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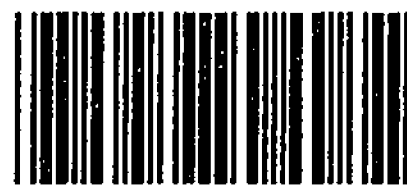
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**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Brien, John

**DATE:**

12/13/87



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Counsel,  
Filed 13 day of Dec 1889  
Pleads,

Witnesses:  
Inherby Reesmer  
FR

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
John O'Brien  
Grand Larceny, <sup>First</sup> Degree.  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 530 — Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
Alfred Canaan

Dec 14/89 Foreman.  
J. J. Reesmer  
J. J. Reesmer  
J. J. Reesmer

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0486

Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 98 North Street, aged 33 years,

occupation run errands being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 30 day of November 188

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

person of deponent, in the nighttime, the following property viz :

The cloth overcoat  
valued at Sixty-five  
Dollars

the property of Messrs A. Raymond  
and Company and in the

possession and custody 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 (number)

for the reasons following, to wit:  
at about the hour of six o'clock  
on the above described date and  
deponent was on Pass Boat  
having the said coat on her  
arm when the said defendant  
seized the said coat from de-  
ponent's arm and ran away with  
the same.

Deponent is informed by  
Officer John McLaughlin that he  
McLaughlin found the said property  
in the possession of the defendant  
as he refused and was running away

+ Rose Buff

Sworn to before me, this  
30 day of November 188

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0487

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 29 years occupation Police Officer of No. 145

Peconic Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Roe Buff

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

Sworn to before me, this 14

day of December 1889

John M. C. Laughlin  
Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0488

Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am guilty of the  
charge*

*John O'Brien*

Taken before me this

day of *December* 188*7*

*Police Justice*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0489

Police Court 1205  
District

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

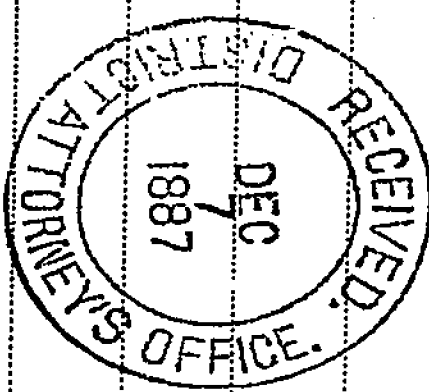
No.

Street.

\$1000. to answer

G. S.

Committed



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 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 188 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.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0490

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 Brown*

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

*John Brown*

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

The said *John Brown*

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

*one overcoat of the*

*value of fifty five dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one  
on the person of the said,

*Rose B. B. B.*

then and there being found, from the person of the said

*Rose B. B. B.*

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.

*Richard B. B. B.*

District Attorney.

0491

**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2756

**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Brien, William

**DATE:**

12/22/87



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0492

Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed 22 day of Dec 1887

Pleads Not Guilty Jan 3/88

THE PEOPLE

vs. William B.

William O'Brien

26 1/2 7 1/2 1/2

Jan 3, 1888 by order of

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney,

Pr Feb 21. 1888

pleads guilty,

A True Bill.

Wm. O'Brien

Pr. 23.

Foreman.

VIOLATION OF EXCISE LAW.  
[III, R. S., (7 Ed), page 1981, § 18, and Laws  
of 1888, Chap. 840, § 6].

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0493

Sec. 192.

2 District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before Jessie M. Patterson a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging William O'Brien Defendant with  
the offence of

Violation of License Law

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

We, William O'Brien Defendant of No. 71  
Hautin Street; by occupation a clerk  
and Hugh Cassidy of No. 336 West 14<sup>th</sup>  
Street, by occupation a groom Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that  
the above named William O'Brien Defendant  
shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the 2 District Police Court in the City of New York,  
during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of one  
Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 12  
day of November 1887

Jessie M. Patterson POLICE JUSTICE.

Wm O'Brien  
Hugh Cassidy



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0494

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
NEW YORK, }

*John J. McLaughlin*  
Police Justice.  
1887

Sworn to before me, this

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

*Contained in premises No. 513  
Washington Street in said City.*  
*Hugh Cassidy*

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Undertaking to appear  
during the Examination.

vs.

Taken the day of 188

Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0495

Excise Violation—Selling Without License.

POLICE COURT—2 DISTRICT.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of 16<sup>th</sup> Precinct Julius Didier  
of the City of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 31<sup>st</sup> day  
of October 1887, in the City of New York, in the County of New York, at  
No. 262 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street,  
William O'Brien (now here)

did then and THERE SELL, 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 and the said William O'Brien

did then and there sell deponent a quantity  
of Whiskey for which deponent paid him  
the sum of fifty cents.

WHEREFORE, deponent prays that said William O'Brien  
may be ~~arrested~~ and dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 31<sup>st</sup> day  
of October 1887

AM Patterson Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0496

Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name.

Answer.

William O'Brien

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

21 years old

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Ireland

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

Answer.

71 Heratio St. 2 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Grocer clerk

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 did not know I required an Excise License. I have a revenue license. I demand a trial by jury

Wm O'Brien

Taken before me this

day of

March

1887

at

Police Justice.

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0497

BAILED  
No. 1, by Abraham Pollack  
Residence 172 E 99 St  
Street  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

Police Court-- 21 District 208

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Julius Adler  
William O'Brien

2  
3  
4

Offence Viol Excise Law

Dated Oct 31 1889

Patience Magistrate

Officer

115 Precinct

Witnesses

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

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

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

No. \_\_\_\_\_ to answer \_\_\_\_\_



Dec 10, 1889  
10:30 AM  
Dec 10, 1889  
12:10 AM

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

William O'Brien

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

Dated Dec 17 1889 J. M. Patterson Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named William O'Brien to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated Dec 17 1889 J. M. Patterson 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.

# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*William O'Brien*

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

*William O'Brien*

(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

*William O'Brien*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirty-first*  
day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty *seven*, 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, unlawfully did sell, in quantity less than five gallons at a time, to  
*one Julius Didier 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, sec-  
tion 5.)

SECOND COUNT:

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

*William O'Brien*

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

*William O'Brien*

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 *two*  
*hundred and sixty-two Seventh Avenue*  
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 Julius Didier 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.



**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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(Laws of 1888,  
chapter 840, sec-  
tion 5.)

**THIRD COUNT:**

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

*William O'Brien*

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

*William O'Brien*

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

*Two hundred and sixty two Seventh Avenue*

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.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

**District Attorney.**



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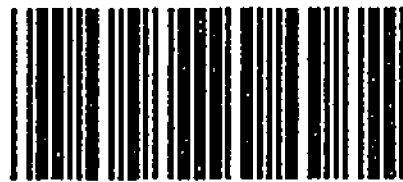
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**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Connell, William

**DATE:**

12/23/87



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0501

Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed 23 day of

1887

Pleads

THE PEOPLE

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

William O'Connell

Defendant James J. Mc  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
Jan 6-13 JmC  
District Attorney.

A True Bill

Forfeited Jan 12/88

Jan 3 March 27/88

True Bill convicted

Assault 3d deg.

See! True Bill

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0502

Police Court District.

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

of No. 237 3rd Avenue Street, aged 43 years,  
occupation Liquor Dealer being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 21 day of November 1887 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by William  
Connell now present - That said  
William did wilfully and maliciously  
point and aim a pistol loaded  
with powder and ball at deponent  
and fired and discharged said  
pistol three or four times while the  
same was so pointed and aimed  
a ball or missile from said pistol  
striking and wounding deponent  
upon his face and lodging therein  
that said assault was committed

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 18th day  
of December 1887.

Wm. Murray Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0503

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of the  
charge*

*Wm O Connell*

Taken before me this

*December 1887*

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0504

Sec. 192.

L District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before Daniel O Reilly a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging William O Connell Defendant with  
the offence of Assault

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

We, William O Connell Defendant of Woodside Long Island  
employed 541 W 50th Street; by occupation a Gas Fitter  
and Louis St Brook of No. 541 W 50

Street, by occupation a Plumber Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that  
the above named William O Connell Defendant  
shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the 4th District Police Court in the City of New York,  
during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of fifteen  
Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 1st  
day of Dec 1887.

Daniel O Reilly POLICE JUSTICE.

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Sworn to before me, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Dec, 1887

Grand Marshal of Police, Justice

62<sup>d</sup> Street of the value of \$4,000 w<sup>th</sup> and above all  
incumbrance, Stock and fixtures of a plumbing shop  
no 541 w<sup>th</sup> 50<sup>th</sup> Street of the value of \$1,500<sup>00</sup> - household  
furniture situated 456 w<sup>th</sup> 47<sup>th</sup> Street of the value of  
\$500 - all of said property being of the value of Six  
thousand dollars

# ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Undertaking to appear during the Examination.*

219.

William Cornell

**Taken the...**

day of Monday

881

**Justice.**

W O Beck

Sincerely yours

*Prepared by*

Four & Three and

Boyd Carter

Wm. C. C.

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0506

I beg to state that  
James Sweeney has so  
far improved that I  
now consider him beyond  
danger.

Respectfully

J. E. Stillwell M.D.

150 E. 21 St.

Dec. 1. 89

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0507

I beg to state that  
James Sweeney was shot  
on the 20th inst - a ball  
of apparently small size  
entering the left cheek  
which is now lodged in  
the substance of the  
face in front of the ear.  
While his case has  
thus far progressed  
favorably I am in -

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0508

Willing to state ~~that~~  
he is beyond danger, or  
at what time his con-  
valescence will be as-  
sured.

Respectfully

J. C. Sillwell

M.D.

Nov. 27. 1887

150 E. 21 St

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0509

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK ss. POLICE COURT, \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT.

*John B. B. Corey*  
of the \_\_\_\_\_ Street, aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
occupation *Police Officer* being duly sworn deposes and says,  
that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188\_\_\_\_  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *he arrested*  
*William Cornell* now prisoner on  
a charge of having shot and  
wounded one *James Sweeney*  
that deponent is informed by one  
*Max Dittmar* that he saw the  
defendant so shoot and wound  
said *Sweeney* & deponent believes  
the same to be true That the  
injured Man is unable to appear to  
prosecute & deponent now asks that the  
defendant be dealt with as the law directs  
*John B. B. Corey*

*William J. Sweeney*  
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0510

313  
Police Court, 1st District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John A. B. Corey

vs.

William Hornum

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

November 25 1887

Murray Magistrate.

Corey Officer.

Witness,

Max Pittman

243-E 22 St

Disposition,

Committed to

Quint the result

\$1500 Examination

Bailed by Louis H. B. H. H.

541 W. 50th



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0511

STENOGRAPHER'S MINUTES.

*17<sup>th</sup>*  
District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c., IN COMPLAINT OF

*James Sweeney*  
vs.  
*William O'Connell*

BEFORE HON.

POLICE JUSTICE,

*Dec 10<sup>th</sup>* 188*7*

APPEARANCES:

For the People,

For the Defence,

*Dec 10<sup>th</sup>* 188*7*

I N D E X.

WITNESSES.

Direct Ex.

Cross Ex.

Re-Direct.

Re-Cross.

*Sweeney*

*1*

*2*

*8*

*Ditmar*

*9*

*12*

*Manning*

*12*

*14*

*Costello*

*14*

*16*

*18*

*Berry*

*17*

*18*

*Ransom*

*19*

*Berry*

*20*

*O'Connell*

*21*

*22*

*M. J. O'Connell*  
Official Stenographer.



New York Dec 10<sup>th</sup> 1884  
Fourth District Police Court  
Hon Henry Murray Presiding

James } William }  
Sweeney } O'Connell }  
Defendants }  
Petitioner Resant.

James Sweeney being duly  
sworn deposes and says;

Were you assaulted?

Yes Sir, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of  
November last

Who assaulted you?  
The Defendant O'Connell,  
Where?

At 244 Third Av,  
What time?

At about twenty  
minutes to one o'clock in  
the morning. The Defendant  
came in with a lady, to my  
place of business; I heard  
some noise from where they  
were and I asked the man  
that waited on them what  
the noise was, and told him  
to stop it, and then I went  
into the back room where  
they were and told them to  
stop the noise or they must  
go out, and told him they

Q.  
Q.  
Q.  
Q.  
Q.

Q

would have to go out anyway  
and then we pushed him  
out forcibly and when he  
got to the storm-door he  
fired four shots at me,  
one shot struck the lapel  
of my coat and one struck  
me in the chin.

Cross Examination

Q

Q. You keep a Liquor Saloon  
there?

A

Yes Sir.

Q

How many men do you keep  
there? How many were there that  
night?

A

We had two (2) there  
that night?

Q

What are their names?  
Morrison and ~~Mr~~ Litmark  
Mr Litmark was waiting on  
them.

Q

Was Morrison in the  
Saloon at the time of the  
shooting?

A

The shooting was  
not in the store; he was  
in the storm-door and opened  
the door while I was in the  
barroom, he stood in the  
storm-door and fired.

(Q)

(3)

Q In what part of the store were you?

A In the back part, back room,

Q Then if this man shot you, he stood in the saloon?

A In a part of the saloon, the storm-door is a part of the saloon.

Q Where was Morrison standing in the bar room.

Q What time did this young man (the defendant) go into your place?

A The man said it was between 12 and one o'clock, I did not see them coming in.

Q What was the first thing that attracted your attention to the back room?

A The boisterous noise. How many people were there when you went in?

A I do not know how many ladies.

Q What did you say when you went in the room?

A Stop the noise.



(H)

Q What was the Defendant doing?

A I cannot give you that. He seemed to have some falling out with the lady, she was sitting opposite him, and I told him if he did not stop he would have to get out.

Q Was Litman in the room?

A He was  
Q What did Litman do?

A Nothing, I said if you do not stop you will have to go out, then he went out into the storm door that leads out to 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

Q Did he go to the street?

A No  
Q Did he leave the lady?

A I was not looking at the lady.

Q Did the lady go out?

A I do not know.

Q You were in the same room with him and the lady, and you say you saw him going to the storm door, did the lady go with him?

A She did not go that time.

(D)

Q I think she went out the other door. You could see every thing that took place?

A Not at once, I can not tell what the lady was doing.

Q When he went out, did he come in again?

A Yes he forced himself in and we pushed him out.

Q Did you punch him in the face?

A No.

Q Did Littman punch him?

A No. Where did he fire the shots, from the doorway?

A Yes Sir.

Q Was he standing up when he fired the shots?

A Yes Sir.

(The counsel at this juncture placed the complainant and the defendant side by side and called the court's attention to the disparity of size, and endeavored to prove that the defendant must have been in prostrate position when he fired as the wound showed an upward cut)



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Q

How far were you away when he fired the shots?

Q

Four or five feet

Q

Was he lying on the floor?  
No.  
Was he knocked down by Morrison, Litmar and yourself?

A

No. The shots were fired from the storm-door.

Q

It is not true that you and your two men knocked him down on the floor and that while he was lying on the floor, he fired, after you had kicked him about his face, head, and body?

A

I never kicked a man in my life.  
Did Morrison kick him?

Q

No.  
Did Litmar kick him?

Q

No.  
Did you run after?

Q

No.  
Did Litmar run?

Q

I think he did.  
Did you say that this thing had better be quiet?

Q

I may have made the remark "be quiet", but this

Q

A

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- Q may have gone then.  
After the shots were fired  
did you say let us "hush  
up this thing"?
- Q No.  
What was the first lady doing  
(counsel pointed to a lady in  
court)
- Q I cannot say.  
Was that gentleman there?  
(counsel pointed to a man  
in court)
- Q I cannot say.  
Is that the lady that was  
with the defendant?
- Q I do not know.  
Counsel you spoke of a storm door what  
is it attached to?
- Q It is a side  
door, a small frame structure  
that leads into the side street
- Q At the time you were shot  
did you have a dispute with  
any other person?
- Q No sir, I ordered  
him out, and he would  
not go, I had no trouble up  
to that time.
- Q You say when  
the first shot was fired  
you were not looking?
- Q No, I was not

(8)

Q

You were about four feet away?

Q

Yes sir.  
You turned to look at him, did you see him?

Q

Yes sir.  
You kept your eye on him while he was discharging the other shots?

Q

Yes sir.  
At the time you ejected him from your place, why did you not get his companion to go out also?

A

I was waiting for them to go out.

Q

You had no trouble with anyone but him that night?

Q

No sir.  
How long after ~~the shots~~ he was pushed out, were the shots fired?

A

About a minute, immediately, and before the person who was with him left.

Sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1887

Police Justice

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Max Dittmar 719 East  
77<sup>th</sup> St New York City, being  
duly sworn deposes and  
says,

Q  
Q  
Q

What is your business?

Waiter.

Do you know the last  
witness?

A

Ges Sir, he is my  
employer

Q

Were you present  
when this difficulty took place?

Q  
Q

Ges Sir.  
Do you ~~xxxx~~ remember  
when your employer was  
shot?

A

Ges Sir, I waited on  
the Defendant and his  
lady, I brought in whiskey  
cocktail, and then a whiskey  
beer and when I went in  
the back room he was then  
kissing the lady, and then  
I said Mrs. McElroy does not  
allow this thing, if you  
want to do that you must  
go out, and he said you  
bugger yourself, you fuck  
yourself, so as any one  
could hear it. I then  
said I will see about  
this, I will see my employer

(XO)

so I went out and told  
my Boss, I told him about  
how they behaved themselves,  
and the Boss then went  
in and told them to go  
out, and the Defendant  
said go and hangar your-  
self, then we got hold of  
the Defendant and put  
him out of the storm door,  
and then he pulled the  
revolver and fired.

Q

A

At the time of the  
shooting did you see Mr.  
O'Connell the Defendant?  
Yes sir, we were then  
pushing him out, I did  
not see the revolver, but I  
saw the shooting, I saw  
the pistol after, he pointed  
it at me after Mrs.weeney  
walked away and I then  
stopped washing the table,  
then he fired the shots  
and the other man came  
out quickly. I saw the  
revolver in his hand, and  
the lady was in the closet,  
there were another lady and  
gentleman in the back  
room at the time.



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Q

Will you swear that they (pointing to a man and woman in the courtroom) are not the people who were there in that back room that night?

Q

Did you hear Mr Sweeney testify?

A

I cannot swear anything. Yes Sir.

Q

Did you throw this man (the Defendant) on the floor?

Q

No Sir. Did Mr Morris throw him on the floor?

A

No, he could be throw him, he was not there.

Q

Did Mr Sweeney or you kick him?

Q

No Sir. Did you kick him in the face?

Q

No Sir. Is it not a fact that the shots were fired when the Defendant was lying on the floor?

A

No Sir. How were they fired?

(12)

Q

I cannot tell. You are positive that he was standing when he fired the shots?

Q

Yes sir. From the time he went back was he down at any time after the trouble occurred?

A

Yes sir, he was not down at any time

Sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1887

Police Justice

M. F. Manning of 157 East 123<sup>d</sup> St New York City, Bill Foster, being duly sworn deposes and says;

Q

Do you remember the night of this shooting?

Q

Yes sir. State what you know about it?

A

I was in the Saloon with a lady Miss Castles, it was around One o'clock

Q

Do you remember seeing the Defendant there?

(13)

Q Yes sir, he came in when  
I was sitting down.

Q You see everything that  
took place?

A Pretty nearly. He  
came and sat at a table,  
the waiter then came in,  
I called for a drink, and  
the waiter then went over  
and asked them, (Defendant  
and his lady) what they  
wanted to drink. At this  
time O'Connell gave the  
lady a toast, and the  
waiter came in then and  
said to O'Connell "if you  
don't shut up you will  
be fired to Hell or ro' Hell",  
and O'Connell said "you  
can't fire me", then the  
waiter went out, and Mr  
Sweeney came in and  
pulled O'Connell off the  
chair and kicked him  
to the side door, and then  
O'Connell shot up while  
he was on the floor, on  
his back. I saw him covered  
with blood all over his  
face.



(14)

Q

Did you know Mr  
O'Connell before that  
time?

A

Slightly.

Sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1884

Police Justice

Q

Mamie Castello, being  
 duly sworn deposes and  
 says, that she lives at 102  
 Ave B, New York City,

A

Do you remember the  
night of the shooting?  
Yes Sir, I went there  
with the last witness, I  
should judge it was near  
one o'clock when we got there,  
We were sitting there when  
they (O'Connell and his  
lady) came in. The waiter  
brought us drinks, & then  
heard Mr O'Connell and  
his lady friend talking  
but I could not tell what  
was said, & then saw  
the waiter and another  
man come in and then  
they kicked him, they

(15)

Q They knocked him on the floor and kicked him, was the complainant kicking the Defendant?

A Yes Sir.  
Q Did you see Mr O'Connell condition?

A Yes Sir, I thought they must have kicked him terribly, and I heard somebody say "Kill the son of a so and so", and the shots were fired while O'Connell was on the floor.

Q What part of the Saloon did the shooting take place in?

A On the side door, in the room where we were drinking while Mr O'Connell was on the floor, it was quite dark there.

Q Did you see any blood on Mr O'Connell?

A I did not.  
Q Your business?

A Sugar Maker, I keep company with the young man I was there with, I have been in the



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store several times, I  
have seen him in his  
saloon. I went there every  
time I was at Tammany  
Hall, I went there to get a  
drink and always with  
the same man

Q Now did you come to be  
out after one o'clock?

A When we came from  
Tammany Hall we went in  
to get something to drink,  
there is dancing every  
Sunday night

Q Did you  
know Mr O'Connell before  
this?

A I saw him several  
times, I know his name  
but I have no acquaintance  
with him.

Sworn to before me  
This 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1884

Police Justice

14

Mary Berry of 196 Third Ave  
being duly sworn deposes  
and says;

Q

You were in the  
company of O'Connell in  
the saloon on the night in  
question?

Q

Yes Sir.  
Did you go into the  
saloon with him?

Q

Yes Sir, about one  
o'clock

Q

What took place  
while you were there?

A

We went in the  
wine parlor. I was sitting  
next to Mr O'Connell, I was  
sitting opposite first, and  
then it changed. He had two  
drinks, and he was giving  
a toast. Then he attempted  
to put his arms around  
me, around my neck. I  
would not have it. The  
man ordered us out, and  
Mr O'Connell asked what  
for, and he said he would  
show him, he went out  
and then he came in with  
another man, and as  
O'Connell's back was turned  
and they came over and

(18) (3)

Q Pulled him (O'Connell),  
off the chair, knocked him  
down, kicked and beat  
him and pulled him off and  
dragged him to the door;  
Did you see Sweeney  
kick him as he was on the  
floor?

A Yes Sir, the three of  
them kicked him all over  
his body. He was lying on  
the floor when the shots  
were fired.

Q Did he do any  
thing before he was struck  
A He did not get a  
chance, when I saw him  
a few days after he was  
cut and bruised, I went  
home alone after the  
shooting.

Court, How long have  
you known Mr O'Connell  
Q One year.  
A You swear he was down?  
Yes Sir.

Sworn to before me  
this 10th day of Dec 1884

Police Justice



(19)

William D. Hanson of No.  
107 East 173<sup>rd</sup> St, being duly  
sworn deposes and says; I  
have known Mr O'Connell  
for five or six years.

Q

A

Did you see him after the  
shooting?

Yes Sir, he came  
to my house before I was  
up, his face was cut, his  
eyes were blue and blood  
shot, he told me what  
they had done to him, there  
was blood on his coat,  
from the top to the bottom.

Q

A.

Did you take the  
coat to the tailor?

Yes Sir, he vomited  
blood that morning.

Sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1884

Police Justice

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(20)

John C. Barry being  
duly sworn deposes and  
says that he lives at 654  
Third av.

Q  
A

Do you know Mr  
McConnell?

Yes Sir, I saw  
him at the Elevated Station  
at 34<sup>th</sup> St. He looked as if  
he had been beaten and he  
said he was kicked, and  
there was blood on his face,  
and he was wiping his  
face with his handkerchief.

I was before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1887

Police Justice



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William Friedman of 355  
West 54<sup>th</sup> St being duly sworn  
deposes and says, Do you

Q

knew the Defendant?

A

Yes Sir,  
Did you see his clothes?

Yes Sir, I saw them  
and they were stained with  
blood.

Sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1884

Police Justice

William O'Connell being  
duly sworn deposes and says,  
I am 75 years of age, and  
live at Woodside Long Island

Q

Tell us what took place  
on this night in question

A

On that Sunday  
night, I was with this  
going lady, who was a  
witness here. He came from  
the Ball and had something  
to eat, and they we  
went into Mr Sweeney's  
ate dinner and had two  
drinks. The waiter brought  
in a third drink, and

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I recited a piece of poetry. After I recited it I put my arm around the girls neck, then the waiter said I will put you out and I said no you will not put me out, you go to hell, I knew nothing more till I was caught from behind and knocked on the floor, I heard some one say Kill the son of a so and so, then while on my back on the floor, and while three of them were kicking me, I pulled the Pistol and fired, then I tried to get on my feet, and one of them gave me a kick and knocked me down, then I pulled the Pistol. The next morning I vomited blood

Sworn to before me  
This 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1887

Police Justice

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(v 3)

Q John V. B. Corey an officer  
attached to the 18<sup>th</sup> Premier  
Police, being duly sworn  
deposes and says, I made  
the arrest three days after  
the occurrence, and then  
when I saw the Defendant  
there were no marks on him,  
Do you swear there  
were no marks or any  
discolorations on his face?  
A Not a mark on  
him.

Sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1884

Police Justice

Court. This is a case for a  
jury, the Defendant is  
held to answer in one  
thousand Dollars.

H. J. Tracy  
Stenographer.

POOR QUALITY  
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*Consett*  
District Police Court.

*James Greeney*

*vs.*  
*William O'Connell*

*Declarations*

*Assessment*

STENOGRAPHER'S TRANSCRIPT.

*Dec 10th*  
*" 1887*

BEFORE HON.

*Henry Greeney*

Police Justice.

*W. J. Greeney*

Official Stenographer.



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BAILED,  
Dec 12, 1887

Paul Jones  
by James M. Cannon  
232 3rd St  
William O'Connell  
Offence: Voluntary  
Assault

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Wm O'Connell  
232 3rd St  
William O'Connell

Police Court  
District.

No. 1, by  
Residence  
Street

No. 2, by  
Residence  
Street

No. 3, by  
Residence  
Street

No. 4, by  
Residence  
Street

Witnesses  
Wm O'Connell  
210 E 22 St  
M F. O'Connell  
15 7th St  
147 3rd St  
John Mortimer  
1172 1st St  
Wm O'Connell  
232 3rd St

Dated December 10, 1887  
Magistrate  
John O'Connell  
Officer  
Precinct  
1887

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.....

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

Dated Dec 10, 1887 Henry 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 he to be discharged.

Dated..... 188..... Police Justice.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*William O'Connell*

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

*William O'Connell*

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

The said

*William O'Connell.*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the

*Twenty first* day of *November*, in the year of our Lord

one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~seven~~, with force of arms, at the City and

County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *James Sweeney.*

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault

and to, at and against *him* the said *James Sweeney.*

a certain *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one

lead bullet, which the said *William O'Connell.*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and

dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did then and there shoot off and discharge,

with intent *him* the said *James Sweeney.*

thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute

in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of

New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

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

*William O'Connell*

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

The said

*William O'Connell.*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the

year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and

upon the body of one *James Sweeney.*

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and

wrongfully make an assault, and to, at and against *him* the said

*James Sweeney.*

a certain *pistol* then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder

and one leaden bullet, which the said *William O'Connell.*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being

an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously

did wilfully and wrongfully shoot off and discharge, against the form of the statute

in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State

of New York and their dignity.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

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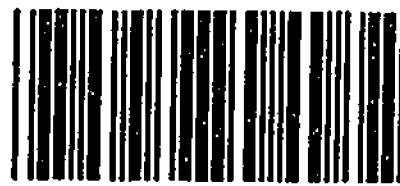
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Counsel,  
Filed 1887  
Pleads, *Chrylly 7/12/87*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Edward O'Connor*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Alfred Munroe*

*Dec 15/87*

*Deft. Leach*

*W. Brown, Leach*

*FS*

Witnesses:

The Complainant herein makes written statement, herewith, that her information aforesaid was made lastly, that there is a total mistake of identity, the real criminal having since been discovered in the person of a different party, against whom it is the intention to make information forthwith. Under these circumstances I consider it impossible to bring conviction herein, & do not recommend that aforesaid be charged upon her own recognizance.

*Dec 14/87. A. H. Conrady*  
*Deputy Atty Gen*



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Police Court—2 District.

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

Annie Davis  
of No. 53 Macdougall Street, aged 27 years,  
occupation none being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that the premises No 53 Macdougall Street,  
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a dwelling house

and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling on the second floor  
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name Emily Davis

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly taking out  
the window sash of the rear window of  
the first floor of said premises

on the 4 day of December 1887 in the night time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

One suit of  
clothing and two overcoat and other  
personal clothing the property of Albert  
E. Davis. The value of fifty dollars  
\$ 60.

the property of \_\_\_\_\_

and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away by  
Edward O. Connor

for the reasons following, to wit: deponent was in her own  
room on the second floor of said house  
when the defendant came in her room  
about 3.30 o'clock A.M. Deponent  
sat up in bed and saw the defendant  
plainly by a light burning in the room,  
and saw him go out of said room,  
and the said property was missing  
ten minutes thereafter when deponent

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brother Albert E. Davis entered the  
house. The said rear window was  
found open and the defendant escaped  
by it.

Known to before me this } Annie Davis  
5th day of December 1888 }  
J. H. [Signature]  
Notary Public

Police Court — District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Degree.

Burglary

ss.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$

Bail.

Bailed by

No.

Street.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer Edward O'Connor

Question. How old are you?

Answer 25 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. N. S.

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

Answer. 3 Congress St. 18 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Driver of truck

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 know nothing about the  
burglary

Edward O'Connor

Taken before me this

5

day of

December

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John J. McQuinn

Police Justice.

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BAILED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
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Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
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No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
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Police Court-- 2 District.  
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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Amie Davis

53 Woodruff St

Edward O Connor

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Offence

Burglary

Dated Dec 5 1887

Conna Magistrate.

Harold S. Haines & Co. Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

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

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

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

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

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



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

Edward O Connor

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

Dated Dec 5 1887 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

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

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

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



New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

Edward O'Connor

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing, are not controlled by any advantage to myself. At the time of the burglary I identified the defendant too hastily. I have since learned that he is not the party who committed the burglary. I am positive that I mistook his identity, & know if he it was that committed the crime, that it was not this party. I therefore beg leave

to withdraw my complaint.

It is my intention to make information for them against the ~~guilty party~~ party.

Respectfully  
by-

Wm H. Buchanan

Dec 15/87

Since then

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Edward O'Rannon*

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

*— Edward O'Rannon —*

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

The said *Edward O'Rannon*.

late of the *Twelfth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *fourth* day of *December*, in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty ~~seven~~, with force and arms, about the  
hour of *three* o'clock in the *night* time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one *Albert E. Davis*.

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there some  
human being, to wit: *one Annie Davis*.

within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels  
and personal property of the said *Albert E. Davis*.

in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and there feloniously and burglariously to steal,  
take and carry away,

against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People  
of the State of New York and their dignity,

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ORIGINAL

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SECOND COUNT—

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

*— Edward O'Connor —*

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

The said *Edward O'Connor,*

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

*one coat of the value of Twelve  
dollars, one vest of the value of  
three dollars, one pair of trousers  
of the value of six dollars, and  
two overcoats of the value of  
fifteen dollars each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Abner E. Davis,*

in the dwelling house of the said *Abner E. Davis,*

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

*Richard J. ...*

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2756

**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Keefe, John

**DATE:**

12/07/87



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

Witnesses:

*Chad*  
*PK*

Counsel,

Filed, *7* day of *Dec* 188*7*

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

*John O'Shea*

*(2 cases)*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Dec 8/87*  
*Foreman.*  
*John O'Shea*  
*John O'Shea*

Section 224 and 229 Penal Code.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0549

Police Court-- 3 District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

James D. McFarland  
of No 80 Center Street, Aged 25 Years  
Occupation Plumber being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the  
19<sup>th</sup> day of November 1887, at the 6<sup>th</sup> Ward of the City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away from the person of de-  
ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

Good and lawful money of the  
United States to the amount and

of the value of Eight 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 force and violence as aforesaid by

John O'Keefe, now here, who  
took deponent to 81 Park Street  
and there seized (took) of deponent  
and struck deponent several  
times and threw deponent into  
a chair, and by force and  
violence took said money from  
deponent. That he forcibly took  
off deponent's left shoe and  
took from deponent stockings as  
part of said money. That deponent  
was afraid he would take deponent's  
life.  
James D. McFarland  
(mark)

Sworn to before me, this

day of November 1887.

John D. McCutcheon  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0550

Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

John O'Keefe 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'Keefe

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

30 years or over

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New York

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

Answer.

31 Park St. one month

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Carpenter

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

Answer.

I am not guilty.  
John O'Keefe

Taken before me this

day of November 1887

John O'Keefe  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0551

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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Police Court-- District.  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
James W. McFarland  
81 Centre  
John C. Keefer  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Offence Robbery  
Dated December 1<sup>st</sup> 1887  
Matthewson Magistrate.  
Clary Officer.  
Precinct 6  
Witnesses A. M. Conroy  
No. 6 West. Police Street.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 1000. to answer  
J. J. Conroy

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

Dated Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> 1887 A. M. Peterson Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1887 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1887 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0552

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. Hodge*

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

*John O. Hodge*

of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY, committed as follows:

The said *John O. Hodge*.

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

*the sum of seven dollars  
and fifty cents in money,  
lawful money of the United  
States, and of the value of  
seven dollars and fifty cents.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Edward Marguerite*

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

*Richard J. Bernadine*

District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0553

Witnesses:

Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed, 7 day of Dec 1887  
Pleads, \_\_\_\_\_

THE PEOPLE

vs.

[Sections 528, 532. Penal Code.]  
PETIT LARCENY.

John O'Keefe  
(2 names)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Alfred Lawrence

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0554

Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

of No. 22 Mulberry Street, aged 38 years,  
occupation grocer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 30 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:

Good and lawful money of  
the United States consisting  
of Bank bills and coin of the  
Amount and value of Seven  
dollars and fifty cents (\$7<sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub>)

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 Keefer (now here)

from the fact that at about  
4 o'clock P.M. of the above date  
deponent saw said defendant  
go behind the Counter of the  
Grocery store at the above named  
premises and grab the  
aforesaid property and run  
away with it. Deponent is  
informed by Officer Henry Hahn  
that he arrested defendant at  
about 4 o'clock P.M. of the above  
date running through Abolt Street  
and when searched found the above  
described property upon his person  
Edward Mezzadri

Sworn to before me this

day

of

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Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 28 years, occupation Police Officer of No. 6 Bremer

Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Edward Imzgau  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 30  
day of June 1888

Henry Hahn

J. M. Patterson

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0556

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name.

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not Guilty*  
*John O'Keefe*

Taken before me this 30

day of June 1888

Police Justice.

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*Dated* ..... 188 ..... *Police Justice.*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*John O'Keefe*

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

of the CRIME OF

committed as follows:

The said

*John O'Keefe,*

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on  
the *nineteenth* 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, in and upon one  
James D. McFarland in the presence of the  
said People then and there being, felonious-  
ly did make an assault and one United  
States Silver Certificate of the denomination  
of five dollars and of the value of five  
dollars, one United States Gold Certificate  
of the denomination of five dollars  
and of the value of five dollars; one  
promissory note 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 of  
five dollars and of the value of five  
dollars; 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 of two dollars and of the  
value of two dollars each; eight pro—*

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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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 of one dollar, and of the value of one dollar each; one United States Silver Certificate of the denomination and value of two dollars; one United States Silver Certificate of the denomination and value of one dollar; one promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes) being then and there due and unsatisfied of the value of five dollars; and divers coins, of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of eight dollars, of the goods chattels and personal property of the said James D. McFarland from the person of the said James D. McFarland, against the will, and by violence to the person of the said James D. McFarland then and there violently and feloniously did rob, 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.

Randolph B. Martine  
District Attorney.



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2756

**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Leary, Kate

**DATE:**

12/13/87



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Witnesses:

Counsel,  
Filed 13 day of Dec 1887  
Pleads Guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs.  
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330  
R  
Kate O'Leary  
Assault in the Second Degree.  
(Section 218, Penal Code.)

Dec 19 1887  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
208 1/2  
Dec 21 1887 District Attorney.  
Pr Dec 21/87  
Ined & convicted.  
A True Bill. Pen 2 of 2.  
Appellate  
Foreman

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

✓ District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Kate O'Leary* 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. *Kate O'Leary*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *330 E 115<sup>th</sup> St; 5 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Servant*

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 now guilty of the charge*

*Kate O'Leary*  
*mark*

Taken before me this

day of

*December*

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*Police Justice.*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Witnesses for Defense

Mrs. Sue Evans  
330 E. 115th. 1 floor  
Rt. 6. O'Leary  
330 E. 115th - 1st floor  
Mrs. Chandler  
339 E. 123 - 1 flat  
Mrs. Smith  
N. S. 121 St. 1 door - 6 ft. 10 in.

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court - 5 District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Kate O'Leary  
330 E. 115th  
1st floor  
Kate O'Leary

1 Kate O'Leary  
2  
3  
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Offence Assault  
Misc.

Dated Dec 7th 1887

White  
Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No. 1

See other side for  
Witnesses for the defense

Street.

No. 2

Street.

No. 3

Street.

\$ 1000 to answer

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

Kate O'Leary  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of \$1000 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated Dec 7th 1887 A. White Police Justice.

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

Dated 1887 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 1887 Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0564

Police Court— District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

of No. 930 East 115th Street, aged 18 years,  
occupation: Swiss being duly sworn, deposes and says, that  
on the 5th day of December 1887 at the City of New York,  
in the County of New York,

he was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Rate Calan  
who struck deponent on the head  
with a knife. There were three  
in the hands of the said Rate Cutting  
deponent's hair.

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

day of December 1887

M. A. Veldt

Joseph L. Calan  
deponent  
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0565

Police Court, 1 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

Joseph O'Leary  
vs.

1 Kate O'Leary  
2  
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Offence—Assault & Battery

Dated Dec. 5 188

W. C. Mearns Magistrate.

Dwyer Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses, \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to answer \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 151.

Police Court VI District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss. *In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County*  
*of New York, or any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING:*

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Ralph O'Leary

of No. 330 East 14th Street, that on the 15 day of December  
1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently Assaulted and Beaten by Ralph O'Leary

Wherefore, the said Complainant has prayed that the said Defendant may be apprehended and bound to  
answer the said complaint.

These are Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant and bring him  
forthwith before me, at the VI DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence  
or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to  
be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 5th day of December 1887

M. A. P. [Signature] POLICE JUSTICE.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court ..... District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Warrant-A. & B.

Dated ..... 188

Magistrate

*Dwyer* - Officer.

The Defendant  
taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer  
the within charge, pursuant to the command con-  
tained in this Warrant.

*John Dwyer* Officer.

Dated *December 7<sup>th</sup>* 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

*W. A. Burke* Police Justice.

having been brought before me under this Warrant, is committed for examination to the  
WARDEN and KEEPER of the City Prison of the City of New York.

Dated ..... 188

Police Justice.

The within named

*John A. Dwyer 200 Wall Street 330. E. 115-4<sup>th</sup> St*



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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POLICE COURT 5 DISTRICT.

City and County of New York, ss.:

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

On Complaint of

Joseph O'Leary

For

Arson

Kate O'Leary

(Misd)

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 December 7<sup>th</sup> 1887

Kate O'Leary  
mark

A. J. White

Police Justice.

Supreme Special Session

The People

H.  
Kate Heary

Before Justices  
Smith, Ford  
and Power  
Dec 9. '87

Joseph Heary Called & Sworn

Q Where do you live? A - 320 E 11<sup>th</sup> St

Q This defendant is your sister? A - Yes Sir

Q What was the trouble between you & her on  
the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month?

A - She was out of the house for one  
week. She came in at two or three  
o'clock in the morning, and then she  
tried to boss all in the house.

She stabbed me in the eye with a  
Carving Knife

Q With the Blade? A - Yes Sir

Q Cut you? A - Yes Sir

The Court transferred the Case to  
The Court of General Sessions

L. J. Victor

Stenographer

At Sp. Sessions

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Grand Union Bank

Mr. Brown

W

Kato Henry

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Kate O'Searney*

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

*Kate O'Searney*

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

The said *Kate O'Searney*

late of the City and County of New York, on the *fifth* — day of  
*December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty*seven*, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon one

*Joseph O'Searney*

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and  
wrongfully make an assault; and the said *Kate O'Searney*

with a certain *knife* — which *she* the said

*Kate O'Searney*

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

*Richard J. ...*

District Attorney.



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2756

**DESCRIPTION:**

Oliver, George B.

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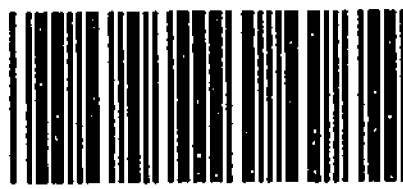
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Bail fixed at  
\$1000  
10/19/88

Witnesses:

This case is dis  
years old. John  
has been discharged an  
his own recognizance.  
I think John should  
be dis John  
may be dis John  
upon law examination

I do not think the  
evidence is dis John  
can be clear of the  
defendant John and  
I am not John he has  
discharged upon his  
own recognizance

John  
John John

No. John  
1000

Counsel,  
Filed John day of Dec 1887  
Pleads, John

THE PEOPLE,  
vs.  
George B. Oliver  
and  
Charles A. North

Dec 20 1888  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

John  
in return of John John  
A True Bill by John  
John

Pat. III January 11/88  
John  
John John  
money John  
(no money)

Section 527  
Penal Code.



People

vs.

George B. Oliver  
and Charles A. Forth.

Max F. Schmittberger.  
19<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

On December 5<sup>th</sup> I arrested the defendants ~~they were Oliver was~~ and searched them in my presence by Officer Haggerty. On the defendant Oliver, Haggerty found a bunch of keys. I took them to 112 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street. One of these keys a room in said house; another a trunk in said room; and a third a satchel in said trunk. I found the account book herein in said trunk, also a cyclostyle, and more than a thousand circulars in six or seven different wordings. ~~A copy~~ One of each of these circulars is in this case as an exhibit. In the satchel I found some circulars, a mask and the letters, exhibits herein; also some one dollar bills cut in half also exhibits herein. The 2<sup>nd</sup> bunch of keys ~~Officer Haggerty~~ I found on Forth's person when I searched him. The keys on both bunches that are alike Oliver ~~and~~ told Officer Haggerty and myself were the keys to the house in 60<sup>th</sup> Street where both defendants

resided. After the defendant Oliver had been searched I asked him if he had brought a trunk to 112 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street the Friday before and he said he had not. At the Police Court I asked him why he had lied to me about that trunk. He replied that he had been given the trunk to take care of and did not know what was in it.

Jonathan Haggerty  
5<sup>th</sup> Precinct -

I was with officer Schmittberger and I can corroborate him.

Emmie Higgins Hagan  
112 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street.

Really knows nothing of case. She told a friend who applied to her that she would rent a room to a gentleman. The friend, Mrs Roach, said the gentleman only wanted to put a trunk in the room. Mrs Roach has since gone South.

Florence Thompson,  
112 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street.

The defendants brought a trunk to the house on December 2<sup>nd</sup> 1887 and placed

it in a room on the top floor that I had  
let to them. They locked the door and went  
away. On Sunday night Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> they  
came back and went to the room  
~~and were there~~ top of the house where  
the room was (Officer Haggerty saw a  
light in the room) and remained there  
about 2 hours. It was a furnished  
room but neither of the defendants  
slept there. I asked Oliver for the key  
on Sunday night that the girl might  
arrange the room and he said, he  
did not use the room and did not  
want to use only to put the trunk there.

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My General friends

The People of advancing  
Gen. Oliver } Antislavery

City of New York ss }

I, Joseph F. Moss  
being duly sworn do depose & say  
I am of Counsel for  
the above named defendant  
that for the past four  
years I have endeavored to have  
the case disposed of but the return  
could not be found by Horace  
Champ & Mr. Hagan.

They have removed from the  
address they resided in at the time  
of the arrest which was Dec. 1887  
& their present address is unknown.

I have used every effort to  
get the return for the people to  
have the case tried, but have  
failed.

I feel this defendant ought to  
be released on his own recognizance.

Subscribed & sworn to this  
6 day of May 1888  
Attest J. F. Moss  
Notary Public  
N. Y. C.

Joseph F. Moss

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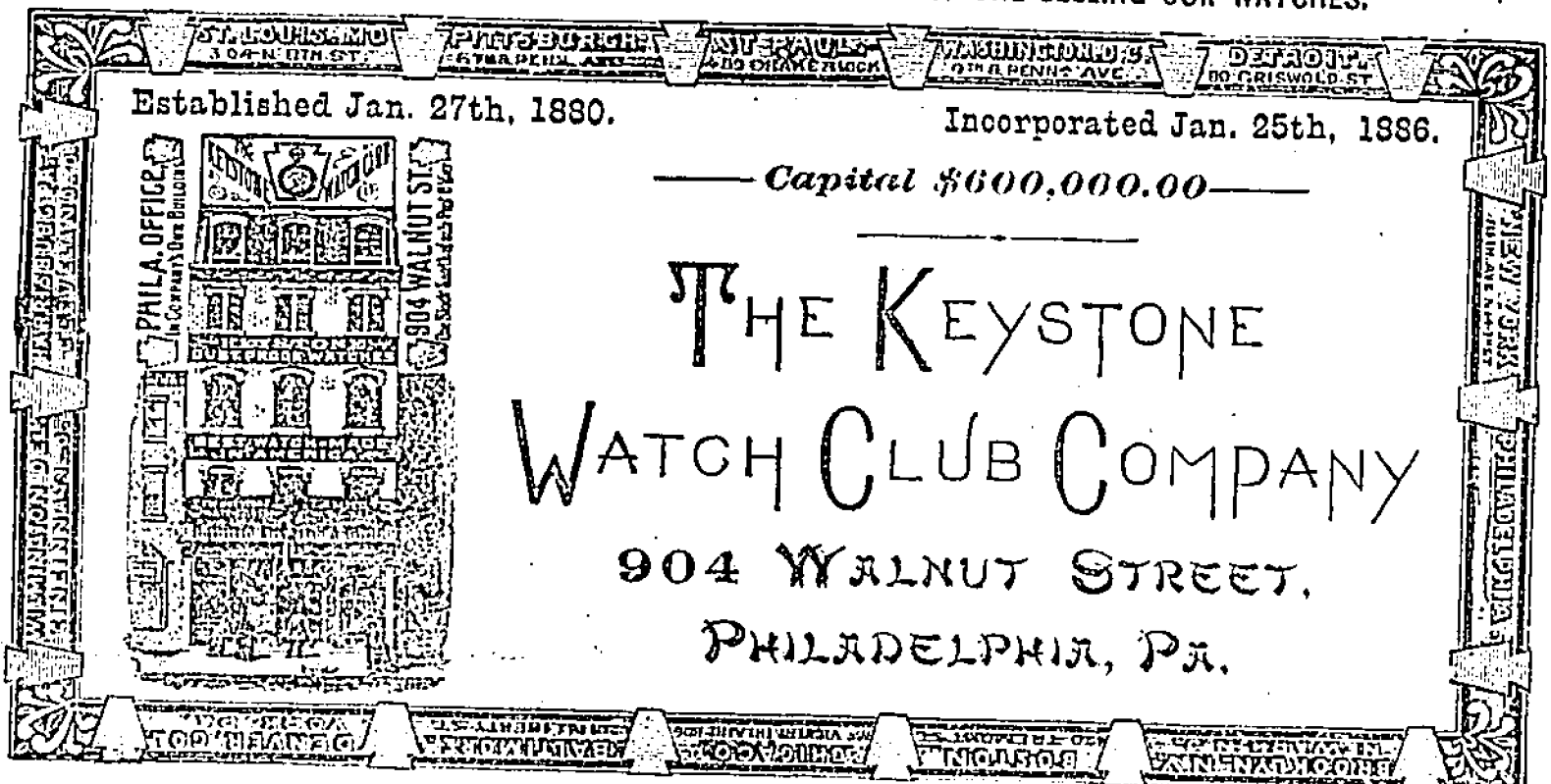
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District Attorney

New York City

Dear Sir:-

Mr. S. A. Boyd, who is an important witness in the case of  
the people against B. F. Owens, which I expected would come up about  
January 6th. writes me to day that he is on jury duty in Brooklyn  
next week, and will be unable to be in New York.

Kindly have the case held off for a week or two,

and oblige

Very Truly Yours

A. F. Atkinson



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### Sacramento Sayings, 1889.

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**M. M. Flynn**, Assistant-foreman Foundry Dept., S. P. R. R. Co., says:—"I have carried one of the Keystone Watches for the past three months, and would not ask for a better time-piece."

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**Thos. D. Lunny**, S. P. Car Shops, says:—"I have owned several watches, but never had a better time-piece than my Keystone Watch. I think it is well worth the price I paid for it, and can recommend it to anyone who wants a good watch."

**W. Fritz Morris**, Foreman Plating Department, writes:—"I find the Keystone Dust-Proof Watch to be all that it was recommended to be. It is a good time-keeper, and I think it well worth the price I paid for it."

### EAST AND WEST.

**Robt. S. Platt**, Tax Collector, Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 15, 1888.—"This is to certify that I am a member of Los Angeles Club No. 1 of the Keystone Watch Club Co., and have drawn watch No. 50,275, which I find to be as represented by the company: durable, a good time-keeper, and well worth all that I have paid for it."

**Walter S. Marchant**, Deputy Recorder, City and County of Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 9, 1888.—"For several months I have carried one of the Keystone Watch Club Co.'s watches. I am pleased with its appearance and time-keeping qualities."

**A. H. Argelsinger**, 156 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, Oct. 21, 1888.—"For months past I have carried one of the Keystone Watch Club Co.'s watches, and as a time-keeper it is simply faultless."

**W. H. George**, 27 S. Fort St., Los Angeles, Nov. 10, 1888.—"I am more than pleased and proud of my \$18 Keystone. Have carried it since July 16, and can only say it has given complete and entire satisfaction and has proven an absolutely true time-keeper."

**Gregory Perkins, Jr.**, Ass't Secretary Los Angeles Board of Trade, Oct. 22, 1888.—"My Keystone watch has kept very accurate time."

**John Henry**, Engineer Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, Pittsburgh Division, Nov. 1, 1888.—"I have carried a Keystone Watch for some months and can recommend it to all railroad men as an accurate and reliable time-keeper."

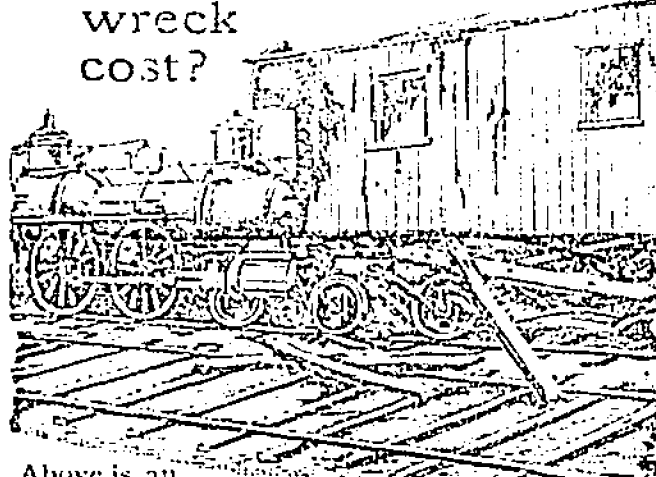
**John Miller**, Comptroller, Bridge of the West Council, No. 157, Jr. O. F. A. M., Allegheny, Pa., Oct. 30, 1888.—"I have carried for some time a watch purchased in one of the clubs of the Keystone Watch Club Co., and I am perfectly satisfied, both with the running of the watch and with the Company's manner of doing business."

**E. C. Rommel**, Room 14, Union Depot, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 25, 1888.—"I have been using a Railroad Keystone in the Union Depot of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and I find that it runs wonderfully close to the regulator."

**Wm. Moles**, Foreman boiler shop, Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad, Nov. 1, 1888.—"After carrying a Railroad Keystone for a number of months, I can say that it is a reliable timekeeper, and the twelve members that have drawn watches in the club at this shop are perfectly satisfied with them."

**J. C. Lowery**, Train dispatcher, Baltimore & Ohio depot, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 23, 1888.—"I have had a Keystone Dust-proof Watch for some months, and I find it a perfect time-keeper."

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**J. H. Wamamaker**, Conductor, L. V. R. R., writes:—"I have been carrying one of the \$18 railroad watches of the Keystone Watch Club Co., and I find it a correct and reliable time-keeper."

**C. A. Riland**, Train Dispatcher, Northumberland, Pa., writes:—"I have carried a Keystone Watch for some months and can recommend it to all railroad men as an accurate and reliable time-keeper."

**A. Rehborn**, Foreman Construction Train, P. & R. R. Co., Shamokin, Pa., writes:—"Some several months ago through one of your co-operative clubs here, I became the happy owner of one of your \$18 Railroad Keystone Dust-proof Watches. I am more than pleased with it, because it is a perfect time-keeper, and besides beautiful in appearance, and I cordially recommend it and the club system to all my fellow railroaders who want a No. 1 watch."

**C. S. Allen**, Master Mechanic, P. & R. R. Co., Tamaqua, Pa., writes:—"I purchased about seven months ago one of your \$18 Keystone Railroad Dust-proof Watches. I am entirely pleased with it. It is an accurate time-keeper and neat in finish, and I can heartily recommend it to any and all persons who are in need of a watch on which they can rely."

**Wm. Chiffon**, Conductor, P. & R. R. R., writes:—"It affords a great pleasure to state that I have had in my possession for the last nine months one of your \$18 Railroad Dust-proof Watches, and that the watch is an excellent time-keeper as well as beautiful in finish. This watch was purchased through one of your co-operative clubs, of which there are many in the coal regions, and I most cheerfully recommend your watches to all persons who want a No. 1 article at a low rate and on the easy terms of one dollar per week, by joining one of your Keystone Watch Clubs."

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### NOVEL CO-OPERATION

The Keystone Watch Club Company is a corporation doing business in Philadelphia, but having branches in the principal cities of the country. Before being engaged in the manufacture of watches, it was a novel method of disposing of them by what I called the co-operative club system, similar in its methods to co-operative banks and building associations. The scheme is to organize a club of 12 members for a gentleman's watch, and one of 24 for a lady's watch. Each member of a club pays \$1 per week until the total amount due is paid, when a receipt in full is given to the holder of the watches. Thus, every week \$98, or the price of the watch, is paid in. Instead of holding the watches until each member is entitled to receive one, at the end of each week the members of the club vote the watch paid for to one of their number. As the last person to get a watch receives in addition a chain, a member is pretty sure to vote for any one rather than himself. For the protection of those who have paid their dollar, and as a security that the holder of the watch shall keep up his payments till all have been supplied, the watch is held by him subject to his complying with the conditions under which he receives it, and, in case of his failure to keep up his payments, he forfeits his right to retain the watch, which the others have contributed toward paying for. When all have paid in \$98 the receipts are given. With each watch there is a guarantee from the company that the case is made of two sheets of solid gold stiffened by an inner lining of stronger metal, and that it will wear for 20 years and keep accurate time, and the Company agrees to keep it in good order for one year, if it meets with fair usage.—Bachman Herald.

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2 District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c., IN COMPLAINT OF

Jonathan Haggerty

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BEFORE HON.

John J. Corman

POLICE JUSTICE,

Dec 7 1887

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DISTRICT POLICE COURT

THE PEOPLE,  
ON COMPLAINT OF

*Jonathan Haggerty*  
*Geo B. Oliver*  
*Charles A. Forth*

Examination had *Dec 7* 188 *7*  
Before *John J. Gorman* Police Justice.

I, *Valerian L. Ormsby* Stenographer of the *3d* District Police

Court, do hereby certify that the within testimony in the above case is a true and correct copy of

the original Stenographer's notes of the testimony of *Jonathan Haggerty, Mrs*  
*William Thompson, Max Schmucke, Geo B. Oliver, Mr. Kelly*  
*Rauch, Mr. Kitty Oliver and Charles A. Forth*  
as taken by me on the above examination before said Justice.

Dated *Dec 7* 188 *7*

*Valerian L. Ormsby*  
Stenographer.

*John J. Gorman*  
Police Justice.

Police Court  
Second District

The People vs  
Jonathan Haggerty

George B. Oliver  
Charles A. Forth

Examination Before Justice Gorman  
December 7 1887

For the Defendant James S. Mc Clelland Esq.

Jonathan Haggerty the complaining  
witness being duly sworn and  
Cross examined upon his affi-  
davit before, and says:-

Q Does your affidavit in this case  
contain substantially all your  
knowledge with reference to this  
complaint?

A Yes Sir.

Q Have you any knowledge other  
than you have stated here with  
reference to the defendants here, or



either of them knowing the contents of that trunk?

A No Sir

Q Are you prepared to swear that either of these defendants knew the contents of that trunk? Can you say of your own knowledge that either of them knew the contents of that trunk?

A I am positive of their having the keys of the trunk

Q Outside of that you have no knowledge?

A No Sir.

Q Did you get possession of the trunk?

A Yes

Q Was the trunk closed or open then?

A It was locked.

Q When you arrested these men did you find keys in their possession?

A Yes Sir: They each had a bunch



of Keys.

Q Did you try those Keys in the locks of the doors?

A One of the Keys that was taken

Q Did you find Oliver with a Key in his pocket that would open the door?

A Yes.

Q Did he have a Key in his pocket that would open the trunk?

A Yes Sir

Q Did you find the other one, Forth, with a Key in his pocket that would open the door?

A No Sir

Q Did Forth have a Key in his pocket that would open the trunk?

A We did not use but one set of Keys

Q You found one set of Keys that would open the door

and the trunk and this was  
Oliver's set?

A Yes Sir

Q You did not try any  
others?

A No Sir. I am sure we  
did not try only one set  
of Keys.

Mrs Florence Thompson, being  
duly sworn and examined by  
Mr McClelland DePores and  
says: I live at 112 West  
29th Street, New York.

Q When did you first see the  
defendants?

A I saw Defendant Firth  
several times before.

Q Who leased this room from  
you?

A I sent the Keys up stairs  
by a servant to Mr. Oliver.

Q When was that?

A Friday the 3d or 4th of December

Q With whom did you have a conversation on the subject of the letting of this room?

A With nobody.

Q With nobody?

A Nobody.

Q Who spoke to you first on the subject of the letting of this room?

A The lady that keeps the house told me to send the Keys up stairs to Mr. Oliver.

Q Who was that lady?

A The lady that keeps the house Mrs. Hagan.

Q Mrs. Hagan asked you to rent the rooms?

A Yes Sir.

Q And you sent the Keys up stairs to Mr. Oliver?

A Yes Sir.

Q Did you show the Key to Mr. Oliver?

A I did not.

Q When you say it was given

to Mr Oliver you state what you were told and what you believe?

A Yes Sir.

Q Who paid you the rent of the room?

A Mr Oliver.

Q That was after that occurrence?

A After he came down stairs

Q Did Mr Firth have anything to say to you or do anything in this matter outside of merely being there in the house at the time in company with Mr. Oliver?

A No Sir.

Q Did he in any way inquire or manifest any interest in it?

A Not at all.

Q You had no conversation with him then upon the subject?

A Not at all.

Q Would you regard him as the one to whom you had rented the room?



A No

Max Schmittberger being duly sworn and  
cross examined by the the District Attorney  
and says, I am a parent of the 19th precinct 35 years old

Q. What do you know of this case?

A. On <sup>Sunday</sup> Friday last, about half past  
five, Detective Haggerty and  
myself went to 112 West 29th  
street and saw the landlady Mrs.  
Thompson and questioned her  
as to a man who had hired a  
room and taken a trunk to her  
house, on Friday - Coming down  
to the arrest, I arrested Oliver  
in 31st street just off of Broadway  
and in the station house he was  
searched and in his possession I  
found a bunch of keys, a key of  
the room, a key of the trunk, and  
a key of the satchel in the trunk  
These I unlocked myself. We  
took out samples of the contents of the  
trunk in the station house.



By the Court - You took the trunk to the station house?

A Yes Sir.

Q It is still in your possession?

A Yes Sir.

Q Do you know any more of your own knowledge?

A No Sir.

Q (By the Court) Did you find any letters in the trunk in the handwriting of Jorth?

A I do not know I could not say that.

Q You did not try in any of the drawers or the trunk the Keys that you found in Jorth's possession?

A No Sir; not Jorth's Keys.

Q How do you know that Jorth was with Oliver?

A Jorth went with Oliver - they hired the room together, they went up to 105 West 62nd street and got this trunk, they took the trunk to 112 West 29th street - that was Friday night. They did not

show up with Bradley when they  
left they were arrested together.

Defendants Counsel moves to dismiss  
the complaint and to discharge the  
defendants.

Motion denied.

George B. Oliver being duly sworn and  
examined as a witness in his own  
behalf deposes and says:-

Q What do know of the trunk which  
has been brought into court?

A That was my wifes trunk:

Q Do you know a party by the  
name of Ryan

A Yes Sir.

Q Who is Ryan:

A He is a friend of mine

Q How long have you known him?

A Since last summer. He is a  
drifting man.

Q Did he come to your house for  
any trunk?

A Yes Sir.

Q When?

A Last Friday evening

Q State what conversation you had with him?

A He came to my house and asked me if I had a trunk I could loan him. I told him yes.

Q Who was present?

A Mrs. Oliver.

Q State the conversation.

A I told him yes I would lend him my wife's trunk. He said he had some things that he wanted to store in it for a few days. That he had some arrangement with Mr. Roach of 29th Street to take care of these things for him until his return. I went and got the trunk out of the store room for him, and put it in the dining room and went out. He went out with me. We went out together. I left him at the corner of

39th Street and 9th Avenue  
and I took the elevated train.  
I told him that if he wanted  
at any time to go and get the  
trunk he could get the key  
from Mrs. Oliver.

Q When next did you see him?

A About half past 6 I should  
think it was — I left him  
about about in the neighborhood  
of 5 o'clock.

Q And got back at half past  
six?

A Yes.

Q When you loaned this trunk  
to Ryan do you know that  
it was empty?

A Yes, I do.

Q Did it have anything in it?

A Nothing.

Q It was an empty trunk?

A Yes, Sir.

Q What was the next thing that  
occurred with reference to this  
trunk?



A The trunk was sitting on the floor strapped and locked, and the key of the trunk was in the lock of the trunk. and a little string tied to it and another little key. There were two keys. I took those keys out of ~~my~~ the trunk and put them in my pocket.

Q Did anybody come for the trunk?

A A cabman came for the trunk  
Q at what time?

A About 9 o'clock in the evening

Q The cabman asked for the trunk?

A Yes Sir

Q You gave it to him?

A Yes Sir

Q Did you go down with the trunk?

A Yes

Q Mr North with you?

A Yes. Mr North lives at my house, has a room at my house and takes meals with me; does



been in my company constantly for some four or five weeks. We have been in the habit of going up and down town together.

Q You two went down to Mr Roach's together?

A Yes.

Q What transpired there?

A The cabman took the trunk up stairs.

Q Did you go up to the Roach's room?

A Yes.

Q What transpired there?

A She said she did not see where she was going to put a trunk like that. She said she could get a room to store it in the house. I said <sup>to her to</sup> ~~thence~~ go down and hire it, and I would pay for it and I guessed my friend would make it good to me. I went out in fifteen or twenty minutes. I gave Mr Thompson a five dollar bill and she gave me

two dollars and a half change.

Q Did you go back to that house  
at any time?

A Once

Q When

A On Sunday night.

Q That was the time you were  
arrested?

A Yes

Q You went back to Mr. Roach's  
house?

A I was in the habit of going  
there often.

Q Did you know the contents  
of that trunk? Did you know  
what was in the trunk?

A No Sir.

Q You have no knowledge whatever  
of the contents of that trunk?

A No Sir.

Q And Mr. North the same as you?

A Yes Sir

Mrs Loby Roach being duly sworn

and examined as a witness for the  
defendant. Before and says:-

I live at 117 West 29th Street.

Q Do you know a gentleman by the  
name of Ryan?

A I do

Q How long do you know him?

A About two years.

Q About Friday last did Mr. Ryan  
say anything to you upon the subject  
of your taking care of anything  
for him?

A In the early part of the week  
he spoke of some article - a small  
parcel he wanted me to take  
care of for him - a small parcel  
or value, I said I would.

Q On Friday last did a cabman  
bring a trunk to your room?

A Yes

Q Mr. Oliver and Mr. North came  
with it?

A Yes

Q What happened in your room?

A I objected that I had no room!

- that I had expected only a small  
panel. I told them there was  
a small room to be hired in  
2 Then you suggested the room  
to be hired in the house?  
A Yes Sir  
2 Was it you that sent down  
to Mr. Thompson?  
A No Sir. I went down to Mrs  
Hagan and spoke to her about  
the room.  
2 Was the trunk open in your  
premises?  
A No

Mrs. Kitty Oliver being duly sworn  
and examined as a witness for  
the <sup>defendant</sup> people before and says: I  
am the wife of the defendant  
Oliver. I live at 105 West 60th  
street. I am 29 years old  
2 do you remember that on last  
Tuesday morning a man named  
Ryan called to see your husband?



A Yes Sir.

Q Do you know what was said by Ryan on the subject of a trunk?

A Yes Sir.

Q State what occurred.

A Mr. Ryan asked my husband if he could let him have a trunk a few days, and my husband told him he could have my trunk if he liked. That was all that was said. He said he would go out to get a few things.

Q Did your husband go out with him?

A Yes Sir.

Q Did Mr. Ryan come back with anything?

A He came back and had some things with him.

Q Did he put these things in a trunk?

A Yes Sir.

Q Did you see him put them in?



A Yes Sir.

Q Did you notice this book?

A No Sir. I did not notice the book.

Q What did he put in the trunk?

A I do not know exactly.

Q Did you pay particular attention?

A No Sir.

Q You were around the room?

A That is all.

Q Did he say anything with reference to that trunk - what was to be done with it?

A He said he would be back and if he did not come back he would send a cabman.

Q Did your husband come back until after Ryan had gone away?

A No Sir.

Q How long after Ryan had gone did your husband come in?

A About 25 minutes - 20 or 25 minutes I am not sure.

Q Was this trunk closed at the time?

A Yes Sir.

Q From the time that he came back until the time the trunk was taken away was you in that room with your husband?

A Yes Sir.

Q Was the trunk locked?

A I could not say whether it was locked or not.

Q From the time your husband came back until the time the cabman came did anyone open that trunk to see what the contents were?

A No Sir.

Q Were you there when the trunk was taken away?

A Yes.

Q And your husband and Firth?

A Both went out together.

Charles A. Firth the defendant

being duly sworn and examined  
as a witness in his own behalf  
deposes and says:

Q Did you know, until the time  
that these goods were shown to  
you in the station house what  
was in that trunk?

A Nothing - nothing in the world.

Q When you went down to  
29th street with Mr. Oliver  
did you know what was  
in the trunk?

A No Sir, and I did not  
know the man it belonged to.

Q Know nothing of what previously  
transpired?

A Nothing whatever.

Q Did you make any arrange-  
ment with Mr. Thompson or  
anybody else?

A No Sir, never.

Q Did Mr. Oliver communicate  
to you that he had any  
arrangement with Ryan?

A No Sir.

By the Court

Q Did you ride with Oliver in the cab?

A Yes Sir.

Q Did you have any conversation in the cab about the trunk?

A No Sir.

Q Not a word?

A No Sir - He only said he was removing that trunk for a friend of his and I asked no further questions.

Q Did he tell you when it came there?

A No Sir.

Q When you went into the house with the trunk you asked no questions?

A No Sir.

Q You heard the talk between Oliver and the woman?

A Yes.

Q And asked no further questions?

A No Sir.



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Under challenge move to discharge  
the defendants on the evidence.

Motion denied.

Set back in \$2000 bail.

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ORIGINAL

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2 District Police Court.

Jonathan Haggerty

vs.

Geo B. Oliver

Charles A. Ford

STENOGRAPHER'S TRANSCRIPT.

December 8 1887

BEFORE HON.

John J. Spruwan

Police Justice.

William L. Carmody

Official Stenographer.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0607

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

POLICE COURT—

2<sup>nd</sup> DISTRICT.

Rosemary Thompson

of No. 112. West 29 Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 1887

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

a Room to George B Oliver and  
Charles A Ford (both now here),  
in the aforesaid premises.  
Deposant saw said defendants  
bring a Trunk to said Room  
and deposant was present when  
the Trunk was opened by  
Jonathan Haggerty and  
Max Schmittberger the officers  
and Complainants against said  
defendants and when the  
Exhibit (here shown) were taken  
from said Trunk.

Sworn to before me this  
6<sup>th</sup> day of December 1887 } Rosemary Thompson  
John J. Horman  
Recorder

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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

POLICE COURT—2nd DISTRICT.

Jonathan Haggerty  
of No. 19th Precinct Police Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says that on the 5th day of December 1887

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

George B Oliver and Charles A.  
(Ford both men) coming from  
premises No 112 West 29th Street,  
deponent having been previously informed  
by Florence Thompson the Housekeeper  
of said premises, that said defendants  
had rented a Room from her  
in said premises, and that they  
had placed a trunk in said  
Room, that deponent placed  
said two defendants under arrest,  
and found in their possession (and  
in each of them one bunch of keys  
(here shown))

That deponent then went to said  
premises 112 West 29th Street and with  
one of the keys deponent opened the  
Room leased by said defendants  
one of the said keys opened the  
trunk brought by said two defendants  
in said Room, said trunk  
contained a satchel, which was  
opened with another of said keys  
found upon the person of said  
defendants,

That deponent found in said  
satchel a Book (here shown) and  
marked Exhibit A, and in  
said book deponent found five



1/2. Dollar Bills of the issue of the  
United States, (marked Exhibit B)  
and deponent found the letters  
here shown in said Satchell marked  
Exhibit C, said letters showing  
a Correspondence, Carried on with  
part of the public of the United States  
and of such Correspondence Exhibit  
A, shows a ~~record~~ record,

Deponent further found in said  
Trunk a Copy press, of Circulars  
(here shown) and marked Exhibit (D)  
all of said Exhibits do form a  
part of this Complaint

Deponent therefore charges that  
said two defendants did feloniously  
Print, write letters publish and  
distribute Circulars, purporting to  
all counterfeit paper money of  
the United States a Scheme and  
device to defraud the public, all  
of which is in violation of Section  
527 of the Penal Code of the  
State of New York

Sworn to before me this

6<sup>th</sup> day of Decr 1887

J. W. Homan

Jonathan Haggerty

Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,

POOR QUALITY  
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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK. } SS

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Geo. B. Oliver*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*30 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer

*New York*

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

Answer.

*105 West 60 Street 5 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Clerk*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty and  
demand an examination*

*Geo. B. Oliver*

Taken before me this

day of *December* 188*7*

*John W. Thompson* Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty and demand  
an Examination*

*Char A Firth*

Taken before me this

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day of *October* 188*7*

*John J. Brennan* Police Justice

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3/10/1892  
\$2500 bail back  
Dec 7 1892

BAILED,  
No. 1, by Charles O'Brien  
Residence 431 East 116<sup>th</sup> St.  
No. 2, by Myer & Son  
Residence 210 W. 59<sup>th</sup> St.  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

3/10/1892 2036  
Police Court--12 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James H. Ford  
19 East 116<sup>th</sup> St.  
Charles O'Brien  
431 East 116<sup>th</sup> St.  
Myer & Son  
210 W. 59<sup>th</sup> St.  
Offence advertising  
counterfeit money

Dated Dec 6 1887

James H. Ford  
19 East 116<sup>th</sup> St.  
Myer & Son  
210 W. 59<sup>th</sup> St.

Witnesses  
Glenn Thompson  
112 W. 29<sup>th</sup> St.

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

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

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

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



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

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

Dated Dec 7 1887 John J. Thompson Police Justice.

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

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

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

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



Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against  
George B. Oliver and  
Charles A. Firth

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
— George B. Oliver and Charles A. Firth —  
~~of the Crime of~~ of a Felony —  
committed as follows:

The said George B. Oliver and Charles A. Davis  
both

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on  
the fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,  
did feloniously print and write and cause  
and procure to be printed and written and  
aid and assist in the printing and writing  
of divers letters, writings, circulars and papers  
purporting to advertise and offer for sale and  
to furnish and procure counterfeit paper  
money, and purporting to give information  
where, how, of whom and by what means  
counterfeit paper money could be procured  
and had, and amongst others, a certain  
letter, writing, circular and paper as follows,  
that is to say:

"Dear Sir

When you first read this letter you may  
think I mean you harm but I swear such is  
not so I write this in good faith to give you  
a chance to make a sure fortune but if my  
agent who sent me your name has made a  
mistake let matters drop and do <sup>me</sup> no harm  
for I write this meaning to help you out of any  
money troubles you may be in. I deal in Green  
Goods. Sizes #1, #2, #5 & #10 — my business although

not exactly legitimate is soft and profitable to handle and my agents are all making money fast and sure I cannot be plainer now for there are private points in this business. I will only tell to those I know I can trust and if you conclude to answer this letter I will satisfy you beyond a doubt that I will prove a friend. As a mark of confidence return this letter and I will <sup>also</sup> return yours and be sure to send me your name and Post Office address as I might lose the one I now have before hearing from you again, my next letter will prove that I mean right and that my goods are as perfect as the Genuine no one on the face of the earths need be the wiser of what passes between us unless you betray me. Remember if you prove my friend I will prove a true and lasting one to you if you receive any other letters of this nature send them to me for I, alone manufacture these goods all others are only my agents

Trusting you will take no offence from the above  
I remain Yours in Honor and Confidence

Be sure to return this" 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 George B. Oliver and Charles A. Forth of a Felony, committed as follows:

The said George B. Oliver and Charles A. Forth late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, ~~on the fifth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,~~ did feloniously aid, assist and abet in a certain scheme and device purporting to offer for sale counterfeit paper money, a more particular

description of which said scheme and device  
is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown,  
by them and there feloniously having in  
their custody and possession and in their  
care and keeping, ~~and holding and retaining, receiving, assisting~~  
divers, to wit; one hundred  
letters, writings, circulars, <sup>and</sup> papers purporting  
to advertise and offer for sale, counterfeit  
paper money and to furnish and procure  
counterfeit paper money and purporting to  
give information where, how, of whom and by  
what means, counterfeit paper money could be  
procured and had, with intent, feloniously to  
circulate and distribute such letters, writings,  
circulars and papers and to cause, suffer and per-  
mit the same to be circulated and distrib-  
uted and to aid, assist and abet in the  
circulating and distributing of the same; and  
by divers other means 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.

*Richard B. Kane*  
District Attorney.

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Onellet, Thomas

**DATE:**

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## Pleads

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**vs.**

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Thomas Onellet

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RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*District Attorney.*

# A True Bill.

Alfred Lawrence

*Foreman.*

**VIOLATION OF EXCISE LAW.**  
(Keeping open on Sunday.)  
[III Rev. Stat. (7th Edition), page 1989, Sec. 6]

(Keeping open on Sunday.)  
[III Rev. Stat., (7th Edition), page 1989, Sec. 5]

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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,  
*Plaintiffs*  
*against*

*Thomas Onellet*  
*Defendant.*

**The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York.** by this indictment accuse the above named 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 of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *eleventh* day of *December* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven*, 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 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.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.**

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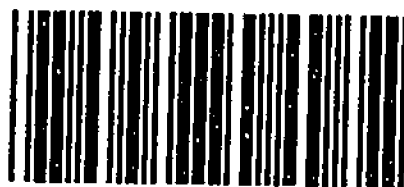
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O'Rourke, Patrick

**DATE:**

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THE PEOPLE  
vs. B  
Patrick O'Rourke  
ASSAULT IN THE THIRD DEGREE.  
(Section 219, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

By S. S.  
A True Bill.  
[Signature]

Foreman  
Sent to Special Session for  
Trial by Consent of Counsel  
Jury 10/82

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

*Patrick O'Rourke*

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

*Patrick O'Rourke*

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

The said *Patrick O'Rourke*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *eighth* day of *October* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven* at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Michael Morgan, Jr.*  
in the peace of the said people then and there being, with force and arms, unlawfully  
did make an assault and *him* the said *Michael Morgan, Jr.*  
did then and there unlawfully beat, wound and illtreat, to the great damage of the  
said *Michael Morgan, Jr.* 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.