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O'Brien, John

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POOR QUALITY
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Witnesses:

Lycia Janga

"off Street" (P)

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1891

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

John O'Brien

Grand Larceny,
(From the Person,
Degree,
[Sections 828, 829,
Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Regent

Foreman

Henry J. [unclear]

Elmer [unclear] P.S.M.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Police Court

District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss:
of New York,

of No.

occupation

deposes and says, that on the

day of

189

at the City of New York,

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

the time, the following property, viz

One Pocket-
book containing Fifty
Seven Cents in Coin, and
One Gold Piece, all
of the Value of Three
Dollars & 3 Cents.
the property of Frances F. Fingert
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

John O'Brien
(now here) for the reason
that on said night
while deponent was in
front of her own house
77 Second Street
defendant came along
and grabbed said pocket
book from the hand of
deponent and ran away with
the same.

Therefore deponent
now charges said defendant
with taking, stealing and
carrying away from the
person and possession of
deponent said property.

Sworn to before me, this

day

189
Judge Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0923

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

3 District Police Court.

John O'Brien 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* to 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 O'Brien*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *22 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *1331 First W. (14 years)*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Butcher*

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. *Am guilty*
John O'Brien

Taken before me this *4th*
day of *April* 188*8*

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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

Police Court

District

THE PEOPLE, &c.

ON FILE COMPANY

Date

1881

No.

Magistrate

No.

Officer

No.

Prisoner

No.

Witness

No.

Street

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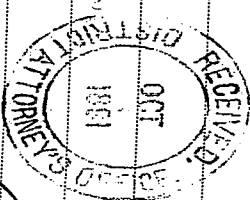
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It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named _____

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0925

504

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 O'Brien

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

John O'Brien
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said

John O'Brien

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *sixth*
day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*one*, in the *night*-time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid,
with force and arms,

*one silver coin of the United States,
of the kind called half-dollars of the value
of fifty cents, two silver coins of the kind called
quarter dollars, of the value of twenty-five
cents each, three silver coins of the kind
called dimes of the value of ten cents each,
four nickel coins of the kind called five cent
pieces of the value of five cents each, seven
coins of the kind called cents, of the value
of one cent each and one pencil of the
value of two dollars and fifty cents —*

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

DeLancey Nicoll
District Attorney

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Connell, Daniel

DATE:

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Witnesses:

Lasalle

off Courvoisier

*In view of the
Mlle Gervaise on
the part of the
Complément de
Mlle Gervaise
from the
fact I am satisfied
to recommend
the case the
of a plan of
assault.*

*West-Grand
com.*

Counsel,

Filed 14th day of Oct 1891

Pleas.

July 15

THE PEOPLE

vs.

David O'Connell

May 11th 1891

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Oct 27 1891

A TRUE BILL.

Accepted & returned

May 11-1892

Foreman.

Sept 17th 1892

Mr. O'Connell is now in the

penitentiary - likely to be

discharged in 1893

Notified

Assault in the First Degree, Etc.
(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code.)

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,
VERSUS

Daniel O'Connell
indicted for assault in the
first degree

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the
defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District
Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons
for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself.

I would like to withdraw the complaint
and not prosecute the defendant under the
above indictment as I know his family to be
respectable and have been acquainted with them for
the last twelve (12) years and for the last five (5)
years I have resided in the same house with the
defendant and his family at No. 338 East 48th
Street in the City of New York.

I was not much injured and the assault
rose out of a foolish dispute between us.
I am quite friendly with the defendant and
his family today.

Sworn to before me
this 28th day of April 1892 }

David P. Fleming
Commissioner of Deeds
N.Y. City

JAMES LEAHY

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0929

The People &

vs

Samuel O'Connell

Withdrawal

Dated Apr. 28, 92

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0930

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,

HENRY H. PORTER, Pres't.,
CHARLES E. SIMMONS, M. D., } Commissioners.
EDWARD C. SHEEHY.

JOHN FALLON, Warden.

New York Oct 17

Mr. John De Laury Nicoll
District Attorney
Dear Sir

I beg leave to call your attention to the case of one Daniel O'Connell who was this day sentenced in the Court of Special Sessions on a charge of Assault in the 3rd degree, for a term of 6 months in the Penitentiary, and I wish to state that I hold a commitment against him charged with Felonious Assault, committed by Justice Murray on Sept 28th to stand trial in Court General Sessions.

As the sentence of 6 months imposed by Court of Special Sessions will not begin to count until the prisoner is delivered in charge of the Warden of that institution, I would ask that you

Rec'd Warrant
Sent to the Warden of the Penitentiary
Nov 17/91
City Clerk

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Kindly advise me as to whether or
not I shall retain him or transfer
him to the Penitentiary to serve out
his sentence.

Very Respectfully
John Wilson
Warden

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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PART I.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE SECOND STORY AND FRONTING THE PARK.
If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.
Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

1701
SUBPOENA FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE.

In the Name of the People of the State of New York. 23

To Off. Donovan

of No. _____ Street _____

YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, adjoining the New Court House in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on the day of MAY, 1892, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of the same day, as a witness in a criminal action prosecuted by the People of the State of New York, against

Daniel O. Connolly

Dated at the City of New York, the first Monday of MAY,
in the year of our Lord 1892.

DE LANCEY NICOLL, District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0933

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

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

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

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

The witness named
"Conoran" is now
on sick roll.

Henry K. Woodruff
Serge 23. Prec-

May 10/92

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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PART I.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE SECOND STORY AND FRONTING THE PARK.
If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.
Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPOENA FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE. 1701

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

To James Leahy
of No. 338 East 141 Street

YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, adjoining the New Court House in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on the day of MAY, 1892, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of the same day, as a witness in a criminal action prosecuted by the People of the State of New York, against

Samuel W. Connell
Dated at the City of New York, the first Monday of MAY,
in the year of our Lord 1892.

DE LANCEY NICOLL, *District Attorney.*

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0935

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

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

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

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

W. H. Brown

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0936

Police Court— 4 — District.

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

of No. 338 East 148th Street, aged 21 years,
occupation works in a wallpaper factory being duly sworn
deposes and says, that on the 27th day of Sept 1891 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Daniel O'Connell
(now here) who cut and stabbed deponent
once in the head, and once in the
left side, with a knife defendant
at the time held in his hand, lacer-
ating and wounding deponent on
the head and side.

Deponent further says— Said
Assault was so committed

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 28 day }

of

Sept 1891.

James Leahy
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0937

(1835)

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

4 District Police Court.

Daniel O'Connell 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. Daniel O'Connell

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 21 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York City

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

Answer. 338 East 4th St - 6 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Longshoreman

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. We fought with each other,
but I did not stab him.

Daniel O'Connell

Taken before me this 28th

1891

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0938

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

Police Court - 4th District.

1268

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James Teasdale
James O'Connell
James O'Connell

Offence: *Real Assault*

Dated

No. _____

Residence _____

Street _____

No. _____

Residence _____

Street _____

No. _____

Residence _____

Street _____

\$1000 - to answer

9.18.18

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

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

Dated *Sept 28* 1891 *James O'Connell* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0939

474

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
against

Daniel O'Connell

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Daniel O'Connell
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Daniel O'Connell*
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *27th*
day of *September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*one*, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon
the body of one *James Leahy* in the peace of the said People
then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *him* the said *James Leahy*
Leahy with a certain *knife*

which the said
in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and
dangerous weapon, then and there wilfully and feloniously did strike, beat, cut, stab and
wound,

with intent *him* the said *James Leahy*
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
Daniel O'Connell
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Daniel O'Connell*
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
James Leahy in the peace of the said
People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault,
and *him* the said *James Leahy*
with a certain *knife*

which the said
in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a weapon and
an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully
and wrongfully strike, beat, cut, stab and wound, against the form of the statute in such case
made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their
dignity.

DeLancey Nicoll
District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Connor, William

DATE:

10/01/91



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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0941

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Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

189

THE PEOPLE

vs.

CRIME AGAINST NATURE.
[Sec. 303, Penal Code.]

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William O'Connor

Edw. J. Nicoll,
~~JOHN R. FELLOWS,~~

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

W. J. Berry

Foreman.

Edw. J. Nicoll

Heard & Seal Edg

Per / yr Jy

Witnesses:

John K. Keating

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0942

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

POLICE COURT, 1 DISTRICT.

of No. 542 East 134 Street, aged 21 years,
occupation Laborer being duly sworn, deposes and says
that on the 7 day of September 1891

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, William Connor
(nowhere) did unlawfully and
unlawfully commit an abominable
and detestable crime against
nature on the person of
deponent, from the fact that
said did take the penis
of deponent and place the
penis two months against
the will of deponent.

John Keating
Sworn

Sworn to before me this

1891

day

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0943

Sec. 198-200.

✓ District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *William Connor*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *30 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *New -*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Firmman*

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

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

Dutch

M. Connor

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

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0944

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

John W. ...
Sept 7 1891

Offence *Drunk & Disorderly*

Dated

Sept 7 1891

Magistrate

Officer

Preceptor

Witnesses

Mustapha ...
John ...

No.

Street

No.

Street

\$ *1000* to answer

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

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

Dated *Sept 7 1891* *[Signature]* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0945

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

William O'Connor

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this

indictment, accuse *William O'Connor* —

of the CRIME AGAINST NATURE, committed as follows :

The said *William O'Connor*, —
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
— *seventh* — day of *September*, in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and ninety — *one* — , at the City and County aforesaid,
with force and arms, in and upon one *John Keating*, —
a male person, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and
— *him* — the said *John Keating*, in a manner
contrary to nature, then and there feloniously did carnally know ; against the form of
the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of
the State of New York, and their dignity.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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SECOND COUNT:—

AND THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID, by this indictment further

accuse the said *William O'Connor* —

of the same CRIME AGAINST NATURE, committed as follows:

The said *William O'Connor*,—

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: On the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did voluntarily submit to carnal knowledge of himself by one — *John Keating* —, a male person, in a manner contrary to nature; against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

De Lancey Nicoll,
~~JOHN R. FELLOWS,~~

District Attorney.

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BOX:

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DESCRIPTION:

O'Hara, Joseph

DATE:

10/16/91



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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Witnesses:

Jim Deegan

off O'neil

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

16 day of Oct 1891

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Joseph O'Sullivan

Grand Larceny,
(From the Person)
Degree.
[Sections 528, 529, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Robert Schuchman

Foreman.

Wm. H. P.

Ben. H. P.M.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

09449

Police Court—

District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.
of New York,

of No. 469, W. 32 Street, aged 37 years,
occupation Machinist

deposes and says, that on the 11th day of October 1899 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession

of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

One overcoat of
the Value of twenty
dollars. (\$20.00)

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

Joseph O'Hara
(now here) from the fact that
deponent is informed by Officer
James J. O'Hara that he arrested
this defendant at the corner of
10th av & 42nd St. at the hour of
5:30 o'clock P.M. said date with
an overcoat in his possession.
Deponent further says that he has
since seen said coat as found with
this defendant and identifies said
coat as his property which was
stolen from deponent on all the
corner of 10th av & 42nd St. and
charges this defendant with

Sworn before me this
189

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0950

feloniously taking, stealing and
carrying away said coat from
defendant's arm. as aforesaid

Sworn to before me
this 12th day of Oct 1891

William H. Flynn

Notary Public

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0951

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

James J. O'Neil
aged _____ years, occupation *Policeman* of No. *11*
Precinct Street, being duly sworn deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *William Flynn*
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *12*
day of *Oct* 18*91* } *James J. O'Neil*

William Flynn
Police Justice.

POLICE COURT _____ DISTRICT.

City and County of New York, ss.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

On complaint of

For

Joseph O'Hara *Lucas*

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

Dated *Oct 12* 18*91*

Joseph O'Hara
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0952

Sec. 198-200.

4 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, ss.

Joseph O'Hara 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*

Joseph O'Hara

Taken before me this

day of

Sept 1891

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0953

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

Mr. [unclear]
469 St. [unclear]
Joseph [unclear]

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Dated *Dec 12* 188*9*

William [unclear]
Magistrate

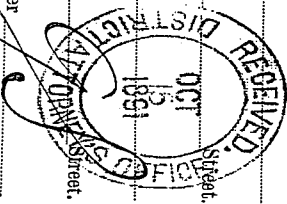
John Q. Otwell
Precinct

Witnesses
John Q. Otwell
No. *23* Street

No. _____ Street

No. _____ Street

No. _____ Street



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

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 *Dec 12* 188*9*, *William [unclear]* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0954

504

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Joseph O'Hara

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

Joseph O'Hara
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *second* degree, committed as follows:

The said

Joseph O'Hara

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *eleventh*
day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety- *one*, in the *day* - time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid,
with force and arms,

*one overcoat of the
value of twenty dollars*

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

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0955

SECOND COUNT—

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

Joseph O'Hara
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said

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

*one overcoat of the value of
twenty dollars*

William W. Flynn
of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before
feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said *William W. Flynn*

unlawfully and unjustly, did feloniously receive and have; the said

Joseph O'Hara
then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels and personal property to have been
feloniously stolen, taken and carried 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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

0956

BOX:

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FOLDER:

4180

DESCRIPTION:

Oliver, Richard J.

DATE:

10/08/91



4180

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0957

Witnesses:

Joan Fairbank

In the within case
I find that the
Complainant herein Richard J. Oliver
being the only witness
expresses a desire
to withdraw his
complaint and as
no injury was done
by the draft and it
appears that no party
appears as to the issuing
of the process. Therefore
I recommend that the
indictment be dismissed.

Wentworth

Oct. 16/91

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1891

Pleas,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Richard J. Oliver

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Accepted & returned

Prothon.

Part 3, October 16/91

Indictment dismissed

(Section 212, Code of
Accounts in the and degree)

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,
VERSUS

Richard L. Oliver

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself. My reasons for wishing to withdraw the Complaint are as follows. I never saw the defendant until this trouble occurred and I am satisfied that he had no motive for harming me. He was very drunk at the time and I feel that had he been sober the trouble would not have ~~had~~ happened. I did not desire to make a Complaint in the Police Court but was compelled to do so by the bridge E. I don't think he intended to point the revolver at me.

Joan Friberg

J. H. Freery

Notary Public

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0959

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK.

POLICE COURT, DISTRICT.

of No. 2nd Police Precinct Francis P. Ryan
occupation Policeman Street, aged 33 years,
being duly sworn, deposes and says

that on the _____ day of _____ 189____
at the City of New York, in the County of New York.

Ivan Friberg
(now here) is a material witness against
Richard J. Oliver charged with felonious
assault. As defendant fears that the
said Friberg will not appear to testify
when wanted, he prays that he give bonds
for his appearance or in default thereof
be committed to the house of Detention.

Francis P. Ryan

Sworn to before me, this _____
of _____ 1891

McCarthy
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0960

Police Court— District.

City and County of New York, ss.:

of No. 2 West Street, aged 26 years,
occupation Sailer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 2 day of October 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and MENACED by Richard J. Oliver (now here) who feloniously and maliciously pointed and aimed at deponent a revolving pistol loaded with powder and balls

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 3 day of October 1887 } *John F. Kelly*

John F. Kelly Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0961

Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Richard J. Oliver 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.

Richard J. Oliver

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

35 years.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Ireland

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

Answer.

23 Washington Street. 4 years.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Rail Road

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

Richard J. Oliver

Taken before me this

day of

October

1891

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0962

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, vs.

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1. *John F. Davis*
2. *Frank J. Davis*
3. *Richard J. Davis*

Offence

*Assault
Felony*

Dated

October 3

1891

Residence

O. Kelly
Magistrate

No. 3, by

W. J. Kelly
Officer

Residence

W. J. Kelly
Precinct

Witnesses

Complainant and to

No. 4, by

Three of children in

Residence

about \$100 - bail

No.

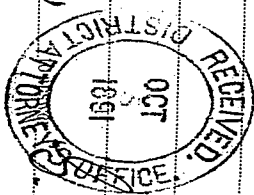
1000
Street

No.

1000
Street

\$1000

*Committed to
prison*



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

Defendant

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

Dated *October 3* 1891 *Ed. J. Kelly* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0963

(522)

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Richard J. Oliver

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this

indictment, accuse

Richard J. Oliver

of the crime of

Assault in the second degree,

committed as follows:

The said

Richard J. Oliver

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
second day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and ninety-*one*, at the City and County aforesaid,
with force and arms, in and upon the
body of one Ioan Friberg, in the peace
of the said People then and there being
feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make

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ORIGINAL

0964

an assault, and to, at and against him,
the said Ivan Striberg, a certain pistol
then and there charged and loaded with
gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which
the said Richard J. Oliver in his right
hand then and there had and held, the
same being a weapon and an instrument
likely to produce grievous bodily harm,
then and there feloniously did wilfully
and wrongfully aim, point and present,
with intent to shoot off and discharge the
same, against the form of the statute
in such case made and provided, and
against the peace of the People of the
State of New York, and their dignity.

De Lancey Nicoll,

District Attorney-

0965

BOX:

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FOLDER:

4180

DESCRIPTION:

Olsen, Thomas

DATE:

10/01/91



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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0966

Witnesses:

Ed. Silverman

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

189

day of

Oct

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Thomas Olsen

Assault in the First Degree, Et.
(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

W. J. Berry

Foreman.

Oct 19/1

Wendell Berry

Ed. Silverman

0967

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

of No. 100 Street, aged 47 years,
 occupation Painter being duly sworn
 deposes and says, that on the 2 day of September 1889 at the City of New
 York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Thomas

Alsen who cut and
stabbed defendant several
times on the face and
body with the blade of a
knife which he then held
in his hand and said
assault was committed

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 15 day
of September 1887.

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0968

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Thomas Olsen.*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *9 Kennedy St. 2 years*

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.*

Thomas Olsen.

Taken before me this

day of *March* 189*1*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0969

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

Police Court

District

1252

THE PEOPLE, vs.
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1
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Offence _____

Dated _____ 18__

Magistrate
Officer

Witness
No. _____
in and out of the
Court.

No. _____
Street _____

No. _____
to answer _____

No. _____
to answer _____

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of _____ Hundred Dollars, _____ and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until he give such bail.
Dated _____ 18__ _____ Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named _____
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.
Dated _____ 18__ _____ Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named _____
guilty of the offence within mentioned. I order he to be discharged.
Dated _____ 18__ _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0970

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK,

ss.

POLICE COURT,

DISTRICT.

of Paul Kasschau
No. 11 Street, aged 24 years,
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says,
that on the 22 day of September 1889
at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Thomas Silverspinner
was a material witness
for the People against
Thomas Olson charged
with 1st degree murder
and says that he
silverspinner the committed
to the House of Detention.

Paul Kasschau

Sworn to before me, this
of September 1889
at New York
Police Justice.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
against

Thomas Olsen

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Thomas Olsen
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

Thomas Olsen

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *22nd*
day of *September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*one*, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon
the body of one *Frederick B. Silversparrow* in the peace of the said People
then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *him* the said *Frederick*
B. Silversparrow with a certain *knife*

which the said

Thomas Olsen
in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and
dangerous weapon, then and there wilfully and feloniously did strike, beat, cut, stab and
wound,

with intent

him the said *Frederick B. Silversparrow*
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
Thomas Olsen
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

Thomas Olsen

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
Frederick B. Silversparrow in the peace of the said
People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault,
and *him* the said *Frederick B. Silversparrow*
with a certain *knife*

which the said

Thomas Olsen
in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a weapon and
an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully
and wrongfully strike, beat, cut, stab and wound, against the form of the statute in such case
made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their
dignity.

De Lancey Nicoll,
District Attorney

0972

BOX:

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FOLDER:

4180

DESCRIPTION:

O'Shaughnessy, J.

DATE:

10/30/91



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BOX:

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FOLDER:

4180

DESCRIPTION:

Brody, John

DATE:

10/30/91



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ORIGINAL

0974

Witnesses:

Joe Weizles

Off Buckley

From an examination of the
written case I am satisfied that
the prosecution cannot establish
the identity of the property
with the case, ~~therefore~~, secure a
conviction and therefore
recommend the discharge
of the indictment

Nov. 27. 91. *Walter J. H. H.*
a.o.a.

Counsel, *Boe*
Filed day of 1891
Pleads, *Agelyohn*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

James O'Quinn
John Brody

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Enter days
Not to be

A TRUE BILL.

Robert L. H. H.

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Nov 27/91.*

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New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,

VERSUS

John Brody and
James Shaughnessy

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself. and with the consent of the District Attorney and this Hon. Court, I desire to withdraw the charge, heretofore made by me against the above named defendants. I take this course for the following among other reasons, that no living witness saw the crime committed. I know the defendants for many years and have always known them to be hard working, honest young men and to bear the best of characters. Also they never were before arrested, and for those reasons, I am very unwilling to testify in the case.

Sworn to before me -
This 24th day of October 1891.

Joseph Wegler

John C. Lang
Notary Public
N.Y. Co.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0976

Police Court—4 District.

City and County } ss.:
of New York,

of No. 411 East 46th Street, aged 23 years,
occupation Butcher being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No. 411 East 46 Street, 19 Ward
in the City and County aforesaid the said being a dwelling house, the
basement
and which was occupied by deponent as a butcher shop
~~and in which there was at the time a human being, by name~~

were **BURGLARIOUSLY** entered by means of forcibly breaking the
hasp and pad lock used in fastening
the door leading to said basement

on the 14th day of October 1891 in the night time, and the
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Sixty six pairs of sweet breads
of the value of about Twenty seven dollars

the property of deponent and his co-partner
and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen and carried away by

James O. Shaughnessy
John Brophy (both now here)
for the reasons following, to wit: that deponent on said
day securely locked and fastened
the door leading to said basement
and said property was therein. Deponent
thereafter found the door broken open
and said property stolen. Deponent
is informed by Officer John Buckley
(now here) that he saw the defendants
in company with each other, at about

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the hour of eight o'clock in the evening
of said day, on First Avenue, and
they were carrying a bundle between
them. Deponent complained to said Buckley
of said burglary and loss of said property
and deponent being then informed of said
two men being seen by the officer,
deponent went to the residence of one
Michael Goodman, a dealer in such articles
and was informed by said Goodman
(nowhere) that he had purchased forty
pair of sweet breads from the defendants.
Sworn to before me
this 15th October, 1891 } Fred W. [unclear]

W. M. [unclear]
Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been
committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.
Dated 1888
I have admitted the above named
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.
Dated 1888
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.
Dated 1888
Police Justice.

Police Court, District,

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
on the complaint of

Offence—BURGLARY.

ss.

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Dated 1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

\$ to answer General Sessions.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 36 years, occupation Police officer of No.

23 Beaman

Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Joseph Metzger

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

Sworn to before me, this 15

day of October 1897

John Buckley

W. J. M. M. M. M. M.

Police Justice.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 40 years, occupation Butcher of No.

423 East 51st

Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Joseph Metzger

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

Sworn to before me, this 15

day of October 1897

Michael Goodman

W. J. M. M. M. M. M.

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

2 District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. James O. Shaughnessy

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. 807 1st Avenue; 8 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Dealer in sweetbreads

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

Answer. I am not guilty.

James O. Shaughnessy

Taken before me this 15

day of Oct

1891

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198—200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

John Brody 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 Brody

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 19 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Ireland

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

Answer. 973 First Avenue, 2 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Butcher

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 Brody

Taken before me this 15th

day of October 1899

Admiral

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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

Police Court- 4 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Joseph McElroy
411 E 4th St
James O'Mahoney
John Brady
Offence Burglary

Dated Oct 15 1891

McMahon Magistrate.

Buckley Officer.
23 Precinct.

Witnesses Officer

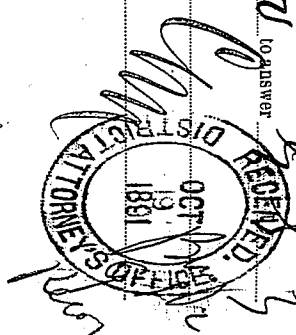
No. Michael Fordham Street.

423 E. 51st St

No. James Chalmers Street

1807 - 1 Ave

No. 1500 10th Street.



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

defendant

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

Dated Oct 15 1891 McMahon Police Justice.

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

Dated 188 Police Justice.

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

Dated 188 Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against
James O'Shaughnessy
and
John Brody.

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

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brody

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

The said

James O'Shaughnessy and
John Brody, both

late of the *19th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
fourteenth day of *October* in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and ninety- *one* in the *night* time of the same day, at the
Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *shop* of
one *Joseph Wetzler*

there situate; feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, with intent to commit some
crime therein, to wit: with intent the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Jo-*
eph Wetzler in the said *shop*
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.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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SECOND COUNT—

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

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brady
of the CRIME OF *Grand LARCENY in the second degree*, committed as follows:
The said *James O'Shaughnessy*
and John Brady, both

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

sixty-six pairs of sweet breads
of the value of forty cents
each pair

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

in the

shop

of the said

Joseph Wetzer
Joseph Wetzer

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

**POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL**

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THIRD COUNT:

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

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brody
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brody, both

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

*sixty-six pairs of sweet breads
of the value of forty cents
each pair*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

Joseph Wetzler

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

Joseph Wetzler

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

O'Shaughnessy and John Brody
then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels and personal property to have been feloniously stolen, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against
James O'Shaughnessy
and
John Brody.

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

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brody

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

The said

James O'Shaughnessy and
John Brody, both

late of the *19th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
fourteenth day of *October* in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and ninety- *one* in the *night* time of the same day, at the
Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *Shop* of
one *Joseph Wetzer*

there situate; feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, with intent to commit some
crime therein, to wit: with intent the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Joe*
eph Wetzer in the said *Shop*
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.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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SECOND COUNT—

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

of the CRIME OF

The said

Grand LARCENY

in the second degree, committed as follows:

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brady
James O'Shaughnessy
and John Brady, both

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

sixty-six pairs of sweet breads
of the value of forty cents
each pair

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

in the

shop

of the said

Joseph Wetzler
Joseph Wetzler

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

**POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL**

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THIRD COUNT:

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

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brody
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said

James O'Shaughnessy and John Brody, both

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

*sixty-six pairs of sweet breads
of the value of forty cents
each pair*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

Joseph Wetzel

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

Joseph Wetzel

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

O'Shaughnessy and John Brody
then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels and personal property to have been feloniously stolen, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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BOX:

454

FOLDER:

4180

DESCRIPTION:

Osmond, John L.

DATE:

10/27/91



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Witnesses:

Ella Murphy

Off Shortell

April 11 for trial

~~Stephen P. Kelly~~

Stephen P. Kelly

Counsel

Filed 1891

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

I

John E. Osmond

LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

Murder in the First Degree.
(Section 183, Penal Code.)

Ordered to the COURT of
the COUNTY of NEW YORK,
trial (entered in the Minutes)
March 24th 1892

[Signature]

Foreman.

April 14th 1892

Tried and convicted

Murder in the 1st degree

April 20th 1892

sentenced to be executed during

week commencing June 6, 1892 20

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MASTER IN CHANCERY OF NEW JERSEY.
RESIDENCE 9 CLAY ST., NEWARK, N. J.

ROOM 501

T. H. S. VanRoden,

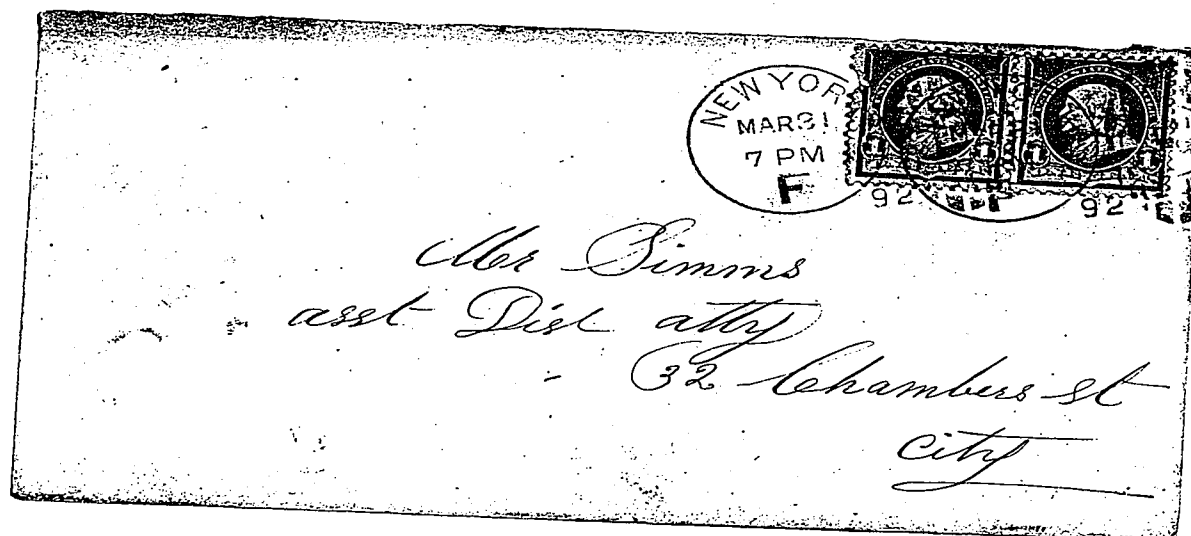
Counselor at Law,

136 LIBERTY STREET.

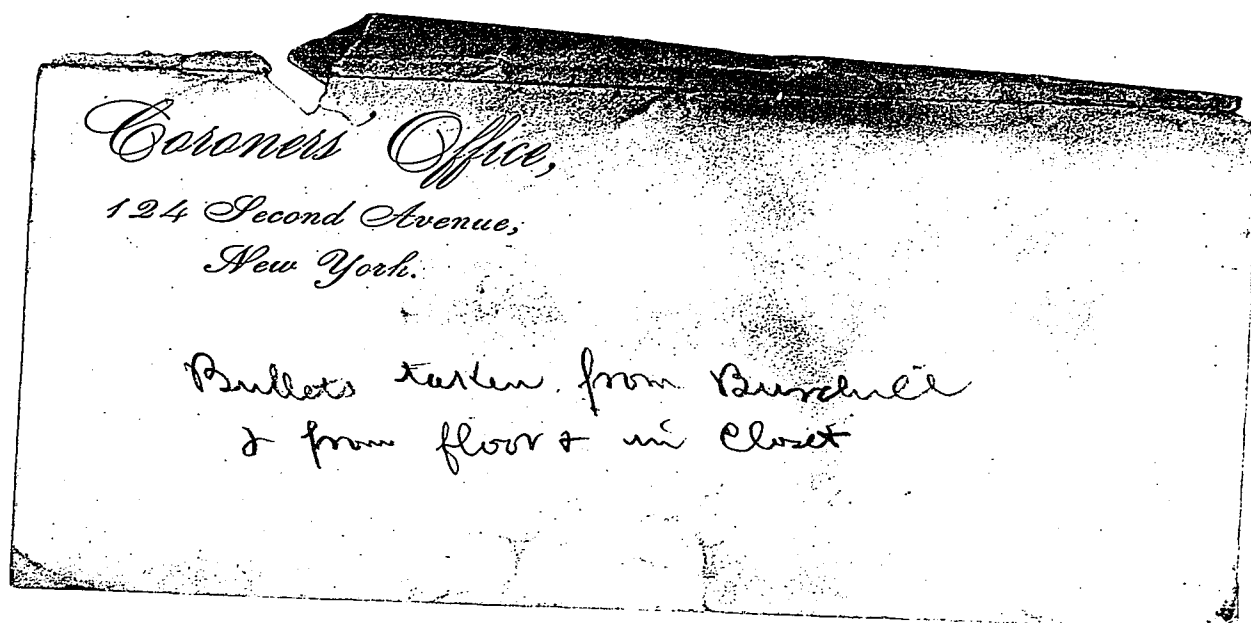
NEW YORK.

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Mr Simms
asst Dist atty
32 Chambers St
City



Coroners' Office,
124 Second Avenue,
New York.

Bullets taken from Burschell
& from floor & in closet

Coroners' Office.

TESTIMONY.

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An Autopsy made on the body of Mary Osmond at 609 - 3rd Ave. Duboué 12³⁰ P.M. Oct. 5/91 showed the following results.

An external view of the body disclosed a pistol shot wound on the outer side of the right breast, which was evidently the point of entry of a large bullet; and on the inner side another wound evidently made by the same bullet in leaving the body. By cutting down upon a probe passed through the wound it was shown that this bullet had not wounded any important blood-vessel, impinging through the mammary gland from right to left and had not entered the cavity of the chest. On the back at the lower corner of the shoulder blade a pistol shot wound was to be seen, and on the front of the body at the base of the left breast could be felt a hard substance, underlying the integuments, which on being cut down upon was found to be a 38 calibre leaden bullet. On opening the chest the course of this bullet was found to have been, through the 6th & 7th intercostal cartilages, through the left lung, heart, pericardium and, fracturing the 7th rib.

Taken before me

this 9th day of Oct., 1891

(see no 2.)

J. J. Meserian

CORONER.

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Coroners' Office.

TESTIMONY. (No 2)

passing into the muscular tissue at base
of left breast. Nothing the case
was found in organs of body except
that the liver was slightly fatty
& kidneys showed signs of beginning
cirrhosis. Brain normal.
The cause of death was
shock from Hemorrhage
from Pistol Shot Wound of Chest

Wm A. Conway
M.D.

Taken before me
this 9th day of Oct., 1891
M. J. J. Messenger CORONER.

Coroners' Office.

TESTIMONY.

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An Autopsy on the body of John C. Barchie at the Morgue, 26th St and East River, on Dec. 6th/91 showed the following results.

An external view of the body showed the mark of a bullet on the chest about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches from the left nipple and about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below a line parallel to the same. This wound had not penetrated the chest cavity, the skin only having been injured. About $\frac{7}{8}$ inches and in direct line from navel was a penetrating bullet wound & on abdomen a long incision made by surgeons in performing laparotomy.

On opening abdomen the intestines were found to have been pierced in 12 places by bullets & to have been sewed up by surgeons. The evidence of peritonitis was present, following injury. All organs of body were normal. Brain normal.

The cause of death was Peritonitis following Pistol Shot Wound of the Abdomen

Wm. A. Conway
M.D.

Taken before me

this 9th day of Oct. 1891.

M. J. Messemmer CORONER.

City and County of New York, ss.

Statement of John C. Burchill
dangerously wounded at Bellevue Hospital in the 21st Ward
of said City and County, on the fourth day of October 1891

Question—What is your name?

Answer—

John C. Burchill.

Question—Where do you live?

Answer—

609 Third Ave., New York City.

Question—Do you now believe that you are about to die?

Answer—

Yes

Question—Have you any hope of recovery from the effects of the injury you have received?

Answer—

Yes I hope to recover

Question—Are you willing to make a true statement, how, and in what manner, you came by the injury from which you are now suffering?

Answer—

Yes. At 609 Third Ave. tonight about half past ten o'clock in the kitchen on the third or top floor I was shot twice by John Lewis Osmond. I was shot on Saturday October 3rd 1891. He and his wife Mary Osmond had a little difficulty and he left the house about five weeks ago. He said he was not coming back to live with her any more and she was seeking for a divorce and alimony. The trial was to come off next Monday October 5th 1891. After he was served with the papers he wanted her to come with him into his furnished room where he was stopping at 619 Second Ave. ^{which he left} and wanted her to leave the place she was in, which was 609 Third Ave and she refused. Because of his ill treatment all along and she did not see any prospect of his

—*STATE OF NEW YORK,*—

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss. 0

AN ANTE-MORTEM INQUISITION,

Taken at *Bellvue Hospital*
No. forty *East* Street, in the *21st* Ward of the City of
New York, in the County of New York, this *fourth* day of *October*
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety one before
Michael D. Messener Coroner,
of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the body of *John C. Purcell*

Bellvue Hospital at
Upon the Oaths and Affirmations of
good and lawful men of the State of New York, duly chosen and
sworn or affirmed and charged to inquire, on behalf of said people, how and in what manner
the said *John C. Purcell* was injured, do upon
their Oaths and Affirmations, say: That the said *John C. Purcell*
came to his injuries consisting of two
pistol shot wounds in the left side
from a pistol in the hands of *John*
Lewis Osmond at *699 Third Ave.* on
Saturday, *October 3* 1891 about
half past ten o'clock in the evening.

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

JURORS.

<i>John J. Connor</i>	<i>Bellvue Hospital</i>
<i>M. A. Finnell</i>	
<i>Frank Gayle</i>	
<i>Charles Haider</i>	
<i>John Louis Tompkins</i>	
<i>Henry W. Wertz</i>	
<i>Michael D. Messener</i>	

CORONER, E. S.

being able to keep her. Last Tuesday night he was up in the house at 6 o'clock. He tried to try to make some arrangement with her. They went down to a lawyer together. I cannot think of the lawyer's name, his office is at 126 Liberty St. She refused to make any arrangements with him. She said she would have nothing to say to him, and that he must make his arrangements with her lawyer. Her husband then wanted me to put her out of the house. The three of us had been living together for the last two years. I had lived there before. I have been living there for sixteen years with his aunt. I have been living with Osmond's aunt there and at other places for thirty three years. His aunt took me when I was young. His aunt's name is Eliza Cushing. When she died I asked him if he would not come there and keep the place. I would stay with ^{them} as they, he and his wife, had no place. They came and we have been there all three of us together for two years. His wife kept the place and I paid my board. All this time they were disagreeing and having fights. During the fights this is the third time he has left the house during two years, a week or eight days at a time. This last time he left he called her out of her name and swore he never would come back. Then she turned around and sued him. He did not show himself since ^{last} Tuesday until Saturday night Oct 3/91. He came in at half past ten. His wife, her sister and I were sitting at a table. He walked right up to her and said, now Mrs. what is there now about this trial, she replied, "Johnnie I cannot say anything about it, I guess we'll have to wait". He then pulled out his revolver and shot her. I was not looking at him at the time he pulled the revolver from his coat, she yelled "oh my" when I looked around and saw the revolver in his hand. I jumped up, but before I could get a hold of him he shot her twice and then turned right around on me and shot me once when I caught hold of him. I am now in a second time, anything I can do for you. I do not know if he was feeling of me or not. His wife only lived about ten minutes after he shot her. She shot her in the back and in the side. He shot me twice in the left side.

John C. Marshall

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MEMORANDA.

AGE			PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	
41	Years	Months	Days	Vermont U.S.	Bellvue Hospital

Single,
Wireworker,

AN ANTE-MORTEM INQUISTION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

John O'Sullivan

whereby it is found that he was
injured by John Lewis

Leonard who shot

him twice in the left
side at 609 Third
Ave. on Oct 3/91
about 10.30 Pm.

Taken on the 4th day

of October 1891

before

Dr. W. H. McCreary, Coroner.

Examined

Obit

Discharged

STATE OF NEW YORK.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

AN INQUISITION,

Taken at the house of *Coroner's Office*
No. 124 Second Avenue Street, in the 17 Ward of the City of
New York, in the County of New York, this 10th day of October
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and 91 before

M. J. Messersner Coroner,
of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the Body of *Mary Osmund*
lying dead at

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

On October 3rd 1891, from a pistol shot wound of the
back, inflicted by *John L. Osmund* at 609, 3rd
Avenue October 3rd 1891, at about 10⁴⁵ PM
and we hold *John L. Osmund* to await the action
of the Grand Jury.

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

JURORS.

Frazer Henry 718-2nd

John Hartman 517 3 Ave

John Kern 587 3 Ave

John Mullin 235 E. 36

John Martin 534 3 Ave

John H. Taylor 526 3 Ave

Paul Schulz 403 E. 11th

Alton Greenbaum 230 E. 36

Sigmond Goldman 572 30 Ave

Frederic H. Barnes 603 3 Ave

Edward Becker 636 2 Ave

Alex Schamberger 6200 E 36

M. J. Messersner
CORONER, E. S.

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The People of the State of New York, on the Com-
plaint of

vs.

List of Witnesses.

NAMES

RESIDENCE

Ellen J Murphy
Peter M. O'Brien
Chas. Enell
John Thorell
Leonidas ...

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POOR QUALITY
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Superior Court

Mary Demond
vs.
John L. Demond

Summons & Complaint,
Proof of service and
Petition & affidavits.

STATE OF NEW YORK,

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

AN INQUISITION

Taken at the *Coroners Office*

No. *124 Second Avenue East*, in the *17th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, this *10* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one

before *MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, Coroner*, of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the body of *John C. Churchill* now lying dead at

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

at *Bellevue Hospital* Tuesday, October 6th, 1891 from a pistol shot wound of the abdomen inflicted by *John L. Osmond*, on October 3rd 1891 between the hours of 10:45 P.M. + 11:15 P.M. and we hold *John L. Osmond* to await the action of the Grand Jury.

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

Edward Baker JURORS.
636-240

John Miller 233-636

Frank Gray 718-240

John Martin 534-3 Ave

John H. Gaynor 626-3 Ave

John Hartman 517-3 Ave

Paul Leubacher 403 E. 11 St.

Moses Greenbaum 236 E 38

John Kerr 587 Third Ave *Messmer*

Sigmund Goldman 572 32 Ave

Fred Harris 603 3 Ave

Alex Schanberger 200 E 36

Coroner, E. S.

TESTIMONY.

William A. Conway M. D., being duly sworn, says:
I have made an examination of the body of
John C. Purcell now lying dead at
Bellevue Hospital and from such examination
and history of the case, as per testimony, I am of opinion the cause of
death is *Pistol Shot Wound of Abdomen*

W. A. Conway
M. D.

Sworn to before me,

this

day of

1891

James M. Meserve

CORONER.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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MEMORANDA.

AGE			PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	Date When Reported
Years	Months	Days			
41			Vermont U.S.	Thorgue	Oct 29/91

Wire Worker

Residence boy -

32 years in New York City

Shot by
John Leonard
at boy - 2 Ave
on Saturday at
10.30 A.M.
Died at 3.20 A.M.
Oct 6/91

M. J. B. M.

Forwards

4th Nov 1891

AN INQUISITION

On the view of the body of

John C. Dunhill

whereby it is found that he came to his death by

Homicide

Robert J. J. J. J.

of the Abdomen
lacerating artery
and causing hemorrhage

Onquest taken on the day of Oct 1891 before

MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, Coroner.

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Dr Chapman.
From Bellevue Hospital.
New York, October 6th 1891.

To Coroner.

Sir:

Please hold an inquest on the body of

Name: John Burchill Residence: 609, 3rd Ave.

Age: 41 years months days. Admitted Sun + day, October

Father 4th 1891, at 12.30 o'clock A.M.

Nativity, U. S.; of

Mother By Ambulance A

41 years in U. S., 20 years in City. From 637, 1st Ave B

Civil Bond: Occup. Nitewasher Examined by Dr. C

Suffering from symptoms of

Said Injuries said to have been received D

Death took place Tues + day, October 6th 1891 at 3.25 o'clock P.M.

The Autopsy revealed F

Remarks: G

G. B. Snow M. D.
HOUSE SURGEON PHYSICIAN.

- Ad. +. State the day of the week.
Ad. A. State whether by Ambulance or Friends.
Ad. B. State whether from a Precinct or a Residence and give the name.
Ad. C. State whether from Natural Causes or from Shock (conscious or unconscious) due to Injuries, and if so, give name, place, date, number, character and Extent of Injuries, always stating where indicated, whether right or left.
Ad. D. State when, where, how, by what means or persons received, also whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal; in falls, the distance, location and place; in Burns and Scalds the circumstances attending the same; in runover cases, the line of Street Car, Railroad or Conveyance; in Weapons, the character of the same, &c., &c., always giving such information as will lead to an accurate knowledge of the case and facilitate judicial inquiry and justice.
Ad. E. State name, date, place, character and results of any operation or amputation performed.
Ad. F. Give a short resume of the Autopsy with the Pathological Diagnosis and the Cause of Death at the End.
Ad. G. State here any important facts not embodied in the above statements.

Coroner's Office,

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } SS.

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

Question—What is your name?

Answer—

John L. Osmond

Question—How old are you?

Answer—

28 years

Question—Where were you born?

Answer—

New York City

Question—Where do you live?

Answer—

619 Second Ave New York City

Question—What is your occupation?

Answer—

Brass Polisher

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

I have nothing to say
John L. Osmond

Taken before me, this *10th* day of *October* *1887*

M. J. Messers

CORONER.

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HOMICIDE.

AN INQUISITION.

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Mary Camond

John L. Churchill

whereby it is found that, he came to

1 hour Deaths by the hands of

John L. Camond

Inquest taken on the 10th day

of October 1891

before

M. J. Mearns

Coroner.

Committed

Bailed

Discharged

Date of death

MEMORANDA.

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

Feb. 1 Superior Court of the
City of New York

Mary Osmond
against
John L. Osmond

Notice.

Sir:

Take notice that on the summons
and Complaint, and on the petition of the
plaintiff herein verified September 26th
1891, and on the affidavits of both parties
O'Brien and Mary A. Heyland verified
September 26th 1891 and September 25th 1891
respectively, I shall move this Court at a
Special Term thereof to be held at the Cham-
ber thereof at the County Court House in
the City of New York on the 5th day of
October next, at ten and a half O'Clock
in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter
as Counsel can be heard for an order directing
and requiring the defendant to pay to plaintiff
a certain and definite ~~sum~~ amount of
money as alimony pendente lite, each
and every week and for Counsel fees herein
to enable plaintiff to prosecute this action,
and for such other and further order and
relief in the premises as may be equitable

and just.

To

John S. Omond
Defendant,
619 E. Avenue,
N. Y. City.

Thurs
J. W. Sanborn
Plaintiff's Attorney
136 Liberty St.,
N. Y. City.

TESTIMONY.

William A Conway M. D., being duly sworn, says:
I have made an examination of the body of
Mary Osmond now lying dead at
609. 3rd Avenue and from such examination
and history of the case, as per testimony, I am of opinion the cause of
death is Shock from Pistol Shot
Wound of the Back

W A Conway
M. D.

Sworn to before me,

this

9th

day of

October 1891

J. B. Meserve

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MEMORANDA.

AGE			PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	Date When Reported
<i>About</i> <i>25</i> Years	Months	Days	<i>U.S.</i>	<i>Morgue</i> <i>609 Third Ave</i>	<i>Oct 14/91</i>

M. J. B. M.

Howards

1st *1891*
1891

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Mary Leonard

*whereby it is found that she came to
her death by*

Shock

from
Fornicial Debt

that the wife of the
Right Reverend
Bishop

Original taken on the
17th day
of Oct 1891
MICHAEL J. B. MESSENER, Coroner.

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Superior Court of the
City of New York

Mary Osmund
agst. } Proof of service of
John L. Osmund } Summons & Complaint.

City and County of New York, SS: -

Patrick Murphy,
being duly sworn deposes and says that he
resides at 637 First Avenue in the City of
New York aforesaid - That he is the father of the
plaintiff in the above entitled action. That on
Saturday, September 26th 1891 on 2nd Avenue
in front of premises No 21 in said City, he
served on the said defendant the summons
and complaint in the above entitled action by
handing and delivering to said defendant
true copies thereof. That the said defendant
is deponent's son-in-law, with whom he has
been acquainted for six years last past
and he knows him to be the defendant
herein. That at the same time and
place he served on said defendant
the petition and affidavits of Catherine
O'Brien and Mary A. Kuhlman by handing
and delivering to him true copies thereof.
That at the service of the summons and

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Complainant, Petition & Affidavits
Peter O'Brien of 609 3rd Avenue
was present and witnessed the
same.

Sworn to before me
this 28th day of
September 1891

Lois H. Geyer
Notary Public
of N.Y. Co.

Patrick Murphy

Complaint as Demand

Affidavit of Service

of Summons & Complaint

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Court of Oyer & Terminer
County of New York

The People of the State of
New York

against

John L. Osmond

City and County of New York, ss:-

Stephen C. Baldwin, being duly sworn deposes
and says: on information and belief that on or about
the 7th day of October 1891 the Grand Jury of the
County of New York found and indictment charging the
defendant John L. Osmond with murder in the first
degree accusing him of shooting his wife, Mary Osmond,
and charging him with having caused her death thereby
on the 3rd day of October 1891. That thereafter and on
or about the 30th day of October 1891 this
deponent was assigned by a Justice of the Court of
General Sessions, to wit, Justice Martine to defend
the said John L. Osmond, as he was without means to
procure counsel.

Deponent is twenty-seven years of age and
since his admission to the Bar has been chiefly en-
gaged in civil causes and feeling the responsibility of
a criminal cause involving ^{possibly} ~~probably~~ capital punishment,
deponent at once set about to find a competent criminal
lawyer to assist him in the preparation, and to conduct
the trial of the cause when reached. Deponent consult-
ed with Frederick House, a well known lawyer of the
City of New York who has devoted much of his time and

attention to the trial of criminal causes, and is well-known throughout the City of New York as a lawyer of high repute, and the said House appreciating deponents position in the case consented to act as counsel, and consented to try the cause on behalf of the defendant. No steps were taken by the District Attorney's office to move said cause for trial until the day of March 1892, when the cause appeared upon the day calendar of the Court of General Sessions, and when it appeared this day upon the calendar of the Court of Oyer and Terminer to which Court deponent believes the said cause was transferred, and the said cause was so placed upon the calendar in order to fix a day for trial.

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This deponent had just finished the trial of a cause against the Brooklyn Eagle occupying six weeks time, in the Circuit Court, Kings County before Mr. Justice Bartlett. When the trial of this cause was moved to Oyer & Terminer as aforesaid, deponent appeared and asked for as long an adjournment as possible and the trial was set down for April 11th 1892. Deponent at the time the cause was set down for trial did not know that Mr. Frederick House aforesaid had been stricken with illness and supposed that Mr. House would be able to come in and try the cause. On the same day in Court deponent heard ^{a father of Mr. House} Mr. Friend ask for an adjournment on the ground of Mr. House's illness.

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Deponent then sought Mr. House at his home in 133rd Street New York, and found that he was suffering with nervous prostration, and that he had been peremptorily ordered by his physician to leave town immediately. His

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Physician ordered that he must abandon his practice and take a rest for at least a month. Deponent then set about ~~set about~~ trying to obtain the services of some other member of the Bar competent to try criminal causes, but was unable to find anyone willing to enter upon the trial of the case upon such short notice, and for the reason that defendant was unable to pay counsel fee. Deponent then in ^{the} extremity called upon Mr. Charles W. Brooke, the well known lawyer who has for years defended causes of this character with ~~great~~ success, on Thursday the 7th day of April 1892. Mr. Brooke had just left a sick bed ^{a short time before} where he had been confined with erysipelas, but upon a statement of the facts by deponent Mr. Brooke promptly agreed to enter into the case with this deponent. Upon examining the facts Mr. Brooke was of the opinion that the utmost the People could claim would be a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree, and thereupon Mr. Brooke and deponent had an interview with the District Attorney, Mr. Nicoll, and Mr. Brooke then and there made a statement of the facts to said District Attorney and offered and tendered the plea of manslaughter in the first degree. Mr. Nicoll said that he would consider the matter of accepting the plea, and asked Mr. Brooke ^{deponent} to attend at his office the next day when after consultation with his assistant, Mr. Wellman, who was assigned to try the cause for the people, he would give his decision whether his office would accept the plea. The next day in the afternoon Mr. ^{deponent} Brooke called at the District Attorneys office, but Mr. Nicoll had left his office for the day, but ^{we} found Mr. Wellman,

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the assistant present, and Mr. Wellman stated that Mr. Nicoll had concluded to decline ~~the~~ to receive the plea. When Mr. Brooke and deponent left the District Attorneys office it was after five o'clock in the afternoon but at the earliest opportunity the next day Mr. Brooke and deponent had an interview with ~~representative~~ the defendant at the Tombs Prison, where he is there confined upon this charge. This was the first consultation and the only consultation Mr. Brooke has had with the defendant. After such consultation Mr. Brooke stated as his opinion to this deponent that it would be impossible to properly represent the interests of the defendant unless an adjournment were had, and that it would be impossible to prepare for trial by Monday the 11th instant, upon which day this cause had been set down for trial. Mr. Brooke also advised deponent that it was essential that expert testimony should be procured to determine the question of the defendant's sanity at the time of the ^{commission} ~~commitment~~ of the alleged offense. The defendant John L. Osmond has fully and fairly stated his case and the facts of this case to deponent. Deponent resides at the Corham, 19th Street and Broadway. Upon the statement of facts so made to this deponent, deponent verily believes that this defendant has a good and substantial defense to the indictment herein, to wit: An indictment for murder in the first degree. This is the first time this cause has been upon the calendar of any Court for trial, and deponent respectfully asks the Court for an adjournment and is willing to have the cause sent back to the

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Court of General Sessions if necessary, and deponent
asks only for a reasonable adjournment for the ^{deponent} purpose
^{and} of Mr. Brooke, the counsel to properly prepare the de-
fense for John L. Osmond the defendant.

That no previous or other application has been made
for this order.

Sworn to before me ^{in open court} this

11th day of April 1892.

Stephen C. Baldwin
Albert E. Allen
Deputy Clerk

Mary Osmund
-against-
John L. Osmund.

Your petitioner, who is the plaintiff above named respectfully shows to this Court:

3 II: That defendant, a few months after the marriage of your petitioner to him began and has continued up to the 7th day of September 1891, to treat your petitioner very unkindly, with indignity and harshness and on frequent occasions in a cruel and inhuman manner.

III: That between the first day of September 1885 and the seventh day of September 1891, the defendant has frequently and often called her vile names and has many times during that time unmercifully, cruelly and inhumanly beaten her over her head, face and body. He has

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called her a "whore", "son of a bitch ", "whore son of a bitch", "prostitute" and has applied to her with much profanity many vile epithets. he has beaten and bruised plaintiff over the eye, head, face and body many times. He has savagely bitten and lacerated her right breast, so that she suffered great pain and was made sick and fevered thereby.

4 IV: That on the 21st day of August, 1891, defendant ⁴deserted plaintiff and separated from and abandoned her. He called at our home on the 7th day of September, 1891 and removed his trunk, since which time your petitioner has not seen said defendant.

V: That said defendant is employed as a brass polisher and earns Thirteen dollars a week.

VI: That your petitioner is without means of support and is dependant entirely upon her own exertions for necessary means therefor.

VII: That the cruel, brutal and inhuman treatment your petitioner has endured at the hands of her husband, is more fully and at large set forth in her complaint hereto attached and which she makes a part of her ^{this} petition.

Your petitioner respectfully prays that this Court do make an order requiring the said defendant to pay to your petitioner such a sum as may be deemed meet and proper under all the circumstances for her support

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and maintenance during the pendency of this action, and
that he be required in and by said order to give security
therefor, and that he be further required by said order
to pay a reasonable counsel fee to enable her to prosecute
this action.

Dated, New York, September 26th 1891.

Mary Osmond
Petitioner.

City and County of New York, ss:

Mary Osmond being duly sworn says, that she is the
above named petitioner; that the foregoing petition is
true to her own knowledge, except the matters which are
therein stated to be alleged on information and belief
and as to these matters she believes it to be true.

Sworn to before me this 26th day:
of September, 1891.

: *Mary Osmond*
:

E. D. Ehlers
Notary Public No 14
New York Co

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

-----x
Mary Osmand

-against-

John L. Osmand.
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: Affidavit of
: Catherine O'Brien.
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City and County of New York, ss:

Catherine O'Brien being duly sworn deposes and says she is the wife of ^{Peter} W. O'Brien and resides at number 609 3rd Avenue. She is a sister of the plaintiff. That she was present when the parties to the above entitled action were married, immediately after which plaintiff and defendant came to her father's house to live, where they continued to live for about nine months. That about five months after said marriage the defendant was drinking beer with loafers and idlers, and was engaged in what is coarsely but more expressively styled, "Rushing the Growler", plaintiff endeavored to induce him to quit his associates and come in the house but he refused and finally said to her, "you son of a bitch, take that" at the ^{same} time striking her repeatedly over the head and body while she was fleeing from his blows and followed her into the house raining said blows on her. That on January first, 1886 at 2.15 East 43rd Street, deponent saw defendant strike plaintiff under the following circumstances:

Deponent called on said parties during the afternoon of said day. She found plaintiff seated on the lounge crying and defendant at the window in manifest rage, grinding his teeth. Deponent inquired what was the matter but received no reply- that after the lapse of two or three minutes, no word having yet been spoken by either of said parties, the defendant walked rapidly from the window over to his said wife and struck her on the head a blow with such force as to drive her head against the wall. That in the month of August 1886 Deponent called on said parties and while at their rooms the defendant without any apparent provocation hurled an earthen cuspadore at plaintiff and the same struck her on her shoulder and fell to the floor shattered into fragments, at the same time saying to plaintiff, "God damn you, you son of a bitch, take that." That on the seventh day of September 1891 Deponent heard defendant say to plaintiff, "Now you whore go back and see how much money you can earn, I am no whore's pimp and you are a whore to him", on which day the defendant called after an absence of about seventeen days and took away his trunk.

Deponent has resided in the same house with said parties since July 1891.

Sworn to before me :
this 26th day of :
September 1891.:

Louis M. Geyer *Catharine O'Brien*
Notary Public
of N. Y. Co.

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

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Mary Osmond	:	
-against-	:	
John L. Osmond.	:	Affidavit of
-----x	:	Mary A. Hyland.

City and County of New York, ss:

8 Mary A. Hyland being duly sworn deposes and says she is the wife of Michael Hyland and resides at number 633 Third Avenue in said City of New York: That she is well acquainted with the parties to the above entitled action and has known them for six years last past: That said parties resided in the same house with deponent from December 1885 to June 1887, at 215 East 43rd Street in said City, all living on the same floor of the said house, visiting one another almost daily during such time. That sometime between January and June 1886 the defendant seized the plaintiff and pushed and shoved her out into the hall and he then and there said to plaintiff, "get out of my house." Deponent and three friends, who were visiting her interfered to protect the plaintiff when the defendant ran out of the house. Defendant before running away struck plaintiff in the face. That some time during the month 9 of July 1890 at 609 Third Avenue in said City while deponent was spending the evening with said parties, depo-

nentsaw defendant strike plaintiff in the face while plain-
tiff was spreading the table for supper- that defendant
jumped up from the table and so struck plaintiff and said
to her, "you son of a bitch, why don't you hurry up," and
he followed up the said blow by striking the said plain-
tiff several times in succession. The next day deponent
accompanied plaintiff to a Doctor who treated her eye, which
was discolored and filled with clotted blood. That during
the Winter of 1891 the defendant was very ill, so ill that
small hopes were entertained for his recovery. Deponent
visited the said parties often during such time and wit-
nessed the devoted care and attention plaintiff bestowed
on defendant both day and night through such illness.
That plaintiff has during their said acquaintance demeaned
herself as a true and virtuous wife and has borne with
his ill-treatment, harshness and cruelty with rare pa-
tience, fortitude and endurance.

Sworn to before me;
this 25th day of :
September, 1891. :

Moore & Hyland
Louise M. Gey
Notary Public
of N.Y. Co.

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Superior Court of Shelby
County

Mary Demore
agent
John E. Demore

Settlement & Affiliates

Wm. R. R.
Plaintiff's attorney
136 Liberty St.,
Ch. V. City.

Plffs. Civ. ~~13~~ E.
Friedman
April 17/92
In evidence
People's ~~13~~ E.
April 17/92

Superior Court of
the City of New York.

Mary Demand
agent.

John L. Demand

Summoner and
Complainant

~~Edward~~

Plaintiff's Attorney,

136 Liberty Street,

New York City.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE
CITY OF NEW YORK.

MARY OSMOND,

-against-

JOHN L. OSMOND.

COMPLAINT.

*People's Ex. B
for 14/92 WA H*

The plaintiff complains against the defendant,
and for cause of action alleges:

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I. That on or about the Fifteenth day of February, Eighteen hundred and eighty-five, she was married to her present husband, the defendant herein, at the City, County and State of New York, and that both the plaintiff and the defendant have been since such time actual residents and inhabitants of the said City of New York, except for the period that elapsed from the First day of July, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight to the First day of November in the same year, when they resided at Greenpoint in the County of Kings and State of New York aforesaid, and from which place they removed on the First day of November to the City of New York aforesaid, where they have since said last mentioned date continued to reside; and that they are now actual residents and inhabitants of the said City of New York.

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II. That plaintiff and defendant lived together harmoniously for a few months, when the defendant began to treat the plaintiff very unkindly and with indignity, with

harshness, and on many occasions, in a cruel and inhuman manner. So cruel and inhuman was his treatment of her that her condition was made and rendered so miserable and wretched that it was with great difficulty, and only by the exercise of great patience and the spirit of forgiveness that she was enabled, in the hope that the said defendant would reform, to endure the said treatment.

4 III. That on or about the First day of September, in the year aforesaid, while plaintiff and defendant were boarding at the house of plaintiff's father, the said defendant in a spirit of irritability and without cause or provocation did deliberately, cruelly and inhumanly with his clenched fist strike plaintiff upon the face and right eye, causing the said eye to bleed and the same and her said face to become sore and discolored, and plaintiff was obliged to resort to medical treatment therefor.

5 IV. That on or about the First day of December in the year ⁽¹⁸⁸⁸⁾ aforesaid, the defendant, without any irritating cause on the part of this plaintiff, hurled an earthen cuspadore at her head, which she dodged, and the same struck her on the shoulder and fell therefrom to the floor, shattered in pieces.

6 V. That on or about the First day of September, Eighteen hundred and Eighty-six, the said defendant falsely, maliciously and cruelly charged plaintiff with unchastity, and with being criminally intimate with other men, and among other things, he then and there said: "You sit in the

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window all day and entice the factory men into your place, don't you?" And insisted that plaintiff should confess and "own up to it". "You son of a bitch, you have been playing me too long; I want you to get out of here". And the defendant then and there seized plaintiff, and succeeded in forcing plaintiff out of their rooms into the hall, and would have succeeded in his express design to put her in the street, but for the interference of the tenants in the same house in her behalf.

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VI. That in and during the month of October, Eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, the said defendant neglected plaintiff and absented himself from their home a large part of such time in carousal, debauchery and excessive drinking, and has almost every week since said last mentioned date, been under the influence of strong drink; and has neglected his employment and gone off on debauches, at which times, whenever he came home to sleep off the effect thereof, plaintiff has deeply suffered from his low, base and obscene language and epithets, his assaults and coarse, brutal, cruel and inhuman treatment.

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VII. That on or about the Fifteenth day of August, Eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, at Greenpoint, in the County of Kings and State of New York aforesaid, defendant most savagely, cruelly and inhumanly threw plaintiff back upon their bed, threw himself upon her, and with his teeth sorely wounded and lacerated her right breast by biting the same through her clothing, causing the blood to flow from the same, by reason whereof she suffered great pain and was made sick and sore.

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VIII. That on or about the First day of May, Eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, at the City of New York Aforesaid, the said defendant's appetite for and indulgence in strong drink had become so great as to cause deliriums, and he would frequently curse plaintiff and repeatedly say to her "God damn you."

IX. That on or about the Fifteenth day of July, Eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the defendant brutally, cruelly and most inhumanly, with his clenched fist struck plaintiff in the same eye and on the same side of the face as hereinbefore stated and alleged, to wit, her right eye, and that such blow closed said eye and discolored the same and her said face and made the same sore, at the same time calling plaintiff a whore and a bitch repeatedly, and then and there declared that she never had been any good.

That he was capricious, ugly, irritable, coarse and unfeeling, and would without reason or cause, or a shadow thereof, find fault with his meals and the cooking and preparation thereof. He would toss the meat to the cat and say: "This is cat's meat"; throw the eggs on the floor, and would endeavor in every way he could devise to wound and injure the feelings and sensibilities of the plaintiff.

X. That in and about the last week of the month of August, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the defendant, having just received his week's wages, came home, took the bank-book and all the money that there was in the house and went out, and remained away from home over Sunday without making any provision for plaintiff, who was compelled to and

who did go to and spend such time at her father-in-law's home.

13 XI. That at divers and frequent times between the said month of August, Eighteen hundred and eighty-nine and the commencement of this action, the defendant did, in different parts of the house where they resided, coarsely, grossly, wickedly, falsely and most cruelly, call plaintiff a "son of a bitch", "whore son of a bitch", and "common prostitute", in such a loud and boisterous manner as to attract the attention and express indignation of the neighbors.

14 XII. That during the said last mentioned period, defendant did so beat and ill use plaintiff, as aforesaid, by striking her with his hand or fist more than a score of times, and that twice during such period he struck her as before on her right eye and on the right side of her face, causing great pain, soreness and discoloration, and so wounding and injuring said eye by the said blows that she is obliged to daily use a lotion therefor.

15 XIII. That during the said last mentioned period, he threatened to shoot plaintiff, and said to her: "I'll give you a ball of hot lead that'll soon fix you."; and in and about the month of July, Eighteen hundred and ninety-one the defendant took a knife from his pocket and said to plaintiff: "You've but one minute to live." Plaintiff in terror escaped from the house, and under the protection of a police officer, returned to the house, where said officer

took said knife from the defendant and handed the same to plaintiff, who still retains the same.

16 XIV. That she, the said plaintiff, has always been a good, true and faithful wife, and always exercised patience and forbearance. That during the month of January, Eighteen hundred and ninety-one, the defendant was taken and became ill, and so bad was his condition that his life was despaired of, and he was confined to his room for a number of weeks, during all which time this plaintiff gave him constant attention, care and nursing, and laid out and expended during such time all the money she had in the world-- money that she had earned by her own exertions and not acquired through or from the defendant. Plaintiff hoped that defendant's illness would prove to be a blessing, in this that he might see the error of his ways, and that by her unselfish care for him he would reform, and that they might live thereafter in harmony; but the fond hopes she
17 then cherished were soon rudely dispelled by defendant's resumption of his coarse, wicked, brutal and inhuman treatment and the use of gross, vile and obscene language of and concerning this plaintiff.

XV. That on the twenty-first day of August, Eighteen hundred and ninety-one, the defendant without any justifiable cause, abandoned, deserted and separated himself from plaintiff, his wife, and has refused and neglected to provide for her.

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W H E R E F O R E , Plaintiff demands judgment for a separation of herself from this defendant, her said husband, forever; and that he may be ordered and decreed to provide such suitable support and maintenance, to be paid by him for the plaintiff out of his property and income during life, and for such other and further relief, order, judgment and decree as to the Court may seem equitable and just.



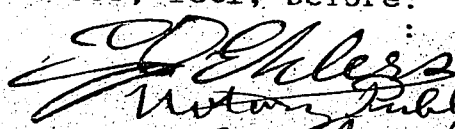
Plaintiff's Attorney,
136 Liberty St.,
New York City.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

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MARY OSMOND, being duly sworn, says that she is the plaintiff in this action; that the foregoing Complaint, which has been read to her, is true to her own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters she believes it to be true.

Sworn to this 26th day :
of September, 1891, before:
me.


Notary Public N.Y.C.
New York Co

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Superior Court of the City of New York
Mary Demore
Plaintiff
against
John L. Demore
Defendant
Summons.

*Action for
Limited Divorce*

To the above named Defendant.

You are hereby Summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the Plaintiff's Attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear, or answer, Judgment will be taken against you by default, for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated *September 28* 18 *91*

[Signature] Plaintiff's Attorney

Office Address, No. *136 Liberty* Street.

New York City

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Superior Court of the
City of New York

Mary Osmund

Plaintiff

against

John L. Osmund

Defendant

Summons.

W. W. W. W.

Plaintiff's Attorney

136 Liberty St.,
New York City

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Court of Oyer & Terminer

County of New York

The People of the State of New
York

against

John L. Osmond

City and County of New York, ss:-

Charles W. Brooke being duly sworn deposes and says that he has read the foregoing affidavit of Stephen C. Baldwin verified April 11th 1892. That each and every statement therein contained touching deponent's connection with the defense of the above cause is true to deponents own knowledge. That deponent is of the opinion that the defense of the prisoner John L. Osmond. cannot be properly presented on this day, and deponent respectfully requests from the Court an adjournment of the trial herein for a reasonable time only, in order that the defendant's ^{may be} interests ~~may be~~ preserved by the proper presentation of the case upon the trial.

Sworn to before me ^{in open Court} this
11th day of April 1892.

Charles W. Brooke

Arthur Elliott
Deputy Clerk

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Notice of Entry.

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this day duly entered and
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Att'y for

SCHERMERHORN BUILDING,

96 BROADWAY,

N. Y. CITY.

To

The People

vs

John L. Oundie

STEPHEN C. BALDWIN,

Att'y for

SCHERMERHORN BUILDING,

No. 96 Broadway,

New York.

Service of the within is hereby admitted

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filed April 11, 1892

Police Department of the City of New York,

Precinct No. 21.

New York, Oct 4 1891

John L. Osmond

stated at this station that at about 11 P.M. he went to his wife's house 609 3rd ave. I asked my wife if she was going to live with me & she said no. So I said to her if she would come & live with ^{me} I would support her. She refused & said ^{she} would not do it. I told ^{her} then that if she did not want to live with me I would leave her. I told her she better live with me ^{until} such times as I would be able to take up room for ourselves. She said no. I put my hand immediately in my right hip pocket pulled my pistol & fired one shot at my wife who was sitting at the time. I also fired two shots at Jas. L. Burchell who was sitting on a chair along side of my wife during our conversation this in the kitchen on the 4th floor rear down town side of house 609 3rd ave. He Burchell jumped up from his chair immediately when I was shooting my wife & tried to prevent me when I immediately fired the two shots at him. I was sober at the time. & knew what I was doing & positively say that I only fired one shot at my wife & two shots at Burchell. He further said that he was not sober that he was under the influence of liquor.

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but I knew who I was shooting at all the
time.

The statement I have here made
is made of my own free will & without
any compulsion in the presence of
Sergeant Dwyer. I certify malarsky & M. L. L. L.
Signed by.

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Statement of Osmond

to Sgt Dwyer

Oct 4/97

Mr. J. C. Caldwell, 410 E. 10th St. Omaha,
 (Pres. of the Board of Trade)

About the beginning of Aug at about 2 P.M I was in my kitchen Mrs Osmund came in trembling + pale - she sent Ellen for an officer she + she and the officer went up stairs + going into the kitchen while she was in the hall way she said there he is sir take him away - The officer went in + said come

along, she said what for - And Mamie said
 Officer he took a knife to me and he
 has it in his pocket - he said I
 did not. Then he got up & said Mamie
 are you going to get me arrested? You
 know that if I get taken in to-
 night I will have to sleep on a hard
 board. - Well she said if I forgive
 you this time will you give up the
 knife & behave yourself & then he
 took out the knife & threw it
 on the table & said there is the
 knife. I wasn't going to kill
 you - Then ~~at~~ when he saw
 she had withdrawn the charge he
 said to the officer you get down or
 I'll make you get". You can take
 no body out of these rooms.

Then the officer said to her You
 had better make a charge agst
 this man & let me take him
 along. - She said The next time
 I'll let you know & I'll call
 you & I'll have him put up.

Then the officer went down
 stairs she went after.

About 3³⁰ on the same day
 he returned & stood at the

stairs leading to his floor & there
is a hall window leading into my
bed room & it was in this window
he was looking. He said you Mrs
Osmond & myself were in the hall
bed-room at the time & he said
You son of a bitch I know where
you are. You have got away
this time but I'll have you
before the day is out.

Then he went up stairs & he
went out about 6 P.M. & she went
up. He came back at about
7³⁰ & I said to my husband myself
& aigh Mamee said I drew a knife
on her today to kill her but
that's what all women will get
for not doing what they are
told. - I said you drew a knife
on her would not any one be
frightened & he said couldn't I
draw a knife without frighten-
ing you or her & I said no.

Well that's what you people will
get for not doing what you are
told. You have a right to do
as you are asked. - Then we tried
to get them to be friends.

~~He went over~~ I suggested that

that they kiss one another & that they go up stairs friendly & he went over to her & put his fist up to her face & said 'I would just as leave smash you in the nose I'll kill you yet'. He then went out in the hall & we counsed him to go up - He said no. he had to go and see his other wife that she deserved more respect than that one - We went up stairs & he went down into the street.

He repeatedly said that he had another wife & that he had to support her ~~that~~ because she had a bright bouncing boy for him & that that one (pointing to my sister) was no good.

In June 1889 He wrote to her - I am not going to live with you any longer you are big & strong enough to earn your own living - I am tired of you & don't intend to live with you any more. He stole this letter in June 1889.

She never left the house alone with Burchell

Burchell my husband Ellie my children & myself went together & before she went Burchell & Mamie went into Asellene & asked his permission.

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Mrs. Laccelia Casndy - residence 609. 3rd Ave. - On Saturday Oct. 3rd 1891. or about 11³⁰ P. M. I was in bed at 609. - 3rd Ave and I heard at least 4 shots. I got up & my husband followed - I went to the kitchen door opened & saw Mrs Osmond through the open door of her kitchen on her knees leaning over a chair. I went into hysterics - was taken back to my parlor & that is all I know about what occurred that night.

Sometime between the 5th & 10th of Aug. she came Mrs Osmond came out of her parlor (it was about 2 P. M.) She ^{said} told me he took a knife to ^{me} her. (he was in the kitchen at the time & the door was open) Then he came to me in my kitchen and he said to me Mrs Casndy I never took a knife to her in my life. ^{that he was going to bring a knife for his footing tackle} I made no response to this & she went out & I closed the door.

Before she told me that he had drawn a knife on her. I saw Mrs Osmond in the hall with a police officer & I heard her say there he is sir. The door was of the kitchen was open & she was in there?

(over)

After he recovered ^{from} his illness in
Feb or March 1891. They got quarreling
he took the camp chair and raised
it to strike her. - but he did not.
But he made a strike at her with
her. a cane she came just grazed
the wrist.

She heard them
quarrel frequently.

Statements

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Kate O'Brien

Mrs Cassidy

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Defense
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- Bernard Bayer - 1417. Sex Ave. Chal by Def.
 Herman Aschner - 133 Liberty St. Chal by Peo
 Abe. L. Blumenthal - 392-7 Ave. Chal by Def.
 John Mender - 234-W 24th St. Ex by Con.
 Albert Smith - Chal by Def.
 Chas A Schrag, 344-W 47th (CO) Chal by Peo Ex by Con.
 Marcus Witmark (Brook & Pub) 844 Bway Ex by Con.
 Francis S. Nash. Not present
 Emil H. Humber. " "
 1. Samuel L. Copeland - (Dry Goods) - Accepted.
 2. Herman Schaus - Accepted
 3. Chas P. Knevals - 101-W 72 St. " "
 Samar S. Ellison. Not present -
 4. Thos. H. Newman - Accepted
 Nathan Roberts Chal. Com Ap
 5 William Schaus. 229 Stanton St (R 115 Pm St)
 Claus Bade (Grocer) Murray & Greenwich St.
 6 ~~Proctor~~ B. Biers.
 7 Henry K. K. K. Accepted
 Everett S. Lender.
 8 George Hargis - Accepted
 Jacob German. Ex by Consent.
 Albert J. Schnabel. Peo Chal.
 Albert H. Older. Peo Chal.
 9. Richard V. Lewis
 Gustave Becker. Chal by Peo
 10 Duncan Elliot -
 Saml Blumenthal 334-W 84 St. Chal by Def

- 11 Jacob Wallace - 110 E 74 St - mixed papers
Isidor Baer. Not present
Herman T. Winter Chal by Def
Louis F. Winter Con Op
Alfred R. Wolf - 124 E 81 St
Tunis B. Woolsey - Chal - Con Op
Arnold W. Dulong - 678 - E 143 St (Chal Def)
Louis Baer - 79 Greene St (Jms)
Morris Mendelsohn - 236 E 85
Joseph Zwany Con Op
Louis A. Cragle - 104 - E 28 St - R 201 E 68
Curtis B. Alby (See) Chal Perempt Rec
Otto Newstadt Con Op
Harry Newstadt Con Op
Geo P. Lait 783 - 10 Ave - Chal Def
Seth A. Gerety Chal Def
Mr H. Carroll 67 - 8 Ave
12 Eudell

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Witnesses

✓ Ellen Murphy	637- 1 st Ave
Charles Enell	202 E. 40 th St
✓ Officer Shortell	21 st Precinct
✓ Peter W. O'Brien	609- 3 rd Ave
Cornelius Cassidy	609- 3 Ave
John J. Cullen	219- E. 39 th St
✓ Capt Devery	21 st Precinct
✓ Wm. A. Conway MD.	- 247. E. Broadway
✓ Officer Benning	21 st Precinct
✓ T H. S. Van Roden	136 Liberty St
Mrs Cassidy.	609 3 Ave
✓ Officer M ^c Carthy.	21 st Precinct
Mrs Falk.	619- 2 nd Avenue
Mrs Murphy	637- 1 st Ave
Mr. Murphy.	637- 1 st Ave
Martin Bolston	609- 3 rd Ave
Aaron Kahn	609- 3 Ave
Mr. F. Horan	609- 3 Ave
✓ Mr. Hanan	609- 3 Ave
✓ Mrs O'Brien.	609- 3 Ave
✓ Capt. Ryan.	Precinct
Mr Fogle (Plat)	25 Chambers St
Mrs Sola	See Mr Murphy.
Mrs Longford	
Mrs Evers.	Keeper City Prison
Ed Donnelly	" " "
✓ Mr & Mrs Rosenblatt	

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List of Metamorphoses

Ellen Murphy. On Oct 3rd 1891 at about 11 AM Mrs Osmond, Mr Burchill & I were at table eating - top floor - 609 3 Ave. John Osmond came in kitchen door did not knock - Coughed & said good evening - Walked over to table & standing with hands on hips said Young lady how is this case. going to be settled (said) Johnnie I dont know until further on - "You dont all right" and walked over to the door ^{Turned around} & drew pistol from right hip pocket he pointed at my sister & shot her. - First shot hit her in back on left side fell to floor & said Oh My - On her knees & arms, on the chair - In ~~that~~ he shot her again while on her knees. Mr. Burchill jumped up off the chair & when O saw him (B) coming over he shot him & then B put up two hands - Then he shot him again & then B closer to him went to get hold of his & then got hold of sleeve & O turned his hand & lowered his pistol & fired again.

It ~~went~~ ^{hit} ~~through~~ his thumb left hand & went in closet -

Then Osmund, walked fast out of room & closed door.

Threats

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Heard him threaten on Easter Sunday three years ago - Went to his house 708 - 3rd Ave. - She in kitchen crying both eyes black. Heard my voice - He seemed drunk

Said if she did not stop his ~~sum~~ on she would leave him. My Lady I'll empty a revolver in you yet -

2nd

While at 609. 3rd Ave in July 1890. - He went over & punched her in the face & said You son of a bitch I'll kill you - Then I asked Mr Burchill to open door and let me out & he did - I went to 39 St & was about to talk to a policeman when I saw Osmund behind me. - He asked me what was the matter &

3 On June 14-1891 at 637 1st
Ave - He stood in middle
of the floor and said I'll kill
I will kill you & I'll kill you
~~she nodded~~

4 At 609 - 3rd Ave at O'Brien's
It was in July or August. He
when they had fallen out &
Pete O'Brien has asked them to
this snake up ~~the~~ ^{he} said I
just as leave smash you in
the face & I'll kill you yet.

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E. J. Murphy
E. J. O'Brien

apartments occupied by the deceased that the defendant entered and spoke to the deceased who was sitting on a chair at a table. He spoke to the deceased several minutes. That one John Burchell was also in the room. The defendant drew a pistol from the hip pocket of the pantaloons worn on his person and pointed and aimed said pistol at the body of said Mary Osmund and discharged and fired three shots whereupon said Mary fell on the floor and there died. Said John Osmund then, deliberately pointed and aimed said pistol at the body of said John Burchell and fired and discharged two shots at said Burchell and then left the room and escaped. Deponent is informed by Bernard Malarkey a police officer of the 21st Precinct that on the following morning October 4th 1891, he arrested the defendant in premises 246 East 33rd Street and he, defendant acknowledged to him

that he had shot his wife,
Mary Osmond.

Wherefore deponent charges
the defendant with homicide
by effecting the death of said
Mary Osmond in the manner
aforesaid and prays that the
defendant may be held to
answer this complaint.

Subscribed to before me } John Shortall
this 5th October, 1891 }

A. M. M. M. M.

Police Justice

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Thos. Mead Officer - 21st Precinct

A year ago last summer I was
called in he had got out.

Six weeks before murder she called
me in. I went in she gave
up a knife that he had & I
gave it to his wife - He came
out of the house with me &
she refused to make a charge agst
him although I insisted that
she do so.

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✓ Officer Mead

Statement

Mr Simms

Dear Sir I can testify that in the Presence of My wife and Daughter Ellen Booth the Deceaseds Mrs Osmond and Mr Burchill and My Self he the Murderer J. L. Osmond threatened the Life of his wife in these words i.e. Kill you and i will Kill you yet these words were expressed By him in my Place on the night of June 14 Last Past

Mr Simms My wife have this night very Correct in her mind since that night Mr Simms My Sister Mrs Bridget Leahy is a widow she was with the murdered woman only 10 Days then My Daughter Ellen Stopped with her as did My Sister slept with her and the Days as well up to the night of the Murder My Sisters address is 238 6 ave Brooklyn respectfully (P. Murphy)
637-8-ave

Dist. Attorneys Office
City & County of New York
Secy
Osmond

✓ Benning
Esell
Conway { 247-8 Bway
✓ Deven
Coarsely
Cullen 217-8-39
Van Roden 136 Liberty
✓ McCarley
Wane ave
Wane at 668-3 Ave
Off Mc Carley
Kesselmark.
✓ Martin Balston 609-3 Ave
✓ Aaron Kalen 609-3 Ave
Mr. F. Horan 603-3 Ave
Mr. Hanan 609-3 Ave
Van Roden 735
Mrs O'Brien
Peter O'Brien
Ms. Leahy 238-6 Ave Brooklyn
Mrs Mary Hyland
Mc Carley } Keepers
Doherty }

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District Attorney's Office

PEOPLE

vs.

*Former residences
of Mrs Osmond.*

*Mrs Mary Hyland
633 - 3rd Ave - lived
with Osmond family 215
E 43 St together*

*Mrs Kiley - 223
E - 41st St*

STEPHEN C. BALDWIN,
COUNSELOR AT LAW,

Rooms 76, 77, and 78 Schermerhorn Building,
96 BROADWAY.

NEW YORK, March 21st, 1892.

Hon. Delancy Nicoll

District Attorney

My Dear Mr. Nicoll:-

Sometime ago I was assigned by Judge Martine to defend John L. Osmond, indicted for murder in the first degree. It seems to me to be a case where your office could well accept a plea, I should advise one. May I ask you to grant me an interview so that I can lay the facts before you, and will you be good enough to tell my messenger when you will see me?

Very Respectfully

(Dictated)

Stephen C. Baldwin

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TO THE CHIEF CLERK.

Please send me the Papers in the Case of
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Cases on Insanity

1. NY Crim Rep 29

1. Crim Law Mag. 32.

Phrenology which is
result of violent passion
will not excuse

Sanchez v Peo.

4 PARK. 535

District Attorney

22. NY. 147

50 How Pr. 264

Brotherton v People

75 NY. 159

Walker v Peo.

88. NY. 81-86

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Names of these People For
Mr Mullarky in the Osmond
Murder Case

Present address

Former address

Mrs Mary Hyland 633-3 ave X	215-E-43 St
Mrs Riley 673-3 ave X	223-E-41 St
Mrs Lowe 655-3 ave X	609-3 ave
Mr & Mrs Casidy 609-3 ave	

Respectfully Yours P. Murphy
637-1 ave

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Police Department of the City of New York.

Precinct No. 21

New York, 189

Mr. Simms of 609.3 Ave.
James Hannon is
The man that went as
messenger for me to
Station house to report and
get a visitation.
He will tell you of what
information he gave me
as evidence in Edmund
Case.

His name is mistaken for
Wm. Kane of 609.3 Ave.
I served him this
morning to see you Feb 11 A.M.

Off. S. H. Tall
W. H. H.

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Officer Shortell
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Police Court, 14 District.

City and County } ss.
of New York,

of No. 21st Precinct Street, aged 41 years,
occupation Police officer being duly sworn, deposes and says,
that on the 3rd day of October 1891, at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, John L. Osmond (now

here) did kill a human being
to wit: his wife Mary Osmond
by pointing and aiming ^{pistol} revolving
which he held in his hand, and
which revolving ^{pistol} was loaded with
cartridges containing powder and
leadens balls and discharging
three shots from said revolver
at and into the body of said
Mary from the effect of which said
Mary died. That said killing of
said Mary Osmond was done
by a deliberate and premeditated
design to effect the death of said
Mary and by an act imminently
dangerous to others and evincing
a depraved mind, regardless of
human life.

That at about the hour of 11:15
deponent was on post on the corner
of Third Avenue and 39th Street and
was informed by a man that he
had heard pistol shots in a house
on ~~Second~~ ^{Third} Avenue over an undertaker
shop. Deponent immediately went
to the house indicated and on the
fourth floor of premises 609 Third
Avenue in apartments on the south
side of the building deponent found
the body of Mary Osmond lying on
the floor, dead. Deponent is informed
by Ella Murphy (now here) that she
is the sister of the deceased and
that on said night she was in the

Fourth District
Police Court

John Shortell

- vs -

John L. Diamond

Before Hon.
D. D. McMahon,
Justice

N.Y. Oct. 5th, 1891.

John Shortell, being
duly sworn, testified
as follows:

By the Court:

I am an officer attached
to the 21st Precinct. I
didn't see the prisoner
until he was arrested.
I was informed by a
man ^{Charles E. Enell} ~~Alone~~ who lives in
202 West 40 Street that
there were five shots
fired on Third Avenue
in the rear between 39th
& 40th Streets over an
Undertaker shop. I was
at 39th Street corner at

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the time. I went over
to investigate it. I went
upstairs and found Mrs
Demond lying on the
floor dead. I inquired
who did it and a
man by the name of
James Cassidy told me
it was her husband. I
inquired where the hus-
band was and he told
me he had gone down-
stairs. I ran down-
stairs and inquired which
way he had gone and
I was told he had
gone down Third Avenue.
I tried to find him
but was not successful.
I then went to the
Station House and got
some assistance and
came back again and
went into the house and
saw that a man by the

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name of John Buschell was shot. I found him lying on the lounge in the front room. I asked him who shot him and he told me he was shot in two places - in the left breast and in the stomach. He said John L. Osmond shot him. I had a conversation there with a little girl named Ella Murphy. This little girl (Pointing to girl) She told me she and her sister Mrs Osmond were together in the room and the prisoner John Osmond came in and asked something about what are you going to do about that divorce case - about that trial and that Mrs Osmond put him off with some words

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Then the prisoner and said
"That's all right" and
he fired three shots at
her. That is what
Ella Murphy told me.
Buschell told me he tried
to defend Mrs. Osmond
to save her - and he
said that was how he
got shot.

Ella Murphy, being
duly sworn, testified
as follows:

By the Court:

I live at 637 First
Avenue. I go to school.
I know the prisoner
John L. Osmond. I was
present in the home with
my sister Mrs. Osmond
when the prisoner shot her

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I was sitting on a chair and Mr. Burchell was sitting down and Johnnie Osmond came in and said to my sister "see here young lady when is this going to be settled" she said "I don't know until further on" He said "you don't know" and he walked over to the door, took a revolver out of his right hip pocket and shot her. The first shot he fired she fell on her knees, then he shot again twice. Then Mr. Burchell stood up and put his hands up and he was shot twice. I am sure the prisoner is the man that fired the shots. Mrs. Osmond was my sister. Nobody else but myself and Mr

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Burchell were present.

Thomas M. Ryan, sworn,
testified as follows:
By the Court:

I am a Police Captain
of the 21st Precinct.

I brought the prisoner
to the Hospital to be
identified by Burchell
who was shot by the
prisoner on October 3^d.

I brought the prisoner
down before Burchell yester-
day morning about
eight or nine o'clock.
At that time Mr Burchell
was unconscious, and I
took the prisoner back
again to the Station
House. About two o'clock
I received word from

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Bellevue Hospital that
he was concious. About
half past two I went
down to the Hospital
again with the prisoner
and took along Mr
Maloney and some other
citizens and brought them
into the room where
Burchell was in a cot.
I stood the prisoner
up in the crowd and
asked Mr Burchell if
he could identify the
man that shot him and
he said "Omond at
eleven o'clock last
~~night~~ ~~at the~~ 3d. I
said "Do you think you
are going to die"? He
said "Yes, I think I
am". I said "Tell me
your dying words". I
said "Is this the man

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that shot you" and he
said "Yes". I said
"Do you know that man?"
and he said "Yes, his
name is John L. Osmond.
He said "He shot me
about eleven o'clock
Saturday night and
shot and killed his
wife - that is the
man". I then took
the prisoner back to
the Station House and
brought him here this
morning.

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) Before
: HON. M. J. B. MESSMER,
) and a Jury.

MARY · OSMOND E.

ELLEN J. MURPHY, being called as a witness by the
 . was duly sworn, and testified as follows:-

Q Where do you live? A. No. 637 First Avenue.

Q The deceased Mary Osmond was your sister? A. Yes, sir.

Q You saw this shooting, didn't you? A. Yes, sir.

Q Do you remember what day it was? ~~xxax~~ What month and
whate date? A. The third of October.

Q Where was it? A. No. 609 Third Avenue.

Q About what time? A. About half past ten or quarter
to eleven.

Q In the evening? A. In the night.

Q Will you tell the Jury just what happened? A. We
were sitting at the table eating and Johnnie Osmond came in
and he said "Young lady, how is this case going to be set-
tled?" She said, "I don't know until further on;" so he
said, "All right, you don't know, all right." He walked
over to the ~~door~~ and drew a revolver and shot her. He
shot her once and she said, "Oh, my", and fell to the floor
on her knees and he shot ~~her~~ twice and Mr. Burchill sprung
up from his chair and he shot him twice and he run down
stairs.

Q The shooting took place in what part of 609 Third Avenue? A. In the kitchen.

Q What floor? A. The top floor.

Q What happened then? A. I hollered, "Oh, Kate, Mamie is dead."

Q What was her other name? A. Kate ~~O'Brien~~, my brother-in-law ran up stairs, his name is Peter O'Brien and Mr. Cassidy came in and his wife; I went down for my father then.

Q Was there anything said outside of what you have said by your sister ~~or~~ Burchill? A. No, sir.

Q They gave him no provocation? A. No cause at all.

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PETER W. O'BRIEN, duly sworn:-

By the Coroner:-

Q Where do you live? A. No. 609 Third Avenue.

Q What is your occupation? A. I am a clerk for Charles & Company, No. 43 Vanderbilt Avenue. I was married to the sister of the deceased, Mary Osmond.

Q What do you know about this shooting? A. I know nothing about it; I came that night about eight o'clock and had my supper and Saturday being a heavy day I felt tired and went to bed; I guess it must be about half past nine o'clock; after I read the evening paper; and the morning papers I went to bed; it was about quarter of ten. My wife was still up at the time. The first thing I knew

I was called and I got up to see what was the matter and I heard that Mamie was being killed. I said by whom, they said by Osmond; I ran up to the door and put my pants on and run upstairs; I entered the room, it was full of smoke and powder and she was leaning on a chair with her head bent over; I picked up her head and she was still breathing with difficulty; I thought by laying her over it would be easier for her to breathe, I got a pillow and put it on the chair; I saw Mr. Burchill standing against the wall and holding his hands against his abdomen; he said he was shot also; Osmond shot both ~~him~~ and my sister-in-law. That is all I know about it.

Q Mr. Burchill was then removed by the ambulance?

A. Yes, sir.

Q Who sent for the ambulance? A. My wife down stairs was screaming, they were all screaming, I went down stairs and I told them to keep quiet; I was afraid she would be prostrated by the shock; that is all I know about it; in a few minutes the ambulance came and they took away Burchill and that is all I know.

Q Do you know the motive for this shooting? A. There was really no motive that I possibly can think; it seems that the man was a born murderer.

Q What reputation does Osmond bear? A. A very disreputable - a very disreputable one.

Q For what reason? A. *Being* nothing but a common bum and drinking, he could fight for dinner, breakfast and supper, and never wanted to earn anything, he would work about

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two days in the week and then spend it all; the poor woman was always suffering; he didn't have courage enough to tackle a man, he would always fight with his poor wife; the deceased was a respectable woman both before and after her marriage.

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CHARLES A. ENELL, duly sworn:-

By the Coroner:-

Q Where do you live? A. No. 202 East 40th Street. I am a clerk for Altman & Company, 6th Avenue and 19th Street.

Q What do you know about it? A. I was sitting at my window which faces on the rear there, it is just catecornered - sitting there smoking a cigar. I made a few remarks to my wife about how John Burchill - I couldn't see how he could sit so long in a chair at the window, he was sitting there so long, and he would sit there from six o'clock up until the hours of the morning; I said I would be too nervous to do that sort of thing, and besides that he is always home, I said he must have a very good mind. It was not a few minutes after that I heard shots consecutively, one after the other, I said, where are those shots; she said on the top floor in Chambers house; I said I had better go and see what is going on and so I saw Burchill go to the window and run this way, with that he was in his shirt sleeves, I said somebody is shot, and went around the corner and looked up and down in front of the house and it was

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quiet and nobody around; the clothing store next door that is there - they didn't know it in there. I looked for a policeman and I got one at the northwest corner of 39th Street; I asked him if this was his beat, he said, why, what is the matter, I said there has been some shooting going on over there, where the undertaker is. He said I will go over with you and see; he asked a few questions and everything was quiet and we listened; then I said you had better go into the hall to see if you can hear any noise; at last I said let us go up and I will hold the door open and in a few minutes he came running down stairs and said, the woman is dead, and then he attended to all the business after that; I saw 3 detectives coming after that and I said my duty is done; I said my place is in the house.

Q did you hear any quarrel in the rooms of the deceased?

A. I couldn't hear any words.

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OFFICER JOHN SHORTELL, duly sworn:-

By the Coroner:-

Q ~~To what~~ precinct are you attached?

A. The 21st Precinct.

Q On what day was your attention drawn to this case?

A. On the 3rd of this month.

Q About what hour? A. After 11 o'clock, about 11.15; I was on the northwest corner of 39th Street and Third Avenue; I was notified by John Enell, the gentleman that just testified here; he told me there was some shooting going

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on on the top floor there at this number; pistol shots he said he heard five in succession, and he looked across the way and saw no alarm; I said let us go over and inquire and the people, the store people there, even they heard no shooting and they said they didn't; we opened the door and yet heard nothing; he told me it is very queer there is no alarm; I said hold the door open and ^{I will go} ~~get~~ up and investigate and see what is the matter; I went up to the top floor and I saw a light there and I went in and this Mary Osmonde was lying dead in the kitchen; I ran to her and took hold of her; I went down stairs and asked who did it; they told me it was John Osmonde, the prisoner, I asked him where he went to, I went down stairs to see where he had gone and a man told me he had gone down Third Avenue; and I had sent already to the station house and sent the alarm out to get assistance to get him and I ~~heard~~ hurried back again in the vicinity where I thought he might be, then the detectives came. Then I came up stairs again and I met Mr. Murphy her father and he told me he was going for a doctor, I said, doctor for what, she is dead, that other man is shot up stairs he said, I think it was Mr. Murphy there said that he was going for Dr. Houtaling; then I went up stairs and found Mr. Burchill.

Q Who were the detectives that came? A. Detectives Mularky and McCarthy, I went up and saw John Burchill and I said what is the matter with you, he said he was shot, I am shot he said. He said he was shot on the left side, in the groin, and in the left breast, and I started to get an ambulance for him; I went back and he told me this man shot him without any provocation.

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CORNELIUS CASSIDY, duly sworn:-

By the Coroner:

Q Where do you reside? A. I reside at No. 609 3rd Ave;
my occupation is baker.

Q In whose employ are you? A. Mr. McKenna, 1st Avenue.,
between 59th and 60th Streets. I did'nt see the shooting;
I saw nobody at the time, I heard the shot.

Q What date was this? A. The 3rd of the month.

Q About what hour? A. Five minutes past 11 o'clock.

Q You live on the same floor that the deceased lived on?

A Yes, sir.

Q Your rooms are adjoining theirs? A. Yes, sir; I
heard the shots, my wife got nervous and she commenced to
cry as loud as she could and pulled me down and did'nt let
me out; I got out the front room and opened the door and
found Mr. O'Brien out in the kitchen and Mary Osmonds lying
dead with her head on a pillow; and she was dead then as
I thought, and I asked the little girl where Burchil was
and she told me he was in the front room, shot; I went into
the front room and I said "What is the matter with you?"
He said, "I am shot." I said where were you shot; he
showed me a bullet wound here and another one down there;
he said I am shot for a crime that I never committed, and
the woman that is shot in the kitchen is innocent too, without
any wrong. I went back into my own rooms again and the
police came up and took Mt. Birchill's statement.

Q Could you hear any quarreling next door if it had taken
place? A. If I had been in the kitchen, but I was in the
bedroom.

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Q Had there been any quarreling prior to this day or on that day? A. On that day no, I was sleeping all day and I didn't hear any quarreling on that day, but they had been quarreling previous to that; sometimes loud words and I suppose blows -- I never interfered with my neighbors affairs.

Q Did the deceased ever tell you that it came to blows?

A Yes, sir; she told me her husband blackened her eyes once, she came into my room and told me Mr. Osmonde had blackened her eye.

Q How long have you lived there? A. I have paid 15 months ^{rent} now.

Q You know them ^{that} long? A. Yes, I didn't know them previous to that.

Q Now, what was the reputation and character of the accused, John Osmonde? A. I couldn't say for certain, I never interfere, I work generally at night; I couldn't tell very much about his character; he has been idle a good deal I know; when he was sick at the hospital she brought him fried oysters and broiled chicken until he got better.

Q Did you know Burchill personally? A. Yes, sir; he was in my rooms very often; I always found him to be an honest and square man; no one can say anything against him.

Q Have you any idea what the motive was for this shooting?

A I could not say.

Q Do you think there was anything immoral between Burchill and the deceased, Mary Osmonde? A. No, sir; I think not, I think it was as honorable an affair as there was in the

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house; they were living in the same house; there was no more improper intimacy between them than between me and her.

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THE CORONER: (To the prisoner) You have a privilege you need not testify; you are at liberty, however, to testify if you so desire. Do you desire to testify?

THE PRISONER: No, sir.

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THE CORONER: Gentlemen of the Jury, you will find how, when and where the deceased came to their death. The testimony is very brief and clearly points to the fact that Mary Osmonde and John C. Burchill was shot by John L. Osmonde on October 3rd, 1891 at No. 609 3rd Avenue; Mary Osmonde died on the spot and John C. Burchill on the 6th day of October in Bellevue Hospital.

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VERDICT:

We find that John C. Burchill came to his death at Bellevue Hospital Tuesday, October 6th, 1891, from a pistol shot wound of the abdomen inflicted

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by John L. Osmond, on October 3rd, 1891, at No. 609 3rd Avenue, between the hours of 10.45 and 11.15 p. m.; and we find that Mary Osmond came to her death on October 3rd, 1891, from a pistol shot wound of the back inflicted by John L. Osmond at 609 3rd Avenue, October 3rd, 1891, at about 10/45 p. m., and we hold John L. Osmond to await the action of the Grand Jury.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Ella Murphy
aged 13 years, occupation go to school of No.
637 First Avenue Street, being duly sworn, deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *John Shortell*
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 5th } *Ella Murphy*
day of October 1896, }

A. T. McMahon

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--- 4 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Shortell
21 South
John L. Donnell

Offence Homicide

Dated Oct 5th 1891

W. T. Indrason Magistrate

Leopold Ryan Officer

21 Precinct

Witnesses Ella Murphy

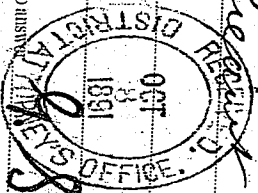
No. 637 Just City

Edward Maloney

No. 21 Precinct

Street

Comm. to Dist. Ct.



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 ~~be~~ ~~be admitted to bail in the sum of~~ ~~Hundred Dollars,~~ and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until ~~he~~ ~~be~~ ~~admitted to bail.~~

Dated Oct 5th 1891 W. T. Indrason Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Bernard Malarkey
aged 52 years, occupation Police officer of No. 21st Precinct
Street, being duly sworn, deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John Shortell
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 5
day of October 1890 } *Bernard Malarkey*

Police Justice.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

John L. Osmond 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 L. Osmond

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

28 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New York City

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

Answer.

619 Second Avenue, 5 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Brass polisher

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

Answer.

I have nothing to say

John L. Osmond

Taken before me this 5th day of October 1891

John L. Osmond

Police Justice

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Court of Oyer & Terminer

County of New York

The People of the State of New York:

-against-

John L. Osmond.

Gentlemen:-

Take notice that the defendant John L. Osmond appeals to the Court of Appeals from the judgment of conviction for the crime of murder in the first degree and the sentence of this Court rendered and made against him on the 20th day of April 1892.

Dated New York April 20th, 1892.

Yours &c.,

Stephen C. Baldwin

Atty. for defendant

86 Broadway, N. Y. City

To

Hon. Delancy Nicoll

District Attorney

Hon. John F. Carroll

Clerk of the Court of Oyer & Terminer

Hon. John J. Gorman

Sheriff of the City & County of New York.

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Court of Over & Terminer

County of New York

The People &c.,

against-

John L. Osmond

Notice of Appeal to the

Court of Appeals

STEPHEN C. BALDWIN,
Att'y for defendant

SCHERMERHORN BUILDING,
No. 96 BROADWAY,
New York.

Service of the within is hereby admitted

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N.Y. To Hon. John F. Carroll
Clerk of Court.
Filed April 20th 1892

Notice of Entry.

The within is a copy of

this day duly entered and

filed herein in the office of the clerk of

of New York.

Dated N. Y.

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Stephen C. Baldwin,
Att'y for

SCHERMERHORN BUILDING,

96 BROADWAY,

N. Y. CITY.

To

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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 D. Ormond

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

John D. Ormond

of the CRIME OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *John D. Ormond*,

late of the City of New York, in County of New York aforesaid, on the *third* —
day of *October*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety- *one*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one
Mary Ormond, in the peace of the said People then and there being,
wilfully, feloniously and of *his* malice aforethought did make an assault; and the said
John D. Ormond, a certain pistol then and there charged and
loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which said pistol the said *John D.*
Ormond in *his* right hand then and there had and held,
to, at, against, and upon the said *Mary Ormond*, —
then and there feloniously, wilfully and of *his* malice aforethought, did shoot off and
discharge, and the said *John D. Ormond*, —
with the leaden bullet aforesaid, out of the pistol aforesaid, then and there by force of the
gunpowder aforesaid, shot off, sent forth and discharged, as aforesaid, *there* the said
Mary Ormond, in and upon the *head* of *her*.
the said *Mary Ormond*, then and there feloniously, wilfully and of
his malice aforethought, did strike, penetrate and wound, giving to *her*
the said *Mary Ormond*, then and there, with the leaden bullet
aforesaid, so as aforesaid discharged, sent forth and shot out of the pistol aforesaid, by the

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said *John S. Ormond*, in and upon the *back* of
the said *Mary Ormond*, one mortal wound of the breadth of
one inch, and of the depth of six inches, of which said mortal wound *she* the
said *Mary Ormond*, at the City and County aforesaid,
~~from the said~~ day of ~~in the~~
~~year aforesaid, until the~~ day of ~~in the same year~~
~~aforesaid did languish, and languishing did live, on which said~~
~~day of~~ in the year aforesaid, the said
~~at the City and County aforesaid, of the said mortal~~
~~wound did die.~~

Then and there died.

AND SO THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID do say: That the said

John S. Ormond, then,
the said *Mary Ormond*, in the manner and form, and by
the means aforesaid, wilfully, feloniously and of *his* malice aforethought, did kill
and murder against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the
peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL, *District Attorney.*

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Oxley, George

DATE:

10/27/91



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Witnesses:

Geo. Miller
off Johnson

Counsel

Filed

1891

day of

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Pleads, *Magally*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

George Oxley

Grand Larceny,
(From the Person,
Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Nov 6th
J. S. B.

Robert Williams

Foreman

Part 3. November 6/91
True & Requested

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Police Court—

Distriet.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.
of New York, }

of No. 662 11th Avenue Street, aged 56 years,

occupation Foreman being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 13th day of October 1891 at the City of New

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

of deponent, in the night time, the following property, viz:

One Anible Case Silver
Watch. (no 6.555) of the
Value of fifteen dollars.

the property of

deponent

and that this deponent
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen
and carried away by George Ouley (name here)

from the fact that at about the
time of 12.30 o'clock A.M. said
date. deponent went into the
Anement house. no 599 11th St.
and while deponent was knocking
on a door. on the 2nd floor of said
premises. this defendant came down
stairs lit a match. and looked
at deponent. deponent then started
to go down stairs. when the defendant
said old man. I will help you
down stairs. and placing his
hands under deponents arms.
and around deponents body. he helped

Sworn to before me this 13th day of October 1891

Police Justice

deponent from stairs. And as soon
as deponent reached the hallway
door deponent found his watch
chain dangling. and discerned
that his watch was missing.
deponent cried out that his watch
was missing and called for the
police. When this deponent ran
up stairs. deponent further says.
that at the time he entered said
premises he had said watch in
his vest pocket. and that no
person other than this deponent
was near deponent.
Wherefore deponent charges this
defendant with felonious taking
retaining and carrying away said
watch from the person of deponent.

Sown to before me)
this 19 day of Oct 1891 } James Hiller

John Murray
Police Justice

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

4 District Police Court.

George Oxley 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

G. Oxley

Taken before me this

Day of

June 1891

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 1333

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Williams
Geo. Wiley
Larney
from the Pen

Dated *Oct 19* 188*9*

Murray Magistrate.

John Williams Officer.

22 Precinct.

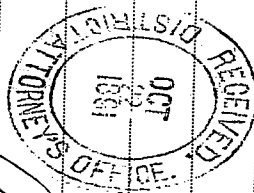
Witnesses *John Williams*

No. *2* *John Williams* Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

\$ *1000* to answer.



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

Defendant

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

Dated *Oct 19* 188*9* *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 he to be discharged.

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

George Oxley

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

George Oxley
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said

George Oxley

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirteenth*
day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety- *one*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid,
with force and arms,

*one watch of the
value of fifteen dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *James Miller*
on the person of the said *James Miller*
then and there being found, from the person of the said *James Miller*
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.

*Re Lancey Nicoll
District Attorney.*

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