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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2043

**DESCRIPTION:**

Peters, John

**DATE:**

01/28/86



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Witnesses:

Compt. recommends  
clemency herein & states that  
he is not positive that deft  
was the person who took her  
property & that she cannot  
now swear that deft is  
the guilty man - Admit  
if a conviction could  
be had herein and  
recommended that within  
indictment be dismissed  
and that Paul be discharged  
Apr 18. 1887  
Randolph B. Martine  
Dist. Atty

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Counsel,

Filed

May of

1886

Pleas

Not guilty (29)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

B

John Peters

Grand Larceny in  
[Sections 628, 68 & Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

Part II April 22/87 District Attorney.  
Per on mo of Decree  
of 1886 a/c of 1887  
A True Bill.

Frederic Higgins

Foreman.

Sept 1887

28th March, 1887.

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New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

John Peter

Grand Juror

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. After reflecting over the matter I am not positive defendant was the person who took my property—there was another young man at the dance, where my Sack was taken, who resembled defendant very much—He might be the person and as I am not now able positively to swear that defendant is the man I ask the court to allow me to withdraw my complaint—I do this in simple justice to defendant, as I wish to wrong no one and I really don't wish to say he is the person

Witness John M. O'Connell  
March 30. 1887

Barrie Whitmore

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The People

vs.

John Peters

Withdrew



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Police Court—*Fourth* District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County { ss.:  
of New York,

of No. *202 West 24<sup>th</sup>* Street, aged *27* years,  
occupation \_\_\_\_\_ being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *December* 188*5* 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:

*One Seal-skin Coat of the value  
of Two 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 *John Peters (now here) from*

*with the intent to deprive the true owner of  
said property, from the fact that  
previous to said Larceny deponent  
had said property and her person  
while a spectator and guest of the  
Invitation Ball of the George Lester Association  
held at Irving Hall on December  
23<sup>rd</sup> 1885, when ~~deponent~~ said Peters came  
to deponent and insisted, and persuaded  
deponent to dance with him, and when  
deponent finally consented, said Peters told  
deponent that he would introduce deponent  
to a friend of his who was a more  
accomplished dancer, and that while*

of  
Subscribed to before me this  
188*5* day

Police Justice

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Deponent was so engaged in dancing for  
Peter would take charge of said property  
therefore deponent gave said Peter the said  
property to take care of and went off  
with said Peter's friend.

Deponent further says that when she  
wanted to recover said property said Peter's  
friend ran away.

Deponent further says that she is  
informed by Officer Thomas J. McCarly  
of the 18<sup>th</sup> Precinct, that he McCarly  
arrested said Peter on Broadway  
and deponent identifies said Peter  
as the person with whom said  
property was left in charge.

Deponent therefore charges  
said Peter with said Larceny and  
says that he may be dealt with as the  
law directs.

Sworn to before me this  
31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1885

Carrie Whitman  
Police Justice

Dated 1885  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order h to be discharged.  
Police Justice.

Dated 1885  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
Police Justice.

Dated 1885  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Police Justice.

Dated 1885  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Hundred Dollars  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison

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

Police Court,	District,
THE PEOPLE, &c., on the complaint of	
Offence—LARCENY.	
1	2
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Date 1885	
Magistrate.	
Officer.	
Clerk.	
Witness,	No.
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	Sessions.
No.	to answer

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Sec. 108—200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK,

H District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer

John Peters

Question. How old are you?

Answer

28 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New York

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

Answer.

121 West 28 Street about 3 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  
John Peters.

Taken before me this

day of

1886

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 \_\_\_\_\_

*John Peters*

~~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 31* 188

*P. G. Duffy*  
Police Justice.

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

Dated *Jan 2* 188

*P. G. Duffy*  
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

*P. G. Duffy*  
Police Justice.



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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

John Bonner  
109 Colchester Street.

1000 for exp  
on January 2<sup>o</sup> at  
2 P.M.

Police Court

District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Carrie Whitmore  
37 1/2 W. 13th St.

John Peters

1  
2  
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Dated

Dec 31

188

Magistrate

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

Samuel Rauch

No.

739 - 6 Avenue

No.

1335

No.

1000

to answer

General

Bailed

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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 Peters*

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

*John Peters* -

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

The said *John Peters*,

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

*one real plain coat of the value*

*of two hundred dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Carrie Whitmore.*

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.

*Randolph Martin,*  
*District Attorney*



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FOLDER:

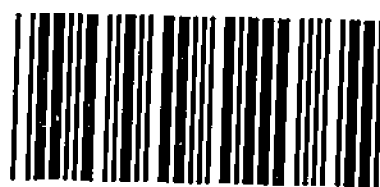
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DESCRIPTION:

Peterson, William

DATE:

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Hawkins, Lewis

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DESCRIPTION:

Thompson, Philip

DATE:

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Police Court—2 District.City and County  
of New York, } ss.:

of No. 117 West 82nd Street, aged 55 years,  
 occupation Boarding House Keeper being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No 117 West 82nd Street,  
 in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a four story brown stone  
front-dwelling situate in the 20th Ward  
 and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling and boarding house  
 and in which there was at the time <sup>one or more</sup> human being, by name Mrs. Betty Stone  
her husband, Grace Howard and David Howard  
 were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening the shutters  
on the outside of a window in the rear of the third floor  
of the above described premises & forcibly raising the latch  
on said window, the said window having been reached by  
placing the flat-work of a fly-light against the wall & climbing  
on the 3rd day of February 1886 in the night time, and the  
 following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

One black full dress of the value of four hundred fifty dollars

the property of deponent

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

William Peterson, Lewis, Hawkins and Phillip  
Thompson (all negro men)

for the reasons following, to wit: that about the hour of 11.50 P.M.  
the above stated deponent saw the above described  
premises locked and securely fastened; that immediately  
thereafter deponent's attention was attracted by a noise  
to the room on the rear of the third floor of the above  
described premises, where looking through the large  
key-hole in the door leading from the hall which  
deponent entered from the front room, deponent  
saw the defendants in said room, that deponent

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thereupon attempted to enter the said room in which  
the defendants were, by a door leading from the hallway  
but which she found locked from the inside; that she  
thereupon gave an alarm, and on the arrival  
of the police and bursting open the door leading  
from the hallway into said room, defendant found  
that the room had been burglariously entered as  
above described and the above described property  
taken from said room and lying on the top of  
an extension to the first floor.

Suam before me this

5 day of January 1886

Emma Charles

J. H. Smith  
Police Justice

Police Court — District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Degree.

Burglary

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$

Bail.

Bailed by

No.

Street.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK { ss

District Police Court.

*William Peterson* 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. *William Peterson*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *Seventeen years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *No 166 West 52 St. Three years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Footman*

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

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

*William Peterson*

Taken before me this

5

day of January

1886

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

Lewis Hawkins 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.

Lewis Hawkins

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Eighteen years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Hampdenburgh N. Y.

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

Answer.

No 166 West 82 St. Three months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Driver

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

Answer.

I am not guilty

Lewis A. Hawkins

Taken before me this

5

day of January 1886

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

*Philip Thompson* 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.*  
*Philip Thompson*

Taken before me this

6

day of January 1886

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

William Peterson, Lewis Hamilton & Philip Thompson  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars cash and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated January 5 1886 J. W. M. Ford 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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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street.

No. 2, by

Residence

Street.

No. 3, by

Residence

Street.

No. 4, by

Residence

Street.

Police Court

27 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Emma Charles*  
*117 West 32*  
*St.*

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*Offence*  
*Indigence*

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

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to answer

*Each*  
*1000*  
*Ans*

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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

*Mrs. Peterson*  
*et al*

*Jan. 18-1886*

*Please send*  
*me the papers*  
*Jay*

*Ward 11/89*

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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 Peterson, Senior  
Husband of Philip Thompson

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
William Peterson, Senior Husband  
and Philip Thompson —  
of the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE *First* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said William Peterson, Senior  
Husband and Philip Thompson, each  
late of the *Twenty-Ninth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *third* day of *January*, in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, with force and arms, about the  
hour of *seven* o'clock in the *night* time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one Emma Charles,

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there some  
human being, to wit: *the said Emma Charles, and  
several other persons whose names are  
to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown,*  
within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels  
and personal property of the said Emma Charles, —

in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and there feloniously and burglariously to steal,  
take and carry away; (each of them the said

William Peterson, Senior Husband  
and Philip Thompson being  
then and there assisted by a  
confederate actually present)

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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SECOND COUNT—

AND THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*William Peterson, Senior* and *Philip Thompson* —  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *First* DEGREE, committed as follows :

The said *William Peterson, Senior* and *Philip Thompson*, each —  
late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid,  
at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in the *night* time of the said day, with force and arms,

*one dress of the value of twenty*  
*hundred and fifty dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Emma Phadler*,

in the dwelling house of the said *Emma Phadler*, —

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.

*Randolph B. Smith,*  
*District Attorney*

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Peterson, William

DATE:

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Hawkins, Lewis

**DATE:**

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Emery, Joshua

DATE:

01/18/86



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**DESCRIPTION:**

McCormack, Peter

**DATE:**

01/18/86



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160 1 EEP  
34th St. N.Y.

Counsel,  
Filed 18 day of Jan'y 1886  
Pleads, McKinley 19.

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
William Peterson  
(1st case)  
Ewing Hamilton  
(2nd case)  
Joshua Emery and  
Peter McCormack  
(3 cases)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.  
No. 1, 2, 3 filed 4 L. J. d.  
State Reformatory, Calverton.  
A True Bill.

22 Feb/1886. see order  
Indy govt not filed Jan'y 19/86  
Charles Higgins Foreman  
Hank 2/19  
Inductively dismissed  
auto ch. 14

Witnesses:

March 26/86  
for endorsement of  
order det. on indictment  
against McCormack  
herein, for grand  
jurisdiction fresh deper.



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

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

of No. \_\_\_\_\_  
occupation \_\_\_\_\_

deposes and says, that the premises No

f No. 1 Boarding House  
 Occupation 417 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St  
 deposes and says, that the premises No 417 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St  
 in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a four story brown Mari-  
front dwelling situated in the 120<sup>th</sup> block  
 and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling and boarding house  
 at the time <sup>five rooms</sup> human beings by name the latter more  
and named James

and which was occupied by deponent as a <sup>fire room</sup> ~~work shop~~ by name ~~work shop~~  
and in which there was at the time a human being by name ~~work shop~~  
to wit, Grace Sherman and said slave of said  
were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening the shutters  
the said window on the rear of the second  
the said slave of said window, the said slave of said window, the said slave of said window,

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of  
 on the outside, a window on the star of the  
 floor and forcibly raising the sash of said window,  
 the said window having been reached by placing the flat-  
 wall of a skylight-against the wall and striking thereon to  
 and the window on the day of December 1885 in the night time, and the  
 stolen, and carried away, viz:

on the 2nd day of March 1888  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:  
1/2 ton of iron ore 1/2 ton of iron ore 1/2 ton of iron ore

Following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

One Carpet-forg trimmed Cent. of the Value of one hundred & fifty dollars  
One Carpet-forg trimmed Cent. of the Value of one hundred & fifty dollars  
One Black Satin wrapper of the Value of one hundred & fifty dollars  
One Jet and oval lace wrap of the Value of one hundred & fifty dollars  
One Dressing Gown of the Value of one hundred & twenty-five dollars  
One Spread lace Gown of the Value of one hundred & twenty-five dollars  
All of the Value Eighteen hundred & twenty-five dollars

All of the Value Regular and  
and 5000 Lungs -  
the property of the defendant - over the parcels & wraps the property of  
the defendant in the care and custody of defendant  
and defendant further says, that he has great cause to believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away by  
James L. ...

**BURGLARY** was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away by William Petersen, known as Sam Kura, John A. Sengren (all now here) and Peter M'Connell who had been arrested for the reasons following, to wit: That Defendant-Kyongs, that-the above described premises were securely locked and fastened at the night of the above date; that she afterwards discovered that the premises had been entered and the above described property taken, stolen and carried away; that one of the defendants William Petersen, admitted to defendant-in the presence of Officer James P. Voise of the 9<sup>th</sup> Precinct, that all of the above defendants except M'Connell, were together and acting in concert or

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Police Court—2 District.City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No.

occupation

deposes and says, that the premises No

in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a

front dwelling situated in the 60th Ward,  
and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling and boarding houseand in which there was at the time <sup>four more</sup> human beings by name Mrs. Letta More

Luther Lee, Grace Sherman and Elaud Elaine

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening the shutters

on the outside of a window on the floor of the second

floor and forcibly raising the sash of said window,

the said window having been reached by placing the flat-

work of a pry-bar against the wall and working them in

on the <sup>day of</sup> 30 day of December 1885 in the night time, and the

following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

One velvet-fur trimmed coat of the value of one hundred &amp; fifty dollars

One velvet fur dress of the value of one hundred &amp; fifty dollars

One black &amp; velvet-fur dress of the value of one hundred &amp; fifty dollars

One black velvet wrapper of the value of one hundred &amp; fifty dollars

One silk and real lace wrap of the value of one hundred &amp; fifty dollars

One dressing gown of the value of one hundred &amp; twenty-five dollars

One spread lace parasol of the value of fifty-eight dollars &amp; fifty cents

All of the value eighteen hundred &amp; twenty-five dollars

and fifty cents

the property of deponent and the parasol &amp; wrap the property of

Mrs. Letta More in the care and custody of deponent

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

William Peterson, alias Sam Harg, alias Emma Lyons

(all now here) and Peter, all of whom who have not

been arrested

for the reasons following, to wit: That deponent knows, that the above

described premises were securely locked and fastened

on the night of the above date: that she afterwards

discovered, that the premises had been entered and

the above described property taken, stolen, and carried

away: that one of the defendants William Peterson,

admitted to deponent in the presence of Officer James P.

Voce of the 9th Precinct, that all of the above defendants

except all of them, were together and acting in concert on



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the above named date, that they went to the rear of the above described premises, and entered the same in the manner above described and took the above described property.

Deponent further says, that she has been informed by Officer John Conroy of the 29th District, that the defendant James Hawkins admitted & confessed to him in the presence of Sergeant Charles Schmitt of the 29th District, that he was present and acting in concert with other defendants on the above mentioned date and that the premises were lawlessly entered & the property feloniously taken <sup>by them</sup> at the time and in the manner above described.

Deponent still further says, that she has been further informed by Officer James Roche of the 29th District, that one of the defendants, John A. Egan, acknowledged & confessed to him, that he was acting in concert with the other defendants on the above mentioned date & that the premises were entered & the property taken as above described and also that he had recovered all the property (except the parasol and dressing gown) which the defendant William Coleman informed he had purloined, and all of which property so recovered defendant fully identifies as a portion of the property taken, stolen and carried away at the time & in the manner above described.

Emma Charles

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Degree

Burglary

Dated

188

Magistrate

Officer

Clerk

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$

Bail

Bailed by

No.

Street

0030

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 38 years, occupation Shoemaker of No.

29th Street Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Emma Charles

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

Sworn to before me, this 5  
day of January 1888

James H. Price

J. Murphy

Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 34 years, occupation Whisman of No.

29th Street Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Emma Charles

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

Sworn to before me, this 5  
day of January 1888

John Carey

Police Justice.

0840

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

2 District Police Court.

*Peter McCormack* 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.

*Peter McCormack*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*Twenty Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York City*

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

Answer.

*No 250 West 47<sup>th</sup> Str. About two months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Idler*

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 know nothing about it*

*Peter McCormack*

Taken before me this

day of *January* 188*4*

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK { ss

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *William Peterson*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *Seventeen*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *166 West 12th St. Three years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Fireman*

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 guilty*

*William Peterson*

Taken before me this

day of

January 1886

*W. Murphy*  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

*Louis Hawkins* 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. *Louis Hawkins*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *Eighteen years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Hanoverburg N.Y.*

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

Answer. *166 West 52 St. Three months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *None.*

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

Answer. *I am guilty.*

*Louis W. Hawkins*

Taken before me this

day of *January* 188*7*

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK,

District Police Court.

*Joshua Emory* 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.

Taken before me this

5

day of *January* 188*6*

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~~

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

Dated *January 8<sup>th</sup>* 188*6* *J. M. Connally* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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BAILED,

No. 1, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 2, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 3, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 4, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

Police Court-- 2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Emma Charles  
117 West 3rd  
vs.

1 William J. Sullivan  
2 James J. Sullivan  
3 Joshua Simpson  
4 Peter J. Sullivan

Officer J. Sullivan

Dated January 5 1886

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses James J. Sullivan

No. 29 Summit Street.

John Sullivan

No. 29 Summit Street.

John Sullivan

No. 29 Summit Street.

\$1500. Each to answer G.S.

Now

No. 4 Court Street

Now Court Jan 8/86

It appears in a to be a mistake



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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 6 DISTRICT.

of No. John O'Leary the 29th Street, aged 58 years,  
occupation Wheelerman being duly sworn deposes and says

that on the day of 188  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, John McConnack

(nowhere) is the person named in the annexed  
affidavit who was acting in concert with the  
three other defendants therein named, and who  
assisted in committing the burglary therein charged,  
and stealing the property therein described: and who  
was not arrested at the time or previous to the  
annexed complaint being drawn -

James G. Price

Sworn to before me, this

of January

188

day

Police Justice.



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Dr. WILLIAM L. HARDY,  
353 West 28th Street.

New York, February 7<sup>th</sup> 1886

Hon. Randolph B. Martin  
District Attorney  
Dear Sir

I have examined  
Peter Mc Cormick now confined  
in the city prison. He is insane  
suffering from mania of a  
religious character, he refuses  
to eat and made an attempt  
at suicide. He is the source of  
a great deal of trouble in the  
prison and is a proper subject  
for commitment to an insane  
asylum

Respectfully Yours  
William L. Hardy M.D.

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The People

VS

Peter W. Connick

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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Peter M. Carmick

Let this case  
be put on in Part  
1. on tomorrow, 9<sup>th</sup>  
inst. - to try question  
of depts. & duty.  
Feb 8<sup>th</sup> /86 R.B.M.  
To Mr. Conner

0050

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 Peterson, Senior,  
Standards, Joshua Emery  
and Peter McCormack

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
William Peterson, Senior, Standards,  
Joshua Emery and Peter McCormack  
of the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said William, Senior, Joshua and  
Peter, each —

late of the Twentieth Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the thirtieth day of December, in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, with force and arms, about the  
hour of twelve o'clock in the night time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one Emma Pharo,

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there some  
human being, to wit: the said Emma and one

Stella more, —

within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels  
and personal property of the said Emma and Stella, —

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

William, Senior, Joshua and Peter

being then and there assisted by

a confederate, actually present,

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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SECOND COUNT—

AND THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID, by this indictment, further accuse the said *William Peterson, Lewis Standring, Joshua Emery and Peter McComada,* of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *First* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *William, Lewis, Joshua and Peter, each* —

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

*one suit of female wearing apparel, to wit: one dress, of the value of six hundred and fifty dollars, one other suit of female wearing apparel, to wit: a certain other dress, of the value of two hundred and fifty dollars, one other dress of the value of three hundred and fifty dollars, one wrapper of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars, and one package of the value of one hundred and twenty five dollars, of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Emma Rhader, — and one wrap of the value of two hundred and fifty dollars, and one parcel of the value of fifty dollars, of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Stella Ware, —*

in the dwelling house of the said *Emma, —*

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.

*Randolph B. Martine,*  
*District Attorney.*

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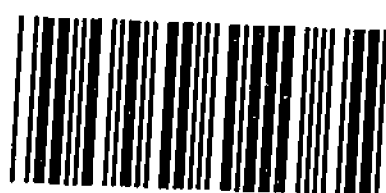
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Phalen, John

DATE:

01/05/86



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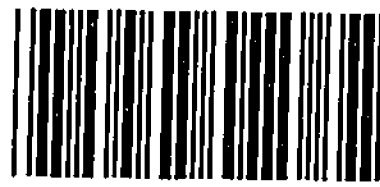
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DESCRIPTION:

Lowrey, John

DATE:

01/05/86



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Witnesses:

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Counsel,

Filed

day of

Pleas,

1886

Magistrate THE PEOPLE

111 W. Riverside St.

John Phalen

John Lowrey

Robbery, degree, [Sections 224 and 228, Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

W. H. Head & Co. 11.

A True Bill.

Foreman.

1. State Reformatory.  
2. S. P. Fine years.

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Police Court

District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

George Richard

of No 63 East 126<sup>th</sup> Street,being duly sworn, deposes and saith, that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December 1886, at the 12<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 deponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the FOLLOWING PROPERTY, VIZ:

One pair of shoes of the value of

One Dollar and Sixty Cents

of the value of One Dollar and 60/100 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 Phelan and John Lowry (both now  
 free), from the fact that deponent  
 was waiting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in  
 said City near the corner of 130<sup>th</sup> Street,  
 and that deponent was accosted by  
 said Phelan, who approached deponent  
 seized him by the arm, and forcibly  
 removed said pair of shoes from the  
 necktie of deponent. Deponent further  
 says that said Lowry was in the  
 company of said Phelan and departed  
 with him. Deponent further says  
 that he was informed that said  
 Phelan and Lowry were subsequently  
 arrested with said property in  
 their possession, which deponent

Subscribed before me, this 188

Police Justice

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has seen and fully identifies as that  
which was stolen from him  
George Pinkert

Sworn before me this  
26<sup>th</sup> day of September 1881  
Andrew J. White

Police Justice

Police Court— District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT—ROBBERY.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer

Witnesses:

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK } ss

District Police Court.

*John Lowry* 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.

*John Lowry*

Taken before me this

26

day of

1888

*Wm. J. Smith*

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

John Phalen 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.

John Phalen

Taken before me this

day of

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

John Phelan and John Rowan

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 26 1881 Andrew Smith 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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Police Court

1471  
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George Richard  
63 East 126th  
John Phelan  
John Lowry  
Offence

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

Dated November 26 188

Magistrate

Officer.

12 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. The 12 Precinct Street.

August Kiesecker 2390-4 Ave.

Fred. Lühr 2400-4 Ave.

Jacob Zweifel 113 E. 129 St.

No. Street,

\$ 1500 to answer G. J.

0861

Office of  
**Robert J. Williams,**  
—DEALER IN—  
**Coal and Wood,**  
Foot of 130th Street, E. R.

New York, Jan 8<sup>th</sup> 1886.  
I hereby certify that John  
Loory was in my employ  
until the 25<sup>th</sup> December, and  
during the time that he  
worked for me, he gave  
me very good satisfaction  
R. J. Williams

0862

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 Phalen

and

John Lawrence

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

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

The said John Phalen and John Lawrence, each —

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-fifth* day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *George Reichert*, in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

one *seventy* *five* *cents* of the value of

one *dollar* and *sixty* *cents*.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *George Reichert*, from the person of the said *George Reichert*, against the will, and by violence to the person of the said *George Reichert*, then and there violently and feloniously did rob, steal, take and carry away, (each of

them the said John Phalen and John Lawrence being then and there aided by an accomplice actually present) —

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 P. Mathis,  
District Attorney

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Pinkerton, John

DATE:

01/19/86



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Witnesses:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed 19 day of Aug 1886  
Pleads \_\_\_\_\_

THE PEOPLE

36. Grand vs. R

John Pinkerton

AD

[Section Penal Code].  
*Amended*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Pleads guilty.

A True Bill.

Pen: One year.

*James H. Rogers*

Foreman

0865

**Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus,**  
NEW YORK CITY.

I Hereby Certify, that *John Pinkerton*  
and *Mary Jane Kelly* were lawfully Married,  
according to the rite of the Catholic Church, by the  
Rev. *Thos. F. Gregg* on the *30<sup>th</sup>* day of  
*September* 18*83* in presence of *John Shear*  
and *Elizabeth Kelly*

*Copied from the Parish Register, this*  
*16<sup>th</sup>* day of *Jan.* 18*86*  
*Dr. J. S.*

*Martin J. Brophy*  
Rector

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 2 DISTRICT.

of No. 581 Grand Street, aged 27 years,  
occupation None being duly sworn deposes and says,  
that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 1883

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

John Pinkerton

(nowhere) did unlawfully marry  
deponent at the Church of the Sacred  
Heart in West 51<sup>st</sup> Street in the City of New  
York on the above date he having at the time  
living by name of Mary Ann Carr  
to whom he had been married on the  
12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1868 in Saint Peters Church  
in Barclay Street of said City and from  
whom he has never had any divorce or  
legal Separation as deponent is informed  
by the said Mary Ann Carr. Wherefore

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deponent charges the said defendant  
with Begamy. and prays he may be  
held and dealt with as the law  
directs

Mary Anne Kelly

Sworn to before me  
this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 1886

Wm. W. W. W.

Police Justice

Police Court, District,

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFRIDA VIT.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 37 years, occupation Mary Ann Carr  
Laundress of No. 184 Hudson Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Mary Jane Kelly  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Jan 1886 } Mary Ann Carr

Wm. H. H. H.  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198--200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

*John Pinkerton* 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 guilty*  
*John Pinkerton*

Taken before me this

day of

1886

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

Fifteen hundred Dollars, 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 Jan 17 188 6 Wm. V. Burke Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Police Court-- 2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Mary Jane Kelly  
~~Is defendant of 1407 Park St.~~  
John Pinkerton

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Office of Gregory

Dated Jan 17<sup>th</sup> 1886

Chas. Kelde Magistrate.

M. Kelly Officer.

2<sup>d</sup> dist Court Precinct.

Witnesses Mary Ann Carr

No. 184 Hudson Street.

Elizabeth Kelly

No. 1446 West 5<sup>th</sup> St. Street.

Rev. Thomas H. Gregg  
Church of Sacred Heart  
West 5<sup>th</sup> St.

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

\$ 1.00 to answer Gen. Sec.

Order of \_\_\_\_\_  
Bureau

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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 Pindarson

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

John Pindarson

of the CRIME OF Bigamy.

committed as follows:

The said John Pindarson,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the twelfth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at the said City and County aforesaid, did marry one Mary Ann Carr, and then the said Mary Ann Carr did then and there have for his wife, and afterwards, to wit, on the thirtieth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, did feloniously marry and take as his wife, one Mary Jane Kelly, and to the said Mary Jane Kelly was then and there married, the said Mary Ann Carr being then living

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and in full force: 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. Martin,  
District Attorney.



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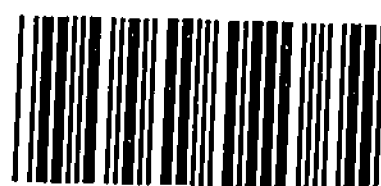
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DESCRIPTION:

Plant, Thomas

DATE:

01/12/86



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100 Green

Counsel,  
Filed 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 1886  
Pleads, Not guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs.

F

Thomas Plant

Robbery, 1<sup>st</sup> degree.  
[Sections 224 and 225, Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

In May 1878 District Attorney.

Filed & committed, 12<sup>th</sup> May 1886

A True Bill

Presented by me as  
Foreman.

Subscribed & sworn to.

Attest

Witnesses:



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Court of General Sessions of the Peace,  
City and County of New York.

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:  
The People :  
:  
against : Before  
:  
Thomas Plant : Hon. Henry A. Gildersleeve,  
:  
Indicted for robbery in the : And a Jury.  
first degree. :  
:  
-----:

Tried - January 15th, 1886.

Thomas Plant, being arraigned for sentence,  
on January 18th, 1886, Judge Gildersleeve said, " It is true  
that, the Court does sometimes find fault with the verdicts  
of Juries, but not often. Twelve men are more likely to be  
right, than one. When I am inclined to disbelieve a charge,  
and the Jury differ with me, I think that I am wrong, and  
that, they are right. I have had occasion, however, to dis-  
agree with Juries, and have not hesitated to say so.

In this case, however, I do not criticise the  
verdict of the Jury. I think it is a very proper one, under  
the evidence. The Officer may, or may not, have been mistaken  
as to the identity of the Defendant. He belived, however,

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he was chasing the man that he saw assaulting the complainant, and that, that was the defendant.

However, Thomas, you do not look like a very bad young man. Whatever your capacity for evil doing may be, it is not very fully developed as yet. Here are gentlemen who had employed you, and trusted you with money, and they are willing to give you work now. They are willing, if you have done wrong, to give you an opportunity to make amends. As you are young, and have an opportunity to go to work immediately, I think it best to give you an opportunity, to allow you to go to work.

You can go, with these gentlemen, and have reputable employment at once, and it is better than to send you to any Reformatory, or Penal Institution, because this is undoubtedly the first offence which you have been charged with. We will give you another chance, while assuming that every body is correct in this case. Judgment will be suspended, and you can be brought here and sentenced, at any time. But for these gentlemen, who are willing to give you work, I would not feel willing to allow you to go, and I hope you will not lose their confidence, but do well by them, and I think they will do well by you. Sentences is suspended.



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Police Court-- 2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss  
OF NEW YORK,

of No 259 West 26th Street, Aged 43 Years  
Occupation Cabinet-Maker

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 5th day of January 1886, at the 20th Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, from the person of deponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

One colored cotton handkerchief of the value of Five cents  
One nickel coin of the denomination & value of Five cents  
Gold and lawful money of the United States

of the value of Five cents  
the property of Deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, by force and violence as aforesaid by

Thomas Hunt (man here) and three other persons whose names are unknown to deponent and who have not been arrested, from the fact that a fight was passing through West 26th Street between the 7th and 8th blocks, the defendant and the three other persons whose names are unknown to deponent and who have not been arrested were together and acting in concert with each other, that they the said unknown persons violently seized deponent and pushed him against a lamp-post so that his back was pressed against it, that one of the said unknown persons threw his arms around deponent's body and

day of  
Sworn to before me, this

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Police Justice.

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arms and said lamp-post from behind and thus  
held him powerless in that position, while the defendant  
thrust his hands by force and violence without defendant's  
consent and against his will thrust his hands into  
the pockets of the Overcoat then and there even by defendant's  
assent of his body flattening and taking the above described  
property therefrom and gave away with the same  
that the fourth mentioned person who has not been arrested,  
was at the lockout and gave the alarm when the officers  
making the arrest appeared and after they had secured the  
above described property.

Worn to before me this  
6 day of January 1886.

J. M. [Signature]  
Police Justice

Emil Luther

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 1886  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated 1886  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1886  
Police Justice.

Police Court, District,	Offence—ROBBERY.
THE PEOPLE, &c., on the complaint of	
ss.	
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Dated 1886	Magistrate.
	Officer.
	Clerk.
Witnesses,	
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	to answer General Sessions.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

District Police Court.

Thomas Plant 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.

Thomas Plant

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Twenty Years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Texas

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

Answer.

No 461 West 52 St. Six months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Driver

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

Answer.

I know nothing at all about this charge.  
I was passing the corner of 27 Street & 7 Ave when the  
Officer arrested me

Thomas Plant

Taken before me this

day of February 1888

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

Thomas Hunt  
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~~ legally discharged

Dated May 11 1886 J. Cherryford Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street.

No. 2, by

Residence

Street.

No. 3, by

Residence

Street

No. 4, by

Residence

Street.

Police Court

25 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Amos Luther*  
*259 West 26th*  
*Thomas Smith*

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Office *W. H. H. H.*

Dated

1886

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

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to answer

*Gen Lee*  
*Without Bail*  
*Com*

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Thomas Plant

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

of the CRIME OF ROBBERY in the first — degree, committed as follows:

The said Thomas Plant,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the 25th — day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, in the time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one Erind Suther, in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

one handkerchief to the value of five cents, and one nickel coin of the United States of the kind known as five cent pieces, of the value of five cents.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said Erind Suther, — from the person of the said Erind Suther, — against the will, and by violence to the person of the said Erind Suther, — then and there violently and feloniously did rob, steal, take and carry away, (the said

Thomas Plant being then and there aided by an accomplice actually present, whose name is 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.

Randolph B. Martin  
District Attorney.



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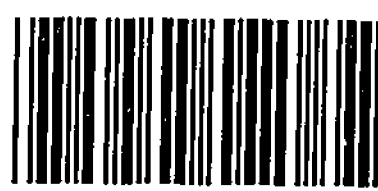
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Pratoius, William

**DATE:**

01/07/86



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Comptroller asks for  
summary in the  
case. Ex. 2 appears  
witnesses:  
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all papers with

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Counsel,  
Filed 7 day of Jan 1886  
Pleads

Grand Larceny, 2nd degree  
[Sections 528, 58 & Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE

vs.

William Pratorius

(2 sons)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Thurston Higgins Foreman.  
Jan 7/86  
Pleaded Guilty  
Jan 15/86

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New York. - Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> 1886.  
No. 9. - 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

Honorable

Recorder Frederick Smyth. Esq.

New York.

Your Honor!

In the name of my beloved wife and children, of whom my son William is the eldest, I hereby beg You to have mercy on him. - The boy is not bad, and never was, he will yet turn out an honest and respectable man, and make himself worthy of God's mercy and men's confidence and good opinion. - As brokenhearted as I am now, I can only pray You, Honorable Sir, to give me back my boy, and I shall at once procure him a free passage home to his mother in Denmark, - and should I ever again - after years - bring him over here along with the family, You will find, Sir, that You have shown Your mercy upon a good son, for whom the best reformatory was the arms of his mother. -

Pray, Your Honor, suspend the sentence on my boy, - give him back to us, - and I will see him off for his right home within a couple of days, - I am too poor to pay for a lawyer, too poor to pay for his passage, - but I speak for myself and all of us to Your Honor - his Judge - with all a father's love and confidence in his good child, - and I am able to procure him a free passage home. - I beg to enclose documents as to my own former career and character, and once more with all my sincere love to my kind, good-hearted but once failing boy pray You for Your mercy, that You will give him back to us, whom he never deceived before, and who will take the best care of him for all his life. -

Most Respectfully,

J. W. Praetorius.

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P. H.  
M. T. H. H.

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HENRY D. DUMONT,  
NATIONAL BUILDING,  
57 BROADWAY,  
Room 17.

New York,

June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1890

"To Whom it may Concern"

This is to certify that  
Wilhelm Reatorius has been in  
my employ since Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 1890  
& I have found him a very  
Honest, Truthful & capable boy,  
prompt in his business duties,  
more willing to do, than I  
would consider his strength  
capable of enduring, and regret  
exceedingly to lose his services,  
and can cheerfully recommend  
him to any one desiring the  
services of a capable clerk, as  
he is able to do & fill a better  
position than boy in any house  
needing the services of such an  
one.

Yours Respectfully  
Henry D. Dumont



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Och Vilhelm Tratorius,  
der sedan 1<sup>de</sup> December 1884 har varit  
kontant i Sjöförsäkrings & Rättshänsyns  
och Sjöförsäkrings, en en särdeles  
duglig Kontorsskrifver, som det mig har  
ver en förmåelse att kunna bevisas

Karlsruhe 8 April 1885

Johann  
Sjöförsäkr.



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TORN PAGE

Copy

J. A. BOWMAN.  
H. D. DUMONT.H. D. DUMONT,  
Late of**Bowman & Dumont.**30 line  
54 WILLIAM STREET,DEALERS AND INVESTORS IN  
WESTERN LANDS AND FARM MORTGAGES.  
MISCELLANEOUS SECURITIES NEGOTIATED.NEW YORK. May 9<sup>th</sup> 1885A. G. Shepard Esq.  
Vice Pres. American Bank Note Co  
New York

Dear Sir. - This will introduce to you Wilhelm Sta-  
torius whom I have known & had in my employ. he un-  
derstands several languages & is acquainted with book-keeping  
& would make an excellent correspondent, if you could  
use his services in any way, it would be an act of  
charity as he is here without money or friends, or if you  
could know of any place for him. - I will vouch for his  
honesty & faithfulness & would greatly appreciate your help.  
I leave for San Francisco to-morrow night else I  
should have called in person but am very busy getting  
ready to go. -

Yours truly  
H. D. Dumont (signed)

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Police Court—

1st District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

of No.

30

occupation

Prime Broker

Street, aged 41 years,

deposes and says, that on the 2nd day of December 1888 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 Type writer of the  
value of One Hundred  
Dollars

\$100.00

the property of Miss Cath Day and in the  
care 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

William Traetorius (now  
her) from the fact that said property  
was in use in the office of defendant  
and defendant representing that  
he was to have said property  
repairs, took said property  
from said premises. Deponent  
is informed that by Officer Heidberg  
an officer attached to the Central  
Police office, that he Heidberg  
found a person ticket representing  
said property in the possession  
of defendant. Defendant admits  
to said Heidberg that he had  
taken said property by  
the said property and identifies the same  
Number 8687

Subscribed before me this  
day 1888

Police Justice

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Whom I depose as charged said defendant  
with taking stealing and carrying  
away said property.

Subscribed before me  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 1885  
Henry D. Sumner

Henry D. Sumner Police Justice

Dated 1885  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Police Justice.

Dated 1885  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
Police Justice.

Dated 1885  
I have admitted the above named  
Police Justice.

Dated 1885  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
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

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

Police Court, District,

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

Offence—LARCENY.

vs.

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Dated

1885

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

to answer

Seasima.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Charles Heidelberg*  
aged 44 years, occupation Police Officer of No. Central Police Office Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

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*Henry Herman*  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*William Pratorius*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*19 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Sumner*

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

Answer.

*9 - 2nd Avenue - 2 weeks*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Chlor*

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 guilty of  
the charge*

*William Pratorius*

Taken before me this

day of

1888

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 \_\_\_\_\_*

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

Dated 2024 188 ✓ Heunp... 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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BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Police Court District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Henry D. Dunning*

*30 Pine*  
*William J. Proctorius*

1 \_\_\_\_\_

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3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

Dated *Dec 29* 188 *✓*

*Mumay* Magistrate

*Orlando Heidelberg* Officer.

*Co* Precinct.

Witnesses *Call the officers*

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

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

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

\$ *500* - to answer *MS*

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Police Court First District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,of No. 30 Pine Banker James A. Strong Street, aged 62 years,  
occupationdeposes and says, that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 1885 in 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 Typewriter Machine of the  
Value of One Hundred Dollarsthe property of Deponentand that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by William Pratorius (nowhere)

from the fact that the defendant was employed  
by deponent as a clerk and on the above  
described date deponent missed the aforesaid  
property and the said defendant informed  
deponent that the Machine was out of order  
and that he defendant had taken said Machine  
to be repaired and defendant failed to return  
said Machine and deponent caused the  
arrest of defendant and deponent is informed  
by Officer Charles Heindelberg of the Central  
Office that he found in the defendant's  
possession a pawn ticket representing said  
Machine, and the said defendant admitted  
and confessed to said Officer Heindelberg in

Subscribed before me this

1885

Police Justice

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the presence of deponent that the said pawn  
tickets hereto attached and found in de-  
fendant's possession did represent said  
Machine that he defendant had pawned  
said Machine at W. J. Simpson's pawn  
office No 57 Chatham Street and received  
Twenty dollars for said Machine deponent  
has since seen said property and identified the  
same No 3946  
Sworn to before me this

29th Day December 1885

Saml A Shrag

Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been  
committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated 1885  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated 1885  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1885  
Police Justice.

Police Court, District,

THE PEOPLE, vs.,  
on the complaint of

Offence—LARCENY.

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Dated

1885

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witness,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

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to answer

Sessions.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Charles Heidelberg  
aged 44 years, occupation Police Officer of No.

Central Office Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Samuel A. Gray

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

Dec 29 1880

Robert H. [Signature]  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, { ss

186 District Police Court.

*William Pastors* 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 guilty*  
*William Pastors*

Taken before me this

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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 William

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

Dated Dec 19 188 John J. Smith Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named William Practon 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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BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Police Court

18<sup>th</sup> 6  
District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Samuel A. Strong  
30 Pine  
William Crotonius

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

Dated Dec 28<sup>th</sup> 1886

Magistrate

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses Call the officers

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

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

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

\$500 to answer

(Cm)

0904

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 Proctorius*

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

*William Proctorius*

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

The said *William Proctorius*,

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

*one typewriting machine*

*of the value of one*

*hundred dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Edith Day*,

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.

*Randolph B. Martin*  
*District Attorney*

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Witnesses:

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Counsel, .....  
Filed 7 day of Jan 188 6  
Pleads .....

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*William Pratorius*  
*(2 cases)*  
Grand Larceny 2nd degree  
[Sections 628, 58 1, Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Wm. C. Higgins* Foreman.

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The People  
 agt  
 William Pratorius

January 14 - 1886

In Examining the prisoner William Pratorius we find he has been in this country less than a year. He came from Denmark, where he has a mother and 5 Brothers & Sisters.

He has a father here & W Pratorius who has produced documents satisfactory to me that he is an Educated man, having occupied high positions in his country & elsewhere as a teacher at the school of Navigation in Copenhagen & at Aalborg in Jutland from which he has certificates showing him an excellent teacher.

He has also filled the position as interpreter for the National Steam Ship Co. and through his influence with the line can get his son a position to work his passage home to his own country.

I understand the father has arranged satisfactory with the Complainant, to restore the property taken by the son.

I am assured by the prisoner that he had no idea of committing an offense when he took the type writers & pawned them expecting soon to redeem them and all would be right. (The money raised was to meet an exigency with the family at home) He is now evidently penitent and sincerely sorry for the wrong he has done.

His father will send him on his way home by the steamer sailing tomorrow, should your Honor decide to suspend judgment and give him to his father.

The prisoner is only 19 years of age and under the circumstances as developed in this examination we have no hesitation in recommending such a course as the wisest and best, and one your Honor will never regret.

Respectfully

Stephen Cutler  
 General Agent  
 Prison Assoc<sup>n</sup> of New York

App. No. 4. Allow a week as before  
 when I can send Clerk for 3 mos  
 & then proceed to \$5-

0907

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 Proctorius*

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

- *William Proctorius* -  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed  
as follows:

The said *William Proctorius*,

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

*one typewriter machine*  
*of the value of one hundred*  
*dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Daniel A. Strong*

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.

*Donald B. Martin*  
*District Attorney*