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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Oates, James

**DATE:**

02/08/88



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leads, C. M. G. (19)  
1888

Grand Larceny, Degree.  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 530, Pennl Code].

THE PEOPLE

vs.

39. Charles R.  
to James Cates

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

~~RA~~ ~~PHILIP~~ ~~B.~~ ~~MARTINE~~

District Attorney.

P. 2 July 16. 1888

Prised & convicted P. 3

A True Bill. with return to Murray.

Levi Dix M.D.,  
G. J. Owen

Foreman.

Levi Dix M.D. not  
witness. try before  
him again H.P.M.

7/17/88

Witnesses:

off name

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Police Court 1st District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, ss.

of No. 1103 Third Avenue Street, aged 32 years, occupation Animal Man in Circus being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 11th day of January 1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession

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

Good and lawful money of the United States consisting of four single dollar bills of the value of four 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 James Oates (now here)

from the fact that at about the hour of eleven o'clock and fifty minutes P.M. on said date while deponent was in company with the said defendant and while in the act of giving the defendant some money for his defendant's night lodging, the defendant snatched the aforesaid money from deponent's right hand and ran away pursued by deponent and deponent caught said defendant and gave him in custody of an Officer

Nathan M Smith

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of January 1888 at New York City, Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

15<sup>th</sup>

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*James Gates*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*37 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York City*

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

Answer.

*135 Home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Writer*

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 exoneration?

Answer.

*I am not guilty.*

*James Gates*

Taken before me this *19<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 188*8*  
*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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Dated 1888 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 1888 Police Justice

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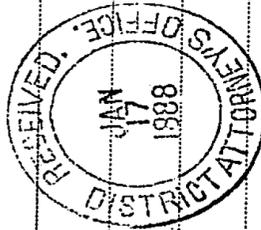
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THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
William M. Smith  
1103 - 3rd ave  
James Bates  
Office  
James Bates

Dated Jan 12 1888  
Magistrate  
Officer  
Precinct

Witnesses  
No. Street  
No. Street  
No. Street  
\$ 1000.00 to answer  
LOW



Police Court District

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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

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The People

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Law Dates

Protested for Grand Jury  
in the 1st Degree.

Indictment for Grand Jury 1888.

~~1888~~  
Jury Feb 16/1888

Protest

For the A. G. Greenleaf  
and company

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The People

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James Bates

Selected for Grand Jurors  
in the 1st District.

Indictment filed Aug 1888

~~W. H. S.~~  
J<sup>r</sup> filed Feb 16/1888

Profr

Wm. H. C. Greenleaf  
and company

or

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE:  
City and County of New York.

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The People	:	
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vs.	:	Before,
	:	
James Oates	:	Hon. Henry A. Guldersleeve,
	:	
Indicted for Grand Larceny in the	:	and a Jury.
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Indictment filed, January 1888.	:	

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Tried, February 16th., 1888.

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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 Oates*

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

*James Oates*

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

The said *James Oates,*

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

*four* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury notes), of the denomination and value of *one* dollars each; *four* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as Bank Notes), of the denomination and value of *one* dollar each; *four* United States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of *one* dollar each and *four* United States Gold Certificates of the denomination and value of *one* dollar each;

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Nathan M. Smith* on the person of the said *Nathan M. Smith* then and there being found, from the person of the said *Nathan M. Smith* 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.

*John R. Keenan,*  
*District Attorney*

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O'Brien, John

**DATE:**

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Witnesses;

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

10 day of July 1887

Grand Larceny, Second Degree,  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 531, — Penal Code].

THE PEOPLE

vs.

John O'Brien

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

G. K. ... Foreman.  
July 13/87.  
...  
S.P. 2 yrd.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Paul Darby

aged 24 years, occupation Butler of No.

24 West 40th Street, being duly sworn deposes and

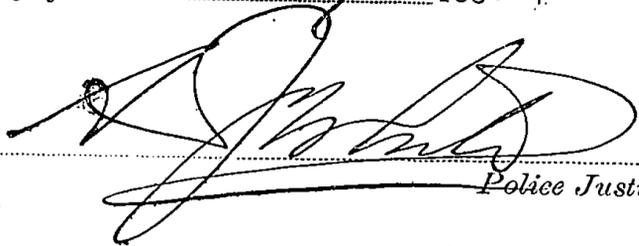
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Rosa Suchinsky

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of February 1888

Paul Darby

  
Police Justice.

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Police Court— 2 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

Rosa Duschinsky  
of No. 24 West Fortieth Street, aged 20 years,  
occupation Domestic servant being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 6 day of February 1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession and person of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

one pocket book and money therein, of the value, in all, of twenty five cents

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 John O'Brien, now here Deponent was passing into her own residence about 1 p.m. on said date when the defendant followed her in and fell against her. The defendant ran away and deponent immediately missed the said pocket book. Deponent is informed by Paul Darby, now here, that he followed the defendant immediately and saw defendant throw away the said pocket book in the street, and defendant was immediately arrested.

Rosa Duschinsky

Sworn to before me, this

day

Police Justice.

Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

John O''Brien

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. John O''Brien

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 18 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. U. S.

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

Answer. 574 11th Av. 2 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Driver.

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. I saw a man running and I followed. I was arrested by mistake. I did not take the complainant's pocket book.

John O''Brien  
Mark

Taken before me this  
day of April 1887  
[Signature]  
Police Justice.

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Police Court-- 2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Rosa Buschurky  
John O'Brien

Offence *the person*

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Dated Feb 6 1888

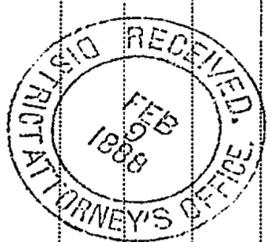
White Magistrate.

Joseph O'Donohue Officer.

Park Precinct.

Witnesses Paul Darty

No. 24 West 40th Street.



No. 3rd Street.

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 Feb 6 1888 Police Justice.

I have admitted the above named

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated 1888

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 1888

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

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 second degree, committed as follows:

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value of twenty cents, one silver coin of the United States of the kind called dimes of the value of ten cents, three nickel coins of the United States of the kind called five-cent pieces, of the value of five cents each, and ten coins of the United States of the kind called cents, of the value of one cent each,

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O'Connor, Jeremiah

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Sitting on Sunday.

Counsel,  
Filed 17 day of Feb 1888  
Pleads Chynally 24

Violation of Excise Law.  
(Selling on Sunday.)  
[III Rev. Stat. (7th Edition), page 149, Sec. 21, and  
page 198, Sec. 5.]

THE PEOPLE  
vs.

Jeremiah Connor

SUPREME COURT PART 1,  
December 22 1899  
INDICTMENT DISMISSED.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
~~PROSECUTOR~~ MARSHALL

District Attorney.

Off Sec Term 93

A True Bill.

Wm Woodruff  
Foreman.

WITNESSES:  
Off Degan

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Sec. 198-200.

5 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Jeremiah O'Connor* 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 and that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used against him at the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Jeremiah O'Connor*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Westchester N.Y.*

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

Answer. *2028 Lexington Avenue and 5 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Partner*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty. If held I demand a trial by jury.*

*Jeremiah O'Connor*

Taken before me this

day of

*1888*

Police Justice.

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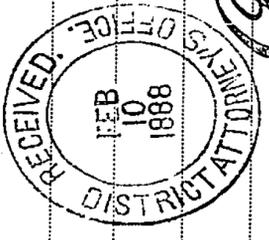
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Police Court-- 246 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
David Hegan  
vs.  
Gerrish O'Leary  
Offence  
Violations

Dated Feb 6 1888  
Magistrate  
Hegan  
Precinct.

Witnesses  
No. Street.  
No. Street.  
No. Street.  
\$ 100 to answer  
Paid



BAILED,  
No. 1, by Carroll Harris  
Residence 1570 2nd Ave  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

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It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime herein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named Gerrish O'Leary

Order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 100 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

I have admitted the above named Gerrish O'Leary to bail to answer by the undertaking hereinafter entered.  
Dated Feb 6 1888  
Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named Gerrish O'Leary guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888  
Police Justice.

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Excise Violation-Selling on Sunday.

POLICE COURT- 5 DISTRICT,

City and County } ss.  
of New York, }

of the right of the Precinct Police Daniel Dugan Street,

of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on SUNDAY the 5 day  
of February 1888, in the City of New York, in the County of New York,

at premises No. 1597 Second Avenue Street,  
James O. Connor (now here)

did then and there SELL, CAUSE, SUFFER and permit to be sold, and GIVEN AWAY under his  
direction or authority strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, being intoxicating liquors,  
to be drunk as a beverage contrary to and in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

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

Sworn to before me, this 6 day  
of February 1888

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,  
*Plaintiffs*

*against*

*Jeremiah O'Connor*  
*Defendant.*

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*Samuel Dugan*

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

SECOND COUNT :

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Judge Bedford: Your honor has covered the ground for me, and I have no questions to ask .

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Sincerely Yours  
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To the  
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March 29<sup>th</sup> 3..88

Honoured Sir

I take the liberty to inquire into my trial and detained for the past seven weeks without a trial I do believe without the slightest reason illegal that I could see would feel extremely thankful to your honour to have a trial or investigation in the matter. I am the man Foster & Co. has detained through a scheme of a very dangerous nature. I train and ride horses and it is getting late for my business have first class honest character case refer to one of your neighbours William Green Livery stable keeper 125<sup>th</sup> St. W. 2 & 3 or any gentleman of integrity <sup>whom I know</sup> hoping your honour will be so kind as to pay attention to the case

Honoured Sir

Yours Respectfully  
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To the Honorable Judge Martins

For the receipt July 4-88  
H. N. S. H

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK } ss.

POLICE COURT, 2 DISTRICT.

Edward F. Brett

of No. 19th Precinct Police Street, aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, occupation Police Officer, being duly sworn deposes and says, that on the 21st day of February 1888

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Michael O'Donnell (nowhere) did unlawfully carry and have in his possession with the intent to use the same against another a loaded cane in violation of section 410 of the Penal Code of the state New York.

Wherefore defendant prays the said defendant may be dealt with as the law directs

Edward F. Brett

Sworn to before me, this

of 1888

23 day

John B. Smith Police Justice.

District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE  
vs.

Michael O. Donnell

Father Dacey is the person whom this deft threatened to kill in his parlor - the Rev. gentleman has been in court and told Judge Mathews that Dr. Kelly has examined deft & believes him to be insane. I suggest that Dr. Kelly who is ~~an~~ eminent in his profession be called on the examination of the deft.   
J. G. Goff

District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Michael A. Linnell

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H. E. ALLISON, M. D.,  
MEDICAL SUP'T MATTHEWAN STATE HOSPITAL,  
FISHKILL LANDING, N. Y.

Write here the Address of the person to whom this letter is to be sent

*M. J. Donnell*  
The Hon Judge Martine  
Court of General Sessions  
Centre street

New York City N.Y.

Fishkill Landing, N. Y., February 25<sup>th</sup> 1895

The Hon Judge Martine

Sir I am thinking of applying to the governor for a commutation of sentence, but before doing so I should like to know how you feel on the subject. I hope you are willing to show me some mercy and that on mature thought you will have come to the conclusion that I received - and excessive sentence. I was sentenced by you on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 1888, to thirty year imprisonment along with one Michael Trehan, we were charged with burglary in the first degree. I declared my innocence at the time, and still declare it.

But apart that I have suffered enough as it is being incarcerated seven years four of which were spent in a mad-house the result of my reason becoming deranged through worry over my imprisonment, I have not much hope for the future unless by your recommendation I can obtain a commutation of sentence. Hoping you will look favorably on my case

I am Sir your humble servant

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The Hon. Judge Martineau  
Court of Sessions  
New York City

New York City, N. Y. May 25 1895

*Answer*

Fishkill Landing, N. Y., May 25 1895

The Hon. Judge Martineau

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the commutation of my sentence. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to secure me some money and that you have thought you will advise me that I should not expect a commutation of my sentence. I was sentenced to seven years on the 11th day of July 1888, but I was pardoned along with one Michael O'Brien, we were charged with burglary in the first degree. I am now, my wife and child at the time, and still remain at the State Prison.

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I am Sir your humble servant  
Michael O'Brien

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0037

Hudson River State Hospital

Poughkeepsie, N.Y. April 20-1888

J. Sparks, Esq.,  
Clerk of the Court of General Sessions,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly send  
the testimony taken in the case of  
Michael O'Donnell, committed  
to this hospital April 6:-

Very truly yours

J. M. Cleveland  
Supt.

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Apr. 23/88  
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New York City, 4/4, 1888.

Hon. John R. Fellows,

District Attorney, -

Dear Sir, -

At your re-  
quest I have this day examined into the  
mental condition of Michael O'Donnell,  
confined in the City Prison.

I find that he has insane delusions  
and is not capable of making a  
proper defense if put on trial.

Yours very respectfully,

J. L. Leonard, M. D.

#326 E. 116<sup>th</sup> St.

New York City, 4/4, 1888.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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signed according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that it is his right to  
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enable him if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against him  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used  
against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Michael O'Donnell*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*28 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ireland*

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

Answer.

*Juttenberg N.J. 2 weeks*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Coachman*

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

Answer.

*I did not know it was  
a violation of law to carry this  
case*

*Michael O'Donnell*

*Traspen before me this  
day of August 1908  
at New York  
Police Justice.*

2480

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

Dated July 22 1888  
the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of  
the City Prison, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Five  
defendant  
committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been

Police Court-- 2 3/3 Districts

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Edward J. Best  
19 West  
Michael O'Donnell

Offence  
Carrying a dangerous weapon

Dated July 22 1888

Magistrate  
Smith

Officer  
Beet

Precinct  
17

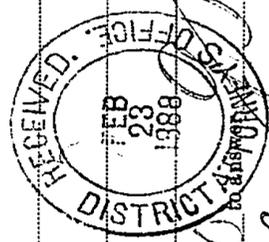
Witnesses  
David Knight

No. 14, 6, 29 Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.



5000  
6000

BAILED,  
No. 1, by  
Residence Street.

No. 2, by  
Residence Street.

No. 3, by  
Residence Street.

No. 4, by  
Residence Street.

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Michael O'Donnell*

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

*Michael O'Donnell*

of the CRIME OF CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON, committed as follows:

The said *Michael O'Donnell*, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fourteenth* day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *eight*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, feloniously did furtively carry, concealed on his person, a certain instrument and weapon of the kind commonly known as *a Kelly, the same being a loaded cane*, with intent then and there feloniously to use the same against some person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

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

*Michael O'Donnell*

of the CRIME OF POSSESSING A CONCEALED WEAPON, committed as follows:

The said *Michael O'Donnell*, 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, feloniously did possess a certain instrument and weapon of the kind commonly known as *a Kelly, the same being a loaded cane*, by him then and there concealed, and furtively carried on his person, with intent then and there feloniously to use the same against some person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

JOHN R. FELLOWS.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2830

**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Gorman, Michael

**DATE:**

02/14/88



2830

Witnesses:

*Bridget Murphy  
of Bermanah*

*Upon examination of the latter  
money herein, I recom-  
mend that the indictment  
herein be dismissed.  
Feb 21st. A. S. Parke  
D. A. V. G.*

do

*No 211  
James Paredy  
132 Nassau St  
Filed 14 day of July 1887  
Pleads, Chy will (it) with  
Bridget Murphy in*

Counsel,

1887

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Michael O'Gorman

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS  
[Section 550, Penal Code]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

~~RANDOLPH B. MARPINE,~~

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*W. H. M. [Signature]*  
On recm. of Dist. Atty  
indict. dis. P. S. [Signature]

Witnesses:

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New York Special Sessions  
The People

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Michael J. Gorman

Before Justices  
Kilbuck, Smith

and Ford

July 10<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Georget Murphy, man  
(The Court)

Q You live 421 E<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> St? a yes sir

Q Oh or about the gang of tomorrow last was  
anything stolen from you?

a yes sir, a broken shawl, worth  
twenty dollars. It was taken out of my  
trunk

Q Do you know who took it?

a yes sir, a young fellow named Johnny  
Bradley, he stopped in my house

Q How do you know that he took it?

a He stole a watch & chain

This prisoner passed the shawl

New York Special Sessions

The People

- vs -

Michael J. Forman

Repeal Justice

Kilbeth, Smith

and Ford

July 10<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Prigot Murphy, Snow  
(The Court)

Q You live 421 5<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> St? a yes sir

Q Oh or about the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last was anything stolen from you?

a yes sir, a watch & chain worth twenty dollars. It was taken out of my trunk

Q Do you know who took it?

a yes sir, a young fellow named Johnny Coakley, he stopped in my house

Q How do you know that he took it?

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Officer Patrick Brennan sworn

Q Did you arrest this defendant?  
a yes sir

Q Did you find anything in his possession?  
a No sir

Q What statement did he make to you?  
a He said that he pawned the shawl, but he did not steal it. He said that he got it from Coakley. He gave me the ticket. I have the ticket

Q Did he say he was with the other fellow when he took it?

a - No sir. He said that the other fellow gave him the shawl. He was idle on that day. He said that he gave him the shawl to pawn it. This John Coakley has left the city. The prisoner did not tell me how long after it was stolen that he got it from Coakley

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A He used to go with Coakley

Q Why did not you get Coakley?

A He has left the city. I believe he  
is up in Rondout.

The Court now transferred this  
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W. S. Vetch

Stenographer

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M. M. Heine's business

The People

Mich. J. Gorman

1870/1878

Testimony

I would not think you were out of order  
to want this up at least all in  
the way of my papers in the  
of which the case was made

Will be made  
with me  
I will be  
I will be  
I will be

*N.Y. Special Sessions*

*The People*

*Mich. Forum*

*July 10/88*

*(Estimoy)*

*[Faint, illegible handwriting]*

Police Court - 3 District.

Affidavit - Larceny.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 421 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 50 years,  
occupation Housekeeper being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 1887 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 Becher Shave, of the value of twenty 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 Michael O'Gorman

now here, from the fact that he now here in open Court admits passing the same; and deponent went to the pawn shop at 189 Avenue A. and there identified the shave so pawned by said deponent as the stolen one aforesaid.

Bridget L. Murphy  
mark

Sworn to before me, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 1888  
of Samuel J. Kelly Police Justice.

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POLICE COURT 3 DISTRICT.

City and County of New York, ss.:

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

On Complaint of Bridget Murphy

For \_\_\_\_\_

Michael O'Gorman } Larceny

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

Dated July 6 1888

Michael O'Gorman

Sam J. Connelley Police Justice.

Sec. 198-200

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK } ss.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer. *Michael O'Gorman*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer, *Hartford, Conn.*

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

Answer. *295 East 8th St. Somerville*

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 got the shawl from John Coatsly who asked me to pawn it. I did not know it was stolen. Coatsly lived with the complainant*

*Michael O'Gorman*

Taken before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of *April* 188*8*

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

8580

Police Court - District

NO. 250

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Michael Murphy*  
*42 West 10th St*  
*Michael C. Brennan*

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

Offence \_\_\_\_\_

Dated *Feb 6* 1888

*O'Reilly* Magistrate.

*Brennan* Officer.

*13* Precinct.

Witnesses *Patrick Brennan*

No. *13* Precinct Street.

*off Murphy 13th Precinct*

No. *9* Street.

*Edward E. Ennis*

*Witness*

No. *the case* Street.

*James J. Kelly*

*J. C.* to answer

*James J. Kelly*

BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ 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 *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 *Feb 6* 1888  
*James J. Kelly* Police Justice.

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

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.

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Dated 1888 Police Justice.

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Dated 1888 Police Justice.

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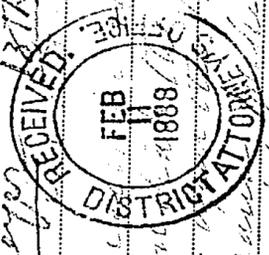
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Police Court District 250 25

THE PEOPLE, & C., ON THE COMPLAINT OF William Murphy 42 East 10th St Michael O'Garra

Dated Jan 6 1888 J. Murphy Magistrate. Officer. Brennan Precinct. 13

Witnesses Patrick Brennan No. 5 Precinct Street. Off. Murphy 17th St. No. 444 Street. No. 444 Street. No. the name of the witness to answer J. O. C. to answer



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

0060

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Michael Stigman*

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

*Michael Stigman*

of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said *Michael Stigman,*

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

*one shawl of the value of twenty*

*dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Bridget Murphy* and *one John Roddery,* and

by — certain *other* persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said

*Bridget Murphy.*

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

*Michael Stigman.*

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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS.

~~RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,~~

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2830

**DESCRIPTION:**

Olmann, Auguste

**DATE:**

02/20/88



2830

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Witnesses:

*John [Signature]*

No 344  
*J. R.*

Counsel,

Filed 20 day of Feb 1888

Pleas *Chy [Signature]*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*B*

*Auguste Olmann*

VIOLATION OF EXCISE LAW.  
[III, R. S., (Ed., page 181, § 18, and Laws of 1888, Chap. 840, § 5].

*92 Cherry*

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Wm [Signature]*

Feb 28 1888 Foreman.

*Tried and convicted*

*10cts C.P. R.B.M.*

0063

Excise Violation—Selling Without License.

POLICE COURT— 1<sup>st</sup> DISTRICT.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

of No. Excise Inspector, Board of Excise Street,  
of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the second day  
of February 1888, in the City of New York, in the County of New York, at  
No. 93 Cherry Street,

Augusta Ohman (now here)  
did then and THERE SEEL, CAUSE, suffer and permit to be sold, under his direction and authority,  
strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, being intoxication liquors, in quantities less than  
five gallons at a time, to be drunk in the house or premises aforesaid WITHOUT HAVING A  
PROPER LICENSE THEREFOR contrary to and in violation of the statute in such case made  
and provided said defendant paid deponent one  
glass of whiskey for which deponent  
paid ten cents, and deponent drank  
paid whiskey on said premises

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

Sworn to before me, this 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of February 1888

J. Mumford Police Justice.

John H. Rapp

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Augusta Olman* 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. *Augusta Olman*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *Forty seven*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *91 Collins Street New York.*

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 may think will tend to your exculpation?

Answer. *I am not guilty and demand a trial by jury at the Court of General Sessions  
Augusta Olman.*

Taken before me this

day of *February* 188*8*

*J. M. ...*

Police Justice.

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Augusta Cheman*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *Thirty*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *91 Collins Street New York.*

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 may think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer. *I am not guilty and demand  
a trial by jury at the Court  
of General Sessions  
Augusta Cheman.*

Taken before me this

day of *February* 188*8*

*J. J. [Signature]*

Police Justice.

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Dated 1888 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 1888 Police Justice.

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

Dated 1888 Police Justice.

the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of Hundred Dollars, and he be admitted to bail in the sum of

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

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Police Court - District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
John H. Raff  
vs.  
Augusta Caldas

Dated February 8 1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No. 100 to answer

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

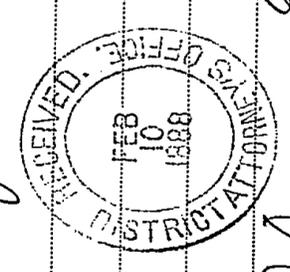
Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Henry Holak

23 New Chambers Street.



Bailed

# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*Auguste Olmann*

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

*Auguste Olmann*

(III. Revised Statutes, 7th edition p. 1981 Section 13).

of the CRIME OF SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS AND WINES WITHOUT A LICENSE, committed as follows:

The said *Auguste Olmann*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *second* day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *eight*, at the City and County aforesaid, certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain wines, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell, in quantity less than five gallons at a time, to *one John H. Ropp and to* certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, without having a license therefor, as required by law, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the People of the State of New York.

(Laws of 1883, chapter 840, section 5.)

SECOND COUNT:

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

*Auguste Olmann*

of the CRIME OF SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, ALES, WINE AND BEER WITHOUT A LICENSE, to be drank upon the premises, committed as follows:

The said *Auguste Olmann*,

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, and at the premises there situate known as number *ninety three Cherry Street* certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain ales, wines and beer, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell to *one John H. Ropp and to* certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, to be drank upon the premises aforesaid, without having a license therefor, as required by law, 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.

# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*Auguste Olmann*

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

*Auguste Olmann*

(III. Revised Statutes, 17th edition) p. 1081 Section 13.

of the CRIME OF SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS AND WINES WITHOUT A LICENSE, committed as follows:

The said *Auguste Olmann*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *second* day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *eight*, at the City and County aforesaid, certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain wines, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell, in quantity less than five gallons at a time, to *one John H. Ropp and to* certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, without having a license therefor, as required by law, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the People of the State of New York.

(Laws of 1883, chapter 340, section 5.)

SECOND COUNT:

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

*Auguste Olmann*

of the CRIME OF SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, ALES, WINE AND BEER WITHOUT A LICENSE, to be drank upon the premises, committed as follows:

The said *Auguste Olmann*,

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, and at the premises there situate known as number *ninety three Cherry Street* certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain ales, wines and beer, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell to *one John H. Ropp and to* certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, to be drank upon the premises aforesaid, without having a license therefor, as required by law, 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.

(Laws of 1883,  
chapter 840, sec-  
tion 5.)

THIRD COUNT:

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

— *Auguste Olmann* —  
of the CRIME OF GIVING AWAY STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, ALES,  
WINE AND BEER, WITHOUT A LICENSE, to be drank upon the premises, committed  
as follows:

The said

*Auguste Olmann*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at  
the City and County aforesaid, and at the premises there situate, known as number

*ninety  
three Cherry Street* —

certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain ales, wine and beer, to wit: one gill of wine, one  
gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of  
bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of  
a certain strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did give  
away to

certain ————— persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, to be drank  
upon the premises aforesaid, without having a license therefor, as required by law, 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.

*Julius R. Fellows*  
~~RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,~~

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2830

**DESCRIPTION:**

Osterndorff, Ernest

**DATE:**

02/14/88



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Selling on Sunday,

no 189

Counsel,

Filed 14 day of

1888

Pleads

*Ernest Osterndorff*

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

*B*

Violation of Excise Law.

(Bellington Sunday Law)  
[III Rev. Stat. (7th Edition), page 1983, Sec. 21, and page 1989, Sec. 5.]

*U.S. v. Ernest Osterndorff*  
JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

Referred to Mr. Justice & Mr. Justice  
District Attorney.

**A True Bill.**

*G. J. Stover*

Foreman.

Transferred to the Court of Special Sessions for trial and final disposition.

Part of...  
*W. H. ...*

WITNESSES:

*W. H. ...*

Selling on Sunday.  
No 89

Counsel,  
Filed 14 day of May 1888  
Pleads Not guilty VT

Violation of Excise Law.  
(Bellington Sunday Act.)  
[III Rev. Stat. (7th Edition), page 1983, Sec. 21, and page 1989, Sec. 5.]

THE PEOPLE,

vs. B

Ernest Osterndorff

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.  
Refused to be sworn to his office.

A True Bill.

G. J. Haven

Foreman.  
Transferred to the Court of Special Sessions for trial and final disposition.  
Per O. M. H. P. H. 1888

WITNESSES:

J. M. Garry

P. H.

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
*Plaintiffs*

*against*

*Ernest Osterudorff*  
*Defendant.*

**The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York**, by this indictment, accuse the above named defendant of the CRIME OF SELLING INTOXICATING LIQUORS AND WINES AS A BEVERAGE ON SUNDAY, committed as follows :

The said defendant, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fifteenth* day of *January* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*eight* at the City and County aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week, commonly called and known as Sunday, with force and arms, certain intoxicating liquors and certain wines, to wit : One gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain intoxicating liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell as a beverage to one

*John S. McGarry*

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

SECOND COUNT :

**And the Grand Jury aforesaid**, by this indictment, further accuse the said defendant of the CRIME OF KEEPING OPEN ON SUNDAY a place licensed for the SALE OF STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, WINES, ALE AND BEER, committed as follows :

The said defendant, late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit : on the day and in the year aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week, commonly called and known as Sunday, being then and there in charge of and having the control of a certain place there situate, which was then duly licensed as a place for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, the said place, so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did not close, and keep closed, and on the said day, the said place so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did then and there open, and cause and procure, and suffer and permit, to be open, and to remain open, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

*John R. Bellows*  
~~RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,~~

District Attorney.