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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Vandewater, Margaret

**DATE:**

11/07/84



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K. H. ...

Witnesses:

Joseph Williams  
James Churchill  
App. to the Court

Counsel, *[Signature]*  
Filed *[Signature]* Day of *[Signature]* 1884  
Pleas *[Signature]*

Assault in the First Degree, etc.  
[Sections 217 and 218 Pennl Code].

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*P*  
Margaret Vandewater

PETER B. OLNEY,  
*[Signature]* District Attorney.  
*[Signature]* tried & acquitted.

A TRUE BILL.  
*[Signature]*  
Foreman.

Nov. 17 1884

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Police Court— 1 District

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 16 1/2 Hamilton Street, aged 29 years,  
occupation Housekeeper being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 2 day of November 1884 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

Sarah Williams

She was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Margaret Vandewater (now here) who  
did wilfully and feloniously cut and  
stab deponent several times on the face  
with the blade of a pocket knife then  
and there held in her hand

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 dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 3 day } Sarah <sup>her</sup> Williams  
of November 1884 }

P. J. Duffy Police Justice. Mark

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

*Margaret Vandewater* being duly examined before the undersigned, 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.

*Margaret Vandewater*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*23 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ireland*

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

Answer.

*54 Chrystie St.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Housekeeper*

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*

*Margaret Vandewater*  
*Mmm*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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

*Margaret Vandewater*

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

Dated *3 Nov* 188*4* *J. A. Suffer* Police Justice.

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

Dated.....188 . *J. A. Suffer* Police Justice.

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

Dated.....188 . Police Justice.

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Police Court - First District. <sup>1721</sup>

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Sarah Williams  
~~1646~~  
70 Officer

Margaret Vandewater

Offence Felony Assault

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Dated 3 November 1884

P. H. Duffey Magistrate.

James Churchill Officer.

P Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

\$ 1000 to answer

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

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

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

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

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Margaret Vandewater

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

Margaret Vandewater

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

The said Margaret Vandewater,

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

Second day of November, in the year of our Lord

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

County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one Sarah Williams,

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

and then the said Sarah Williams,

with a certain knife -

which the said Margaret Vandewater,

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

dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound

with intent - the said Sarah Williams,

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

Margaret Vandewater

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

The said Margaret Vandewater,

late of the City and County of New York, on the Second day of

November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and

eighty-four, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in

and upon the body of one Sarah Williams,

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

wrongfully make an assault, and then the said Sarah

Williams,

with a certain knife,

which the said Margaret Vandewater

in her 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 beat, strike, stab, cut 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.

Peter B. O'Connell  
District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

1618

**DESCRIPTION:**

Verdalle, Achille

**DATE:**

11/14/84



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*by indented*

Witnesses:

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Counsel,  
Filed 14 day of Nov 1884

Pleads *Magruder* (17)

THE PEOPLE  
vs. *B*  
*Achille Verdalle*  
*[Seizes]*

*Grand Juror, First degree*  
(False pretenses)  
[Sections 528 and 531, Penal Code].



PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Mad MacCae*  
Foreman.

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2 District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Marie Besse

of No. 38 W 27th Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 10th day of October 1884

at the City of New York,

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

the following property, viz :

One gold enamelled Medallion  
of the value of the value of one  
hundred 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 Achille Verdalls (now true)  
That deponent gave to said defendant said  
property to redeem the diamond crescent  
in or about said date and for him  
him to return said property Deponent  
says that he did not return the crescent  
or medallion as requested wherefore  
deponent charges said defendant with  
taking stealing and carrying away said  
property viz one gold medallion

Marie Besse

Sworn before me this

26 day of Oct

1884

Police Justice

Samuel D. Kelly

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

Archille Verdalle 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. Archille Verdalle

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 35 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. France

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

Answer. 110 Lee Ave 1 year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Dealer in paintings & Bruc a Truc

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  
Archille Verdalle

Taken before me this 26 day of Oct 1888  
S. M. Kelly  
Police Justice.

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 5- 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 Nov 6 1884 Samuel C. Bell Police Justice.

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

Dated Nov 8 1884 Samuel C. Bell Police Justice.

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

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

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Police Court-- 2 1732 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Maria Busse  
88 St. 27<sup>th</sup> St.  
Archilla Verdallo

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Offence

Dated Oct 26 1884

D O Reilly Magistrate.  
Fogarty & Larkin Officer.  
Coffee Precinct.

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

\$ 500 to answer \_\_\_\_\_ Sessions.

\$ 2.500. for examination  
Oct. 28. at 10 a.m  
Nov 29 9 a.m

BAILED,

No. 1, by Chap & Gray  
Residence 27 De Clark Ave Street.

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

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

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

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Sec 568.

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District Police Court.

UNDERTAKING TO ANSWER—

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SESSIONS.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An order having been made on the 8 day of November 1884 by

Daniel O'Reilly a Police Justice of the City of New York. That  
Archille Verdallo be held to answer upon a charge of  
Grand Larceny

upon which he has been duly admitted to bail, in the sum of fifteen Hundred Dollars.

We, Archille Verdallo Defendant of No. 110 Lexington Ave

Street; Occupation Sealu Bone Brace, and  
Charles S Gray of No. 127 W. 34th Ave Street;

Occupation Theatrical Manager Surety, hereby undertake jointly and severally,

that the above named Archille Verdallo shall appear and answer the charge above-  
mentioned, in whatever Court it may be prosecuted: and shall at all times render h<sup>e</sup> self amenable to the orders  
and process of the Court; and if convicted, shall appear for judgment, and render h<sup>e</sup> self in execution thereof,  
or if he fail to perform either of these conditions 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 8<sup>th</sup>  
day of Nov 1884

Daniel O'Reilly POLICE JUSTICE.

Archille Verdallo  
Charles S Gray

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss

*Charles S Gray*

the within named Bail and Surety being duly sworn, says, that he is a resident and *free*  
holder within the said *City of Brooklyn* State, and is worth *thirty* Hundred Dollars,

exclusive of property exempt from execution, and over and above the amount of all his debts and

liabilities, and that his property consists of *a house and five lots of*  
*land situated Nos 34 + 36 Mauger St*

*+ 84 + 86 Tenney St in the City of Brooklyn*  
*and is of the value of \$60.000 (more or less)*  
*only \$ 10.000*

*Chas S Gray*

Sworn to before me, this  
day of *Nov* 188*8*  
*Henry C. Russell*  
Police Justice

New York Sessions.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Undertaking to Answer.

vs.

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

Justice.

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188

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2d District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Marie Bessie

of No. 38 West-27th Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 5th day of September 1884

at the City of New York,

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

of deponent in the night-time

the following property, viz :

good and lawful money of the Republic of France namely Two one thousand franc bills + one five hundred franc bill and divers other bills of divers denominations all of the value of Seven hundred and fifty dollars

shown before me this

day of

the property of deponent who is 26 years old

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 Achille Verdalls (or name)

who with intent to defraud the deponent of said property falsely fraudulently and feloniously represented to deponent that he was a member of the New York Stock Exchange and that he would invest said money buy stocks for her in said Exchange by which said false and fraudulent representation he the said deponent did then and there unlawfully and feloniously

Deputy Justice

1884

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obtain from the possession of this deponent  
the aforesaid property. That the said  
representations were then thrown by  
said defendant to be false and  
fraudulent the truth and fact being  
that said defendant is not a member  
of the Stock Exchange as he represented  
and that said defendant did not  
purchase or invest said money in  
any stocks or securities as he was  
afterwards informed by said defendant  
and that deponent could not do  
anything to him as he was  
a stranger in this country

Sworn to before me Marie Berry  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1884  
Saml O'Reilly Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, & C.

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFIDAVIT—Larceny

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

2 District Police Court.

Archille Verdalls 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 Archille Verdalls

Question. How old are you?

Answer 35 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. France

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

Answer. 110 Lexington Ave 1 year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Deal in paintings - Bric-a-brac

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

A. Verdall

Taken before me this

day of

Oct 26

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Samuel C. Powell

Police Justice.

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 15 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated Feb 6 1884 Samuel C. Bell Police Justice.

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

Dated Mar 8 1884 Samuel C. Bell Police Justice.

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

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

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100 minutes  
Police Court - 2 / 1702 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Maria Busse  
38 West 27th St.  
Archillo Verdallo

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Offence 2

Dated Oct 26 1884

D. O. Reilly Magistrate.  
Fogarty & Sanborn Officer.  
Coffee Precinct

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

\$ 1500 to answer \_\_\_\_\_ Sessions.

\$ 2500 for examination  
Oct 28 - 10 a.m.  
Nov 29 9 a.m.  
Nov 30 9 a.m.

BAILED,

No. 1, by Chas S Gray  
Residence 127 Be Platt Ave Street.  
Brooklyn

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

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

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

0105

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Adrienne Vandenberg*

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

*Adrienne Vandenberg*

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

The said *Adrienne Vandenberg*,

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

*one ring of the value of two thousand  
dollars, one necklace of the value of  
two thousand dollars, seven  
diamonds of the value of three  
hundred dollars each, and one  
hundred other diamonds of the  
value of ten dollars each.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Marie Barr*

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

*Peter B. O'Connell*

*District Attorney*



0107

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Adelle Sanders*

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

*- Adelle Sanders -*

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

The said *Adelle Sanders*,

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

*one pocket of the value of*

*one hundred dollars, -*

*and one medalion of the value*

*of one hundred dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Maria Carter*,

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

*Robert B. O'Connell*

*District Attorney*

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Raymond  
W. Brown

Counsel,  
Filed 14 day of Nov 1884  
Pleads *Allegedly*

Grand Larceny, second degree [Sections 528, 58, Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Achille Verdallo  
[Breary]

PETER B. OLNEY,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
*Wm. M. Davis*  
Foreman.  
*Paul J. DeLong*

Witnesses:

It appearing by the within affidavit that it is impossible to secure the attendance of Marie Bessé a material and necessary witness for the People and without whose evidence conviction cannot be had. I therefore respectfully recommend that the defendant herein Achille Verdallo be

discharged on his own recognizance, his trial to be held on September 4, 1887.

*Wm. M. Davis*  
District Attorney.

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**PART I**

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

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPCENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York.

To Marie Besse

of No. 38 West 27<sup>th</sup> Street,

*Not found  
Mrs. M. C. Cullen  
1 year*

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the 18 day of August instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against Archille Verdalls.

in a case of Felony, whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of August in the year of our Lord 1887

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

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Subpoena, of which the within is a copy, upon day of 188 by

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINALS of General Sessions.**

THE PEOPLE  
being duly sworn, deposes and says he  
on the day of 188 by  
Subpoena, of which the within is a copy, upon day of 188 by

Archille Verdalls

City and County of New York, ss.:

*Peter J. Boylan* being duly sworn, deposes and says: I reside at No. *980 3 Avenue* Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the *17* day of *August* 188, I called at *No. 38 West 27<sup>th</sup> Street*

the alleged *residence* of *Marie Besse* the complainant herein, to serve her with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by *Mrs. Middlellan* that she has resided there for the past 2 years and that during that time no one by the name of Marie Besse has resided there and is not known to her.

I also inquired in the adjoining house but could not find any one who knows the said Marie Besse or where she can be found.

Sworn to before me, this *17* day of *August* 1887  
*Rudolph Schauf*

*Peter J. Boylan*  
Subpoena Server.

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY.

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**Court of General Sessions.**

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of

*Marie Beese*

vs.

*Archie Verdell*

Offense:

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

*District Attorney.*

*Affidavit of*

*Peter J. Boylan*

*Subpoena Server.*

**Failure to Find Witness.**

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*Affidavit wanted by Reilly*

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York.

To *Maria Bass*

of No. *38 West 27* Street,

*Not known there*

**PART I**

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

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the *8* day of *September* instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

GREETING:

*Archibald Verdallo*

in a case of Felony, whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *September* in the year of our Lord 1887

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Achille Verdalle

City and County of New York, ss.:

John W. Reilly being duly sworn, deposes and says: I reside at No. 5 Bank Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 7th day of September 1887, I called at No 38 West 27th Street

the alleged residence of Maria Besse the complainant herein, to serve her with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the lady in charge of the house that no person resides there by the name of Maria Besse and that she does not know anyone by that name or where she could be found.

Sworn to before me, this

7 day

September

1887

Rudolph L. Schauf

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY.

John W. Reilly  
Subpoena Server.

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**Court of General Sessions.**

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of  
*Maria Bese*

vs.

*Achille Verdala*

Offense:

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

Affidavit of

*John W. Reilly*  
*Subpoena Server*

**Failure to Find Witness.**

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October 26<sup>th</sup> 1884

Marie Beale the complainant being  
duly sworn deposes and says

Cases Examined

Q You say in this complaint that this  
defendant took away from you  
two one thousand franc bills and one  
five hundred franc bill and certain  
other bills?

A Yes sir

Q When was it

A It was some few days after I knew him  
I can't remember as to the date.

Q Give us as near as you can?

A It was a few days after I first knew  
him in Solario's restaurant.

Q When did she first know him?

A I was introduced to him at a place  
where music was being played  
by a Turkish gentleman.

Q When was it you were first intro-  
duced to him?

A I don't think I was here more than 14 or  
15 days.

Q Give it as near as you can?

A I cannot.

Q When did you come to this country?

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Q About the 19<sup>th</sup> of August, I started from Paris about the 9<sup>th</sup> of August.

Q What ship did you come on?  
A On the Amerique of the French line of Steamers

Q Where did you go to when you arrived here?

A To the Hotel Mortier in University Place  
Q What day of the week was it you arrived there?

A I cannot remember the day I am not quite sure. but I think it was Wednesday.

Q How long did you remain at the Hotel Mortier?

A About 15 days, at the most not more than 3 weeks.

Q Did you pay your own bills there?  
A Yes I paid my own bills

Q Can you tell how many weeks you paid for how many days?

A I paid for two weeks and a portion of the 3<sup>d</sup> week

Q Where did you go to when you left the Hotel Mortier?

A I went to 38 West 27<sup>th</sup> St. N.Y., the place where I now reside.

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Q How long have you lived there?  
A Ever since I left the Hotel Martin until  
now.

Q How many weeks?  
A Between 7<sup>th</sup> & 8 weeks. I think

Q Have you paid your own board there  
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Q Do you know how much money you  
have paid to the land lady there?

A I cannot tell because I paid it in  
different ways some weeks I paid  
15; 25 and then 40 and so on.

Q How long after you arrived in this  
country was it you made his ac-  
quaintance?

A After a few days before I left  
~~the~~ Hotel Martin and a few days  
after I arrived here.

Q You are positive you made his acquain-  
tance in the Hotel Martin?

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Q Now you say you were introduced to  
him at some place where there is  
music? Now was that at Kustee  
Bials

A I was with the Turkish gentlemen  
that evening and I was at 2 or 3 places

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that evening? I don't know if it was in Koster and Beals, or the Eden Music I know the Eden Music was one place I don't remember which place it was positively

Q What was the Turkish gentleman's name?  
A Rustem Effendi

Q How long had you known him?

A I knew him from the first day I arrived here.

Q How did you make his acquaintance?

A I lived two years in Turkey and I knew him there.

Q Where did you first see him?

A At a restaurant in Union Square where I was entertained at dinner the gentleman who owned the restaurant was one of the passengers on board of the Amerique with me. And he invited me and the doctor to go up there to dinner and it was then he introduced this Turkish gentleman to me.

Q Is it not true that she was sitting up stairs in the gallery in Koster and Beals pavilion with Rustem Effendi at the time she was introduced to Mr Valenti?

A I was in a box up stairs when I was presented to him.

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Q Do you know where the Eden Musée is

A I don't know the name of the street <sup>even</sup>

Q Was this place on the same street with  
the Eden Musée?

A I believe it was it's only a little way  
not at all far.

Q Did you <sup>know</sup> if you crossed the avenue where  
the Elevated road is are going to the  
Eden Musée or to this hall?

A I don't know. I went there in a carriage

Q Who was present besides Rusten and  
Verdallo in that box?

A Two other gentlemen but I don't know  
their names even.

Q Do you know Mr Fred Lewis?

A He was along with Mr Rusten and Mr  
Verdallo came in with the other gentlemen

Q Did not Rusten beckon to Verdallo  
and call him up to the box?

A I don't notice if he did so.

Q Who did you leave that concert hall  
with that night?

A With Everybody we all came out  
together.

Q Was it that you gave this money  
these bank notes to the defendant?

A I gave him the money in the restaurant

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at Paris it's not far from the hotel  
St Martin

Q How long was that after you became  
acquainted with the defendant?

A Only a few days after

Q What time of day or evening was it?

A It was in the evening after dinner  
somewhere after 9 o'clock.

Q Where were you living at the time  
you gave this money to the defendant  
the first money.

A It was the second day after I lived  
with Madame Fortune and I am  
now living

Q What did this money consist of?

A Consist of french bank notes;

Q How many?

A About 3500 francs.

Q How many notes?

A Two of one thousand and one of 500. And  
the rest in small francs.

Q Where did you get the bills?

A It was my own money from my  
family.

Q Where are in France?

A France.

Q Just repeat as nearly as you can

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the conversation all that was said  
by you or Mr Verdello. at the time  
you gave him this money?  
A I said to him I have only a very little  
money and I am here alone and I don't  
return to France I don't know what I  
will do and I said I left home angry  
with my husband and if I don't return  
to him I don't know what I shall do  
Then Mr Verdello said I am very  
rich and I am married to a woman  
who is very rich, but my wife is  
a Jewess and she won't give me any  
money and so to be independent I work  
at the stock exchange and he said I  
was collecting a museum which  
I intended to sell by and by of all  
sorts of collections and then he said  
if you will confide to me your  
money, it's a very little but I will  
add to it and I will invest it and  
that will take some time as now  
the elections are on, and he said I  
can gain for you a great deal  
of money and I said how much and  
he said I cannot exactly tell you  
how much and if he said President

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Blaine is elected that might return  
you as much as \$50,000 dollars. And  
I was very much pleased <sup>and</sup> I told  
lots of Ladies I would be rich  
Genko was present at this conversation  
between you and Mr Verdell?

A nobody

Whereabouts did it take place in  
what part of the house?

A In the dining room of the restaurant  
of Palais

Was it on the first floor above the  
street <sup>(as)</sup> I only went up the steps outside  
of the house

Did you enter the flight of stairs after  
you got in the hallway?

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How many times had you seen Mr  
Verdell after you were first intro-  
duced to him before this took place  
at Palais

A 3 or 4 times if not more

The first hearing was adjourned  
to Oct 28 to 10 am.

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Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1911.

Examination Resumed

Philamanda Louise Stude called  
on behalf of the people being duly  
sworn depones <sup>and says</sup>  
Direct Examination

Q where do you reside?

A Hotel St Martin University Place

Q do you know that lady sitting there?  
(referring to the complainant)?

A I know her as having lived there as  
a transient at the house Hotel St  
Martin.

Q were you employed there as a domestic  
at the time she was there?

A As a chamber maid

Q did you attend to this lady's room while  
she was there?

A Certainly nobody else did her room

Q How long ago was it she was there?

A I am not quite certain about 3 weeks

Q But about how long was it she left  
there?

A She arrived there about the 20<sup>th</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>and</sup> remained  
there 3 weeks I cannot tell the date the  
20<sup>th</sup> of August.

Q during the time this lady was there  
did you see her wearing anything

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in the shape of diamonds jewelry or a  
piece of jewelry?

Objected to By the Court. Sustained  
A what I saw was in the shape of a <sup>crest</sup>  
and I have had it in my hands I don't  
know whether they were diamonds or not.  
Answer Examined

Q where did you see this brooch?

A The first few days after she was here in  
her drawer

Q was Miss Bessie there at the time?  
Ans.

Q Her drawer was not locked, was it?  
Ans she never locked it

Q was there anything else in the drawer  
besides the brooch?

A I didn't pay much attention but there  
were ribbons and many other beautiful  
things.

Q There was no other jewelry in the drawer  
Ans I didn't notice any more except  
what was on her

Q The time you saw this brooch in the  
drawer was the beginning of Miss Bessie's  
stay at the Hotel St Martin was it not  
Answer

Sworn to before me this  
1st day of October 1894

Police Justice

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Euse Huber being duly sworn deposes  
and says. called by the people

Q where do you reside?

A 45 Christopher Street.

Q what is your business?

A I am a dressmaker

Q do you know Madame Bessé the lady  
who sits beside you?

A Yes sir

Q How long do you know her?

A I know her since the 26<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> of last  
August.

Q where?

A I know her by being presented by the  
last witness.

Q In what way do you know her?

A I was working for her about the 26<sup>th</sup>  
or 28<sup>th</sup> of August.

Q And how long did you continue working  
for her?

A Up to now.

Q Have you ever seen her have any diamonds  
jewelry?

A I have seen her have a casket at the  
Hotel St. Martin about that shape (showing)  
I don't know how many diamonds  
there were small and large ones in it.

Q where was it when you saw it?

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A In her room no 30 Hotel St Martin  
Cass & Annie

Q Do you remember the month in which  
you saw the crescent.

A About the 25 or 26 or 28 of August.  
Q Was Mrs Bessé there when you saw the  
crescent?

A Yes

Q And you never saw that crescent again?

A That was the only time I saw it

Q Have you ever been to her room since  
at the Hotel St Martin?

A Yes 3 times

Q You say this was on a little marble table

A Yes

Q Was it a square or oval table?

A Oval

Q How low was the footing of it oval?

A I cannot tell I did not notice it very  
much.

Q And you notice if it was a plain table  
or marble?

A I did not notice it

Q But you did notice it had a marble  
top?

A Yes

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Q Did Madame Bessé say anything to

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you about the price of jewelry  
have there anything said about rais-  
ing any money on it

objected to  
Alexander.

A. Rossi

Sworn to before me  
this 28th day of Oct 1884

Police Justice

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October 29<sup>th</sup> 1884

All parties present  
Examinations Resumed.

Alfred Galac being duly sworn  
deposes and says

Q Where do you reside?

A 69 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

Q Did you ever see that man before  
(pointing to Verdello the defendant)?

A Yes at 38 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

Q What was your business there?

A I was waiter there at the time

Q Under what name did you know  
him there?

A I knew him under the name of Vicent  
of Lambert.

Q What was he doing when you saw him?

A He came there to take his meals

Q Who was it he took his meals there  
with?

A He took them with Mrs Bessie and some  
times he took them down stairs in  
the saloon

Q How long was it Madame Bessie  
had been in the house there before  
he took his meals the first time  
with her?

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Q At the beginning after stay  
Q did you ever see her have a diamond  
piece of any kind?

A Yes in it was in the shape of a half  
moon a brooch

Q what was it made of?

A In diamonds

Q when did you see that brooch and under  
what circumstances?

A I saw it one day while they were taking  
their meals, at the table Mrs Beach  
had the brooch in her hand.

Q was he present the evening of Louber's  
arrest?

Q did you hear any remarks made in  
regard to the brooch or in connection  
with it?

A They were talking loud speaking about  
money and Mr Lubens said he would  
put my plates on the table and not  
listen

Q do you remember at all what was said  
A No sir

Q was anything more than money talked  
of?

A Nothing more.

Q and when you speak of Louber's you

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mean Verdello? the prisoner here?

Ayesa

Q What did he say about leaving the room?

A He told me to shut the doors but he would wait on himself. Then they were not there the same as if they were in Hellmouth they didn't wish me to stay there all the time that they would keep themselves.

Q Was that remark made by him before or after you saw the brooch in her hand?

A It was the same time they were speaking about money?

Q When did you leave 38 Street 27 & Street?

A Last Tuesday the 21st.

Q What is your business now?

A I am not working at present.

Cross Examined

Q That is all you know about the brooch is it not?

Ayesa

Q Can you fix about the date of the month that this was?

A I cannot fix the date

Q But it was in the beginning of September was it not?

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At the beginning of Madame Bessie's stay  
known to be one and  
this 29th day of Oct 1884

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Mortense Crampenini being duly sworn  
deposes and says called on behalf of  
the people.

Q Where do you reside?

A 38 West 24th Street

Q What is your business?

A Keep a boarding house.

Q Do you know Madame Bessie?

A Yes.

Q Does she board with you?

A Yes.

Q How long has she been boarding with  
you?

A About two months.

Q Do you know the prisoner here?

A Yes.

Q Where did you see him?

A At my house.

Q Under what name was he there?

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A Vicount of Lubers.

Q Did he take any meals there?

A Yes sir

Q Did he give any dinner at your house?

A Yes sir

Q Has Madame Bessé present? A Yes sir

Q Did you ever see him have any property of Madame Bessé in his hand?

A I have seen him have a medallion in his hand and they were in the dining room and there were two or three persons present

Q What was said about it?

A Madame shamed it to every body there and she gave it to him and he put it in his pocket

Q Did you hear him make any remark during the time he was calling there about embezzling money for her?

A Madame Bessé was short of money and Mr Verdello disposed of some pictures for her

Q Did he say anything about making money

A I was not present when there was a conversation of money. I know that Madame Bessé gave him several things for sale but I was never present when there was any question about raising money.

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Q Did you ever hear him say that he would make a good deal of money for her? at any time?

A Mr. Verdell told me himself in the sitting room that Madame Bessé would not need to trouble herself that in two weeks he would make a good deal of money for her?

Q Did you ever hear of him as Achille Verdell's cousin?

Q Did you furnish a handsome dinner for him as the Vicar of Lubers. at the time Madame Bessé was there?

A The only dinner we made was the bath of them.

Q Was it to the extent of Twenty dollars?

A Yes examined

Q Did you keep books in your business?

Q If you have no books at all to show what people are you?

A Yes I keep a small book. I didn't keep any regular book, but I kept a small book.

Q Are you sure Mr Verdell's name is not

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in the book?

A. I am positive

Q. Do you remember an occasion when you introduced a dress maker to Madame Bessé for the purpose of purchasing some gowns or dresses?

A. Yes to Madame Alice of 41 West 11<sup>th</sup> St.

Q. Do you remember when it was?

A. I don't remember when it was.

Q. Was it in September or October?

A. In September.

Q. If you were present and had a conversation with Madame Bessé when Madame

Bessé scratched Mr. Verall's face?

A. Yes.

Q. When was it?

A. I don't remember the date.

Q. Was it the latter part of September?

A. Yes, only 5 or 10 days ago.

Shown to before me

this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 1884 Hartense. Grand Juror

Samuel C. Kelly, Justice

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Patrick G. Fleming called by the people  
being duly sworn says

Q Where do you reside?

A 137 E 30th Street

Q What is your business?

A Dealer in fine arts

Q Are you engaged with Appleby's Company?  
A Yes for 15 years and there now?

Q Do you know this gentleman (pointing to  
the pris over)?

A Yes Sir, I know what name do you know him?  
Q Under the name of Verdell.

Q Did you hear of him under the name of  
Viscount Lombard?

A Yes Sir I know him by that name for 3 or  
4 years

Q Was there an occasion 3 or 4 days ago when  
he called on you with any thing to sell  
A Yes 2 Etchings 3 weeks ago.

Q What was said or done about them?

A The prices he asked was merely too high  
and I could not use them and I recommended  
him to Copel at 16th Street.

Q After he showed you these pictures did you  
see him soon again?

A I saw him again a few days afterwards.  
He wanted to sell a medalion and he

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left it with me for sale and I sold it to  
Mr. Hunt, <sup>for \$35.00</sup> it was a small enameled thing  
with 2 figures of Adam and Eve

Q And you paid him for that?  
A Yes Sir. And I also bought a little tin  
had a little etching

Q What was done with that?  
A Madame Verdella came a day or two after  
words. And said Mr Verdello was about to  
get into trouble about the deed as the  
party he sold it for was not willing to  
sell it for the price he did and I returned  
it

Cross Examined

Q You are an expert in this class of goods  
are you?

A Yes Sir

Q Was \$35.00 a fair price for that in a million  
A I would not bring that at auction

Q You have known him before?

A Yes Sir I saw him at last sales very often

I sworn to before me  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1864

Polley Justice

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Madame Jessie Recalled. for for the  
Cause Examination

Q I believe Madame you have testified  
that it was the 30 or 4th time after you  
had met Mr Verdall that you gave him  
this money for investment. is that so?  
A Yes sir at Palermo

Q Did you ever speak to Mr Verdall about  
that money at all?

A Yes sir

Q When was it?

A The first day I have known him.

Q On the first day did you mention  
exactly what the sum was which you  
had?

A I told him to come to America with very  
little money. <sup>and</sup> he asked me what do you  
call a little money <sup>and</sup> I said about 3 or  
four thousand francs. This was the first  
time I spoke to him about the money.

Q Where was it. you told him this?

A It was in the street while he was taking  
me home to my hotel St Martin

Q Palermo is near the hotel St Martin is  
it not?

A Yes sir same street not far from it.

Q Where did you keep your money?

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Q In my pocket book in my pocket.

Q How did you come to go to Salonis?

A One day on my way back from the Eden Musée he asked me to stop in there to get something to eat. And from there he brought me home. He left me at the door of my hotel.

Q What did you give him this money for?

A Because the gentleman was well recommended to me. He was recommended to me as a broker and he came to sell my jewelry he was presented to me as Victor Lubins but it was himself that told me he was a stock broker. He told me that sometimes that he was a stock broker and that he could very easily invest that money for me.

Q And after a while you became impatient about your money and then it was you gave him your brooch?

A Yes. He told me I would have to wait longer. business was bad.

Q Why did you become impatient?

A I had given him 3500 francs and I had a very little money left and I wanted to pay my bill at the hotel and then some more I had done at the dress

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makers but I had nothing left but I needed  
some money

Q Now Verdella give you as an excuse that  
the stock market had gone down did he  
not?

A He told me I could not expect any money  
until after election

Q What day did you give him the brooch?

A I don't remember the day. I cannot say  
how many days after I gave him the  
money I gave him the brooch.

Q You say in your affidavit on which  
you obtained the warrant of arrest that  
it was about the 5th of September that  
you gave him this money; did you fix  
that day as the best of your recollection  
Ayres?

Q How do you fix that date madame?

A I said about that day.

Q Now madame you say that Mr Verdella  
on the occasion you gave him this money  
brought you back home from Salario  
how far was your home from Salario?

A About a block away. It is in the same  
street but on the other side of the way.

Q What day did you give him the medallion?

A I had given it to him several times

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before that <sup>and</sup> he said he could pawn it <sup>and</sup>  
raise 500 francs on it <sup>and</sup> I said do with  
it whatever you like I am very anxious  
to raise money.

Q Can you remember the day you gave it  
to him?

A I cannot

Q Can you remember the month?

A It must have been the latter part of  
September or beginning of this month.

Q It was at least 3 or 4 weeks after you  
say you gave him the brooch was it  
not?

A It was after I gave him the brooch, I cannot  
say how long it was but it was after  
wards.

Q <sup>And</sup> the reason you gave him the medal  
ion was to redeem the brooch?

A Yes sir <sup>and</sup> I also gave him the picture  
only to have it framed that was all

Q When was it you gave him the pair  
thing?

A I don't remember the date

Q Who was present when you gave him  
the medallion?

A Madame Campese I told him at that  
time to raise all that he could upon

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it or sell it for the best he could.

Q Was a gentleman present by the name of Cabut Dussé?

A There is a gentleman who comes to take his meals at that house by that name but he was not present then;

Q What did you give him the Chronos for?

A To sell them.

Q That was after you gave him the brooch was it not?

A Yes sir.

Q And had you asked him for the money which he got on the brooch at any time?

A Yes sir.

Q How long after giving him the brooch did you give him the Chronos?

A It must have been at least 15 days.

Q What did he say to you he had done with the money for the brooch?

A He told me he was short that his wife would not give him any money and that he had disposed of the money and I am not perfectly easy that he would return it to me.

Q Did he ever say to you he was not a thief?

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broker?

A He never told me he was not a stock broker except at the last conversation he admitted to me he was no stock broker  
Q Who was present when he told you that?  
A Where did he tell you?

A Nobody was present and it was in Mad-  
-ame Traupenin about 10 days ago  
Q On the occasion when you gave him  
the money at Solonis you were alone  
with him?

A I was alone with him, but there were other  
people who came in <sup>and</sup> went out there  
were 2 persons there when we ar-  
rived <sup>and</sup> after words they went away.

Q <sup>and</sup> when you gave him the money  
there was nobody there?

A Only the waiters

Q How many waiters were there?

A Don't know, but there was one who waited  
upon us with a bottle of wine

Q Have you ever dined with this gentleman  
alone except at Solonis?

A <sup>never</sup> Except at Madame Traupenin's may  
be 2 or 3 times at breakfast when  
there were too many people in the dining  
hall. down stairs

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Q. And you also took meals with Lini down  
stairs when other people were present?  
A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember driving with this  
gentleman at the Devonshire Hotel on  
42<sup>nd</sup> Street in this city?

A. I don't remember it. I don't know the  
hotel.

Q. Do you remember taking any meals with  
Lini at the West End Hotel on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
near 14<sup>th</sup> Street?

A. No. I do not.

Q. You say so there may be no misunder-  
standing. Do you remember going to  
the hotels the West End on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
or the Devonshire Hotel on 42<sup>nd</sup> Street  
for any purpose?

A. No. I don't remember of ever having  
been there. I remember once I went  
with to a cafe where we had some  
beer. I don't know where it was.

Q. Do you know where Mr. Legendre's place  
is in New York?

A. No. I am not acquainted. I don't know.

Q. Do you remember going to Mr. Legendre  
with Mr. Verdell about any business?  
And if so what business?

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Q I want there to enquire if Mr Legendre would know of any lady in a very respectable family who would desire a governess to instruct her in language  
 of whom you remember putting an advertisement in the Herald or rather having Mr Verdello doing so for some employment?

A Mr Verdello told me it is not necessary to go to Mr Legendre that it is better to put an advertisement directly in the paper it would cost me less and an advertisement was put in the Herald signed M. Tranchesi and one day a gentleman came to the house but he did not understand the advertisement and I told him it was not what he thought it was and he went away. He thought it was for a servant.

Q What position was it you desired through that advertisement

A I don't know what advertisement Mr Verdello put in the paper; I went to Mr Legendre and asked him if he could get a situation for me in a respectable family to educate the family  
 of whom was this?

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Q It was during the month of September  
Q Was it after you gave him the crayon?  
A Oh no it was before

Q On the occasion when you gave the  
brooch to Mr Verdell's wife was present

A There was nobody present; it was in  
the parlor on the table;

Q Do you know whether it was in the mor-  
ning or evening?

A I think it was in the morning

Q Madame Sobell here to ask you what  
your real name is?

A Countess du Bessé

Q Where is your home?

A Tiflis Caucasus.

Q You are married I believe?  
A Yes

Q Your husband resides at Tiflis  
A Yes

Q Was he at Tiflis when you left him?  
A Yes

Q I understand you left him because  
of some little differences between you  
is that so?

A Yes

Q Where were you living when you left him?  
A At Tiflis

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Q If you were not in Paris then?

A Quasi I came to Paris and then to Paris  
and from Paris here. I stopped a very short  
time in each one of the cities and come  
on directly here

Q Will you kindly give us your maiden  
name and the residence of your family?

A The name is Wildes, I witness showing a  
ring with the inscription being Count  
du Besse 10th January 1894. and the resi-  
dence is St Petersburg

Q If you are a Russian then? Ayessen  
Q Do you speak Russian? Ayessen  
A Yes

Q I ask you after looking at this photograph  
(showing witness a photograph) If that  
is a photograph of your father?

Ayessen

Q I show you another picture and ask you  
who that is? (showing witness a picture)

A That is my husband and this one is my  
daughter

Q When you were taken after your arrival  
here in this city to the different places  
in this city did you or did you not know  
anything about the kind of character  
of the persons?

A I don't know I cannot have been taken  
any where

Q Did Verdell the prisoner at any time  
give you any return for the goods  
that you put in his hands?

Answer:

Q Something was said in regard to  
your having scratched him <sup>and struck</sup>  
him was that at the time you ac-  
cused him of not being a stock  
broker and he admitted it?

A It was at the time I accused him of  
not being a broker and he insulted  
me and said he knew terrible things  
about me and that he would have  
me taken to the frontier

Q Do you know this gentleman who sits  
behind you?

Answer that is Doct<sup>r</sup> Dublas.

Q Is he the gentleman who has been attending  
you during your illness here?

Answer:

Sworn to before me this

29<sup>th</sup> day of October 1884

Mari de Rosa

Daniel J. Kelly Justice of the Peace

The further hearing was adjourned to Nov 3 9am

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I hereby certify that the within  
testimony of Philamanda Louise  
Elsie Huber, Alfred Gulse and Patricia  
G. Fanning is a true and correct copy  
of the original testimony as taken  
by me stenographically on said woman  
inter Nov 8th 1884

David G. Johnson  
Stenographer

Daniel O. Kelly  
Notary Public

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2d District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Marie Besse

of No. 38 W 27th Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 10th day of September 1884

at the City of New York,

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

of deponent *in the daytime*

the following property, viz :

One diamond Crescent of the value of Two thousand 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

Achille Verdallo (now here) that deponent gave said defendant said property to pledge in about said date. That said deponent for him to return said property or money. Deponent says that said defendant did not return said Crescent or money for the same as she requested said defendant to do. Wherefore deponent

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of

1884

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charges said defendant with feloniously  
taking stealing and carrying away  
said property as aforesaid

Brum to before me *Alvin B...*  
This 26<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1884  
*James O. Kelly* Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION

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Sec. 193-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

Archelle Verdall 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 Archelle Verdall

Question. How old are you?

Answer 35 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. France

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

Answer. 110 Livingston Ave 1 year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Dealer in paintings & Bone & Traces

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

A. Verdall

Taken before me this 26 day of Oct 1888  
Samuel W. Phillips  
Police Justice.

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 20 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 Nov 9th 1884 Samuel O'Kelly Police Justice.

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

Dated Nov 8 1884 Samuel O'Kelly Police Justice.

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

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

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100 *offered*  
Police Court 2 1432 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Maria Bisse*  
*38 W. 29<sup>th</sup> St.*  
*Archillo Verdallo*

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4 \_\_\_\_\_

Offence *S*

Dated *Oct 26* 188 *4*

*A. Reilly* Magistrate.

*Fogarty + Lambert* Officer.

*C. 11<sup>th</sup>* Precinct.

*Elsie Huber 75 Christopher St.*  
Witnesses *Philomena Doucette*

No. *St. Morten Hotel University* Street.

*Alfred Golter 69 W. 30<sup>th</sup> St.*

No. *St. Morten Hotel University* Street,  
*38 W. 27<sup>th</sup> St.*

*Patrick J. Harrington*

No. *197 East 30<sup>th</sup>* Street.

\$ *2000* to answer *G* Sessions.

\$ *2.500* for examination

*Oct 28. at 10. AM*

*Nov 29 " 9 AM*  
*3 " 9 AM*

BAILED,

No. 1, by *Chas B Gray*

Residence *127 Du Sable Ave* Street.  
*Barrett Lury*

No. 2, by *A. Verdallo*

Residence *35* Street.

No. 3, by *J*

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

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

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

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**PART III.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY.  
If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue  
Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room  
Door that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To *Hortense Gramperini*  
of No. *38 West 27* Street,

*Not found*

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the day of *June* instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against *Archello Verdullo* in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *June*, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

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**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To *William Louis Andra*  
of *St. Martin's Hotel University Place* Street,

*Not there*

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the day of *June* instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against *Archello Verdullo* in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

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FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To *Alfred Golue*  
of No. *69 West 3* Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the day of *June* instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against *Archello Verdullo* in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

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RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

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Mr. Arch Person

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**SUBPCNA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To Patrick Manning  
of No. 137 E 30 Street,

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the day of June instant, at the hour of Eleven

in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against Achello Verdullo in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

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RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

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**SUBPCNA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To Maria Gussie  
of No. 38 West 27 Street,

Not found

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the day of June instant, at the hour of Eleven

in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against Achello Verdullo in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of June, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

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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

Orville Vandewater

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

Orville Vandewater

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

The said Orville Vandewater,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the 23rd day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, with intent to deprive and defraud one

Maria Berne

of the property hereinafter mentioned, and of the use and benefit thereof, and to appropriate the same to his own use, did then and there feloniously, fraudulently and falsely pretend and represent to the said Maria Berne,

That he was then a man of large means and fortune, and a member of the New York Stock Exchange.

That he had numerous advantages and facilities for making large and profitable investments, and that he was then able and desirous to invest a sum of money on behalf of the said Maria Berne, and make her a participant of the same or would insure her a much larger amount in return therefor.

And the said Marie Berne

then and there believing the said false and fraudulent pretenses and representations so made as aforesaid by the said William Verdell,

and being deceived thereby, was induced, by reason of the false and fraudulent pretenses and representations so made as aforesaid, to deliver, and did then and there deliver to the said William Verdell, two bank notes

issued by the National Bank of France, for the amount of one thousand francs each, in lawful money of the French Republic, the name being Marie Berne, and the value of two hundred dollars each, two other bank notes issued by the National Bank of France, for the amount of five hundred francs each, in lawful money of the French Republic, the name being Marie Berne, and the value of one hundred dollars each, and five other bank notes, issued by the National Bank of France, for the amount of one hundred francs each, in lawful money of the French Republic, the name being Marie Berne, and the value of one hundred dollars each, and of the value of twenty dollars each, a more particular description of which said bank notes is to be found in the exhibit marked 'A' attached to this indictment.

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of the said Marie Berne,

and the said William Verdell, did then and there feloniously obtain the said bank notes,

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of the said Marie Berne

from the possession of the said Marie Berne

by color and by aid of the false and fraudulent pretenses and representations aforesaid, and with intent to deprive and defraud the said Marie Berne,

of the same, and of the use and benefit thereof, and to appropriate the same to his own use. **Whereas**, in truth and in fact, the said William Verdell was not then a man of large means and fortune, and was not then a member of the New York Stock Exchange, and did not then have unusual advantages and facilities for conducting and profitable investments, and did not then have any other means or resources, in order to enable him to invest a sum of money on

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*And Whereas, the said Marie Berre  
and make such a disposition  
of the same as would insure  
to her a much larger amount  
in return therefor,*

And Whereas, in truth and in fact, the pretenses and representations so made  
as aforesaid by the said Adelle Vandell  
to the said Marie Berre, was and were,  
then and there in all respects utterly false and untrue, as she the said  
Adelle Vandell  
at the time of making the same then and there well knew.

AND SO THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID do say: That the said  
Adelle Vandell  
on the day and year first aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in the  
manner and form aforesaid, and by the means aforesaid, with force and arms, she

stole  
of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of the said  
Marie Berre  
then and there feloniously did STEAL, against the form of the Statute in such case made  
and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their  
dignity.

PETER B. OLNEY, District Attorney.