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Addonizio, Guiseppe

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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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No. 17
Malden Reg. A

Counsel,
Filed 17 day of Dec 1886
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THE PEOPLE
vs.
Giuseppe Adonizio
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ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, ETC.
(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code).

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
Pr. Atty. 3/87 District Attorney.
ind. by acquittal

A True Bill.

J. W. Conradi
Foreman.

Dec 25
J. W. Conradi
1886

Witnesses:
Stepano Angelo

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

POLICE COURT, 5 DISTRICT.

Timothy Corkery

of No 35 Grand Police Street, aged 28 years, occupation Police officer being duly sworn deposes and says that on the day of 188

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

(now here) is a necessary and material witness against Stefano Angelo Giuseppe. The witness named defendant Dependent says that said Complainant has expressed a desire not to prosecute and will not appear when summoned and prays that he give surety for his appearance to Kistya Timothy Corkery

Timothy Corkery

Sworn to before me, this 15 day

of 188

James W. C. ... Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Police Court— 5th District.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Stefano Angelo

of Boston Avenue near Cliffe Park Road Street
aged 37 years occupation Laborer being duly sworn, deposes and says, that

on Tuesday the 14 day of December
in the year 1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Giuseppe

Addonizio (pron. true) who willfully
and maliciously cut and
stabbed deponent ^{in the stomach} with a
Stiletto then and there held
in the hand of said defendant

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or to do him grievous bodily harm; and without any justification on the part of the said assailant :

Wherefore this deponent prays that the said assailant may be apprehended and bound to answer for the above assault, etc., and be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 15 day }
of December 1886 } Stefano Angelo

James J. Kelly POLICE JUSTICE.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Luigi Addonizio 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. *Luigi Addonizio*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Italy*

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

Answer. *Boston Avenue near Cliffe Park Road, 4 months*

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*

Luigi Addonizio

Taken before me this

15

day of *December* 188*6*

Samuel C. Kelly Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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BAILED,

No. 1, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____

Police Court 6 District 1899

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Sefano Angelo
Ignazio Adamizio

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Offence Assault
Felony

Dated December 15 188

O'Neil Magistrate.
Samuel Borkley Officer.
35-4 Precinct.

Employment committed
to the Honor of Detention
in default of \$100
to be paid by
Ignazio Adamizio
No. 67 Street 150th
Committal

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 Ignazio

Adamizio 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 December 15 1886 Samuel C. Kelly Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Figueroa

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

Figueroa

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

The said *Figueroa*,

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

fourteenth day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Stephen*, in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *in* the said *Stephen*, with a certain *knife*

which the said *Figueroa* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound,

with intent *in* the said *Stephen*, thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

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

Figueroa

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

The said *Figueroa*,

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, in and upon the body of *one* *the said Stephen* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make an assault, and *in* the said *Stephen*

with a certain *knife*

which *he* the said *Figueroa* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a *weapon* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully beat, strike, stab, cut and wound, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

Richard W. B. Smith

District Attorney.

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Albrecht, August

DATE:

12/16/86



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Nov 11 1988

Counsel,

Filed 16 day of Dec 1888

Pleas Guilty Jan 4 19

THE PEOPLE

vs.

B

August Albrecht

Violation of Excise Law.
(Sunday).
[11 Rev. Stat., 7th Edition, page 1989 Sec. 21, and
page 1989, Sec. 5].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Witnesses:

Officer O'Sullivan

S. M. [Signature]
Foreman.
Sub [Signature]
met [Signature]

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

August Wredt

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

August Wredt

of the CRIME OF SELLING INTOXICATING LIQUORS AND WINES AS A BEVERAGE ON SUNDAY, committed as follows :

The said

August Wredt,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-sixth* day of *November*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week, commonly called and known as Sunday, with force and arms, certain intoxicating liquors and certain wines, to wit : One gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whisky, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain intoxicating liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell as a beverage to

William M. O'Sullivan, and to

certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

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

August Wredt

of the CRIME OF GIVING AWAY INTOXICATING LIQUORS AND WINES AS A BEVERAGE, ON SUNDAY' committed as follows :

The said

August Wredt,

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit : On the day and in the year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week

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commonly called and known as Sunday, with force and arms, certain intoxicating liquors and certain wines, to wit: One gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whisky, one gill of cordial, one gill of bitters, one gill of ale, one gill of porter, one gill of beer, one gill of lager beer, and one gill of a certain intoxicating liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did give away as a beverage to *William*

M. O. S. ... and to —

certain ~~other~~ persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

THIRD COUNT:

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

August Albrecht —

of the CRIME OF KEEPING OPEN ON SUNDAY a place licensed for the SALE OF STRONG AND SPIRIT-
VOUS LIQUORS, WINES, ALE AND BEER, committed as follows:

The said *August Albrecht.*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, the same being the first day of the week, commonly called and known as Sunday, being then and there in charge of and having the control of certain premises at number

95 Washington Street, —

in the City and County aforesaid, which said place was then duly licensed as a place for the sale of strong and spirituous liquors, wines, ale and beer, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, the said place, so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did not close, and keep closed, and on the said day, the said place so licensed as aforesaid, unlawfully did then and there open, and cause and procure, and suffer and permit, to be open, and to remain open, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

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Anderson, James

DATE:

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Clancy, James

DATE:

12/09/86



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Mr. J.B.

Counsel,

Filed *2* day of *Dec* 188*6*

Pleas *Not guilty (w)*

Grand Larceny, 2nd degree [Sections 528, 531, Penal Code].

THE PEOPLE

vs.

R
James Anderson

and

R
James Clancy

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

Dec 23rd
District Attorney.

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A TRUE BILL.

S.M. Conant

Foreman.

Dec 23rd

9-1008

Witnesses:

Chas G. Mackay
Officer Elliott

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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6 District Police Court

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No. Anderson Avenue Street, Highbridge
being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 1st day of December 1886
at the Worline Hotel Highbridge 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 bay horse of the value
of One hundred and Fifty dollars; One
set of harness of the value of Twenty five
dollars; and one wagon of the value
of One hundred and twenty five dollars;
all of the value of Three hundred
dollars

the property of the American Express Company
and in the care and custody of deponent an
employee of said company

and that this deponent
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken,
stolen, and carried away by James Anderson and James

Blaney, both now here, from the following
facts: At about three o'clock on the afternoon
of said day deponent left said wagon and horse
under the shed at said hotel, and shortly after
missed them therefrom. At about four o'clock
officer James Elliot of the 2^d precinct police
found said property in possession of said
Anderson and Blaney, as said officer informs
deponent, at a point one mile distant
from said hotel. Said dependants refused

Affidavit sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of December 1886

Notary Public

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to stop when hailed by said officer and attempted to escape with said property
Shown to before me this
2^d day of December 1876
James C. Kelly
Police Justice) C. G. Wadley

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

DATED: 187

MAGISTRATE.

OFFICER.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Sec: 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 27 years, occupation James Elliott
Policeman of ~~the~~

the 2d precinct Street, being duly sworn deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Charles G. Mactray

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

Sworn to before me, this 2d
day of December 1886

James Elliott

Samuel C. Keilly
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss

James Anderson 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 Anderson

Question. How old are you?

Answer 27 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Scotland

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

Answer. Shopt 22 New Acqueduct, 2 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Bricklayer

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. We were speering and had no intention of stealing

James Anderson

Taken before me this

9th

day of December 1886

Samuel W. Hall Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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BAILED,
 No. 1, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____
 No. 2, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____
 No. 3, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____
 No. 4, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____

Police Court 6th District. 1886

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles G. Mackay
Magistrate
James Anderson
James Blaney
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Offence Larceny
Felony

Dated December 2^d 1886

D. Kelly Magistrate.

W. H. Wright Officer.
 Precinct _____



Witnesses
 No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____

\$ 1000 to answer 9.8

\$1000 & Dec 3, 2 PM
Committed

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named James Anderson and James Blaney guilty thereof, I order that they be held to answer the same and they be admitted to bail in the sum of Ten Hundred Dollars, each and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until they give such bail.

Dated December 2^d 1886 Samuel P. Kelly Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

James Blaney 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 Blaney

Question. How old are you?

Answer 27 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New Brunswick

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

Answer. Shopt 22 New Acqueduct, 5 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Bricklayer

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 Blaney

Taken before me this

day of December 1886

David C. Phillips Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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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

James Anderson
and James Flaney

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

James Anderson and James Flaney

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

The said *James Anderson and James Flaney, both* —

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

one horse of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars, one set of harness of the value of twenty five dollars, and one wagon of the value of one hundred and twenty five dollars, —

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Charles F. Madary —

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.

Richard W. Smith

District Attorney.

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2337

DESCRIPTION:

Angle, Alexander

DATE:

12/06/86



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No. 1 *[Signature]*

Counsel,
Filed day of Dec 1886

Pleas Chiquilly 17

THE PEOPLE

vs.

[Signature]
Alexander Angler

*(also John Corallo
also Joseph Russo)*

Grand Larceny in the second degree.
(MONEY)
(Sec. 528 and 531, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*No. 1727
Dec 9 1886*

[Signature]

Foreman.

[Signature]
S. P. Two years

Witnesses:

Ann S. Van Valkenburgh

508 Fifth Ave

G. B. Stralley

15-3 East 5-4.

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New York Dec. 3rd 1876
#251657th

Mrs & Miss Van Valkenburg
City

Ladies

I sincerely trust you will
pardon me for taking the liberty of
writing these few lines as they will
undoubtedly interest you.

On Dec. 1st you (Mrs) was attacked
by a ruffian who robbed you - you caused
his arrest & he gave his name as
Alexander Auger, an Italian 19 year
old. I was greatly surprised at
reading this yesterday morning as
he gave my name & age, & he caused
much grief among my friends, this
is not his true name as my family
is the only "Auger's" in New York
My object in writing you this letter is

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that should you in life chance to see
my name please remember that I
saw not that young man.

I am a Book-keeper at Bloomingdale
Dros. & my employer's can give you
all the reference you may desire

Hoping that you are not offended
at what I have written as I only did
it to protect my name & the good
name of my Family.

Believe me Ladies
Your Obedient Servant

Alexander Dugeln



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OFFICE OF

Alfred N. Smith,
IMPORTER OF BRUSHES,

No. 107 Chambers St., & 91 Reade St.

New York, Dec 7 1886

Mr Martins

Dear Sir: As I called at
your office today to see you in reference
to the case of Alex Angelo who is to
be tried Thursday, and not getting
any satisfaction from the party I
take this method to explain to you
about it. The only Alexander Angelo in
New York is my brother. The party now
under arrest having on a previous
occasion been convicted under the
name of John Costello I understand
by keeping in the Tomb to be a very
bad one having been under arrest
some half dozen times. His parents
who are respectable people my folks
know well, and as some times
ago for some petty offense he stated
we would not make my brother
feel sorry by using his name
we had him done so. As my parents
are well known the injustice has

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injured them greatly. My brother
Alexander is connected with Mess
Bloomington Bros as Custom-house
clerk. What I wish to ask you is
if you can so arrange matters as
not to have him convicted under this
name. I would prefer for his folk
sake not to give him right name unless
it becomes necessary. I hope you
kindly want me the pleasure of
a personal interview I can explain
matters to your entire satisfaction
and valued attention.

I remain
Very Respectfully
Louis C. Angelo

Alexander Angelo
at
George

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:
of New York,

of No. *508 Fifth Avenue* Street, aged *69* years,
occupation *Keeper* being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the *1st* day of *December* 1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession

and person of deponent, in the *any* time, the following property viz :

Good and lawful money of the United States contained in a pocket book consisting of bills and coin of diverse denominations and all together of the value of twenty five dollars

Sworn to before me, this *1st* day of *December* 1886

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 *Alexander Angels machine* from the fact that at about *12:30* o'clock P.M. of the above date while deponent was entering into her Carriage in front of *Stearns Brothers store* on the south side of West 23rd street between 5th and 6th Avenues said city she suddenly felt some one catch hold of her body and when turning around saw said defendant withdrawing his hands from her body. Deponent then entered her Carriage and rode about a block and a half away from in front of said *Stearns Brothers store* she looked into her

Police Justice

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satchel and missed the aforesaid
 property. Deponent is informed by
 Sergeant P. Studley of No 153 East
 5th Street said City that he was
 passing by said store at the time
 and that he saw said defendant
 take said pocket book out of
 the satchel that was then hanging
 upon the left arm of deponent and
 walked rapidly across to the
 opposite side of the street. Deponent
 fully identifies said defendant as
 the person who had caught hold
 of her body and therefore charges
 him with having feloniously taken
 stolen and carried away from the
 possession and person of deponent
 the aforesaid property.

Sworn to before me
 this 1st day of Dec 1886. Amos J. Van Dusen
 J. Sheriff
 Police Justice

Dated 1886 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 1886 Police Justice

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

Dated 1886 Police Justice

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been

Police Court, District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
on the complaint of

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Offence—LARCENY.

Dated 1886

Magistrate

Officer

Clerk

Witnesses, No. Street

No. Street

No. Street

\$ to answer Sessions

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 30 years, occupation Commission Merchant of No. 153 East 34th Street, being duly sworn deposes and

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of Dec 1888

George B. Studley

J. Mumford

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0085

Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss

Alexander Angelo 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 Alexander Angelo

Question. How old are you?

Answer 19 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Italy

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

Answer. No 360 East 14th St about 3 years

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer Peddler

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

Alexander Angelo

Taken before me this

day of Dec 1888

John J. ...

Police Justice.

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MEMORANDUM.

BLOOMINGDALE BROS.,

IMPORTERS AND RETAILERS,

THIRD AVE.,

NEW YORK.

December 4th 1886

Mrs. Miss Von Valkenburg

City

Ladies

After my letter of yesterday to you I am please to inform you that I have found out the thief in his true color he is none other than Joseph Russ of # 60 Oliver St. City. Do you can call him by his true name - - He were school mates together & was on the best terms & at last he sought revenge by trying to disgrace my good name -
Trusting that this will find Mrs Von Valkenburg better

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Believe me Ladies

Very respectfully

Alexander D. Angelo

[Signature] 251 E. 57th

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BAILLED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court District. 1980

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John A. MacFarland
548 - 5th Ave
Alexander Angelo

Offence *Larceny from the Person*

Dated

Dec 1st 188*8*

Magistrate.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

Ernest M. Raphael
Street.

No.

500 Madison St
Street.

No.

Alfred A. White
Street.

No.

221 West 41st St
Street.

John A. MacFarland
Cogniswer.

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

Alexander Angelo

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *250* 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 1st* 188*8* *G. Humphreys* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Alexander Anzofe

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

Alexander Anzofe —

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

The said *Alexander Anzofe*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *first* day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *day* time of the same day, *one* promissory note 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 — ; *two* 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* ; *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 dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each* ; *seven* 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* ; *ten* 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 twenty 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 ten dollars *each* ; *three* 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* ; *and* divers coins, of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of *seven dollars*.

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels, and personal property of one *Ann S. Van Dorenburgh* on the person of the said *Ann S. Van Dorenburgh*, then and there being found, from the person of the said *Ann S. Van Dorenburgh*, then and there feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

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Witnesses:

Beattie G. Dickman

Officer D. J. Ferguson

W. G. Hunter

Counsel, D. D. [Signature]

Filed day of Dec 1886

Plaintiff [Signature]

THE PEOPLE

[Signature]

Anna T. Armstrong

Grand Larceny, 2nd degree [Sections 628, 681 Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney

W. G. Hunter
I have checked
the above name to my
A True Bill.

W. G. Hunter

W. G. Hunter
10-1-88

[Signature]

Foreman

Dec 21

[Signature]

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Witnesses:

Bessie G. Dickinson

Officer D. J. Fogarty

W. E. Sheehan

Counsel, *D. A. Dwyer*

Filed *7* day of *Dec*, 188*6*

Pleads *Guilty*

Grand Larceny, 2nd degree [Sections 528, 581 Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE

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Anna J. Armstrong

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
July 4/87 District Attorney.

Wm L. Connors Clerk
July
W. E. Sheehan Secy. to Mayor. N.Y.

A TRUE BILL.

Judge *approved*
July 10th 1887. D.C.C.Y.

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Foreman.

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A No sir. I did not inquire from Mr. Fitts; she gave me other references also; the Fitts family were in Europe.

Q When was it?

A Three years ago last January.

Q How long did she live there with you?

A From the forepart of January to the 27th of July.

Q 1885?

A 1885.

Q Then she left you?

A No sir; I sold out the flat, and she remained with the woman that took the flat of me..

Q When did you see her next after that?

A I saw her again in the month of September after that.

Q 1885?

A Yes sir.

Q Whereabouts?

A At 187 West 21st Street.

Q Who occupied that house?

A I did not know; I know now; I did not know at the time. She was employed there.

Q In what capacity?

A She told me she was the companion of the lady who kept the house.

Q Was that house a disreputable house?

A I have since learned it is.

Q Did you go there to see her?

A I called there to see her; she wrote me to call there and she would pay me some money that was due me.

Q She owed you money?

A Yes sir; I went there for the purpose of collecting money. She was only there during the day; at night she returned to 62 West 39th.

Q When did you next see her?

A I next saw her after the holidays I think;--some time in January.

Q 1886?

A Yes sir.

Q Whereabouts?

A 61 West 39th Street.

Q Who occupies that?

A Mrs. Hevey.

Q Is it a boarding house?

A Yes sir.

Q Is it a flat?

A Yes sir.

Q Which one?

A The third flat.

Q Who occupied the flat immediately underneath?

A A Mr. Hirrod and his family.

Q Do you know what his business is?

A Yes sir, I believe he is a manufacturer of patent medicines on Vesey and Church Street..

Q A married man?

A Yes sir.

Q About how old?

A I think he is a man of sixty.

Q Do you know what the relations of Hirrod were with this woman?

- A From her own story I do.
- Q Did she tell you anything about it?
- A Yes sir.
- Q When was it?
- A She told me last March.
- Q March, 1886?
- A Yes sir.
- Q Tell me what it was that she told you?
- A She told me that her relations were highly improper..
- Q Give me her language?
- A She said she got \$300. out of Mr. Hiramod by making him believe she was in a delicate condition by him, but at the same time it was false.
- Q Did she tell you anything else about her relations with Hiramod?
- A Nothing further than along in the summer she said he called on her at Waverly Place.
- Q Was she living there then?
- A She left 61 West 39th Street last March and went there.
- Q What number?
- A 107; it is right off sixth Avenue.
- Q Did you see her there?
- A Yes sir, I called on her there.
- Q Did she tell you where she made Hiramod's acquaintance?
- A Yes sir.
- Q Where?
- A On the roof at 61 West 39th Street.
- Q Did she tell you the circumstances of making his acquaintance?

A Yes sir; she said that Mr. Hiram spoke to her and said "Good evening" and told her he was her neighbor; and he believed she had been boarding upstairs all winter, and he had not seen her and he considered it very unsociable. That was in the latter part of June, 1835; and in the fore part of July she met Mr. Hiram again on the roof; and in the latter part of July Mrs. Hiram went to the west; and Mrs. Armstrong said she was coming upstairs one afternoon, and Mr. Hiram opened his flat door and requested her to walk in and look at his flat, and she did so, and he showed her the flat, and he wanted her to go down stairs in the evening, and she went and he gave her champagne to drink; she went into his flat and he gave her champagne to drink.

Q Did she say whether she remained there all night?

A No sir, she stayed until about two o'clock in the morning, and went upstairs; and that was repeated.

Q Did he go upstairs with her?

A No sir.

Q Did she say he was intimate with her during the time she was there that evening?

A Yes sir.

Q What time did she go down?

A Eight or nine o'clock in the evening, and remained until two next morning; and that was repeated every evening for three weeks; she went every evening and spent the evening with him..

Q While his wife was absent?

A Yes sir.

Q What took her to the roof?

A I suppose to look at the city; I don't know.

Q Had she been there before she met Hiram that night?

A Yes sir.

Q On account of the heat?

A Oh no; but you get a very fine view of the city and of the harbor from the roof of this building.

Q The people who occupy flats are in the habit of resorting to the roof in the evenings?

A Yes sir, it is not uncommon for the people in that building.

Q From the time previous to March, 1886, to the time she told you of her relations to Hiram, did she tell you at any time she had been intimate with other men?

A No sir, she did not; she always posed in the attitude of an innocent person up to that time.

Q Do you know whether or not in West 21st street she was intimate with men?

A I don't know, excepting from the character of the house; I don't know what else she could have been there for.

Q You saw her in Waverly place?

A Yes sir.

Q When?

A In May; in the forepart of May, 1886; she wrote to me to come there; that she wanted to see me; she wanted me to go to Kelly & Company in Broome Street and get books for her.

Q On her order?

A She wanted me to get them for myself and bring them

to her.

Q Who was to pay for them?

A I don't know.

Q Did she offer you any money?

A No sir.

Q Did she say anything about intending to swindle Kelly & Company?

A No sir.

Q What did she say?

A She said she wanted some books, and they could be gotten without paying money down, and would I go and get them.

Q In what way?

A You have to sign a contract when you take the books that you will return the books or the money.

Q Did she explain that you to you?

A No sir, but of course I knew enough to know that myself. She had been there and got books, and did not want to go a second time herself.

Q Did you go?

A I did not.

Q You refused to go?

A I refused to go.

Q At that conversation did she say what her condition was financially?

A No sir, she knew I understood it.

Q Did she owe you any money at that time?

A Yes sir.

Q But was unable to pay?

A Was unable to pay, and always has been.

Q Did she pay you any money while she was employed on 21st Street?

A Yes sir, she gave me \$20. while employed there.

Q What is her total indebtedness now?

A \$27. outside of some sewing I did for her last summer.

Q At the time you saw her in Waverly Place did she say anything to you about her relations with men?

A No sir; she only made this remark; that she could have no friends call on her when Mrs. Swift was at home because she disapproved of them.

Q Did you know Mrs. Swift?

A I met her that time.

Q Did you have any conversation with Mrs. Swift?

A Yes sir.

Q What did she say?

A Our conversation was general; I think the conversation was about religion.

Q Did she say anything about the Baracha Mission?

A Yes sir.

Q Did she ask you to attend that Mission?

A She gave me an invitation.

Q Did she say this Armstrong woman attended there?

A Yes sir; I went with them one night; the night I believe Mrs. Armstrong pretended to be converted.

Q Did you see this Swift woman or the Armstrong woman again?

A Yes sir, in 24th Street.

Q When was that?

A In the latter part of May or forepart of June.

Q Of 1886?

A Of 1886.

Q Did you call upon them then?

A Mrs. Armstrong called on me at my boarding house: I was boarding at 39th Street, and she called on me and wanted me to go to her house on an errand, and she would go back to my boarding house and stay all night.

Q What was the errand?

A I don't know; she wanted to get something out of the house that she had left.

Q Do you know where that house was?

A 200½ West 24th Street..

Q Do you know the character of that house?

A I do not; I have heard that the house has not borne a good character, but personally I do not know.

Q Who occupies that house now?

A Mrs. Manning.

Q Did you know who occupied the house then?

A Mrs. Manning.

Q Was this Armstrong woman boarding there?

A Yes sir.

Q Was she employed in any capacity?

A She was boarding.

Q A boarder in the house?

A Yes sir.

Q Did she say anything to you at that time about her relations with men?

A No sir.

Q Did she mention Himrod?

A No sir.

Q Did she mention anybody else; any other men?

A She might have indirectly mentioned Mr. Horton; of course she was always talking about him.

Q When did you next see this woman Armstrong?

A I saw her in June.

Q Where?

A That was at 24th Street.

Q Did you call on her there?

A I called on her once there; that evening; that was the only time I ever was in the house.

Q How did you call there; with her?

A With her.

Q She had been up to your house?

A Yes sir.

Q Is that the time you have just mentioned?

A Yes sir.

Q After this time when did you next see her?

A I met her on the street twice after that.

Q Where?

A On Sixth Avenue both times.

Q Sixth Avenue near where?

A I think the next time I met her was between 24th and 25th street on Sixth Avenue.

Q Did you stop to have a conversation with her?

A Yes sir. The next time I met her was the last of June

or the forepart of July, again on Sixth Avenue.

Q Do you remember what was the subject of conversation the first time you met her on Sixth Avenue?

A Yes sir; she simply ~~xxxxxx~~ asked how I was getting along, and stated that she was doing nothing; that the Swift family had left and she had the room to herself. I asked how she kept the room, and she said she was running in debt for it; and she made some further statements concerning her financial affairs. I left her then.

Q You saw her again in the latter part of June or the early part of July?

A Yes sir.

Q Of 1886?

A Yes sir; I met her again then.

Q On Sixth Avenue?

A Yes sir: She again inquired what I was doing; I told her I was sewing; I had been canvassing for a book; and I asked her what she was doing, and she said nothing, but she had an opportunity of getting a position, which she thought she would take.

Q Did she state what it was?

A Yes sir; she said she had met an old school mate of hers, and she wanted her to take charge of her flat during her absence; that she was going to California, and she said she thought she might better take it than do nothing

Q Did she mention the name?

A No sir; she mentioned the name of the flat.

Q Where?

A In Ninth Street.

Q Did she give you the number?

A The Portsmouth Flats, the finest flats on Ninth Street :
She said she thought she might as well take it; the lady
had already gone, and the gentleman was going very soon;
and that there would be nothing to do, and she would
have nothing to pay and would have a place to live

Q Did she describe the gentleman to you?

A No sir.

Q That was about all you can remember of that conversa-
tion?

A Well, I questioned her as to who they were; as to what
kind of people they were, and she said they were people
she knew in the old country; that the lady was a school-
mate of hers.

Q Did she describe the lady?

A No sir.

Q Did she tell you how old the lady was?

A No sir; she did after, when I came here to the flat.
The next time I met her was near Jefferson Market; about
the 15th of July---about the middle of the month; she
said she had taken the position; then she said who
they were.

Q Who?

A Mrs. Dichman; she was on her way then to the market on
Greenwich Avenue to buy meat for dinner, and she re-
quested me not to tell the people up at the house where
she had been boarding where she was, as she did not

want them to know that she would take a servant's position Mrs Mc Vey and the rest, and she told me the wages she was getting.

Q How much?

A I think she said \$12 a month; there was to be no one there. Mr. Dichman was going in a very short time, and there would be nobody but her, and the pay would be the same; and she had free access to the butcher, and the baker, and the milkman and the iceman and everybody else, so that she could save her salary to get clothing with.

Q Did she say anything about Mr. Dichman---what kind of a man he was?

A No sir.

Q Nothing at that time?

A Nothing at that time.

Q Is that all the conversation you had with her?

A Yes sir, all that I remember; I turned and walked a short way with her.

Q Did she tell you whether Mrs. Dichman had any children?

A Not then.

Q When did you next see her?

A The next time I saw her it might have been near the middle of August; I think somewhere along about the 14th or 15th of August; she came to my boarding house.

Q At this time you met her near Jefferson Market did she state to you what relations Mr. Dichman and Mrs. Dichman were to each other?

A She stated she was working for Mrs. Dichman.

Q You understood Mr. Dichman was the husband of Mrs. Dichman, who had gone to California?

A Yes sir. In August she came to the house saying she was alone; that Mr. Dichman had left, and would I come and do some sewing for her---make a dress for her, which I did.

Q About when was it you came here?

A About the middle of August; it might have been a few days after the middle.

Q State all the conversation you had with her that day that you can remember?

A We went to Fox & Kelly's and got her dress---9th Street and Broadway, then we came home here, and we got here at the flat about noon; and she prepared some lunch; then she told me about who the people were.

Q What did she say as to that?

A She then repeated the same story she had told me before; that Mrs. Dichman was a schoolmate of hers.

Q Did she show you Mrs. Dichman's picture?

A Yes sir, in her wedding dress, and she also showed me the picture of the baby.

Q Would you recognize that picture now?

A Yes sir.

Q Look at that picture and say if that is the one that was shown you? (handing witness picture)

A Yes sir, that is the picture, or one exactly like it; it is the picture that she showed me and told me was Mrs. Dichman in her wedding dress.

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Q After showing you this picture tell us what she said to you?

A She told me it was Mrs. Dichman; and she also got a paper which had an account of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Dichman, in Washington.

Q Washington where?

A Washington D. C. It was a Washington paper

Q Do you remember the date of the marriage?

A No sir.

Q What else did she say to you?

A I said to her "How was it that you met Mrs. Dichman?" and she said she was going through 14th Street in May and met her, and Mrs. Dichman immediately recognized her; that fifteen or sixteen years ago she was a school-mate of Mrs. Dichman's in Germany; and I asked if Mrs. Dichman was a German woman, and she said yes.

Q Did she show you Mr. Dichman's picture?

A After that she did; also Mr. Dichman's father and mother

Q At the time you went out with her to buy this dress did she state where she got the money from?

A She said it was her wages, and as soon as she got her next month's she would pay me.

Q Did she say anything about Mr. Dichman giving her this dress?

A No sir.

Q At the time she showed you the picture when was it?

A It was when I was here sewing; I was here three days.

Q Did she take you through the flat?

A Yes sir.

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Q Did she show you Mr. Dichman's room?

A I don't know that she did; I think she said it was Mrs. Dichman's bedroom.

Q At the time she showed you Mr. Dichman's picture what did she say?

A She said it was Mr. Dichman's picture.

Q Was it a photograph or a portrait?

A It was a photograph.

Q Did she say anything about Mr. Dichman?

A Nothing about him personally, no sir.

Q It was one of those two pictures that was shown you?

A Yes sir.

Q Which one?

A I think the one with the long whiskers; I think that was the picture; of course I could not specify the picture.

Q Tell us all that she said to you about this man Horton.

A Personally I know nothing of Mr. Horton except that I met him once; he called at 61 West 39th Street.

Q When?

A In the month of July, 1886.

Q Did she ever say anything to you about him?

A A great deal after that.

Q What did she say?

A She was to marry him.

Q Did she tell you what her relations were with him?

A That they were engaged to be married; also reading letters from Mr. Horton; she received letters while I was here telling her to be ready to be married the next

week.

Q Did she tell you she had been intimate with this man Horton?

A No sir; she said they were to be married and to go to Japan.

Q If you heard those letters read now would you remember them?

A Yes sir, I would.

Q Did she ever mention a man Fitts to you?

A Yes sir, when she was boarding with me.

Q In 1885?

A Yes sir.

Q Tell me all she said to you about this man Fitts?

A She said she was a companion in the Fitts family, a companion of Mrs. Fitts after her husband's death.

Q Did she mention the name of her husband?

A Frederick B. Armstrong was her husband's name; she has showed me his picture.

Q Did she tell you when he died?

A She said five years he had been dead.

Q Did she tell you what his business was?

A A lawyer.

Q Where did he die?

A In New York.

Q Did she tell you she had ever married Fitts?

A No sir.

Q Did she tell you why she took the name of Fitts?

A She never went by the name of Fitts in my house; she

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said in some business she used the name of Fitts; after she had been boarding with me perhaps a month, she said she was a female detective, and if any letters came to her under the name of Lillian Hall to take them, that they were for her; and also under the name of Fitts; she said in doing her detective work she did not use her own name, because she did not want to disgrace her husband's family by using the name of Armstrong, and she used these names instead.

Q Would you believe her under oath?

A No sir, I would not.

MRS. SUTTLE: We were talking about swearing false once; I said I would not swear false. She said "I would to gain my ends; there is no hereafter any way". She showed me the picture of her child; she said it was in Germany, and her parents had it; it was a little boy..

Q This picture that she showed you, Mrs. Cole, as that of Armstrong, what kind of a looking picture was it?

A It was a very thin, beardless face, with the hair combed directly back from the forehead, and she said he had blue eyes, and a light complexion. When I saw her she showed me the dress she was to be married to Norton in; the dress I made her was for her travelling dress..

Q When Mrs. Armstrong was arrested in this proceeding for stealing a watch, she sent word to you that she would like to see you at the Tombs?

A Yes sir.

Q State what took place?

A She sent her lawyer to me.

Q Was his name Mc Pheeters?

A No sir.

Q What was her lawyer's name?

A Swift. She sent him to me with a letter; in the letter she made a request. She wrote a letter, and she wanted me to go to her trunk and hide that letter in a book; she wrote a letter, and in this letter was enclosed a letter which she wanted me to take to her trunk and hide it in a book, that she might send Mc Pheeters the next day and get the letter from the book to be used at the trial.

Q Have you that letter?

A I have the letter that was to be put in the trunk; the letter was written in the Tombs in the month of December; I think the letter came to me about the 12th day of December, 1836; and it was written as though it was written last September, or October to Mr. Dichman.

Q Dated?

A No sir, it was simply headed with the day of the week; she said to me in her letter why she wanted that letter put in her trunk was because she said she was in a hole-- those were the words---and that if this letter were found by her lawyer in the trunk, her jury would believe Mr. Dichman guilty; in the letter she makes mention of a good deal.

Q Did you place the letter in the book as requested?

A No sir.

Q What became of the letter?

A I have the letter.

Q Have you both letters?

A I have not the letter she wrote me, but the letter she wanted me to put in the trunk I have. I destroyed the other; I had a personal reason for destroying Mrs. Armstrong's correspondence to me.

Q State the conversation that took place in the Tombs in regard to her condition.

A It was after the trial that I saw her in the Tombs; I asked her why she had sworn she was in that condition; she said her lawyer told her to, thinking it would strengthen her case.

Q In a pregnant condition?

A Yes sir; I said "Why did you swear to a story of that kind?" and she said "Because Mr. He Phosters told me to" I said "I don't see why you perjured yourself" and she said well, she thought that he knew best, and he told her to say so to help her out, and that it would have great weight with the jury if they thought she was in that condition; and she stated of course she was not in that condition.

Q Did she say to you why it was that she was willing to be examined?

A She said she thought she could get through the examination and fool the physicians.

Q And were there any relations between the physicians to examine her and the Swift family?

A One of the physicians was a nephew of Mrs. Swift; that is what they claimed..

Q Did you ever meet Mrs. Swift in the Tomb with this woman?

A Yes sir; I just saw her there.

Q In connection with this woman?

A Yes sir.

Q Was there something that this physician who was a nephew of Mrs. Swift's could testify in her favor?

A She thought there was something in that; and that they were young. She said that the Swift woman would arrange with her nephew and let her go through all right; she said that was why she was not nervous; and if there was nothing came from it she could say she was mistaken.

Q Did she receive any articles of clothing by means of which she could simulate pregnancy?

A She told me she had taken her things.

Q When did Mrs. Swift tell you that?

A At Mrs. Swift's rooms.

Q Was the Armstrong woman present at the time?

A No sir; it was while she was in the Tomb.

BY MR. BICHAM:

Q When did you first see me?

A In your office last November; the 29th day of November.

Q What was the reason for your coming there?

A I came there from Mrs. Armstrong.

Q Tell us why you came, and the circumstances connected therewith?

A Mrs. Armstrong came to my boarding house; she came in and requested to see me alone. She began crying, and told me she had had a miscarriage and had been put out of her boarding house, and had started to Mr. Dickman for assistance, but was so ill she came to my house instead; she was suffering greatly, and she started to go down, thinking he would assist her if she went to him; and she seemed to wander in her mind and said a great deal..

Q What was it she said?

A She talked about her child &c. and seemed to be wandering in her mind.

Q Was she intoxicated?

A No sir.

Q She was light headed?

A She appeared to be; she simulated it; it was not real as I afterward found out from her admission. I went to Mr. Dickman's office.

Q Did she tell you whether this miscarriage was brought about by natural causes, or self-inflicted?

A She left me to draw my own conclusions.

Q Did she ask you at that time to go to Mr. Dickman's office?

A She said that she started to go to him for assistance; she had no money and had been put out of her boarding house, and was too ill, so she came to me. I said "what do you propose to do?" I said "Of course you know you cannot stay here" and she says "Would you go to Mr. Dickman and tell him my condition, and ask him to give

you money for no?" And I went, and I left her lying on the sofa in my room very ill indeed---apparently very ill---and I went to Mr. Dickman.

Q What did Mr. Dickman say, and what did you say to him?

A I went to his office and he was out; I went outside and went uptown as far as the post office, and then went back again, and he was in then. I knew him as soon as I saw him from the picture she had showed me.

Q What did you say to him?

A I told him who I was and told him my errand there; that Mrs. Armstrong had come to my house ill from a miscarriage; and also that she had been turned out of her boarding house, and had started to come to see him but was too ill, and I had come instead.

Q What did he say to you?

A He said as far as he was concerned he was in no way responsible for her condition; then he made the statement about the watch having been stolen. Mr. Dickman also said whatever he might have done as an act of charity, he would not do it when her request was preferred to him under those circumstances; he then went on to state about the watch; that there had been a watch stolen. Then I went back to see her, and she had decidedly improved during my absence, and I stated what he had said, and about the watch, and she said she knew all about that; that Inspector Byrnes' men had been up and searched her room. I was very suspicious of the woman then, because I heard her when she left the flat.

She told me she had not any money, because she had to pawn her dress. She went up-town and took dinner with me. She said there was a watch and chain here, and she was tempted to steal and pawn it, and she thought she could get it back before they returned; and as soon as I heard what he said, I said she had taken it; and I said "If you have taken that, give it to me" and she says "You don't think I would steal, do you?" and I says "Why I am suspicious is because you threatened to do it". Then she said she thought the elevator man had stolen it, and if the elevator man had not stolen it Mrs. Swift likely had, because she was visiting her, and she would go to Mrs. Swift's house the next day and see if she could get the pawn ticket, and if she did she would come down next night, and would give it to me. The next day I went down to her room; she had got better of her sickness; she said she had tried to get the tickets in Mrs. Swift's room, but there was nothing, only for an old silver watch; and she said she never took the watch; the next day when I went back I was surprised to see her sitting with her clothing properly on, appearing as bright as could be; she said "Have you got any money?" and I said "I think you have done me a terrible injury by sending me to Mr. Dickman". She wanted to know what he said, how he acted &c. and I told her, and she says "I know all about that; Inspector Byrnes' men were up and searched my trunk."

Q. Did you mention anything about her sickness?

A I said "You have got over your trouble; do you feel so much better?" and she says "I did not feel well, but there is nothing of that kind ails me; I only thought to get you to go to Mr. Dickman; I was down there the other day and he put me out of the office."

Q After you saw her in the Tombs, did you go and see a person who appears as her attorney in this complaint?

A Yes sir.

Q What is his name?

A Mc Pheeters; W. S. Mc Pheeters, I think.

Q State the conversation that took place between you and him? Where did you see him?

A At his office at Chambers Street. I went into Mr. Mc-Pheeters' office and told him who I was, and began questioning him about the Armstrong case, and asked him why he had told his client to perjure herself, and ~~she~~ he said because she thought she could carry it out, which she did. He said he did not think they would have the physicians' examination; he tried to dissuade her from going through it, and she said she thought she could go through; and he told her to swear ^{to it} to strengthen her case against Mr. Dickman.

Q Your object in seeing the woman in jail, and also seeing Mc Pheeters afterwards, was to make an arrangement to see if the woman could not be allowed to go out on bail, was it not?

A Yes sir.

Q How did you propose to get her out on bail?

A I asked the Pheters if there could be bail gotten if it would be accepted; and he said they did not want bail; they wanted a new trial, and if I would put up \$500. for him as counsel fees he would try and get her acquitted; and that then she was to bring a suit against Mr. Dickman for \$50,000. and I should have \$1,000.

Q What did he say to you in discussing her situation as to the matter of testimony---in regard to your testimony?

A He wanted me to go on the stand and say what they told me to say; forget anything I ever knew against the woman's character, and testify to what they would tell me to---to testify that she was a good woman. &c. They were to furnish me with the testimony they wanted me to testify to.

Q You were to memorize it?

A I was to memorize it and repeat it on the witness stand.

Q Will you state further what you were to testify---what your testimony was to be?

A He told me that they wanted me to testify first to her good character; then about the interview I had with Mr. Dickman; that I was to say that Mr. Dickman made this admission to me;--that he seduced the woman under promise of marriage, and that their relations were improper while here. And when I remonstrated with Mr. Pheters by stating it was not true, and it would be an outrage, he said "What does not make a particle of difference; he can only contradict, and he has no

evidence to disprove the assertion". I said "In that way they can arrest me for perjury" and he said "no no, they cannot prove it is perjury; there was no one present but you and Mr. Dickman; they cannot disprove it."

Q When was the second time that you saw Mrs. Armstrong?

A In the Tombs do you mean?

Q Yes, the second time in the Tombs?

A Mc Pheters was in there the day I saw her; she told me then that she was going to be liberated on a suspension of sentence, or she was to get a new trial and get bail--- to be out on her own recognizance, that is it; that Gildersleeve had promised Mc Pheters to do it for her; and he had also promised Mrs. Swift.

Q Did she state what influence Mrs. Swift had with Gildersleeve?

A She did not state what influence; Mrs. Swift said she had a good deal of influence with the Judge, and that he had stated to her "Gertrude, I assure you that woman will not be sent up."

Q Did she say anything about Gildersleeve's relations with other women?

A Nothing more than that she had been a friend of Gildersleeve's for some time, and that he made that assertion in the Armstrong case.

Q In this conversation you had with Mc Pheters, did he then state to you they were going to bring suit for \$50,000?

A Yes sir.

Q Did he state the grounds?

A Yes sir.

Q What were they?

A Seduction and breach of promise and her condition.

Q And Mr. Theaters also said that Gildersleeve was going to help him by letting the woman out?

A Yes sir.

Q Mr. Theaters made that statement in your presence?

A Yes sir, in his office; he made that statement in his office.

Q Was there anybody present at the time?

A No sir; there was a party there but he let him out.

Q You saw Mrs. Armstrong again in the Forbs?

A Yes sir.

Q When did you see her afterwards?

A I saw her on the 12th of November.

Q What was the time when she stated she was going into this thing?

A Yes sir.

Q What did she say she was going to do?

A She said she was going to get a baby from somewhere; of course she was not in that condition herself, but they could get one; it was a very easy matter in this city to get a baby; and they were going to confront Mr. Dickman with that, and tell him it was his child; and she was also going to bring this suit for \$50,000 damages against Mr. Dickman.

Q Did she say whereabouts they expected to get the baby?

A No sir.

Q Did she say who was going to get the baby for her?

A Her and Mrs. Swift were going to hunt it up.

Q Did you say it was rather difficult to get a baby, or express any surprise?

A I expressed this opinion, that it would be not only a difficult matter, but a dangerous matter to do a thing of that kind; that she was simply out on suspension of sentence, and if she did anything of the kind she would be likely to be locked up again; and she said that Mr. Dickson was powerless to disprove it; that she was here in this flat, and they were here alone; and at that time she admitted that her relations with him were not improper.

Q Did she state that they would get the baby from any institution?

A No sir. She said they would find one.

Q Did she name any private lying in place?

A No sir. She said she was depending to Mrs. Swift to produce the child.

Q Did she say Mrs. Swift had agreed to produce it?

A Yes sir.

Q Did she say at the same time this baby was produced and they brought the suit for \$50,000, that they were going to institute any other proceedings?

A No sir; that was all they were after. And she also further stated at that time that if I would testify in her favor I should also come in for a share of the \$50,000. the same as Mc Pherson told me.

Q You were also going to get a piece of the pie?

A Yes sir.

MR. DICHRAN: If Mrs. Tuttle and Mrs. Dichran will leave the room for a few moments, I will make a statement, which Mrs. Cole will accept as her own. This woman went to this man Hinton and pretended to be pregnant; he disbelieved her; but she insisted so vehemently that after a while he consulted a physician to ascertain who he could find out whether or not, and the physician said to get some of the woman's urine; whereupon this Armstrong woman goes to Mrs. He Vey where she was boarding, and finds out that Mrs. He Vey knew a seamstress who was in that condition; so she gets this seamstress to let her have some of her urine, has it taken to the physician, who decided that she was in that condition.

Q Do you remember the name of that French woman, Mrs. Cole?

A No sir, I do not.

Q Do you remember anything like it?

A It was something like Lafonte. Her address was given me as 123rd Street.

Sworn to before me March 29 1887
Francis Van Seecken
Notary Public
Cart. filed N.Y. Co Kings Co.
Mary L. Cole

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No. 5941

Time of Pledging.	DESCRIPTION OF GOODS PLEDGED.	Loan for One Year.
188	<u>3 OCT 25</u> <u>Watch</u>	\$ <u>20.50</u> cts.

Name and Residence of the Persons Pledging.

J. H. HALL
Not accountable in case of damage, fire, robbery or moth.
S. HARLEM,
112 West 31st Street, between 6th & 7th Aves.

Rate of Interest.—On sums of \$100 or under, three per cent. a month or fraction of month for the first six months, and two per cent. a month thereafter. On sums over \$100 two per cent. a month for the first six months, and one per cent. a month thereafter.

Not accountable for loss or damage by Fire, Robbery, Breakage or Moth. Good for one year only.

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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Ernest Dickman

Ernest Dickman

*Alvin E. Cole
Katie Wettenhall
Hefie Collins
Clarence Roberts*

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Police Court— District:

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

of No. 41 West 34th Street, aged 31 years,
occupation domestic being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 15 day of October 1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

One double case gold watch of the value of \$150 dollars
One ladies watch chain of the value of \$100 dollars
One gentlemen's watch chain of the value of \$100 dollars
1/2 of the value of \$500 hundred dollars

the property of deponent except the gentlemen's watch chain the property of deponent's husband in the care and custody of deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by Amato Antonina (alias name) in the person

that deponent was in the company of Amato Antonina
Amato, who was in charge and looking in deponent's
apartment on the 6th floor of 42 West 34th Street, was
discharged from said employment on the 28th day of October
1888 and the apartment locked up and the key given to
Adolphus Badinelli the elevator boy in the above house.
That deponent has been informed by Adolphus Badinelli
the elevator boy at the above address that twice after the
deponent's discharge on the 28th day of October 1888 she had
received the key of deponent's apartment at the above address
and entered the same, and that on each occasion returned
the key to him.
That deponent is informed by Louis J. Fogarty detective
Sergeant of District Office, that immediately after placing the

Sworn to before me, this 1888 day

Police Justice

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... Samuel Norton and that
 defendant was arrested, he took her to the house of Isaac M.
 a clerk in said firm - shop
 D. Arlman, 21 - 13 112 West 81 Street. immediately recognized her
 as entering his place, and as it was raining very hard he called for
 her father - father, handed her the money, etc. having ticket, which
 represents the above described watch, which defendant takes
 identity,
 that defendant also is informed by Isaac M. Norton, Clerk to said
 firm - father at 112 West 81 Street - that he fully identifies the
 defendant as the woman who passed at the time a watch
 property with same name as were mentioned date.

...
 was 1 day of December 1885
 J. Sherman
 Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime herein mentioned has been
 committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named
 guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of
 Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison
 of the City of New York, until he give such bail.
 Dated 1885
 Police Justice

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

Police Court, District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 on the complaint of

vs.

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Offence—LARCENY

Dated 1885

Magistrate

Officer

Clerk

Witness, No. Street

No. Street

No. Street

\$ to answer Sessions

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 18 years, occupation Illustrator of No. 125 West 45th Street

Street, being duly sworn deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Wm. H. Schuman and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 1 day of December 1888 & Stephen Badmelli

J. Murray Bond
Police Justice.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 19 years, occupation Illustrator of No. 125 West 45th Street

Street, being duly sworn deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Wm. H. Schuman and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 1 day of December 1888 & Dennis J. Fogarty

J. Murray Bond
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 24 years, occupation Seaman's Clerk of No.

112 West 81st Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Wesley S. Lockman

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

Sworn to before me this 1

day of December 1888

J. H. [Signature]
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Anna F. Armstrong

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Twenty-five years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

Germany

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

Answer.

2 1/2 West 24 Street. About five weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer,

Miner

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.
Anna F. Armstrong*

Taken before me this

day of *November* 188*6*

John W. [Signature]

Police Justice.

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Recd by Police

BAILED,
 No. 1, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.
 No. 2, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.
 No. 3, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.
 No. 4, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.

Police Court District 2 1879

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
OF THE COMPLAINANT OF

1 *James J. ...*
 2 *42 No. 19*
 3 _____
 4 _____
 Offence *Harassment*

Dated *11 October* 188*6*

Magistrate *James ...*

Officer *John ...*

Witnesses *John ...*

No. *12* Street *...*

No. *...* Street *...*

No. *...* Street *...*

JOHN ...
...

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

James J. ...

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *Six* 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* 188*6* *J. Mumford* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

City and County of New York, ss. Earnest Dichman, being duly sworn, says: I am a banker and broker at No. 40 Wall st. New York city, and reside with my wife and child at No. 42 West 9th st. I first met Anna Armstrong, alias Anna B. Fitts alias Lillian Hall, alias Anna Buck, alias Madame De Vere, in the latter part of June, 1886. When she was introduced to me at the corner of 8th ave. and 24th st. by a woman named Mrs. Swift, who stepped up to me and said, "Hello stranger, what are you doing there?" I had known the Swift woman some two years previous, and as it was a pleasant evening I walked to Mrs. Swift's house with both of them, and from there to Anna Armstrong's house with her. She told me that she was seduced by a Mr. Fitts or Fritz and had run away from her parents, and was married in London; she also told me an interesting story about the Baracchi Mission on West 29th st., which excited my curiosity as to the place. She was a very plausible woman, and when she told me that she didn't know what to do for a living, and as she seemed to be very respectable, I told her she could take charge of my flat as I was going to California to join Mrs. Dichman, who was then there, and that the woman whom Mrs. Dichman had left in charge of the flat was going to leave. I told her that she would have to satisfy this person before taking charge of the flat. She was engaged solely as a servant in my family, at 12 dollars per month wages. I swear positively that I never promised to marry the woman, and did never seduce her under promise of marriage, and did never live with her in the relation of husband and wife, and on information and belief do charge that the said woman is a prostitute and blackmailer, and has been such for at least three years last past. The said

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said Armstrong woman, while in my employ, stole a watch and ²
two chains, the property of my wife, for which she was con-
victed of grand larceny in the second degree. The woman
has since brought a suit against me to recover \$500,000 d
damages for alleged breach of promise of marriage, and
charges seduction and pregnancy in aggravation of dam-
ages, which said suit, I do verily believe, and charge, is
brought in pursuance of a conspiracy entered into for the
purpose of extorting money by Anna F. Armstrong, Gertrude
Swift, and William S. McPheters.

Sworn to before me
this 6 day of April, 1887.

James W. Ambrose
Notary Public
Central City, N. M.
Wm. W. Wideman

City and County of New York, ss.

Mrs. *Mary C.* Cole, being duly sworn, says, I reside at 849 7th ave., last January I resided at 61 West 39th st. where I resided some two years preceeding. I know Anna Armstrong; she boarded with me at the address last above given, from January to the 27th of July, 1885, when I sold out to Mrs. McVey, and Armstrong remained with her. I saw her again in September, 1885, at No. 187 West 21st st., which was a house of prostitution. I went to see her in response to a letter she sent me stating that if I called she would pay me some money she owed me. She was only there during the day, returning at night to 61 West 39th st. I saw her quite frequently between that time and the time of her arrest on the charge of larceny of Mrs. Dichman's watch. While she was in the Tombs I called upon her after having received a letter from her, which she sent to me by a man named Swift. In the letter to me was inclosed a second letter, purporting to have been written in September or October of 1886, by her to Mr. Dichman. It was written in the Tombs in December, 1886. The inclosed letter she wanted me to hide in a book, and to then place the book and letter in her trunk, so that McPheeters might there find it the following day, and use the letter at the criminal trial. She said she wanted that letter put in her trunk, because she was "in a hole," and that if her lawyer found the letter and swore to it, the jury would believe her charges against Mr. Dichman. A copy of that letter is hereto annexed and made part of this affidavit.

After her trial I saw her again in the Tombs, and asked her why she had sworn that she was prehnant. She said her lawyer, McPheeters, had told her to, thinking it

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would strengthen her case. To which I replied, "I don't²
see why you perjured yourself." to which she answered she
thought that McPheeters knew best, that he told her that
it would have great weight with the jury if they thought
she was pregnant, although she knew she was not, and she
thought she would have been able to fool the physicians
who examined her.

About the same time, and in January, 1887, I went to Mc-
Pheeters' office, and asked him why he had told his client
Armstrong, to perjure herself by swearing she was preg-
nant, and he said, because she thought she could carry it
out; he said he did not think there would be a physical
examination; he tried to dissuade her from consenting to
it; he told her to swear she was pregnant to strengthen
her charges against Mr. Dichman. I asked McPheeters that
if bail could be gotten if it would be accepted, and he
said they did not want bail, but a new trial, and if I
would put up \$500 for him as counsel fees he would try
and get her acquitted, and that then she would bring a
suit against Dichman for \$50,000, and I should have \$10,000.
He also said he wanted me to forget anything I ever knew
against the woman's character, and to testify that she was
a good woman; that he would furnish me with the testimony
and I was to memorize it and repeat it on the witness stand.
He said he wanted me to testify that Dichman ad-
mitted to me that he had seduced Armstrong under promise
of marriage, and that their relations were improper while
she was in his flat. I stated to him that it was not
true, to which he replied, "that does not make a particle
of difference, he can only contradict it, and he has no ev-

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idence to disprove ~~the~~ ³ assertion." I said, "they can ar-
rest me for perjury," and he said "no, no, they cannot prove
it is perjury, there was no one present but you and Mr.
Dichman, so they cannot disprove it." I met McPheeters at
the Tombs shortly after Armstrong's conviction, and during
the conversation then had he said they were going to
bring a suit for \$50,000 against Dichman for seduction
under breach of promise of marriage and alleged pregnancy
Armstrong said she was going to get a baby from some-
wheres; while she was not pregnant herself, it was a very
easy matter in this city--New York--to get a baby, and
they were going to confront Mr. Dichman with one and tell
him it was his child; she also told me that if I would tes-
tify in her favor, I should come in for a share of the
\$50,000, the same as McPheeters had told me.

Sworn to before me
April 6th 1887.

James H. Haul *James H. Cole*
Notary Public
Cortlandt St. Co. Kings Co

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Monday,
Ernest Dickman: Am utterly surprised at your conduct towards me I did not have a line from you only the two letters you send from "en route" to me.

You left me to the mercies of your wife and the woman you call Dr. Tuttle to be insulted. You told me and promised faithfully that you would not stay longer than a month away shee been away nearly three months. Oh, this is terrible you were fully aware of the condition I was liable to be in the precaution you supplied me with you know in your heart and soul would be of no avail, I am almost frantic and feel perfectly miserable and God only knows what is going to become of me. Coward that you are you made me swear on my bended knees when you put the ring on my finger "unto till death us part" to be true and faithful to you until you could claim me as your wife before the public. Is this the heroic love you swore you had for me? leaving me almost to starvation, you know I had no money only the money you supplied me with the \$75. for a new dress and the \$30. and the \$5. for Adolph, I got the dress after you went it cost me \$73 but I was compelled to pawn also the watch and chains you gave me I pawned them last week to be able and leave your miserable flat which you told me I could claim as my own when you went away to California to settle the woman whom you claim was your wife in name only. Coward you may imagine my feelings when Dr. Tuttle told me that your wife was coming back with you why did you not inform me of this

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did you think I had the heart to meet your - - - wife
face to face in your cowardly presents. If you have no
heart - - I have I was surprised to hear Dr. Tuttle tell
me than nigt before you went to California you called on
her telling her that you put all the blame on her
being in the flat. Cowerd is that what you have payed
her room rent for and brought her ice cream at two and
three o'clock in the morning to hide your black and traiten-
ous doing? May God for give you for your doing - - you
made me love you and now you are trying to trample on it.
Oh, Ernest how could you have the heart to treat me this
way when for five months ago you swore I was the only
woman could ever make you happie I beg of you for God
sake come up and see me and not leave me to the nercie
of the world.

Mannie.

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City and County of New York, ss.

Nellie Wetherell, being duly sworn, says, I reside at No. 122 West 35th st., and my occupation is that of an actress. I know a woman named Anna F. Armstrong, and made her acquaintance at the boarding house of Mrs. McVey, No. 61 West 39th st. The said Armstrong woman called upon me at my residence in last November, and about three days previous to her arrest upon a charge of larceny: While at my house she told me that she had a good plan to raise some money. I asked her how. She said that she was going down to the office of Earnest Dichman, at No. 40 Wall st., and compel him to give her a thousand dollars; she said "I am going to tell him that I am pregnant, and that I must have money, and if he does not give me a thousand, I will make him give me five hundred; if he refuses, I will threaten him by saying I will go to his wife, and sooner than have me go to her he will give the money." I said to her "his wife may not believe it." "Oh, yes, she will, see what I have put on to make me look as if I am in that condition." She then raised her clothes and showed me how she had folded towels across her abdomen to give her the appearance of being pregnant. I then said to her "Are you not frightened to do such a dreadful thing?" She replied, "Oh no!" as no doctor could swear positively she was not in that condition. She also told me last September that she was going to be married to a man by the name of Walter I. Morton, and showed me the dress she was to be married in.

Nellie Wetherell

Sworn to before me
April 1887.

James H. Van Dyke
Notary Public King Co

Certified

City and County of New York, ss:

Hessie Collins, of No. 55 West 11th st., being duly sworn, says I have known Anna F. Armstrong since August 26th, 1886. At that time I was living at No. 119 Clinton Place. She was introduced to me by a Mrs. Swift, whose husband occupied the hall room of my floor. Mrs. Swift and Anna Armstrong visited him every night until ten o'clock. After Mr. Swift had been at my house one week, Mrs. Swift came to live there. She said she had been stopping with relatives in the Portsmouth flat, No. 42 West 9th st.; that Anna Armstrong was her neice, and that when Mr. Dichman returned from California Anna and she were going into business together. Anna brought a number of things from Mrs. Dichman's flat, which she then said were her own property, and which things, the day after Anna was arrested, Mrs. Swift took away and hid. I frequently heard Mrs. Swift urge Anna to write to Mr. Dichman to send her money, but Anna was reluctant about doing so. Mrs. Swift told her she must; that she had gotten money from other men before, which had never done her, Mrs. Swift, any good; that she, Anna, was under obligations to her, and she must get this money. Anna supplied the money for their living expenses, which money, I judged from appearances, she obtained from leading a life of prostitution. William S. McPheeters first called on Mrs. Swift about three days before Anna's trial on the charge of larceny; she refused to talk with him, and clubbed him down stairs. Mrs. Swift stated that he was a relative of hers, and that she did not want him to see her living in poverty. The following evening McPheeters called again; she introduced me to him as a friend of hers and Anna's, saying, "Judge, Mrs. Collins don't want to go into court, but if she is needed she will go." He replied, "Well, if she will, and will

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swear to what I tell her to, there will be some money in it²
for her too. I expect to have ten thousand dollars for my
part."

He wanted me to testify to Anna's good character, and her
intimacy with Mr. Dichman. They said they were going to get
money by claiming Anna to be pregnant by Mr. Dichman, and Mc-
Pheeters said that he had told her to get medicine and in-
struments, and have a full lay-out in court. He told her to
buy a syringe, and to hold it up in court and say that Mr.
Dichman bought it for her. Mrs. Swift said that Anna could
get any amount of money from Mr. Dichman that she wanted, from
from \$500 to \$5000, as he was too highly respected in socie-
ty and among business men, to want his name made use of in
the way that Anna would use it. McPheeters said he would
bring Anna out of the larceny business all clean, and that I
should have some money if I would do some swearing in a
suit they were going to bring against Mr. Dichman for seduc-
tion. McPheeters also said that he would not have anything
to do with the seduction case unless Mrs^s Swift did; that he
knew what she had done before, and what she could do again.
He told Mrs. Swift to make a man by the name of Alexander,
and also a man by the name of Himrod, both of whom I had be-
fore heard them speak of, put up the money to push the case
against Mr. Dichman

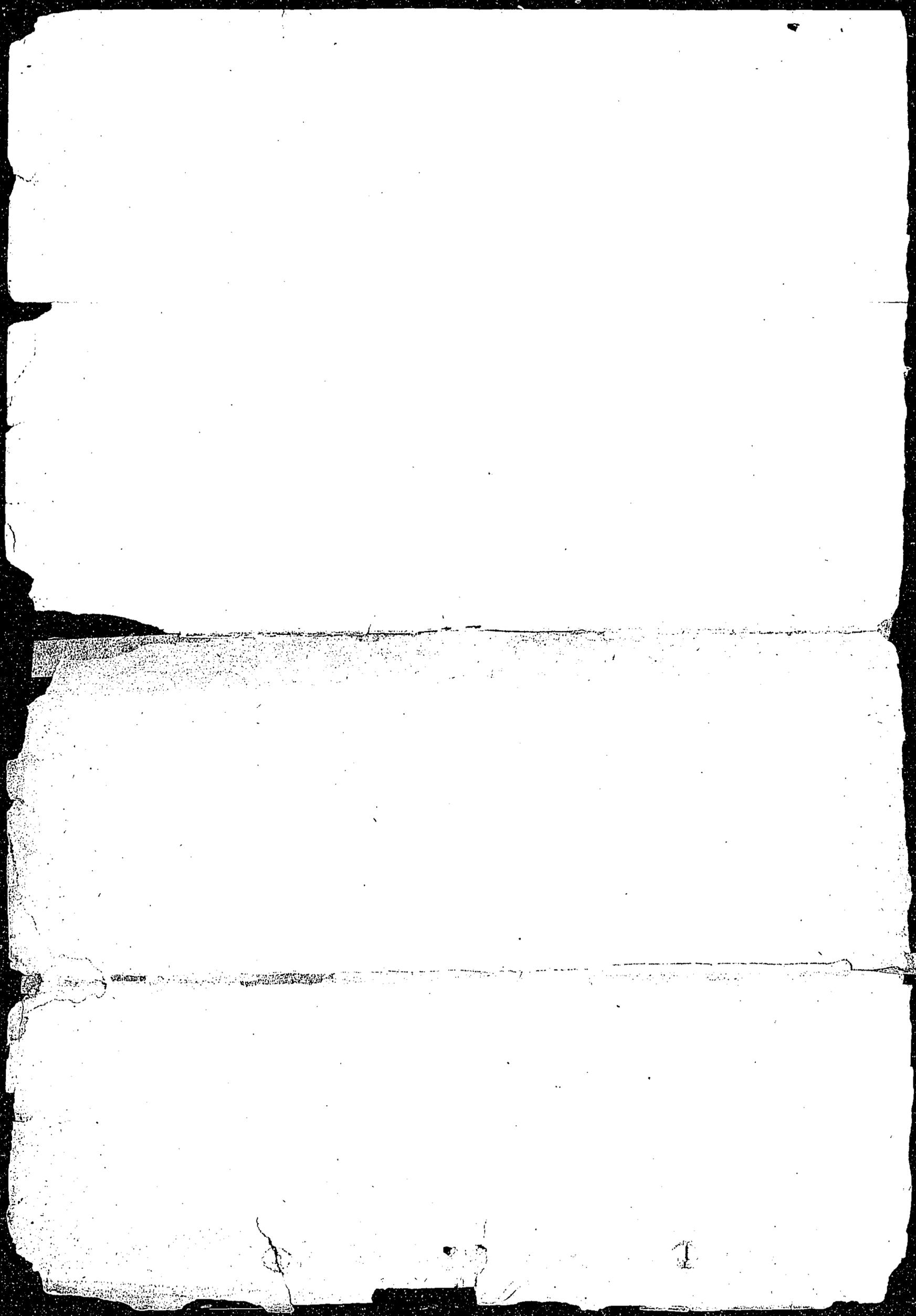
McPheeters also told me that he had told Anna Armstrong
how to swear on the criminal trial, but that she had not
done as he had told her, as she had failed to get the in-
struments to hold up in court. He said that he knew that
Anna was not pregnant, although he had told her to swear to
it.

Sworn to before me
April 6th 1887.

Hessie Collins
James H. Van Hook
Notary Public Kings Co
Carl F. ...

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SAMUEL G. BARNARD,
COUNSELLOR AT LAW.
NOTARY AND COMMISSIONER.

23 PARK ROW.

New York, May 17th, 1887

Hon. Randolph B. Martine

My dear Sir.

Some days since, through the introduction of a friend of mine, a prominent member of the New York press, Mrs. Anna Fitts, was introduced to me as a client, and after listening with marked attention to her harrowing tale, I became somewhat satisfied that she was a victim of a gross conspiracy at the hands of certain persons who had promoted both a system of prosecution and persecution against this lady. What doubly excited my suspicion, was, that upon my communicating with Judge Mc Feeters, I found that gentleman had been using all his blandishments for some reason best known to himself, to counsel the lady to discontinue her suit now pending in the Supreme Court against Mr. Dickmann, and although I have had several interviews with Mr. Mc Feeters, he up to the present time, has failed to send me the papers in the suit, or sign the consent to substitute me in his stead, leaving me therefore, to my remedy of applying to the Court upon the facts as stated to me, for an order compelling such substitution. My client is now here with me, and to my surprise, informs me that she has had an interview with you this A.M. pursuant to a letter received from your Secretary Mr. Penny, and that in course of said interview, you gave her to under-

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stand, that unless she discontinued the suit she has instituted against her betrayer and persecutor, that you would call her up before Judge Gildersleeve and move for the imposing of sentence upon the judgment heretofore suspended upon a verdict which you full well know, as the able lawyer that you are, could not stand on appeal.

Having regard for your high integrity, both as an honorable, upright and conscientious public officer, I was surprised, indeed, that you should seek an interview in which you invoked threats upon the head of this lady, unless she abstained from the prosecution of an action of which she has the lawful and legal right to maintain, if her instructions to me be correct.

Under no circumstances would I lend myself to aid or assist in the promotion or prosecution of a case where I for one moment thought the exigencies did not warrant my intervention as an attorney, but until I am convinced that the contrary exists, I shall exercise my legal mediations in the interests of this much abused and persecuted person, and I very respectfully question your right or authority to hold out any such threat as the price of Miss Fitts abandoning, what, at the present time appears to me a good

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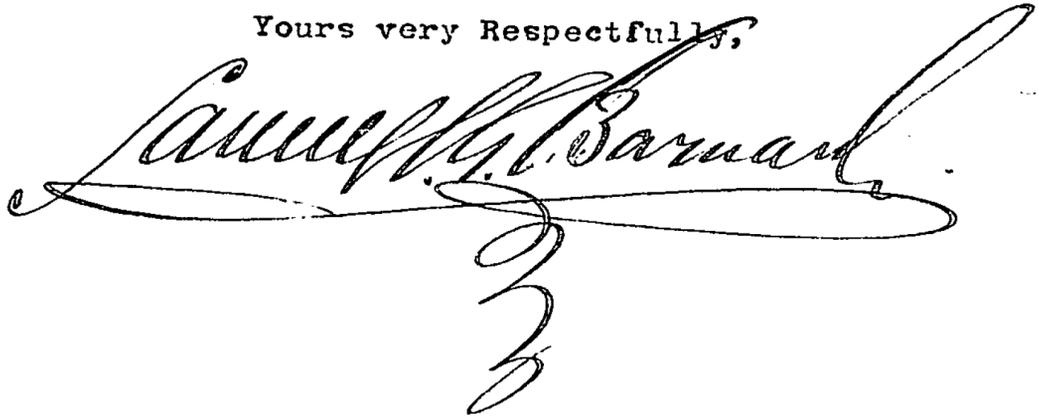
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cause of action.

I shall however out of deference to you await the pleasure of an early reply to this communication before taking any steps in the matter, and if you can satisfactorily establish the unworthiness of my client's alleged cause of action, I, as a respectable practitioner, will immediately withdraw myself from the case.

Yours very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Samuel G. Barnard". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name. It features a large, sweeping flourish that extends across the width of the signature.

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The People
US
Amstrong

State of New York
City & County of New York } ss

D. David being duly sworn
deposes and says; that he knows Annie F.
Armstrong, who also goes under the name of Annie
B. Ditts under which last name she appears as
the Plaintiff in a seduction suit -

This affiant also knows W. S. McPheters the
attorney who brought said suit for said Arm-
strong or Ditts; that in furtherance of his pro-
fession of a journalist he has had several con-
versations with said McPheters to ascertain the
facts concerning this suit, and that said Mc-
Pheters admitted to this affiant that she, the
said Armstrong or Ditts was a liar and that the
statements which she had made to him, in or-
der to induce him to bring said suit, were
false; and that he, the said McPheters, was
satisfied that said suit was instituted by said
Armstrong or Ditts for the purpose of black-
mail, and that he the said McPheters
would have nothing more to do with the matter

Sworn to before me this
19th day of May 1867

S. O. Elmer

Notary Public, Westchester County
Certificate filed in New York County

D. David

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People
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Area of ...

Subsidence
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Island ...
Fault

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~~State of New York~~
~~County of Albany~~

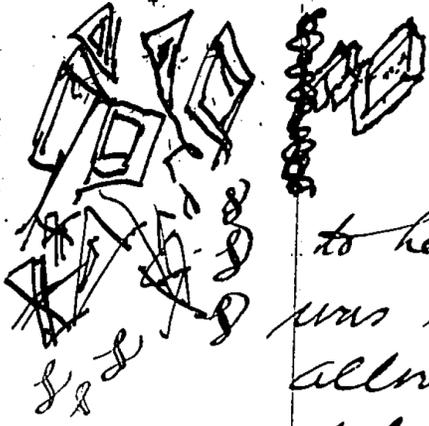
The defendant, ^{above named} was indicted on Dec. 7
ult. for the larceny of a watch & two watch-chains
from one Pepie E. Dickman. Upon a trial of
the action, she declared & testified the articles
had been given her by Ernst Dickman, the
husband of complainant, ~~and~~ while she was acting
as housekeeper in said Dickman's residence, during
complainant's absence. She alleged that Dick-
man had been guilty of improper relations with
her, & that she was then pregnant by him. An
examination of physicians into her condition was
had & they testified that her statements in regard
thereto were untrue. She was found guilty of
the larceny, with a strong recommendation
to mercy, ^{the sentence was suspended}. Affidavits ~~seem~~ have been
submitted which, it is conceived, will justify
the bringing up of defendant for the imposition
of the suspended sentence.

People on complaint
of Ernest Dickman
vs
Anna Armstrong &
McPheters

The accompanying affidavits have been referred to me for examination, to determine whether they make out a case of conspiracy against the above named defendants and lawyer McPheters.

It is my opinion that such a case is made out; but I think it should be disposed of in ^a ~~another~~ ^{other} way, than by laying it before the Grand Jury.

The defendant Armstrong was indicted in this court on the 7th Dec. 1886, for Grand Larceny in the 2nd degree. She was tried ^{and} convicted, on the 10th of July 1887, judgment was suspended by judge Gildersleeve - In that action Bessie G. Dickman, the wife of Ernest G. Dickman was the complaining witness. The defendant was defended by McPheters. The defendant testified on the trial that she was pregnant by Mr. Dickman & that the property alleged to have been stolen had been given



to her by Mr. Dickman - Defendant
was thereupon asked if she would
allow a personal examination by
physicians

Marion Roberts of 238 W. 124th Street
deposes and says that she knows Annie
F. Armstrong who is the plaintiff in a
scandalous suit which she brings against
Mr Ernest Dickman under the name
of Anna B. Litta, having formed the
acquaintance of said Armstrong or Litta
about two years ago in a boarding house
in this city. That while said Armstrong
was confined at the Tombs while awaiting
trial for the larceny of a watch and chains
stolen from Mrs Dickman said affiant
went to see her twice, at her ^{the} said Armstrong's request
that in the course of these interviews ~~the~~
said Armstrong volunteered the statement that
she would resort to perjury or any other means
to escape conviction. And that she would allege
with being pregnant and would charge Mr Dickman
with being the cause thereof although she vol-
unteered the statement freely that she was
neither pregnant nor that ^{any} intimacy
had ever existed between her
and Mr Dickman to justify such a
scandalous accusation, and this affiant
upon remonstrating with said Armstrong
upon such conduct was answered by her,
that she would swear to anything to
accomplish her ends, and that such was
also the line of defence laid out by her lawyer,
who would arrange that she should be

tried before a certain Judge who, she knew, would not sentence her even if she should be convicted, and that so soon as she would be released, she would annoy Mrs Dickman the lady on whos complaint she had been arrested by bringing a suit against Mrs Dickman for defimation of character and false imprisonment and also by bringing a suit against Mr Dickman for seduction & pregnancy and other scandalous charges, saying that she the said Armstrong would get even with Mrs Dickman & would make Mrs Dickman pay her a great deal of money.

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And this affiant further states that on Friday the 13th day of this month at about the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon she accidentally met said Armstrong at the General Post Office in this City; that this affiant endeavored to avoid her and did not wish to recognize her, but that the said Armstrong or Fitts insisted upon speaking to this affiant stating that she had brought the scandalous suit for pregnancy & seduction which she had threatened to bring against Mr Ernest Dickman, that her lawyer was pushing said suit for all that could be made out of it, that Mr Ernest Dickman

would rather settle said suit than let it go to trial because she had laid a plan to compel him to make a settlement by threatening to scandalize and defame the character of his wife, and ~~the~~ the said Armstrong or Fitts stated that her object in forcing herself upon this affair upon this occasion was to threaten this affiant with her vengeance if this affiant should dare to tell what she knows in relation to this matter. And this affiant further states that she knows as a fact, that the statements made by the said Armstrong or Fitts in the complaint of her suit against Mr Ernest Dickman are scandalous and false and a disgrace upon her sex - that said suit was brought to vex and annoy and to extort money and that the bringing of said suit is an abuse of the process of the court and an outrage upon the administration of justice

I Sworn to before } Marion Roberts

On this 20th day of May

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John Morris
Notary Public (153)
New York Co.

Samuel J. Lowell being duly sworn deposes and says that he ^{knows} Anna P. Fitts otherwise known as Anna F. Armstrong and has known her for at least four years last past, and that he has seen her several times each week for the last seven weeks, and on each occasion has conversed with her on the subject of the suit which she has brought against Mr Ernest Dickman. She has on several of these occasions freely acknowledged the falsity of the charges made by her in the said suit and said the whole proceeding was the result of a conspiracy between herself and other parties to extort money from the defendant

Sworn to before me
 this 16th day of May 1884.
 W. P. Cook.

Samuel J. Lowell

Commissioner of Deeds
 City of New York
~~New York~~

Sworn to before me this
 16th day of May 1884

Robt G. Hicks

Notary Public,
 N. Y. Co.

Court of General Sessions.

People
v.
Anna F. Ambrose } Grand Larceny.

Hon Randolph B. Martine,
District Attorney.

Sir,

I have read the affidavits presented in this case, and am of opinion that the facts they recite justify the imposition of the sentence heretofore suspended upon the defendant. They disclose a malignity of design towards the complainant her husband, & an absolute disregard of truth, which destroy every presumption of good character that might argue for leniency.

Until, however, that malevolence has proceeded farther than intention, or the expression of intention, I should advise that any action looking towards the infliction of the suspended sentence be held in abeyance.

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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

Anna F. Armstrong

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

Anna F. Armstrong

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

The said

Anna F. Armstrong

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

one watch of the value of
fifty dollars, one watch-chain
of the value of one hundred
dollars, and one other watch-
chain of the value of fifty
dollars.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Bessie F. Johnson,

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.

David B. Smith

District Attorney.