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DESCRIPTION:

Penabert, William

DATE:

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14th day of August 1887  
Filed  
Pleads Not guilty.  
THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
P  
William Penabert  
alias  
R. W. Penabert  
Obtaining money from the  
U.S. [ca. 1082493, 51]

JOHN MCKEON,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

John L. [unclear]  
Foreman.

August 27th 1887  
Saturday 21st 1887  
Speed & [unclear]

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

William Penabert  
otherwise called  
R. W. Penabert

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York by this indictment accuse  
William Penabert, otherwise called  
R. W. Penabert

of the crime of OBTAINING money for an alleged char-  
itable and benevolent purpose, by means of false pretences  
committed as follows:

The said William Penabert, otherwise  
called R. W. Penabert

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid,  
on the fourth day of August in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, with force and arms, with intent feloniously to cheat and defraud one

Edward Kemp

did then and there feloniously, unlawfully, knowingly, and designedly, falsely pretend  
and represent to the said Edward Kemp

That he, the said William Penabert, otherwise  
called R. W. Penabert, was then connected with and  
was an attaché of the Spanish Consul's Office in  
the said City of New York; that the said Spanish  
Consul was then engaged in the charitable and  
benevolent work of raising funds for the purpose of  
sending back to Spain a certain poor Spanish fam-  
ily which was at said time destitute and in want,  
and that he the said William Penabert, otherwise  
called R. W. Penabert was then and there duly autho-  
rized and empowered by the said Spanish Consul to  
solicit and receive for and on behalf of him the said  
Spanish Consul, contributions and subscriptions for  
the charitable and benevolent purpose aforesaid

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And the said Edward Kemp

then and their believing the said false pretences and representations  
so made as aforesaid by the said William Penabert, other-  
wise called R. W. Penabert  
and being deceived thereby, was induced, by reason of the false pretences and represen-  
tations so made as aforesaid, to deliver, and did then and there deliver to the said  
William Penabert, otherwise called  
R. W. Penabert, a sum of money, to  
wit: the sum of five dollars in  
money, lawful money of the  
United States of America and  
of the value of five dollars

of the proper moneys, valuable things, goods, chattels, personal property and effects  
of the said Edward Kemp, for such alleged  
charitable and benevolent purpose aforesaid;  
and the said William Penabert, otherwise called  
R. W. Penabert did then  
and there designedly receive and obtain the said sum of money

of the said Edward Kemp

of the proper moneys, valuable things, goods, chattels, personal property and effects  
of the said Edward Kemp

by means  
of the false pretences and representations aforesaid, and with intent feloniously to cheat  
and defraud the said Edward Kemp

of the same. And Whereas, in truth and in fact, the said William Penabert  
otherwise called R. W. Penabert was not then  
connected with and was not an attache of the  
Spanish Consul's office in the said City of New York,  
and whereas in truth and fact the said Spanish  
consul was not then engaged in the charitable  
and benevolent work of raising funds for the purpose  
of sending back to Spain, a poor Spanish family  
which was at said time destitute and in want: And  
whereas in truth and in fact the said William  
Penabert, otherwise called R. W. Penabert, was not  
then and there duly authorized and empowered  
by the said Spanish consul to solicit and receive  
for and on behalf of him, the said Spanish consul  
contributions and subscriptions for the charitable  
and benevolent purpose aforesaid.



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And Whereas, in truth and in fact, the pretences and representations so made as aforesaid, by the said William Penabert, otherwise called R. W. Penabert to the said Edward Kemp was and were in all respects utterly false and untrue, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, at the Ward, City, and County aforesaid.

And Whereas, in fact and in truth the said William Penabert otherwise called R. W. Penabert well knew the said pretences and representations so by him made as aforesaid to the said Edward Kemp to be utterly false and untrue at the time of making the same.

And so the Grand Jury aforesaid, do say, that the said William Penabert, otherwise called R. W. Penabert by means of the false pretences and representations aforesaid, on the day and year last aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, feloniously, unlawfully, falsely, knowingly and designedly, did receive and obtain from the said Edward Kemp, the sum of five dollars in money, lawful money of the United States of America and of the value of five dollars.

of the proper moneys, valuable things, goods, chattels, personal property, and effects of the said Edward Kemp, for the alleged charitable and benevolent purpose aforesaid, and with intent feloniously to cheat and defraud him of the same, 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.

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.

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Phelps Bros Co		"	\$ 5.00
J. E. M. & Co		"	\$ 5.00
Burlington Sugar Co		"	\$ 5.00
L. G.		"	\$ 5.00
Fick & Meyer		"	\$ 5.00
Moller, Fick & Co		"	\$ 5.00
W. A. C.		paid	5.00
WATSON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY.		paid	5.00
Geo & Richardson Co		"	\$ 5.00
C. L. Cone		"	\$ 5.00
WATSON & FARR.		"	5.00
Murray & Houghton		paid	5.00
R. & C. Regester		paid	5.00

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LAW OFFICES OF  
JAMES W. RIDGWAY.  
357 FULTON ST.  
OVER NATIONAL CITY BANK

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1882

R. A. C. Smith Esq

27/83

Dr Sir.

Dear Sir

Mr R. W. Penalvert  
states to me that you have in  
your possession a subscription  
paper, or list, belonging to him,  
and that you refuse to give it  
up to him although requested  
to do so.

I hope you will see and  
recognize his right to it and give it  
up. Hoping you will do so  
without delay I am

Yours &c  
James W. Ridgway  
per  
C. W. C.

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James W. Ridgway  
Oct. 5 - 1882



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To all Charitable Persons

2-7/13  
This is for to help a poor <sup>old</sup> Spanish widow woman who she is at the present times very sick without any means to live and not able to do any kind of work to support herself in this country and she wish to return back to Havana Cuba for which she begs of all Charitable persons to aid her to raise her pass to Cuba and she does not know any thing about this City and the streets and passages and her way the bearer has been requested to apply in her name to all Charitable persons who are willing to assist this poor old widow woman to return home which favor will be thankfully received from all who help her

New York Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1882

Anna V. de Penabaz  
by R. W. Barrett  
S<sup>rd</sup> Deputy Sheriff

G. W. Griffin & Co

Paid \$ 5.00

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O. S. Goddardson  
206 Albany  
Brooklyn

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

14 ✓  
Police Court 15th District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Edward Henry

68 West 11th St.

William Penabazet

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Dated

July 18th 1883

by

Frank

Magistrate.

James Bates Officer.

15th Precinct.

Witnesses

Juan Bosch

Spanish Hotel Street.

108 & 110 West 14th St.

100 & 110 West 14th St.

32 South St.

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Dist District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Taken before me this  
day of July 1887  
J. J. Stenard  
Justice.



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Form 10

POLICE COURT-FIRST DISTRICT.

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

*Juan Bosch*  
of No. *the Spanish Hotel West 14* Street,  
being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the *14* day of *August*, 188*8*, at the City of New York,  
in the County of New York.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *14* day of *August*, 188*8*.

Police Justice

*He is Chief Clerk of the Spanish  
Consul in the City of New York and  
has acted in that Capacity for  
Nearly Eight Years & deponent  
Knows that William Pennington who  
is charged with collecting money  
for a charitable purpose by the*



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Sanction & with the Consent of the  
Spanish Consul never received  
any authority or sanction from him  
for such a purpose and that  
the scheme was continued  
without said Consul's knowledge

From to before me this } Juven Bosch  
12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1888 }  
Solomon Island District Justice }  
ASIDE

Form 10.

POLICE COURT—FIRST DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

VS

Dated

188

Justice

Officer

10 days

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

POLICE COURT, 2nd DISTRICT.

Edward Kemp  
50. merchant

of No. 68 William Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says that on the ~~4th~~ 4th day of ~~October~~ August 1882

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

Penalbert (now here) did willfully by means of false representations made to deponent with intent to cheat and defraud deponent obtain from him the sum of five dollars, for an alleged or pretended charitable or benevolent purpose under the following circumstances to wit. On or about said date said defendant came to deponent and falsely represented to deponent (with intent to cheat and defraud him) that he was connected with, and came from the office of the Spanish Consulate office, and that he was collecting money for the purpose of sending a poor Spanish family back to Spain. Deponent believing said false statement to be true gave said defendant, said sum of five dollars. Deponent has been informed by Daniel Bosch the Chief Clerk of the Spanish Consulate office that said defendant never received any authority or sanction to collect said money and that his statements made were false and made with intent to cheat and defraud deponent.

Edward Kemp

Arrived and deposed  
to before me this 18th  
day of July 1883  
J. J. Smith  
Police Justice

Deponed to before me this 13th of July 1883  
J. J. Smith  
Police Justice

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State of New York,  
County of Kings

ss:

*Henry Morgan*  
against  
*L. J. Moore*

Take Notice, That you are justly indebted unto *me* in the sum of *Twenty Four Dollars* for Rent of *Rooms at 148 1/2 Atlantic* from *April 18 to August 1882* which you are required to pay on or before the expiration of three days from the day of the service of this Notice, or surrender up the possession of the said premises to *me* in default of which *me* shall proceed under the Statute to recover the possession thereof.

Dated this

*6th*

day of

*July*

18

*82*

To

*L. J. Moore* Tenant.

In possession of the premises above specified.

*Henry Morgan*

140 Pearl

70 Pearl

242 Washington  
24 Courtland

117 Pearl St

92 Pearl St

*Felix Roy*

*Walter Tolson*

*Shady*

*C. Mader*

*Fernando Castillo*

*W. H. Pech*

*M. H. Jr*

*Ed. Rivera*

*Frank Probst*

*Louis Moor*

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This paper is drawn up for to aid Mrs Luisa Gutierrez de Moreno a poor <sup>(widow)</sup> woman with four small children who find herself in the most deplorable state of misery without any means to support herself and children and now she has received the including three days notice to surrender up the possession of her rooms or pay the rent due to the first day of August 1883 for which she apply through the bearer of this paper to all Charitable person who be willing to aid her to raise the amount due for her rent. Please ~~any one~~ who will try to help this poor woman a little any amount will be gladly received from all who are willing to subscribe to this paper.

Brooklyn July 6<sup>th</sup> 1883

140 Pearl

70 West

292 Washington  
20 East

117 East St

92 Pearl St

Felix Ray

Walter Tol Ho

Burdy

C. Mader

Jernando Castillo

W. H. Peck

M. G. Jr

Id. Rivero

Frederick Probst

Louis Moor

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Not over  
Signature



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Peterson, Peter

DATE:

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*W. H. Goehard*  
*73 Park Row*  
*Aug 15*  
Counsel,  
Filed *10* day of *Aug* 188*3*  
Pleads *Not guilty (23)*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*B*  
*Peterson*  
Complainant in  
Petition for Detention  
Grand Larceny in the second degree.  
INDICTMENT.  
*(5728 Aug 531)*

JOHN McKEON,  
*Aug 20/83* District Attorney.  
*Query & Regulated*  
A True Bill.

*John H. H. H.*

Foreman.  
for Monday Aug 20/83  
*W. H. H.*

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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

Peter Peterson

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

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

The said Peter Peterson

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the third day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms one pocket book of the value of one dollar, one gold coin of the United States of America of the kind known as Eagles of the value of ten dollars, one promissory note for the payment of one of the kind known as United States Treasury notes, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied for the payment of and of the value of five dollars, one other promissory note for the payment of money of the kind known as United States Treasury notes, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied for the payment of and of the value of two dollars, and divers series of the United States of America of ~~the~~ the kind, number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid known of the value of one dollar

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Nitkat Adams on the person of the said Nitkat Adams then and there being found, from the person of the said Nitkat Adams

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.

**JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.**

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\$500 for 4<sup>th</sup> Aug. 6. 11. 24.  
30m. Aug 6/83

BAILED.  
No. 1, by Christopher Schmidt  
Residence 9 Battery Place  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Walter Adams

John H. H. D.

John Coleman

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

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

Dated Aug 4 1883 Wm. Cowley Police Justice.

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

Dated 8 Aug 1883 Wm. Cowley Police Justice.

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

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



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

1st District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name ?

Answer.

Question. How old are you ?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born ?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession ?

Answer.

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

Answer.

I am not guilty of the  
charge

Peter Peterson

Taken before me this  
day of April 1888

W. J. Leary

Police Justice.

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*First*

District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Nicolas Adams*  
of No. *Castle Garden* Street, *46* years old, *Laborer*

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that, on the *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 188 *3*

at the *in the day time at the* City of New York,

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

of deponent. *And from his person*

the following property, viz :

*A pocket book containing  
lawful money consisting of one  
ten dollar gold piece one five  
dollar bill one two dollar bill  
and silver coins to the amount  
of one dollar collectively of the  
value of Eighteen Dollars*

the property of *Deponent*

and that this deponent

has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken,  
stolen, and carried away by *Peter Peterson now present*

*That the defendant is employed as a  
bartender in No 5 Washington Street where  
deponent on said day had dinner and  
paid the defendant for the same, who  
on seeing deponent's money pressed him  
to take a pair of New suspenders and placed  
them on deponent's shoulders & buttoned them. That  
while in the act of so buttoning the suspenders  
deponent felt a hand in the pocket of the trousers  
he then wore & which contained the property and  
after the defendant left him he instantly dis-  
covered the loss of his property which he now charges  
the defendant with stealing while engaged in fixing the*

Sworn before me this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 188 *3*  
*Nicolas Adams*  
Police Justice,

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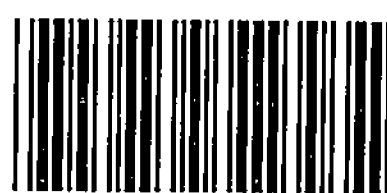
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Pfister, Albert

DATE:

08/17/83



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THE PEOPLE

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Albert

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Thos. P. Foster

FORGERY in the Second

Indictment.

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JOHN McKEON,  
*District Attorney.*

# A True Bill.

A true bill.

John L. Carr. Foreman.

Aug 17/03.

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24 in 6 hours 57

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

against

Albert Pfister

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

Albert Pfister  
of the crime of Forgery in the Second  
Degree

committed as follows:

The said Albert Pfister

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid,  
on the first day of August in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty three with force and arms, at the Ward, City,  
and County aforesaid, feloniously did falsely make, forge, and counterfeit, and cause and  
procure to be falsely made, forged and counterfeited, and willingly act and assist in the  
false making, forging and counterfeiting a certain instrument and writing, to wit:  
an order for the payment of money

which said false, forged and counterfeited order for the payment of money  
is as follows, that is to say:

\$50. —

New York, Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1883

German Savings Bank in the City of New York  
Pay to Bearer on my Book no. 125537

Signature Griffith Morgan Fifty Dollars

with intent to ~~injure~~ and defraud

~~and divers other persons, to the Grand Jury aforesaid on~~  
~~in~~ against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the  
peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

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And the Grand Jury aforesaid further accuse \_\_\_\_\_

the said Albert P. Foster \_\_\_\_\_ of the crime of Forgery,  
~~in the Second Degree~~  
committed as follows: The said Albert P. Foster \_\_\_\_\_

late of the Ward, City, and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last  
aforesaid, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, feloniously and  
falsely did utter and publish as true, with intent to ~~injure and defraud the said~~

~~and others other persons, to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown,~~ a certain false, forged  
and counterfeited instrument and writing, to wit: an order for  
the payment of money \_\_\_\_\_

which said last-mentioned false, forged and counterfeited order for the  
payment of money  
is as follows, that is to say:

\$50. — New York, Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1883  
German Savings Bank in the City of New York  
Pay to Bearer on my Book No. 125537 —  
Fifty Dollars  
Signature. Ernest Morrell \_\_\_\_\_

the said Albert P. Foster \_\_\_\_\_

at the same time he so uttered and published the last-mentioned false, forged and  
counterfeited order for the payment of money  
\_\_\_\_\_ as aforesaid, then and there well knowing the same to be false, forged and  
counterfeited, 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.

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY  
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BAILLED,

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, \_\_\_\_\_

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, \_\_\_\_\_

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, \_\_\_\_\_

No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court \_\_\_\_\_ Dist. 133

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Christian David*  
*47 West 34th St*  
*1st Floor*  
*Albert Pister*

Offence, *Grand Larceny*

Dated *August 2* 188*3*

*Hubby* Magistrate.

*Rayle* Officer.

*Chase David* Clerk.

Witnesses  
*William Henry Davis*  
*Christian David*  
*47 West 34th St*  
*1st Floor*

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

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

\$ *1000*

*1000* OFFICE

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 *Albert Pister*

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

Dated *August 2* 188*3* *Police Justice.*

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

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

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

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



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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

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

Question What is your name?

Answer. *Albert Pfister*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *24 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *No 4 Hall place 2 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Carpenter*

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

Answer. *I am guilty*

*Albert Pfister.*

Taken before me this

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Police Justice

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Charles Lorell  
aged 48 years, occupation Clerk of No.

100 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, German Savings Bank, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Christian Nagel  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 2

day of August 1883

Charles Lorell

[Signature]  
Police-Justice.

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3<sup>rd</sup> District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Martha a Dressmaker*  
of No. *4 Hall Place* Street,

*Christina Nagel aged 35*

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 188*3*

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 Bank Book issued by the German Savings Bank to deponent, and in which said Savings Bank is indebted to this deponent to the amount of Fifty and more dollars*

the property of *deponent*

and that this deponent

has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken,

stolen, and carried away by *Albert Pfister (nowhere)*

*From the fact that on said day deponent missed the above described Bank Book from her trunk in said premises, deponent immediately suspected that said defendant had stolen the said Bank Book,*

*Deponent then went to the said German Savings Bank, and was then & there informed by Charles Lorch a Clerk of said Bank that a person had been in said Bank*

*Sworn before me this*

*day of*

Police Justice,

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with the order (here shown) and Marked Exhibit A, and did demand, fifty dollars, an account, deponent was further informed by said Lorel, that he gave said person a blank order and that he directed him to have deponent sign her name to said order. That while deponent was in said Bank said defendant returned to the said Bank and he was then taken arrested, and said Bankbook and the order Marked (Exhibit B) was found in his possession.

Deponent Charges that said Pfister did take & steal said Bankbook and that he did falsely and feloniously make and utter as true the said Exhibit A & B with the intent to steal said fifty dollars,

Deponent Hanged

Sworn to before me this  
2nd day of August 1883

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

ss.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION

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\$50 (Exp. A) New York, 1 Aug 1883.

German Savings Bank in the City of New York

Pay to Bearer on my Book No. 125537.

Fifty Dollars Christ Dollars.

Signature, Christine Nagel 207 5th Street St.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Platz, William

DATE:

08/17/83



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Langdon  
Joseph Patti  
133-E-33

and for appian

W. J. P.  
Ex<sup>d</sup> appian. All  
known. Nothing  
of West, -  
Ex Campbell, who  
is the brother-in-law  
of Sept - Harvey  
Sept for Harvey,  
then arrested for  
F.S.

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Counsel,

Filed 17 day of Aug 1883  
Pleads

THE PEOPLE

vs.

William P

Platz  
(2 cases)

Grand Larceny, Second degree, and  
Receiving Stolen Goods.

[528 Aug 531]

JOHN McKEON,  
District Attorney

A True Bill.

John L. P. Patti  
Aug 17/83. Foreman.  
John P. Patti  
C. M. Patti  
Aug 21/83.

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

*William Platz*

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

*William Platz*

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

The said *William Platz*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, *on the*  
*fourth* ~~on the~~ day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty- *three*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms  
*one horse of the value of two hundred*  
*dollars, one wagon of the value of*  
*one hundred and fifty dollars, and*  
*one set of harness of the value*  
*of twenty five dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Charles F. Smith*

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.

*John McLean*  
*District Attorney*

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Counsel,  
Filed 17 day of Aug 1883  
Pleads

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
William  
[P. R. 17]  
[2 cases]

Attorney at Law  
[5528 and 5327]  
[5528 and 5327]

JOHN McKEON,  
District Attorney

A True Bill.  
John J. [Signature]  
Foreman.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

William Platz

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

William Platz

of the CRIME OF Petit Larceny, committed as follows:

The said William Platz

fourth ~~the~~ day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty- ~~three~~, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms two sleeve buttons of the value of four dollars each

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Charles F. Smith 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.

John McKeon  
District Attorney

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Police Court 2<sup>nd</sup> District. 140

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Charles J. Clark  
406 E. 113 St.  
64 years  
William Platz

1 William Platz  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Offence Grand Larceny

BAILLED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

Witnesses Martin Brown  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ave Street  
1398 No.

Dated August 7<sup>th</sup> 1883  
Morgan Magistrate.

No. 1500 to answer Charles J. Clark  
Clark Street

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OFFICE

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

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 August 7<sup>th</sup> 1883 B. L. Morgan Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 198—200

*J. H.*

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*William Platz*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*20 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*406 East 113<sup>rd</sup> St. two months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Piano-action maker*

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

Answer.

*I am guilty of the charge. I took  
the property mentioned*

*William Platz*

Taken before me this

day of *August* 188*8*

*J. H. Thompson*  
Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Martin Burns 2nd Precinct Police  
aged 32 years, occupation Police Officer of ~~the~~  
the 2nd Precinct ~~Street~~, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Charles J. Senk  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 7th  
day of August 188 3 } Martin Burns

B. L. Morgan  
Police Justice.

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

POLICE COURT, 5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

of No. 406 East 113<sup>th</sup> Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says that on the 2nd day of August 188 3

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, William Platz (number)

did feloniously take steal & carry away  
from the possession of deponent one pair  
gold sleeve Buttons of the value of eight  
dollars - same property being here shown  
and fully identified by deponent as his  
property, that the said William Platz  
has since the commission of said offense  
admitted & confessed to deponent that  
he did feloniously take steal & carry  
away said property above described.

Charles F. Serk

Sworn to before me, this

of

August 1883

day

W. H. Thompson, Police Justice.

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

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

of No. 406 East 113<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 28 years, occupation Expressman  
 being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1883  
 at the hour of about 4 O'clock am - at the City of New York,  
 in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
 of deponent, with intent to deprive the true owner of his property  
 the following property, viz:

One living Gray Horse of the value of  
Two hundred dollars, One Express Wagon  
of the value of One hundred + fifty dollars  
and one set of Harness of the value of twenty  
- five dollars, said property being in  
use of the value of Three hundred +  
seventy - five dollars

Sworn before me this

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 William Platz (now here), from

the fact that since the commission of said offense  
deponent was informed by Officer Martin Burns  
2nd Precinct Police (now here), that he said  
Martin Burns caught and detected the said  
William Platz, driving along 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
and 112<sup>nd</sup> Street with said property above  
described in his possession, and deponent  
fully identifies the above described property-  
Charles F. Fink

Police Justice.

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