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FOLDER:

1326

DESCRIPTION:

Rathjeus, Christopher

DATE:

01/18/84



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Witnesses:  
Off. J. J. Cuff  
19 Jan Over

1874  
Day of Trial,  
Counsel,  
Filed 18 day of Jan 1884  
Pleeds (Argued by)

THE PEOPLE  
vs. *B*  
*Christensen*  
*Bradigan*  
Violation of Excise Laws.  
Unlawful Hours.  
III R. S. 1989 1/2

PETER B. CLNEY,  
~~JOHN McKEON,~~

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Amundson*  
Foreman.

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EXCISE VIOLATION—WITHOUT LICENSE.

Police Court—4 District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Police officer*  
of *New York*

*19th Precinct Police*

*John P. Cuff aged 36 years*

Street,

of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the *16th* day

of *November* 188*3*, in the City of New York, in the County of New York, at

No. *746 Sixth Avenue* Street,

*Christopher Rathjens*

did then and there sell, and caused, suffered and permitted to be sold, under his direction and authority, strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, being intoxicating liquors, in quantities less than five gallons at a time, to be drunk in the house or premises aforesaid ~~without having a proper license~~ contrary to and in violation of law.

*Said defendant sold deponent and divers other persons Beer between the hours of 1 and 5 o'clock on the morning of said day*

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

*Christopher Rathjens*

Sworn to before me, this *17th* day  
of *November* 188*3*

*John P. Cuff*

*John P. Cuff* POLICE JUSTICE.

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City and County of New York, ss.

POLICE COURT, FOURTH DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

Christopher Rathjens

On Complaint of

John P. Huff

For

violation of the Penal Law

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

Dated

November 17

1883

Christ Rathjens

W. J. Brown

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

4 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Christopher Rathjens*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*22 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Germany*

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

Answer.

*746 6th Avenue, 5 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Bar tender*

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*

*Chris Rathjens*

Taken before me this  
day of *November*  
188*8*

*W. J. C. 1888*

Police Justice.

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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 Christopher Rathjeus

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

Dated November 17 1883 Wm. J. Cowan Police Justice.

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

Dated Nov 17 1883 Wm. J. Cowan 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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BAILED.

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court

District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

19<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Dated

1883

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

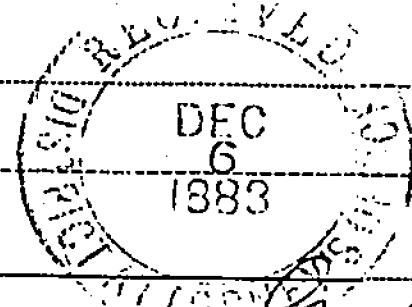
Street,

No.

Street,

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to answer



Bailed  
filed 18 Nov 1883

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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*

*Christopher Rathjens*

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

*Christopher Rathjens*

of the crime of EXPOSING FOR SALE AND SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, WINES, ALE AND BEER, AT UNLAWFUL HOURS, committed as follows:

The said *Christopher Rathjens*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Seventh* day of *November* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*three* being then and there in charge of, and having the control of certain premises at number *Seven and* *and forty six* *Smith Avenue*

in the City and County aforesaid, which said place was then duly licensed as a place for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, between the hours of one and five o'clock in the morning of said day, with force and arms, certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain wines, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whisky, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did expose for sale and sell as a beverage to *John T. Cuff*

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



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SECOND COUNT—

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

Rathgins

of the crime of GIVING AWAY AND DISPOSING OF STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, WINES, ALE AND BEER, AT UNLAWFUL HOURS, committed as follows:

The said Christopher Rathgins

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: On the said Sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~three~~ being then and there in charge of, and having the control of certain premises known as number Seven Hundred and Forty

Six Sixth Avenue

in the City and County aforesaid, which said place was then and there duly licensed as a place for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, between the hours of one and five o'clock in the morning of said day, with force and arms, certain strong and spirituous liquors and certain wines, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whisky, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did give away and dispose of as a beverage to John J. Cull

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

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THIRD COUNT—

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

of the crime of KEEPING OPEN, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF ONE AND FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING, a place licensed for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, committed as follows:

The said Christopher Bartholomew

late of the First Ward of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the said Sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty three being then and there in charge of and having the control of certain premises at number Seven Hundred and forty  
and Sixty Sixth Avenue

in the City and County aforesaid, which said place was then duly licensed as a place for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the said place so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did not close and keep closed between the hours of one and five o'clock in the morning of said day, and between said hours of said day, to wit: at the hour of two o'clock in the morning of said day, the said place so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did then and there open and cause and procure, and suffer and permit, at the time aforesaid to be open and to remain open against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.

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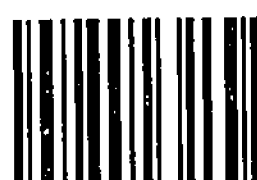
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DESCRIPTION:

Reardon, Michael

DATE:

01/21/84



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Witnesses:

Patrick Quinn

Off Mrs. Street

10 Pm

22 July 1884

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#710 - *L. C. Quinn*  
Filed 21 day of Jan 1884

Pleads *of July 1884*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*P*

*misdeed*

*Brandon*

Assault in the First Degree.  
(Firearms.)

PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN MCKEON

District Attorney.

*22 July 1884*

*Fried & acquitted.*

A TRUE BILL.

*W. M. Smith*  
Foreman.

*22 July 1884*  
*28 July 1884*  
*28 July 1884*

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Police Court— 3rd District.

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

John Oyster dealer  
of No. 196 Madison

Patrick Quinn aged 43

Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that  
on Friday the 4th day of December  
in the year 1883 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Michael Rardon

(nowhere) who aimed and discharged  
two shots from a Revolving Pistol at  
deponent, one ball of one of said  
shots struck deponent in the right  
thigh, and said assault was  
committed

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or to do him <sup>gross</sup> bodily harm; and with out 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 be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 15 day  
of January 1884

Patrick Quinn

Arthur J. Smith  
POLICE JUSTICE.

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Dec. 198-200

3rd District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Michael Reardon 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. Michael Reardon

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 30 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. 305 East 81 Street, 6 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Bricklayer

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 Reardon

Taken before me this

14

day of

December

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Police Justice.

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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 Michael Reardon

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 January 15 188 ✓ Andrew J. Walsh Police Justice.

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

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

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ 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-- 3 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Patrick Quinn  
196 Madison St  
Michael Reardon

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated January 15 1884

Whity Magistrate.

Deutt Officer.

10 Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

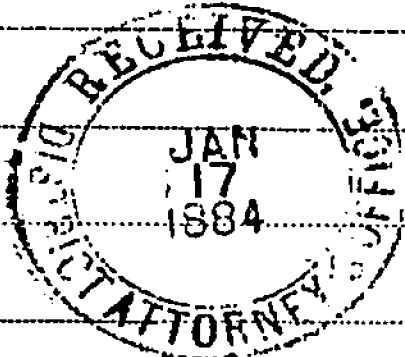
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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Office of  
Deputy  
Recorder

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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

*Michael Reardon*

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

of the CRIME OF *Assault in the first degree*, committed as follows:

The said

*Michael Reardon*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Seventh* day of *December* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *three* with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of *Patrick Quinn* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and to, at and against *Quinn* the said *Patrick Quinn* a certain *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *Michael Reardon* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously, did then and there shoot off and discharge, with intent *Quinn* the said *Patrick Quinn* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided. and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT.

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

*Michael Reardon*

of the Crime of assault in the second degree, committed as follows:

The said

*Michael Reardon, late of the City and County aforesaid*

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said *Patrick Quinn* then and there being, feloniously did, wilfully and wrongfully, make an assault, and to, at and against *Quinn* the said *Patrick Quinn* a certain *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which *he* the said

*Michael Reardon*

in *his* right hand, then and there had and held, the same being an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, feloniously did, wilfully and wrongfully then and there shoot off and discharge

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.

PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Reid, James

DATE:

01/09/84



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Witnesses:

James O'Brien

Counsel,  
Filed 9 day of Jan'y 1884  
Pleads *Not Guilty* 10

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*James O'Brien*  
*Grand Juror*

PETER B. CLNEY,

~~JOHN MCKEON~~

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*James O'Brien*

Jan'y 17/84

Foreman.

*James O'Brien*

S.P. 13 years

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INDICTMENT.  
Grand Juror in the second degree.

1884 Jan'y 10

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District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK,

of No.

Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the

day of

1883

in

at the

City of New York,

in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent.

the following property, viz:

A Silver Watch with  
 brass chain attached thereto all  
 of the value of eight dollars

Sworn before me this

the property of

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

Amos Reid Now here  
 that deponent was in company  
 with the defendant & another person  
 in premises No 23 James Street  
 where all had some beer—that  
 when deponent arose to leave said  
 room said Reid suddenly & dextrously  
 snatched the chain and begged the watch  
 from a pocket of deponents vest and  
 immediately ran off followed by said  
 other person who kicked deponent in the  
 back to prevent him following them

Joseph O'Brien

Police Justice,

1883



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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*James Reid* 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.

*James Reid*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*24 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*This City*

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

Answer.

*109 Greenwich Street about 3 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 of the charge*

*James Reid*

Taken before me this

day of

188

Police Justice.

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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 James Reid

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 May 3 1884 W. L. Luff Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Police Court

1008 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Joseph P. Men

James Reid

offence  
Larceny  
from person

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$ 1000 to answer



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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 Reid

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

James Reid

of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE Second DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said James Reid

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the 29th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms

one watch of the

value of seven dollars

and one chain of the

value of one dollar

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Joseph O'Brien  
on the person of the said Joseph O'Brien  
then and there being found, from the person of the said

Joseph O'Brien

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.

PETER B. OLNEY,

~~JOHN McKEON~~, District Attorney.



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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Reiley, James

DATE:

01/10/84



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Witnesses

Harry Rosenblatt

Counsel,  
Filed 10 day of June 1884  
Pleads "Not guilty"

100/100  
THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
R  
James  
Bridgman  
INDICTMENT:  
Grand Larceny in the 2nd degree.  
[528 and 530]

PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN McKEON,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Am. W. Little  
J. H. 84 84 84  
J. H. 84 84 84 Foreman.  
Chief of Court  
# 64 S.P. 8 year.

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District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No.

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being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the

26

day of

December 1883

in the

night time

City of New York,

in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession

of deponent.

the following property, viz :

One gold Chain of the Value  
of forty Dollars and one silver  
Watch of the Value of Ten Dollars  
in, and of the Value of  
~~forty~~ <sup>fifty</sup> Dollars \$50.00

the property of

deponent

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

James Riley Nowhere  
With the intent to deprive the true owner  
of said property from the fact that  
prior to said larceny the said  
Watch and Chain was in deponent's  
possession then and there was on the  
person of deponent, and about the  
hour of six o'clock White deponent  
was in his store at the above  
Number, the said defendant came

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in And asked defendant to give  
him some money for lodging. Which  
defendant refused to do. After he then  
snatched defendant's watch and chain <sup>from neck</sup>  
and ran from the store. Defendant followed  
and ~~saw~~ saw the said defendant  
throw the said watch and chain away  
sworn before me H. Rosenblatt  
this 24th day of December 1883

Henry Murray Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

vs.

Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION



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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

4 District Police Court.

*James Reiley* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is h 5 right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against h u; that the statement is designed to  
enable h u if h e see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h u  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that h e waiver cannot be used  
against h u on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *James Reiley*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *46 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *At home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Optic Business*

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 Reiley*

Taken before me this

day of

*Dec*

*22*

*1883*

*1883*

Police Justice.

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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 \$100  
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 Dec 27 1883 Wm. H. Murray Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

*James Rosenblatt*  
*vs*  
*James Reilly*

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Dated *Dec 27* 1883

*Henry Murray* Magistrate.

*John Berry* Officer.

*19* Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

\$ *1000* to answer *G. S.*

*See*



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The People's Court of General Sessions, Part 7  
10. Before Judge Cowing Jan. 24, 1884.  
James Reiley } Indictment for grand larceny  
in the first degree.

Henry Rosenblatt, sworn. On the 26<sup>th</sup> of last Dec. I lost a watch and chain. I carried it in my vest pocket, left hand vest pocket. It was a silver watch with a gold chain attached to it, fastened in the button hole of my vest; it was valued at \$50 to \$55; it was taken from me between six and seven o'clock at night; it was dark after I lit the gas. It was taken from me in my place of business No 719 Third Avenue in my store. I am in the clothing business. I saw the prisoner there that night; he came into my store between six and seven. I did not know him before he came into my place and asked me for some money. I told him if I gave everybody who came in asking for money I would give my store away. He said, that I had plenty; look at all the wealth around here. I ought to spare a little, he had not anything, he was one of the lost tribes. I says, I cannot help whether you are lost or found, I have not anything for you, you had better go out.



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Look at all the wealth in here, I am going to get something of it. I got up. I was reading the paper; he made a snatch for my watch and ran and I ran out after him; he got the watch and chain pulled it ~~off~~ loose and broke the chain in three different pieces and ran out of the store on the sidewalk. I overtook him. I found nothing; he had it in his hand; he threw me over his head on to the sidewalk; we clinched and he tried to throw the watch on to the street. One of the neighbors picked it up. There is no mistake about the prisoner being the man. I caught him about ten feet from my store. I did not give him in custody; he got away; he did not get away from me, but I got the watch and let him loose because there was nobody in the store at the time. I was afraid it was a dodge for somebody else to get into the store - the doors were open. A strange man came and got the officer and pointed out the prisoner as the man and he was arrested. I went to the police Court and made my complaint; he was arrested the same night and at the same time. It was 25 or 30 minutes after that I saw him at the police station.

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John Devery sworn. I am an officer and arrested the prisoner between 49<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> st. on Third Avenue. I know where the store of the complainant is; it is about four blocks from where I arrested the prisoner. I saw a crowd in the front of the complainant's store and I walked down. I arrested the prisoner and took him to the station house and the complainant identified him; the prisoner made no statement to me.

James Reiley, sworn and examined in his own behalf testified. I heard the testimony of the complainant. I was going along Third Avenue about six o'clock. I went into two or three stores begging. I was hard up and I went into the complainant's store and asked him for a few pennies to pay my lodging. He said something, I don't know what it was; "you go to hell;" with that he made a rush for me. I went out and left the door open. About two doors away he came up and knocked me down; he made my nose bleed. I got up and he hit me the second time and I fell. I had a bundle in my arms at the same time. After I got up there was a crowd gathered around. They say, "What is the matter?" "is it a thief?" He says,

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"yes, it is a thief." I said, "no, I aint." A fellow said, "here is your bundle, young fellow." I said, he was a liar or something like that, and walked away up four or five blocks. I was not running up the avenue. There was no cry of "stop thief"; there was no crowd after me. I could have got away if I had done such a thing as this. I never saw this watch and the policeman did not say anything. When the policeman arrested me I thought it was for begging, and he took me into the station house. The Sergeant said, "What is the charge?" He said something about a watch. "There is the complainant?" He says, he will be here pretty soon." I waited 20 minutes more or less; the man came up and laid the watch on the counter and made the charge against me of stealing a watch. I did not see the watch in the store and never grabbed it. I was taken the next morning to the Police Court before Judge Murray. Cross Examined. There was no one in the store but the complainant when I went in; he was sitting down. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of grand larceny in the first degree. He was sentenced to the State prison for eight years.



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Testimony in the  
Case of  
James Reilly  
filed Jan.  
1884.



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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 Reiley

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

of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE first DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said James Reiley

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the 26th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms

in the night

time of said day, one watch of the value of ten dollars, and one chain of the value of forty dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Henry Rosenthal on the person of the said Henry Rosenthal then and there being found, from the person of the said Henry Rosenthal 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.

PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.

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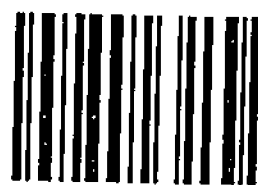
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DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, Lawrence J.

DATE:

01/18/84



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Witnessed by  
Off. J. J. Cuff

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Day of Trial, *18th of September*  
Counsel, *W. B. Olney*  
Filed *18* day of *Jan* 188*4*  
Plads *forfully by*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*B*  
*Lawrence*  
*Griffin*  
PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN MCKEON,  
District Attorney.

Violation of Excise Law.  
Selling without License.  
E R. S. 71981 & 12

A TRUE BILL.

*Amos Little*

Foreman.

*27th* *Aug* *1884*  
*Nov 26 1884*  
*Nov 29 1884*

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EXCISE VIOLATION—WITHOUT LICENSE.

Police Court—4 District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

of No. the 19<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police John J. Buff Street,

of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day

of December 1883, in the City of New York, in the County of New York, at

No. 740 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Street,

Lawrence Reilly (now present)  
did then and there sell, and caused, suffered and permitted to be sold, under his direction and authority, strong and spirituous liquors, ~~wines, ale and beer~~, being intoxicating liquors, in quantities less than five gallons at a time, to be drunk in the house or premises aforesaid, without having a proper license therefor contrary to and in violation of law.

that said Reilly sold & dep. ment 3 glasses of whiskey, for which he received payment for,

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

Sworn to before me, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day  
of December 1883

W. J. O'Connor

POLICE JUSTICE.



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City and County of New York, ss.

POLICE COURT, FOURTH DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

Laurence Reilly

On Complaint of

For Violation

John J. Caffrey  
Excise Law

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

Dated

December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1893

Laurence J. Reilly

W. J. Brown

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Laurence Reilly* 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. *Laurence Reilly*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *33 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Albany, N.Y.*

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

Answer. *797 2<sup>d</sup> Avenue, 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Bar Keeper*

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 of the charge preferred against me. I am bar tender in the store 740 3<sup>d</sup> Avenue, and for which there is a license to sell ales and liquors and said license does not expire untill April 1884. and said license has never been revoked by the Exam board of the city of New York. and I believed that I had a lawful right to sell liquors. untill the license was revoked by the said board.*  
*Laurence J. Reilly*

Taken before me this

day of *December* 188*3*

*Wm. J. Fox*

Police Justice.

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Sec. 102.

H<sup>2</sup> District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

An information having been laid before Minors, J. P. a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging Lawrence J. Reilly Defendant with  
the offence of Violation of the Police Law

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

We, Lawrence J. Reilly Defendant of No. 797  
134th Street; by occupation a Bar-keeper  
and John C. O'Brien of No. 10 E-46  
Street, by occupation a Bar-keeper Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that  
the above named Lawrence J. Reilly Defendant  
shall personally appear before the said Justice at the H<sup>2</sup> District Police Court in the City of New York,  
during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York, the sum of One  
Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 3  
day of December 1883

Carl G. Carr POLICE JUSTICE,

Lawrence J. Reilly  
John C. O'Brien



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CITY AND COUNTY } ss,  
OF NEW YORK, }

Sworn to before me, this  
day of December  
1887  
Police Justice.

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

a horse lot situated  
& known as No 170 East 74 Street  
in said City, of the above value  
over seven hundred

John E. O'Brien

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs,

Undertaking to appear during  
the Examination.

Taken the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188

Justice,



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Copy

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 ~~Thurs~~ day,  
the 3 day of May in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty 3

Present,

The Honorables J Henry Lord  
and James J Kilbreth } Justices  
Salon B. Smith } of the  
Police Justices of the City of New York. } said Court.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

vs.

James Mc Namara

On conviction, by ~~the oath of a credible witness,~~ <sup>Confession</sup>  
of the MISDEMEANOR, of unlawfully  
selling Intoxicating Liquors  
on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
committed in said City, 1883

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

James Mc Namara

For the MISDEMEANOR aforesaid, whereof he is convicted, pay a  
fine of 10 Dollars. And it is further ordered  
that he stand committed to the custody of the Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until the said fine be paid, but not exceeding  
10 days. Paid

A TRUE EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES.

Geo. M. Wood Clerk.

New York Special Sessions of the Peace,

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

vs

*James Mc Namara*

*Copy of Sentence.*

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CITY PRISON.

FINED \$

Imprisonment not to exceed days.

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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 One  
Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he  
give such bail.

Dated December 8 1883 W. J. O'Neil Police Justice.

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

Dated Dec 8 1883 W. J. O'Neil 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_  
Police Justice.

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\$ 100  
In Ex' see 8.10 am.

Police Court-- District. 920

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John S. Buff

1 Lawrence J. Reilly

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Dated December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1883

M. J. Power Magistrate.

Buff Officer.

19 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. Street.

No. Street,

No. Street,

\$ 100 to answer G. S.

Bailed

BAILED.

No. 1, by John S. Buff

Residence Thomas Maguire Street.

223 East 55 St

No. 2, by

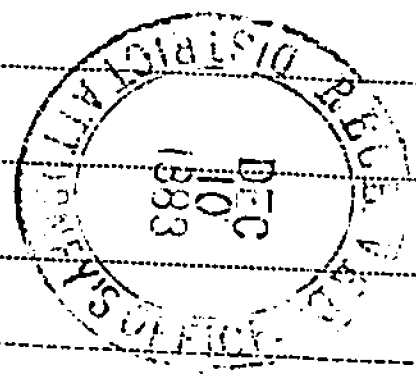
Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.





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# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*Laurence J. Reilly*

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

*Laurence J. Reilly*

of the CRIME of *Selling Spirituous Liquors without a License*, committed as follows :

The said

*Laurence J. Reilly*

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *third* day of *December* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *three*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain wines, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell, in quantity less than five gallons at one time, to

*John S. Cough*

and to certain other persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, without having a license therefor, as required by law, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the People of the State of New York.

PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Ricard, John

DATE:

01/15/84



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Witnesses:

Armand Puzley

Officer Price

#1312

Counsel  
Filed 15 day of Jan 1884

Pleads  
Not guilty to

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Richard  
Grand Larceny 2<sup>nd</sup> degree  
Sections 528, 531, — Penal Code.

PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

AMW Little  
Foreman.

Langston/04.

Speed & convicted  
of Petit Larceny  
Pen 6 months

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In the Court of General Sessions of the  
Peace in & for the City & County of New York,

The People vs  
against  
John Ricard.

We the undersigned, members of  
the jury, which, on January 22<sup>nd</sup> 1884  
in Part I of the above Court, found  
the abovenamed defendant guilty  
of petit larceny, being satisfied that  
said defendant was never before  
charged with crime, that he under-  
stands little of the language and  
customs of this country and that  
the circumstances of the case are  
unparalleled, so far as the <sup>principals</sup> testimony  
for the people is concerned, and feeling  
that the ends of justice would be sub-  
served by a suspension of sentence, or  
by a short imprisonment in the City  
Prison, respectfully ask this Court  
to exercise its discretion in extending  
the clemency of it in one or other  
direction.

Simon D. Bilefield  
Charles W. Jones

recommends a short imprisonment  
Recommends a short imprisonment



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*NY General Sessions Court.*

*The People vs*

*Plaintiff*

*against*

*John Picard*

*Defendant*

*Petition*

HARRY C. BEACH,

*Attorney for defendant*

319 BROADWAY,

NEW YORK

Room No 11

*To*

*Esq.*

*Attorney for*

Due and timely service of a copy of the within

is hereby admitted.

*Dated*

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*Attorney for*

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

POLICE COURT, 2 DISTRICT.

Natie Ricard

of No. 289 Seventh Avenue Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 188 4

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

John Ricard, now here, who is the  
husband of deponent, brought  
the plates now described in  
the foregoing affidavit of Amos  
Kinzler to the home of  
deponent at the premises aforesaid.  
That on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst. deponent  
took all the property described  
in the said foregoing affidavit  
to the 29<sup>th</sup> Precinct Station House  
and informed the police that

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Husband had brought some  
the property aforesaid and that  
she had found the same in  
the bureau drawer belonging  
to said dependent. Katie Richard  
 sworn to before me this 11th day of July 1888 (init.)

M. D. Patterson Police Justice

POLICE COURT—	DISTRICT.
THE PEOPLE, &c.,	
ON THE COMPLAINT OF	
vs.	
Dated	188
Magistrate.	
Officer.	
Witness,	
Disposition	

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Sec. 193-200

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Ricard* 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.

day of

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Police Justice.



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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 John Ricard

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 Jan 1 188 . J. W. Patterson Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Police Court-- 2 District. <sup>1029</sup>

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Arnold Krizler*  
*Hotel Brunswick*  
*5<sup>th</sup> av. 9 26<sup>th</sup>*  
*John Ricard*

Office of  
*Arnold Krizler*

BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated *Jan 11* 188 *9*

*Patterson* Magistrate.

*James H. Ricci* Officer.

*29* Precinct.

Witnesses *James H. Ricci*

No. *29* Precinct *Police* Street.

*Hattie Ricard*

No. *26* Precinct *Police* Street.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

\$ *1000* to answer *G. S.*

*Comm.*

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District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Armand Kitzler, aged 23 years,*  
 of *Hotel Brunswick, Street 5<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Superintendent,*  
 being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *January* 188 *4*  
 at the *day time in the* City of New York,  
 in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
 of deponent *with intent to deprive the true owner thereof,*  
 the following property, viz :

*12 plated Dessert Spoons, 14 Plated  
 Tea Spoons, 2 plated butter knives,  
 12 plated table knives, 12 plated  
 forks and eight linen napkins,  
 said property being in all of the  
 value of forty-four (44) dollars*

the property of *James Mitchell and James Kitzler,*  
*Co-partners*

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 *John Ricard, now here,*

*for the reasons following, to wit: That*  
*said deponent was then a waiter*  
*at the Brunswick Hotel. That the*  
*wife of said deponent brought*  
*said property to the 29<sup>th</sup> Precinct Station*  
*House and stated that the deponent*  
*had stolen the same and brought*  
*the said stolen property to their home*  
*at 289-7<sup>th</sup> Avenue or or about the*  
*day aforesaid, as she now here*  
*informs deponent. That the property*

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aforsaid, all of which is now here shown,  
was stolen from said hotel and  
is the property of said Mitchell and  
Kinzler, the lessee of said hotel,  
and was on care and charge of  
deponent as superintendent of said  
hotel.

Sworn to before me this } Armand Kinzler  
11<sup>th</sup> day of January 1884 } Marshall Kinzler

J. W. Patterson

Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

vs.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

Disposition



The People } Court of General Sessions. Part I  
 John Ricard } Before Judge Cowing. Jan. 22. 1884.  
 Indictment for grand larceny in the second  
 degree. Armand F. Kinsler, sworn and examined.  
 I am Superintendent of the Hotel Brunswick  
 on Fifth Avenue between 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Sts.  
 in this city. I don't know what day of this  
 month some property was taken from the  
 hotel. I afterwards identified some spoons,  
 forks, table and tea spoons, table tops, linens  
 and napkins, which I saw at the 29<sup>th</sup> St.  
 Station House in charge of Capt. Williams. The  
 property belonged to Mitchell and Kinsler,  
 proprietors of the hotel. Mr. Kinsler is my  
 father. I am Superintendent and am in  
 charge of the property. The property was taken  
 without the consent of the owners and it  
 was valued at forty four dollars. The property  
 was first brought to me by Officer Price  
 in the hotel about two weeks ago. Cross  
 examined. This was German silver plated  
 before. If the hotel had to buy the property  
 it would cost thirty dollars. I have no pos-  
 itive knowledge that this property was taken  
 all at one time. I do not know who took  
 it from the hotel. I have not purchased  
 second hand silver ware and I do not  
 know its value; we do not buy second  
 hand stuff at our hotel.

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Katie Ricard sworn. I am the wife of the  
Defendant and was married to him three  
weeks before the arrest; on the 9th of Jan-  
uary, I lived at 289 Seventh Ave.; my  
husband's business was waiter at the Hotel Brunswick.  
About the 9th of January my husband  
brought in silver ware and plated ware;  
it was a bundle rolled in a napkin and  
contained silver knives and forks, dessert  
spoons and tea spoons. The mark of the  
Brunswick hotel was on all the property.  
My husband on the 9th took at three o'clock  
in my room; he took it out of his over-  
coat pocket and put it in the bureau  
drawer. I did not know what was in the  
bundle until he went out. A night or  
two before that he gave me the present  
of a watch and locket. I do not know as  
he took it, but I lost it. I was looking for  
it and I saw this silver with the hotel  
mark on it. I told my husband when  
he came home from work and asked  
him if he would not take this silver  
back. He went out and I went down  
26th St. after him and he would not speak  
to me. He came back and in the  
presence of a lady I said, if he would  
not take it back I would have him

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arrested I would not have it in my room. I did not want to get into trouble. I went down the avenue to take an officer off his beat. I told him there was stolen property in my bureau drawer I thought. He asked me who put it there. I told him it was my husband. I went with the officer to the 29<sup>th</sup> precinct station house and this property. I took the property there in the same shape that it was brought to the house rolled up in a napkin. He brought the package all there in one parcel.

There had been in the room before that two knives, two forks, two butter knives and four tea spoons. I gave them all back.

Cross Examined - Before I married the defendant I was employed at 314 Twenty ninth St. I have my reference. I was cooking, washing and ironing. When I was married a friend of his named Charlie stood up with us; he roomed with my husband. I said at the police Court that I thought my husband took the watch that he gave me because there was no one else to take it. I did not say that if I had not lost my watch and chain I would not have said anything about the matter. I did not know when I married him that he was a thief.



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James K. Price sworn. This silver ware was brought to the station house of the 29<sup>th</sup> precinct and identified to be the property of the Hotel Brunswick by Mr. Kintzler. I went with him to where the woman resided 289 Seventh ave. She then accompanied us to the hotel and she pointed out the defendant as the man who brought the silver ware to her house; she said it was her duty she believed to return the property.

John Ricard, sworn and examined in his own behalf through the interpreter. I was employed at the hotel twice - once ~~as~~ eighteen days and once a month and eight days. I have been in this city nine months. I worked in a downtown restaurant kept by John Bianca for five months and a half. I went to Philadelphia and came back to this city and got employment at the hotel Brunswick. I was never arrested before. I was at Mr. Fries house in Sixth Avenue where all the waiters go to get employment. I conversed with a young man there who told me he had been a waiter in nearly all the hotels. I treated him to drink and we went to the Park together opposite Delmonicos. The next day we had a drink again and he came



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with me where I lived. He had a package wrapped up in a napkin and a piece of paper around it; he gave me his name as Charlie and told me he had been a waiter at the hotel Brunswick; he asked me for the loan of five dollars on the package; he said it was silver left from a restaurant that he kept down town; he said he would pay me back the next day; he did not come back. I did not know anything was wrong until my wife complained about losing her watch.

John Biancchi sworn. I keep a lager beer saloon; the prisoner worked for me five months. I never found anything wrong.

The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of petty larceny.

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Testimony in the  
Case of  
John Ricard  
filed Jan.

1884.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
against

*John Ricard*

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

*John Ricard*

of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *second* degree, committed as follows:

The said

*John Ricard*

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

*twenty six spoons of the  
value of seventy five cents  
each, fourteen knives of  
the value of seventy five  
cents each, twelve forks of  
the value of seventy five  
cents each, and eight napkins  
of the value of fifty cents  
each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *James Mitchell*

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.

*Peter B. O'Hare*  
*District Attorney*

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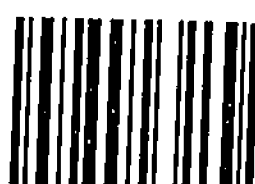
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Richardson, Edward T.

DATE:

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Witness  
Chas. John.

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Counsel,

Filed 23 day of Jan

1884

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

vs.

Edward S.

Richardson  
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PETER R. OLNEY,

JOHN MCKEON,

District Attorney.

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Y. L. & Co. & Co. & Co.

A TRUE BILL.

S. P. Your grace.

W. M. V. Little

Foreman

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Police Court—3<sup>rd</sup> District.

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

Charles Kohn

of No. 37 Pitt Street, aged 27 years,

occupation Cigar Maker being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No 37 Pitt Street,

13<sup>th</sup> Ward in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a Dwelling House

The second floor of

and which was occupied by deponent as a Dwelling

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

and Samuel Kohn deponent

attempted to be were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly attempting to

force open a door leading to the front Room

of said floor

on the 17 day of January 1884 in the day time, and the

following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, to wit:

with the intent to commit a crime.

and to steal the following property:

One gold Watch & Gold Chain of the Value

of one hundred dollar

the property of deponent

and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid

BURGLARY attempted to be was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away by

Edward P. Richardson (nowhere)

for the reasons following, to wit: That at the hour of about

9 o'clock this a m, deponent was in bed,

and then & then heard some person on the

outside of the aforesaid door working

and attempting to break said door with

some instrument Deponent got out of his

bed, and then & then discovered said Edward

in the act of attempting to break open said

door, and when discovered he ran away

Charles Kohn

*known to deponent since this  
property of January 1884  
My son Willie Kohn's father*

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Sec. 198—200

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Edward J. Richardson* 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. *Edward J. Richardson*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Boston*

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

Answer. *38 East Houston Street 3 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Glass crane painter*

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*

Taken before me this *14*  
day of *January* 188*8*  
*John J. Muldoon*  
Judge Police Justice.

*Edward J. Richardson*

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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

*Edw. F. Richardson*

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 2500.  
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 January 19 188 *4*

*Wm. H. Miller* Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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

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

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

*Charles Kohn*  
*37 Pitt St.*

1 *Edw. T. Richardson*

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*Officer Barry*

Dated

*January 17*

1884

Magistrate.

*Wm. H. Birmingham*

Officer.

*13*

Precinct.

Witnesses

*said officer*

No

Street.

*Frieda Heuschel*

No.

*50*

Street.

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*2500*

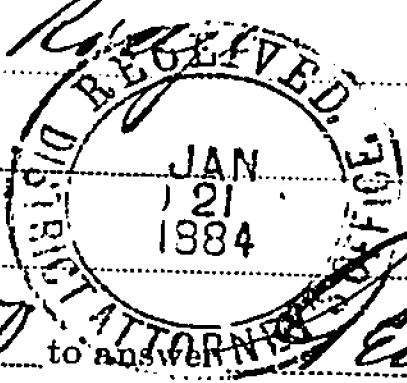
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to answer

Sessions.

*Chas. A.*



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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

*Edward J. Richardson*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse *Edward J. Richardson*

of the CRIME OF *Assault in the first degree*, committed as follows:

The said *Edward J. Richardson*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the ~~Seventeenth~~ day of *January* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty ~~four~~ with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of *Bernard S. Birmingham* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and to, at and against *him* the said *Bernard S. Birmingham* a certain *revolver* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *Edward J. Richardson* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously, did then and there shoot off and discharge, with intent — *him* — the said *Bernard S. Birmingham* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided. and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

## SECOND COUNT.

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

*Edward J. Richardson*

of the Crime of assault in the second degree, committed as follows:

The said *Edward J. Richardson* ~~late of~~  
*the City and County aforesaid*

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said *Bernard S. Birmingham* then and there being, feloniously did, wilfully and wrongfully, make an assault, and to, at and against *him* the said *Bernard S. Birmingham* a certain *revolver* — then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which *he* the said

*Edward J. Richardson*

in *his* right hand, then and there had and held, the same being an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, feloniously did, wilfully and wrongfully then and there shoot off and discharge

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.

~~Edward J. Richardson~~

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Third COUNT.

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

Edward T. Richardson  
of the CRIME OF Assault in the Second Degree  
committed as follows:

The said Edward T. Richardson  
late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, on the  
Seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-four, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

in and upon one Bernard T. Birmingham  
(then and there being a patrolman of the  
municipal Police of the City of New York  
and as such patrolman being then and  
there engaged in the lawful apprehension  
of him the said Edward T. Richardson  
for attempting to commit a Burglary)  
feloniously did make an assault: and  
to, at and against him the said Bernard  
T. Birmingham a certain pistol then and  
there charged and loaded with gunpowder  
and lead, which said pistol, in the said  
Edward T. Richardson in his right hand  
then and there had and held then and  
there feloniously did attempt to shoot  
off and discharge, with intent then and  
there to prevent and resist the lawful  
apprehension of himself as aforesaid  
against the form of the Statute  
in such case made and provided  
and against the peace of the

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People of the State of New York  
and their dignity.

Peter B. Olney  
District Attorney



Witnesses

Officer Birmingham

13 Parc

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Filed 23 day of Jan 1884

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

Edward T.

Richardson

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PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN MCKEON,

District Attorney.

Assault in the First Degree  
(Firearms.)

A TRUE BILL.

*M. W. Little*

Foreman.

Sentenced on another

Indictment Jan 23

1884

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Police Court— 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

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

aged 32 years  
of the 13<sup>th</sup> Precinct

Bernard F Birmingham

Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that  
on Thursday the 17 day of January  
in the year 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED ~~and DRAWEN~~ by

Edward F Richardson (now known)

That while deponent was pursuing said  
Edward, who had committed a Burglary,  
pointed a Revolver pistol at deponent  
and did twice snap said pistol while  
he had it pointed at deponent,  
and he committed said assault

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or <sup>grossly</sup> to do him 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 be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this

of January

1887

Bernard F Birmingham

Wm. H. Hilde

POLICE JUSTICE.

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

3rd District Police Court.

Edward T Richardson 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. Edward T Richardson

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 32 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Boston

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

Answer. 38 East Houston 3 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Glass case packer

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

Edward T Richardson

When before me this 14  
day of July 1884  
John M. McLaughlin  
Police Justice.

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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 *Edw. J. Richardson*

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *1500*  
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 *Jan'y 17* 188 *8*

*Wm. J. Richardson* Police Justice.

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order h to be discharged.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
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

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District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Bernard F Birmingham*  
13 Precinct.

1 *Edw T Richardson*

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Offence *Fel assault*

Dated *Jan 17* 188 *4*

*Wm M* Magistrate.

*Birmingham* Officer.

13 Precinct.

Witnesses *Chas A Hay*

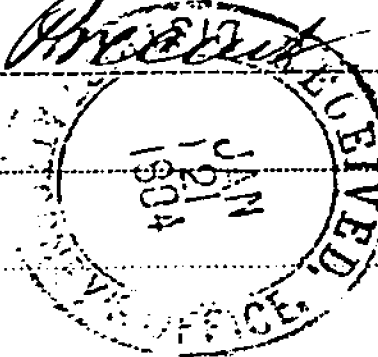
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No. .... Street.

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\$ *1500* to answer *General* Sessions.

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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

Edward J. Richardson

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse Edward J. Richardson

of the crime of attempting to commit  
the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE Second DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Edward J. Richardson

late of the Thirteenth Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the Seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty-four with force and arms, about the hour  
of nine o'clock in the — day — time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of

Charles Kohn  
there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter,

whilst there was then and there some human being, to wit, the said  
Charles Kohn within the said dwelling house, the said  
Edward J. Richardson  
then and there intending to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods chattels and  
personal property of the said Charles Kohn  
in the said dwelling house 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.

Peter B. Olney  
District Attorney

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Rinckhoff, Julius A.

DATE:

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W. H. HARRIS

Officer E. L. Linn

& Price

Just Government  
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Day of Trial,

Counsel,

Filed 23 day of Aug 1884.

Pleads 1st July 1884.

32 THE PEOPLE

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Pinschoff

PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN McKEON,

District Attorney.

1st Dec 1884

pleading guilty.

A TRUE BILL.

M. W. Little

Foreman.

Jan. 11/50  
J. H. Little

Violation of Excise Law.  
Selling without License.

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

2 District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty and I demand  
a trial at General Sessions*

*Julius A Rinckhoff*

Taken before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 1900  
*John J. Smith*  
Judge of the District Court

0892

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 *Monday* day,  
the *25* day of *January* in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *3*.

Present,

The Honorable

and

*John H. Thompson*  
*John H. Thompson*  
*John H. Thompson*

Justices

of the

said Court.

Police Justices of the City of New York.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

vs.

On conviction, by the oath of a credible witness,  
of the MISDEMEANOR, of *being a common drunkard*  
*and being a common drunkard*

*Hermon Michaelson*

committed in said City, *January 1888*

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

*Hermon Michaelson*

For the MISDEMEANOR aforesaid, whereof he *is* convicted, pay a  
fine of *Twenty* Dollars. And it is further ordered  
that he stand committed to the custody of the Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until the said fine be paid, but not exceeding  
*Thirty* days. *Fine paid*

A TRUE EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES.

*Germon* Clerk.

New York Special Sessions of the Peace,

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

vs

*Copy of Sentence.*

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CITY PRISON.

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Imprisonment not to exceed days.

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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 Julius Rineckhoff

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

Dated December 11 1883 Solomon B. Smith Police Justice.

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

Dated December 11 1883 Solomon B. Smith 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1883 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



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BAILED,  
No. 1, by John Stephens  
Residence 1245 Greenwich Street.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Police Court-- 2 District. 931

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Edward Sinnott

vs.  
Julius Ruckhoff

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2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Dated December 11 1883  
Smith Magistrate.  
Sinnott Officer.  
8 Precinct.

Witnesses  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
\$ 100 to answer Ans.  
Bailed



0096

EXCISE VIOLATION—WITHOUT LICENSE.

Police Court—2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

of No. the 8th Precinct Police 11th Street,  
of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the December 9th day  
of 1883, in the City of New York, in the County of New York, at  
No. 322 West 3rd Street,

Julius Runkhoff  
did then and there sell, and caused, suffered and permitted to be sold, under his direction and authority, strong and  
spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, being intoxicating liquors, in quantities less than five gallons at a time, to be  
drunk in the house or premises aforesaid without having a proper license therefor contrary to and in violation of law.

Deponent saw the said defendant sell a glass  
of whiskey to a man and receive payment for the same  
without a license the said license having been  
revoked by a former conviction in the Court of Special  
Sessions for unlawfully selling intoxicating liquors on Sunday May the 20<sup>th</sup>  
1883 said record of conviction is here to appended Julius

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

Sworn to before me, this 11th day  
of December 1883  
Solomon Stewart  
POLICE JUSTICE.

Edward F. Quinn

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# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*Julius A. Ruckhoff*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment,  
accuse *Julius A. Ruckhoff*

of the CRIME of *Selling Spirituous Liquors without a License*,  
committed as follows :

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The said

*Julius A. Ruckhoff* -

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of  
New York aforesaid, on the *seventh* day of *December* in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *three*, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain wines, to  
wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of  
whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill  
of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor  
to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell, in quantity less than five gallons  
at one time, to

~~and to~~ certain other persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, without  
having a license therefor, as required by law, contrary to the form of the statute in such case  
made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the People of the State of New  
York.

*JOHN D. GILLY,*  
**JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.**

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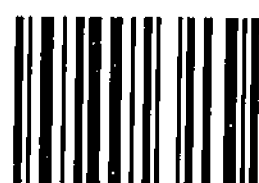
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Ritter, Augustus

DATE:

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Brown, John

DATE:

01/28/84



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Witnesses  
Mrs Corbin  
Conrad Hellman

(315)  
H. H. Keller  
Counsel,  
Filed 28 day of Jan 1884  
H. H. Keller  
H. H. Keller  
H. H. Keller

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Augustus Bitter  
(score) P  
John Brown  
(score) P  
John Walker  
(score) P

JOHN McKEON,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
Foreman.  
Deputy 15/pt.  
Call

Deputy 15/pt.  
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Deputy 15/pt.  
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Deputy 15/pt.  
Call

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The People  
 Augustus Ritter  
 John Brown  
 and  
 John W. H. H.

Court of General Sessions Part I.  
 Before Recorder Smyth Feb. 15. 1884.  
 Indictment for assault in the third degree.  
 William Brown sworn. I live at  
 338 West Fifty Third St. Conrad Stillman  
 keeps the saloon. I live in the house; I rem-  
 ember that on the 19<sup>th</sup> of Jan., the defendants  
 were in the saloon. About 4 o'clock Brown  
 came in and demanded of Stillman the  
 key of the water closet and he gave it to him.  
 He went out in the yard, and when he came  
 in he had a lady's dress bundled up and  
 threw it on the table; he asked Stillman to  
 give him an old newspaper to wrap it  
 up in; he told him he had none; he went  
 to the table in the saloon and wanted to  
 help himself to that day's paper. Stillman  
 said, "you cannot take that." He was going  
 to take it in spite of him. He would not let  
 him and he got abusive and called  
 him names. Stillman ordered him out.  
 In place of leaving he told him he was  
 not able to put him out. He said, "you  
 son of a b - h your one eye is out  
 and I am going to knock your other  
 eye out." Stillman took up a stick and  
 told him if he did not leave he  
 would knock him over the head. In

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place of that he showed fight and would not leave. Stillman took the stick and struck him. I opened the door and he shoved him outside. This was Brown; there he hung around the door for a long time, and opened the door again and when nobody was there fired a snow ball in hitting me. He came back and said to Stillman, "By the blow that he gave him over the head he broke his hat and demanded two dollars for the hat. He refused to give him any two dollars and told him it was his own fault that the hat was broke. He came back and had the other two fellows with him, the other defendants I was sitting with Stillman at the table eating. I happened to have a carrying knife in my hand. I jumped up and told them to leave. As soon as they saw me coming towards them the two, Brown and Helfel jumped up, but the other one stayed in and wanted to know what was the matter. Stillman told him that he behaved himself most disorderly there. Then Ritter said Brown was a very bad fellow and he was no good, and he (Ritter) behaved himself pretty decent at first when he came in. Ritter left for a while, and it was not long before he came back again.



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and brought Brown with him. He says, "I am this boy's brother, and you had better pay me two dollars for the hat or else we will sue you for it." Stillman told him he could get no two dollars out of him. The officer they came back the bolder and more abusive they got and I went out to look for an officer.

I could not find one. I went to the station house and the Sergeant promised to send an officer. I got back in fifteen minutes to the store and then the defendants were gone. <sup>this was about six o'clock</sup> They came back for the last time about eight o'clock; they commenced staggering around the store, that nobody was able to put them out and blowing that nobody could fight them, and wanted to quarrel with everybody in the saloon. At last when nobody would take their fight up Brown came up to me and said, "I want to speak to you." I walked away from him and said, "I don't want to have anything to do with you." He came again and I pushed him away. "I don't want to have anything to do with you." So soon as that ended, he up with his fist and struck me in the eye. I took him by the back of the neck and threw him on the floor. While I was holding him down, Melfel got the billiard cue and

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place of that he showed fight and would not <sup>et-</sup>  
leave Stillman. took the stick and struck?

struck me over the head. That is four weeks <sup>in</sup>  
ago and the mark is to be seen yet. It bled  
a good deal. Ritter was standing behind  
me and he took up a chain and struck  
me three or four blows on my shoulder, mi-  
arm and over my back and I got so  
blind from the blood that I could see no  
more. Somebody came and took hold of  
Ritter and took the chain away from him  
I had to run out of the store and ran  
into the basement. The glasses and tables  
were broke and everything was upset in  
the store. Cross Examined. Had been ac-  
customed to go to that saloon. I did not strike  
or assault or interfere with Brown in any  
way. I know that nobody struck Ritter or  
Welfel first. I had no knife or anything in  
my hand. When they came about the  
second or third time Stillman had a revol-  
ver behind his bar and he picked it up  
and ordered ~~them~~ out and threatened to  
shoot them. I was struck before I put  
this man down upon the floor.  
benrad Stillman sworn. I am the proprietor  
of this saloon. I saw the same as Mr.  
Cronin told you; when Cronin went to the  
station house the three defendants were  
sitting there. It was between four and half

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past four when Brown came in the place. [The witnesses gave substantially the same statement as the previous witness.] He would not go out and I took a club and hit him over the head and broke his hat; he went out and raised a muss in the street; he and Welfel and Ritter came in again and raised a muss in my place. I sent Cronin out to get a policeman. Ritter went behind the bar and took the pistol and said, "we have got satisfaction for the hat" He went out and came in again at 8 o'clock and had another man with him and were cursing saying, "you have only got one eye and I will knock the other eye out. Brown went to speak to Mr. Cronin, and he said he did not want to have anything to do with him. He hit him in the eye and Cronin put him on the floor; the other men went for Cronin and I went from behind the bar to help him. They took chains, a billiard cue and they hit us both. (Cross Examined) I hit him on the head with a stick and broke ~~the~~ hat. Before Ritter took the pistol from behind the bar I took it and threatened to shoot Brown, but there was nothing in it. I wanted to scare him to get him out of the saloon.

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I did not give the revolver to the policeman. I don't know where he got it. Everything was pretty well smashed up in the place. I played one game of pool with Ritter.

Michael J. McElinley sworn. I belong to the 22<sup>nd</sup> precinct. I arrested Brown about one o'clock Sunday morning and Ritter about four o'clock Sunday afternoon. I asked him where the revolver was that he had taken. He said he gave it to his mother; she handed it to me. It was a seven barreled one and four loaded.

John Brown sworn and examined for the defence. I live 423 West Fifty eighth St. I was a customer at that saloon; I entered it on the day in question about four o'clock with the other defendants to have a drink. I got the key of the water closet from the proprietor, and after I came in I asked him for an old newspaper; there were two or three lying on the table.

Before I had time to say any more he came from behind the bar and hit me across the head and said, "you get out of here"; he hit me on the back of the head with a club. I went to the corner and came back about 7 o'clock that night. Ritter was playing pool with the proprietor of the saloon. The man ran at me with a revolver and a big flat bread knife. About 8 o'clock we went in



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again with a friend to have a glass of beer and they ran at me again. Ritter stopped him. He said, "There is no use fighting, make up friends." He had made up friends. I says to the proprietor, "Do you think that is right to use my hat for nothing?" We got fighting, got talking. The old man caught hold of me by the lapels of the coat and I struck him on the eye. He had me on the floor. Ritter and Welfel caught him. Chairs, billiard cues and balls were flying in the back of the saloon, they were thrown at us by the customers. I did not have a club in my hand or anything. I was a brakeman on the Elevated Railroad. Augustus Ritter sworn. I live 867 Ninth ave. I have never been arrested before. I have worked in a foundry for the last seven years but have not been working for the last two months. I went into this saloon about four o'clock and was playing pool with the proprietor. Brown came in and he said to him, "You son of a b--- are you here again?" He jumped behind the bar and took a revolver and Franin came with a big knife. He laid the revolver on the counter and did not shoot. I struck it in my pocket and said I would give it back to him after he got over his angry passion. Brown looked in through the

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Mr. S. Bruffy sworn. I was in this saloon  
between 8 and 9 o'clock. I saw the  
defendants beating the old man  
Fornin and I halloed, "Police"; They let  
the old man go and he ran out of  
the side door. They fired a chair at  
me and glasses were thrown. I went  
out quick.

The jury rendered a verdict  
of guilty of assault in the third  
degree.

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Testimony in the  
case of  
A. Ritter, J. Brown and  
J. Wolfel.

Filed Jan.  
1884

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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

Augustus Dicker  
John Brown  
John Wellzel

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
Augustus Dicker, John Brown  
and John Wellzel  
of the CRIME OF Destroying personal  
property of another  
committed as follows:

The said Augustus Dicker, John  
Brown and John Wellzel

late of the City and County of New York, on the nineteenth day of  
January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four  
with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, three bottles of  
the value of seven dollars each, six  
bottles of the value of four dollars  
each, and ten drinking glasses of the  
value of twenty cents each, of the goods  
chattels and personal property of one  
Comrad Stettman then and there  
being, then and there feloniously  
did unlawfully and illegally  
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.

Peter B. O'Neary

District Attorney



Witnesses:

William D. Johnson

Conrad J. Holman

#317 P. J. H.

Counsel,

Filed 28 day of Jan 1884

Pleads Atty Genl 29

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Augustus R. Rixey

(Counsel) P

John Brown

(Counsel) P

John W. Wess

(Counsel) P

PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN McKENON,

District Attorney

A True Bill.

Adm. W. Little

Foreman.

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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

Augustus Ritter

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

Augustus Ritter

of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY, committed as follows:

The said Augustus Ritter

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


value of three dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Conrad  
S. Sellmann then and there being found, then and there  
unlawfully 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.

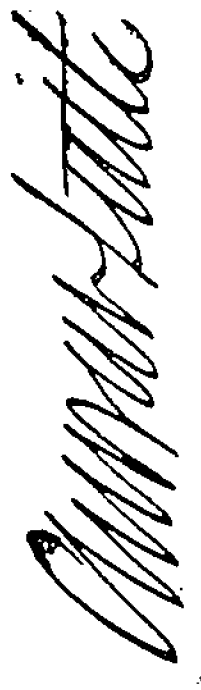
Peter B. O'Shea  
District Attorney

Witness  
William O'John  
Conrad - Stillman

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Counsel,  
Filed 28 day of Jan 1884  
Pleads W. G. Kelly 19

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
  
Ritter  
(3 cases)  
Petit Larceny, and Receiving Stolen Goods.  
(Sections 528, 532.)

PETER B. CLINEY,  
WHEELER H. PECKHAM,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
  
Foreman.

July 13. 9:40.

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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

Augustus Ritter  
John Brown and  
John Weller

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

Augustus Ritter, John  
Brown and John Weller

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

The said Augustus Ritter

John Brown and John  
Weller

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the ~~nineteenth~~ day of ~~January~~ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~four~~ at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of William Krohn in the peace of the said people then and there being, with force and arms, unlawfully did make an assault and ~~in~~ the said William Krohn did then and there unlawfully beat, wound and illtreat, to the great damage of the said William Krohn 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.

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.



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Police Court District.

4th District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William Krohn  
338 West 53rd

John Brown  
John Woffel

Offence Assault & Battery  
Dated January 20 188

Magistrate.  
M. G. G. G.

Officer.  
M. G. G. G.

Precinct.  
22d  
Leopold Steinhilber  
Witnesses  
No. 338 West 53rd Street.

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Street.  
No. 500  
to answer General Sessions.

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No. 1, by  
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No. 2, by  
Residence Street.

No. 3, by  
Residence Street.

No. 4, by  
Residence Street.

Dated 188 Police Justice.

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

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named

Dated 188 Police Justice.

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

I have admitted the above-named

Dated January 20 188 Police Justice.

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime herein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named *John Brown and John Woffel* guilty thereof, I order that they be held to answer the same and they be admitted to bail in the sum of *Three* Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until they give such bail, or be legally discharged.

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**State of New York.**

Executive Chamber,

Albany, N.Y. Feb. 25 1884

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the  
pardon of John Wolfert who was  
tried and convicted before you Feb. 15. 1884 of assault  
3d and sentenced  
to the State Prison Penitentiary Cross.

Will you oblige the Governor with your opinion of the case, together  
with any facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the  
question of granting or refusing a pardon?

Very respectfully yours,

Green C. Huntington

To Hon. Frederick Smyth

Ans

Feb 17/84

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**State of New York.**

Executive Chamber,  
Albany, Nov. 24 1884

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the  
pardon of August Ritter, who was  
tried and convicted before you Feb. 14 1884 of Assault 3d  
and sentenced  
to the State Prison I enclose a copy of the same.

Will you oblige the Governor with your opinion of the case, together  
with any facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the  
question of granting or refusing a pardon?

Very respectfully yours,

Yours Truly  
Geo. Clinton  
Hon. Frederick Douglass

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c. 12/17/84  
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**State of New York.**

Executive Chamber,

Albany, *March 21* 1884.

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the  
pardon of *John Brown* who was  
tried and convicted before you *Feb. 20, 1884* of Assault  
&c. and sentenced  
to the State Prison *December 11, 1883.*

Will you oblige the Governor with your opinion of the case, together  
with any facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the  
question of granting or refusing a pardon?

Very respectfully yours,

*Samuel A. Tilden*

To Hon. Frederick A. A. A.

*Ans. 17. 1884*  
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Apr 17/84  
[Signature]

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*State of New York.*

July 1884

*Executive Chamber,*

*Albany, N.Y. 21 1884*

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the pardon of *John Brown*, who was sentenced on *Feb. 2* 1884, in your County, for the crime of *Assault &c.* for the term of *11* years and *to the State Prison.* *Prisoner* you are respectfully requested (in pursuance of Chapter 310, Laws 1849) to furnish the Governor with a concise statement of the case as proven on the trial, together with any other facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the question of granting or refusing a pardon. Be pleased, also, to state the previous character of the convict. All *officers* are respectfully requested.

Each letter of inquiry from this Department should be answered on a separate sheet.

Very respectfully yours,

*Samuel C. Cook*

To Hon. Peter B. Olney

District Attorney, &c.

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Answered July 15<sup>th</sup> 84  
P.O.D.



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**State of New York.**

January 1884

Executive Chamber,

Albany, N.Y. Feb. 25 1884

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the pardon of August Riller, who was sentenced on Feb. 1st 1884 in your County, for the crime of Assault - 3<sup>d</sup> for the term of 7 Mos. years and to the State Prison Presbyterian you are respectfully requested (in pursuance of Chapter 310, Laws 1849) to furnish the Governor with a concise statement of the case as proven on the trial, together with any other facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the question of granting or refusing a pardon. Be pleased, also, to state the previous character of the convict. All opinion is respectfully requested.

Each letter of inquiry from this Department should be answered on a separate sheet.

Very respectfully yours,

*Sam. C. May*

To Hon. Peter B. Olney

District Attorney, &c.

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Answered July 15<sup>th</sup>/84

J. H. D.

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*State of New York.*

*Executive Chamber,*

*Albany, Mohr's 1884*

*June 1884.  
3 P.M.*

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the pardon of *John Wolfert*, who was sentenced on *Feb. 18* 1884, in your County, for the crime of *Assault &c.* for the term of *6 mos.* years and — to the State Prison. *Occasionally* you are respectfully requested (in pursuance of Chapter 310, Laws 1849) to furnish the Governor with a concise statement of the case as proven on the trial, together with any other facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the question of granting or refusing a pardon. Be pleased, also, to state the previous character of the convict. All *information* is respectfully requested.

Each letter of inquiry from this Department should be answered on a separate sheet.

Very respectfully yours,

*Samuel C. May*

*To Hon. Peter B. Olney*

District Attorney, &c.

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Answered July 15<sup>th</sup>/84  
D. S. S.



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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 Josephine

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

Dated Jan 21 1888 W. J. Town Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Police Court-- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Conrad Hellman*  
338 W 53 St.

*August Ritter*

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Dated *January 21* 188*8*

*Mr. J. P. Pore* Magistrate.

*M. G. Gentry* Officer.

*22* Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

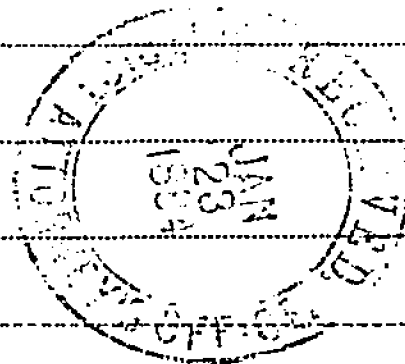
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No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

\$ *300* to answer *G. S.*

*Conrad*



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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*John Brown*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*423 West 48th Street, 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Rent Rounding*

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 Brown*

Taken before me this

*20*

day of

*January*

*1884*

*Edw. C. Gray*  
Police Justice.

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

POLICE COURT, 14<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

Conrad Stellman

of No. 338 West 53<sup>d</sup> Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1884

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

John Brown & John Weffel

(both now here) who came into deponent's place of business at said number and street in said City at about the hour of 7 o'clock P.M. and <sup>did</sup> willfully maliciously and unlawfully break and destroy glass ware and furniture in said premises which is a Lager Beer saloon doing damage to the amount of about thirty or forty dollars the property of deponent. He deponent therefore asks that said defendants be held to answer and dealt with according to law.

Conrad Stellman

Sworn to before me, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1884  
at City of New York  
Police Justice



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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

*John Woffel* 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.

*John Woffel*

Taken before me this *20th*  
day of *January* 188*4*  
*Aspiratory*  
Police Justice.

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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 John Brown and

John Hoefel  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of two  
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. or be legally discharged

Dated January 20 188 4 W. J. Brown Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Police Court-- 4<sup>th</sup> District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Conrad Stillman  
338 W 53<sup>rd</sup> St

John Brown

John Woffel

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Dated January 20<sup>th</sup> 1884

McGuire Magistrate.

McGuire Officer.

22<sup>d</sup> Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

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No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

\$1000 Each to answer General Sessions.

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

POLICE COURT, 4 DISTRICT.

Conrad Steinhilber

of No. 338 West 58<sup>th</sup> Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1884

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

was present and wilfully and  
maliciously broke and smash  
Tables Chairs and a quantity of  
glasses in the premises of defendant  
and also struck defendant,  
defendant further says that the damage done  
for furniture destroyed by the defendant amounts to  
about thirty dollars for Conrad Steinhilber

Sworn to before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day  
of January 1884  
W. J. Barry Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*Augustus Bitter* 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. *Augustus Bitter*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *31 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Baltimore*

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

Answer. *867 - 7th Avenue for two years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Murder*

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*

*Augustus Bitter*

Taken before me this

*21*

day of

*January*

188*7*

*My Attorney*  
Police Justice.

0936

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 Augustus Ritter

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

Dated June 27th 1884 John J. O'Connell Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

0937

Police Court-- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Leonard Stelmacher*  
*338 W 53*  
*Augustus Ritter*  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
*Flares*  
*Office of Police*  
*Station*

BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated *January 21<sup>st</sup>* 188*4*

*Reber* Magistrate.

*H. G. Hurley* Officer.

*22* Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

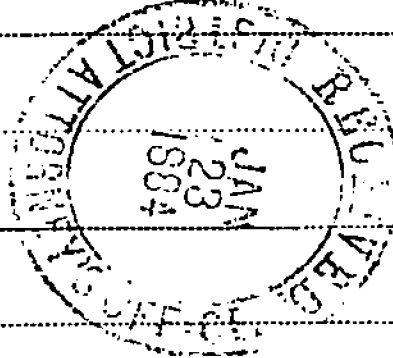
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

\$ *100* to answer *H. G. Hurley* Sessions.

*Greene*



0938

District Police Court

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

of No. 338 West 53 Street, Appt. 35 East River Salmon  
being duly sworn, deposes and says. that on the 19 day of January 1888  
at the \_\_\_\_\_ City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent \_\_\_\_\_

the following property, viz/:

One Pistol of the Name  
of these colors

the property of

William Krohn owner in the  
Gun and Charge of this 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 August Ritter (now present)

With the intent to deprive the true  
owner of said property from  
the fact that previous to said  
larceny the said property was  
on a shelf behind deponent's  
bar and this deponent saw  
the said defendant take said  
pistol from behind said bar  
and run away with it

Conrad Sellmann

Sworn before me this

21 day of January 1888  
W. J. Jones  
Police Justice,



0939

Sec. 198—200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*August Ritter* 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.

*August Ritter*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Baltimore*

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

Answer.

*867-9th Avenue 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*None*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty  
The complainant attempted  
to shoot me and I took the  
pistol from him*

*Augustus Ritter*

Taken before me this

*21*

day of *January* 188*4*

*Seibens*  
Police Justice.

0940

Police Court— 4 District.

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

of No William Krohne  
338 West 53<sup>d</sup> Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that  
on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January  
in the year 1887, at the City of New York in the County of New York,

he was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by August Ritter  
(now here) who struck and gave  
several violent blows over the  
head with a chair which the  
defendant then used then held in  
his hands

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 the above assault, &c, and be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1887  
Wm Krohne  
M. J. O'Connell POLICE JUSTICE.

0941

Sec. 198-200

4 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Augustus Ritter* 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.

*Augustus Ritter*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Baltimore*

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

Answer.

*867 - 9 E Avenue two years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*No business*

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*

*Augustus Ritter*

Taken before me this

*21* 188*7*

day of *January* 188*7*

*W. J. F. F. F.*

Police Justice.

0942

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 August Bitter

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 August 21 1884

W. J. O'Connell Police Justice.

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order h to be discharged.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Police Justice.



0943

BAILED,

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

1047  
Police Court-- 4 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*William Krohn*  
338 W 53

*August Ritter*

2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Dated *January 21* 188 *4*

*John* Magistrate.

*W. G. G. G.* Officer.

*22* Precinct.

Witnesses *Thomas McBue* 335 W 53<sup>d</sup>

No. *Wm S. Rugg* 346 W 53<sup>d</sup> Street.

*Anthony Gross* 427 W 53<sup>d</sup>.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

\$ *500* to answer *G. S.* Sessions.

*Com*

0944

Police Court—

4<sup>th</sup> District.

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

Agent  
No 338 Met 53<sup>d</sup>

William Krohne, aged 53 years,  
Street.

on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January  
in the year 1884 at the City of New York in the County of New York,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that

he was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by John Brown and John Woeffel  
(both now here) said John Brown struck deponent  
several blows with his clenched hands and  
said John Woeffel struck deponent on the head  
with a Billiard Cue cutting deponent on the  
head

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 the above assault, &c, and be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 20<sup>th</sup>

day of January

1884

Wm Krohne

POLICE JUSTICE.

0945

Sec. 198—200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Brown* 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 Brown*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*20 years,*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*423 West 4th Street, 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Rail Roading*

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 Brown*

Taken before me this *20th*  
day of *January* 188*4*

Police Justice.

0946

Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK,

4th District Police Court.

John Woffel 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 Woffel

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

22 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New York

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

Answer.

221, 10th Avenue, 18 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Piano business

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 Woffel

Taken before me this 20th  
day of January 1889

Police Justice.



0947

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

*John Worffal*

*John Brown and*

(5) guilty thereof, I order that they be held to answer the same and they be admitted to bail in the sum of *Three*  
Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until they  
give such bail. *or be legally discharged*

Dated *January 20* 188 *4* *John Brown* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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