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Caroline Vandenberg

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
George D. Snoff  
[Section 522 of S. S. 537, Penal Code.]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.  
A True Bill.  
Mead Macclay  
Foreman.

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Georg v. Graff

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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PHILIP S. MILLER, General Agent,  
CONNECTICUT MUTUAL LIFE INS. CO.  
No. 1 WALL STREET,

*New York,* February 7th, 1890.

Hon. John R. Fellows,  
District Attorney,  
32 Chambers Street.

My Dear Sir:

I am a witness in the case of the "People against George S. Graff." It has been postponed many times and I have never failed to be present in Court when the case was called; but now I am going South for a few weeks in pursuit of health, and as it will be impossible for me to be here, will you kindly see that the case does not come up before April next. I have been subpoenaed at my residence heretofore, and on short notice. Should a subpoena be left there for me in my absence, the servants would not know what to do about it, and I fear my failure to answer it would not be understood by the Court. Therefore I take the liberty of sending you this explanation.

Very truly yours,

*Philip S. Miller*



State of New York }  
County of Kings } ss Carrie Underhill being  
duly sworn doth depose and say that she resides  
at 1161 Bedford Avenue, in the City of Brooklyn;  
that she is the daughter of the late Barney  
Grady, who died March 10<sup>th</sup> 1888, and of Caroline  
Grady, who died on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of April 1887,  
that the said Barney Grady left him surviving  
three children, as follows: Carrie Underhill, this  
deponent, George S. Grady and Harry Grady, all  
of whom were the children of Barney Grady  
and Caroline Grady, born in lawful wedlock; that  
the said Barney Grady at the time of his death  
held a Policy of Insurance, in the Connecticut  
Mutual Life Insurance Company, Policy Num-  
ber 136,953; that this deponent is entitled to the  
one third interest in the said Policy and that no  
part of the insurance money due under said  
Policy has ever been paid to her.

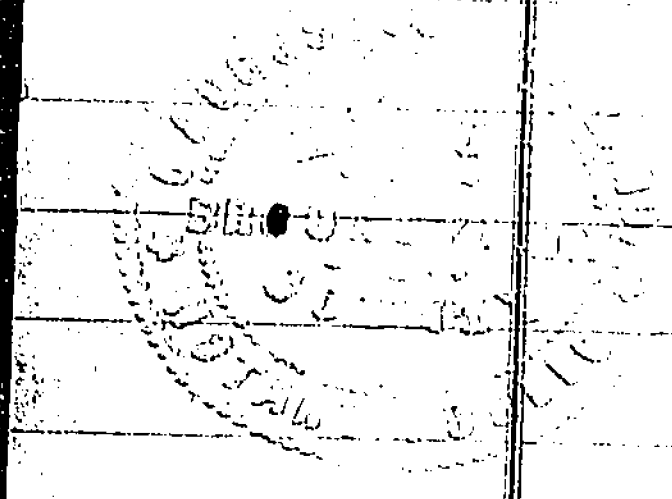
Sworn to before me this }  
16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1888 }

Carrie Underhill,

C. August Hartland

Notary Public

Kings County, N.Y.



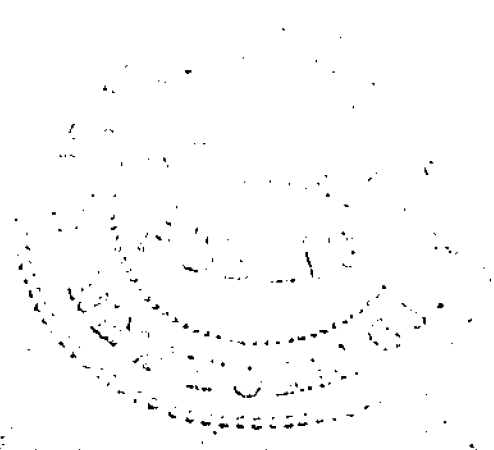
State of New York }  
County of New York } ss.  
George A. Graff being first duly sworn, deposes  
and says: That his ~~wife~~ mother Charlotte Graff named as  
the beneficiary in Policy No. 136953 issued by the Connecticut Mutual  
Life Insurance Company, died April 3d A. D. 1887 leaving  
surviving her the following named children only:

|                      |                    |           |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| <u>Geo. A. Graff</u> | aged last birthday | <u>31</u> | <u>Thirty one</u> years. |
| <u>Harry Graff</u>   | "                  | <u>18</u> | <u>Eighteen</u> "        |
|                      | "                  | "         | "                        |
|                      | "                  | "         | "                        |
|                      | "                  | "         | "                        |
|                      | "                  | "         | "                        |

And deponent further says that no child of said wife has died leaving surviving children.

Signed Geo. A. Graff  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, at the City of New York County of New York  
and State of New York  
this twenty-second day of March A. D. 1888  
Wm. K. O'Connell Notary Public. # 42  
New York County Justice of Peace

Peoples Exhibit  
1. Dec. 30/89 W2f.



Donald, Feb. 25, 1879

**A Double Bereavement.**  
The death notices which appear elsewhere this morning of Mrs. Charles N. Emerson and Captain Edward B. Emerson tell the story of a double loss that has come to Mrs. John M. Taylor of this city. Captain Emerson was her brother and Mrs. Emerson was her step-mother, to whom she had been attached from girlhood. Captain Emerson left Williams college at 16 to go to the war, and was promoted to a captaincy for gallantry at Fort Wagner. He died of pneumonia at St. Paul a week ago Saturday, and Mr. Taylor was summoned there at once from Hartford. While he was gone, Mrs. Taylor was called from here to Boston, where Mrs. Emerson was fatally sick also with pneumonia. When Mr. Taylor reached Pittsfield with the body of his brother-in-law, he learned that Mrs. Emerson had also died. The burial of the two took place at Pittsfield on Saturday. They had died of the same disease within a few days of each other, although a thousand miles apart, and neither knew of the illness of the other. The Pittsfield Journal says of Captain Emerson:—  
He was a son of Major Charles N. Emerson, who will be remembered as an active member of the Berkshire bar, and as an honored resident of Pittsfield. He was a brother of Mrs. John M. Taylor of Hartford and of Mrs. Walter H. Page of Boston. He left Williams college in his sophomore year to enter the army as a sergeant at the age of 16, and was promoted to a captaincy after the famous and terrible charge on Fort Wagner. Captain Emerson was a man of admirable qualities, whose youthful service as a soldier affords the key to the character of the man. He received a wound in the war which has since caused him, day and night, the greatest suffering, and from which at any time for years it would have been a welcome relief to him to have laid down the burden of life. Yet in all these years he never uttered a complaint, and his cheerful, consistent life has revealed the depth of a loyal nature. Captain Emerson was the nephew of "Josh Billings" and grandson of the Hon. Henry Shaw of Lanesboro, the famous member of congress from this district and the friend of Henry Clay.



Hartford, Conn., Feb. 25, 1889.

Philip S. Miller, Esq.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed newspaper slip will explain to you something of my inability to come to New York, to-morrow, to testify in the Graff case. I am worn out with fatigue, and anxiety, and grief; and my wife is ill, and her sister, all at my house; and it is simply impossible, under these circumstances, to give attention to such a matter. This to your dispatch of to-day; and I believe a previous answer had already been sent to Mr. Wells. I hope to take up my duties again to-morrow or next day.

Pardow made

Respectfully yours,

*John W. Taylor*

The People of the  
State of New York  
against  
George S. Graff

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

State of New York  
City and County of New York. } ss.

John M. Taylor, being duly sworn  
says:

I am vice-president of the  
corporation known as the Connecticut  
Mutual Life Insurance Company of  
Hartford, and have been vice-presi-  
dent of the said company for the  
period of six years last past. In  
April, 1888, it was a part of my duties  
as vice-president of said insurance  
company to pass upon the validity of  
claims presented against said Company  
growing out of insurances upon life  
made by said company, and, in proper  
cases, to direct the payment of said  
claims. In the month of March or April,  
1888, I received from Philip S. Miller the  
Regent of the Connecticut Mutual Life  
Insurance Company in the City of New  
York the two papers now shown me  
and marked respectively "Peoples Exhibit 1

Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1887 W.2f." and "Peoples Exhibit 2  
Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1887 W.2f." I believed the statements  
contained in the two said papers to  
be true. Thereafter relying upon my  
belief in the truth of the statements  
contained in the paper marked  
"Peoples Exhibit 1 Dec 30<sup>th</sup> 1887 W.2f." and  
upon April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1888, I purchased  
with the money of the Connecticut  
Mutual Life Insurance Company  
the draft now shown me and  
marked "Peoples Exhibit 3 Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1887  
W.2f." and sent the said draft to  
the aforementioned Philip S. Miller  
in the City of New York to deliver to  
said George S. Graft the defendant  
above named ~~It was~~ in payment  
of the claim against the said Con-  
necticut Mutual Life Insurance Company  
by said George S. Graft made under  
life insurance policy N<sup>o</sup> 136 953  
issued by said company. It was  
because I believed the statements  
contained in the paper herein referred  
to as "Peoples Exhibit 1 Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1887 W.2f."  
that I sent said draft referred to above  
as "Peoples Exhibit 3 Dec 30<sup>th</sup> 1887 W.2f." and I  
would not have sent the same



as I did and I not believed in the truth of said statements. At the time of sending said draft as herein before set forth I had also submitted to me the paper now shown and marked "Peoples Exhibit & Dec 30/89 W2J" and this led me to draw

Sworn to before me  
this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December  
1889.

John M. Taylor

It is hereby stipulated and agreed by and between counsel for the respective parties hereto that the foregoing and annexed statements of John M. Taylor be read upon the trial of this action with the same force and effect as if the said John M. Taylor was called, sworn and duly testified as in said statements.

Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1889

John R. Fellows  
District Attorney  
J. M. Well  
for Livingston Abbott  
Deft's atty

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That no action has been brought  
against the Connecticut Mutual Life Ins-  
urance Company by any person at  
any time to recover any money alleged  
to be due on ~~said~~ policy <sup>No. 136956</sup> and that any  
payments made upon said policy to any  
other person than George S. Graff was  
paid by said Connecticut Mutual Life  
Insurance Company voluntarily ~~as~~ or  
upon advice of counsel after the crim-  
inal proceedings were begun against  
said George S. Graff

John M Taylor

District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Caroline G. aff'd April 3/87  
Barney " d lldr 10/88 -

Mrs E. resided with  
parents till June 27/83 -

Geo. G. aged 31 yrs.  
Harry G. aged 18 yrs.

Saw def't - Must be died in  
April 1888 -

Affidavit presented  
ltdr 22/88 -

Draft given  
April 27/88



District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

George S. Graff

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Send to Drexel

Morgan & Co and  
ask someone  
who of his own  
knowledge can  
swear that a certain  
draft in form following  
was paid.

"Connecticut Trust and  
Safe Deposit Company,  
\$1,500.

Pay to the order of George S.  
Graff and George S. Graff,  
Guardian, fifteen hundred  
dollars.

To Messrs. Drexel Morgan & Co.  
New York City

N<sup>o</sup> 665 2

U. H. Whipple,  
President

District Attorney's Office.

Off Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> -  
PEOPLE *W.S.J.*  
vs.

George S. Graff.

Caroline Underhill  
Frank L. Underhill  
1161 Bedford Ave.  
Brooklyn.

Service Personal  
For Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Part 2.

*W.S.J.*  
Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Part 2  
Other witnesses  
procured by the  
complainant.

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New York, (N.Y.) 188

not troubled you heretofore, as we were quite willing to leave the matter open to your reasonable convenience, but the warrant was granted for a cause which justifies an indictment and trial, and we expect to see both had at your hands, as we feel confident that it will be the case when this letter is brought to your attention.

Respectfully Yours,

Platt & Bowers



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New York, Novem. 14. 1888.

Hon. John R. Fellows.  
District Attorney.

Dear Sir;

The papers in the matter entitled  
People vs. Graff were sent to your office from  
the Tombs on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July last.

We have frequently asked that the  
matter be laid before the Grand Jury and an  
indictment found. To-day, our Managing Clerk  
was informed by one of your employees, that no  
indictment had been found, though ~~the~~<sup>he</sup> thought the  
matter had been before the Grand Jury, and that  
he did not think any indictment would be found.

We presume that your clerk was in  
error in supposing that the matter was before the  
Grand Jury, as we know that proper witnesses have

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not been subpoenaed to attend before the Grand Jury. We hope also that he is in error in supposing that no indictment will be found.

We now give you the names of the witnesses, which we presume are on the papers you have.

Philip S. Miller, whose office address is N.º 1 Wall Street, and whose residence is N.º 9 East 48<sup>th</sup> St. N. Y.

Caroline Underhill, who resides at No. 1161 Bedford Avenue in the City of Brooklyn.

Frank L. Underhill, who resides at No. 1161 Bedford Avenue in the City of Brooklyn.

If for any reason these latter parties have changed their addresses, we can and will easily ascertain their new addresses, but we have not learned of any such change.

We now desire to ask you formally whether you will present this matter to the Grand Jury, or what has been done with it. We have

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New York, Nov 17 1888

Hon. John D. Fellows.

Dear Sir

We think that you  
will find the case indexed under  
People vs. Goff. The beaver found  
the papers a few days since, and  
we therefore send him in answer  
to your letter of yesterday for  
which we are much obliged

Yours, respectfully

Platt & Bowers

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Box 83, Post Office.  
Telephone, 315 Law.

New York, Dec. 21. 1888.

Eugene M. Jerome, Esq.

Assistant District Attorney.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly advise us when you propose to dispose of the Graff case. As we stated to you on the day fixed for the trial of this case, we have no belief whatever in the representation made to you as to Mr. Graff's illness by his Counsel.

You recollect, that these papers lay dormant in the District Attorney's Office for many months before indictment was found. His sister has sued the Company and recovered the money fraudulently collected by her brother. The Company naturally ask us why Graff is not tried, and we hope that you will place it in our power to send them a definite answer within a very few days.

Very truly yours, Platt & Bowers



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State of New York,  
COUNTY OF KINGS,  
CITY OF BROOKLYN.

SS.

FORM No. 30.

*James Garret* of No. *128 Van Riker Court*  
being duly sworn says that he is acquainted with the handwriting of *J. Kilbreth*  
the Police Justice, who issued the annexed Warrant and that  
the signature to this Warrant is in the handwriting of said *J. Kilbreth*  
Sworn to before me this *25* day of *July* 188*8*

*Andrew Walsh*  
Police Justice of the City of Brooklyn.

This warrant may be executed in the City of Brooklyn.

Dated this *25* day of *July* 188*8*  
*Andrew Walsh*  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 151.

Police Court \_\_\_\_\_ District. <sup>A</sup>

CITY AND COUNTY } ss. *In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County*  
OF NEW YORK, } *of New York, or any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York:*

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Philip S. Miller  
of No. Grand St. 48th Street, that on the 23rd day of March  
1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, the following article to wit:

One Cheque

of the value of Fifteen hundred Dollars,  
the property of The Prudential Mutual Life Insurance Company  
w as taken, stolen and carried away, and as the said complainant has cause to suspect, and does suspect and  
believe, by George J. Gray

Wherefore, the said Complainant has prayed that the said Defendant may be apprehended and bound to  
answer the said complaint.

These are Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and every of you, to apprehend the body of the said Defendant  
and forthwith bring him before me, at the 1 DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in  
case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the  
said charge, and to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 24 day of June 1888

J. B. Smith POLICE JUSTICE.

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|---|------------------|
| Police Court, <u>1st</u> District.  |                  |
| THE PEOPLE, &c.,  |                  |
| ON THE COMPLAINT OF   |                  |
| <u>Philip S. Miller</u>   | Warrant-Larceny. |
| <u>George S. Graff</u>  |                  |
| Dated <u>July 24</u> 188 <u>8</u>   |                  |
| <u>Kilbreck</u> Magistrate  |                  |
| <u>Garity</u> Officer.  |                  |
| The Defendant <u>Geo S Graff</u>  |                  |
| taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer the within charge, pursuant to the command contained in this Warrant. |                  |
| <u>James Garity</u> Officer.  |                  |
| Dated <u>5/6</u> <u>July</u> <u>1888</u>  |                  |
| This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at night.   |                  |
| Police Justice.   |                  |

having been brought before me under this Warrant, is committed for examination to the  
WARDEN and KEEPER of the City Prison of the City of New York.

Dated 30 Nov 1888  
Brooklyn  
516 Green St Brooklyn

The within named

Police Justice.

State of New York  
City & County of New York:

Carrie Underhill  
being duly sworn deposes and  
says that she resides at  
No 1161 Bedford Avenue in  
the City of Brooklyn and that  
she is the wife of Frank L. Underhill  
Underhill of the said City.

That she is a daughter of the  
late Caroline Gaff, wife of  
Barney Gaff and that the  
said Caroline Gaff departed  
this life on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of  
April 1887 and that the said  
Barney Gaff who was the  
father of deponent departed this  
life on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 1888.  
That this deponent had at  
the time of the death of the  
said Caroline Gaff two brothers  
living and no sisters. That there  
were three children of the  
said Caroline Gaff who  
survived her viz: this deponent



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George P. Graft and Harry Graft  
and that they were all  
born in lawful wedlock.  
That this defendant was born  
at Johnstown Fulton County  
New York on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 1855, that her brother  
the said George P. Graft was  
born at the same place December  
14<sup>th</sup> 1856 and that her brother  
Harry Graft was born in the  
City of Brooklyn June 10, 1869  
or about that year. That  
defendant resided with her  
parents the said Caroline  
Graft and Barney Graft until  
June 27<sup>th</sup> 1883 which was the  
date of defendant's marriage and  
that her residence at the time  
of her marriage was on the  
corner of Tompkins Avenue &  
Pulaski Street in the City of  
Brooklyn. That the policy of  
insurance upon the life of  
defendant's father Barney Graft

Numbered 136953 in the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company was in the possession of the said Barry Graff at the time of his death. It was afterwards in the possession of defendant Brother the said George S. Graff. That while defendant father was living it was for some time in defendant's possession. Defendant has been shown an affidavit made by her brother George S. Graff before ~~Kellerman~~<sup>W. M.</sup> K. Olcott a Notary Public of New York County and dated March 22, 1888. That she recognizes the signature to the said Affidavit as that of her Brother George S. Graff. That the statement in the said affidavit in the following words viz: "That his mother Caroline Graff named as the beneficiary in Policy No 136953 issued by the Connecticut

Mutual Life Insurance  
 Company died April 3<sup>rd</sup> A.D.  
 1887 leaving surviving her  
 the following named children  
 only Geo. D. Graft aged last  
 birthday 31 years, Harry Graft  
 aged last birthday 18 ~~years~~  
 is false. in that the said  
 Caroline Graft left her surviving  
 this deponent as one of her  
 children. That the said Geo.  
 D. Graft always recognized  
 deponent as his sister and  
 that deponent saw him last  
 about the last of April 1888  
 and that she had seen  
 him twice or three times between  
 the date of the death of  
 deponent's father viz March  
 10, 1888 and March 22, 1888  
 the date when the said Graft  
 made the aforesaid affidavit  
 sworn to before me  
 this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1888 } Carrie Underhill  
 William C. Bowers  
 Notary Public, N. Y. Co.

Carrie Underhill was  
 born 24<sup>th</sup> Aug 17 Feb  
 1888  
 J. H. Underhill  
 Notary Public

STATE OF CONNECTICUT :  
County of *Hartford* : ss:  
:

*John W. Taylor*

being duly sworn, deposes

and says:

That he resides at *Hartford in the State of Connecticut*

and is the *Vice President* of The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, a corporation organized under the Laws of the State of Connecticut and doing business at the City of Hartford in said State, and elsewhere.

That on the 22nd day of March, 1888, one George S. Graff, at the City of New York, did then and there, with intent feloniously to cheat and defraud the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, and for the purpose of obtaining from the possession of said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, by false representation, a certain sum of money to wit, the sum of Five hundred dollars (\$500), did then and there feloniously, unlawfully and designedly pretend and represent to the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company and its officers a certain false writing for the purpose of collecting and receiving from the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company the sum of Five hundred dollars (\$500), as aforesaid, by means of the facts, circumstances and acts hereinafter set forth.

That the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company had theretofore issued its certain policy



numbered 136,953 on the 18th day of November, 1875, whereby it insured the life of one Barney Graff of Johnstown, County of Fulton, State of New York, in the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars (\$1,500) and delivered the same to the said Barney Graff, which policy was issued for the sole use and benefit of Caroline Graff, the wife of the said Barney Graff; and by the terms of said policy, the sum so insured was to be paid to the said Caroline Graff or her legal representatives, within ninety days after due notice and satisfactory evidence of the death of the insured, Barney Graff; or if the said Caroline Graff should not be living at the time of the death of the said Barney Graff, then the said sum insured was, by the terms of the said policy, expressly made payable to the children of the said Caroline Graff, or their guardian, if under age.

That at the date aforesaid, to wit, the 22nd day of March, 1888, the said George S. Graff presented the said policy to Philip S. Miller, the agent of the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company at the City of New York, together with an affidavit, duly signed and verified by him, in the words and figures following:

"STATE OF NEW YORK :  
City and County of New York :ss:  
:

George S. Graff, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

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That his mother, Caroline Graff, named as the beneficiary in policy numbered 136,953, issued by the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, died April 3rd, 1887, leaving surviving her the following named children only: George S. Graff, age last birthday 31 Years, Harry Graff, age last birthday 18 years.

And deponent further says that no child of said wife has died leaving surviving children.

(Signed) George S. Graff,  
18 Charles Street,  
New York City.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
at the City of New York, County  
of New York and State of New York  
this 22nd day of March, A. D., 1888.

W. M. K. Olcott,  
Notary Public, (42)  
N. Y. Co."

That at the time of the presentation of said affidavit, to wit, the 22nd day of March, 1888, the said George S. Graff also delivered to the agent of this Company at the City of New York, Philip S. Miller, proof of death of the insured, Barney Graff, in accordance with the provisions of the policy, and thereupon, as appears by the affidavit of the said Philip S. Miller, he duly forwarded the said proof of death and the said hereinabove recited affidavit to the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company at the City of Hartford, and the said documents were received by deponent.

That among the other duties performed by deponent as the *Vice President* of The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, is the examination of applications for payments of policies and the determination of the question whether the proofs of death and of ownership are sufficient to entitle ~~X~~ the applicant to payment.

That deponent duly examined said proof of death and the said affidavit hereinabove set forth, and believed the statements therein contained, and so believing the said representation made by the said Graff, that the said Caroline Graff left as her surviving children only the said George S. Graff and Harry Garff, and being deceived thereby, was induced, by reason of said false pretences and representations so made, to cause to be written out and delivered to the said Philip S. Miller, agent for the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, at the City of New York, for the purpose of delivering the same to the said George S. Graff, a draft or instrument in writing in the words and figures following:

"CONNECTICUT TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY.

\$1,500

Pay to the order of George S. Graff & George S. Graff, Guardian, Fifteen hundred dollars .

To Messrs. Drexel, Morgan & Co.,  
New York City.

No. 6652."

*W. H. Whipple President*

Which draft was duly signed by the President of the said Connecticut Trust and Safe Deposit Company.

That in order to obtain the said draft, this deponent caused to be paid the said Connecticut Trust and Safe Deposit Company the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), being the sum of the face thereof.

That as deponent is informed and believes, the said draft was duly delivered by the said Philip S. Miller, agent as aforesaid at the City of New York of the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, to the said George S. Graff, on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1888, at New York City, and he thereupon collected the said draft of the drawee and received the full Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) represented thereby.

~~That the said draft was immediately thereafter delivered by the said firm of Drexel, Morgan & Co., the drawees thereof, to the drawers, and by them delivered over to deponent.~~

That the moneys so paid out and received by the said George S. Graff were the proper moneys of the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, and were paid over to him in reliance upon the statements contained in his aforesaid affidavit, that he and his brother Harry Graff were the only children of the said Caroline Graff.

That the said draft so drawn as aforesaid was drawn in favor of the said George S. Graff and George S.



✓ Graff, Guardian; and this deponent, believing<sup>ed</sup> the representations made by the said George S. Graff to be true, and that he was entitled to receive individually one half of the amount due on said policy, and as Guardian for his brother the remaining half.

✓ That as deponent is informed and believes, in fact and in truth, the pretences and representations so made as aforesaid in the aforesaid affidavit of the said George S. Graff, that Harry Graff and the said George S. Graff were the only children of the said Caroline Graff, is wholly false and untrue, and that the fact is that the said Caroline Graff left her surviving three children, to wit, the said <sup>2</sup>George S. Graff, the said Harry Graff, and one Caroline Underhill, the wife of Frank L. Underhill, and who resides at No. 1,161 Bedford Avenue, in the City of Brooklyn and State of New York; and the said Caroline Underhill, as one of the children of the said Caroline Graff surviving her, was entitled to the full one third part of the aforesaid sum of Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), all of which more fully appears by the affidavit of the said Caroline Underhill submitted herewith and made a part of this information; and that in fact and in truth the said George S. Graff well knew the said pretences and representations by him made as aforesaid to the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company and its agent at the City of New York were utterly false and untrue at the time of making the same.

That the said George S. Graff, by means of the false pretences and representations aforesaid, feloniously, unlawfully, knowingly and designedly, did receive and retain from the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company the sum of Five hundred Dollars (\$500) of the proper moneys and effects of the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company with intent feloniously to cheat and defraud the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of the same, which moneys were so received by him at the City of New York, State of New York.

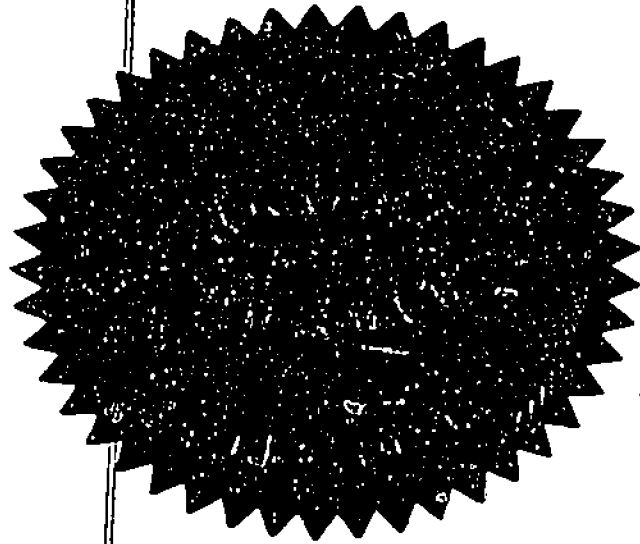
That as deponent is informed and believes, the said Caroline Underhill was wholly ignorant of the acts of her said brother, the said George S. Graff, in making the aforesaid representations and collecting the Five hundred Dollars (\$500) part of said policy belonging to her; and the said Five hundred Dollars (\$500) so belonging to her was collected by him without her knowledge, assent or authority.

*John M. Taylor*

*State of Connecticut  
County of Hartford*

*Subscribed and sworn to before me  
at the City of Hartford in the State of Connecticut  
this twenty first day of July, A.D. 1881*

*Miss E. Thompson  
Notary Public*



within and for said County, which is a Court of Record, and keeper of the Seal thereof, hereby certify that Charles G. Thompson Esquire, whose name is subscribed to the certificate or proof of acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment a Notary Public within and for said County, duly commissioned and sworn, with authority by the laws of this State to administer oaths and take the acknowledged and other instruments; that I am acquainted with his handwriting and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate or proof of acknowledgment is genuine, and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the Laws of the State of Connecticut.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said Superior Court, at Hartford, in said County and State, on this 21st day of July A. D. 188 8

Frederick G. Thompson  
Clerk

I, Frederick G. Thompson  
State of Connecticut, Hartford County, Superior Court, Clerk's Office, ss.

STATE OF NEW YORK, :  
City and County of New York, : ss:

PHILIP S. MILLER, being duly sworn, deposes  
and says:

That he resides at No. 9 East 48th Street, in  
the City of New York, and that he is the General Agent  
at the City of New York for The Connecticut Mutual Life  
Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut.

That on the 22nd day of March, 1888, one  
George S. Graff called at deponent's office, No 1 Wall

*Street* in the City of New York, and presented a  
*or said that he had the same in his possession*  
certain policy numbered 136,953, issued on the 18th day  
of November, 1875 by The Connecticut Mutual Life Insur-  
ance Company, whereby it insured the life of one Barney  
Graff, of Johnstown, County of Fulton, State of New York,  
in the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), which  
policy was issued for the sole use and benefit of Caro-  
line Graff, the wife of the said Barney Graff; and by  
the terms of the said policy, the sum so insured was to  
be paid to the said Caroline Graff or her legal repre-  
sentatives within ninety days after due notice and satis-  
factory evidence of the death of the insured, Barney  
Graff, or if the said Caroline Graff should not then be  
living, the sum insured was, by the terms of the said  
policy, expressly made payable to the children of the  
said Caroline Graff, or their Guardian, if under age.

That at the same time and place the said George



S. Graff presented to this deponent an affidavit, duly signed and verified by him, in the words and figures following:

"STATE OF NEW YORK :  
: ss:  
City and County of New York. :

GEORGE S. GRAFF, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That his mother, Caroline Graff, named as the beneficiary in policy numbered 136,953, issued by The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, died April 3rd, 1887, leaving surviving her the following named children only: George S. Graff, age last birthday 31 years, Harry Graff, age last birthday 18 years.

And deponent further says that no child of said wife has died leaving surviving children.

(Signed) George S. Graff,  
18 Charles Street,  
New York City.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
at the City of New York, County  
of New York and State of New York,  
this 22nd day of March, A. D., 1888.

W. M. K. Olcott,  
Notary Public, (42)  
N. Y. Co."

And at the same time and place the said George S. Graff also presented to deponent proof of the death of the insured, Barney Graff, in accordance with the provisions of the said policy.

That thereupon deponent duly forwarded the

aforesaid affidavit of the said George S. Graff, in which he stated that he and his brother Harry Graff were the only children of Caroline Graff, together with the proofs of death submitted by him, to The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut.

That thereafter, and on or about the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1888, the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, duly forwarded to deponent a certain check in the words and figures following:

"CONNECTICUT TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY.  
\$1,500                      *Hartford Conn. April 26. 1888*  
Pay to the order of George S. Graff & George  
S. Graff, Guardian, Fifteen hundred Dollars.  
To Messrs. Drexel, Morgan & Co.,  
New York City.  
No. 6652."

Which check or draft was duly signed by the President of the said Connecticut Trust and Safe Deposit Company.

That thereupon deponent delivered the said check to the said George S. Graff, and received from him the original policy; and such check was so delivered by this deponent to the said George S. Graff at his office, No. 1 Wall Street in the City of New York, on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year 1888

That thereafter the said George S. Graff duly collected the full amount of the said draft, and said draft is now in deponent's possession, having been delivered up by the drawees after the payment thereof, to ~~The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, and by them delivered to~~ deponent.

Deponent further says, that he is informed and well believes, that the object of the said George S. Graff in presenting the said affidavit to deponent was to feloniously cheat and defraud The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company aforesaid, and for the purpose of obtaining from the possession of The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company aforesaid, by false representation a certain sum of money, to wit, the sum of Five hundred Dollars (\$500), and that the affidavit hereinabove set out, in which he stated that he and his brother Harry were the only children of the said Caroline Graff, is wholly false and untrue.

That at the time the said George S. Graff presented said aforesaid affidavit to this deponent, it was with knowledge on his part, and with intent that this deponent should send the same to the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, to induce them to pay the entire amount of the aforesaid policy to him, the aforesaid George S. Graff.

That as deponent is informed and well believes, the effect of the said affidavit was to induce the said

The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company to pay the whole amount of the said policy, to wit, the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to the said George S. Graff individually and as Guardian of Harry Graff.

That deponent is informed and well believes the said affidavit was duly examined by the proper officer of the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, who believed the representations made therein by the said George S. Graff, that the said Caroline Graff left as her surviving children only the said George S. Graff and Harry Graff, and being deceived thereby, was induced, by reason of said false pretences and representations so made, to cause to be written out and delivered to deponent the aforesaid check, which deponent delivered to the said George S. Graff.

That deponent is informed and well believes the moneys so paid out and received by the said George S. Graff on the aforesaid check, to wit, the entire Fifteen hundred Dollars (\$1,500), were the proper moneys of The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the same were paid over to him in reliance upon the statements contained in his aforesaid affidavit.

That the grounds of deponent's information and belief as to the matters thus far stated upon information and belief, are representations and statements made to him by *John M. Taylor* one of the officers of The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, whose



affidavit is attached to this information, and also from the facts hereinabove set out by deponent as within his personal knowledge.

That deponent is informed and well believes that in fact and in truth the pretences and representations so made as aforesaid in the aforesaid affidavit of the said George S. Graff, that Harry and the said George S. Graff were the only children of the said Caroline Graff, are wholly false and untrue, and that the said Caroline Graff ~~has~~ left her surviving three children, to wit, the said George S. Graff, The said Harry Graff, and one Caroline Underhill, the wife of Frank L. Underhill, and who resides at No. 1161 Bedford Avenue, in the City of Brooklyn and State of New York; and the said Caroline Underhill, as one of the children of the said Caroline Graff surviving her, was entitled to the full one third part of the aforesaid sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars (1,500), and in fact and in truth the said George S. Graff well knew the said pretences and representations by him made as aforesaid to the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company to deponent were entirely false and untrue at the time of making the same.

That the grounds of deponent's knowledge and information as to this latter allegation, are statements made to deponent by Caroline Underhill, and her affidavit which is attached to and submitted with this information.

And deponent charges the fact to be that by rea-

son of the foregoing, the said George S. Graff feloniously, unlawfully, knowingly and designedly, did receive and retain from the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company the sum of Five hundred Dollars (\$500) , of the proper monies and effects of the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, with intent feloniously to cheat and defraud the said The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of the same, which moneys were so received by him at the City of New York, in the State of New York, as aforesaid.

~~Dependent farther says, that he is informed and well believes, by said Caroline Underhill, by her affidavit submitted herewith, that she was wholly ignorant of the acts of her said brother, the said George S. Graff, in making the aforesaid representations and collecting the Five hundred Dollars (500) part of said policy belonging to her; and the said Five hundred Dollars (\$500) so belonging to her was collected by him without her knowledge, assent or authority.~~

*Sworn before me after 23 days  
17 July 1884*  
*Philip C. Muller*  
*J. Williams*  
*Police Justice*

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*George S. Graff* 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.

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 may think will tend to your exculpation?

Answer.

*I am not guilty*

*Geo. S. Graff*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

Police Court... District...

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

BAILED

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Offence

Dated July 20 1888

Magistrate

Officer

Precinct

Witnesses

No. 1161 Bedford ave Street

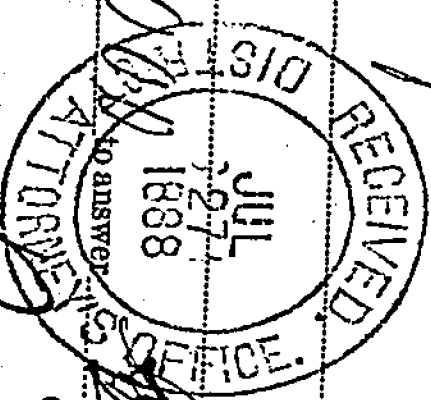
Frank & Madeline

No. 1161 Bedford ave Street

No. 127 1888

Office

Street



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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 10 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.....1888..... Police Justice.

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

Dated.....1888..... 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.....1888..... Police Justice.



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

-----X  
The People of the State of New York :  
against :  
George S. Graff. :  
-----X

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York by this indictment accuse George S. Graff of the crime of grand larceny in the first degree, committed as follows:

Heretofore, to wit, on the 18th day of November 1875, a certain corporation called the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hartford, duly issued its certain policy and contract of insurance whereby the said corporation insured the life of one Barney Graff, of Johnstown in the County of Fulton in this State, in the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, which said policy and contract of insurance was issued for the sole use and benefit of Caroline Graff, the wife of the said Barney Graff, and by the terms whereof the sum so insured was to be paid to the said Caroline Graff or her legal representatives within ninety days after due notice and satisfactory evidence of the death of the insured, Barney Graff, or if the said Caroline Graff should not then be living the sum so insured was by the terms of the said policy expressly made payable to the children of the said Caroline Graff or to their guardian if under age; and afterwards, and before the

day of the commission of the felony and grand larceny hereinafter alleged, to wit, on the 3d day of April, 1887, the said Caroline Graff died, and after the death of the said Caroline Graff, to wit, on the 10th day of March, 1888, the said Barney Graff also died, and upon his death the said sum of fifteen hundred dollars so insured became due and payable, by the terms of the said contract and policy of insurance (within ninety days after such due notice and such satisfactory evidence of the death of the said Barney Graff), to the children of the said Caroline Graff or their guardian if under age.

And the said George S. Graff, late of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid, well knowing the premises, afterwards, to wit, on the 27th day of April, in the year aforesaid, at the city and county aforesaid, with intent to deprive and defraud the said corporation of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property hereinafter mentioned and of the use and benefit thereof and to appropriate the same to his own use, then and there feloniously and fraudulently did falsely pretend and represent to the said corporation--

That his mother, the said Caroline Graff, such beneficiary as aforesaid in the said contract and policy of insurance, left surviving her the following named children only, to wit, himself the said George S. Graff, aged last birthday thirty-one years, and Harry Graff, aged last birthday eighteen years, of whom he the said

George S. Graff was the guardian, and that they the said George S. Graff and Harry Graff were then jointly justly entitled to receive from the said corporation the said full sum of fifteen hundred dollars so insured by the said policy and contract of insurance.

George S. Graff was the guardian, and that they the said George S. Graff and Harry Graff were then jointly justly entitled to receive from the said corporation the said full sum of fifteen hundred dollars so insured by the said policy and contract of insurance.

And the said corporation then and there believing the said false and fraudulent pretenses and representations so made as aforesaid by the said George S. Graff, and being deceived thereby, was induced by reason of the false and fraudulent representations aforesaid to deliver and did then and there deliver to the said George S. Graff a sum of money, to wit, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars in money, lawful money of the United States of America and of the value of fifteen hundred dollars, and one written instrument and evidence of debt, to wit, a <sup>certain</sup> ~~signed~~ order for the payment of money of the kind commonly called cheques, drawn by the said corporation upon a certain copartnership doing business in the said City of New York in and by the firm name and style of Drexel, Morgan and Company, and addressed to them by the name and description of "Messrs Drexel, Morgan & Co." and directing them to pay to the order of George S. Graff & George S. Graff, guardian, fifteen hundred dollars, the same bearing date April 26th, 1888, and being then and there due and wholly unsatisfied and of the value of fifteen hundred dollars, of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of the said corporation.

And the said George S. Graff did then and there feloniously receive and obtain the said proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property from the possession of the said corporation by color and by aid of the false and fraudulent pretenses and representations aforesaid with intent to deprive and defraud the said corporation of the same and of the use and benefit thereof and to appropriate the same to his own use.

Whereas, in truth and in fact, the said Caroline Graff did<sup>not</sup> leave surviving her the said above named children only, to wit, the said George S. Graff and the said Harry Graff, but in truth left surviving her another child, to wit, one Carrie Underhill, and they the said George S. Graff and Harry Graff were not then jointly justly entitled to receive from the said corporation the said full sum of fifteen hundred dollars so insured as aforesaid, but were each then only entitled to a one-third interest in the said sum insured, and the said Carrie Underhill was likewise then justly entitled to a one-third interest in the same sum.

And whereas, in truth and in fact, the pretenses and representations so made as aforesaid by the said George S. Graff to the said corporation were then and there in all respects utterly false and untrue, as he the said George S. Graff at the time of making the same then and there well knew.

And so the Grand Jury aforesaid do say that the



George S. Graff, off and away from the place and for the  
purpose of the same, did steal the said moneys, goods,  
chattels and personal property of the said corporation

said George S. Graff in manner and form aforesaid and  
by the means aforesaid the said proper moneys, goods,  
chattels and personal property of the said corporation  
then and there feloniously did steal: 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 R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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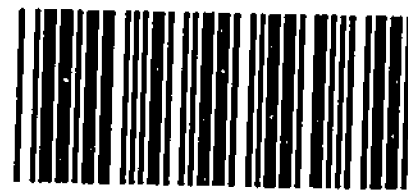
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Green, Harris

**DATE:**

11/12/88



3115

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0059

Witnesses:

Annie Kaufman  
17 Allen St

Counsel,

Filed

12 day of Nov 1888

Pleads,

Myself 13

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Harris Green

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

Burglary in the THIRD DEGREE  
(Section 498, 506, 528, 551 and 550)

A True Bill

Wm Macleay

Nov 13/88. Foreman.

James H. P. G.

Elmira Ref. P.M.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0050

Police Court— District.

City and County  
of New York,

of No.

occupation

deposes and says, that the premises No.

in the City and County aforesaid the said being a

which was occupied by deponent as a

and in which there was at the time a human being, by name

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly

The front room door fastenings

on the 29 day of October 188 in the time, and the following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Twenty Dollars in Cash,  
And wearing apparel of  
the value of Fifty Dollars  
all of the Total Value  
of Seventy Five Dollars  
(\$75.)

the property of

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

James Green (now here)

for the reasons following, to wit:

At 11 o'clock a.m.  
on the morning of said date  
deponent locked, bolted and  
effectually closed said premises.  
At about eight o'clock  
on the morning of said date  
deponent found said room  
door fastenings broken and  
said property gone, and as a



part of said property was  
found in the possession of  
said Defendant, Defendant  
now charges said Defendant  
with Burglariously entering  
said premises and taking,  
stealing and carrying away  
said property and prays that  
he be dealt with as the Law  
directs

Sworn to before me  
this 10th day of Nov 1888  
J. B. [Signature]  
Police Justice

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  
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 1888  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated 1888  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1888  
Police Justice.

Police Court, District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

vs.

1  
2  
3  
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Offence—BURGLARY.

Dated 1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No. Street,

No. Street,

No. Street,

\$ to answer General Sessions.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0062

Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Harris Green* 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.

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 may think will tend to your  
exculpation?

Answer.

*I am not guilty*  
*Harris Green*  
*mark*

Taken before me this

day of

*[Signature]*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0063

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

Police Court---

District

EC 1930

THE PEOPLE &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*James Paulman*  
*217 1/2 St*  
*Thomas Street*

*James Paulman*  
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*James Paulman*  
Magistrate

Witnesses

No.

Street

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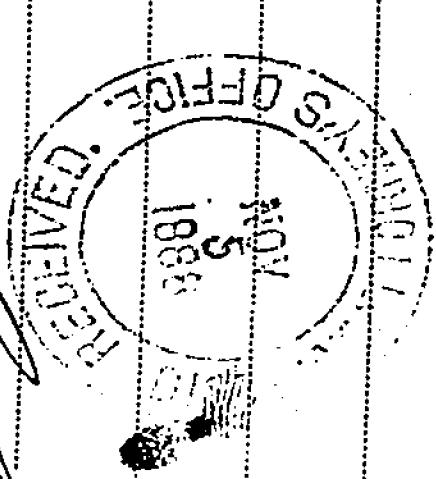
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Street

No.

to answer



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

*Defendant*

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 188

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.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0064

Harris Green  
age 10

Born Russia

Res by Cheyatin

Capt. Taylor

Single

Parents Living

Res by Cheyatin

DEPOSIT YOUR SECURITIES  
IN THE  
STATE SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT  
35 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0065

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
*against*

*Harriet Green*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment,  
accuse *Harriet Green* —

of the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE THIRD DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Harriet Green*,

late of the *South* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *29th* day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty-*eight*, with force and arms, in the  
*day* time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the  
dwelling house of one *Annie Kaufman*. —

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, with intent to  
commit some crime therein, to wit: with intent, the goods, chattels and personal property  
of the said *Annie Kaufman*. —

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

SECOND COUNT—

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

Samuel Green

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

The said Samuel Green,

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, in the time of said day, with force and arms,

divers articles of  
clothing and wearing apparel,  
of a number and description  
to the Grand Jury aforesaid  
unknown, of the value of  
sixty dollars, and the sum of  
fifteen dollars in money,  
lawful money of the United  
States and of the value of  
fifteen dollars,

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one Annie Kaufman,

in the dwelling house of the said Annie Kaufman.

there situate, then and there being found, from the dwelling house aforesaid, 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.

THIRD COUNT.

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

*Samis Green* —

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

The said *Samis Green*,

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

*Samis articles of clothing and wearing apparel of a number and description to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of sixty dollars, and the sum of fifteen dollars in money, lawful money of the United States and of the value of fifteen dollars, —*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of *Annie Kaufman*,

by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen from the said *Annie Kaufman*, —

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

*Samis Green*, —

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Griffin, Charles

**DATE:**

11/16/88



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Witnesses:

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*Hempman*

Counsel,

Filed,

Pleads,

day of

188

THE PEOPLE

vs.

FRADULENT REGISTRATION.  
[Comp. 410, Laws of 1882, § 1808.]

*Charles Griffin*

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Wm. Macclay*  
For. Man.

*Charles Griffin*

*S. P. L. yms H. mo*  
P. B. M.

Verdict of General Sessions.

The People

v.  
Charles Griffin

Violation of Election  
Laws

Illegal Registration

Thomas Dolan, officer, 15th precinct, found defendant's name on the registration list of the 18th election district, 3d Assembly District. His residence given as 358 <sup>a lodging house</sup> ~~Beverly~~ <sup>on</sup> ~~Beverly~~. On inquiry at said place, witness was informed by John M. Piel that the defendant had stopped at said house on the 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th of October last, did not call there again until the 26th of October last, and since then has not shown up again. Mr. Piel is the night clerk of said house and giving the said information, he referred to the register of the house. The defendant was arrested when he attempted to vote, upon a warrant pre-

sworn out by the witness  
John M. Piel, 358 Downy,  
night clerk of lodging house  
in said premises. The de-  
fendant slept there on the  
4th, 10th, 11th, 13th and  
26th of October, 1888. I did  
not see him after the  
last named day. He claims  
that he was at the said  
house on the night before  
election and occupied room  
109, but said room was  
empty <sup>for the night</sup> having  
been rented by another  
person. In the Police Court  
he told the Judge that he  
had lived at said house  
for six consecutive months  
previous to election.

John Cunningham, patrolman  
15th precinct, ~~found the~~ <sup>attempted to vote</sup> ~~absent~~  
defendant ~~and~~ and thereupon  
arrested him on a warrant  
procuredly obtained.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

THE PEOPLE, &c.

vs,

*Charles Griffin*

BRIEF OF FACTS.

For the District Attorney.

*Nov. 13*  
1888  
*Edward Grover*

Deputy Assistant



City and County of New York, ss.:

Police Court, 2 District.

Thomas Dolan

of 15th Precinct Police Street, aged 24 years, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 26 day of October 1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, the same being a day duly appointed by law as a day for the general registration of the qualified voters of said city and county, Charles Griffin did personally appear before the Inspectors of Election of the 18th Election District of the 3rd Assembly District of the said City and County, at a meeting of the said Inspectors of Election then being held for the purpose of the general registration of the qualified voters of the said city and county, resident in the said Election District, at the duly designated polling place of the said Election District, and did then and there, at the said general registration of voters, feloniously register in the said Election District, not having a lawful right to register therein. He registered falsely from 958 Brower

Wherefore deponent prays that the said Charles Griffin may be apprehended and dealt with according to law.

Thomas Dolan

Sworn to before me, this 3 day of Nov 1888

James D. D.  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Charles Griffin*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*26 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*N.Y.*

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

Answer.

*358 Broadway 3 or 4 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Eas filler*

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 a legal voter  
from 358 Broadway*

*Charles Griffin*

Taken before me this

day of *March* 188*8*

*W. M. W. W.*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0075

City and County of New York, ss.:

IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

To any Peace Officer in the County of New York.

Information upon oath having been this day laid before me that heretofore, to wit: on the 26 day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight the same being a day duly appointed by law as a day for the general registration of the qualified voters of the said City and County, one Charles Suffer at the City and County aforesaid, did personally appear before the 3rd Inspectors of Election of the 1st Election District of the 3rd Assembly District of the said City and County, at a meeting of the said Inspectors of Election, then being duly held for the purpose of the general registration of the qualified voters of the said City and County, resident in the said Election District, at the duly designated polling place of the said Election District, and did then and there, at the said general registration of voters, feloniously register in the said Election District, without having a lawful right to register therein.

**You are therefore commanded** forthwith to arrest the above-named Charles Suffer and bring him before me at the 2nd District Police Court, in this City, or, in case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Magistrate in this County.

Dated at the City and County aforesaid this 27 day of Nov 188 8

J. J. J. J. J. Police Justice.

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Chas. Griffen  
18-3'

358. Bowery



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Justice's Court  
Please hear & determine  
my charges

McClendon  
State  
Justice

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

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Police Court... 2 1939  
District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Munuel Adams  
Chas. D. Smith  
1  
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offence Violation  
Election Law

Dated November 6 1888

Magistrate  
McClendon  
Officer

Witnesses  
No. 1  
No. 2  
No. 3  
No. 4  
Street  
Precinct

NOV 8 1888  
DISTRICT

No. 1  
No. 2  
No. 3  
No. 4  
Street  
Precinct

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

defendant

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

Dated Nov 7 1888  
Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1888  
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*

*Charles Higgins*

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by  
this indictment, accuse *Charles Higgins*  
of a FELONY, committed as follows:

Heretofore, to wit: on the *26th* day of  
October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty*eight* the  
same being a day duly appointed by law as a day for the general registration of the  
qualified voters of the said City and County, the said *Charles Higgins*  
late of the City and County aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, did personally  
appear before the Inspectors of Election of the *18th* Election District  
of the *2nd* Assembly District of the said City and County, at a meeting  
of the said Inspectors of Election then being duly held for the purpose of the general  
registration of the male residents of the said Election District as then were, or would be  
on the day of election next following the said day of registration, (to wit: on the *2nd*  
day of November, in the year aforesaid, being the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in  
the said month of November, and being the day duly appointed by law for the holding of  
a general election throughout the said State, and in the City and County aforesaid), entitled  
to vote therein, at the duly designated polling place of the said Election District, and did  
then and there, at the said general registration of voters, feloniously and fraudulently  
register in the said Election District, not having a lawful right to register therein, in this,  
to wit: that the said *Charles Higgins* was not then a male resident  
of the said Election District as then was, or on the said day of election next following the  
said day of registration would be entitled to vote therein, for the reason that he was not  
then, nor would he on the said day of election have been, an inhabitant of the said State  
one year next preceding such election, and the last four months a resident of the said  
County of New York, and for the last thirty days a resident of the said Election District,  
against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and  
dignity of the said People.

JOHN R. FELLOWS. District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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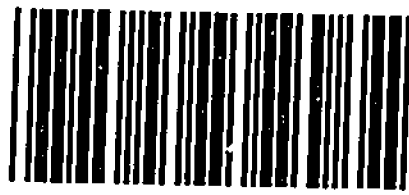
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Grogan, John

**DATE:**

11/26/88



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Counsel,  
Filed *26* day of *Nov* 188*8*  
Pleads, *Magically*

VIOLATION OF EXCISE LAW.  
(Selling without License.)  
[III, R. S. (7th Ed), page 1981, § 18, and  
of 1883, Chap. 340, § 5].

THE PEOPLE

vs..

*John Brogan*

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

*Mr Decht / District Attorney.  
Transferred by consent to  
Erny S. J. for trial.*

**A True Bill.**

*Wm. Macleod*

Foreman.

S.S.

Witnesses;

*Geo. F. Lamy*  
*Erwin Chapman*



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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
AGAINST

*John Grogan*

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

(III. Revised  
Statutes  
[24th  
edition] p. 1681  
Section 13.)

*John Grogan*  
OF THE CRIME OF SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS AND WINES  
WITHOUT A LICENSE, committed as follows:

The said

*John Grogan*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fifth*  
day of *September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty-*eight*, at the City and County aforesaid, certain strong and spirituous  
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 whiskey, 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 strong  
and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell, in  
quantity less than five gallons at a time, to

*one James F. Seery and to*  
certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, without  
having a license therefor, as required by law, contrary to the form of the Statute in such case  
made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the People of the State of New York.

(Laws of 1883,  
chapter 340 sec-  
tion 5)

SECOND COUNT—

*John Grogan*  
And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
OF THE CRIME OF SELLING STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, ALES, WINE AND  
BEER WITHOUT A LICENSE, to be drank upon the premises, committed as follows:

The said

*John Grogan*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year  
aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, and at the premises there situate, known as  
number *three hundred and forty-four Water Street*

certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain ales, wines and beer, to wit: one gill of  
wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, 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 strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did sell to

*one James F. Seery and to*  
certain *other* persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, to be  
drank upon the premises aforesaid, without having a license therefor, as required by law,  
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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(Laws of 1883,  
chapter 840 sec-  
tion 6.)

THIRD COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said *John Grogan* of the CRIME OF GIVING AWAY STRONG AND SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS, ALES, WINE AND BEER WITHOUT A LICENSE, to be drank upon the premises, committed as follows:

The said

*John Grogan*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, and at the premises there situate, known as number *three hundred and forty-four Water Street*

certain strong and spirituous liquors, and certain ales, wine and beer, to wit: one gill of wine, one gill of brandy, one gill of rum, one gill of gin, one gill of whiskey, 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 strong and spirituous liquor to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, unlawfully did give away to

certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, to be drank upon the premises aforesaid, without having a license therefor, as required by law, 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 R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.