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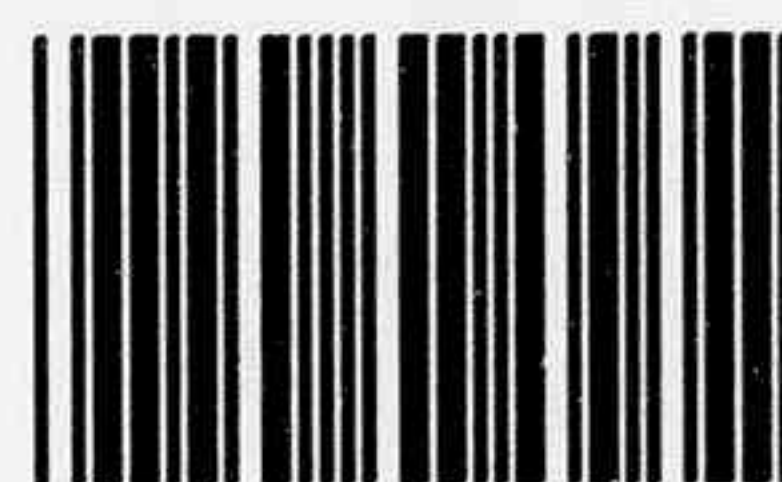
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**O'Brien, Jeremiah**

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Counsel  
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Reads for jury to

Larceny, and Receiving Stolen Goods.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Henry

Jeremiah O'Brien

DANIEL C. ROLLINS,  
BENJ. K. PHELPS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Alvan S. Argon  
July 11 1881

Per 6 months.



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

Police Court--Second District.

Peter Winters —  
of No 305 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, being duly sworn, deposes  
and says, that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April — 1881.

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried  
away, from the possession of deponent, in the sleeping rooms -  
attached to stable at 305 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

the following property, to wit:

One Gold plated watch and  
Gold chain of the value of \$ 35.00  
One Coat value of 10.00  
One vest value of 5.00

And in the aggregate  
said property

of the value of Fifty 00/100 Dollars,  
the property of deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property  
was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by Brennan O'Brien

(nowhere). the facts are as follows viz  
that at said date O'Brien lodged with  
deponent. said property was missed  
O'Brien suddenly left. deponent saw  
him yesterday and recognized his  
chain which O'Brien was wearing.  
deponent caused his arrest by Officer  
Hogan of the 29<sup>th</sup> Precinct. that said  
O'Brien thereupon admitted to Officer  
Hogan. that he had said property in de-  
ponent's presence gave up said watch  
and chain to said Officer Hogan at the  
Station House & deponent identified them as  
his property Peter Winters

Sworn to before me, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1881.

John J. Morgan  
Police Justice.



City County of New York.  
Hogan of 29<sup>th</sup> Precinct being duly  
sworn says that yesterday he arrested  
O'Brien who admitted to deponent  
that he took said watch & chain &  
gives them <sup>up</sup> to deponent & Winters  
identified said watch & chain as  
a portion of the property stolen  
from him.

Sworn to this 3<sup>d</sup>  
day of July 1881 before me } Patrick Hogan  
P. L. Morgan }  
Police Justice }



Police Court—Second District

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Jeremiah O'Brien* being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he is at liberty to refuse to answer any question that may be put to him states as follows, viz.:

Question.—What is your name?

Answer.

*Jeremiah O'Brien*

Question.—How old are you?

Answer.—

*28*

Question.—Where were you born?

Answer.—

*Ireland.*

Question.—Where do you live?

Answer.—

*243. West 28<sup>th</sup> Street*

Question.—What is your occupation?

Answer.—

*Drive Hack.*

Question.—Have you anything to say, and if so, what—relative to the charge

here preferred against you?

Answer.—

*I had it for use and  
look it for a joke.*

*Jerry O'Brien*

Taken before me, this

*3<sup>rd</sup>*

day of

*July*

*1881*

at New York

Police Justice.



Form 891.

Police Court-Second District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Robert Winters*  
305-5th Ave

Affidavit-Larceny.

*Jeremiah O'Brien*  
Dated July 3-188

*Hoogan* MAGISTRATE.

*Hoogan* OFFICER.  
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WITNESS

*Officer Hoogan*  
29

*Wm. L. L.* TO ANS.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } <sup>88.</sup>

THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
*in and for the body of the City and County of New York, upon  
their Oath, present:*

That

*Jeremiah O'Brien*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the  
*first* day of *April* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*one* at the Ward, City and County aforesaid  
with force and arms,

*One watch of the value of twenty dollars  
One chain of the value of fifteen dollars  
One coat of the value of ten dollars  
One vest of the value of five dollars*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one

*Peter Winters*

then and

there being found, 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.



And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present

That the said

Jeremiah O'Brien

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,

One watch of the value of twenty dollars  
One chain of the value of fifteen dollars  
One coat of the value of ten dollars  
One vest of the value of five dollars

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of the said

Peter Winters

by a certain person or persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen ~~of the said~~ taken and carried away from the said

Peter Winters

unlawfully, unjustly, and for the sake of wicked gain, did feloniously receive and have (the said

Jeremiah O'Brien

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~~ taken and carried away  
People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,

BENJ. K. PHELPS, District Attorney.



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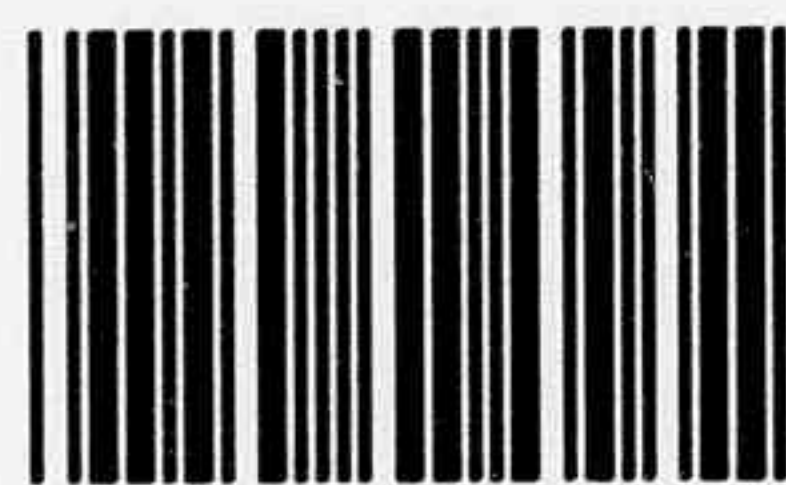
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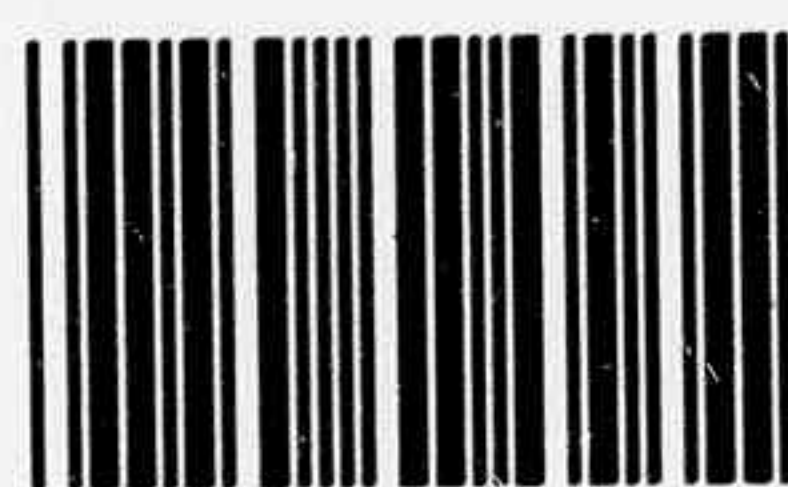
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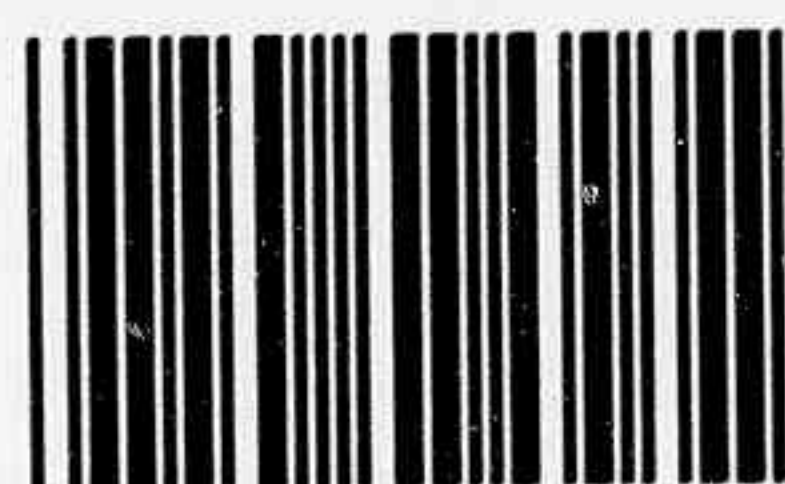
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Counsel,

Filed 15 day of

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Pleads

Not guilty (10)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

John O'Donnell

John McNeill

Neagh Keestello

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,

~~DANIEL G. ROLLINS,~~

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Allen S. Apoyan

Foreman.

John P. Papp

Wm. J. O'Rourke

July 2/81

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FOURTH DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

STATE OF NEW YORK,  
City and County of New York,

} ss.

By

*Henry Murray*

Esquire,

one of the **Police Justices** in and for the City of New York.

To the **Constables and Policemen** of said City, or any one of them; and to "**The Managers of the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents in the said City.**"

**THESE** are, in the name of the **People of the State of New York**, to command you, the said Constables and Policemen, or any one of you, to take and convey to, the **House of Refuge** for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, in said City of New York, the body of

*Bridget Pail*

aged *15* years, who being charged, on oath of *Officer Daniel*

*J. Hogan* with being a **Vagrant**, namely:

*a bad, disorderly girl who wanders abroad at all hours of the day and night in the company of dissolute and idle men and women and who desires to be sent to the House of Refuge*

I caused said *Bridget Pail* to be brought before me for **examination** on said charge, and I proceeded to inquire into the matter in her presence; and having read the proofs and allegations submitted to me, and duly considered the said matter, she was **convicted** on competent testimony, *as aforesaid*

of being such **Vagrant**, and was adjudged by me to be a proper object to be **committed** to said **House of Refuge**.

**AND** you, the said Managers, are therefore hereby *directed* to receive said

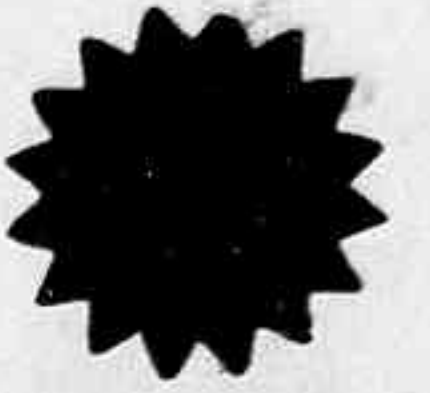
*Bridget Pail*

who is committed by me to your care; to be employed and instructed and otherwise dealt with according to the provisions of the Statute of the State of New York, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents in the City of New York," passed March 29th, 1824, and the several acts amending the same.

Given under my hand and seal, at the Fourth District **POLICE COURT**, in the said City of New York, the *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *April* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ~~seventy~~ *eighty*

*Henry Murray*

Police Justice.





No 1 175-70

Police Court—Fourth District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Commitment to House of Refuge.

28.

Bridget Vail

Dated

April 9<sup>th</sup>

1880

Justice.

Murray

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# At a Court of Special Sessions of the Peace,

Held in and for the City and County of New York,  
at the Halls of Justice of the said City, on *Fri* day,  
the *6* day of *July* in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy *Seven*

Present,

The Honorables

and

*Butler A. Bixby*  
*Marcus Albenberg*  
*Patrick G. Duffy*

Justices  
of the  
said Court.

Police Justices of the City of New York,

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK

vs.

*Bridget Vail*

On conviction, by the oath of a credible witness,  
of the **MISDEMEANOR** of *Pelt Lacey*  
*Goods & waf*  
*Richard Singleton*  
committed in said city, *2 July 1877*

after having duly elected to be tried by said Court, and after having been duly arraigned and  
duly charged upon the said Misdemeanor, and having duly answered the same.

Whereupon it is **ORDERED** and **ADJUDGED** by the Court, That the said

*Bridget Vail*

For the **MISDEMEANOR** aforesaid, whereof *She* is convicted, (it appearing to the Court  
that *he* is under the age of sixteen years,) be sent to the **HOUSE OF REFUGE**, there to  
be dealt with according to Law.

A TRUE EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES.

*Robert H. Thompson* Clerk.



No. 1 175-40

NEW YORK SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK

vs.

*Copy of Sentence.*

*Budget Mail*

*July 6*

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HOUSE OF REFUGE.



Samuel Gildersleeve

of No. House of Refuge Street, being duly sworn, deposes andsays, that on the Fifth day of July 1880

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

John O'Donnell, John M'Gill and Hugh Costello, all now here, they being at the time in Company and Consorting together, did unlawfully aid and assist a prisoner named Bridget Vail, then lawfully committed to and confined in the House of Refuge on Randall's Island in said City and County, to attempt to escape from such Confinement; and did with intent to facilitate the escape of said prisoner - break open the gate leading into the female prison of said House of Refuge and did procure and have there and store in their charge and possession a row-boat for the purpose of conveying said prisoner away from said place of Confinement in violation of the Statute in such case made and provided.

That deponent is Store Keeper in said House of Refuge, and knows that at said time said Bridget Vail was confined in said House of Refuge by virtue of an due and legal process of law.



That about 2 o'clock on the afternoon  
of said day deponent saw said  
defendants in Company together  
and standing close to the gate  
leading into said female prison.  
That deponent also saw a row  
boat in the river underneath  
the wall of said prison.

That deponent is informed by Thomas  
Bailey, here present, that he, said  
Thomas, saw said defendants in  
the act of breaking open said  
gate and inducing said Bridget  
by words to escape from said  
prison and accompany them in  
said boat; and deponent is further  
informed by said Bridget that  
the defendant, O'Donnell, after  
said gate was broken open, stood  
at the entrance to said prison  
and said to her "Come on out-  
side, and I'll take you away there  
a boat outside, we have a boat  
and when you are out you are  
free."

Samuel Giddenshere.

Given & before me this  
 6th day of July 1861  
 Hugh Gardner District Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,



City and County of New York, C.D.

Thomas Bailey, an inmate of the House of Refuge, being duly sworn says - That about the hour of 2 o'clock on the afternoon of the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1888 deponent saw John O'Donnell, John McCall and Hugh Costello, the prisoners now here, in the act of working at the gate leading into the female prison of said House of Refuge and forcibly opening said gate by springing the bolts securing the same. That when they had succeeded in opening said gate they stood together at said open gate and looked into the prison and spoke to the female prisoners therein and asked them to come out.

That Officer Files, now present, then comes to the gate whereupon the prisoners ran away and attempted to gain a row-boat which lay under the prison wall in little Hell gate river. That deponent



saw the defendant McGill, jump  
in the river in his efforts to  
escape arrest.

Sworn to before me this  
6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1881

Thomas Bailey

Hugh Garman Police Justice

City and County of New York, N.Y.

Bridget O'Neil, a prisoner confined  
in the House of Refuge, being duly  
sworn says - that she has heard  
read the foregoing affidavit of  
Samuel Giddensleeve and that  
so much of the same as relates  
to defendant is true of defendant  
own knowledge.

Sworn to before me this  
6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1881

Bridget O'Neil

Hugh Garman Police Justice



POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*John O'Donnell*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*Seventeen years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

*106 East 24<sup>th</sup> Street*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

*Long-Shawman*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of the charge.*

*John<sup>his</sup> O'Donnell*  
*Quack*

Taken before me, this

day of

*July*

*6<sup>th</sup>*  
*1871*

*Hugh Gaxner* Police Justice.



POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John M. Gill*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*John M. Gill*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*Eighteen years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ireland*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

*18 Spring Street*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

*Laborer*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of the charge.*

*John M. Gill*

Taken before me, this

*6th*

day of

*July*

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~~W. H. H. H. H.~~

*Hugh Gardner* Police Justice.



POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Hugh Costello*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Hugh Costello*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*Twenty-two years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

*74 Street & Eastern Boulevard*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

*I drive a team of horses.*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of the charge.*

*Hugh Costello*

Taken before me, this

*6<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*July*

18*80*

*Hugh Gardner* Police Justice.



POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Samuel Giddulene*  
*House of Refuge Randall's Island*

1 *John O'Donnell*  
2 *John McGill*  
3 *Hugh Costello*  
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BAILED.

No. 1, by .....  
Residence, .....  
No. 2, by .....  
Residence, .....  
No. 3, by .....  
Residence, .....  
No. 4, by .....  
Residence, .....

Dated

*July 6<sup>th</sup>*

1881

*Gardner*

Magistrate.

*Files 12<sup>th</sup>*

Officer.

*McA*

Clerk.

Witnesses,

*David L. Files, 12<sup>th</sup> Prec. Police*  
*Thomas Bailey, House of Refuge*  
*Bridget Paul, House of Refuge.*

#500. Ans. G. S. -  
*Each*  
*Cond*  
Received in Dist. Att'y's Office.

*Office*  
*Adding*  
*To occupy*  
*from*  
*engagements*



city and county  
of New York. } ss

The jurors of the  
People of the State of New York in  
and for the body of the city and  
county of New York. upon their oath  
present,

That John Donnell, John McGill and  
Hugh Costello each, late of the Twelfth  
Ward of the city of New York in the  
county of New York aforesaid, on the  
fifth day of July in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and eighty-one at the Ward, city and  
county aforesaid, did unlawfully and  
intentionally aid and assist one  
Bridget Vail to escape from the House  
of Refuge for the Reformation of Juvenile  
Delinquents in the city and county  
aforesaid where she the said Bridget  
Vail was then and there lawfully  
committed, imprisoned and confined  
under and in pursuance and in  
execution of a judgment and conviction  
made and rendered by Henry Murray as a  
Police Justice of the city of New York  
whereas and whereby she the said  
Bridget Vail was duly adjudged to be



and convicted of being a vagrant and committing the offence of vagrancy in the City and County aforesaid by and before the said Henry Murray as such Police Justice as aforesaid (he the said Henry Murray being lawfully then and there such Police Justice as aforesaid and then and there having competent authority and jurisdiction in the premises) and have duly and regularly as such Police Justice as aforesaid tried and convicted her the said Bridget Vail on a complaint duly made before him the said Henry Murray as such Police Justice as aforesaid against her the said Bridget Vail for being such vagrant as aforesaid 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.

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further present: That they the said John O'Donnell John McGill and Hugh Costello each 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 did unlaw-  
fully and intentionally attempt and  
endeavor to aid and assist on  
Bridget Vail to escape from the House  
of Refuge for the Reformation of Juvenile  
Delinquents in the City and County  
aforesaid where she the said Bridget  
Vail was then and there lawfully committed,  
imprisoned and confined under and in  
pursuance and in execution of a  
judgment and conviction made and  
rendered by Henry Murray as a  
Police Justice of the City of New York  
whereon and whereby she the said  
Bridget Vail was duly adjudged to be  
and convicted of being a vagrant  
and committing the offence of vagrancy  
in the City and County aforesaid  
by and before the said Henry Murray  
as such Police Justice as aforesaid  
(he the said Henry Murray being  
lawfully then and there such Police  
Justice as aforesaid and then and  
there having competent authority  
and jurisdiction in the premises)



and have duly and regularly as such  
Police Justice as aforesaid tried and  
convicted her the said Bridget  
Vail on a complaint duly made before  
him the said Henry Murray as such  
Police Justice as aforesaid against her  
the said Bridget Vail for being such  
vagrant as aforesaid 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.

Daniel G. Rollins  
District Attorney.