated

Nov 19 189 3

William O'Brien

John P. Doolan Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

William O'Brien

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

23 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

U.S.

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

Answer.

157 Allen street, 2 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Fireman

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

William O'Brien

Taken before me this

day of

189

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Police Justice.

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Police Court--- District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Robert A. Lucas
2415 G. Wyman

1. William Brewster

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Offence

ance *Stalioanus*
Mischief

Date: 180

.....Magistrate

Officer

Precinct

Witnesses.....

No. Street

SECRET

No. 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 Defendant

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 19 1893 John P. Morris Police Justice.

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

Dated.....*189*.....*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.....*189*.....*Police Justice.*

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0703

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

517

IN AND FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

William O'Brien

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

William O'Brien
of the CRIME OF UNLAWFULLY AND WILFULLY *destroying* PERSONAL PROPERTY OF ANOTHER,
committed as follows:

The said

William O'Brien

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *eighteenth*
day of *November* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

thirty drinking glasses of the value
of fifty cents each, and one
mahogany pillar

of the value of

fifty dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Robert Gilman*

then and there being, then and there feloniously did unlawfully and wilfully *break*

and destroy;

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.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0704

SECOND COUNT.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment further accuse the said
William O'Brien
of the CRIME OF UNLAWFULLY AND WILFULLY *destroying* REAL PROPERTY OF ANOTHER,
committed as follows:

The said

William O'Brien

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,

one mahogany pillar

of the value of

fifty dollars

in, and forming part and parcel of the realty of a certain building of one

Robert

Gilman

there situate, of the real property of the said

then and there feloniously did unlawfully and wilfully

break and
destroy:

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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Connor, Michael

DATE:

11/15/93



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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Fallon, Stephen

DATE:

11/15/93



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ORIGINAL

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Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed

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1833

Pleads,

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THE PEOPLE

9 years of

vs.

Michael O'Connor

and

Stephen Fallon

Grand Larceny,
[Sections 528, 53,
Penna. Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney,

Port 2-1893

Both Trial and

Ex. 1 Corrupted att. J. L.

Ex. 2 Port Opening

A TRUE BILL,

Nov. 22/93

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Foreman

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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County {
of New York, } ss.

of No. 33 Whitehall Street, aged 24 years,

occupation Salesman being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 24 day of October 1893 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously ~~taken~~ ^{attempted to be} stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

A quantity of woolen socks
of the value of forty five dollars

the property of Charles Seebach and in deponent's care and custody

and that this deponent ^{attempted to be} has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away by Michael O'Connor and Stephen Fallon (both now here) acting in concert ~~also~~ for the following reasons - deponent saw the defendants standing at a show case in which said property was contained, in front of no 33 Whitehall Street - the glass of said show case had been broken and the defendant O'Connor had his hand in said show case and had some of said property in his hand and attempted to take said property from the show case - when deponent approached the defendants they ran away. Deponent pursued the defendant O'Connor and caused his arrest and Officer Osbornell of the 1st Precinct arrested the defendant Fallon

Sworn to before me, this
of 189

Police Justice.

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Deponent further says that he fully
identified the defendants as the person
who were standing at said show case

Frank W. Governor

Sworn to before me
this 24 day of October 1893

Wm. J. Carter
Notary Public

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Michael Connor

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

18 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

U.S.

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

Answer.

365-N-11th St

9 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Type rubber

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

Michael O Connor

Taken before me this

24th

day of

July

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Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, } ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Stephen Fallon*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Newfoundland*

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

Answer. *9 Duane St - 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *News boy*

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-

Stephen Fallon

Subscribed before me this
day of *February* 1893.

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0712

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE,
CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE,)
VS.) BEFORE
STEPHEN FALLON,) HON. RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
(Jointly Indicted)
with Michael C'Con-) AND A JURY.
nor.))

TRIED NOVEMBER 20TH, 1893.

INDICTED FOR GRAND LARCENY IN THE SECOND DEGREE.
INDICTMENT FILED NOVEMBER 15TH, 1893.

APPEARANCES:

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY BARTOW S. WEEKS,
FOR THE PEOPLE.
MR. CANTON,
FOR THE DEFENSE.

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FRANK T. MCGOVERN, testified that he is salesman for Charles Beebach, at No. 33 Whitehall Street. At about 10:30 on the morning of October 24th he saw both defendants in front of one of the showcases at 33 Whitehall Street. The showcase contained socks. O'Connor was seen by the witness with his O'Connor's, hand in the showcase, holding some socks, which he was attempting to steal. The value of the socks in the case was \$40 to \$45. While O'Connor had his hand in the showcase, Fallon was standing alongside of him. The witness went outside, and, as he did so, O'Connor dropped the goods, and they ran, the witness pursuing them. The defendants were both arrested. O'Connor said he did not break the showcase; also Fallon denied the charge.

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C r o s s - E x a m i n a t i o n ,

the witness testified that he estimated that there were 15 1/2 dozen pairs of socks in the case at the time of the occurrence. They cost \$2.50 a dozen, and were worth \$40, or a little more. He did not see the breaking

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of the glass of the showcase; he saw it after it had been broken, and O'Connor, at that time, was bending over the case, with his hand in it, and holding two pair of socks. Fallon had his hand on the case, as if to assist O'Connor in moving the case out from the building; that was all that he, the witness, saw Fallon do.

JOHN O'DONNELL, testified that he is an Officer of the Municipal Police, attached to the 1st Precinct. On the morning of October 24th, '93, he, the witness, saw O'Connor, who was running through Moore Street, South, the complainant pursuing him. The witness caught O'Connor, who denied the charge of breaking the case and taking socks from it. The witness afterwards arrested Fallon.

In

CROSS-EXAMINATION

the witness testified that the arrest was made

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in the morning, between 10 and 11 o'clock. Fallon, when arrested, said that he was hanging around, to carry light baggage, and things of that kind.

THE DEFENSE.

MICHAEL O'CONNOR, the defendant, testified that he was 18 going on 19. He lived in Brooklyn. He worked in a type foundry. The first time he ever saw Fallon was when he was arrested, at the time of the alleged robbery. He, the defendant, was looking around that part of the City for a situation, and, in passing, he fell against the showcase, but did not break it or take anything. He got up and brushed the dirt off his clothes, and was walking away when McGovern struck him, the defendant, in the neck, and the defendant turned and asked McGovern why he struck him, and McGovern struck him, the defendant, again, and then he, the defendant ran, and an officer gave chase and arrested him. He, the defendant, did not have the socks in his hand, and did not attempt to steal. He had

never been convicted of crime, but his father put him in the Protectory.

In

CROSS-EXAMINATION

the defendant said that he did not see or hear the glass broken, and did not see Fallon, or any one else, around there at the time. When he, the defendant stood up and was brushing himself, he saw McGovern come out, but McGovern said nothing to him, the defendant, at that time. He, the defendant, had been out of work about six weeks; he had previously worked as chore boy for Orange Rood, in Chester, N.Y. He worked there about 2 months. Before working for Mr. Rood, he worked in Bruce's Type Foundry. He stopped at the Newsboys' Lodging House, and in lodging houses, and also, with his parents, at 365 West 11th Street. When arrested, he gave his address as 365 West 11th Street, which was not correct.

STEPHEN FALLON, testified that he is 18. He last worked

at selling newspapers, for about 2 months, and, before that, for four years, he was engaged in "boating." He was born in Newfoundland. On the day of his arrest, he went to Whitehall Street, and the South Ferry, to see if he could make enough money to buy his evening newspapers. He had just carried a bundle to the cable cars, for a lady, when the officer met him and arrested him. The officer said to him, the defendant, that he arrested him as a witness. He, the defendant, had never before seen his co-defendant. He was not at the show case, and knew nothing about it. He had never been convicted. He was not acting in concert with the other defendant in attempting to commit a burglary there.

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He lived in a lodging house at 9 Duane street steadily since he stopped boating. He worked on the Erie Canal and on the "Manchester", working for Starin. He came to New York 12 years ago, with his mother, who died three years ago, and he

has since then supported himself. He did not know the store, and did not have his hand on the show case. When he passed, carrying the bundle for the lady, he didn't notice the store. When arrested he was reading a 25-cent, 365-paged book, entitled "Clare." He did not see the other boy run; the boy was going along with the officer.

REBUTTAL.

FRANK T. MCGOVERN, recalled, testified that he did not strike C' Connor. The show case had been moved out from the front of the building fully 2 feet; before that time it was closed to the front of the building. The broken pane of the showcase was nearest to the store. The defendant, Fallon, as he came along the street, was reading. He, the witness, accused Fallon of being an accomplice, and he said he was not; and the officer said, "Well, we will arrest you as a witness, anyhow." The witness was certain that he saw Fallon there at

the time. He saw three boys there. He, the witness, said, in the police station that there were three, and that one escaped. They all ran. O'Connor, when accused, said that he was walking around, looking for a position, and Fallon claimed that he had just delivered baggage. Both denied the larceny, or attempted larceny. It was impossible for any one to break the showcase by stumbling.

In

CROSS-EXAMINATION

the witness testified that the showcase had not been broken before. He didn't hear the glass breaking. He, the witness, was in the show-window looking out, when he saw the defendants on the sidewalk. His attention was first attracted to the defendants by their suspicious actions. O'Connor stepped over and took hold of the case. He, the witness, saw O'Connor have hold of the socks in the case. He lifted them up, but dropped them again back in the showcase. Fallon had his

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hand on the case---merely resting it on the case, and he was about 8 feet from O'Connor. The case is 9 feet long. He did not hear the defendants talking together. The third boy stood at the end of the case near Fallon, with his hands in his pockets doing nothing. He did not see him talking to Fallon. When he, the witness, came out of the store, O'Connor ran towards Whitehall Street, Fallon went up the Street, and the third boy crossed the street. They all went in different directions. The witness lost sight of Fallon, but pursued O'Connor, eight blocks, and called the officer to arrest him, and, after going about a block and a half, with ~~the~~ O'Connor in custody, they met Fallon, who was going towards the ferry, reading, and the officer put his hand on Fallon as Fallon was passing, and arrested him, and the witness accused him of assisting O'Connor in breaking the showcase, and he denied it at once. and then the officer said he would take Fallon as a witness, anyhow. The witness did not see Fallon

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or any other person move the case. He did not of his own knowledge know who moved it. The witness admitted that there are 25 or 30 boys usually hanging around the place in question all the time, but, said that he could not be mistaken in his identity of the defendants.

(The jury returned ~~of~~ verdict of Not guilty, in the case of Fallon, and Guilty in the case of O'Connor.)

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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.

130. #77-1144

THE PEOPLE, No. 1,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Frank M. Stevens

33 Mulholland

Michael O'Connor

Stephen Fallon

Offense Attempted
Larceny

Dated, Oct-24 1893

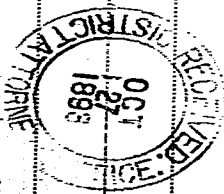
Mark Magistrate.

McConnell Officer.

WILLINGNESS Officer Precinct.

No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____



No. _____ Street _____

Sumner to answer.

Committals

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 _____

_____ Defendants 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, Oct 24 1893 Mark Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

Court of General Sessions of the Peace
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against
Michael O'Connor
and
Stephen Fallon

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Michael O'Connor and Stephen Fallon
attempting to commit the crime of
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE Second DEGREE, committed
as follows:

The said

Michael O'Connor and Stephen Fallon, both

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the 24th
day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-three, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

four hundred socks of
the value of ten cents each

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Charles Seback

then and there being found, 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.

attempt to
De Laurey Nicoll
District Attorney

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Connor, James

DATE:

11/29/93



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Witnesses:

Off. Peterson

Rep. Haslam
a letter in N. York
for Asa

Sub. of new affair
H. Campbell for
19th

Counsel,

Filed 29th day of Nov 1893

Pleas: Guilty Deal

THE PEOPLE

39 Schuyler St.
Cape Cod

James O'Connor

(2 cases)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

Don't put on Part I.
as other did. I have no
19th in men.
A TRUE BILL. *signed*

H. O. Wood Foreman.

Part 2 - Dec. 14, 1893.

trial and convicted of
C.L. 2nd Degree

R. M. D. I. 2nd
Dec. 19/93

Burglary in the Third Degree.
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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE,
CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE,)	BEFORE
VS.)	HON. FREDERICK SMYTH,
JAMES O'CONNOR.)	AND A JURY.

TRIED, NEW YORK, DECEMBER 14TH, 1893.

INDICTED FOR BURGLARY IN THE THIRD DEGREE.
INDICTMENT FILED NOVEMBER 29TH, 1893.

APPEARANCES:

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY THOMAS J. BRADLEY,

FOR THE PEOPLE.

HUGH G. PENTECOST, ESQ.,

FOR THE DEFENSE.

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PETER A. SMITH, the COMPLAINANT, testified that he is engaged in the lumbering and moulding business, at 144 West 38th Street. He occupied the whole building. It is two stories high. He, the complainant, left his place of business about 6 o'clock, on the night of November 21st. It was locked. He arrived at his place of business about 7 o'clock the next morning, and missed some property, consisting of scissors, gloves and tickets---lumber tickets that are obtained from the mill. The tickets were of no value. One pair of scissors were taken, and a pair of gloves that had been used for driving. That was all the property that was taken. There were, however, two bicycles and a half barrel of tools taken from the second floor down to the first floor, where the lock was broken on the door. He, the complainant, found that his place had been broken open, when he reached there on the morning of November 22nd. The door had been burst open, and the lock broken off and the socket torn off.

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The lock could have been broken by the use of force applied to the door from the outside. The scuttle was entirely off when he, the complainant, reached there in the morning. The bicycles cost \$285. about six months ago. The half barrel of tools, the gloves and the scissors were worth about \$15, all the property amounting to \$300. An officer brought the scissors and the gloves on the 23rd, to his, the complainant's, office. He, the complainant, identified them as his property. (It is admitted that the premises in question are located in the 20th Ward.) When he, the complainant, left his place of business, on the night already referred to, the gloves, scissors and lumber tickets and bicycles were all in the premises, the bicycles being on the second floor. The half barrel of tools were also, at the time he left, on the second floor.

In

CROSS-EXAMINATION,

the witness testified that it was his custom to go around the building, at night, and see that all the

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doors and windows were securely closed and fastened, and he was positive that he did it on the night in question.

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JOSEPH PETRCSINO, testified that he arrested the defendant in the feed store at 138 West 38th Street, at about a quarter past 9 on the night of November 21st. At the station-house he, the witness, searched the defendant, and found in his pockets a candle, a bit, a lock, a pair of shears, a printing stamp and the box for it, with the ink in it, a ruler, a knife, a staple, the head of a gold-headed cane, a pair of gloves, a pawnticket, and some receipts and bills; also a comb and a bottle of medicine. The defendant did not say anything about the things at the time that he was searched, but on the 23rd, two days after, he, the witness, asked him, the defendant, where he got the things, and he, the defendant, said that a man threw them at his feet, and he picked them up. He, the

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defendant, did not know the man. He, the witness, showed the property taken from the defendant, to the complainant, who identified, as his, the gloves, the shears, the bit, the stamps, & the bills. The defendant when first asked about the property, denied that he had it, but said that a man threw it at his feet. It was raining heavily on the night of the arrest of the defendant. The defendant was in the hallway leading to the stable, at Mr. Langan's place. He, the witness, noticed, afterwards, that the door leading into the hallway of Mr. Langan's stable was open. There was a padlock attached to the door by two staples. There is a door in the hallway leading to the stable, and it was locked. It was a quarter-past 9 when he, the witness, found the defendant in the hallway. When he, the witness, went into the hallway, and through the hallway into the place where the stable was, the door was locked from the outside, with a padlock, which was attached to the door. There were two staples, one on the jamb and one on the door. The door was forced open while he, the witness, was inside in that

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place. After the door was forced open, he, the witness, observed the door. The lock was then on the sidewalk. He, the witness, saw the door before he went in, and it was locked, and after he was in there for a while, the door was forced open, and when he came outside of the door again, the lock was on the sidewalk, torn off, and one of the staples was off. He, the witness, identified the lock but not the staple. He, the witness, went into the yard, but did not see a horse there.

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PATER A. SMITH, THE COMPLAINANT, recalled, testified that he identified, as his property, the gloves, the shears, the stamp, the box, & the billheads.

THE DEFENSE.

JAMES O'CONNOR, THE DEFENDANT, testified that he lived at

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Seabright, New Jersey, and is a carpenter. He worked until about 4 o'clock, on November 21st, in Seabright. He left Seabright on the 4:20 train, and arrived in New York close to 7 o'clock, at the Liberty Street ferry. He then went into a barber shop and got shaved and then had supper in a restaurant. Then he walked around, in search of a cane store, to see if he could get a cane to fit the head of a cane that he had with him, but he could not. Then he went into a hardware store and bought a 2-foot rule. On the 19th a friend, John Couples, borrowed \$5 from him, the defendant, promising to return it when he came to New York. Couples gave his address as 137 West 38th Street. After the defendant bought the ruler he took a 10th Avenue car and went to that address---137 west 38th Street. He could not find the man Couples there, and he saw a man across the street, standing in a door, and he, the defendant, went over and asked the man if he knew where Couples could be found, and the man made no answer, but started to walk up the street; and, when the man got near the corner, he dropped a parcel,

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and got on a cable car. The defendant picked up the parcel, opened it, and put the contents in his pocket, "to give to the man when he found who he was." There were a lot of old letters and papers in the parcel. It was then about 9 o'clock, and about five minutes afterwards the officer arrested him, the defendant. The defendant testified, further, "Passing down the street, I seen a little hallway, and I was short taken, and I went in there to draw water, and I was pretty near through, when there was two men away back in the hallway, and one of them said, 'Hold on. Don't wet There. Go in the other side.'" And the officer came over and he said, "When you get through there, you go in there. We want to see you back there." And he took me in through this little hallway, and into another building, at the back of this hall, and then he took me to the station-house and searched me, and he got those papers on me." The defendant admitted that the officer found in his pockets all the property in question, except the lock. He, the defendant, did not break into the complainant's premises, and he did not remove two

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bicycles and a half barrel of tools from the upper story in the complainant's shop down to his front door, and he did not get any of the things out of the complainant's shop that night.

In

CROSS-EXAMINATION

the defendant testified that he never lived in New York. He, the defendant, became acquainted with Couples in Atlantic Highlands, about ten months ago, and met Couples twice, since then, once on the 19th, at Seabright. Although he, the defendant, had only a slight acquaintance with Couples, and did not know his address, he, the defendant, loaned Couples \$5. He, the defendant, came to New York, on the day referred to, for the purpose of buying some hardware and tools, and collecting the \$5. He got the cane head from a man named Brown, in Seabright, to have a stick fitted to it for Brown. He, the defendant, took a 10th Avenue car to 38th Street, arriving there about 15 minutes to 9. He, the defendant, did not know where Couples could be found. He had never seen the man that dropped the

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parcel, which was done up in newspaper, previous to that night. He, the defendant, put the candle and bit in his pocket, after using them, at Seabright, and neglected to leave them there, but, instead, brought them with him to New York. He, the defendant, told the officer, at the time of the arrest, that a man dropped the parcel and he picked it up and put its contents in his pocket to save it for the man. He, the defendant, went into the hallway to "draw water." He did not see a horse in there; he saw two men. They did not take him, the defendant, in and show him the horse with the harness on it. He, the defendant, was convicted and sent to prison, in Freehold, N.J., for eight months, and he was discharged from prison on October 22nd. A strange man, in Seabright, gave him, the defendant, the pawnticket found upon him, for half a dollar. He got the pawnticket on November 20th. He was going to redeem the property represented by it, if he could collect his \$5.

In

RE-DIRECT-EXAMINATION,

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the defendant testified that he worked for a man named George Mackey, on 2nd Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, from October, '92, to February, '93. He, the defendant, had been tried, recently, for breaking into Langan's place, and trying to steal a horse and harness, and the jury acquitted him.

In

RE-CROSS-EXAMINATION

the defendant testified that he had known Mrs. Mullen only a month. He wrote her that he had been arrested, and asked her to send him a letter of recommendation. He did not know whether she knew that he had been convicted of assault and battery and had served a term in prison.

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REBUTTAL.

JOSEPH PETROSINO, being recalled, testified that the defendant did not, on the night of his arrest, say that a man dropped the bundle and he, the defendant, picked it up. It was not until the 24th of November, three

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days after the arrest, that the defendant said he picked
up the parcel.

(The jury find the defendant guilty of
Grand Larceny in the Second Degree.)

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Police Court—7 District.

City and County } ss.:
of New York,

of No. 138 West 38th Street, aged 55 years,
occupation Feed dealer being duly sworn
deposes and says, that the premises No 138 West 38th Street,
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a stable

and which was occupied by deponent as a stable

and in which there was at the time a human being, by name Hugh Langan

Joseph Petrosino and deponent
were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breaking the
hasps used in fastening the door
leading from the alleyway to the
rear stable

on the 21st day of November 1887 in the night time, and the
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Two sets of harness and a live
horse all of the value of Two
hundred and seventy five dollars

the property of deponent and his partner
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
James O'Connor (now here)

for the reasons following, to wit: that said door was
securely locked and fastened
and deponent was in the stable
in company with said Hugh Langan
and said Police Officer were there
for the purpose of searching the
premises for the person who had
stolen the said harness which
deponent had missed and the

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defendant came to said front
door and forcibly removed the
pad lock and entered the alleyway
that leads to the said stable
Sworn to before me } Andrew Langan
this 22nd November, 1893 }

D. J. Hyman
Police Justice

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF
vs.
Burglary Degree.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses :

Committed in default of \$ Bail.

Bailed by

No. Street.

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2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

James O'Connor 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. James O'Connor

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 39 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Ireland

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

Answer. Seabright N.J. 1 year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Carpenter

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 O'Connor

Taken before me this

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day of November

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Police Justice.

[Signature]

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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---

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District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Andrew Hargrave

138th St

James O'Connor

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Offence

Burglary

Dated

Nov 22

1893

Magistrate.

John A. O'Connor

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Witnesses

Officer A. C. Hargrave

138th St

No. _____

Street.

No. _____

Street.

No. _____

Street.

No. _____

Street.

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 _____ 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 22 1893 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ 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 _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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Police Court— 2 District.

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

Peter A. Smith

of No. 133 West 43rd Street, aged 35 years,

occupation Lumber dealer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No 144 West 38th Street,

in the City and County aforesaid, the said being an office and used as

a shop

and which was occupied by deponent as for such purpose

~~and in which there was at the time a human being, by name~~

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening for
the purpose of entering the house, a
scuttle used for covering and closing
an opening on the roof thereof

on the 21st day of November 1893 in the night time, and the
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Two bicycles and a quantity of
carpenters' tools, and numerous miscellaneous
articles all of the value of about
Three hundred dollars

the property in deponent's care and 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

James O'Connor

for the reasons following, to wit: that the doors, windows
and other openings to said premises
were securely locked and fastened
and the aforesaid property was therein
deponent on the following morning
found said house broken and entered
in the manner aforesaid and said
property removed and carried away
Deponent is informed by Joseph Petrovino

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(now here) a police officer, that on said
night he arrested the defendant while
in the act of breaking and entering
the building adjoining that of deponent
and found the miscellaneous articles
consisting of gloves and tools and also
other articles here shown, in the de-
fendant's possession which property
deponent identifies as the property
stolen from said premises.
Sworn to before me
this 24th November, 1893

R. A. Smith
Police Justice

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Degree.

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Burglary

Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$

Bail.

Bailed by

No.

Street.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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Joseph Petrosino
aged 33 years, occupation Police officer of No. 197
Penn Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Peter A. Smith
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 24 day of November 1893 } *Joseph Petrosino*

[Signature]
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *James O'Connor*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *38 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *Seabright N.J. 1 year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Carpenter*

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 O'Connor

Taken before me this

24

day of *November* 1893

Police Justice

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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.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Jeter A. Smith

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James O'Connor

Offence *Burglary*

Dated *Nov 24* 18*93*

Morgan Magistrate.

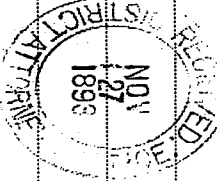
Polacco Officer.

Allen Precinct.

Witnesses _____

No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____



No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____

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 *ten* 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 24* 18*93* *Morgan* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ 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 _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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Sec. 798.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

of William Brown Street, aged 30 years,
occupation Police being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the
10th day of May 1893 at the 8 Ward of the City of

New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, the following
property: a quantity of coats, capes, satin and
cloths.

the property of ~~deponent~~ Herman Cohen and Max Friedman
and that the deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property has
been feloniously taken and stolen by Jacob Goldstein Max Neuman
and Max Jacobson - all now being
and that the said property, or part thereof, is now concealed in the dwelling house of
J. Eisman and Spislenale
situate on a lot of ground fronting on No. 91 Orchard Street, in the
10 Ward of said City. Wherefore, process is requested by this deponent, to search the
house of the said J. Eisman and Spislenale for the said property.

Sworn to before me, this 14 day of May 1893 William Brown

Wm. H. Brady Police Justice.

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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, ETC.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Affidavit for S. Warrant.

William Brown

vs.

Spaulding and

Indy. of G. Orchard
in the City of New York

May 14

1893

Justice.

Grady

Officer.

John F. Cohen

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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

James O'Connor

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

James O'Connor

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

The said

James O'Connor

late of the *20th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the
Twenty-first day of *November* in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three* in the *night* time of the same day, at the
Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *stable* of
one *Andrew Langan*

there situate, 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

Andrew Langan in the said *stable*
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

James O'Connor
of the CRIME OF *Grand LARCENY in the second degree* committed as follows:
The said *James O'Connor*

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 said day, with force and arms,

*one horse of the value
of two hundred dollars and
two sets of harness of
the value of forty dollars
each set*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Andrew Langan

in the

stable

of the said

Andrew Langan

there situate, then and there being found, in the *stable*
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.

DeLancey Nicoll
District Attorney

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Witnesses:

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THE PEOPLE

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James O'Connor

(2 cases)

Burglary in the Third Degree.
[Section 498, Code of Criminal Procedure]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Part I. Dec-7-1893

A TRUE BILL.

James

Foreman.

Dec 7/93

Frederick H. Houghton

Part II - Dec 12, 1893

Frederick and Houghton (see minutes)

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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

James O'Connor

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

James O'Connor

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

The said

James O'Connor

late of the *20th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the
twenty-first day of *November*, in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three* in the *English* time of the same day, at the
Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *office* of
one

Peter A. Smith

there situate, 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

Peter A. Smith in the said *office*
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

James O'Connor
of the CRIME OF *Grand LARCENY in the second degree*, committed as follows:

The said

James O'Connor

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 ~~right~~-time of said day, with force and arms,

two bicycles of the value of seventy-five dollars each, divers carpenter's tools of a number and description to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of fifty dollars, and divers other goods, chattels and property (a more particular description whereof is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown) of the value of one hundred dollars
of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Peter A. Smith*

in the

office

of the said

Peter A. Smith

there situate, then and there being found, in the *Office*
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.

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THIRD COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said
James O'Connor
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said

James O'Connor
late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year afore-
said, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

*the same goods, chattels and
personal property described
in the ~~first~~ second count of this
indictment*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

Peter A. Smith

by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before felon-
iously stolen from the said

Peter A. Smith

unlawfully and unjustly did feloniously receive and have: (the said

James O'Connor
then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels and personal property to have been felon-
iously stolen, 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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Neill, Thomas

DATE:

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Thomas O'Neill.

Assault in the Second Degree.
(Section 218, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Part III 22nd Nov '93,
O'Neill.

A TRUE BILL.

Part 3. November 22/93.
Indicted Convicted 24

W. O'Neill Foreman.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS,

PART III.

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: The People :
: of the State of New York : Before
: -against- : Hon. James Fitzgerald,
: Thomas O'Neill. : and a Jury.
: -----x

Indictment filed 1893.

Indicted for Assault in the Second Degree.

New York, November 22nd, 1893.

A P P E A R A N C E S.

For the People, Assistant District Attorney Robert Townsend
For the Defendant, Mr. Ambrose H. Purdy.

P A T R I C K F A R R E L L, a witness for the People, sworn,
testified:

I am a police officer attached to the 8th Precinct.
I recollect the night of the 7th of November, election
night. I was on post from Broadway to West Street on
Houston Street. I was assaulted on the corner of Houston
and Varick Street by this defendant. In the neighbor-
hood of half-past nine o'clock I was standing on the
corner of Houston and Varick Streets. Some boys had
carried away the top of a cellar door, and the cellar-way
was open. It said to the proprietor of the store, "This
is a very dangerous place here, and we ought to get
something to put on the cellar, so that nobody will fall
into it." He and I went down into the cellar, and were

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coming up with some boards to place over the cellar-way. This defendant came along, and was going to throw those boards down on top of us. I ordered him away. He wanted to know who I was; I told him I was a policeman. I was three steps down in the cellar when the defendant struck me with this blackjack right in the eye, on the top of my head, and on the side of my head. He took it out of his pocket at the time he struck me. I was standing down on the cellar steps. The defendant after assaulting me started to run. The blood came running into my eyes, and I could not see for a few minutes. As soon as I recovered myself I ran out into the crowd and arrested this defendant. On the way to the stationhouse the defendant asked me not to be too hard on him; that he had an old mother, and that he did not know exactly what he was doing. He was not under the influence of liquor. The weapon with which the defendant struck me is a piece of wood filled with lead, and is known as a blackjack.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

This was election night, and there was considerable commotion in the neighborhood. I was in plain clothes. I did not strike the defendant before he struck me. I had my club in my pocket, but did not use it. I also had my revolver in my pocket, and I pulled it out on the way to the stationhouse, and held it in my hand in order to keep the crowd back. I was assisting the proprietor to bring some boards up out of the cellar at the time this defendant struck me with this weapon. I did not know that he was a private watchman on that

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evening, appointed by a Mr. Wilson to look after his property. I told the defendant that I was a police officer, and it was after that that he struck me. I told him to keep away from me before he struck me. I did not strike the defendant twice in the face with my clinched fist. I did not have any opportunity to strike him before he struck me several blows with this weapon on the face and head. The defendant has known me for some time, and knew me before I went into the police business. I have no feeling whatever against the defendant.

T H E O D O R E B R O W E R, a witness for the People, sworn, testified:

I live at No. 207 Varick Street in this city. I am a baker by occupation; I also keep a coffee saloon at that number. On election night between half-past eight and nine o'clock this complainant came to me and suggested that I should put something over the cellar door. We went down stairs and got some boards, and were bringing them up when the officer was struck by someone. I did not see who struck him.

F R E D E R I C K H E I N R I C H, a witness for the People, sworn, testified:

I am a butcher and live at 205 Varick Street; I saw the officer on election night; there was quite a crowd standing around him. I did not see anyone strike him, but the next day I saw the officer and his face was cut.

D E F E N S E .

M A R Y O'N E I L L, a witness for the defendant, sworn,
testified:

I am a sister-in-law of the defendant. I recollect this trouble on election night. I was standing right across the street at my own door. I saw the policeman come up and strike the defendant in the face. O'Neill hit him back with his hand. Then the policeman took something out of his pocket and struck O'Neill over the left side of the head. I did not see any stick at all with Tom O'Neill.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

The defendant is my brother-in-law -- my husband's brother. I am positive O'Neill had no billy in his hand at all. I did not see him with any stick. I did not see the officer cut about the head on that night. I saw O'Neill strike the officer over the eye with his hand; there was nothing cut. This assault took place right on the corner at 205 Varick Street. The two men had a tussle together, and I saw the officer take O'Neill into custody.

T H O M A S O ' N E I L L, the defendant, sworn, testified:

I recollect last election day. I was employed that evening to watch a platform for a Mr. Wilson, and prevent the boys in the neighborhood from stealing it. Mr. Wilson is a real estate owner on that block. He asked me at about three o'clock that afternoon if I would watch for him, and I told him I would. It was a

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wooden platform that I was watching on that night. I walked across the street; there was a whole crowd over there. I happened to pass this officer, and just shoved him out of my way. He says "Get out, you bum", and he struck me in the face with his hands. I struck him back. Then he took out a club from his pocket, and struck me across the side of the head with it. Then he took out his pistol and aimed it at me, and I struck him again with my hands. I did not strike him with a billy at any time that night.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

I was convicted of assaulting an officer in 1889, and was sent to the penitentiary for three and a half years. I kicked that officer. I did not know that the complainant in this case was an officer at the time I struck him. The billy which was found in my pocket, and with which the officer charges I assaulted him, I found on that afternoon in my brother's shop. He is a plasterer and mason. I put the billy in my pocket, because on that evening I was going to watch a platform for Mr. Wilson, who is a real estate owner. I went on duty at about seven o'clock, and at different times during the evening prevented a lot of boys from stealing the platform. I did not strike the officer until he had struck me first. I swear positively that I did not take the billy out of my pocket at any time while I was in conflict with the officer. I have the mark on my head now of where the officer struck me with his club.

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O F F I C E R F A R R E L L, recalled:

I did not strike the defendant with my stick
on that night. I did not take my stick out of my
pocket at any time.

The Jury returned a verdict of guilty of
Assault in the Second Degree.

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Indictment filed Nov. 13th 1893

Count of General Services
Part III

The People,

v.
Thomas O'Neill

at the Court of Sessions

Nov. 22nd 1893

Presented to the Grand Jury.

The jury returned a verdict of Guilty of

murder as charged.

on first night. I did not take my stick out of my

bag until after the defendant with my stick

OFFICER EVANS RECORDED:

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N. Y. Oct. 3/93

Mr. Olcott

Incl. MV 13/93 Dist. Atty

Dear Sir, -

I am sending
a petition to the Gov-
ernor for papers of
Restoration to Citizen-
ship and a certified
copy of my sentence or
record of conviction
is required to get the
papers. You will con-
fer on me a great favor
if you will ^{me} the
same and oblige

Resp.
Thos. F. O'Neil
73 King St

New York City

Sent. May 11th 1886 to 3 1/2 years

" Nov. 21st 1893 " 2 " in prison
Both Charges of assault.

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Police Court—2—District.

City and County } ss.:
of New York,

of No. St. Presnet Street, aged years,

occupation Police officer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on 7 day of November 1889 at the City of New

York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Thomas O'Neill (nowhere)

who struck deponent three

on the head with a belt
he then and there held in
his hands.

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 8 day

of November 1889

Patrick Farrell

Charles H. [Signature] Police Justice.

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District Police Court.

City and County of New York, ss:

Thomas O'Neill 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.

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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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

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Michael Connell
Thomas Scott
John

Offence

Dated

Sept 28 18*93*

Magistrate

Stock

Officer

Twinn

Witnesses

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Street _____

No. _____

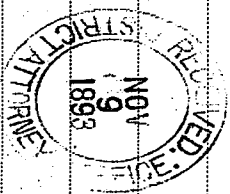
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It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named _____

Dependant

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *ten* 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 18* 18*93* *Paul R. L.* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ 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 _____ 18 _____ 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

Thomas O'Neill

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

Thomas O'Neill

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

The said

Thomas O'Neill

late of the City and County of New York, on the *seventh* day of
November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon one

Patrick Farrell

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

Thomas O'Neill

with a certain *stick* which *he* the said

Thomas O'Neill

in *his* right hand — then and there had and held, the same being then and there
a weapon and an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, *him*, the said
Patrick Farrell then and there feloniously did wilfully and
wrongfully strike, beat, *cut* — bruise 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.

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SECOND COUNT—

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

Thomas O'Neill

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

The said

Thomas O'Neill

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: On the day and in the year aforesaid,
at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the said

Patrick Farrell

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously
did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault; and the said *Thomas O'Neill*
the said *Patrick Farrell*
with a certain *stick*

which — *he* — the said *Thomas O'Neill* —

in — *his* — right hand then and there had and held, in and upon the *head*
of — *him* — the said *Patrick Farrell*
then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, *cut*
bruise and wound, and did then and there and by the means aforesaid, feloniously, wilfully
and wrongfully inflict grievous bodily harm upon the said *Patrick Farrell*
to the great damage of the said *Patrick Farrell*
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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL, District Attorney.

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Otis, James A.

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Parlio, Lorenzo

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Police Court— District.

City and County { ss.:
of New York,

of No. *86 2 10 Avenue* Street, aged *23* years,
occupation *Dry Goods* being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No. *836 & 838 10th Ave* Street, *22* Ward

in the City and County aforesaid the said being a *Our Dry Goods*
Building with stores
and which was occupied by deponent as a *Dry Goods and Fur furnishings*
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly *breaking open*
two doors leading from the yard of said
premises and into said stores

on the *8* day of *November* 18*93* in the *night* time, and the
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

A number of pairs of pants, number of
Overalls, plated jewelry, perfumery, hats,
trunks, ladies' cases and other property,
together of the value of Five hundred
dollars.

the property of *Depositor*

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

John Bates, John Kilmarlin, Lorenzo Parisi, Vincenzo Mercino
Antonio Lucaccini, Giovanni Kern and Thomas McConnell
all now here and acting in concert

for the reasons following, to wit:

That at about the hour of
10 P.M. on said date deponent left said premises
securely locked and fastened. Deponent on returning to
said premises on the evening of the 9th inst. discovered
that said premises had been entered in the manner
described above and that said property was missing.

Deponent is informed by Officer John J. Manning of the
22nd Precinct that he arrested the said Bates, Kilmarlin
and Kern and McConnell and that the said Bates

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And Mc Donnell admits and confesses that they
in company with the said Benson and another
person by the name of Martin Mc Namara not arrested did
feloniously enter premises and steal said property
Benson is further informed by the said Mc Donnell that
the said defendant Lougo Paris gave said Mc Donnell
and the said Oates a hotel and saw for
the purpose of committing said Burglary, and defendant
is further informed that the said defendant Oates
Mc Donald and Benson and said Mc Namara (not arrested)
with the said property to the premises No
1156 West 56th occupied by the said defendant
Lorenzo Paris, Vincenzo Merino, and Antonio Lucaccia
and the said Paris gave to the said Mc Donnell
the sum of one dollar the week morning after said
Burglary. Defendant identifies a part of part in the person
of Antonio Lucaccia as part of the property that was stolen and also
identifies defendant of cuff button same by said Antonio as part of the
said property. Defendant therefore accuses the said defendant
with acting in concert and Burglary with entry and premises
and receiving and keeping said property and also that they
may be dealt with as thieves.

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 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 1888
I have committed the above named
to bail to answer by the undersigned hereto annexed.
Dated 1888
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named
guilty of the offense with mentioned, I order he to be discharged.
Dated 1888
Police Justice.

Police Court, District, _____

THE PEOPLE, ss.,
on the complaint of

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

ss. _____

Dated _____ 1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witness, _____
No. _____ Street, _____
No. _____ Street, _____
No. _____ Street, _____
to answer General Sessions.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-200.

44 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

John Gilmarin 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. John Gilmarin

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 17 years.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. In New York

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

Answer. 424 W 52nd St. 6 months.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Laborer

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

John Gilmarin

Discharged

Taken before me this 18th
day of April 1897

Amos W. Drake

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-200.

 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Fernando Deves

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 17 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. NY.

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

Answer. 725 71 Avenue 2 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Carpenter Factory

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
Fernando Deves

Taken before me this

day of

June 1893

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-200.

4 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Thomas Mc Donnell

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 16 Years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. U.S.

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

Answer. 435 West 56 Street

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Messenger

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
Thomas Mc Donnell

Taken before me this 14th day of April 1893

John W. Donohue
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198—200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

D District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. James Otis

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 17 Years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Wis.

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

Answer. 627 West 56 Street 9 Years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Wash Boy

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 A. Otis

Taken before me this
day of April
1893

James A. Otis
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-200.

✓ District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Lorenzo Paulo*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *29 yrs*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Italy*

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

Answer. *254 Elizabeth St*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Barber*

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*

L. Lorenzo Paulo

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice

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Sec. 193-200.

✓ District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Vincenzo Messina 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. *Vincenzo Messina*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *20 yrs*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Italy*

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

Answer. *243 Elizabeth St 4 yrs*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Barber*

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*

Vincenzo Messina

Taken before me this

day of

1893

Police Justice.

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ORIGINAL

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Antonio Buccia

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 18 yrs

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Italy

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

Answer. 223 2nd St 3 yrs

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Barber

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

Buccia Antonio

Taken before me this 18
day of April 1893
Frank E. [Signature]
Police Justice

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss:
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 4 DISTRICT.

of No. 1173 Street, aged 35 years,

occupation Detective being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 13 day of November 1893

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

John Jones, John Gilman, Charles

Carlio, Vincenzo Messina and

Antonio Luciaia, all now here,

on complaint of Samuel Miller

who charged the defendants with

burglary and receiving stolen goods.

Dependant asks that the defendants

be held so that additional evidence

can be secured against them

Sworn to before me this

1893

day

Police Justice

John J. Divney

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Police Court,

District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.

IN THE COMPLAINT OF

John Jones
John Gilman
Lewis Park
George H. H. H.
John H. H. H.
John H. H. H.

Dated,

Mar 18 189

Burke Magistrate.

Dirney Officer.

Witness,

Disposition

Mar 18 9 AM

Ex Apr 16 9 AM

\$2000

AFFIDAVIT
Received

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BAILIED,
No. 1, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____
No. 2, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____
No. 3, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____
No. 4, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____

Police Court

District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Harry M. Meech

1862 19th Ave
Manhattan

1st District

Manhattan

Manhattan

Manhattan

Manhattan

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Manhattan

Offence Burglary
and passing stolen goods

District Attorney

22 Precinct

Witnesses

No. 1, by _____

No. 2, by _____

No. 3, by _____

No. 4, by _____

No. 5, by _____

No. 6, by _____

No. 7, by _____

No. 8, by _____



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 Defendants

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 18 1893 Charles H. Burke Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated Nov 18 1893 Charles H. Burke 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
James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carles,
Vincenzo Messina, Antonio Cuccia,
Jeremiah Deven, and Thomas McDonnell

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

James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carles, Vincenzo Messina,
Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Deven and Thomas McDonnell,

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

The said *James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carles, Vincenzo Messina,*
Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Deven and Thomas McDonnell, all

late of the 2nd Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the
eight day of *November*, in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in the *night* -time of the same day, at the
Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *store* of
one *Harry Miller*

there situate, 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

Harry Miller in the said *store*
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.

SECOND COUNT—

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said
James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carlio, Vincenzo Messina
Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Devens^{and} Thomas McDonnell
of the CRIME OF ~~Grand~~ LARCENY in the second degree, committed as follows:
The said James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carlio, Vincenzo Messina,
Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Devens^{and} Thomas McDonnell, all

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year afore-
said, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in the night-time of said day, with force and arms,
twenty-five pairs of trousers of the
value of four dollars each pair, ten
overcoats of the value of ten dollars
each, divers articles of jewelry of a
number and description to the
Grand Jury aforesaid unknown
of the value of fifty dollars, one pair
of cuff buttons of the value of five
dollars, ten hats of the value of three
dollars each, ten waists of the value
of five dollars each, fifty towels of
the value of ten cents each, and
divers other goods, chattels and personal
property (a more particular description
is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown)
of the value of one hundred dollars,
of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Harry Miller

in the

Store

of the said

Harry Miller

there situate, then and there being found, in the
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.

Store

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THIRD COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said *James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carlio, Vincenzo Messina, Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Devens and Thomas McDonnell* of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said *James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carlio, Vincenzo Messina, Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Devens and Thomas McDonnell*, all late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

the same goods, chattels and personal property described in the second count of this indictment

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

Harry Miller
by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen from the said *Harry Miller*

unlawfully and unjustly did feloniously receive and have: (the said *James A. Otis, Lorenzo Carlio, Vincenzo Messina, Antonio Cuccia, Jeremiah Devens and Thomas McDonnell* then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels and personal property to have been feloniously stolen, 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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.