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Counsel, *B. J. Morgan.*  
Filed *July* 188*4*  
Pleads *With July, 18*

*John Peterson*  
vs.  
THE PEOPLE  
[Sections 3167 Penal Code].

PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*George J. Johnson*  
Foreman.  
*Aug 18, 1884*  
*Child and convicted*  
*Pen one year*  
*July 22 84*  
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Witnesses:

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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 Peterson

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

John Peterson

of the CRIME OF *Willfully and lawfully exposing the private parts of his person in a place where others were present,* committed as follows:

The said

John Peterson

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twelfth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *four*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, *and in a place where others were then and there present, with force and arms, unlawfully did willfully and lawfully expose the private parts of his person, in the presence and within the view of two children then and there being, to wit: Mary Edwards and Sarah Collins: against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity;*

Peter B. O'Meara

District Attorney

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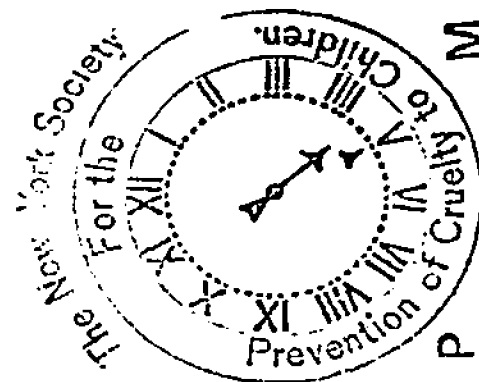
Officer Wilson. Further reports  
 Police Officer John Walker. 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Prec. says his attention called  
 to case by Daniel McGovern  
 and he (Walker) made arrest.  
 found Collins girl with her  
 drawers off when he made  
 arrest. Edw or knows nothing more.

Daniel McGovern 327 East 115<sup>th</sup> St  
 says. he is stableman at 3<sup>rd</sup> ave  
 Horse Car Stables 130<sup>th</sup> St. he  
 was passing through Steers  
 Lumber Yard about 6. P.M.  
 on his way home from work  
 when he saw the man Peterson  
 with his penis exposed standing  
 before the Collins girl who  
 was seated on the lumber  
 with her legs exposed, her  
 drawers being off. Peterson  
 was trying "his best to put  
 it in". The girl made no outcry  
 McGovern watched them some  
 15 minutes whilst waiting for  
 the Police officer for whom  
 he had sent a man.

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McGovern has worked two years  
in present place. And appears  
like a decent man.



Examined

True copy  
J. P.

John Peterson

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*The New York Society for the  
Prevention of Cruelty to Children.*

Nº 100 EAST 23º STREET, (CORNER 4TH AVE.)

*New York July 19<sup>th</sup> 1884*

*George H. Adams Esq  
Asst Dist Atty.*

*Dear Sir:*

*Herewith beg to hand you  
further report in Peterson Case, as  
you requested, officer was able  
to learn very little as to the man.  
but hope it will be satisfactory*

*I Remain*

*With great respect*

*C. Fellows Jenkins  
Suff*

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July 18<sup>th</sup>

Officer Wilson, ascertained John Peterson's address as 341. East 122<sup>d</sup> St. Here John has "stopped" with the Anderson family ground floor front for the past few months on the charity of nine years acquaintance with Mr Charles Anderson.

The latter stated to officer he had done laboring work with Peterson in and about Harlem, when Peterson fell out of work and had no place to sleep in a few months ago. He Anderson told him to come to 341. E. 122<sup>d</sup> St for a few nights.

He has been there ever since till arrested. He got some of his meals there, but did not pay. He drank quite considerable was "rough" and "spoke bad". Here Mrs Sophia Anderson mother of Charles shook her head as much as to say - yes Peterson is a hard case for an old

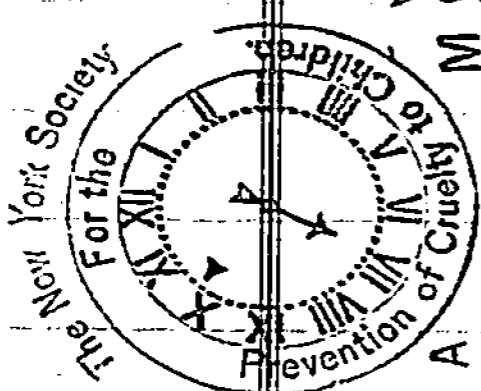
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man. Drinking being rough and using bad language they knew nothing more.

On the morning of the 12<sup>th</sup> July the day of his arrest, he did not want any breakfast. he told them because he had drunk two glasses of whiskey and two glasses of beer. He had got the drink at Patrick O'Rourke's saloon 135<sup>th</sup> St & 3<sup>rd</sup> avenue where he cleans up every morning.

At O'Rourke's Saloon learned that Peterson cleans up and gets 50. cents every morning. Nothing known of him.

Peterson is 13 years in U. S. - a widower with two grown up sons somewhere in this state. No one seemed to know him in vicinity of 122<sup>nd</sup> St.



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*[Signature]*

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Testimony in the  
case of  
John Peterson

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The People  
John Peterson { Court of General Sessions. Part First.  
Before Judge Coving August 19. 1884.  
Indictment for indecent exposure.

Daniel McGovern, sworn and examined.  
I saw the defendant on Saturday the 12th of July; it was about the time of 126th st. near First Avenue, the street is not cut through. The prisoner was there with two small children, little girls at the back part of the lumber. (Witness pointed out the girls in court) He had his person exposed, pushing his body against the naked body of the child and at times trying to put it into the child's mouth. I sent for the police and they came and took him and the two children to the station house. Cross examined. I am a hostler employed in the stable of the Third Avenue Railroad at 130th st. and Third Ave. I live in 115th st. between First and Second Aves. and I was on my way home going through the lumber yard. I am sure I saw the defendant as I have described and could not be mistaken as to what I saw.

Sarah Collins, sworn. I am ten years old and go to school. I live in 125th st. between First and Pleasant Aves. I was in Steer's lumber yard on this day

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The prisoner was away back near 126<sup>th</sup> St.  
I was in the lumber yard where he met me,  
he called us, me and Marnie Edwards,  
with his finger and we went over ~~to him~~  
behind the lumber where it is piled up.  
He told us to open our drawers and we  
did so. Then he took something out of his  
pants and showed it to us; then he  
says, "Do you see that?" He said, yes. He said,  
"Will you kiss that?" Then we both said, no.  
Then he said, "let me see yours, let me  
kiss yours," and then we let him kiss it.  
Then Marnie saw a man and she ran  
away and I got hold of Marnie as she  
was going away from me. Then she saw  
two policemen, one coming one way and  
the other standing outside. Mr. Walker called  
us and we went over to him; then Mr. Walker  
told the other policeman to go after the defend-  
ant and they went up to the station house.  
We were going up to Marnie Edwards' papa,  
he works in the Knickerbocker Ice Co. at the  
foot of 128<sup>th</sup> St. Cross. Examined the defend-  
ant did not strike or assault us; he did  
not put his person against us. This was  
away back in the lumber yard away from  
the street; he did not speak in German;  
he spoke to us in English, I am sure of  
that.

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Richard Walker sworn. I am a police officer of the twelfth precinct. I arrested the defendant about 1/4 past six in the evening. Daniel McGovern sent another man for me. I went down to Steer's lumber yard. McGovern told me all the circumstances. I went back and I saw this man. I jumped up on the lumber pile and I saw this man and the two little girls right at the head of First ave. and 125<sup>th</sup> st. I found him about opposite 126<sup>th</sup> st. between the lumber pile and the police. I hid him and the children from the view of the people passing along. I arrested him and took him and the girls to the station house. At the time I saw them they were standing up. When the children saw me they got scared and started to run. How far apart from ~~them~~ were they when you first saw them? They were close by him. How large a space was there between the lumber and the wall? About twelve feet. I noticed them from the end. You had to walk around the end of the lumber to get into this passage? Yes sir. I had to climb over the pile of lumber. They were behind a big pile where nobody could see them. What was the defendant doing, if anything, when you saw him? He was not doing anything; he was standing

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still. Was any part of his clothes disarranged?  
No sir, not that I saw, I did not notice. There  
was another officer with me. I asked the defend-  
ant what he was doing? He said he was doing  
nothing. The children did not have any drawers  
on. The defendant talked English enough for  
me to understand. Cross Examined. I did  
not see his person exposed. The people in  
the street could not see what was going on,  
it was between one pile of lumber and the  
fence. McGovern and some people were  
there when I got back; there is no street there.  
John Petersin, sworn and examined in his  
own behalf testified; <sup>through the interpreter</sup> I don't speak English,  
not more than 'yes' and 'no'. This little girl  
says that you took out your person and ex-  
posed it to her view, is that so? No sir. Tell  
us what occurred there? I stood up by the lum-  
ber and made water. You did not put your  
person against her? No sir. Are you mar-  
ried? No; my wife died thirteen years ago.  
Have you children? No sir. Cross Examined.  
I think this was the little girl I saw. I  
never saw her before that time. I go to  
my work this way twice a day and these  
little children were around. I was tired and  
very warm and sat down. I was standing  
making water and these little girls came  
along. The jury rendered a verdict of

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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

5th

District

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*James McLaughlin*  
324 E. 115 Street

*John Peterson*

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Offence *Indecent Assault & B. atty*  
*on Sarah Collins & Maria Collins*

Date

*July 13th*

1884

*Murray* Magistrate

*Richard Walker* Officer

*13th* Precinct

Witness *Barack Collins (negro)*

No. *46* E. 125th Street

*Maria Robinson (negro)*

No. *250* E. 125th Street

*Thomas J. McLaughlin*

No. *2337* 1st Avenue Street

*107th* No. 107th Street

*James McLaughlin*

*324 E. 115th*

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

*John Peterson*  
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 *July 13th* 1884 *Henry Murray* Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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*File* District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss  
OF NEW YORK,

*John Peterson* 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 Peterson*

Question How old are you?

Answer *66 years of age*

Question Where were you born?

Answer *Switzerland*

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

Answer *East 122<sup>nd</sup> Street 12 months*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer *None -*

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

Answer *I am not guilty of the charge*

*John x Peterson*  
*mark*

Taken before me this

*13<sup>th</sup>*

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*day of July*  
*Wm. J. McInerney*  
Police Justice

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Police Court, 5<sup>th</sup> District.City and County } ss.  
of New York, }of No. 324 Court 115<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 39 years,  
occupation Hostler being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884, at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, John Peterson (now here)  
did with force and arms violently, feloniously  
and indecently make an assault  
upon Sarah Collins (now here) aged 10 years -  
and Annie Edwards (now here) aged 8 years  
that between the hours of 6 + 7 o'clock  
P.M. on said day - deponent was going  
through the lumber yard on 126<sup>th</sup> Street  
near 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue - and saw the said  
John Peterson behind a pile of lumber  
with the said Sarah Collins & Annie Edwards  
that the said Sarah Collins & Annie Edwards  
were sitting on said lumber with their  
genitals bare to the waist - and the said  
John Peterson had his pants unbuttoned  
and his penis exposed to the view of  
said Sarah Collins & Annie Edwards and  
deponent saw the said John Peterson  
standing in front of Sarah Collins and  
with his penis in his hand pushing  
himself against the body of the said  
Sarah Collins - that deponent immediately  
called Officer Richard Walker and  
caused the arrest of said John Peterson  
that deponent prays that he may be  
dealt with as the law directs

Sworn to before me this }  
13<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884 } I am L. M. Govern

Wm. M. Govern Police Justice

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CASE 15181.

1884 15 July.

Officer Wilson visited Mary Edwards aged 8 years at 255 E. 125th St. 3rd floor front house.

Mary stated that on Saturday 12 inst. she in company with friend Sarah Collins was passing through Steer's Lumber yard bet. 124th and 125th St. about 4.30 P.M., going to meet her father. A man sitting on the lumber caught hold of them, put his hand up their clothes and gave each of them a penny. That was all.

Mary appears a sweet innocent little girl, but she also appears to tell big fibs.

Sarah Collins aged 10 years seen at 406 E. 125 2nd floor front house, stated that the man in the lumber yard called Mary over to him and they both went to him. He gave them a penny each took both their drawers off, showed them "something out of his pants," asked them to let him see "theirs" and further asked them to open their mouth to put his "something" in. They let him see "theirs" but did not open their mouth. They saw some one coming and started to run away when the "cop" caught them.

Sarah who is not a prepossessing child seems to tell the truth. It would seem that John Peterson acted indecently and that the children let him do so for a penny.

No one in Steer's Lumber yard could give officer any information of the alleged assault. Police officer Walker who made the arrests in bed.

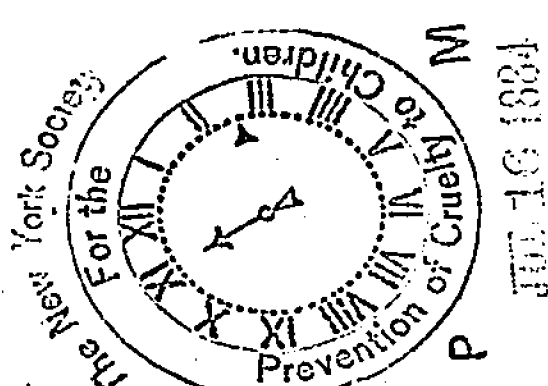
Daniel McGovern (said to be a hard case himself) is said to

John Peterson aged 66 years in Tombs Prison denied everything but giving children a penny. He is a poor stupid Swede scarcely speaking a word of English and scarcely capable of indecent assault at any rate, with any degree of force. Unmarried. Lives in Mott Haven, laborer.

Mary Edwards lives with parents William and Bridget. No other children in family.

Sarah Collins lives with parents Thomas and Bridget. Family Katie 6, Sarah 10, Annie 12, John 18, Mary 20 and Bridget 24 years. Both families appear poor decent people.

Daniel McGovern might throw some light on the case if could be found.



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*True copy.*  
*J.*

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*The New York Society for the  
Prevention of Cruelty to Children.*

NO 100 EAST 23<sup>RD</sup> STREET, (CORNER 4<sup>TH</sup> AVE.)

*New York July 16<sup>th</sup> 1884*

*Hon: Henry C. Allen  
Asst Dist Atty.*

*Dear Sir: Herewith copy officers report  
in matter of Sarah Collins and  
Mamie Edwards, sent us yesterday.  
I am*

*With great respect  
J. Helmes Jenkins  
JHJ*

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Phillips, Mary D.

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No 73.  
Counsel, *J. O. G. m. g.*  
Filed 14 day of July 1884  
Pleads *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE  
vs. *P*  
*Mary D. Bliss*  
*et al.*  
*Indigent*

PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*George C. Sullivan*  
Foreman.

*11th of August*  
*Oct 4th 1884*  
*in motion*  
*Aug 23rd 1884*  
*Attorney*  
*day 13*

Witnesses:  
*Augusta Schorer*  
*Austrian Schorer*

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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

Mary D. Phillips

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

of the CRIME OF Forgery in the Second degree,

committed as follows:

The said

Mary D. Phillips

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the thirtieth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, having in her possession

a certain forged instrument and writing, to wit: an order for the payment of money of the said commonly called Bank Check, which said forged Bank Check is as follows, that is to say:

New York, June 30<sup>th</sup> 1884

Second National Bank,

Pay to Mrs. M. D. Phillips or Bearer,

Sixty Five

Dollars,

\$65.00

Henry L. Hoag

with force and arms, she said forged Bank Check, then and there feloniously and with intent to defraud, did utter, dispose of and put off as true; she,

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the said many D. Phillips then  
and there well knowing the  
same to be forged: against the  
form of the Statute in such  
case made and provided, and  
against the peace of the People  
of the State of New York, and  
their dignity.

Peter B. Olney,

District Attorney.

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*Go. ac* *C. E. A.* *NEW YORK, June 30<sup>th</sup> 1884*

**SECOND NATIONAL BANK,**

Pay to *Mrs. M. G. Phillips* or Bearer,

*Sixty Five* Dollars,

\$ *65.00*

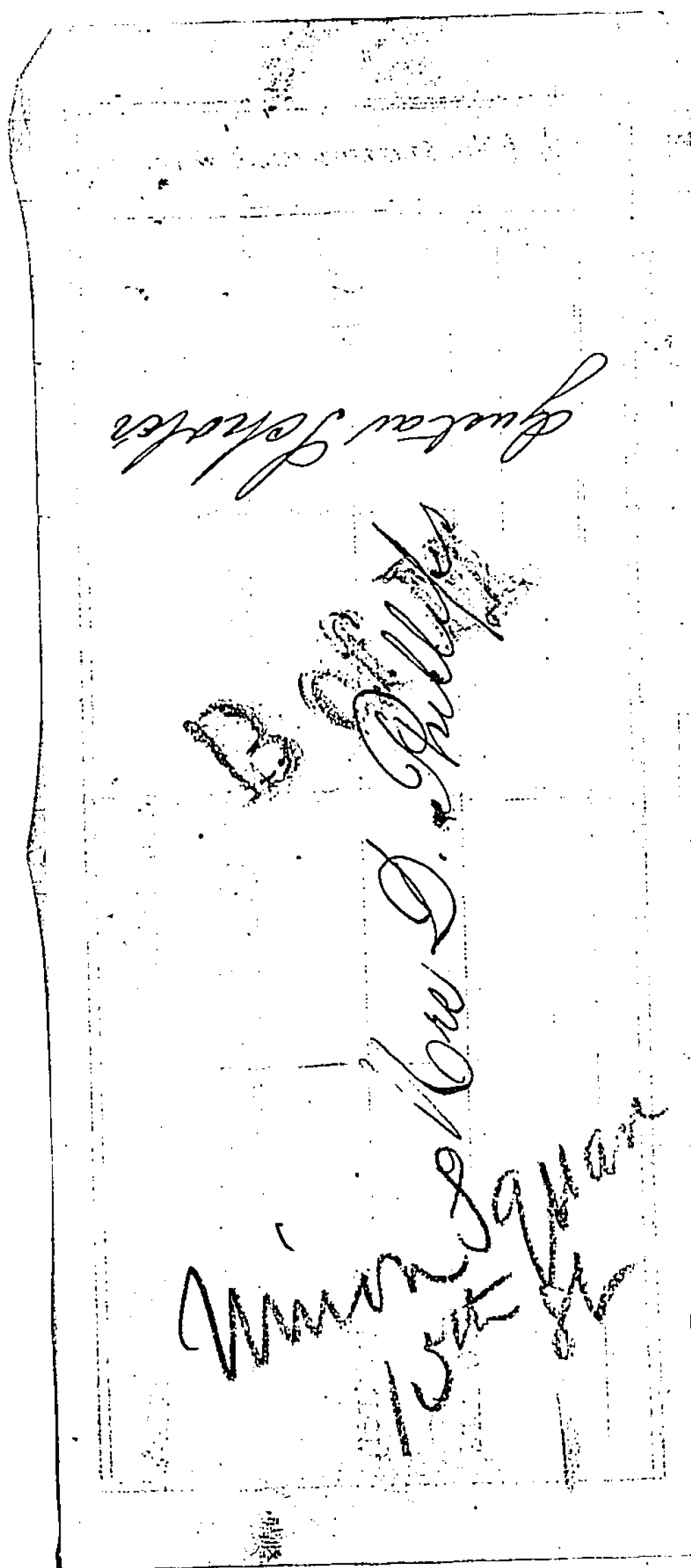
*Henry L. Hoguet*

5th Avenue and 23d Street.

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

Police Court-2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Augusta Schuler  
235 61-58

1 Mary B. Phillips  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

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Offence Larceny

Dated July 8 1884

J. F. Gilmore, Magistrate.  
Holding in Hearing Officer.  
Central Office Precinct.

Witnesses Henry S. Hoaguel  
No. 58 Chambers Street.  
Margaret Savage 136

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
to answer 4 Sessions.

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 Mary B. Phillips

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 10 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated July 8<sup>th</sup> 1884 J. F. Gilmore Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Mary D Phillips

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 34 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Philadelphia

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

Answer. 208 E 9th St 3 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. nothing

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  
The check was given to me by another party who gave me  
the money. I took it & gave it to the party who gave it  
Mary D Phillips

Taken before me this

day of

July

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Police Justice.

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STATE OF NEW YORK.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.POLICE COURT—2<sup>a</sup>—DISTRICT.

Augusta Scholw  
 of No. 235 Sixth Avenue ~~Street~~, being duly sworn, deposes and  
 says that on the 30 day of June 1884  
 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Mary D. Phillips

(now here) did designedly obtain from  
 deponent by means of the false token  
 hereunto annexed the sum of Forty  
 five dollars and two pennies  
 in all of the value of Sixty five  
 dollars moneys belonging to  
 deponent's husband Gustav Scholw

That said defendant came to  
 her husband's place of business  
 at 235 Sixth Avenue in said City  
 at said time and presented to  
 the deponent the annexed check  
 dated June 30. 1884 said check  
 being partly printed and partly  
 written and directed to the Second  
 National Bank and purporting  
 to be signed by Henry L. Hoquet  
 and requested deponent to give her  
 said property in which she gave  
 deponent said check in payment  
 thereof. That deponent gave to said  
 defendant the two pennies and  
 \$45 in money. That said defendant  
 at the time she presented the  
 annexed said check and received  
 said pennies and money falsely  
 represented that the check was  
 good and would be paid and  
 that it was made by Henry L.

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Hoguet. That this defendant relying upon said representations gave to said defendant said property as aforesaid. Defendant says that said check is worthless and that said Henry L Hoguet has not any account in said Bank nor does he keep an account in said Bank in said City.

Mr. A. White

Sworn to before me

this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884

J. D. Smith Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT.

vs.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,

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Plant, Thomas

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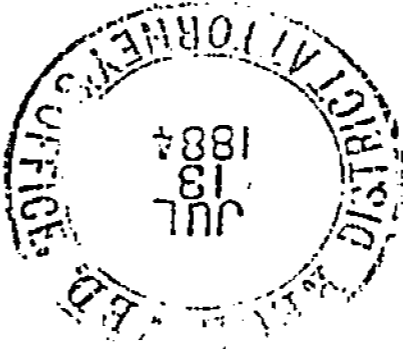
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Witness

Ad No 617/461  
Counsel A. J. Mayo  
Filed 11 day of July 1884  
Pleads Not Guilty

THE PEOPLE  
vs  
Thomas Plant  
H.D.  
R.A.P.E.  
1884

PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.  
July 21/84  
Grip & Co. v. Olney  
A True Bill.  
George J. Sullivan  
Foreman.  
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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE  
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
against

*Thomas Grant*

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

*Thomas Grant, of the Crime*  
*of Attempting to commit*  
of the CRIME OF RAPE, committed as follows:

The said *Thomas Grant*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, afore-  
said, on the *Sixth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*four*, at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, with force and arms in and upon one *Henrietta Nappel*  
wilfully and feloniously made an assault, and the said *Thomas*  
*Grant*, her the said  
*Henrietta Nappel*, then and there by force and with  
violence to her, the said *Henrietta Nappel*, and against her  
will, did wilfully and ~~feloniously~~ *attempt to* ravish and 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.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid by this indictment further accuse the said  
*Thomas Grant*  
*in the Second degree*  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT ~~WITH INTENT TO RAVISH~~, committed as follows:

The said *Thomas Grant*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the  
day and in the year aforesaid, and at the place aforesaid, with force and arms, in and  
upon her, the said *Henrietta Nappel*, wilfully and feloniously  
made an assault, with intent her the said *Henrietta Nappel*  
against her will, and by force and violence, to then and there wilfully and feloniously  
ravish and 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.

PETER B. OLNEY,

~~JOHN McKEON~~, District Attorney.

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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 1st 22<sup>nd</sup>

James H. H. H. H.  
ON THE COMPLAINANT OF

James H. H. H. H.  
66 Spencer St.  
17 St. 188

1 James H. H. H. H.  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Offence Indecent  
Assault

Dated July 7 1888

John H. H. H. H. Magistrate.  
John H. H. H. H. Officer.

James H. H. H. H. Precinct.  
James H. H. H. H. Sessions.  
James H. H. H. H. Street.

No. 1 to answer \_\_\_\_\_ Sessions.  
James H. H. H. H. Street.

James H. H. H. H. Sessions.  
James H. H. H. H. Street.

James H. H. H. H. Sessions.  
James H. H. H. H. 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 Thomas H. H. H.

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 July 7 1888 Solomon H. H. H. Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 198—200

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK

First District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Thomas Plant*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*20 Morris street, about 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Salesman*

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 Plant*

Taken before me this

*July 1887*  
*Police District*

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POLICE COURT First DISTRICT.

City and County of New York, ss.:

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

On Complaint of

For

Henrietta Noppel

Indecent Assault

Thomas Plant

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

Dated

July 7 1888

Thomas Plant

Salomon R. Smith Police Justice.

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Form 11.

Police Court— District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Henrietta Moppel

vs.

Thomas Plant

Affidavit, A. & B.

Dated 188

Justice.

Officer.

Witness

\$ to Ans. Sess.

Bailed by

No.

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Police Court—First District.

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

of No 66 Greenwich Street, Henrietta Noppel

on Sunday the 6th day of July  
in the year 1884, at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

and indecently  
she was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Thomas Plant  
(now here) who threw deponent on the  
floor unbuttoned her drawers placed his  
hand on her privates and pulled out  
his penis, and attempted to insert the  
same into deponent's private parts and struck  
deponent on the face  
without any justification on the part of the said assailant.

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

Sworn to before me, this 7 day of July 1884 } Henrietta Noppel

Solomon Smith POLICE JUSTICE.

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**State of New York.**

*Executive Chamber,*

*Albany, Oct 7 1884*

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the  
pardon of *Mrs. Flaut*, who was  
tried and convicted before you *July 23, 1884* of  
*Attempted Rape* and sentenced  
to the State Prison *July 23, 1884*

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

Very respectfully yours,

*Samuel Cleveland*  
*By Gordon Brown*  
*Executive Clerk*  
To *Mr. T. Smith*

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Plant  
Garden  
Answered  
Oct 20. 1884  
J. H. D.

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**State of New York.**

*Executive Chamber,*

*Albany, Oct 17 1884*

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the  
pardon of *Thos. Hunt*, who was  
sentenced on *July 23*, 1884, in your County,  
for the crime of *Attempt Rape* for the term  
of *7* years and *6 mo* to the State Prison  
you are respectfully requested (in pursuance of  
Chapter 310, Laws 1849) to furnish the Governor with a concise  
statement of the case as proven on the trial, together with any other  
facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the question of  
granting or refusing a pardon. Be pleased, also, to state the previous  
character of the convict. *Respectfully, &c.*

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

Very respectfully yours,

*To A. R. Olney*

District Attorney, &c.

*Joseph C. Woodard*  
*Godwin Brown*  
*Deputy Secy*

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Testimony in the  
case of  
Thomas Hunt

bled July  
1884.

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The People { Court of General Sessions. Part 7  
Thomas Plant { Before Reuben Smyth. July 21. 1884.  
Indictment for Rape.

Henrietta Koppel sworn and examined. I am now in the House of Detention as a witness. I arrived in this country on the 5<sup>th</sup> of July last, got into Castle Garden a little after six in the evening and to the hotel about 9 or 9 1/2 o'clock. I am from the duchy of Baden in Germany near the city of Konstanz. I am 24 years of age. I came over to this country alone and am on my way to Cincinnati to get married there. On Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> of July after three o'clock I went out and near Castle Garden I went into a store and asked for a glass of lemonade and the prisoner served it. I drank some of it; then he told me to come into an adjoining room and take my lemonade there. I said, "No, I will finish the lemonade here;" he got hold of my arm and he pulled me into an adjoining room. I noticed something wrong and I commenced to halloo in the room. Then he put his hand on my mouth and he opened his pants; then he threw me down on the floor and raised my clothes and whenever I tried to halloo he always put his hand on my mouth.

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I resisted and pushed him aside. I was strong enough to push him aside and I got up. Then when I got on my feet he got hold of my arm again. Then he said to me, I have to pay him a dollar. I said, I have no money. He stretched his arm out toward my pocket and said I have to give him money. I told him I don't understand, I have no money. Then he showed me a dollar of his own money and said I have to give him that. Then he laid on me still and I told him to let me go; then he hit me twice in the face; then I dragged away from him and left the room, and whilst I was going out into the store I got some dirt on my back when I laid on the floor; then he brushed my clothing. I said inside that I will report it to the police; then I went into the street. I was crying and in the next house out on the sidewalk there were several persons standing. They asked me why I was crying and I told them. The defendant came out and said that this woman had a glass of lemonade and <sup>did not</sup> pay for it, and that is the reason why I threw her on the floor. Then I met a gentleman who was on the steamer Leszins. He asked me why I was crying and I told him every thing. He went with

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me to Castle Garden. They told me to come next morning and I did and saw officer Groden and I made a complaint to him. When the defendant threw me on the floor in the back room the front door was a little ajar. There was no one in the store, but in front at the store door there was a young man standing. I don't know if he heard it. This affair lasted about five minutes in the back room. This person was exposed. Cross Examined. I did not ask the defendant for strong drink, only for a glass of lemonade. He went in the other room and brought a glass out, and as soon as I had some of the lemonade drunk he got hold of me and pulled me into ~~the~~ other room. I did not ask him for a dollar when he opened his pants. At first he did not speak about money ~~but~~ afterward he did. I did not sit down in the room before he touched me, he threw me on the floor immediately. I showed the policeman a scratch behind the ear. I told Mr. Fisher the son of the landlord of the hotel and also the landlady. Albert C. Weisch sworn. I am gate keeper at the main entrance of Castle Garden. I saw the complainant Sunday after five o'clock in the gate house of Castle Garden; she

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complained to me at that time. I sent a young fellow out to get a policeman and he could not find any. I told her to come back in the morning and make a complaint to the Commissioners of Immigration. I told Officer Groden about it on Monday morning. I saw that the complainant's jacket was dirty and she was excited and crying. The <sup>Cross Examined</sup> dirt on her jacket looked as if she had fallen down or as if she had been lying on the floor. She told me that she was buying a glass of soda water in some place near Greenwich or Washington Sts. and a man tried to assault her - that a man tried to throw her down on the floor, opened his breeches and wanted to insult her. John Fisher Jr. sworn. I am the son of Mr. Fisher, the proprietor of the Bavarian Bf. 66 Greenwich St. I saw the complainant at the hotel on the 5th; she came on the Steamer Lessing from Hamburg. and arrived at Castle Garden on the 5th about 7 o'clock in the evening. I saw her on Sunday evening about 5 1/2 o'clock standing at the gate of Castle Garden crying; the gate keeper sent me for an officer, and when I could not get one she went with me to the hotel; she made a complaint there of what had happened to her.

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Peter Groden sworn. I am an officer of the 26<sup>th</sup> precinct, which includes Castle Garden. I arrested the defendant on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July in Battery Place. I told him the charge that the young lady made against him, that he took her in the back room and tried to criminally assault her. He said that he tried to get a piece of her, but that she wanted to get a dollar and he would not give it to her and that is the reason why she made the scene around her door. I took him before her in the hotel and she fully identified him; he did not make any statement then this 3 Washington St. is a basement where they sell sausages and bread, soda water, corned beef and tobacco mostly to emigrants going off West. There is a room back of the place. Cross Examined. He did not tell me that the girl agreed to go with him for a dollar and that she voluntarily went into the back room. He walked quietly with me to see the complainant; he had to, for I had the nippers on him. He did not say anything about making an agreement with her, he said that he would not give her a dollar and that he tried to have connection with her; he did not say that he offered her any money. The prisoner is around the Battery a good deal.

POOR QUALITY  
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Thomas Hunt sworn and examined in his own behalf testified. I am a salesman in a grocery store for a man named Devere at 3 Washington St; the store is open on Sunday. The complainant came in and asked me for a drink. I said I could give her a glass of lemonade and she said, all right. I mixed the lemon juice and ice water and handed it to her; she drank half of it and laid it on the counter; she sat there and I asked her to have connection and she said, no. Then I told her I would give her a dollar and she consented; we walked into the back room and sat down. I put my hand on her person and she put her hand on mine and looked at it. I wanted her to lie on the bench and she said, no, not till she got the dollar. I had a dollar piece and had small change. She ~~wanted~~ to go right out of the door; it was open and she went to the next door and that was the last of it. She walked out of the store; the door of the store was half open, ajar all the time she was in there, so that anyone could see in the store. This was about four o'clock in the afternoon. There were many people in the street at the time; she made no complaint.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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The next I knew of it was when Officer Groden came for me the next day. I was standing on the Battery talking to a gentleman. Groden said to me, "Did you have a girl in the store yesterday?" I said, "yes." "Did you try to do anything with her?" "yes, I tried to have connection with her on condition of her having a dollar, and she would not do it." He said, "I think there is a complaint against you before the Commissioner; don't you think you had better come and see him?" I said, "yes." We went up before the Commissioner and he asked Groden if I was the gentleman that had the girl? I said, "yes." Groden said he had better take me to Court and put the nippers on me; we went to the store to get my coat and we walked up Greenwich St. to where the girl was in the boarding house. He asked the girl if I was the man, and she said, "yes." Then the girl came with the officer and me to the Police Court where she made a complaint to Justice Smith. I did not strike the girl nor throw her on the floor; she did not cry out at any time; she walked out of the store peaceably and quietly and I did not prevent her. The only disagreement

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Q between her and me was that I would not give her a dollar. Cross Examined. I worked three seasons for the Iron Steamboat Co and as soon as they get slack I go to work for these parties. I made the lemonade behind the counter; she did not pay me for it and I did not ask her for pay. I asked her to have connection and she gave me the conditions; we walked into the back room. By consent of the District Attorney Counsel for the defendant read four certificates of character, one of which was from the Iron Steamboat Co - another from Fetter and Merryfold and the others from Ahern and Bentler and S. Laufer & Sons. Henrietta Koppel recalled. The defendant says that after you got the lemonade you sat down in the front room in the store for a while and talked, is that so A No sir. I did not sit down. Catherine Plant sworn. I am the mother of the defendant; he is going on 21 years old; he has been working since he was 13 years old, since his father died. He never caused me any trouble and he has always contributed to my support. I never heard any complaint against him. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty.

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Hennetta Nozapple;  
24 yrs old. — unmarried —

Landed 5<sup>th</sup> July 84 at Seattle Garden  
Came alone to this country

Ret. 5 July ~~to~~ ~~from~~ went to Baran  
Hof - 66 Greenish St. (Fishing people)  
Stayed there ~~about~~ 2 days;  
~~went there to~~ ; on 7<sup>th</sup> brought to house  
of detention

Sunday about 4 P.M. took a coach  
for hotel across town to Cabot  
the crossing ~~from~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~into~~  
a steam sailing by glass of lemonade.  
While during lunch - Dept  
asked German & asked me  
how I was from room; I refused;  
he said you had better work in  
this room & drink lemonade then,  
you can rest yourself there.

No bar - but kind of refreshment  
salon -

Dept was steady ~~and~~ ~~then~~  
what drinking - then he  
suggested he to go in

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then he took hold of arm &  
dragged her into back room

Door was 15 feet apart -  
back room; not too big - & a little  
kitchen.

while dragging her in she resisted  
& screamed & he put hands on  
mouth, so that prevents  
her from screaming.

when he got in back room, he  
pushed against wall  
opened his pants;

then he threw her on floor  
he had <sup>pushed</sup> ~~opened~~ the door to

~~into~~

fell in kitchen door -

threw up his clothes;  
he held himself with knees  
held one hand over & with  
the other hand he tried to do it

urged & kicked with all  
might.

Did he get his body down on her

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ORIGINALS

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He struck me ~~to~~ Corrie in  
face while lying down -

She got him off & got up &  
tried to get away  
~~but~~ he wouldn't let her go  
until she gave him dollar

For her money & ran out  
of the store & as she went  
he ran after & pushed her  
closer.

As soon as she got out on street  
she cried - & people next door  
she told ~~the people~~ what  
happened, they were sitting on the  
porch

Met a fellow passing & asked her  
stay & met a policeman who  
referred them to Seattle Garden

At Seattle Garden she told story to  
doorkeeper, who told her to  
go home & to come down next  
day

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Told  
She ~~had~~ ~~been~~ ~~at~~ ~~Hotel~~  
state ~~say~~ ~~Arden~~ —

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

1493

DESCRIPTION:

Popke, Samuel

DATE:

07/11/84



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Witnesses:

Isaac Bernstein

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Counsel, 1st 5th  
Filed 11 day of July 1884  
Pleads No guilty 14.

THE PEOPLE  
vs. P  
Grand Larceny  
[From the person]  
[Sections 528, 530, 1 Penal Code].

Samuel Popkin

PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.  
July 20/84.  
Filed & captioned  
A TRUE BILL.  
George J. Sullivan  
Foreman.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
against

Samuel Popke

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

Samuel Popke

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

The said Samuel Popke

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
twenty eighth day of June - in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-four, in the night time of the said day, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms, one pocket book of  
the value of one dollar, one prom-  
issory note for the payment of  
money of the kind known as United  
States Treasury notes, the same  
being then and there due and  
unsatisfied, for the payment of  
and of the value of five dollars,  
and one other promissory note  
for the payment of money  
of the kind known as United  
States Treasury notes, the same  
being then and there due and  
unsatisfied, for the payment of  
and of the value of two dollars

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

Peter B. Olney,

District Attorney

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Police Court 3 District.  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Jane Austen,  
19 Covert St.  
Samuel Papke  
Offence Larceny Fraud &c.

BAILED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
Witnesses  
Lucas Schuchman  
No. 20 Covert Street.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
\$ 500 to answer at \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
C. Wick

Dated June 29 188  
C. Wick Magistrate.  
C. Wick Officer.  
10 Precinct.

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

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 June 29 188 C. Wick Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Samuel Papke*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *15 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *9 Suffolk Street 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Peddler*

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*

*Samuel Papke*  
*Witness*

Taken before me this

day of

*June*

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*John H. Hume*  
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Jacob Schabinsky  
aged 15 years, occupation Work with an Express man of No.  
30 Essex Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Isaac Bernstein  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 29  
day of June 1888 Jacob Kampanski

John J. Conner  
Police Justice.

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

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.  
of No. 19 Essex Street,

Isaac Bernstein aged 38

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 28 day of June 1884  
at the City of New York,

in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent and from the person of deponent at night time  
the following property, viz :

one pocket book containing gold and  
lawful money of the issue of the United  
States consisting of two notes of the  
denomination and of the value of  
five dollars each, and one note  
of the value of two dollars,  
said property being in all of the  
value of twelve 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 Samuel Papke (nowhere)

from the fact that deponent was sitting  
down asleep at his Soda Water stand  
at the corner of West & Ludlow Street,  
when deponent had said pocket book  
containing said money in the  
inside pocket of the vest then worn  
upon deponent's person  
deponent is informed by Jacob Schabinsky  
of No. 30 Essex Street, that at the time deponent

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was sitting down asleep. He subsequently saw  
said defendant have his hand on defendant's  
back, that when defendant awoke he  
missed his money

Sworn to before me this /  
29<sup>th</sup> day of June 1884 / David B. B. B.

John J. [unclear] Police [unclear]

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION