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Irving, John R.K.

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61 Bill indr  
Counsel, *petit larceny*  
Filed 14 day of June 1881  
Pleads *for guilty (2x)*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
B.  
*John R. K. Strong*  
INDICTMENT.  
Petit Larceny of Money from the Person.

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

A True Bill.

*W. C. Grund* Foreman.  
*Dec 23/81*  
*Paul Decker*



OFFICE OF

JAMES MILLER,  
Bookseller, Publisher and Stationer,  
No. 779 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 1792.

New York, Dec. 6 1881

Hon. Daniel G. Rollins

My dear Sir,

Nearly three  
Months ago, in an inter-  
view you kindly accorded  
me, you were good enough  
to say that if a paper,  
similar in character to the  
one enclosed, <sup>was</sup> ~~and~~ obtained,  
you would consider the  
matter of disposing of the  
case against my unfortu-  
nate nephew, John R. R.  
Irving; May I now ask  
that clemency be shown  
him? I have called



in person a number  
of times, but it was  
my ill-fortune <sup>not</sup> to find  
you in, and as I am  
now in the midst of  
Holiday week, find it  
impossible to tear my-  
self away, even for an  
hour!

Mr Kepp is the  
gentleman who made  
the complaints - the  
employer of Irving.

Trusting that  
you will not consider  
me presumptuous in thus  
addressing you, and with  
the hope that you will  
kindly advise me in the  
matter, I am

Very Truly Yours  
Thomas R. Mof.



New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE, ON MY COMPLAINT,

*versus*

John R. K. Irving

*As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself.*

Charles D. Keef.  
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THE PEOPLE , &C.,

VS.

JOHN R. K. IRVING.  
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IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE AMOUNT INVOLVED IN THIS CASE IS  
SO SMALL, THAT THE DEFENDANT HAS HERETOFORE BORNE A VERY EXCELLENT  
CHARACTER, AND THAT THE <sup>complainant</sup> ~~DEFENDANT~~ IS DESIROUS THAT LENIENCY SHOULD  
BE SHOWN HIM, I THINK IT IS PROPER TO DISCHARGE THE BAIL IN THE  
WITHIN CASE. PERHAPS SUCH A COURSE WOULD BE BETTER THAN TO NOLLE  
THE INDICTMENT, AS IN THE EVENT OF HIS MISBEHAVING HIMSELF IN THE  
FUTURE, HE CAN BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL IF NECESSARY.

*David G. Rollins*

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

DECEMBER 19, 1881.



Memoranda for  
Dec. 19th.

1. In Mr. L. Kelly.
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STATE OF NEW YORK,  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss:

Police Court—First District.

*William Ashton*  
of No. *49 Exchange Place* Street, being duly sworn, deposes  
and says, that on the *26th* day of *May* 18 *81*,  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried  
away from the possession of deponent,

the following property, viz:

*Gold & silver money*  
*of the United States*

*\$100*

of the value of *One & 50/100* Dollars,  
the property of *Charles D. Keep and*  
*in deponent's - care and*  
*charge*

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property  
was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by *John R. R. Irving*

*(now here)* who admits - that  
he abstracted said money  
from letters, which he  
received from a ~~letter~~  
~~office~~ Box, while in the  
Employment of *Charles D. Keep*  
after said letter had been  
placed in said box  
by a Post Office Employee  
*Wm Ashton*

Sworn to, before me, this

of *June*

18

day

*Police Justice.*



Police Court—First District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

*Question.* What is your name?

*Answer.*

*Question.* How old are you?

*Answer,*

*Question.* Where were you born?

*Answer.*

*Question.* Where do you live?

*Answer*

*Question.* What is your occupation?

*Answer.*

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

*Answer.*

Taken before me, this ..... day of .....

Police Justice.



BAILED:

No. 1, by

Residence,

No. 2, by

Residence,

No. 3, by

Residence,

No. 4, by

Residence,

No. 5, by

Residence,

No. 6, by

Residence,

*General Session*  
**Police Court—First District.**

THE PEOPLE, & C.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Wm. Robinson*  
49 Exchange Place

vs.

*John R. K. Young*

Affidavit of Larceny.

Dated *June 4th* 18*87*

*Ala. Comm. Magistrate.*

Officer.

*100 Pr. 100*

Witnesses

*Mr. Sharvitts*

*Spurner Agent P.D.  
Post Office Building*

\$ *200* to answer

at Sessions

Received at Dist. Atty's office

*Bailed by Thomas J. Smith*  
#275 Division

COUNSEL FOR COMPLAINANT.

Name,

Address,

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT.

Name,

Address,



CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
in and for the body of the City and County of New York,  
upon their Oath, present:

That

*John R. K. Irving*

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

*One* Divers Promissory Notes for the payment of money, the same being then and there  
due and unsatisfied, and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes, of a number  
and denomination to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, and a more accurate description of  
which cannot now be given, of the value of *One dollar*

*One* Divers Promissory Notes for the payment of money, the same being then and there  
due and unsatisfied, and of the kind known as Bank Notes, of a number and denomina-  
tion to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, and a more accurate description of which cannot  
now be given, of the value of *One dollar*

Divers Due Bills of the United States of America, the same being then and there  
due and unsatisfied, and of the kind known as Fractional Currency, of a number and  
denomination to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, and a more accurate description of  
which cannot now be given, of the value of *One dollar and fifty cents*

Divers Coins, of a number, kind, and denomination to the Jurors aforesaid un-  
known, and a more accurate description of which cannot now be given, of the value of  
*One dollar and fifty cents*

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one *Charles V. Keep*  
~~on the person of the said~~ \_\_\_\_\_ then and there being found,  
~~from the person of the said~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~then and there~~ feloniously  
did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the Statute in such case made and  
provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,  
BENJ. K. PHELPS, District Attorney.



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# ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT.

Whereas, Samuel Houston  
of St Louis in the County of St Louis and State of  
Missouri did obtain Letters Patent in the United States for  
certain improvements in Wood Pavements  
which Letters Patent bear date Dec 28<sup>th</sup> 1875  
and whereas H. H. Barnett & Bros  
of Detroit Mich  
is desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

Now this Indenture Witnesseth, That for and in consideration of  
Eight Thousand dollars to me in hand paid, the receipt whereof  
is hereby acknowledged, I have assigned, sold, and set over, and do hereby as-  
sign, sell, and set over, unto the said H. H. Barnett & Bros  
all the right title & interest in and to the  
territorial limits of the States of Michigan  
and Wisconsin and not elsewhere  
~~the right title and interest which I have in said invention~~, as secured to me by  
said Letters Patent. The same to be held and enjoyed by the said H. H.  
Barnett & Bros <sup>their</sup> for ~~his~~ own use and behoof, and for the use and behoof  
of <sup>their</sup> legal representatives to the full end of the term for which said Letters  
Patent are granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held  
and enjoyed by me had this assignment not been made.

And I do hereby declare that I have not conveyed to any other party the rights  
and interests herein transferred to the said H. H. Barnett & Bros

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand, this seventh day  
of June A. D. 1881.

Harry S. Frost 

In the Presence of—

A. L. L. L.  
A. L. L. L.



360 Mulberry St  
Inspir Bynes

OATH.

State of \_\_\_\_\_  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } SS.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_ before me,  
a \_\_\_\_\_ in and for said county, personally appeared the above  
named \_\_\_\_\_ who makes solemn oath that he  
executed the foregoing assignment for the uses and purposes therein mentioned  
and that he is legally competent to make a valid conveyance of the interest therein  
transferred.

The statute does not require an acknowledgment, but it is advisable to have it made.

NOTES AND DIRECTIONS.

AN ASSIGNEE is one who has transferred to him, in writing, the whole interest of the patent, or an undivided part of such interest in every portion of the United States.

A GRANTEE is one who has transferred to him, in writing, the exclusive right under the patent, to make and use, and to grant to others to make and use the thing patented within and throughout some specified part or portion of the United States.

A LICENSEE is one who has transferred to him a less or different interest than either of the above.

Every assignment or grant of an exclusive territorial right, as well as of an interest in the patent, must be recorded in the Patent Office within three months from the execution thereof.

The receipt of assignments is not generally acknowledged by the Office; they will be recorded in their turn within a few days after their reception, and then transmitted to the persons entitled to them.

Assignment of Patent

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

A. L. Frost

TO

L. D. Barnette

FILED BY

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New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE, ON MY COMPLAINT,

versus

David D. Barnett.

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Sated New York  
Oct - 24 / 1841

Adolph Licker



Returning to the Patenteur (Frost) we came to an understanding about the sale, he letting me have it for \$6700<sup>00</sup> and the deed was made out. After this I told him that he should wait for 1/2 hour and we would return with the money, but he would not let the deed go out of his hand unless he had some security for it. Jardin then took me aside and said that he has some 2000<sup>00</sup> in his pocket which he would have as security and so offered it to Frost, but Frost that he must have security for the whole else he would not let the deed go out of his hands. Jardin then said that he had more money here, that the rest of his money was in St. Louis, he <sup>Frost</sup> could telegraph to his (Jardin's) bank there whether his check for \$2500<sup>00</sup> is good and also asked me if I could not put up the rest. I said yes, went to my house, took \$2000<sup>00</sup> and returned with Jardin to the house of Frost. I did not feel quite content with this business and resolved not to let my money go out of my hands unless it is put into very safe hands and therefore proposed to Frost to deposit meanwhile the Bonds, check & money into a Bank or some Hotel safe in the neigh-



hesitant. They both objected to <sup>it</sup> very much which made me only more cautious and when they saw that I was so resolved, they gave into it, and together we three went to the Rossman Hotel, Corn. 42<sup>nd</sup> & Broadway and there <sup>I</sup> delivered it to the Hotel clerk, he counted the whole, put it up in an envelope and put our names to it. I told this clerk to deliver this package only when we three came back in person & he perfectly understood it.

After this deposit Frost delivered the deed to me and Gardin & myself went to the Grand Union Hotel to get the \$8000<sup>00</sup>, we found him there, but he pretended there was an informality in the paper and we had to return to Frost to change the deed. Returning to Frost's house we were told that he had just left and would not be back before 6.00. but that he is either at Parker's or at the Hoffman Hotel, Gardin and myself took the cars and when near Parker's he said to me: Now you go to the Hoffman Hotel and I go into Parker's, should you find him first, bring him to me and I will do so should I find him first. As soon as Gardin had left me my suspicions were aroused, I immediately jumped into a cab to be driven to the Hotel (Rossman)



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June

About the 1<sup>st</sup> of ~~May~~ <sup>June</sup> an advertisement appeared in the "Herald" among the "Business Opportunities" where a man, signing "Prinspie" was looking for a partner where from \$3000<sup>00</sup> to \$5000<sup>00</sup> is needed to extend business. I answered it and the day after a man called upon me, giving his name as H. Jardin, saying that he just arrived here from Salt Lake and is anxious to go into some business, he would be glad to go into a business with me if everything else is found correct. After half an hour's talk he left me, saying he would return some other day. I should meanwhile look for something and if I find a business where 4000 to 5000 could be profitably employed he would be glad to be my partner. Two days after he called at my house again, asking me whether I had found something and after an hour's conversation he left me again. Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> he came to me again asking me the same questions over again and he finally made an engagement with me to meet him next morning (Tuesday) at 9 O'clock at the 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. Hotel. I went there and he unfolded me a plan there where a nice commission could be made in the sale of a Patent Invention.



He knew of a man who has such a patent  
 for sale, having himself once answered his  
 advertisement a few weeks since, but did  
 not want to go into it then. Now however  
 he met another man who is a contractor  
 in Wisconsin & Michigan and would buy  
 it sure. I was willing to make some money  
 in the way of commission as he represented  
 it to me and together we went to this  
 man on 42<sup>nd</sup> who has the patent for  
 sale. I was introduced to him and his  
 name was given as Harry S. Frost. He told  
 me he had about 8 States left yet to sell  
 and he would be glad to make a sale to me.  
 I told him I knew of a party who  
 wishes to buy and after a talk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour  
 we (Jardin & myself) left him to go to  
 the Grand Union Hotel where the alleged  
 buyer of the patent stopped. Jardin sent  
 up a card to him and ~~we~~ he was intro-  
 duced to me as Mr. Barnett. He told me  
 that he would buy this patent provided  
 he could get it at his figure, and after  
 10 minutes talk he said that the most  
 he would give for it would be \$8000<sup>00</sup> for  
 two State rights. We left him then and  
 promised to return soon with the answer  
 whether he could have it at that price or not.



but was too late, the Hotel Clerk told me that 5 minutes ago three men were there to demand the money and after hesitating a while because the 3<sup>d</sup> man did not look like me, still the men got angry and to get rid of them he gave up the package.

The assistant in the Hotel recognizes the 3<sup>d</sup> man, who represented me in taking the money, as a noted Banker Sharp.

Sworn to before me  
this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881

Adieles

John Dreyer

Notary Public, N.Y. Co.



141 Milk farm

Royce

or

H. Lardner

Harry L. Frost

D. D. Barnett

J. E. Lane

Lane

or

or

C. H. Rogers Jr. Remore

E. S. Leeds or

Mary A. Frost 125 to 425

Mary L. Frost do do

Wm. J. Williamson C. O.



## MEMORANDUM.

FROM

PETER MITCHELL,  
Counsellor at Law,  
237 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK.

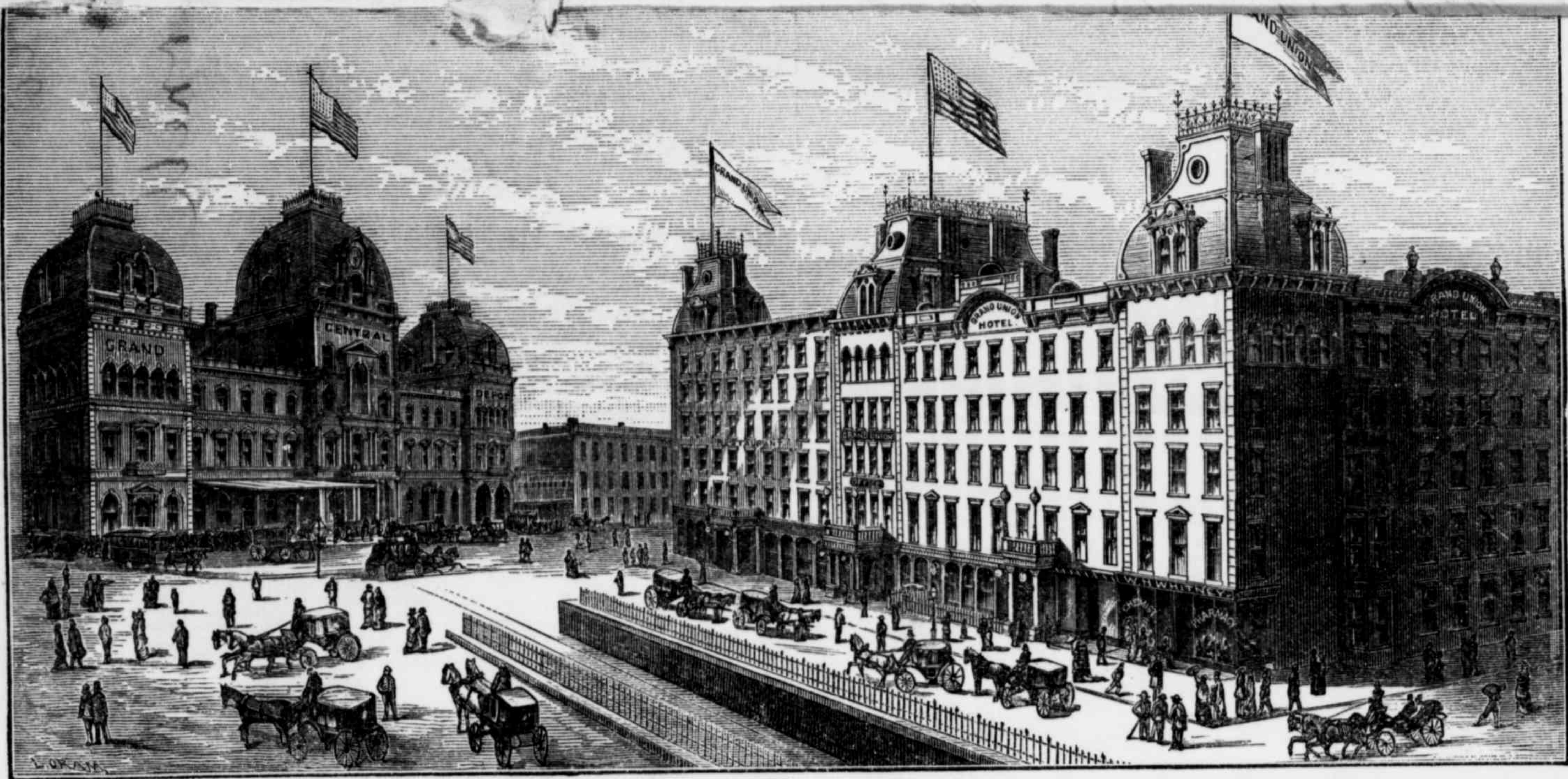
Sep. 30<sup>th</sup>

1881.

TO Hon Daniel G. Rollins  
Dist. Attorney

My Client purchased the "Patent" for the States named in the inclosed receipt. and paid on account therefor \$150— The complainant never has performed his part of the contract; in fact, never has seen Barnett since June 7<sup>th</sup> /81. My Client was not at Rossmore Hotel at any time nor present when complainant parted with his money. Upon this true state of facts, surely Mr Rollins, you know he should not have been indicted for larceny. If the facts had been investigated by a Police Magistrate, my client would surely have been discharged. I respectfully request that the b. g. if may be discharged in order that he can go to Europe, where he wishes to go, to transact some business.





GRAND UNION HOTEL,  
OPPOSITE THE GRAND CENTRAL DEPOT, NEW YORK CITY.  
Fourth Avenue, Forty-first and Forty-second Streets.  
W. D. GARRISON, MANAGER.

New York, 188

Rec'd N. York Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 1881 the sum of  
One Hundred & Fifty Dollars as part payment  
for State Right of Warden payment for the States  
of Wisconsin & Michigan of Mr. L. D. Bennett.  
Sum agreed Eight Thousand Dollars in U. S. Gold Coin.  
W. D. Garrison



~~TO THE CHIEF CLERK!~~

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~~SEND ME THE PAPERS IN THE CASE OF~~

PEOPLE

vs.

Harry S. Frost -

Inspector Byrnes  
wishes case laid  
over until he cap-  
tures the def-

H. S.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

**THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,**  
*in and for the body of the City and County of New York, upon  
their Oath, present :*

*That Henry Jardine (whose Christian name is to the jurors aforesaid unknown  
but who is here designated as Henry) Harry S. Frost David D. Barnett  
(whose Christian name is to the jurors aforesaid unknown but who is here designated  
as David) and John Doe*

in the County of New York, aforesaid on the *seventeenth* day of *June* in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ~~seventy eight~~ *one* at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force  
and arms, three promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of  
the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of one thousand dollars, and of the value of one  
thousand dollars each: three promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied  
(and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of five hundred dollars, and of the value  
of five hundred dollars each: twenty promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and  
unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of one hundred dollars,  
and of the value of one hundred dollars each: thirty promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and  
there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of fifty dollars,  
and of the value of fifty dollars each: fifty promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and  
unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of twenty dollars, and of the  
value of twenty dollars each: sixty promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and  
unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of ten dollars, and of the value  
of ten dollars each: eighty promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and  
of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of five dollars, and of the value of five dollars  
each: ninety promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind  
known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of three dollars, and of the value of three dollars each:  
one hundred promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind  
known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of two dollars, and of the value of two dollars each:  
one hundred and twenty promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of  
the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of one dollar, and of the value of one dollar  
each: one promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due  
and unsatisfied, of the value of one hundred dollars: one promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind  
known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of fifty dollars: two promissory notes for  
the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied of the value  
of twenty dollars each: three promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes,) be-  
ing then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of ten dollars each: ten promissory notes for the payment of money  
(and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of five dollars each: ten  
promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatis-  
fied, of the value of three dollars each: fifteen promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as  
bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of two dollars each: thirty promissory notes for  
the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value  
of one dollar each: bank bills of banks to the jurors aforesaid unknown, and of a number and denomination to the  
jurors aforesaid unknown, of the value of one thousand dollars. Two gold coins (of the kind usually known as  
double eagles), of the value of twenty dollars each: three gold coins (of the kind usually known as eagles), of the  
value of ten dollars each: six gold coins (of the kind usually known as half eagles), of the value of five dollars each:  
fifteen gold coins (of the kind usually known as quarter eagles), of the value of two dollars and fifty cents each: ten gold  
coins (of the kind usually known as three dollar pieces), of the value of three dollars each: thirty gold coins (of the  
kind usually known as dollar pieces), of the value of one dollar each: gold coin of the denomination to the jurors  
unknown, and a more particular description whereof cannot be given, of the value of one thousand dollars. Sixty silver  
coins (of the kind usually known as dollars), of the value of one dollar each: sixty silver coins (of the kind usually  
known as half dollars), of the value of fifty cents each: one hundred and fifty silver coins (of the kind usually known as  
quarter dollars), of the value of twenty-five cents each: three hundred silver coins (of the kind usually called dimes),  
of the value of ten cents each: six hundred silver coins (of the kind usually known as half dimes), of the value of five  
cents each: one thousand silver coins (of the kind known as three cent pieces), of the value of three cents each: silver  
coin of a denomination to the jurors unknown, and a more particular description whereof cannot be given, of the value  
of fifty dollars. Three thousand coins (of the kind known as cents), of the value of one cent each: five hundred coins  
(of the kind known as two cents), of the value of two cents each. One hundred due bills of the United States of Amer-  
ica, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as fractional currency), of the denomi-  
nation of fifty cents each, and of the marketable value of fifty cents each: two hundred due bills of the United States  
of America, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as fractional currency), of the  
denomination of twenty-five cents each, and of the marketable value of twenty-five cents each: five hundred due bills  
of the United States of America, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as frac-  
tional currency), of the denomination of ten cents each, and of the marketable value of ten cents each,

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*Adolph Liebes*

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

William Johnston

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

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Wm. C. Phauld Foreman.  
June 10. 1881.

Wm. C. Phauld  
S. P. 18 months



Police Office, First District.

City and County  
of New York,

ss.

Christina Hühner

of No.

188 North

Street, being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that the premises No.

aforesaid

Street,

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Ward, in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a

dwelling

and which was occupied by deponent as

such where deponent

resides with her family

were **BURGLARIOUSLY**

entered by means

of forcing open a window

leading from the hallway

into deponent's apartment

on the

day

of the

1<sup>st</sup>

day of

June

1881

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

Valuable property consisting  
of men & women's clothing and  
bed clothing collectively  
of the value of fifty dollars  
or more

the property of

deponent and her husband

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

William Johnson (now  
presenting

for the reasons following, to wit:

That the aforesaid  
window was forced open the  
prisoner was seen inside by  
one Emma Dorion and further  
a portion of the clothing which  
the prisoner had in his possession  
he was seen to drop on the street  
by Officer Mook as deponent is  
informed and truly believe

William Johnson

sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1881  
Michael J. Connelley  
Justice of the Peace



City and County,  
of New York ss

Thomas F. Moen of the  
14 Precinct being sworn  
says that at about 12 O'clock  
A.M. on the day in question he  
saw and pursued the prisoner  
through Mott Street and saw  
him in his flight drop the  
clothing here shown which  
are identified by the Complainant  
as part of the property stolen  
from the aforesaid premises  
Thomas F. Moen

Sworn to before me this  
1st day of June 1887  
Merrill C. Barker  
Justice

City and County  
of New York ss

Emma Dorion of W 31 Marion  
Street being sworn says that she  
saw the prisoner in a bed room  
of Complainant's apartments about  
11.30 O'clock A.M. and defendant  
asked him what he was doing  
there. That defendant called aloud  
Complainant's name when the  
prisoner replied she was out  
Emma Dorion

Sworn to before me this  
1st day of June 1887  
Merrill C. Barker  
Justice



POLICE COURT—FIRST DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK. ss.

*William Johnson* being duly examined before the undersigned,  
according to law, on the annexed charge, and being informed that he was at liberty  
to refuse to answer any question that may be put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*William Johnson*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*26 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York City*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

*88 Baruch Street*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

*I drive a truck*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of  
the charge  
William Johnson*

Taken before me, this

14<sup>th</sup>  
day of

June  
188

*James C. Barry*  
POLICE JUSTICE.



Police Court—First District

COUNSEL FOR COMPLAINANT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Christina Fisher*

*183 North St.*

*vs.*  
*William Johnson*

Name,

Address,

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

No. 5, by

Residence

No. 6, by

Residence



Dated

*June 2nd 1891*

Magistrate.

Officer.

*John J. Johnson*

Name,

Clerk.

*Call the Officer*

Address,

Witnesses,

*Emma Johnson*  
*31 Marion St.*

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT.

\$ *1.50* to answer

*General* Sessions.

Received in Dist. Atty's Office,

*Com*



THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
in and for the body of the City and County of New York,  
upon their Oath, present:

That

*William Johnson*

late of the *fourteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of  
New York, aforesaid, on the *first* day of *June* in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *one* with force and arms,  
about the hour of *three* o'clock in the *day* time of the same day, at the  
Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of

*Christina Kühner*

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

he the said *William Johnson*

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

*Christina Kühner*

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

And the jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present: That  
afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, the said

*William Johnson*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

*One coat of the value of ten dollars*  
*One vest of the value of five dollars*  
*One pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars*  
*One skirt of the value of ten dollars*  
*One over-skirt of the value of ten dollars*  
*One waist of the value of five dollars*  
*One quilt of the value of eight dollars*  
*One sheet of the value of two dollars*

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

*Christina Kühner*

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



And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present

THAT the said

*William Johnson*

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

*One coat of the value of ten dollars.  
One vest of the value of five dollars.  
One pair of pantaloons of the value of ten dollars  
One skirt of the value of ten dollars  
One over-skirt of the value of ten dollars  
One waist of the value of five dollars  
One quilt of the value of eight dollars  
One sheet of the value of two dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Christina Kühner*

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

*the said Christina Kühner*

unlawfully, unjustly, ~~and for the sake of wicked gain,~~ did feloniously receive and have (the said

*William Johnson*

then and there well knowing the said goods, chattels, and personal property to have been feloniously stolen, ~~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.~~ *taken and carried away*

**DANIEL C ROLLINS,**

**BENJ. E. PHELPS, District Attorney.**



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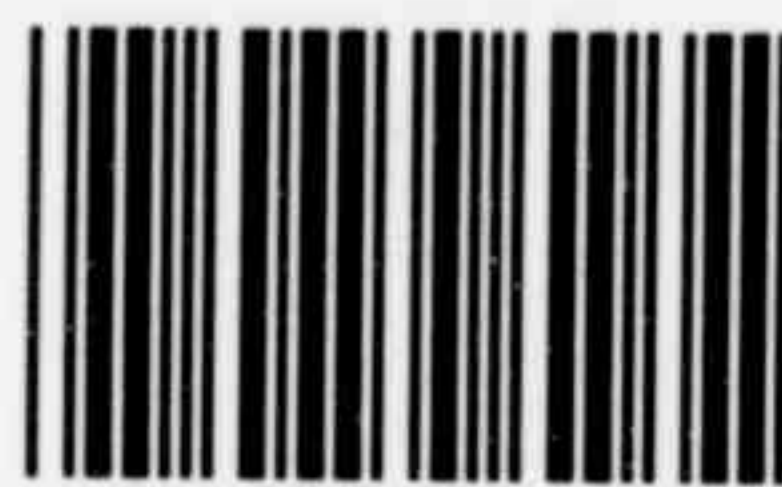
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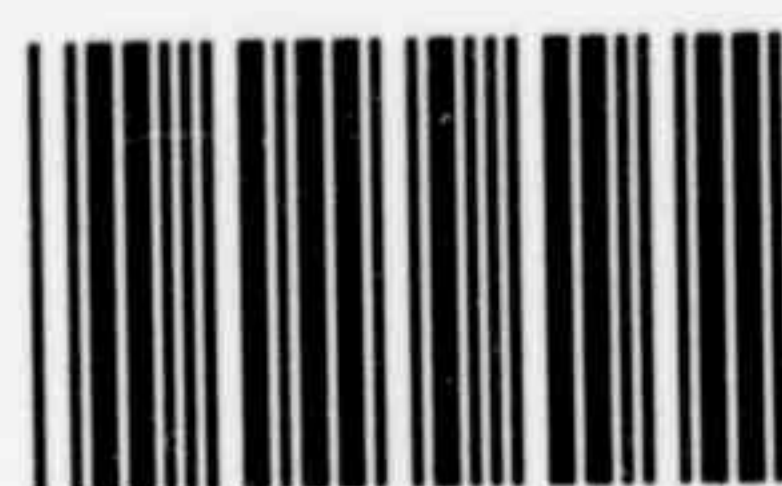
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*A. Lemp*  
Filed *29* day of *June* 188*1*  
Pleads *Not Guilty* 30.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Lewis Jones.*

DANIEL C. ROLLINS,

BENJ. K. PHELPS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Wm. J. Church* Foreman.

*July 6, 1881.*

*Filed & Convicted of  
Receiving Stolen Goods  
at House of Refuge*



Police Office. Third District.

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

No. of 415 Met-18th Street, being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that the premises No. 415 Met 18th  
Street, 16th Ward, in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a dwelling House  
and which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling

<sup>were</sup> **BURGLARIOUSLY**  
entered by means of forcibly opening the ~~Clasp~~ Clasp on the  
window shutter thereby opening the shutter and  
then forcing up the window thereby entering said  
premises Morning of the 24th day of June 1888

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

One Imitation Bronze Clock of the value  
of thirty five dollars

the property of deponent

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

Lewis Jones (nowhere)

for the reasons following, to-wit: That on said day deponent's  
apartment was securely locked and fastened  
and said property being situated on the Mantle  
in deponent's front room. That at about the hour  
of 10.30 o'clock A.M. deponent's wife discovered  
that the aforesaid property had been feloniously  
stolen. Deponent further says that he was  
informed by Officer Hies of the 10th Precinct  
Police that he arrested said Jones on



the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881 ~~to arrested said~~  
in the Bowery at premises No. 181 which is a  
Pawn office having in his possession the above  
described property,

Deposited therefore charges  
the said Jones with feloniously and Burglar-  
iously entering his said apartments and  
stealing therefrom the above described  
property

John Gensheimer

Sworn to before me this  
24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881

Harry Power Police Justice

City and County of New York ) SS

George A Hess of the 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police being  
duly sworn deposes and says that he has  
heard the foregoing affidavit and under  
that portion of said affidavit which  
refers to him is true of his own knowledge  
George A. Hess

Sworn to before me this  
24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881

Harry Power

Police Justice



Police Court—Third District.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Lewis Jones*

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

Question.—What is your name?

Answer.—

*Lewis Jones*

Question.—How old are you?

Answer.—

*15 years*

Question.—Where were you born?

Answer.—

*Poland*

Question.—Where do you live?

Answer.—

*26 Norfolk Street*

Question.—What is your occupation?

Answer.—

*Redder*

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

charge here preferred against you?

Answer.—

*I am not guilty. the Clock  
was given me by another boy to  
Paul*

*Laurel Jones*

Taken before me, this

*25th*

day of

*June 1887*

Police Justice.

*Henry Davis*



217 7th Ave  
POLICE COURT--THIRD DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Gaudinman  
415 W 18 St

Lewis Jones

Offence, BURGLARY.



Dated June 25 1881

by J. J. Over

Magistrate.

Geo. J. H. H. H.

Officer.

10th Precinct

Witnesses, Geo. J. H. H. H.

No. 415 West 18th Street.  
John Gaudinman

No. \$1000 to answer committed.

Received in Dist. Atty's Office,

C. M. H.

BAILED,

No. 1, by  
Residence Street.

No. 2, by  
Residence Street.

No. 3, by  
Residence Street.

No. 4, by  
Residence Street.



The People vs. Lewis Jones { Court of General Sessions, Part I.  
 Indictment for burglary in the third degree and receiving  
 stolen goods. Dora Gensheimer, sworn and examined,  
 testified. My husband's name is John Gensheimer;  
 I live at 415 West Eighteenth St. I remember the 24<sup>th</sup>  
 of June; on that day somebody got into my house  
 through the window, broke open the shutters of the  
 front window, opened the window and came in.  
 That brought them into the front room, which is  
 the parlor. A clock was taken from the mantel.  
 I discovered its loss about halfpast ten. I had  
 seen it between halfpast nine and halfpast ten.  
 I did not see the clock afterwards; my husband  
 sent my sister and my father. The clock was  
 worth from thirty five to forty dollars; it was an  
 imitation bronze, a female figure on one side  
 and a hound on the other, a dog. My house is  
 in the 16<sup>th</sup> ward. The shutter was fastened by a  
 catch in the sill and the window had a bolt  
 over it; the catches of the shutters had been  
 forced open from the outside. Cross Examined  
 I live at 415 West Eighteenth St. between the 9<sup>th</sup> and  
 10<sup>th</sup> Aves. I never had seen the prisoner before.  
 I don't know how took the clock. I did not see the  
 prisoner until he was arrested. We do not occupy  
 the whole of the house; we live on the first floor.  
 There are some bad boys around that neighbor-  
 hood, are there not? I don't know much about the  
 boys.



George A. Hess, sworn and examined, testified Did you arrest this prisoner? Yes sir. I belong to the 10th precinct. I arrested him on the morning of the 24th of June in a pawnbroker's, Simpsons, 181 Bowery. I was in there looking to recover some stolen property, the prisoner was in there with a clock. I observed a boy standing there acting very curiously towards me. I guess he knows me, for he lives in the precinct. I called the pawnbroker one side and asked him what the boy had? He said a clock, he said he thought he stole it. After I had a conversation with the pawnbroker I asked the prisoner where he got the clock? It was a bronze clock, which was afterwards shown to Hensheimer and identified by him, the clock stood on two feet with a woman and a hand on top; the woman had a bow and arrow. The prisoner said his mother sent him to pawn it. I told him I did not believe him. I said, I guess I will take you round to the station house. I got the boy outside, and he says, "I will tell you all about the clock." There is the boy over there, at least the man, on the corner who gave me the clock to pawn and sent me over with it. I asked him how much he was to get? He said fifty cents. I looked over there and I could not see the man. I took him down the Bowery and he still insisted; he says, "the



man is over across the street. "I got as far as Miner's theatre and saw the clerk; the clock was very heavy, I gave the boy a chance to point out this man to me. I told the bar tender in Miner's to take care of the clock and called the prisoner outside the door. I said, "Show me the man." "Here he runs along side the car" he said. My eyesight is pretty good; I did not see anybody running. I took the prisoner and the clock to the station house. Cross Examined. He told me the man promised to give him 50 cents. In the station house after I brought him in he told me the boy's name was Meyer, but he did not say that when arrested. On the information I received from the boy I went to look for this boy Meyers and I found the boy lived there about the age of the prisoner. I watched in that neighborhood for a couple of nights thinking to pick this boy Meyer up; he kept away. I saw Meyer's father, the boy he said gave him the clock. His father said, "I wish to God you would get the boy Meyer. If he was the boy who stole the clock, my boy was in it; if my boy stole the clock, he was in it. I could not find the boy Meyer at all. Isaac Woolf sworn. I live at 336 East 82<sup>nd</sup> St; am a manufacturer of clothing. I know the prisoner two years; he was in my employ a year and ten months as errand boy. I sent him to the bank with money; he was an honest



boy; we never missed anything whatever; he was industrious. Morris Dremien sworn. I am in the clothing business, know the prisoner two years; he is an honest boy. I am partner of the last witness Solomon Jones sworn. I am the father of the prisoner. He is 14 going on 15 years of age; always has lived at home; has been going to work for four years; he worked with the last two witnesses; he has never been arrested; always a good boy, never did anything wrong; he always came home evenings. I don't know Meyers. I heard them speak of him. Lewis Jones, sworn and examined in his own behalf testified. On this day I was peddling in Grand St and this boy came up to me, (George Meyers) and asked me if I wanted to pawn a clock for him. I said, 'if I can make something by it I will do it; he said, 'I will give you half a dollar'. I went in the pawn shop with the clock and the man told me to bring a note. I went outside and Meyer went into a candy store and wrote the note. I went back to the pawnshop. I told the officer that the clock belonged to me because Meyer told me to pay for it. I told him Meyer gave me the clock and pointed him out as he ran behind the car. Henry Meyer lives at 175 East Broadway. I never went to the house of the complainant, I did not steal the clock and I did not know that it was stolen. I asked the pawnbroker for twenty five dollars on the clock. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty. He was sent to the House of Refuge.



Testimony in the case  
Lewis & Jones  
filed June 1891



New York  
Jan 24

Dear Sir

As I am in bad  
circumstances, and very sick  
in bed, you will oblige me  
by lending me \$15 on the  
clock. The key was lost when  
we were moving. By so doing  
you will oblige me, his mother

Lena Morris  
Hyman Morris  
148 Essex St.



THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
in and for the body of the City and County of New York,  
upon their Oath, present:

That

*Lewis Jones*

late of the *sixteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of  
New York, aforesaid, on the *twenty-fourth* day of *June* in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *one* with force and arms,  
about the hour of *ten* o'clock in the *day* time of the same day, at the  
Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of

*John Geusheimer*

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

he the said

*Lewis Jones*

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

*John Geusheimer*

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

And the jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present: That  
afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, the said

*Lewis Jones*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

*one clock of the value of thirty five dollars*

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

*John Geusheimer*

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

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



And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present

That the said

*Lewis Jones*

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

*One clock of the value of thirty five dollars.*

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

*John Geusheimer*

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

*John Geusheimer*

unlawfully, unjustly, and for the sake of wicked gain, did feloniously receive and have (the said

*Lewis Jones*

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

**DANIEL C ROLLINS,**

~~HENRY K. PHILLIPS~~, District Attorney