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THE PEOPLE

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE,
CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE,
VS.
MINNIE LANGE
(Jointly indicted with)
(Wilhelm Lange.)

BEFORE

HON. FREDERICK SMYTH,

AND A JURY.

TRIED, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 5th 1894.

INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY.

INDICTMENT FILED OCTOBER 30TH 1893.

APPEARANCES:

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY W. J. CSBORNE,

FOR THE PEOPLE.

STAPLETON AND MILES, ESQUIRES,

FOR THE DEFENSE.

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(It is conceded that the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, mentioned in the indictment in this case, was duly incorporated under the laws of the state of New York, on December 31st, 1893.)

JACOB HESSEL, testified that he lived at 783 Hart Street, Brooklyn. He is an insurance agent, for the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association and the Prudential Association. He worked for the Mutual Reserve about two years, and for the other concern about seven years. He knew the defendant and her husband. He made their acquaintance in the spring of 1893, when they lived at No. 9 Bogart Street Brooklyn. On May 2nd, he, the witness, at the request of Mr. Lange filled out an application for insurance, for him, Lange, the defendant, Mrs. Lange, being present at the time. He, the witness, identified the paper shown to him in court

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as the paper in question. Mr. Lange signed it, in the presence of Mrs. Lange. He, the witness, in the regular course of business, gave the paper, so signed by Wilhelm Lange, to the Mutual Reserve Association, and the policy was issued on May 6th. On May 3rd the doctor examined Wilhelm Lange for the insurance. At the examination there were present Wilhelm Lange, Minnie Lange, the doctor and the witness. The doctor made the examination, and entered his report on the back of the application, and returned the application to the company. The policy was delivered to Mr. Lange on May 8th, by him, the witness, in the presence of Minnie Lange, the defendant. He, the witness, identified as being a copy of such policy the paper shown him in court. The policy was issued on the life of Wilhelm Lange, in favor of Minnie Lange, as beneficiary. The insurance was at the rate of \$8.00 per thousand, or \$24.00 for the policy from which the defendant was allowed rebate of \$6.00 making the net amount of premium \$18.00, which Wilhelm Lange paid to him, the witness, on May 8th. By the

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terms of the agreement the next payment was payable at the office of the company. Subsequently, he, the witness, saw the defendant several times. He, the witness, could not remember whether he saw the defendant, Minnie Lange, in August, 1893, but he did remember seeing her several times during that summer.

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the witness testified that he had been a witness before the Grand Jury, in the case against Wilhelm Lange on the same charge in Brooklyn. Wilhelm Lange told him, the witness, that he was an engraver but intended to buy a saloon. He, the witness, did not know that Wilhelm Lange, at that time, was keeping a saloon. He, Wilhelm Lange, told him, the witness, that he had formerly kept a saloon, but, at the time of making the application for insurance, he was living privately. He, the witness, became acquainted with Wilhelm Lange, while standing at a bar, in a saloon, in Church Street, Brooklyn, having a glass of beer. He,

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the witness, told Wilhelm Lange that he was an insurance agent, and would like to insure him, Lange. He, Lange, asked him, the witness, to call at his Lange's house. He, the witness, did so, and insured Wilhelm Lange in the New York Life Insurance Co., for \$3,000.00, and Lange afterwards asked him, the witness, to call at his house, and he would give him an order for insurance in the Mutual Association. It was he, the witness, who first spoke to Wilhelm Lange about getting insured. The \$18.00 premium was the only money which he, the witness, collected from Lange. About that time, Wilhelm Lange told him, the witness, that he expected to go to Germany.

(It is admitted by defendant's counsel that the man produced in court is the Wilhelm Lange that made the application for insurance in question, and that he was brought from the Kings County Penitentiary.)

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the witness testified that a few months after the application was made by the defendants, Minnie Lange moved to No. 704 Evergreen Street, Brooklyn, where he, the witness, saw her.

HENRY M. HITCHCOCK, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he was a medical examiner for the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, and was so employed on or about May 6th 1893. On May 3rd, 1893, he, the witness, examined Wilhelm Lange, at No. 9 Bogart Street Brooklyn, and identified his, the witness's, signature on the application of Wilhelm Lange, attached to his, the witness's, medical report. He, Wilhelm Lange, answered the questions on the paper just referred to, Minnie Lange being present at the time.

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CHARLOTTE TITUS, a witness for the People, sworn, testified that she lived at No. 110 Cooper Street, Brooklyn. During the months of July, August and September 1893, she lived at No. 704 Evergreen Avenue, Brooklyn. Minnie Lange was employed at 704 Evergreen Avenue, as sub-janitress, from July until September 11th 1893, the time of her arrest. The name of the landlord of those premises is Monahan. She, the witness, identified Wilhelm Lange, who was brought into court at this stage of the trial. She, the witness, was on friendly terms with Minnie Lange, and had conversations with her almost daily about that time. In the latter part of August 1893, Minnie Lange told her, the witness, nearly every day, that she expected Wilhelm Lange, her husband, home from Europe, and was going down to the ship to meet him, as soon as it arrived. In the first part of September, Minnie Lange stopped at her, the witness's, door, and said she was going down to the ship. She, the witness, believed that the ship arrived the last of August. At the time, that Minnie Lange,

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stopped at her, the witness's door, she said that she was going down to meet her husband, and took her little boy with her, and when she returned she said that she could not find her husband, and she went to meet him, again, two days later. She, Minnie Lange, did not seem inclined to talk very much on the subject, only she said that she could not find her husband. She, the witness, first saw Wilhelm Lange seven or eight days before Minnie Lange was arrested, but was not certain as to the date. Wilhelm Lange brought with him a child, nine years of age, and Minnie Lange's sister, age sixteen. About a week before she, the witness, saw Minnie Lange's sister and daughter, Minnie Lange showed her, the witness, a letter, and said, as she read it, that her daughter and sister would arrive very soon. She, the witness, saw Wilhelm Lange going up the stairs, in company with his wife, Minnie Lange, about seven or eight days before the arrest of the defendant. That was the first time that she, the witness, saw Wilhelm Lange. She saw him once after that, as

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he was coming in the front door, with a lady. She, the witness, before seeing Wilhelm Lange going upstairs with his wife, saw a man knock at her door. That was about four or five days before she, the witness, saw Wilhelm Lange with his wife. The man who knocked at her, the witness's, door, she recognized as Wilhelm Lange. He asked her, the witness, if Mrs. Lange lived there, and she said no, that Mrs. Lange lived on the opposite side of the hall. This conversation took place in the first part of September, before the arrest of the defendant. Then, he, Wilhelm Lange, crossed the hall, and knocked at Minnie Lange's door, and it was opened and he went in. After Wilhelm Lange arrived, some baggage was taken into Minnie Lange's rooms. Before the arrest, she, the witness, had a conversation with Minnie Lange, who then stated that she had a quantity of clothing to wash, and that it came from Germany, and she washed clothes on two Mondays in succession.

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the witness testified that she was on friendly terms with the defendant---on intimate terms with her. She, the witness, did testify, in Brooklyn, that the only time that she ever saw Wilhelm and Minnie Lange together was on the Saturday before her arrest, as they were going out together.

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R e - D i r e c t - E x a m i n a t i o n
the witness testified that in the trial, in Brooklyn, that on Tuesday evening before that Saturday she saw Wilhelm Lange on the steps, going into the hall, going upstairs to his apartments, and she followed him up, and Mrs. Lange went out a few minutes after.

PATRICK MONAHAN, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he is the agent of the house No. 704 Evergreen Avenue Brooklyn, and that another man named Monahan owns the house. He, the witness, knows the defendant. He first became acquainted with

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her about the month of July, of last year, and employed her as janitress of that building, and she continued to be janitress there until about the first of September---until the time of her arrest---the exact date he, the witness, did not remember. In August, 1893, Minnie Lange told him, the witness, that her husband was coming from Germany.. In July, before she got possession of the flats, she told him, the witness, that her husband was in Germany. At the first conversation that he, the witness, had with Minnie Lange, about the flats, she said that her husband was in Germany, and that she would like to get a position as janitress until her husband came home, and that he was bringing some money with him from Germany, and that when he came home she would have money, and would pay rent then, and become a tenant, and that it was very likely that he would buy some property, that he would very likely have some money to invest. She said that she expected him home about the first of September. Afterwards he, the witness, had another conversa-

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tion with Minnie Lange, and asked her, again, when her husband would arrive and she said about the first of September. That conversation took place in August, while Minnie Lange was at work, in the house, at her duties as janitress,---it was about the middle, or after the middle, of August. After that, about the first week in September, about the 2nd or 3rd of September, he, the witness, saw Wilhelm Lange. It was about a week prior to the 11th of September---about a week before the arrest of the defendant. About the 2nd or 3rd of September, after Wilhelm Lange came home, he, the witness, sent for Minnie Lange, and asked her whether she was going to pay the rent for September, now that her husband had come home, and as it was the first, or after the first, of the month, and that if she was not going to pay rent, he, the witness, wanted to put up a bill, and she, said that she would let him, the witness, know, or pay the rent, or move out, before the 15th,---the 15th of September. On the day before or the day after this conversation, he, the witness, saw Wilhelm Lange going

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into the hall , from the sidewalk.

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C r o s s - E x a m i n a t i o n

the witness testified that he was positive as to all that he had testified to.

CHARLES W. JACKSON, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he lived in the City of New York, and is a director of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, at 38 Park Row. On or about September 5th , 1893, he, the witness, saw Minnie Lange, in his office at 38 Park Row,, in the Death Claim Department of the Company. She was dressed in deepest mourning. She said that her husband died on the 24th of June or July, he, the witness, did not remember which date; that he had been killed in an accident, in Germany, while out riding, that he had been thrown out of his carriage, or out of a wagon, and struck his head upon the curbstone, and had been killed. He,

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the witness, asked her if she had any notice of death made out, and she took out of a bag what she said were proofs of death, in German. The witness, testified that it was his best impression, but only an impression, that the papers showed to him in court were the papers just referred to. He, the witness, asked the defendant if she wished to make out a formal notice of death, and she said that she did, and then he, the witness, called Edward Usher, his first assistant, and told him to take her statement of the death of her husband, which was reduced to writing, and signed by her in his, the witness's, presence, at his request. He, the witness, identified the paper shown to him in court as the paper just mentioned. The German papers or proofs were returned to the defendant by the witness. She also produced the policy at that time.

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Cross - Examination

the witness testified that he returned the policy to the defendant, and she did not come to the

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office again.

EDWIN M. USHER, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he lived in Brooklyn, and was a clerk in the Death Claim Department, in the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, at 38 Park Row, New York City. He remembered Minnie Lange calling at the office of the Association on September 5th 1893, and Mr. Jackson, at that time, speaking to him about her case. She gave the German papers shown to him, the witness, to Mr. Jackson, who, in turn, handed them to him, the witness, who could not understand them. Mr. Jackson then returned them to her. He, the witness, identified the paper with her signature. He, the witness, was present when she signed it. He, the witness, prepared the paper last referred to from information given him by the defendant, and he read it to her before she signed it.

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the witness testified that he nver saw Minnie
Lange after that.

JOHN MARKS, a witness for The People, sworn, testified
that he is a detective in the 14th Precinct,
Brooklyn. On September 11th, 1893, he arrested
Wilhelm Lange in one of the flats, on the first floor
of No. 704 Evergreen Avenue, Brooklyn. His,
the witness's partner, arrested Minnie Lange.
He, the witness, asked Minnie Lange, when she was
in the cell, at the station-house, how it was
she came to go to the John Hancock Insurance Co.,
to get the money on the death certificate of her
husband, and she said that it was not her fault,
and commenced to cry. She was arrested at the
office of the John Hancock Life Insurance Co.

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the witness testified that she said also that she

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went to that company's office that day to get the certificate of death, and that she intended to notify the Company on that day of that fact. In the conversation with the defendant, she said that her husband had come home on Friday, that she went to the John Hancock Insurance Co. on Saturday, that the office was closed, and that she went on Monday and asked the Superintendent of the John Hancock Company for the certificate of death, and that as soon as she got that she was going to tell the Company that her husband was alive. The arrest of the husband was made on the charge of defrauding the John Hancock Life Insurance Co., and she was also arrested on that charge, and it was in reference to that matter that he, the witness went to see her, and had the conversation with her.

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Re - Direct - Examination
the witness testified that he was with Anderson at the time of the arrest of Wilhelm Lange.

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MICHAEL J. HANSELMAN, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he is a real estate, fire insurance agent and passenger agent, at 160 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn. On August 1st, 1893, he, the witness, sold the defendant, Minnie Lange, passage tickets. She came to his, the witness's, office, and said that she wished to purchase a ticket for her husband and two children, and he, the witness, sent the advice slip, on August 2nd, to C.B. Richard & Co., 61 Broadway, New York. He, the witness, first saw the defendant on August 1st, when she called at his office, as just stated. On that day, August 1st, she paid him, the witness, \$85.00 for the passage tickets, on the Bremen Line, steerage, for which he gave her a receipt. The tickets were for passengers from Germany to New York. She said that the names of the passengers were Wilhelm Lowyn, Louise Lowyn and Augusta Lowyn. The defendant directed the tickets to be sent to her at 704 Evergreen Avenue. On September 1st the defendant called and purchased another ticket for a party named Louisa Bredow and for a child.

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That was an outward Bremen ticket, form New York to Germany. The name of the other person was Kurt Bredow. She bought a one and a half ticket for Bredow. He, the witness, identified the defendant, Minnie Lange, as the person who purchased the tickets.

EDWIN H. RICHARDS, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he is in the foreign banking and passenger business, and is a member of the firm of C. B. Richards & Co. On about August 2nd 1893, he, the witness, received an order from Mr. Hanselman, one of the witnesses who have already testified, for two and a half passage tickets from Germany to New York, with the money, and he, the witness, sent the tickets to the agent in Bremen, for the man Wilhelm Lowyn, Louise Lowyn and Augusta Lowyn. The names were on the tickets. They were forwarded to Bremen. If they had not been used they would have been returned to New York,

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and the money refunded to the purchaser.

HENRY ZELLER, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he is a clerk in the Steerage Department of the North German Lloyds, of which Celrichs & Co., are the agents. The steamship "Elbe" arrived in the City of New York on August 29th, 1893, from Bremen, via Southampton: The steamship list shows that Wilhelm, Louise and Augusta Lowyn arrived in this City at that time. The ages given were 42, 14, and 8. They landed the same day that the vessel arrived---29th.

JOSEPH SHERWOOD, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he is an agent for the New Jersey Transfer Co., of Hoboken. On August 30th 1893, he, the witness, delivered to 704 Evergreen Avenue Brooklyn two pieces of baggage for Lowyn for which he re-

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ceived a receipt signed, "Mrs. Lange." He, the witness, got the baggage off the Bremen pier in Hoboken, where the "Elbe" landed.

JOHN SLATER a witness for The People, sworn, testified that, up to the latter part of September, he was a driver in the employ of the New Jersey Transfer & Baggage Co. On August 30th 1893, he, the witness, delivered a case and a truck to No. 704 Evergreen Avenue Brooklyn, for which Mrs. Lange signed a receipt.

(It is admitted by the defense that the signature, "Mrs. Lange," marked opposite the entry, "Dres- en, CO, 155-2, Lange, 704 Evergreen Avenue, \$2.00, Mrs. Lange," was written by the

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defendant.)

AXEL LINDNER, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he kept a candy and cigar store, at 706 Evergreen Avenue, in August, 1893, but now keeps a restaurant at No. 2066 Fulton Street in Brooklyn. In August, 1893, he, the witness, had a conversation with Minnie Lange, in which she said that she expected her husband, who was in the old country, to come to Brooklyn, that or the next month. He, the witness, remembered one Saturday in August, his wife and Mrs. Lange were talking, and Mrs. Lange said that her husband returned and had had a pleasant trip. That was the last of August or the first of September---about 14 days before Mrs. Lange was arrested, and before the baggage came. About that time a girl about 8 years old and another about 16 or 17 years old came to Lange's place. He, the witness, had never before seen the girls. About 14 days before

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the defendant's arrest one of the girls attempted to extinguish the light in his, the witness's store, and, upon complaining to Mrs. Lange, she, Mrs. Lange said that the girl was her sister, and had just come over, and was going to put out the lights in the hall, but made a mistake in going into the witness's store to put out the lights. It was the eldest girl. About eight or ten days before Wilhelm Lange was arrested, the witness saw him, and Mrs. Lange and another woman together in the street. The witness identified Wilhelm Lange, when produced in court, as the man referred to:

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the witness testified that he had saw Mr. Lange twice since that time, and positively identified him.

THE DEFENSE.

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WILHELM LANGE, a witness for the defense, sworn, testified that he is now serving a term of imprisonment in the Kings County Penitentiary. He is 36 years old and is a driver. He is serving a sentence of three years and six months. Previous to that he had never been convicted. On May 21st, last, he was living, with his family, in Brooklyn. He, the witness, became acquainted with Mr. Hessel in a saloon, and Mr. Hessel said he would like to get him insured, as he was an insurance agent. He signed a paper for insurance. He had then a policy for \$500.00 in the John Hancock Co., but did not tell Mr. Hessel. On June 6th, he, the witness, left for Germany, on the "Havel", for Bremen. On arriving he received a letter from his wife and two letters from other parties. He, the witness, never saved the envelopes in which he received letters. He, the witness, became angry at the contents of the letters---because he read things about his wife. Then he wrote to his wife. Afterwards he got a man named Haffel-

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Meyer to write to his wife saying that he, the witness, was dead, and Haffelmeyer also made out a certificate of his death, in order to make his wife believe that he, the witness, was dead, and then he intended to return to Brooklyn and surprise her. That is the reason he had the certificate made out. Then he mailed the certificate to his wife, and remained in Germany eight or nine days, and, on August 23rd, 1893, he left for New York arriving here on August 31st. When he was at Hoboken he came over to a hotel in this City at No. 8 Greenwich Street. While at that hotel he spent the day in New York and went to Brooklyn at night to watch his wife. He only saw her once, when he was in the water-closet and she came down the steps. On September 8th his wife saw him for the first time. It was in the evening, after six o'clock. The two girls came over with the witness and went direct to Brooklyn. He, the witness, told the two children not to tell Minnie Lange that he came over on the same ship with them. From September 1st to the 8th he was at No. 8

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Greenwich Street, and from the 8th to the 11th he was living in the house with his wife.

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the witness testified that he was arrested on Monday afternoon, while his wife was at the office of the John Hancock Life Insurance, Co., and she was arrested in the office of that Company. He, the witness, did not remember the name of the ship on which he arrived. He brought with him a chest and a basket, which he sent to the house in Evergreen Avenue, where his wife lived, to his wife, Minnie Lange. When he sent it over he did not tell the driver to say to his wife that he was dead. He, the witness, used the name Lange in coming over. The names of the girls were Louise and Augusta, Meyer being their family name. He, the witness, did not know whether the girls came under the name of Lowyn. He, the witness, came over on tickets sent by his wife to her sister. The ticket was for two grown persons and a child. When he, the witness, went to the office of the

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Company in Bremen, to get the tickets, he gave the name of Lange; not Lowyn. Louise is his, the witness's daughter, and Augusta is his wife's sister. He, the witness, got the tickets from his wife's sister, in Osnabruck, in Hanover, The Bremen office received a cable despatch notifying them that the fare had been paid. Haffelmeyer, who made out the papers, was a grocer's clerk. Louise returned to Germany. He, the witness, did not go to see Ellen K. Bredow, or Louise Wehl, before she went away, at 176 Johnson Avenue Brooklyn. His, the witness's, real name is Wilhelm V. Lange. It is not Levine. In addition to the insurance in the Mutual Reserve Company, he, the witness, had a policy of insurance in the New York Life Insurance Company and in the John Hancock Company; also in the Prudential. He, the witness, was insured in the New York Life Insurance Company, for \$3,000. in the John Hancock Life Insurance Company, for \$500.00 In the Mutual Reserve Association, for \$3,000.00 and in the Prudential for \$1,000.00 amounting to \$7,500.00. He, the witness, had a

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saloon for about 8 months and, about six or eight weeks before going to Germany, he sold the saloon for \$450.00 cash, and \$1,000.00 mortgage. He insured in the Prudential Company in May 1893, in the New York Life in March or April---April 20th 1893---and in the John Hancock, in January or February. He sold his saloon in February or March. He, the witness, did not know a "Dr. Weirmuller," in Insterburg. Haffelmeyer, who made out the proofs was not related to him, the witness or to his wife, Minnie Lange, and he, the witness, had known him only a couple of nights. He, the witness, did not give him, Haffelmeyer, the detailed information such as his birth, age, full name, etc. etc. with which to make out the papers, and Haffelmeyer did not read the papers to him. Haffelmeyer said only that he would make out a good paper for him, the witness, that his wife would believe. He, the witness, did not pay Haffelmeyer anything for preparing the papers. He, the witness, first sent his wife a letter, telling her of the accident, and, two or three weeks afterwards, he

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sent the proofs of his death. He, the witness, admitted that he sent his own daughter, on arriving here over to his wife's house, notwithstanding the fact that he suspected his wife of improperly conducting herself. He, the witness, did not receive any money from any insurance company. On September 8th he, the witness, saw his wife and learned from her that she had presented the papers to the Company, but he did not go over and notify the Company that he was alive, although his wife urged him to do so. He, the witness, went back to his wife's house and lived with her, because he wanted to see if his suspicions were true and he also wanted to get some clothes.

MINNIE LANGE, The DEFENDANT, sworn, testified in her own behalf, that she is the wife of Wilhelm Lange the previous witness, and that, on the 11th of September, she was arrested. In May or June, last, her, the defendant's husband went to Europe.

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He had five policies of insurance on his life; one, in the New York Life, one, in the Mutual Reserve, one, in the Prudential, one, in the Connecticut and one in a society. She, the defendant, received four letters from her husband while he was in Europe, the last about the middle of August, in which it was stated that he was dead---it was not from him---it had no signature. Then she, the defendant, received the proofs of his death and presented them to the Mutual Reserve Life Association. On September 6th, she, the defendant presented the proofs to the John Hancock Insurance Company. And, two days later, she saw her husband alive. Up to that time she, the defendant, believed her husband to be dead. She was frightened when she saw her husband and told him that she had presented the papers and he said that they had better get them back, then she went, twice on Saturday, to the office of the John Hancock Co., after her husband returned but could not get in, as the office was closed, and then she went there again on Monday, and asked for the papers, and she was

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told that she could have them, and, while waiting for the papers she was arrested. She, the defendant, at this point, testified that she did not tell the insurance people that her husband was alive but that she intended to do that after, but she wanted to get the papers.

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C r o s s - E x a m i n a t i o n

the defendant testified that she had always been a good wife to her husband, and had never given him any cause to blame or suspect her, and had lived with him over nine years and her eldest child will be nine years in April and her other child, a boy, is five years old . Her husband real name is Lange; not Loewyn. She, the defendant, went to the steamship company's office and bought tickets for her husband, Wilhelm Lange, her sister Augusta and her daughter Louise, and directed that they be sent to Germany, for him, and she gave the name of Lange, and not Lowyn, and the name Lange was on the receipt given to her by the company for the passage money that she paid.

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She, the defendant, testified that her husband procured the insurance against her will, as she knew he could not afford it. Wilhelm Lange took out all the insurance policies shortly after he sold his saloon, as he intended to go to Europe. She, the defendant, was sure that Ellen K. Bredow went away on the steamer before she, the defendant, saw her husband; she thought it was September 2nd. She, the defendant, sent the tickets addressed to her husband, in care of Mrs. Wagner, her grandmother, at Osnabruck, Germany. Her daughter was then stopping with her grandmother. Her sister, Augusta, was also stopping with her grandmother at that time. Her husband, Wilhelm Lange was not stopping with her grandmother but lived at the hotel near by. She, the defendant, went to the pier twice, expecting the arrival of the steamer with the children but did not see them. She, the defendant, thought that her husband Wilhelm Lange took the two children from the steamship Company's dock in Hoboken and brought them over to her house at 704 Evergreen Avenue. Her, the

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defendant's sister said that Wilhelm Lange told her to say that she, the sister, came over alone with the daughter. Her, the defendant's grandmother wrote saying that she had received the tickets or, rather, that he, Wilhelm Lange had received them. In answer to the question, "How many times did you wear mourning for your husband?" The defendant said,, "Why, I was in mourning all the time, for my mother, who is dead one year." Afterwards she testified that she went into mourning because she believed that her husband was dead. She did not tell anyone in the house in which she lived that her husband was dead; she did tell the insurance people. She told a number of people that her husband was insured in several companies. She told Mrs. Titus that. The children came to her house the day before the baggage arrived. The girls said that they came on the steamship alone, but that their uncle put them on board. Her, the defendant's daughter said that a man brought her over from Hoboken to 704 Evergreen Avenue. When they arrived at the house, they were

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entirely alone. When she, the defendant, asked the children when they had last seen her husband, they said not for a long time. The defendant admitted that she did some washing after the children arrived.

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the defendant testified that she did not tell her daughter that her husband was dead.

REBUTTAL.

BERNARD JOACHIM, a witness for The People, sworn, testified that he is the Superintendent of the John Hancock Insurance Co. On September 6th, 1893, he, the witness, saw Mrs. Lange, the defendant, at the Company's office, 531 Broadway Brooklyn. She filed proofs of the death of her husband on that day, and stated that her husband was dead.

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The defendant presented the policy, proofs of death and papers, all in German. Then he, the witness, filled out a blank proof of death, of the kind generally used by his company, and she signed and swore to it before him, the witness, as a Notary Public. He, the witness, told the defendant that the money would be ready on Friday, and he, the witness, called on her residence Thursday afternoon, but she was out. He, the witness, had a conversation with a person at the defendant's house. On the following Monday, at about two o'clock in the afternoon, the defendant came to the office, and he said to her that the company could not pay the claim, that, "We want some more information about it, that her husband is dead. Then she said, 'If you are going to make me any trouble, I want my papers back, the German Papers, too.' And I said, 'Well, if you don't mind waiting here half an hour, I have telephoned over to New York, for the inspector, and I will lay the matter before him, and if he is satisfied, I will pay the claim; I will write out the check, and,

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as soon as the inspector comes, if he shall say that I shall pay the claim, I will pay it; and if he shall say no, You can have your papers.'

Well, she waited over half an hour, and then the detective called with a warrant, and he arrested her. I asked him, the detective, in her presence, 'Have you found Mr. Lange alive?' And he said, 'No; Mr. Lange is alive, and I have arrested him.'

MRS. TITUS, being recalled by the District Attorney testified that she saw BERNARD Joachim, the last witness, at 704 Evergreen Avenue, when he called upon Mrs. Lange. She, the witness, saw Mr. and Mrs. Lange together before then witness Joachim called at Mrs. Lange's house.

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C r o s s - E x a m i n a t i o n
the witness testified that she saw Mr. and Mrs. Lange together on the Saturday before the arrest.

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(The Jury rendered a verdict, of
Guilty of Conspiracy, with a
recommendation to the mercy of
The Court.)

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE

Of the City and County of New York.

-----X
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Against

Wilhelm Lange and Minnie Lange
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THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ^{by}
this indictment accuse Wilhelm Lange, and ^{his wife} Minnie Lange, of
the crime of conspiracy, committed as follows:

The said Wilhelm Lange and Minnie Lange, both late
of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid,
on the twenty-first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and ninety-three, at the city and county aforesaid,
did, unlawfully and fraudulently conspire together to cheat and defraud
a certain corporation called the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association
out of the sum of Three thousand (3000) dollars in money, lawful money
of the United States of America and of the value of Three thousand
(3000) dollars, by means of fraudulently causing and procuring the
said corporation by fraud and deceit to issue to the said Wilhelm Lange
a certain policy of life insurance wherein and whereby, in consideration
of certain payments, he the said Wilhelm Lange should be received
as a member of the said corporation, and whereby there should be payable
to the said Minnie Lange, if living at the time of the death of the
said Wilhelm Lange, otherwise to his executors or administrators, the sum of three

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thousand (3000) dollars within ninety days after the acceptance of satisfactory evidence to the said corporation of the death of the said Wilhelm Lange; and thereafter unlawfully and fraudulently to obtain from the said corporation the said sum of three thousand (3000) dollars by means of falsely pretending to the said corporation that the said Wilhelm Lange was dead.

And afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the city and county aforesaid, the said Wilhelm Lange and Minnie Lange, in pussuance of the said conspiracy did unlawfully and fraudulently upon the application in writing of him the said Wilhelm Lange to the said corporation cause and procure ~~xxx~~ to be issued by the said corporation a certain written instrument and policy of life insurance wherein and whereby the said corporation, in consideration of the answers, statements and agreements contained in the said application and of certain payments of money agreed to be paid by the said Wilhelm Lange, the said corporation did receive the said Wilhelm Lange as a member of said association, and upon the condition of the payment of certain moneys in the manner therein set forth, during the continuance of the said policy, there should be payable to the said Minnie Lange, she being the wife of him the said Wilhelm Lange, if living at the time of the death of him the said Wilhelm Lange, otherwise to his executors or administrators, the sum of three thousand (3000) dollars, at the home office

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of the said association in the City of New York, within ninety days after the acceptance of satisfactory evidence by the association of the death of the said Wilhelm Lange made out as required upon its blank forms provided therefor subject to certain provisions, requirements and benefits made a part of the said contract and policy.

And afterwards, to wit: on the fifth day of September, in the year aforesaid, the said Minnie Lange, in further pursuance of the said conspiracy, at the city and county aforesaid, did unlawfully and fraudulently pretend and represent to the said corporation that the said Wilhelm Lange had been killed on the 25th day of June in the year aforesaid by being accidently thrown from a wagon in East Pasia, in Europe, and that there was payable to her, the said Minnie Lange, upon the production by her and acceptance by the said corporation, of satisfactory evidence of the said death of the said Wilhelm Lange in the form so required according to the said policy, the said sum of Three thousand (3000) dollars:

Whereas in truth and in fact the said Wilhelm Lange had not been killed on the said 25th day of June in the year aforesaid, by being accidently thrown from a wagon in East Pasia in Europe, but was then ~~and there~~ living and in full life as she the said Minnie Lange then and there well knew, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the ^{peace} ~~form~~ of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DeLancey Nicoll,

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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DeLancey Nicoll,

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Against

Wilhelm Lange and Minnie Lange
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the crime of conspiracy, committed as follows:

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of the City of New York, in the County of New York, afore-
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Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, at the
city and county aforesaid, did, unlawfully and fraudulently
conspire together to cheat and defraud a certain corpora-
tion called the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association out
of the sum of Three thousand (3000) dollars in money, law-
ful money of the United States of America and of the value
of Three thousand (3000) dollars, by means of fraudulently
causing and procuring the said corporation by fraud and
deceit to issue to the said Wilhelm Lange a certain policy
of life insurance wherein and whereby, in consideration
of certain payments, he the said Wilhelm Lange should be
received as a member of the said corporation, and whereby
there should be payable to the said Minnie Lange, if living
at the time of the death of the said Wilhelm Lange, other-
wise to his executors or administrators, the sum of three

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Whereas in truth and in fact the said Wilhelm Lange had not been killed on the said 25th day of June in the year aforesaid, by being accidently thrown from a wagon in East Pasia in Europe, but was then ~~and there~~ living and in full life as she the said Minnie Lange then and there well knew, against the form of the statute in such case made ^{peace} and provided and against the ~~form~~ of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DeLancey Nicoll,

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Laroe, Frank E.

DATE:

10/17/93



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Witnesses:

Watters
Wm S Ottman

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Counsel,

Filed

day of

1893

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

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567 *custodian*
ins.
ins.

Frank E Laroe

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Oct 30 1893

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Part 3, Oct 30 1893

Pleads Petition

for suspension of

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor

Foreman.

Part 3 Oct 30 1893

I recommend that a
plea of Petit Larceny
be accepted in this

Case

H. D. Madson
Asst.

Grand Larceny, second Degree.
[Sections 528, 529, Penal Code.]

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 The People &c. :
 against :
 Frank Laroe :
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The Hon. Rufus B. Cowing-

The petition of Frank Laroe respectfully represents to your Honor that he has pleaded guilty to the charge of petty larceny. That the property taken by him was a bicycle. That he has always lead an upright and moral life and if the Court will suspend sentence upon him we will hereafter conduct himself in a right and proper manner. That the property taken by him has been returned, as he is informed by the officer in whose possession it was, to the possession of the complainant, who your petitioner understands has been kind enough to state to your Honor that he does not desire to press the charges against the petitioner. That in view of these facts and fully appreciating the position that he would be in should he ever again be brought before this Court, or any other within this jurisdiction, charged with a similar crime and the punishment that would be meted out to him, he respectfully prays your honor to suspend sentence upon him and in support thereof respectfully refers your honor to the letters hereunto annexed, and to the other letters and statements that have been made to your Honor about your petitioner and the probability of his leading an honorable and useful life should this petition be

granted.

Wherefore he prays &c.

Sworn to and subscribed before me)
this 1st day of November, 1893.)

Frank E. Laroc

James P. Haver
Deputy Clerk General Sessions

Court of General Sessions

The People &c.

against

Frank Jaroe

P E T I T I O N

To the

Hon. Rufus B. Cowing.

Purdy & Evans,

116 Centre St.,

New York City.

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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss.

of No. Avada Flat Borden + 69 Street, aged 16 years,
occupation

being duly sworn,
deposes and says, that on the 3 day of October, 1893 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession
of deponent, in night time, the following property, viz:

One Bicycle of the
value of one hundred and
fifty dollars
\$150⁰⁰/₁₀₀

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 Frank L. Lane (number)

from the fact that said
property was in the basement of
the above premises and on said date
deponent missed the said property.
Deponent is informed by Officer John N.
Mattar of the 21st Precinct Police
that he arrested the said defendant
and said defendant admitted and
confessed that he did take, steal
and carry away said property and
said defendant returned said property to
the said Mattar. Wherefore deponent
asks that said defendant may
be dealt with as the law directs.

William J. Ottum

Sworn to before me this 3 day
of October, 1893
Mark
Police Justice

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Sec. 193-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

Frank Laro 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. *Frank Laro*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *24 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *MS.*

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

Answer. *567 Amsterdam Avenue. 8 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Domestic Help Boyer*

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

Answer. *I have nothing to say*

Frank E. Laro

Taken before me this *13* day of *April* 189*3*
Frank
Police Justice

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The People
vs.
Frank E. Laroe

LAW OFFICES OF
JOHN C. WEST,
206 BROADWAY,
EVENING POST BUILDING.

New York, Oct. 31st 1893

Hon. Rufus B. Cowing
J.

Dear Sir:

I beg to join with others, in petitioning your Honor to suspend sentence in the above entitled case. The defendant Frank E. Laroe, has been for some time a member of the Mission Sunday School, of the West Presbyterian Church, of which I am superintendent. I have always considered him to be an honest industrious young man, and I am at a loss to understand why he should have committed the crime with which he stands charged. He admits his guilt, and I am convinced that he is truly repentent. His wife is well known to me and is an estimable young woman, of good qualities, and her husband's disgrace is a severe blow to her. If sentence is suspended in this case, I am sure that your Honor will not have cause in the future to regret the exercise of that mercy, and it may be the means of making an honest man of the defendant for all time; it certainly will tend to brighten a young wife's life, which has been made miserable by reason of the disgrace brought upon her, by her husband. Trusting that your Honor will see your way clear to suspend sentence in this case, I am

Very respectfully yours,



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CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD,
BRANCH OF THE WEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
667¹/₂ STREET, WEST OF BOULEVARD,
REV. DANIEL E. LORENZ, PH.D.,
230 WEST 76TH ST.,
NEW YORK.

Oct. 31st 1893.

To His Honor Judge Cowan
Dear Sir:

The young man
Frank Laroe who has to appear
for sentence tomorrow, has been
known to me for over a year. During
that time he has been in attendance
upon a Bible Class in my Church.
His record, so far as my personal
acquaintance and all I can learn
of him is concerned, has been honest
and upright until his recent
theft. That crime, as it appears
to me, was the result of a rash
and unfortunate impulse rather
than of a vicious and premeditated

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character.

His own family connections and those of his wife's are worthy and respectable people

His young wife is in a delicate condition, and as her mother is a poor widow, she would be left quite destitute if her husband were sent to serve a term in prison.

I feel sure that young Taroe has learned a lesson that will last him a lifetime. As this is his first offense, if your Honor will be kind enough to deal leniently with him and suspend sentence, I feel quite confident that he will lead an honest life in the future.

Yours Very Respectfully
Daniel E. Doremy

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Dear Judge Cowing
There is a man
coming before you
this morning
named La Roc.
If convicted

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will you kindly
remand him
at me see you
Mrs. John A. Foster.
before sentencing
him. Love Resp. to J. A.
441 Park Avenue.

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DR. J. L. CAMPBELL
DR. W. C. CAMPBELL
259 WEST FORTY-SECOND STREET

OFFICE HOURS: 8.30 TO 9.30 A. M.
2 TO 3 AND 5.30 TO 6.30 P. M.

NEW-YORK, Oct 28 1893

To his Hon Judge Cowing
Dear Sir

Frank Larson confined
in the Tombs on a charge
of stealing will come
before you and in the
event of his conviction
I wish to enter a plea
in mitigation of Suspension
of sentence. Frank was
a member of my bible
class in a mission school
66th St & 10th Avenue
& as such I had formed
a good opinion of him
& had a sympathy for him
now in his unhappy position

The disgrace of the young
man seems almost to reflect
upon myself as being faith-
ful in my teaching.

Believing this to be his

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first offender, & sympathizing
with his young wife soon to
be a mother, & believing
that my brother Lorenzo
pastor of the Church &
his helpers in the work,
can throw such good
influences around the
young man as may
rescue him from a life
of crime & restore him
to good citizenship. I venture
to ask you Honor to use
clemency in the case now
to a suspension of sentence.

The community
whose interest you have looked
after so many years will
not ^{in my judgment} suffer in this case by
a merciful exercise of your
discretion. Very Respectfully Yrs
J. L. Campbell

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Judge Cowing
Dear Sir

My profound
interest in the case of
Frank E. Laroe who is now
in custody, charged with
stealing a bicycle prompts
me to add my appeal to
several others, hoping you
may see your way clear to
grant a suspension of
sentence. I have had a
knowledge of the young man
for more than two years, and
never have known him to
be guilty of any crime or
misdemeanor. I feel confident
it is his first offence. He is
a member of the 'young mens'

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bible-class in the mission
Sunday school at sixty sixth
street and Tenth Avenue
and when Men has always
been correct in his department.
I have been acquainted with
his family for more than ten
years - They are well connected
and highly respectable - and
for their sakes and more
than all, for the young wife
who would be left without
support, at a time when
she most needs it, I ask
your merciful consideration
His wife has been in my bible-
class in said mission school
for ten years and I can assure
you, she is in every way worthy
of the favor we hope you can ^{grant}

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Although poor, she is industrious frugal and well behaved. I am confident, if this young man has another chance, he will become a good and reputable citizen and you will have the satisfaction of saving him and sparing his family and wife much suffering and misery. He has been married less than a year and his wife is almost heart-broken. God grant that you may look with pity upon her and the offender.

Respectfully Julia K. Hunkler
New York October the thirty first, 1873 58 East 53^d St

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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 Richard

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

Dated, Oct 13 1893 James C. Burke Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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199 Police Court--- District. 1101 1894

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William S. Ottum
Boulevard 169th St
Nevada Plak
Frank C. Larrot

Offense: *Grand Larceny*

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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.

Dated, *Oct 13* 189 *3*

Burke Magistrate.

Mattis Officer.

24 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$ *500* to answer *W.S.*



[Handwritten signature and scribbles]

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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

Frank E. Laroe

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

Frank E. Laroe

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

The said

Frank E. Laroe

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the day of *October*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-~~three~~, *third*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

one bicycle of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

William S. Ottmann

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

SECOND COUNT—

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

Frank E. Laroe

of the CRIME OF CRIMINALLY RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY, committed as follows:

The said *Frank E. Laroe*

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

one bicycle of the value of one hundred and fifty dol- lars

[Large flourish]

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *William S. Ottman*

by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said *William S. Ottman*

unlawfully and unjustly did feloniously receive and have; the said

Frank E. Laroe

then and there well known 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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Laurenus, Elsa

DATE:

10/11/93



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**128 Mattam*

Counsel,

Filed, *11* day of *Oct* 189*3*

Pleads, *Guilty*

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Elsa Laurenius

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DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

*LARCENY, 2^d degree
(False Pretenses)
[Section 598, and 531, Penal Code.]*

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor

Oct 17/93 Foreman.

*Pleads Guilty
Sentence suspended
Oct 17/93*

esses:
Edw W Kirtland

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Lieut Axel Linderskiöld
is known to me as a respectable
man, whose statements may
be relied upon. William Steinway

To the Justice Martin
New York.

Oct 16/93

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Police Court

District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

of No. Altman (301 6th Ave) Street, aged 42 years,
occupation Floor wacker being duly sworn,
deposes and says, that on the 29th day of August 1893 at the City of
New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away
from the possession of deponent, in the Daytime, the following property, viz:

These goods of the value
of Four - dollars

the property of Altman & Company in deponents
charge

and that this deponent
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloni-
ously taken, stolen and carried away by Elsie Lavanoue

know her, from the fact that on
said date the defendant called
at the above premises and
represented she had been sent
to purchase goods by one Mrs
Boggs a customer and upon
such representation deponent
permitted her to take the property.
Deponent now says that he has
learned that the defendant never
was authorized to represent Mrs
Boggs and that the property was
not delivered to Mrs Boggs but
appropriated to the use of the defendant

Thomas P Fleming

Sworn to before me, this
of August 1893
Thomas P Fleming
Justice

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Elie Laurence*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *25 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Sweden*

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

Answer. *201 E 28th St.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Sanitation*

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

Answer. *I am guilty*
Elsa Laurence

Taken before me this
day of *April* 1893
Wm. J. ...
Police Justice

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

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

Dated Dec 6 1893 W. C. ... Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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Police Court--- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Thomas J. Flinn
vs.
Eliu Laurabou

Warrant
Gentry

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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.

Dated Oct 6th 189

Magistrate.

W. H. Reaps
Holland & Reaps

Officer.

Precinct.

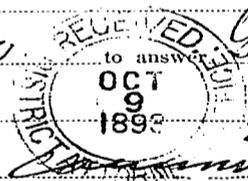
Witnesses J. B. Dockendorff

No. Altman 301. 6th Street

Edward M. Kirkman
Altman 301. 6th Street

No. Street.

\$ 1000 to answer



Committed

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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

Rosa Samerino

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

- Rosa Samerino -

of the CRIME OF *Grand* LARCENY in the second degree, committed as follows:

The said *Rosa Samerino*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twentieth* day of *August*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, with intent to deprive and defraud *Benjamin Altman*

of the ~~proper moneys~~, goods, chattels and personal property hereinafter mentioned, and of the use and benefit thereof, and to appropriate the same to *her* own use, did then and there feloniously, fraudulently and falsely pretend and represent to *the said*

Benjamin Altman,

That *she* the said *Rosa Samerino* had been sent to the said *Benjamin Altman* by one *Mrs. Boag* who was then a customer of and had an account with the said *Benjamin Altman*, then and there to obtain and receive from the said *Benjamin Altman* the goods, chattels and personal property *herewith* described, for and on behalf of the said *Mrs. Boag* and to be charged to her account.

By color and by aid of which said false and fraudulent pretenses and representations, the said

Elna Lawrence

did then and there feloniously and fraudulently obtain from the possession of the said

Benjamin Altman, a quantity of dress goods, (a more particular description thereof is to be found upon inspection of the value of thirty dollars,

of the ~~proper moneys~~, goods, chattels and personal property of the said

Benjamin Altman

with intent to deprive and defraud the said *Benjamin Altman,*

of the same, and of the use and benefit thereof, and to appropriate the same to *her* own use.

Whereas, in truth and in fact, the said *Elna Lawrence* had not been sent to the said *Benjamin Altman* by the said *Mrs. George Allen* and there to obtain and receive from the said *Benjamin Altman* the said goods, chattels and

personal property, for and on
behalf of the said Mrs. Pease
or to be charged to her account.

[Large handwritten flourish or signature]

And Whereas, in truth and in fact, the pretenses and representations so made as afore-
said by the said Elsa Sawenius
to the said Benjamin Altman was and were
then and there in all respects utterly false and untrue, as ~~she~~ the said
Elsa Sawenius
at the time of making the same then and there well knew;

And so the Grand Jury Aforesaid, do say that the said
Elsa Sawenius
in the manner and form aforesaid and by the means aforesaid, the said ~~proper moneys,~~ goods,
chattels and personal property of the said Benjamin Altman
then and there feloniously did STEAL, against the form of the statute in such case made and pro-
vided, and against the peace and dignity of the said people.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Lee, Benjamin

DATE:

10/03/93



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DESCRIPTION:

Stillman, James F.

DATE:

10/03/93



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Witnesses:

~~Algeo Foster~~
Chas M Atkins

Counsel,

Filed 3 day of Oct 1893

Pleads, Guilty 4

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Benjamin Lee
and
James B. Stillman
(3 cases)

Grand Larceny, second Degree.
[Sections 528, 531, Penyl Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Sentenced on and verdict
P. M. J.

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor.

Foreman.

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WILLIAM F. HOWE
A. H. HUMMEL
B. STEINHARDT
JOSEPH F. MOSS
DAVID MAY

Law Offices of
HOWE & HUMMEL,
87 & 89 CENTRE AND 136, 138 & 140 LEONARD STS.
New York City

November 10th, 1893.

Hon. Randolph B. Martine,

Dear Judge:-

Benjamin Lee, whose real name is Benjamin Dolaro, is the son of the late Selina Dolaro, who was very well and intimately known to me in her lifetime. You may have known her as an operatic singer and authoress.

The son, unfortunately, has made the mistake of associating with companions who have caused his ruin. He is a scapegrace and deserving no consideration, but in view of the fact that his two sisters are taking a deep interest in him, I have promised them and my personal friend Tony Pastor, to say a good word to you in behalf of the unfortunate young fellow who is before you this morning for sentence.

The fact that I am acting in this matter purely out of friendship and charity is my sole excuse for trespassing on your kindness; and if you can find it consistent with your duties to save the family the stain of State Prison degradation by sentencing young Dolaro to the penitentiary instead of State Prison, justice will not alone be conserved but you will be really extending a

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WILLIAM F. HOWE.
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Law Offices of

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New York City

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very sincere favor to me and my friend Tony Pastor, for whom I
would render any reasonable assistance at any time in my power.
He is one of nature's noblemen, and I do hope you can see your way
clear to render this just service.

Yours very faithfully,



Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Benjamin Lee
and
James F. Stillman*

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as follows:

The said *Benjamin Lee and James F. Stillman, both*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twentieth*
day of *September*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-three, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*four water-color paintings of
the value of twenty-five dollars
each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Charles M. Atkins

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

*De Laurey Nicoll
District Attorney.*

Witnesses:

Alfred M. Lyon

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Counsel,

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Grand Larceny, second Degree. [Sections 528, 529, Penna Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Cont. 1. Oct 24. 93 P.S.W.

Sentenced on adv. verdict P.S.W.

A TRUE BILL,

Edward G. Taylor

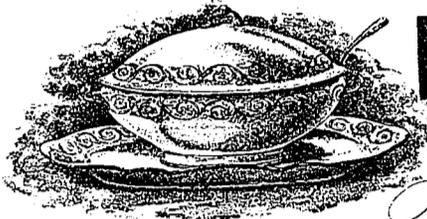
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Wilhelm & Graef

IMPORTERS OF



CHINA GLASS & FANCY POTTERY

1141 & 1143 BROADWAY,
COR. 26th ST.

New York, Nov 10 1893.

Judge Martine
President.

Dear Sir.

Introducing to
you Miss Dolaro, the sister
of the young man, who are
to sentence this morning, we
beg of you to listen to her
recital of the affairs of young
Dolaro and to oblige us to
make his sentence as right-
as possible. Under the
circumstances, he having
plead guilty we think you
could do so without interfering
with justice

Yours Most Resp
Wilhelm Graef

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Nov 2nd 93

My Dear Judge

Your are going
to venture a young man
by the name of B Lee.
on Friday I know his
Family Personally and they
are very Respectfully
any Kindness will be
Appreciated by your

Friend &c

Patk Farle

J
Judge Martine

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Return to

Wilhelm & Graef
IMPORTERS OF
China Glass & Fancy Pottery.

1141 & 1143 Broadway
COR. 26TH ST.
NEW YORK.

Judge Martine

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Hon R. B. Martine
Present

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Police Court
Second Dist

The People
Alie Forbes

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Benjamin Lee
Gen. F. Stillman

Examination Before Justice Hogan
Sept 29 1897

For the Defendants A. H. Purdy Esq

The complaint is taken on the
case for the People.

Alie Forbes recalled and
cross examined by Mr Purdy.

Q - You say these two defendants
came into the store?

A - Yes sir.

Q - What was the first thing that
was done when they came
in?

A They came in looking for
clocks

Q They came in together

A - Yes.

Q Side by side

A One behind the other

Q What was the first thing
said or done?

A They asked to see clocks

Q Which one?

A Stillman

Q What was done then?

A I brought them forward
to see them. Stillwell asked
if we had any others. I said
we had one Dresden Clock.
Stillman asked the price of
it. I told him the price.
Then Lee turned and asked
if they could see it. I said
Yes. I brought these people
to the back of the store
Then two dependents walked
to the back of the store

Q What took place at the back of

the store?

A They both walked around, the store and looked at different things. Stillman asked the price of a Daxon piece. Then Lee asked if I would not show comb and brush trays. I went forward with Stillman. Lee remained behind. I looked back, and as I looked back Lee came forward. Then I noticed that he had something in his pocket — at least under his coat — It was under his coat — His hand was in his pocket. I saw the hand in his pocket. Stillwell said he guessed they would not trouble me any more today — that they would come in again and they walked out.

2. How far away from you was Lee when you noticed that he had something under his coat?

3 A About 25 to 30 feet

Q Did these two gentlemen bid you good day

A I did not pay any attention I walked forward. I was confused, and I let them out

Q What made you confused?

A I mistrusted them

Q Why?

A Because I was pretty sure he had taken something

Q Why did you not go up to Lee and say "You have something under your coat"

A I was very nervous, and I lost my mind entirely

Q Why did you not call the Inspector?

A Well I reported it.

Q Why did you not say to Lee "You have got something under your coat"

The Court - She has explained

A I was very nervous,

Q Who else was in the store,

A A lady and gentlemen - Mr
& Mrs Plummer

Q How far away was Mr.
Plummer

A He was in the other store

Q Could you speak to him?

A No sir; not unless I called
out loudly

Q You could have called out
loudly?

A Yes sir.

Q Why did you not call out
loudly?

A As soon as they left the store
I did call to Mr Plummer
and asked him to go.

Q You did not call for
Plummer.

A No sir

Q How many people are
employed in the store,

A I guess there are twelve.

5 Q Do you know the value of

this property?

A One hundred and fifty dollars

Q Where were they?

A In the Art Room

Q When did you last see them?

A A half hour before they were taken

Q A half hour?

A Yes Sir.

Q What time did you see them?

A About 1 o'clock

Q How came you to see them?

A I had charge of the room

Q How many pieces were there in that room?

A I have not the faintest idea

Q A thousand?

A Perhaps.

Q What room has about three pieces that you should have your attention called to them specially?

A They have been in the store quite some time.

6 Q Have you not other pieces

that have been there some time?

A Yes.

Q There was nothing to call your attention to this particular piece?

A Well, we have had that for such a long time. It is one of the old subjects.

Q You have some other old subjects?

A Few

Q about one o'clock you noticed this particular piece?

A About 1 o'clock

Q you also noticed a thousand other pieces?

A My attention was not called to the thousand other pieces.

Q How was your attention called to this particular piece?

A Because we have a place for every one, and the pieces were moved in this place

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Q - All these pieces I have cer-
tain places where they are
kept.

A Exactly

Q This was about 1 O'clock?

A Between 1 and two - perhaps
half past one.

Q Was there anybody else
than customers?

A Yes sir. There were three
persons

Q Many coming in at one
O'clock?

A Not many

Q How many?

A About four

Q Men or women?

A Two ladies

Q No more than two ladies?

A Not that I remember

Q You can't mean that there
were not?

A I do not know

Q When these men left
on looking over your stock

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You noticed that these two pieces were not in their usual place?

A As soon as I left the store I ran back and missed the things, and followed them

Q You ran back to the store and saw that these two pieces were out of their places?

A Yes sir.

Q You had not seen them since 1 o'clock?

A Not since 1 o'clock.

Gift sold to Moore.

POLICE COURT,
SECOND DISTRICT,
W. L. GIBSON, JR.,
STENOGRAPHER.

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

Defendant

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

Dated *Sept 29th* 1893 *[Signature]* Police Justice.

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

Dated..... 18..... Police Justice.

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

Dated..... 18..... Police Justice.

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Police Court (147) District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Alice Forbes
1141-1143 Gray
Benjamin Lee
2 Jules F. Pillsbury

Offence
D. W. C. C. C.

BAILED,

No. 1, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 2, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 3, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

Dated Sept 29th 1893

Hogner Magistrate.

Fulbright Officer.

19th Precinct.

Witnesses Chas W. Atkins

No. 27 Union Square Street



No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

\$ 1000 Each to answer G S

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Police Court 2 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

Mie Forbes

of No. 1141 + 1143 Broadway Street, aged 20 years,

occupation Sales Lady being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 25th day of Sept 1893 at the City of
New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away
from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

Two porcelain paintings of
the value of one hundred
and fifty \$150 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

the property of Wilhelm and Gust. in the
Care and custody of deponent
as Sales Lady

and that this deponent
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloni-
ously taken, stolen and carried away by Benjamin Lee and

James J. Stillman (both rousher)
who were acting in concert in the
manner following to wit: said
property was in said premises
that defendant Stillman engaged
deponent in conversation about other
articles in said store defendant Lee
went in the rear part of said store
where said property was. That defendants
left said store together and that
deponent noticed that defendant
Lee had something under his
coat when defendants left
said premises. That deponent

Sworn to before me, this
of _____ day
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Police Justice.

Subsequently missed said property.
Therefore charges the said
defendants with having stolen
said property and prays that
they be held to answer

Sworn to before me
this 29th day of September 1933 } A.M. Forbes

[Signature]

J. A. Jones

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

James F. Stillman being duly examined before the undersigned according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that it is his right 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 F. Stillman*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *22 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *U.S.*

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

Answer. *270 W 36th Street 1 year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Clerk*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty
James F. Stillman*

Taken before me this

day of *Sept*

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Police Justice.

[Signature]

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Benjamin Lee 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. *Benjamin Lee.*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *27 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *England*

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

Answer. *205 W 28th Street 1 year.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Clerk*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*

Ben Lee.

Taken before me this
day of *March*

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Police Justice.

[Signature]

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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

*Benjamin Lee
and
James F. Stillman*

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Benjamin Lee and James F. Stillman
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed
as follows:

The said *Benjamin Lee and James F. Stillman, both*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *25th*
day of *September*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*two oil paintings of the
value of seventy-five dollars
each*

[Large flourish]

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Henry F. Wilhelm*

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

*De Laurey Moll
District Attorney*

N^o 1 - Real name is below.
N^o 2 Real name. Sullivan.

Witnesses:

Ellice Forbes

Chas W. Atkins

Alfred M. Hiron

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officer (empty)
for 8th 10th without
panel

N^o 1. Has other charges
pending agst. can be
rides there 3 charges.

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Counsel, *[Signature]*
Filed *[Signature]* day of *[Signature]* 1893

Pleas, *[Signature]*

Grand Larceny, Sections 628, 629, Penna Code.]

THE PEOPLE

Benjamin Lee
and

James F. Sullivan
(3 cases) *[Signature]*

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

[Signature]
Notary Public

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A TRUE BILL

Edward G. Jaydon
Foreman
Nov. 10/93

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Police Court 2 District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

Alfred M. Lion

of No. 434 5th Avenue Street, aged 25 years,

occupation Dealer in Art Goods being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 10 day of Sept 1893 at the City of

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

one Dresden clock of the value
of thirty five dollars
\$ 35

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 Benjamin Lee and

James J. Stillman (now Lee) The said

property was in deponent's store on said

date about five minutes before the

deponents left, about half past five

o'clock p.m. and deponents were

acting in concert together pretending to

be customers, deponent missed the

said property as soon as deponents

left the store, and now charges the

deponents with the larceny of the said

property for the reason that no other

person or persons could possibly

have taken it.

Alfred M. Lion

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29 day of Sept 1893
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

James F. Stillman

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 F. Stillman*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *22 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *50 West 36 St. - one week*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Clerk*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty
James F. Stillman*

Taken before me this
day of *Sept*

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Police Justice.

[Signature]

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

Benjamin Lee

being duly examined before the undersigned according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that it is his right 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. *Benjamin Lee*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *England*

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

Answer. *20 West 24th St 1 year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Club*

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*

Ben Lee

Taken before me this

23

day of

Sept

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Police Justice

[Signature]

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FOUR STATE
NOTARY PUBLIC
W. H. ORRISBY, JR.
STROUD, MISS.

The People of
Alfred M. Lyon

Benjamin Lee
James F. Stillman

Examination Before Justice Hogan
Sept 29 1897

To the Spt Lee, A. H. Paddy Esq

Alfred M. Lyon being duly sworn
and examined as a witness for
the people deposes and says:
I live at 434 Fifth Avenue
I am an importer of bric-a-
-brac and fancy goods. I
lost some property last
Tuesday, It was a Dresden
clock

2 State under what circumstances
A About half past five in the
afternoon these two gentlemen
came in. This Stillman was

looking at goods. Lee was walking about the store a considerable time. Stillman before that wanted to look at some juice which was high on the shelf. While I was reaching for it they said they had no time to look any further and they walked off. A minute after they had gone I missed the clock which was standing right behind. There was ten clocks standing there. One was gone. It was the only clock of the kind I had.

Q How long was it before you missed it?

A Five minutes afterward

Q Could not somebody have taken it beside these persons?

A No sir, nobody else

Q Are you positive that these were the two men?

A I am sir

Q What was the value of the clock?

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A Thirty five Dollars
2 who was in the store?
A Just myself. I was just
before closing up.

Was Examined by Mr Pender —
2 which one of them Mr G
think took the check
A I am positive it was Lee
2 Lee is the one who took
the check.

A Yes, I do not think it was
the other one because he was
talking to me. Stillman
was talking to me

Went back to answer.

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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

Benjamin Lee, James F. Stillman

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

Dated, Sept 29 1893

[Handwritten Signature]
Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____

Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____

Police Justice.

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Police Court---

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1048 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Alfred M. Lion
434 5th St.
Benjamin Lee
James F. Stillman

Offense
Lacey
Lee

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Dated, Sept 29 1893

Hogan Magistrate.
Ollivan & Lang Officer.
19 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$1000 each to answer

Done



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

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace
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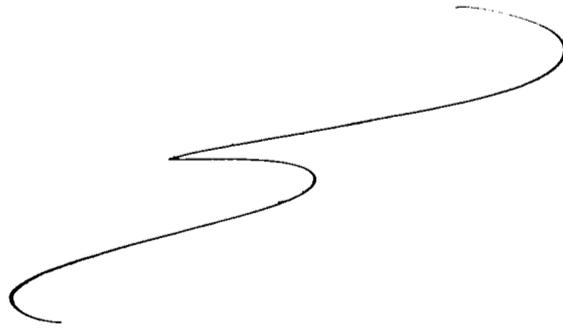
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The said

Benjamin Lee and James F. Stillman both

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Eighteenth*
day of *September*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*three* at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one clock of the value of
thirty-five dollars*



of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Alfred M. Leon

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

*De Lancey Nicoll
District Attorney*

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Lentz, George

DATE:

10/10/93



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Left also called *Bickson*
R.B.M.
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Witnesses:

Off Farley

Counsel,

Filed

10 day of Oct 1893

Pleads,

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(Indictment)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

George Lenty

Oct 14/93

Head G. L. Lenty

Grand Larceny, second Degree.
[Sections 528, 529, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Elmira Ref. R.M.

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor

Foreman.

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Police Court S District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

of No. 1704 2nd avenue Street, aged 40 years,
occupation Keep home being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 10 day of September 1893 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

One silver watch, one gold badge, one menschaum sgar holder, one hair chain, ~~two~~ ^{one} gold rings and fifty cents in silver coin, all of the value of thirty dollar. \$30.00 the property of Leppmunk

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 George Lentz (now here)

from the fact ~~therefore~~ that at about the hour of 10 o'clock A.M. said date, deponent missed said property from her apartment, and this deponent who was left alone in deponent's apartment, admitted and confessed in open Court in deponent's presence and in the presence of Detective Charles F. Farley that he did feloniously take steal and carry away said property.

Wherefore deponent prays the said deponent may be held and dealt with according to law.

Doretta Eggen

Sworn to before me, this 15 day of Sept 1893
W. W. [Signature]
Police Justice.

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Sec. 193-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

George Leutz

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

16 Years old Push

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Germany

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

Answer.

No home

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Printer

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 ~~innocent~~ guilty
I am guilty
George Leutz*

Taken before me this

day of

1903

Police Justice.

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

Defendant

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *Five* Hundred Dollars

and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until he give such bail

Dated *October 3* 189 *McBride* Police Justice.

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

Dated 189 Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named

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

Dated 189 Police Justice.

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Police Court--- 5 District. 1081

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Woreta Eggers
George Lentz
1704th 2nd Ave.

Grand
Office
Lentz

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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.

Dated October 5 1893.
Wilde Magistrate.
Farley Officer.
27 Precinct.

Witnesses
No. Street.
No. Street.
No. 500 Street.



to answer
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Yes Servants
Born Germany
Occup. Yes
Married Yes
Single Yes
Residence 1702 2nd Ave.
Parents Mother

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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

George Lentz

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

George Lentz

of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed

as follows:

The said

George Lentz

late 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 ninety-three, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

one watch of the value of fifteen dollars, one badge of the value of five dollars, one cigar holder of the value of five dollars, one chain of the value of five dollars, one finger ring of the value of five dollars, and divers silver coins of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of fifty cents,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Doretta Eggers

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

De Laurence Nicoll
District Attorney

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

George Lentz

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

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

The said

George Lentz

late 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 ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

one watch of the value of fifteen dollars, one badge of the value of five dollars, one cigar holder of the value of five dollars, one chain of the value of five dollars, one finger ring of the value of five dollars, and divers silver coins of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of fifty cents,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Doretta Eggers*

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

De Laurey Nicoll
District Attorney

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DESCRIPTION:

Lesser, Hyman

DATE:

10/11/93



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Declarer that the said
James rendered to
\$250. Good and lawful
ada.

Witnesses:

Willy A Foster

Bail for \$250

The General Term re-versed this conviction on the ground that the evidence was insufficient - I have examined the complaint since the reversal of the conviction & find that no other evidence is to be had. I therefore respectfully recommend that the indictment be dismissed.

Geo Gordon Battle
Deputy District Attorney

Approved
John F. McTigue
Acting District Attorney
Apr 4 - 1894

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~~Doc.~~

Counsel,

Filed

11th day of Oct. 1893

Pleads,

Not guilty - 12

vs THE PEOPLE
510 212
current

Hyman Lesser
April 4/94
Indictment
Dismissed

Grand Larceny - second Degree.
[Sections 528, 531, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Part 3. Oct. 7th 1893

Trued and corrected -
9. h. 2^d day 123.

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor

Foreman.
Louisa Ref.

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

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The People of the State of New York, :
Complainant :
-against- :
Hyman Lesser, :
Defendant :
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SIR:-

Please take notice that on the annexed affidavit and all proceedings herein, the undersigned will move before Hon. Rufus B. Coving at the Court of General Sessions at Part III. thereof, at the Court House in the City of New York on the 15th day of March, 1894, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for an order discharging the defendant herein and for the dismissal of the indictment against him, and for such other and further relief as may be just.

Dated New York, March 14th, 1894.

Yours &c.,

Hayman & Rosenthal,
Attorneys for Defendant.

To

Hon. John R. Fellows,
District Attorney.

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Fol.1 Court of General Sessions of the Peace,
In and For the City and County of New York

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The People of the State of New York, :
Complainant :
-against- :
Hyman Lesser, :
Defendant :
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City and County of New York, SS:

Morris H. Hayman being duly sworn, deposes and
says that he is one of the attorneys for the defendant above
named. That said defendant was heretofore and at the County
of New York, indicted on a charge of having theretofore on
October 2nd, 1893, at the City of New York, stolen a watch of
the value of Fifty Dollars belonging to one Kitty A. Foster,
thereby committing (as alleged in said indictment) the crime
2 of grand larceny in the second degree. That on the 20th day
of October, 1893, the said defendant was brought to trial on
said indictment in this Court before Hon. Rufus B. Cowing
and a Jury, and the trial being had, was convicted of said
crime. That thereafter on October 23rd, 1893, judgment was
pronounced on said verdict and said defendant was sentenced
to be imprisoned thereon in the State Reformatory at Elmira.
That pursuant to said sentence the defendant was, on or about
October 23rd, 1893, taken to said Reformatory and has ever
since remained there as a prisoner until the 12th day of
March, 1894, on which day he was returned from said Reforma-
tory to the City Prison in this City, where he is at present.

3 That after his said conviction an appeal was duly
taken on his behalf from said judgment to the General Term of
the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District, and the
said judgment was duly reversed and an order thereon entered
on the 19th day of February, 1894. That a certified copy
of the order reversing the said judgment has been duly served
on the District Attorney of this County. That under the
aforesaid erroneous conviction the said Lesser has already
served almost five months imprisonment at Elmira, and in all
has been in prison almost six months on account of said accu-
4 sation. That as deponent is informed and verily believes,
the conduct of said Lesser during his imprisonment, has been
highly exemplary. He has moreover been reduced to abject
poverty and has suffered great bodily and mental anguish by
reason of said accusation and his subsequent trial, convic-
tion and imprisonment. That all the evidence available
against him as deponent believes, was produced at the former
trial, and as aforesaid the General Term has found the same
insufficient to warrant his conviction. That said Lesser
has never before been charged with crime, and a number of
5 very respectable citizens of this City who know the defendant
and have interested themselves in his behalf, have the high-
est esteem for his honesty and good character in general.
Deponent believes it will serve no good purpose to detain
said Lesser or again to place him on trial on said charge,
and therefore deponent respectfully prays this Court for his
discharge and that said indictment against him may be dis-

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missed.

That no previous application has been made.

Sworn to before me this)

15th day of March, 1894.)

Morris A. Hayman

Aaron A. Schwarz
Com. of Deed
N.Y.C.

*Argues to him 19th
Part VII*

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

Take notice that a _____
of which the within is a copy, has this day
been duly entered and filed in the within en-
titled _____ in the office of the Clerk
of this Court in the City of _____
Dated _____ 189 _____

The People of the State of New
York
-against-
Hyman Lesser

HAYMAN & ROSENTHAL,

Attorneys for _____
No. 234 BROADWAY,
New York City, New York.

AFFIDAVIT AND

NOTICE OF MOTION.

HAYMAN & ROSENTHAL,

Attorneys for Defendant,
No. 234 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK CITY.

To the Hon. *Julius R. W. Johnson*
Attorney for People

No. _____

Due and timely service is hereby admitted
of a copy of the within _____
this _____ day of _____ 189 _____

Atty for _____

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS,
PART III.

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The People
of the State of New York,
-Against-
Hyman Lesser .
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Before
Hon. Rufus B. Cowing,
and a Jury.

Indictment filed November 11th, 1893.
Indicted for Grand Larceny in the Second Degree.
New York, ^{at N.} November 23, 1893.

A P P E A R A N C E S .

For the People.
Assistant District Attorney Henry D. Macdonald.
For the Defendant, Mr. Thomas J. Sullivan.

K I T T I E A. F O S T E R, a witness for the People, sworn,
testified:

I live at 247 West 50th Street in this city. On the 2nd day of October the defendant Lesser, who is a canvasser for picture frames, came into my rooms between ten and eleven o'clock in the morning. He wanted to know if I had any pictures I wanted framed. I said I didn't want any more to do with picture people; that they were frauds. I told him of a man in Sixth Street who had cheated me by charging me \$30.00 for two picture frames. I told him those picture people were all humbugs, and I wanted nothing to do with them. I brought him in the sittingroom to show him the pictures that I

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had framed. Before he came in I had left a watch belonging to me, valued at \$50.00, on the mantelpiece in the diningroom. When he had gone I missed the watch.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

Nobody else had any opportunity to take that watch but the defendant. I have five rooms there, situated on the third floor; I have lived there for thirty years with my husband. I invited the defendant in to take a look at those picture frames, and see how I had been cheated. I did not see the defendant take the watch, but I am positive I saw it there just before he came in and missed it immediately after he went out. The defendant asked me if I would let him take some pictures to be framed. I left him in the sittingroom while I went into another room to get a picture to show him. In a few minutes the defendant followed me into the other room, and I told him I could not find what I wanted to show him. Then he left me his business card, at 311 Sixth Street, and went out. The next day I went to the address given on the card, and identified him as the man who had been in my place. I accused him of taking my watch, and he denied all knowledge of it. The defendant was not more than five minutes gone out of my house before I missed my watch.

D E F E N S E .

S A M U E L E T R I C K, a witness for the defendant, sworn, testified:

I am the employer of the defendant. I have known him for five or six months. He has worked for me as a

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canvasser. His reputation for honesty is good.

G A B R I E L G O L D W A T E R, a witness for the defendant, sworn, testified:

I have retired from business. I live at 210 East 104th Street. I have known the defendant since he was a boy. His reputation for honesty is good.

H Y M A N L E S S E R, the defendant, sworn, testified:

I am twenty-six years of age, and was born in Poland. I have been in this country nine or ten months. I live at 510 East 12th Street. I am employed as a canvasser by Mr. Etrick. On the day of this occurrence I was canvassing for orders. I did not see the watch of Mrs. Foster, nor did I steal it. I have never been charged with stealing before in my life. In canvassing I simply go to the doors of houses, knock for admission, and ask whoever comes to the door if they have any pictures they wish framed. I am not certain that I was at this lady's house, but it is likely that I was there. I do not remember having any conversation with her. I am positive that I did not take any watch from her house, or from the house of any other person. She came to our place of business and looked at the different men, and finally picked me out and had me arrested. I told the lady that I knew nothing of her watch, and begged her not to have me arrested. I never took that watch in my life.

The Jury returned a verdict of guilty of.

Grand Larceny in the Second Degree, with a recommendation to the mercy of the Court.

N. Y. General Sessions

The People }
✓ }
Hyman Lesser }

City & County of New York ss.

Witty A. Foster

being duly sworn ~~again~~ says:

I am

the complainant in the above
action. I know of no testimony
in addition to that given herein
on the first trial.

I am willing

that the indictment be dismissed
and that the defendant be dischar-
ged.

Witty A. Foster

Sworn to before }
me the 17th }
day of March 1884 }

Geo Gordon Battle
Notary Public
N. Y. Co.

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Dear Sir:--

Sam. Bidrich, Esq.,
 228 East 6th Street,
 New York City.

Replying to yours of the 14th inst.:

Hyman Lesser (6208) who was received here October 26/93 for the crime of Grand Larceny in the 2nd Degree, with a maximum term of five years, has made a fairly good record since his admission, and if he continues to do so, he will become eligible for parole the 1st of November next. This is the very best possible to be done for him under the rules of the Reformatory as they now are. He is in good health.

Respectfully yours,

Z. R. Brockway
 General Superintendent.

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Z. R. BROCKWAY,
 General Superintendent.

Enclosed, N. Y.,
 Feb. 17/94.

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Police Court— 3 District. . .

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss.

of No. 217 West 50 Street, aged 44 years,
occupation married being duly sworn,

Kitty A. Foster

deposes and says, that on the 7 day of October 1899 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

A gold watch of the value of
Fifty Dollars

\$50⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Sworn to before me, this
of October 1913
at New York
Police Justice.

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 Hyman Lesser (now here) from the fact that said watch was lying on a mantel-board in deponent's apartments when defendant came therein on the aforesaid date: that after defendant left, he having remained there about ten minutes, deponent missed the aforesaid watch: that no person other than deponent and defendant had been in said rooms during said time, whereupon deponent prays that defendant may be dealt with according to law

ms Kitty A. Foster

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

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City and County of New York, ss:

Hyman Lesser 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. *Hyman Lesser*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *26 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Poland*

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

Answer. *510 E. 12 St. - 6 mos.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Agent*

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.*

Hyman Lesser

Taken before me this

day of

1893

John R. [Signature]

Police Justice.

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

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

Dated, October 5 1890

John Ryan Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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Police Court---

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District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Kitty A. Foster
127 W. 50th St.
Hyman Lessor

Offense: Grand Larceny

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BAILED,

No. 1, by *Joe J. Cohen*

Residence *31 W. 100th St.* Street.

No. 2, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 3, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

Dated, *Oct 5* 189

Magistrate.

Officer.

4 Precinct.

Witnesses _____

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.



500 *G. J.*

[Signature]

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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

Hyman Lesser

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

Hyman Lesser

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

The said

Hyman Lesser

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *second* day of *October*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one watch of the value of
fifty dollars*

[Large flourish]

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Ketty A. Foster

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

*De Laucy Nicoll,
District Attorney.*

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Levy, Louis

DATE:

10/24/93



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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Cohen, Isaac

DATE:

10/24/93



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Witnesses:

H A Bridgman

Part I Jan 23 94

As I has pleaded to another indictment. The People are not in a position to try No 2 as they are unable to find the principal witness. I therefore recommended that this indictment be dismissed as to both defts

H A Macdonald
G 21

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1893

Pleas,

24th day of Oct
Not Guilty 20

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Louis Levy
and

Isaac Cohen
(2 cases)

Grand Larceny, second Degree.
[Sections 598, 597
Penal Code.]

DR LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

17 Oct Term

A TRUE BILL.

Edward J. Taylor
Jan 23 94

in recom. of Dist. Atty.
indict. d/s. Foreman
P. B. M.

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Police Court 2 District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

Harry A. Brockington

of No. 446 Broome Street, aged 39 years,

occupation Merchant Tailor being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 21 day of October 1893 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

one roll of woollen cloth, of the amount and value of Eighteen dollars

(\$ 18.00)

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 Louis Levy and Isaac Cohen (both now here), and while acting in concert with each other, from the following facts to wit: that about the hour of 11 o'clock A.M. of said date said defendants in company with each other came into deponent's place of business, at the above address; and that while said defendants in company with each other were in said store, as he is informed by Moses Ebron of No 446 Broome Street he saw the defendant Levy take the aforesaid property from the counter in said store, and that said defendants in company with each other then ran out of said store, with the aforesaid property in their possession, and that when followed and pursued by said Ebron he saw said defendants

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of October 1893 at New York City

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

1877.

Moses Elron

aged 27 years, occupation Porter of No.

446 - Broome Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Garry A. Barenklyn

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

Sworn to before me, this 2 day of April, 1897 Moses Elron

[Signature]
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court. 1882

City and County of New York, ss: ..

Louis Levy

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Louis Levy

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

27 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Poland

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

Answer.

45 - 79th St - 2 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Coats

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 -
Louis Levy
man*

Taken before me this
day of *Sept* 189

Police Officer

[Signature]

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Sec. 198-200.

1882

District Police Court.

City and County of New York, ss: .

Isaac Cohen

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. *Isaac Cohen*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *22 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Poland*

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

Answer. *61-Canal Street - 3 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Booker*

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 - Isaac Cohen*

Taken before me this
day of *Oct*

21st
1893

Police Justice

[Signature]

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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE & C.
OF THE COMPLAINANT OF

Henry D. Buckle
Louis Levy
Isaac Cohen

J. J. Jancy
Officer

BAILED.

No. 1, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 2, by *Naphthal Cohen*

Residence *61 Canal* Street.

No. 3, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

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4 _____

Dated *October 21* 18*93*

John H. Hays Magistrate.

John A. Kennedy Officer.

Moses E. Egan Precinct.

Witness _____

No. *446 - Broome* Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

\$ *500* to answer _____

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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
Louis Levy
and
Isaac Cohen

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Louis Levy and Isaac Cohen
of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY, committed as follows:

The said *Louis Levy and Isaac Cohen*, both

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty first*
day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*three*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

one piece of cloth of the
value of eighteen dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Harry A. Brockington

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

De Lancey Nicoll
District Attorney

0553

Witnesses:

Louis Joseph

Port I Jan 23/94

I recommend that
it be discharged on
the own recognizance
H. A. Macdonald
Clerk.

893

Pentecost

Counsel,

Filed *25* day of *Oct* 189*3*

Pleas, *Guilty*
THE PEOPLE

vs.

2 Louis Levy
2 and

12 Isaac Cohen

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

Jan 16/94

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor

Oct 25/93 Foreman

Penalty
Sentence suspended 100.00
Jan 23/94
No. 2 on recognizance of Dist. Atty
def. discharged on his own
recog.
100.00

PETIT LARCENY.
Penal Code.
Sections 538, 539

0554

Police Court

2

District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

Louis Joseph

of No. 343 Canal
occupation Clerk

Street, aged 15 years,

deposes and says, that on the 19 day of October 1893 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property, viz:

A roll of wollen cloth, of the amount
and value of fifty dollars

(\$ 50 ⁰⁰ / 100)

the property of Callman Rouse, and in deponent's
care and custody

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

Louis Levy and Isaac Cohen (both now here), and while acting in concert with each other, from the following facts to wit: that about the hour of 2.30 o'clock P.M. of said date, said deponent in company with each other came into deponent's place of business, on the second floor of the above mentioned premises, and at the time said deponent in company with each other came into deponent's place of business, the aforesaid property was lying on a counter in said place, and that in about fifteen minutes said deponent in company with each other left deponent's place of business, and that immediately after the departure of said deponent from said place of business deponent missed the

Subscribed before me this 1893 day

Police Justice

the aforesaid property - from said County, and
 said defenses - defendant therefore asks that
 the defendants may be held to answer

Sworn to before me } Louis Joseph
 this 21 day of October 1843 }

L. J. Joseph

Justice of the Peace

0556

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

1882

City and County of New York, ss:

Isaac Cohen 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. *Isaac Cohen*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *22 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Poland*

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

Answer. *61 Avenue Mth, E. 3rd Street*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Polisher*

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 sworn guilty
Isaac Cohen.*

Taken before me this *21* day of *October* 189

[Signature]
Police Justice.

0557

Sec. 198-200.

1882

City and County of New York, ss:

District Police Court.

Lorris Leary 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. *Lorris Leary*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *41 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *45 Broadway Street 9, 7 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Cornet*

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

*Lorris Leary
witness*

Taken before me this

day of *Oct* 1893

Police Justice.

[Signature]

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Police Court--- 2 --- District. 1132

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Louis Joseph
373 Canal
vs
Louis Levy
Isaac Cohen

Offence
Jancov

BAILED,

No. 1, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 2, by Naphale Cohen

Residence 61 Canal Street.

No. 3, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____

Residence _____ Street.

3. _____
4. _____

Date October 2 1893

Hoy Magistrate.

Kennedy Officer.

_____ Precinct.

Witnesses _____

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

570 Canal to answer

Com. G. F.

No. 2 Bailed



0560

District Attorney's Office.

Part One

Maas Chen

Witness and personally
Bond note and Jan 16/94
Jan 23/94

Court of General Sessions of the Peace
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against
Louis Levy
and
Isaac Cohen

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Louis Levy and Isaac Cohen
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE second DEGREE, committed
as follows:

The said Louis Levy and Isaac Cohen, both

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the nineteenth
day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-three, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

one piece of cloth of the
value of fifty dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Callman Rouse

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

De Lancey Nicoll
District Attorney

0562

BOX:

537

FOLDER:

4890

DESCRIPTION:

Lorenz, Frank

DATE:

10/11/93



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X

Witnesses:

Livingston Hunt

Counsel,

Filed *11* day of *Oct* 189*3*

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Frank Lorenz

SODOMY.

[Sec. 808, Penal Code, as amended by Chapter 387, Laws of 1892.]

*3rd
Ar. Lorenz*

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Edward J. Taylor
Oct 12/93

Foreman.

Threats, Guilty
S.P. 5 yrs.

Nov. 14/93

RB.M

0564

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Frank Lorenz 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. *Frank Lorenz*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *France*

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

Answer. *Richfield Park, N.J.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Gardener*

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
in his
Frank + Lorenz
mark*

Taken before me this
[Signature]
188
[Signature]
Police Justice

0565

Quin
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 *Joseph Smith*

Smith 100 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated, *Oct 3* 189*3* *Wm. M. ...* Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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1085

Police Court--- District.

Witness John Daly
Bailed by Michel J. Callahan
105 Park Row
Jud + com Oct 11

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Livingston Hunt
vs.
Frank Lorenz

Offense
Against Nature

BAILED,

No. 1, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Dated, Oct 1 189

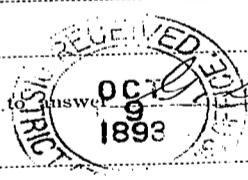
Magistrate.
Stent Officer.

John Daly Precinct.

Witnesses
John F. Burke
104 W. 11th Street

No. _____ Street.

\$ 1000



Committed

0567

AFFIDAVIT FOR COMMITMENT OF WITNESS.

4771

POLICE COURT DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of the John Livingston Hunt
Precinct Police, being duly sworn, deposes
and says that John Daly

(now here) is a material witness for the people against
Frank Lorenz charged
with Crime against nature

As deponent has
cause to fear that the said John Daly
will not appear in court to testify when wanted, deponent prays
that the said John Daly

be
committed to the House of Detention in default of bail for his
appearance.

Livingston Hunt

Sworn to before me this

day of

1889

James J. [Signature]
Police Justice.

0568

1853

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT, 1 DISTRICT.

at Livingston Hunt
of The 1st Precinct Street, aged years,
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn, deposes and says
that on the 7th day of October 1893
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he arrested

Frank Lorenz for the reason that
said Lorenz in a private fight
did commit a crime of battery
the penis of one John Daly
in his mouth and carnally
abuse him without the
consent of Daly he being
intoxicated while in Bridge
Street

Livingston Hunt

Sworn to before me, this 7th day of October 1893

[Handwritten signature]
Notary Public

0569

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Franka Lorenz

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this

indictment accuse *Franka Lorenz*

of the CRIME OF SODOMY, committed as follows:

The said *Franka Lorenz*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
penultimate day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and ninety-*three* — , at the City and County aforesaid,
in and upon one *John Dady* —

a — male person, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

him the said *John Dady* — then

and there feloniously did carnally know *into the mouth of*
him the said Franka Lorenz 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.

(2049)

J. Sauermeister,
Attorney

0570

BOX:

537

FOLDER:

4890

DESCRIPTION:

Lutz, Delia

DATE:

10/18/93



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Witnesses:

Patrick Harrington
Off Toronto

Counsel,

Filed *15* day of *Dec* 189*3*

Pleads, *Guilty* 19

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Delia Lutz
H&D

Grand Larceny, *First* Degree.
(From the Person.)
[Sections 533, 536, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor
Dec 24 93
Tried & Acquitted
Foreman.

0572

Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, ss.

of No. House of Detention Street, aged 55 years, occupation habbes

deposes and says, that on the 1st day of October 1893 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the night time, the following property, viz:

Money, one dollar

the property of Alpmut

Sworn to before me this 1st day of October 1893

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 Delia Lutz (now hus) who while in company street in company street hand in Alpmut's pocket and abstracted said amount of money and ran away with it

Patrick Harrington
mark

0573

AFFIDAVIT FOR COMMITMENT OF WITNESS.

4771

POLICE COURT.....DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of the Henry Toussaint
and says that Patrick Harrington
(now here) is a material witness for the people against
Delia Smith charged
with Grand Larceny. As deponent has
cause to fear that the said Patrick Harrington
will not appear in court to testify when wanted, deponent prays
that the said Patrick Harrington
committed to the House of Detention in default of bail for his
appearance.

Henry Toussaint

Sworn to before me this

day of July
1899

Wm. C. [Signature]
Police Justice.

0574

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Delia Lutz 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. *Delia Lutz*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *26 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *U.S.*

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

Answer. *22 Cherry St*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Cloth Sewer*

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*

Delia Lutz
examined

Taken before me this
day of *Oct* 189*5*
W. J. ...
Police Justice.

0575

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

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

Dated, Oct 9 1893 [Signature] Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated, _____ 189 _____ Police Justice.

0576

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Police Court---218, 1110 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Patent Harrington
HOUSE OF DETENTION CASE.
Debra Ruth

2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Offense

Dated *Oct 19* 189

Male Magistrate.
Jansma Officer.

_____ Precinct.

Witnesses *Comptroller in*
House of Detention Street

No. _____ Street.



No. _____ Street.

\$ *1500* to answer *Sci. H.*

committed

BAILED,

No. 1, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Delia Lutz

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

Delia Lutz

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

The said

Delia Lutz

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *eighth* day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three*, in the *night*-time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

the sum of twenty one dollars in money, lawful money of the United States of America, and of the value of twenty one dollar

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

De Laurey Nicoll
District Attorney

0578

SECOND COUNT—

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

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

The said

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

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

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

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

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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

4890

DESCRIPTION:

Luveare, Jacob

DATE:

10/10/93



4890

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Deft has been before court
& sentenced to S.P. for 4 yrs.
P.B.M.

Witnesses:

W. B. Schneider

\$100

Robert X

Counsel,

Filed *29* day of *Oct* 189*3*

Pleas *Guilty*

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

Jacob Luvere

Grand Larceny, 1st Degree.
(From the Person.)
[Sections 623, 624, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

P. III
Oct 16th

A TRUE BILL.

Edward G. Taylor
Foreman.

Henry J. Gray
S.P. 4 yrs - P.B.M.

0581

7061

D. Silberstein & Son,
No. 10 Sixth Avenue,
NEW YORK.

	\$	Cts.
<i>Off watch</i>		
<i>1000</i>		
<i>2</i>		
<i>frances</i>		

GOOD FOR ONE YEAR ONLY.
 Not accountable for Loss or Damage by Fire, Breakage,
 Robbery or Theft.
Rates of Interest.
 On sums of One Hundred Dollars, or under,
 3 per cent. per month or any fraction thereof for first six
 months, and 2 per cent. per month thereafter. On sums
 over One Hundred Dollars, 2 per cent. per month
 for first six months, and 1 per cent. per month thereafter.

0582

Police Court 2 District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, } ss: George B. Schneider

of No. 105 Ludlow Street, aged 19 years, occupation Clerk being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 27th day of September 1893 in the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the night time, the following property, viz:

One gold watch of the value of about thirty dollars

the property of deponent

and that this deponent

has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away by Jacob Luscare (now here) for the reasons that deponent was standing in front of the above premises and had said watch worn upon the person and was witnessing a parade when the ~~defendant~~ ^{some unknown person a colored man,} snatched the watch and tore it from its chain and ran away. Deponent pursued the colored man and recognized the defendant and deponent demanded the return of the watch but the defendant denied having it. Deponent is informed by Arthur A. Carey an officer, that he arrested the defendant in a crowd on West 14th for being acting in a

Sworn to before me this 27th day of September 1893 of George B. Schneider Police Justice.

suspicious manner evincing a design to commit a larceny. That upon searching defendant's person said Cary found a pawn ticket concealed in the lining of the hat worn by defendant.

Deponent has since seen the watch represented by said ticket in the pawn office of D. Silberstein at 10 Sixth Avenue and deponent identifies it as his property and states as aforesaid.

I swear to before me }
 this 7th October 1893 } Geo. B. Schneider
 Minister }
 Police Justice }

0584

1877

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 28 years, occupation Arthur A. Carey Police Officer of No. 300 Mulberry Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of George B. Schneider and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 7th day of October 1893.
Arthur A. Carey
Amphler
Police Justice.

0585

Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court. 1883

City and County of New York, ss: .

Jacob Luwear 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. Jacob Luwear

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 29 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. 756 Greenwich Street, 3 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. laborer

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

Answer. I am not guilty
Jacob Luwear

Taken before me this

day of

September 7
1883

Police Justice.

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

defendant

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

Dated, *Nov 7* 189*3*.....Police Justice.

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

Dated,.....189.....Police Justice.

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

Dated,.....189.....Police Justice.

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Police Court--- 2 District. ¹⁰⁷⁷

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Geo. B. Scheider
105 2nd St. N. E.
Jacob Lawrence

Lawrence
Defense

BAILED,

No. 1, by.....

Residence Street.

No. 2, by.....

Residence Street.

No. 3, by.....

Residence Street.

No. 4, by.....

Residence Street.

2.....
3.....
4.....

Dated, *Oct 7th* 1893

Koch Magistrate.

Barney Officer.

60 Precinct.

Witnesses *Officer*

No. *Valley & Mulholland*

Central office

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$ *1500* *U.S.*



Com

Lawrence

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Jacob Luweare

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

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

The said

Jacob Luweare

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *27th*
day of *September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-*three*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid,
with force and arms,

*one watch of the
value of thirty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *George B. Schneider*
on the person of the said *George B. Schneider*
then and there being found, from the person of the said *George B. Schneider*
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.

De Lancey Nicoll
District Attorney