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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Reide, James

DATE:

09/28/81



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works on steamer Niagara  
run regularly to

J. J. ...  
Tush

Pier 10 E.R. Ward, Lurie

District Police Court.

Affidavit-Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Frank Silva

of No. 305 West -

Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 4 day of September 1881  
at the 2 1/2 a M City of New York,

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

One nickel watch of the value of Five  
dollars with gold plated chain and gold charm  
of the value of five dollars  
all of the value of Ten dollars

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

1881

the property of deponent who is 35 years old + who is  
a seaman temporarily residing at above  
named street

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken,  
stolen, and carried away by James Reide (now here)

That at the hour of 2 1/2 a M on said date  
deponent was walking down Chatham  
Street when said Reide came up along-  
side of him and took and carried  
away said watch + chain that was con-  
tained in the pocket of the vest then +

then worn by deponent and ran away  
That deponent pursued said Reide in  
company with officer Hart and he said

Deponent Juror

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Hart caught said Reide in Chatham Square with said watch & chain in his possession

Frank Silva

City and County of New York

James J. Hart of the 14 Precinct Police being duly sworn says that on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1881 at the hour of 2 1/2 a m on said date he saw James Reide (now here) running up Chatham Street and Frank Silva the within named Complainant running after him that defendant joined in pursuit and caught said Reide in Chatham Square with the property described to wit watch & chain in his possession

James J. Hart

Solemnly sworn to before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1881 Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFRIDAVID—Larceny.

vs.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION

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Sec. 198-200.

DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

James Rude 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 waiven cannot be used against him on the trial,

Question. What is your name?

Answer. James Rude

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 14 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. I have no home

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. I work making umbrellas

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 The fellow was with me took the watch and handed it to me and told me to run

James Rude

Taken before me, this 4 }  
day of September 1881 }

B. B. B. B. Police Justice

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Official document  
Printed at New York  
Sept 17  
BAILED,

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

Sec. 308, 309, 310 & 312

Police Court - 1st District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Frank Silver  
305 West 21st St.

1 James Reede

Offence, Larceny from the Person

Dated Sept-4 1881

Wm. B. Bixby Magistrate.

Wm. B. Bixby Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses James D. Hunt  
Wm. B. Bixby

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

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



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

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

Dated Sept-4 1881

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

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 208, 209, 210 & 212.

Police Court District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Frank Suwa  
305 West 4th

1 James Reide

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3  
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Dated Sept-4 1881

376 Bixby Magistrate.

7 Hart-14 Officer.

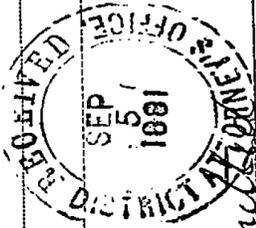
..... Clerk.

Witnesses

James J. Hart  
The 14th Precinct - 7th Street.

No. .... Street,

No. .... Street.



.....

Officer Hart re-  
ports that Suwa  
has been taken  
to his home to have  
a trial be back  
the 27. Sept  
Sept. 7  
BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

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 James Reide

guilty thereof, I order that he be admitted to bail in the sum of ~~Five~~ Hundred Dollars and be com-  
mitted to the Warden or Keeper of the City Prison until he give such bail.

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

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

Dated 1881  
Police Justice.

Dated 1881  
Police Justice.

Dated Sept-4 1881  
Police Justice.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

*James Reide*  
against

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

*James Reide*

of the crime of

*Larceny from the person*

committed as follows

The said

*James Reide*

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- *one* at the Ward, City, and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

*One watch of the value of five dollars*  
*One chain of the value of five dollars*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one *Frank Silva*  
on the person of the said *Frank Silva* then and there being found,  
from the person of the said *Frank Silva* 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.

~~DANIEL C. ROLLINS~~  
~~BENJ. K. PHELPS~~ District Attorney.

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

*James Reide*  
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN Goods, committed as follows:

The said

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

*One watch of the value of five dollars.*  
*One chain of the value of five dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Frank Silva*

by a certain person or persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, then lately before  
feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said

*Frank Silva*  
unlawfully, unjustly, did feloniously receive and have (the said

*James Reide*  
then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels, and personal property to have  
been feloniously stolen, taken and carried away) against the form of the Statute in  
such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of  
New York, and their dignity

DANIEL G. ROLLINS, District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, Charles

DATE:

09/12/81



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U.S.

Counsel,  
Filed 2 day of Sept 1881  
Pleads not guilty

INDICTMENT - ~~Larceny~~ ~~the Person.~~

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Charles Kille

*[Handwritten notes and signatures]*

BENJ. K. PHILLIPS,

District Attorney.

with case of  
A True Bill. James D. [unclear]

*[Signature]* Foreman.

Sept. 27, 1881.

*[Signature]*  
Spec. & Certified

S.P. 18 months  
P. 2 Oct 1881. *[Signature]*

4-8 hours made  
to complete  
before him

Attest:  
William Stone:

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The People  
vs.Court of General Sessions, Part I  
Before Judge Cowing. Sept. 27. 1880.  
Charles Keilly Indictment for Larceny

William Moore, sworn and examined testified:  
 You are the complainant, Mr. Moore? Yes sir.  
 Live in the city? No sir, I live in Jersey.  
 Plainfield? Yes sir. You came here and fell  
 among thieves, did you? I happened to meet  
 them. On the 26<sup>th</sup> of August was it? I think  
 it was sir. The 26<sup>th</sup> of August did you lose any  
 property? I lost a watch and chain; it was  
 taken from me. Where did you have the  
 watch? I had it in my pocket. Any chain  
 attached to it? Yes sir. What kind of a chain  
 was it? Here is a part of it. Which pocket did  
 you have it in? I had it in this pocket where  
 I have this watch. Up in the watch pocket, the  
 left side of your vest? Yes sir. And this was  
 a portion of the chain attached to the watch  
 and this went through your button hole? That  
 was picked off the sidewalk and gave to me  
 after the watch had been grabbed and the  
 rest of the chain. Was the end of it attached  
 to anything? Yes, there was another bit to  
 the chain, the same as that - an imitation  
 whip. And the imitation whip fastened into your  
 button hole? Yes sir. Well now tell us about how  
 you came to lose it, where you were. I was

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at the corner of West and Lealand sts. I was going home and this young man there behind you (the prisoner) grabbed this chain and pulled the watch out of my pocket. Then there was another little fellow that I guess conveyed the watch off, the watch went off between them. He grabbed the chain? Yes sir, it broke the chain. How he broke it I don't know, the chain was broken. What did he do after he grabbed it? He ran away, and I halloed to this young man that opens oysters in the saloon (once in a while I go in there and get some oysters), and he grabbed him. I halloed for police after I had him, I just grabbed him by the hand and kept him until the police came and gave him up. What was your watch worth? Really I do not know what it was worth. I would not take \$150 for it; it may not be worth so much; it may be worth more. It was worth more than twenty five dollars? Yes sir. Cross Examined You say it was worth more than twenty five dollars? I suppose it was worth more than that to anybody. What was it, gold or silver? A gold cased watch. How long had you had it? Oh I had it quite a while. Ten or fifteen years? No. A gold chain? I guess so, yes; here is the chain, you can try it yourself. You say this prisoner snatched the watch? I do. Are you

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positive of that? Only for I am I would not say it. Could not you have been mistaken as to whether it was him or some one else? I do not think I could. Or some one about his size? No. Did you have a good look at him? O yes, I had him by the wrist tight. Where were you when this watch was taken from you? I was on the sidewalk.

Where was he caught? He was caught right there where he took the watch, it was at the corner. Is there not a hotel at the corner? Yes Sir, there used to be. At that time did not some people at the hotel tell you this young man had nothing to do with it? No one at the hotel; some other fellow that came to release him. I held him until the officer came and took him.

Did he tell you he had nothing to do with it? If he told me so I would not believe him.

William Francisco sworn and examined  
I work at an oyster stand at the North river. It was on a Friday night I think the prisoner was arrested. At 3 minutes past 12 at night I was sitting outside in a Lager beer keg and Mr. Moore came past, I says to myself, "he is going to catch the 12 o'clock train and he will miss it. He had not more than turned the corner, before he halloed, "stop thief," a little fellow ran past and this Keilly ran past, I caught him, Mr. Moore halloed

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"Hold that man, he has got my watch. The little boy ran ahead of the prisoner, I could have caught him too. There was a gang came up and tried to take this young fellow from me and Mr Moore. They said he had nothing to do with it. How did they know he had nothing to do with it? At the time there was nobody there. You know sooner got around the corner than you heard this cry and saw these two running around and the little boy ahead?" Yes sir.

Charles Reilly, sworn and examined in his own behalf. I was on the corner of Cortland and West Sts. This man passed, I was right on the steps there and this man halloed "Stop thief" or something. I was standing near the paper stand; he caught hold of me; he says, "You have got my watch." I says, "No, I have not got your watch." He says, "I am going to have you arrested. So the policeman came along and he had me arrested. Nobody even touched me. That man did not even catch hold of me or anything. I did not have anything to do with taking the watch. I was nowhere near the man, I was a block away from the man. I did not run away at all. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty. The prisoner was remanded for sentence till Thursday.

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Testimony in the case  
of Charles Reilly  
filed Sept. 1871.

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POLICE COURT FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Charles Reilly* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at  
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Charles Reilly*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *396 Greenwich Street*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *I shooie boots*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what.—relative to the charge here  
preferred against you?

Answer. *I was nowhere near the  
explanation, I did not take it*

*Charles Reilly*

Taken before me, this *27*  
day of ~~August~~ *1858*

*Miriam O'Connell*  
*Police Justice*

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*Fifth* District Police Court

CITY AND COUNTY } ss. *William Moore*  
OF NEW YORK, }

of No. *Plainfield new jersey* Street,  
being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that on the *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 18*81*  
at the *corner of Cortland and West Street* *Fifth* Ward of the City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, *and from his person*

the following property viz.:

*one gold case watch and part of a gold chain  
all of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars*

Sworn before me this *27*

the property of *deponent*

day of *August* 18*81*

POLICE JUSTICE

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 *Charles Reilly (now here) for the*

*reason following to wit; that on said day at about the hour of 12.40 P.M. while this deponent was standing at the corner of said Cortland and West Streets, carrying said watch in the left side pocket of the vest then and there worn by him as part of his bodily apparel, and with said chain attached to said watch, deponent caught said Charles Reilly in the act of snatching and taking away said watch and said part of said chain.*

*William Moore*  
*mark*

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Fourth DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William Chase  
Baired

VS.

Charles Reedy

DATED August 27 1878



MAGISTRATE.

*Complainant & witnesses are here  
for his expenses to look for  
witnesses*  
To be sworn to before 27

WITNESSES:

Western Union Hotel  
Corner Lombard and West 12

\$1000 T.A.  
James L. Lannon

Complainant Charles  
Baired  
No. 43  
James Van Pelt City

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POLICE COURT, DISTRICT VIOLATION OF EXCISE LAW. RECOGNIZANCE TO ANSWER.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK } ss.

26<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord 1881

William Moore  
of Plainfield New Jersey  
and James Van Pelt  
of No. 43 Courtlandt Street, in the said City,

personally came before the undersigned, one of the Police Justices in the City of New York, and acknowledged themselves to owe to the PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, that is to say; the said

Moore  
the sum of One Hundred Dollars; and the said  
Van Pelt

the sum of One Hundred Dollars, separately, of good and lawful money of the State of New York, to be levied and made of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, to the use of said

People, if default shall be made in the condition following viz:

The Condition of this Recognizance is such, That if the persons first above recognized, shall personally appear, at the next Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the city and county of New York, and then and there testify and give such evidence, in behalf of the people of the State of New York, as he may know concerning an offense or misdemeanors, said to have been lately committed in the City of New York aforesaid by Charles Reilly  
And do not depart thence, without leave of the Court, then this Recognizance to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Taken and acknowledged before me, the }  
day and year aforesaid.

McConnell  
POLICE JUSTICE.

William Moore  
James Van Pelt

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

day of August 1881  
Merrill M. [Signature]  
Justice

Sworn to before me, this

26th

James Van Pelt

the within named Bail, being duly sworn, says, that he is a Resident holder in said City and is worth Two Hundred Dollars, (\$200) over and above the amount of all his debts and liabilities; and that his property consists of

Stock of Merchandise consisting of Wines, liquors and Cigars and fixtures of store at No. 43 Courtlandt Street in said City valued at Five thousand dollars.

James Van Pelt

NEW YORK GENERAL SESSIONS.

THE PEOPLE, & C.

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William Moore

against

Charles Reilly

RECOGNIZANCE TO ANSWER  
VIOLATION EXISTING LA W  
by non of

Taken file 24 day of August 1881

Justice

Filed day of 188

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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 *Charles Reilly*

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

*Charles Reilly*

of the crime of

*Carrying from the Person of another*

committed as follows:

The said

*Charles Reilly*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid,

on the *twenty eighth* day of *August* in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty *one* at the Ward, City, and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms

*One watch of the value  
of one hundred and  
twenty-five dollars.*

*One watch-chain of  
the value of twenty-  
five dollars*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one *William Moore*  
on the person of said *William Moore* then and there being found,  
from the person of said *William Moore* 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.

*Daniel Q. Rollins*

~~BENJ. K. PHELPS~~, District Attorney.

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, Michael

DATE:

09/14/81



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Witness:  
John Reilly;  
Chas. Thomas Kern;

Counsel,  
Filed 14 day of Sept 1881  
Pleads Not guilty - (15)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Michael Reilly

INDICTMENT.  
LAWRENCE.

DANIEL C ROLLINS,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
100 N. 3rd St. PHILADELPHIA.

District Attorney.

Case for Sept. 16, 1881  
tried & convicted P. C.  
A True Bill.

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W. A. Miller  
Foreman.

Emos Pen

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6<sup>th</sup> District Police Court

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No. *Arthur* Street, *John Kelly*  
*Brookham 24<sup>th</sup> ward*  
being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 1881  
at the *24<sup>th</sup> ward* City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent,

the following property, viz.:

*One open faced gold watch of the value  
of Fifty Dollars (\$50)*

the property of *Deponent*

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken,  
stolen, and carried away by *Michael Kelly (now here)*

*for the reasons following to wit: That the said  
watch was hanging on a nail over a bed  
in a room of Deponent's house at the above  
described place, on the said 26<sup>th</sup> day of June,  
That said Kelly went into said room  
and shortly afterwards said watch was missed.  
That said Kelly, who had been stopping at  
the house of Deponent for several days left  
the said house without giving notice and*

Sworn before me this *18<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 1881  
Perce J. Justice

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remained away until the present time.  
That deponent was sitting in an adjoining  
room and knows that no other person  
except said Reilly went into said room  
where said watch was hanging.

Subscribed before me this 24<sup>th</sup> <sup>John ~~Reilly~~ mark</sup>  
day of August 1881

Glugh Gardner Police Justice

6<sup>th</sup> District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, & Co.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Reilly

vs.  
Michael Reilly

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

DATED August 24<sup>th</sup> 1881

Gardner  
MAGISTRATE.

Keans  
OFFICER.  
34<sup>th</sup>

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION  
\$500 to Ans. G. S.  
Cano

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Form 75.

Police Court—Sixth District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Michael Rully* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he was at  
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz.:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Michael Rully*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *34 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *309 East 13<sup>th</sup> St*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Laborer*

Question. Have you anything to say and if so, what,—relative to the charge.

here preferred against you?

Answer. *I am not guilty of the charge*  
*Michael Rully*

Taken before me, this

*14<sup>th</sup>* day of *August*, 18*97*

*Stephen G. Green*

Police Justice.

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COUNSEL FOR COMPLAINANT.

Form 66.  
POLICE COURT, SIXTH DISTRICT.

Name

Address

THE PEOPLE, &c.

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John Reilly*  
*Franklin St. 240 19th St.*

*Michael Reilly*

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence,

No. 2, by

Residence,

No. 3, by

Residence,

No. 4, by

Residence,

No. 5, by

Residence,

No. 6, by

Residence,

Dated

*August 24<sup>th</sup> 1881*

Magistrate.

*Gardner*

Name

Address

*Kearnsan* Officer.

*34<sup>th</sup>*

Clerk.

*Franklin St. 15<sup>th</sup>*

Witnesses,

*Wells & Ans G. S. 1500*



Received in District Atty's Office.

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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,

*Michael Reilly*  
against

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

*Michael Reilly*  
of the crime of *larceny*

committed as follows:

The said

*Michael Reilly*

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

*One watch of the value of fifty dollars.*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one

*John Reilly*

then and  
there being found, 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.

DANIEL C ROLLINS,

~~DANIEL C ROLLINS~~ District Attorney.

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Rentz, Charles

DATE:

09/12/81



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Morris, Thomas

DATE:

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DESCRIPTION:

Lyons, George

DATE:

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DESCRIPTION:

Rentz, John

DATE:

09/12/81



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Henry H. Northrup  
~~Henry H. Northrup~~

~~Thompson~~

John W. Rents  
Charles W. Rents  
by Mr. Rents  
the Report of  
that there is to  
with just apper  
See also apper  
as a Thematic  
to order of

Collectors  
Filed / 2 day of Sep 1881  
McPleads 1881 July 13

16,000<sup>00</sup> THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
1. Charles Rents  
2. Thomas Morris  
3. George Leonard  
4. John W. Rents

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,  
District Attorney  
Nov 1, 2, 3, 4  
A True Bill.  
Foreman.

John Morris  
Charles Rents  
Geo Leonard  
Nov 4. 1881  
F. 2. Sept. 21.

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Police Court—Second District.

City and County  
of New York.

Henry H. Wotherpoon

of No. 144 W 12<sup>th</sup> Street, being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that the premises No. 144 W 12<sup>th</sup> Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Ward, in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a brick building and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling house

were **BURGLARIOUSLY** entered by means of forcibly entering the coal hole and breaking open the cellar door leading to the interior of said premises

on the morning of the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1881

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

One silver plated Dessert Knife, one dozen nut pickers and nut crackers, one dozen silver plated Knives, one Smith & Wesson Revolver, one Field Glass, one Coral pin & ear ring, two pearl set pin & ear rings, two pair silver buttons, one Cornu sleeve button, one pair Mosaic sleeve buttons, one gold headed cane, one N.Y. V. Veteran gold pin, one silver medal, three pair shirt studs, two aqua marina shirt studs, one black coat and vest, one grey coat & vest, two pair dark pants, one pair checked pants, one pair dark grey pants, one light sack coat & vest, one pair dark pantaloons, one over coat and other articles of the value of about hundred dollars the property of Henry H. Wotherpoon the 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 Charles Reutz, Henry Morris, George Lyons

and John Reutz, all shown here

for the reasons following, to wit: that deponent was informed by telegraph

on the day aforesaid by his brother William W. Wotherpoon that the aforesaid premises had been burglariously entered. That deponent returned to the City and discovered that the premises had been burglariously entered and that the aforesaid property had been taken and stolen therefrom. That the deponent is informed by officers Flanagan and Diller of the 9<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police that they also secured have acknowledged and confessed that

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I then told Charles Reutz, Thomas Morris and George Lynn that they took and stole a herein recited the aforesaid property and that they the said Charles, Thomas and George gave a part of the said property to John Reutz for the purpose of passing the said property. And the said Charles, Thomas and George acknowledged and confessed to this Deposition that they had taken and stolen the property here shown as a part of the property herein charged as stolen  
Sworn to before me this

31st day of August 1881

Henry H. Northrop

John Morgan -  
Police Justice

City and County of New York  
State of New York

John Flanagan of the 9th Precinct Police being duly sworn deposes and says that Charles Reutz, Thomas Morris and George Lynn acknowledged and confessed to him that they had entered the premises 144 W. 17th burglariously and took and carried away the aforesaid property and gave a part of the same to John Reutz that he might pass it. And that they the said Charles, Thomas and George had passed the residue had passed at several

Deponent found the silver plates shown here shown (made in a vacant stable in West 10th Street) where the said Charles, Thomas and George acknowledged and confessed they had concealed it  
Sworn to before me this

31st day of August 1881

John Flanagan

John Morgan  
Police Justice

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POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } SS.

*gm*  
*George Lyons*

being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at  
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *George Lyons*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *at home*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *I have none*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here  
preferred against you?

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

*Geo Lyons*

Taken before me, this *31* of  
day of *August*, 18*81*

*A. J. Morgan*  
Police Justice.

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*and*  
POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Charles Reutz*

being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Charles Reutz*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *16 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *NYC*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *217 Avenue C*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Work in a restaurant*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what, relative to the charge here preferred against you?

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

Taken before me, this

*3/27*

day of

*August*

188*1*

*Charles Reutz*

*P. J. [Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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2<sup>nd</sup>  
POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Thomas Morris* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at  
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Thomas Morris*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *30 1/2 West 13<sup>th</sup> St*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Work in a Seal-stone*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here  
preferred against you?

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

*Thomas  
Morris*

Taken before me, this *31<sup>st</sup>*  
day of *August*, 18*87*

*R. L. Morgan*  
Police Justice.

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<sup>2nd</sup>  
POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

*John Reutz*

being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John Reutz*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *217 Avenue A*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Writer*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here preferred against you?

Answer. *I know nothing of it. I am not guilty.*

*John D. Reutz*

Taken before me, this *31st*  
day of *August*, 188*1*

*R. L. Morgan*  
Police Justice.

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Police Court—Second District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Henry A. Wetherston  
12th St.

Chas. Reinhart  
2 James Morris St.  
3 George Young St.  
4 John Reuter

Dated August 31 1881

Morgan Magistrate.

Thurgood Kelly Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:  
Thurgood Kelly 9th Precinct  
Meta Mortens  
152 W. 12th Street

Committed in default of \$1000 Bail.

Bailed by: Each

No. Street.



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Police Court—Second District.

City and County } ss:  
of New York. }

Robert Rutter

of 152 W. 13th Street, being duly sworn,

deposes and says that the premises No. 152 W. 13th Street, 9 Ward, in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a brick building and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling house

were **BURGLARIOUSLY** entered by means of forcibly entering the <sup>aperture in the partition</sup> ~~concealed~~ hole, ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> unlocking the front basement door in making exit from said premises

on the morning of the 23 day of August 1881

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

One black Derby hat, One straw hat, one memorandum book, two coats, Knapkin ring, Caskets and other articles, all of the value of fifty dollars

the property of this deponent and Horace K. Rutter

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, <sup>by Charles Renty and Thomas Morris</sup>

and carried away by <sup>Charles Renty and Thomas Morris</sup> ~~Charles Renty and Thomas Morris~~

for the reasons following, to wit: that deponent discovered that the

premises aforesaid had been burglariously entered as

herein recited on the morning aforesaid and the

aforesaid property taken and stolen, that the two

coats had been taken from an upper hall and deponent

found them in the lower hall; that deponent is informed by

Officer Flanagan that Charles Renty and Thomas

Morris acknowledged and confessed <sup>to having</sup> that they had taken

and stolen the aforesaid property. Deponent identifies the

hat here shown as a part of the aforesaid property

over

Charles Renty

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and deponent is further informed thereby of said  
Flanagan that he found the hats here <sup>of</sup> ~~in~~  
in the possession of the said ~~Charles~~ <sup>Charles</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>Thomas</sup> ~~Thomas~~  
Sworn to before me this

31st day of August 1881

W. L. Morgan Robert Ruttin  
Police Justice

State and County of Ill.  
of Madison Co. S. S.

John Flanagan of the County of Madison  
Illinois being duly sworn deposes and  
says that he arrested the accused  
Charles Rutz, Thomas Morris, and John  
Rutz, on the 27th instant, that he  
found in ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> possession of Charles and  
Thomas two hats subsequently identified  
as the property of Robert Ruttin and  
Horace Ruttin. That Charles and Thomas  
acknowledged and confessed to deponent  
that they had taken and stolen the said  
property and the property herein mentioned  
that John Rutz had the cutter and  
knapsack in his possession, that  
thereupon deponent visited the said John  
Rutz, who acknowledged <sup>to this deponent</sup> that he had the  
property and would surrender the same  
Sworn to before me

this 31st day of August 1881

W. L. Morgan  
Police Justice

John Flanagan

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2nd

POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

John Reutz

being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

John Reutz

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

20 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Wisconsin

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

217 Cornet

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

Wagoner

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here preferred against you?

Answer.

I am not guilty

John D. Reutz

Taken before me this

31

day of

August 1878

[Signature]

Police Justice.

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*2nd*  
POLICE COURT—FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Charles Reutz* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge, and being informed that he was at  
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Charles Reutz*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *16 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *27 Avenue A*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Work in a restaurant*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here  
preferred against you?

Answer. *I am not guilty*

Taken before me, this *31*  
day of *August* 18*87*

*Charles Reutz*  
*P. J. Morgan*  
Police Justice.

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POLICE COURT - FIFTH DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } SS.

*Thomas Morris* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that he was at  
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Thomas Morris*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *30 1/2 W. 13th St*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Work in a file stone*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here  
preferred against you?

Answer. *I am not guilty*

Taken before me, this

day of

*31st*  
*August* 18*77*

*Thomas*

*Morris*

*R. J. Morgan*  
Police Justice.

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Police Court—Second District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Robert Butler  
152 N 13<sup>th</sup> St  
vs. Charles  
Thomas  
John A. ...

Dated August 31 1881

Maguire Magistrate.  
Maguire & ... Officer.  
Clerk.

Witnesses:  
Maguire

Committed in default of \$ 1000. Bail.

Sealed by  
Street.  
SEP 1 1881  
MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE  
POLICE COURT

Court of General Sessions

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Charles Renty. Thomas Morris and John D. Renty.

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse Charles Renty. Thomas Morris and John D. Renty of the CRIME OF Burglary committed as follows:

The said Charles Renty. Thomas Morris and John D. Renty each late of the ninth Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the twenty-third day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one with force and arms, about the hour of ten o'clock in the day time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of

Robert Rutter there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, by means of forcibly

the said Charles Renty. Thomas Morris and John D. Renty

then and there intending to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels and personal property of Robert Rutter

in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and there feloniously and burglariously to steal, take and carry away, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said Charles Renty. Thomas Morris and John D. Renty of the CRIME OF Larceny

committed as follows: The said Charles Renty. Thomas Morris and John D. Renty 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, one hat of the value of four dollars one other hat of the value of three dollars one book of the value of one dollar two coats of the value of fifteen dollars each six napkin rings of the value of one dollar each two castors of the value of three dollars each of the goods, chattels, and personal property of the said

Robert Rutter in the said dwelling house then and there being, 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.

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And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris and John A. Renty*  
 of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said  
*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris and John A. Renty* each  
 late of the Ward, City, and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in  
 the year aforesaid, with force and arms, at the Ward, City, and County aforesaid,  
 One hat of the value of four dollars  
 One other hat of the value of three dollars  
 of th  
 One book of the value of one dollar  
 Two coats of the value of fifteen dollars each  
 Six napkin rings of the value of one dollar each  
 Two caskets of the value of three dollars each.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Robert Rutter*

by a certain person or persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, then lately before  
 feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said

*Robert Rutter*  
 unlawfully, unjustly, did feloniously receive and have (the said

*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris and John A. Renty*  
 then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels, and personal property to have  
 been feloniously stolen, taken and carried away) against the form of the Statute in  
 such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of  
 New York, and their dignity.

**DANIEL G. ROLLINS, District Attorney.**

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Accepted  
Filed  
12 day of Sept-1881  
M. G. Rollins

THE PEOPLE  
vs  
Charles Penty  
Thomas Morris  
John A. Penty  
Dated 3 day of January  
and Recd. of the Court

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,  
District Attorney

Alfred Hill.  
Foreman.  
Jury 12 & 3  
Emailed on Thursday  
under protest to-day  
Sept 19. 1881. D.G.R.

Witness:  
Robert Tucker  
Offr John Stangman.

New York Court of Sessions, Sessions

The People vs.

John D. Reutz

City and County of New York:

Louis Schmeyer

of said city and county, being duly sworn, deposes that he resides at No. 101 East 4th Street in this city, that he is well acquainted with John D. Reutz, the defendant above named, that he knew Reutz, him for six months last past, that he was in his employ from March until May last when he gave up business, when he went into business again he took him back, and knows his character, it is good, and always found him honest and trustworthy.

Subscribed before me this

20 day of September 1881 } Louis Schmeyer

Jacob Meyer

Com. of Sess.

N.Y. City

Court of General Sessions  
for the City and County of New York

The People vs. }  
John W. Rents }  
}

John W. Rents }

City and County of New York: Charles Cook  
being duly sworn says that he resides  
at No. 42, South Street in the City of  
New York, and is well acquainted with  
John W. Rents the defendant above named.  
I am acquainted with his character  
for honesty, I know it to be good and  
that his general character is good.  
He has worked for me and I would  
be willing to trust him, he handled  
all the money taken in by me in  
my business, I always found him  
honest.

Sworn to before me this } Ch. Cook  
20 day of September 1881. }

Jacob Meyer  
Comm. of Sessions.  
N.Y. City.

Wm. H. Cant of  
General Sessions

The People vs.

John D. Reutz

City and County of St. Louis I do hereby  
duly sworn say, that he resides at No.  
277 1/2 Spruce St. in this city, and I am  
a shoe maker by trade, that I know  
John D. Reutz the defendant above  
named, have known him intimately  
since the month of February 1884.  
I am acquainted with this charac-  
ter for honesty, and he is an honest  
young man and I know him to  
be a person of good character.

Sworn to before me  
this 20 day of September 1884. J. H. S. J.

Jacob Meyer  
Clerk of Courts  
St. Louis, Mo.

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A. J. Grundmann

John D. Kelly

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**Court of General Sessions**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

*against*  
*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris*  
*George Lyons and John D. Renty*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris, George Lyons and John D. Renty*  
of the CRIME OF *Burglary*

committed as follows:

The said *Charles Renty, Thomas Morris, George Lyons and John D. Renty* each  
late of the *ninth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of  
New York, aforesaid, on the *twenty-seventh* day of *August* in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty - *one* with force and arms,  
about the hour of *ten* o'clock in the *day* time of the same day, at the  
Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of

*Henry H. Watherspoon*  
there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, ~~by means of~~  
~~forcibly~~

~~by~~ the said *Charles Renty*  
*Thomas Morris, George Lyons and John D. Renty*

then and there intending to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels and  
personal property of *Henry H. Watherspoon*

in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and  
there feloniously and burglariously to steal, take and carry away, against the form of  
the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of  
the State of New York, and their dignity.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris, George Lyons and John D. Renty*  
 of the CRIME OF *Rauceny*

committed as follows:

The said  
*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris, George Lyons and John D. Renty* 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,

One knife of the value of one dollar  
 Six nut-pickers of the value of one dollar each  
 Six nut-crackers of the value of one dollar each  
 Twelve knives of the value of one dollar each  
 One pistol of the value of five dollars  
 One Field glass of the value of six dollars  
 One pin of the value of ten dollars  
 Two earrings of the value of five dollars each  
 Two other pins of the value of five dollars each  
 Two other earrings of the value of five dollars each  
 Four sleeve-buttons of the value of two dollars and fifty Cents each  
 Two other sleeve-buttons of the value of five dollars each  
 Two other sleeve-buttons of the value of five dollars each  
 One cane of the value of ten dollars  
 One other pin of the value of ten dollars  
 One medal of the value of ten dollars  
 Three studs of the value of five dollars each  
 Three other studs of the value of five dollars each  
 One coat of the value of ten dollars  
 One vest of the value of ten dollars  
 One other coat of the value of ten dollars  
 One other vest of the value of ten dollars  
 Two pairs of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars each  
 One other pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars  
 One other pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars  
 One other coat of the value of ten dollars  
 One other vest of the value of ten dollars  
 One other pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars  
 One over coat of the value of twenty-four dollars

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of the said

*Henry C. Wotherspoon*  
 in the said dwelling house then and there being, 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.

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

*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris, George Lyons, and John Renty* ~~was~~  
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said

*Charles Renty, Thomas Morris, George Lyons, and John Renty* each  
late of the Ward, City, and County aforesaid, afterwards to wit: on the day and in  
the year aforesaid, with force and arms, at the Ward, City, and County aforesaid,

One knife of the value of one dollar

Six nut-pickers of the value of one dollar each

Six nut-crackers of the value of one dollar each

Twelve knives of the value of one dollar each

One pistol of the value of five dollars

One field glass of the value of six dollars

One pin of the value of ten dollars

Two earrings of the value of five dollars each

Two other pins of the value of five dollars each

Two other earrings of the value of five dollars each

Four sleeve-buttons of the value of two dollars and fifty cents each

Two other sleeve-buttons of the value of five dollars each

Two other sleeve-buttons of the value of five dollars each

One cane of the value of ten dollars

One other pin of the value of ten dollars

One medal of the value of ten dollars

Three studs of the value of five dollars each

Three other studs of the value of five dollars each

One coat of the value of ten dollars

One vest of the value of ten dollars

One other coat of the value of ten dollars

One other vest of the value of ten dollars

Two pairs of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars each

One other pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars

One other pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars

One other coat of the value of ten dollars

One other vest of the value of ten dollars

One other pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars, one overcoat of the value of  
twenty-four dollars

*Henry H. Wotherspoon*  
by a certain person or persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, then lately before  
feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said

*Henry H. Wotherspoon*  
unlawfully, unjustly, did feloniously receive and have (the said *Charles Renty*

*Thomas Morris, George Lyons, and John Renty*  
then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels, and personal property to have  
been feloniously stolen, taken and carried away) against the form of the Statute in  
such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of  
New York, and their dignity.

DANIEL G. ROLLINS, District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Renz, Frederick

DATE:

09/19/81



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*Sept 19*  
Filed *19* day of *Sept* 188*1*  
Pleads *Not guilty (21)*

THE PEOPLE  
vs. *P*  
*Frederick Benz*  
*John*  
*Chas. Henderson*

*Felonious Assault and Battery.*

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*W. J. Allen* Foreman.

*Oct 4 1881.*

*Discharged by Court*

*W. J. Allen*  
*Christian J. Flecken*

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Form

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

POLICE COURT—FIRST DISTRICT.

*Christian Pleiderer*

of No. *99 East 8<sup>th</sup>* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the *6<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 1881.

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he was violently and feloniously assaulted and

beaten by *Friedrich Reutz*

now present.

*Who wilfully and maliciously cut, and stabbed deponent four times on the back and right side with some sharp instrument, unknown to deponent and which instrument was then and there had and held by said Reutz in one of his hands*

Deponent believes that said injury, as above set forth, was inflicted by said *Friedrich Reutz*

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, ~~or~~ to do him 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 dealt with according to law.

*Christian Pleiderer*

Sworn to, before me, this

day of

*August* 1881

*John C. Munn* Police Justice.

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Form 10.

POLICE COURT-FIRST DISTRICT.

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

*James O. Foley*

of No. *the 1st Avenue* Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the *night of the 6<sup>th</sup> August* 188*7*, at the City of New York,

in the County of New York. *I the*  
*Christian Alder was cut & stabbed*  
*in Broadway from the effect of such*  
*cutting & stabbing he is now in Hospital*  
*that deponent arrested the prisoners Frederick*  
*Pantz and Charles Harwarding both*  
*now present whom deponent saw running*  
*away from the direction in which deponent*  
*heard cries of Murder. That soon after*  
*the prisoners were in custody the injured*  
*man in deponent's presence stated that*  
*he was attacked simultaneously and assaulted*  
*by two men one of whom cut & stabbed him*  
*and further stated that the prisoners were the persons*  
*who so assaulted & some one of whom cut him. Deponent*  
*asks that they may be dealt with according to law.* *James O. Foley*

Sworn to, this *6<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 188*7*  
before me

*Wm. Miller*  
Police Justice.

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Form 10.

POLICE COURT—FIRST DISTRICT

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John Foley*  
vs  
*Frederick Pentz*  
*Charles Herwanger*

*John P. Foley*  
AFFIDAVIT  
*on Christian P. Herwanger*

Dated *August 7* 188*1*

*Flanner* Justice

*Foley* Officer

*Ex Gratia*  
*resulting*

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Police Court—First District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.:

*Fredrick Perry* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he was at  
liberty to refuse to answer any question that may be put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Fredrick Perry*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*Twenty two years.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Germany*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

*550 West 36th Street,*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

*Baker*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what—relative to the charge  
here preferred against you?

Answer.

*I am not guilty*

*Fredrick Perry*

Taken before me, this

*16th*  
day of August  
1887

*W. C. Brown*  
POLICE JUSTICE.

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COUNSEL FOR COMPLAINANT.

Name, .....  
Address, .....

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT.

Name, .....  
Address, .....

Police Court—First District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Christian Allden*  
*99 E. 8th St*  
*Brooklyn Park*

AFFIDAVIT—Felony Assault & Battery

Dated, *August 16*, 189*1*

*E. P. Mannel*  
Magistrate.

*Wiley*  
Officer.

*Wiley*  
Clerk.

Witnesses,

*John P. Wiley*  
*1st Police Precinct*  
*Carl Ahle*  
*#278 William Street*

to answer

at General Sessions  
Received at Dist. Atty. Office  
AUG 22 1891  
CLERK OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY

*Charles Heimer*  
*trumpet, within 1000,*  
*indicted for F. A. & B.*  
*on one Carl Ahle,*  
*Sept. 21/91. Arrested*  
*officers committed*  
BAILED: *Aug. 6.*

No. 1, by .....

Residence, .....

No. 2, by .....

Residence, .....

No. 3, by .....

Residence, .....

No. 4, by .....

Residence, .....

No. 5, by .....

Residence, .....

No. 6, by .....

Residence, .....

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Court of General Sessions

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Frederick Remy

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

Frederick Remy

of the CRIME OF "Assault and Battery upon another with a deadly weapon with intent to kill," committed as follows:

The said

Frederick Remy

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the sixth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty one with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of Christian Fleiderer in the peace of the said people then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and with a certain instrument and weapon, a description of which is to the jurors aforesaid unknown and cannot now be given, which the said

Frederick Remy

in his 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 then and there being, wilfully and feloniously 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

Frederick Remy

of the CRIME OF "Assault upon another, without justifiable or excusable cause, with a sharp, dangerous weapon, with intent to do bodily harm," committed as follows:

The said

Frederick Remy

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said Christian Fleiderer then and there being, wilfully and feloniously did make an assault and with a certain instrument and weapon, a description of which is to the jurors aforesaid unknown and cannot now be given, which the said

Frederick Remy

in his right hand, then and there had and held, the same being then and there a sharp, dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously, and without justifiable or excusable cause, did then and there beat, strike, stab, cut and wound, with intent to then and there wilfully and feloniously do bodily harm unto him the said Christian Fleiderer 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.

THIRD COUNT.

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

Frederick Remy

of the CRIME OF "Assault and Battery upon another by such means and force as was likely to produce death with intent to kill," committed as follows:

The said

Frederick Remy

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County afore-

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said, with force and arms, in and upon the body of *Christian Heiderer*  
in the peace of the said people then and there being, feloniously did make  
another assault and *him* the said *Christian Heiderer*  
of which is to the jurors aforesaid unknown and cannot now be given, which the said

*Frederick Benz* in *his* right  
hand then and there had and held wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut  
and wound, the same being such means and force as was likely to produce the death of  
the said *Christian Heiderer* with intent *him* the  
said *Christian Heiderer* 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.

FOURTH COUNT.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*Frederick Benz*  
of the CRIME of "Assault and Battery upon another with a deadly weapon, with intent  
to maim," committed as follows:

The said *Frederick Benz*  
afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid,  
said, with force and arms in and upon the body of the said *Christian Heiderer*  
then and there being, wilfully and feloniously did make another assault and *him*  
the said *Christian Heiderer* with a certain instrument  
and weapon, a description of which is to the jurors unknown and cannot now be given,  
which the said *Frederick Benz*  
in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being then and there  
a deadly weapon, wilfully and feloniously did then and there beat, strike, stab, cut and  
wound, with intent to then and there wilfully and feloniously maim *him*  
the said *Christian Heiderer* 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.

DANIEL G. ROLLINS, District Attorney.

*Christian Heiderer*  
*Frederick Benz*

*Frederick Benz*  
A True Bill.  
Foreman.  
Sept 1881

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,  
District Attorney.

THE PEOPLE  
*Frederick Benz*  
Felonious Assault and Battery.

Filed 19 day of Sept 1881  
Pleas Not guilty (21)  
*Christian Heiderer*

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Requignot, Frederick

DATE:

09/21/81



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W. A. has been  
in prison since  
10 Sept. I think  
he has been apparently  
killed - FJ

W. A. has been  
Frank Van Ness:

Counsel,  
Filed 21 day of Sept 1887  
Pleads

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
W. A. has been  
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Frederick Reguoy

INDICTMENT  
LAWRENCE

DANIEL C ROLLINS,  
District Attorney

Placed this bill. 21. 1887  
A True Bill. Pleads guilty.

J. J. Miller  
Foreman.

Richard - FJ

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3 DISTRICT POLICE COURT—

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Frank Van Welde

of No. 35 Bamesy Street.

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 10 day of September 1881

at the City of New York,

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

the following property, viz.:

Seven cigars, of the value  
of thirty five cents

the property of

Louis Kirschhorn and Henry Benthley  
Co-partners and in care and charge 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

Medrick Papierno, (non law)  
from the fact that deponent caught  
him in the act of stealing the same

Frank Van Welde

Sworn before me this

10 day of September 1881

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Frederick Pequignot 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. Frederick Pequignot

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 61 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. France

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

Answer. 1067 Second Avenue for over 4 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Porter

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 cant say anything they found the Cigars in my pocket

Taken before me this 10  
day of September 1888

Frederick Pequignot

Wm. Murray Police Justice.

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Sec. 208, 209, 210 & 212.

Police Court *867 B* District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Frank Lee White*  
*35 Broadway*

1 *Fredrick Piquinol*

Offence, *Petit Larceny*

Dated *Sept 10* 188*1*

*Murray* Magistrate.

*Madden* 10 Officer.

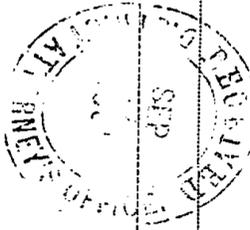
Clerk.

Witnesses

No. Street,

No. Street,

No. Street,



BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

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 *Fredrick Piquinol*

guilty thereof, I order that he <sup>*be admitted to bail in the sum of*</sup> *three* Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden or Keeper of the City Prison until <sup>*he*</sup> *of the City of New York* give such bail.

Dated *Sept 10* 188*1* *Murray* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 208, 209, 210 & 212.

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Police Court District, B

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Max Van Mide*  
*35 Bowery*

1 *Mearid Piquignot*

No. 1, by

Residence

Street,

No. 2, by

Residence

Street,

No. 3, by

Residence

Street,

No. 4, by

Residence

Street,

BAILED,

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3  
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Dated *Apr 10* 188*1*

*Murray* Magistrate.

*Madden 10* Officer.

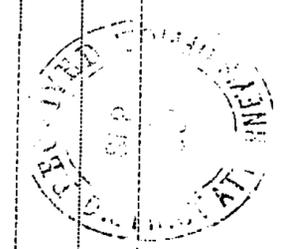
..... Clerk.

Witnesses

No. Street,

No. Street,

No. Street,



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

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

I have admitted the above named *Mearid Piquignot* to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated *Apr 10* 188*1* Police Justice.

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

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

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

*Frederick Pequignot*  
against

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

*Frederick Pequignot*

of the crime of

*Receivry*

committed as follows:

The said:

*Frederick Pequignot*

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

*Seven cigars of the value affive  
cent & each.*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one

*Louis Hirschhorn*

then and  
there being found, 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.

DANIEL C ROLLINS,  
~~BENJ. K. PHELPS~~ District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Richardson, James

DATE:

09/28/81



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Witnesses:

*James Henderson*  
*Chas. Davis & Macarty*

10-10-87

Day of Trial,

Counsel, *H. C.*

Filed *28* day of *Sept* 188*7*

Pleads *Guilty*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*P*

*James Richardson*

*James Richardson*

Felony Assault and Battery.

DANIEL G. ROLLENS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*L. Carter Jr.*  
*Oct 11 1887*

Foreman.

*Speedy, convicted on  
second count,  
Sept 13, S. P. Two years.*

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The People vs. James Richardson } Court of General Sessions. Part I  
Before Judge Gildersleeve.

October 10. 1887. Indictment for felonious assault  
and battery. Thomas Weir, sworn and examined, testi-  
fied. Where do you live? No 13 Elm St. What  
do you do? Truck driver. Did you know the  
prisoner at the bar prior to the 7<sup>th</sup> of September?  
No sir. I never seen him before in my life.  
Where was it you first saw him? Coming down  
the street with a colored ~~man~~ woman, that night  
coming down Leonard St. That is the 7<sup>th</sup> of Sept.  
the night you were cut? Yes. What were you  
doing? Standing talking to Mr. Henderson at  
the time. Tell the jury what happened? I was  
standing talking with Samuel Henderson  
opposite 157, Leonard St. on the 7<sup>th</sup> of Sept.  
and this colored man accompanied by a  
colored woman was coming down the street  
and without any provocation stabbed me.  
Where did he cut you? Here (pointing to the  
right side of the chest). He made the remark  
he would kill any black or white son of a  
bitch would interfere. I happened to turn and  
as I turned I got the knife. Did you speak to  
him? No sir, I never said a word, never saw  
him before in my life to my knowledge. Only  
one blow was struck. I did not see the  
knife. After you were struck what happened

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I said, "O I was stabbed." Just after that Henderson walked after him. I walked to the corner, I weakened, the policeman came up to me and said, "What is the matter?" I said, I am stabbed. He chased after the man that stabbed me. What he came of you? I was taken to the Station house and from there to St. Vincent's hospital. How long did you remain there? Two weeks and two days, from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 23. Are you at work now? No sir, I cannot work. Are you under medical treatment? Yes sir. Whereabouts? The Chamber St. hospital. How often do you go there? Once a day. Did you have on these clothes? No, all I had on was an inside shirt and vest. I was in my shirt sleeves. Cross Examined: What time in the day was this when you were stabbed? Somewhere around 9 o'clock in the night. I live in Elm st. and the cutting took place in Leonard St. about three blocks and a half from where I live. What were you doing around there? I was born there. I have got my friends and relatives around there, my aunt Mr. Dufan. Was there any fight going on there at this time? No sir. Were there not several men beating the prisoner at the time you were stabbed? After I got stabbed — At the time you were stabbed were there not several

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men pitched into him, was beating him at the time? No sir. Did you see any men doing it? No sir. How many men were around the place where you were stabbed? I did not see any one ~~only~~ me and Sam. Henderson. Did you see the prisoner? Yes sir. You say there was no fighting going on at the time you were stabbed? No sir. I was standing talking to Sam Henderson when the prisoner stabbed me without provocation. Henderson lives 66 1/2 Leonard St.; he owns a restaurant there. Do you go round there very frequently? No sir. I am a truck driver for Daniel McFarland; his place of business is corner of Duane and Elm Sts. I was working for him a week and a half when this happened. I was working on the day this happened. I worked before that on the Bleeker St. Railroad. I was perfectly sober at the time he stabbed me. Samuel Henderson sworn and examined. I live at 63 and keep a restaurant at 66 1/2 Leonard St. I know the complainant. I saw him the night he was cut. I was standing talking with him. I saw the prisoner once or twice before but not to change words with him. I knew him by sight, that is all. I was standing talking in Leonard St. opposite 154.

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men pitched into him, was beating him at the time? No sir. Did you see any men doing it? No sir. How many men were around the place where you were stabbed? I did not see any one ~~only~~ me and Sam. Henderson. Did you see the prisoner? Yes sir. You say there was no fighting going on at the time you were stabbed? No sir. I was standing talking to Sam Henderson when the prisoner stabbed me without provocation. Henderson lives 166 1/2 Leonard St.; he owns a restaurant there. Do you go round there very frequently? No sir. I am a truck driver for Daniel McFarland; his place of business is corner of Duane and Elm Sts. I was working for him a week and a half when this happened. I was working on the day this happened. I worked before that on the Bleeker St. Railroad. I was perfectly sober at the time he stabbed me.

Samuel Henderson sworn and examined. I live at 163 and keep a restaurant at 166 1/2 Leonard St. I know the complainant. I saw him the night he was cut. I was standing talking with him. I saw the prisoner once or twice before but not to change words with him. I knew him by sight, that is all. I was standing talking in Leonard St. opposite 154.

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and this man here and a colored woman came down the street together in a growl; they were quarreling coming down. I heard him say that he would kill either a black or white son of a b— that interfered in his business. The woman says, "Let me put on my clothes." By this time the knife was drawn, and Weir halloed he was cut. I saw a white handled knife with a blade broke off; it was a common pen knife. I did not see him take the knife out, but I saw it in his hand. Did Weir say or do anything to him before he was cut? Weir had said nothing. I did not see any provocation given to the prisoner by Weir before he was cut or by anybody else. What happened then after the cutting? Then it was they ran. When they ran I started after them in the crowd with the rest of them that ran, chasing the prisoner. Where was he arrested? He was arrested in Canal St. I went around Centre St. to the Tombs. You gave up the chase? Yes sir, I had to go home to my own business. Did you see the prisoner after he was arrested? Yes sir, I saw him in the station house. I am sure this is the man. Cross Examined My restaurant is in Jacoby's building four doors from the corner in Leonard St.

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between Baxter and Centre Sts. on the down town side. I do not keep lager beer; I keep a restaurant - tea, coffee, milk and ice water. I first saw the prisoner when he was talking with a woman. Did you not walk over to him and say, "Let that woman go. you son of a so and so?" No sir, I had not opened my mouth to him when the woman said, "Let me put on my clothes." Did not somebody walk behind him and strike him under the ear? Not to my knowing, I did not see any one. Was there a crowd around and threatening to strike him? No sir, not to my knowing. I saw plenty of people around in the street but I did not see any one hit him. Was there not many around him growling prior to the time that Weir was cut? No sir, there was no man growling. There was other people standing at their own place, but there was no growling. Did you not see a number of white people, men, before he cut anybody? No sir. Do you know that girl that was with him? Yes sir, she is here in Court. I have been acquainted with her this last four years. Do you know a girl named Mary Bradley? I do. Was she around at that time? Not to my knowing, I did not see her. I did not have an unpleasant word with the prisoner; he stabbed Weir without

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anything occurring. There was not an unkind word between any of us. There was nothing said to the prisoner by any one at the time. I am a little hard of hearing on one side. I did not see anybody hit him. Do you know whether any one struck him or not? I do not. But you were in a position where you could see? I was. You did not see anybody strike him? No sir, I did not.

Daniel J. McCarty, sworn and examined. I am an officer attached to the Fourteenth precinct Police. I arrested the prisoner on the evening of the 7th of Sept. corner of Canal and Elm St. I first saw him coming towards me in Canal St. pursued by a number of young men. I stopped him and found this knife in his hand with the hand in his coat pocket; it was closed when I got it; he cut his hand while in the act of closing it. What did you do with him? I arrested him and took him to the station house. In a few minutes after the injured party was brought there, I took the prisoner before him and he recognized him as the man that stabbed him. What did the prisoner then say, if anything? He said nothing. This was the knife (knife produced). He told me afterwards that he was closing the knife and cut his hand with it.

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Testimony for the Defence

Mary Bartley, sworn and examined testified:  
Where do you live? No 57 Baxter St. How far  
is 57 Baxter St. where this little fight took place.  
It is right around the corner. Did you see  
the fight? Part of it. I saw the time the fellow  
took the milk can and hit him (the pris-  
oner) the colored man over the head with it,  
and the other one slung one of these picks  
that they use to pick rocks at him and  
tripped him up and five fellows pitched on  
him. Do you know what time the cutting took  
place? I do not know anything about the cutting.  
I know the fight was after 8 o'clock. How far  
were you from the fight at the time. When they  
struck the fellow with the milk can I was  
about as far as from that window over there.  
I did not see anybody cut when the fight first  
commenced. I heard about it the time he  
was arrested when there was such a crowd  
around him. I did not see any cutting  
myself. After you saw him assaulted with  
the milk can and pick axe what did he  
do? He went on his hands and knees.  
five fellows were on him; he got up and  
ran; there was a crowd after him.  
He ran immediately after getting up?

A Yes sir. Robert Thompson sworn. I  
live 88 Varick st. I work for Richardson at

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boot blacking. Richardson and I were going through Baxter st. and "Jim" Richardson was pushing this woman along, and "Sam" Henderson asked him why didn't he let that woman get her share, to let her alone? Jim asked him, did he have anything to do with that? He said, yes, he had a heap to do with it; he wanted him to stop pushing her along. Then I heard some one say, "Come, let us go down and beat that black son of a b—h"; while "Jim" was talking to Henderson some one hit him in the mouth and Jim made at one of them; one of them caught hold of him by the coat collar and jerked him under the wagon. Richardson got from under the wagon and at the time he got up some one hit him with a shovel; when he got up again some one took a milk can and knocked him down. At last there was such a crowd around him I did not see where he went. Richardson did not cut anybody before he was struck. Emma Woods, the woman who was with the prisoner testified that she saw some one strike Richardson, but at that time their hands had not been cut with a knife. I did not see the cutting. Richardson and I had a few words to ourselves. I have lived with him since last August. I am not married.

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James Richardson, sworn and examined in his own behalf testified as follows: Richardson where do you live? I live at 88 Varick St. What is your business? Boot Black. Where? No. 3 Cortland St. and 102 Nassau St. You have a stand there, have you? Yes sir, a basement in Cortland St. Now you remember all about the transaction that took place the day of this fight? Yes sir. Tell the jury? On the 7th, the night of the fight, that I got into this dispute. This now I came down to look for Emma Woods who had been living with me considerable time. I cannot say exactly how long she was living with me. I went in a bar room in Baxter St.; where I found her. I said, Do you want to come home? She said, 'yes.' I said, "Come on, you have no business down here anyway. We started ~~up~~ home. I came across and started up Leonard St. Then I got middle way up the block in Leonard St. there is a butcher store and Sam Henderson there followed by a gang of men walked up to me and stopped me and this girl going along the street. He says to me, "Why do you turn the woman loose? I said, "What is your business whether I turned the woman loose.

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She said she would go with me to King St  
I started and turned from him. I was  
struck by a man. I dont know whether  
it was him or who; then quickly by  
another. Then I turned to see who struck  
me. I was struck by another man, I was  
knocked in the middle of the street and  
surrounded by nine or ten men. They  
were knocking and striking at me. I  
could not do any more there. defend  
myself the best way I could. Then I was  
out in the middle of the street. I seen a  
wagon standing on the side of the street  
and I tried to get to the wagon. I seen  
a man run for a coal box, I dont  
know whether he got a shovel. I could  
not watch him to see what he was  
going to do with it by reason of the men  
that were around me. I was struck  
in the back part of my head and  
knocked down. I rose to my feet again  
and defended myself the best way I  
could. I tried to get to the wagon (I had no  
chance to run) so that I could have  
my back to the wagon. I was struck  
with something; it felt like a puff of  
wind. and I fell under the wagon.  
I had a small penknife in my hand.

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When I jumped up I made a lick at one of those fellows and the other one I struck with my fist. I barely had a chance to get through the two, I started to run. I run up Leonard-st. till I got to Centre st. Now you did not cut any one did you till you were first set upon by a number of men, did you? No sir, I did not touch no one at all. Me and the girl was going on home. It is not true that you walked up to this Heir, the white man who was on the stand and cut him without cause or provocation? No sir, I would not have done it, I did not do it either. There were several on top of you and around you beating you when you used the knife in self defence? Yes sir. Cross Examined. How many men beat you? I could not tell exactly the number, ten or twelve, a gang I judge. What did they beat you with? I could not say what they struck me with. I saw some one get something out of the coal box, whether it was a shovel or not I dont know. Were you kicked? I was kicked once or twice in the side, but no one of them kicked me before I got on my feet. I was struck several blows with the fist. Were you

struck with the shovel? I don't know whether it was a shovel or not, I could not say. I was struck in the back of the head. I could not say whether I was struck with a milk can or no. The quarrel lasted about three or four minutes.

Daniel J. McCarty recalled by Mr. Phelps  
Mr. McCarty do you remember the condition of the prisoner when you arrested him? I do. Did he show any wounds or bruises? He had no marks to show that he had been assaulted. Did you take him to Court next morning? I did, sir. Did he have any marks then? No sir. Did you make any examination to see? I did. You found nothing on him? Excepting a small cut on the palm of his hand which he attributed to closing the knife on the left hand. No other marks. No sir. Was he drunk or sober? He was perfectly sober. I examined the prisoner in the station house. I examined him roughly. I put my hand over his head when he said he had been assaulted and struck by a shovel. "You are not cut" I said. He said, "no." I put my hand over his head where he said he had been struck. There was no cut there and no blood. I have been a policeman five years. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty on the second count in the indictment.

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Testimony in the case  
of James Richardson  
filed Sept. 1881

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St. Vincent's Hospital  
Sept 5, 1887

This is to certify that Thomas  
Weir is a patient in  
this institution and is in  
danger of death.

Stanton Ulmer  
Acting House Surgeon

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Form

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

POLICE COURT—FIRST DISTRICT.

Samuel Henderson

of No. 166 1/2 Leonard Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 7 day of September 1881  
Thomas Weir who is now in St Vincent's Hospital  
the City of New York, in the County of New York, was violently and feloniously assaulted and

beaten by James Richardson (now here). Deponent  
says that Thomas Weir was standing  
in Leonard St between Centre & Baxter  
Street in said City when he said  
Richardson came along and pulled  
out a knife saying at the time he  
would kill any black or white son  
of a bitch that would interfere with  
him and <sup>then and there</sup> wilfully and maliciously  
cut and stabbed said Thomas Weir  
in the right side of his said Weir's  
body with said knife then and there  
held in the hand of said Richardson  
and he said Richardson immediately  
ran away

Sworn to, before me this

day of

September 1881  
Police Justice.

Deponent believes that said injury, as above set forth, was inflicted by said Richardson

with the felonious intent to take the life of <sup>said Weir</sup> ~~deponent~~, or to do him 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 dealt with accord-  
ing to law.

Samuel Henderson

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Sec. 198-200.

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DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

James Richardson

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

24 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Union Falls

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

St. Bonice

Answer.

It about one month

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Boot Block

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

Answer

I am not guilty of the charge

Taken before me, this 9th day of Sept 1881

James Richardson

B. V. Ripley

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, \_\_\_\_\_

Sec. 308, 210, 210 & 212.

Police Court - 1st District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James Henderson  
 166 1/2 St. Leonard St.  
 James Richardson

Offence, *Disorderly Conduct*  
*on the 1st of August 1881*

Dated *Sept 9* 1881  
*Richardson* Magistrate.

*McCarthy* Officer.  
*Richardson* Clerk.

Witnesses  
 No. *James Price* Street, \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. *13 Elm St.* Street, \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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 *James Richardson*

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

Dated *Sept 9* 1881 *Richardson* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 208, 209, 210 & 212.

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Police Court - 1st District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*James Henderson*  
*166 1/2 E. Leonard St.*  
*James Robinson*

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Offence, *See Complaint*

Dated *Sept 9* 188*1*

*Boyd* Magistrate.

*McCarty* Officer.

*W. J. W.* Clerk.

Witnesses

No. *James New* Street,

No. *13 Elm St.* Street,

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

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

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ATTEST

BAILED,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be committed to the City Prison until he give such bail

I have admitted the above named *James Henderson*

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated *Sept 9* 188*1* Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named *James Henderson*

guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

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

0297

**Court of General Sessions**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

James Richardson

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

James Richardson

of the CRIME OF "Assault and Battery upon another with a deadly weapon with intent to kill," committed as follows:

The said

James Richardson

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the seventh day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty one with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of Thomas Weir

in the peace of the said people then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and him the said Thomas Weir

with a certain

knife which the said James Richardson

in his 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 him the said Thomas Weir

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

James Richardson

of the CRIME OF "Assault upon another, without justifiable or excusable cause, with a sharp, dangerous weapon, with intent to do bodily harm," committed as follows:

The said

James Richardson

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, ~~the said~~

with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said Thomas Weir then and there being, wilfully and feloniously did make an

assault and him the said Thomas Weir with a certain knife which the said James Richardson

in his right hand then and there

had and held, the same being then and there a sharp, dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously, and without justifiable ~~and~~ excusable cause, did then and there beat, strike, stab, cut and wound him with intent to then ~~and there~~ wilfully and feloniously do bodily harm unto him the said Thomas Weir

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.

THIRD COUNT.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said James Richardson of the CRIME OF "Assault and Battery upon another by such means and force as was likely to produce death with intent to kill," committed as follows:  
The said James Richardson

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, ~~the said~~

with force and arms, in and upon the body of Thomas Weir in the peace of the said people then and there being, feloniously did make another assault and ~~him~~ the said Thomas Weir with a certain knife which the said

James Richardson in his right hand then and there had and held, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound, the same being such means and force as was likely to produce the death of ~~him~~ the said Thomas Weir with intent ~~him~~ the said Thomas Weir 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.

FOURTH COUNT.

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said James Richardson of the CRIME OF "Assault and Battery upon another, with a deadly weapon, with intent to maim," committed as follows:  
The said James Richardson

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, ~~the said~~

with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said Thomas Weir then and there being, wilfully and feloniously did make another assault and the said Thomas Weir with a certain knife which the said

James Richardson in his right hand then and there had and held, the same being then and there a deadly weapon, wilfully and feloniously did then and there beat, strike, stab, cut and wound, with intent then and there wilfully and feloniously to maim ~~him~~ the said Thomas Weir 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.

DANIEL G. ROLLINS, District Attorney.