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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Kempf, Fritz

DATE:

07/16/84



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Witness:

See appendix  
Coronet,  
Sept. Ch. not good  
but first arrest  
Reason believe  
he has cheated the  
by ~~other~~ checker.  
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Counsel, *E. H. Wicks*  
Filed *July 1884*  
Pleads *Not guilty*

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THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Fritz Kempf  
INDICTMENT.  
Grand Larceny in the  
(MONEY)  
*See appendix*

PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN MCKEON,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*George C. Jackson*  
*July 23 1884 Foreman*  
*Please guilty Plea*  
*OTM of P. M. 1884*

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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

*Erinye Demps*

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

*Erinye Demps*  
of the crime of GRAND LARCENY IN THE *Second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Erinye Demps*

*Erinye Demps* late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid,  
on the *Second* day of *April* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
hundred and eighty *four* at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one* promissory note for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of twenty dollars, and of the value of twenty dollars  
; *two* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of ten dollars, and of the value of ten dollars *each*; *three* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of five dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of two dollars, and of the value of two dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of one dollar, and of the value of one dollar *each*; *one* promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of twenty dollars  
; *two* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of ten dollars *each*; *three* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of five dollars *each*; *one* promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of two dollars, *and one* promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of one dollar

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

PETER B. OLNEY,  
~~JOHN WICK HEN~~ District Attorney.



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

Police Court 2nd District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Henry Gerken  
7021 93<sup>rd</sup> Ave.  
Jolly Knecht

Offence Fraud  
Larceny

Dated July 11 1888

Sueth  
Magistrate.

6700 / Macdubing Officer.

66 Precinct.

Witness: John D. Herken

No. 702.9 One One Street,

No. .... Street,

No. 1 Street.

to answer Yes Sessions.

Down,

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 Fritz Kempe

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 July 1 188

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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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

181 District Police Court.

*Fritz Kempfe* 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.

*Fritz Kempfe*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*38 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Germany*

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

Answer.

*209 E. 88th St 3 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Teacher*

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*

*Fritz Kempfe*

Taken before me this  
day of May 11  
1894  
at New York  
Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 36 years, occupation Butcher of No. 702 9th <sup>St</sup> ave <sup>Street</sup>, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Nenny Gerken  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 11 day of July 1884 } John D Gerken

Solou Smith  
Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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First District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

of No.

702-9<sup>th</sup> Ave Street 391 Butcher

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 26 day of July 1884

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 the use and benefit thereof*  
the following property, viz:

Good and lawful money of the  
issue of the United States of  
the value of twenty seven  
dollars

the property of Deponent and his co-  
partner John D Gerken

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 Fritz Kempf (nowhere)

for the following reasons to wit.

On said date said Fritz came  
to deponent and said that he wanted  
to pay deponent the sum of five  
dollars, which he owed to deponent,  
at the same time tendering deponent  
the annexed cheque drawn upon  
the 6th National Bank for the amount  
of thirty two dollars, and purporting  
to be signed J Baylis. Deponent



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believing said cheque to be of value  
received said cheque from said  
Fritz, and gave said Fritz the  
sum of twenty seven dollars in  
change. Deponent is informed  
by his brother John D Gerken  
that he took said cheque to the  
6th National Bank to collect  
the money thereon and that he  
was there informed by the paying  
teller at said bank that said cheque  
was of no value, and that there was  
no one of the name of L Daryl having  
an account in said bank. Said  
Fritz also admitted and confessed  
to deponent, that he wrote the cheque  
himself and that it was worthless and  
that he was without money, and that  
he wrote said cheque for the purpose  
of getting said sum of twenty seven  
dollars from deponent.

I now to before me J. Gerken  
this 11. of July 1886 }  
Solon D. Sigurd  
Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

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Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION



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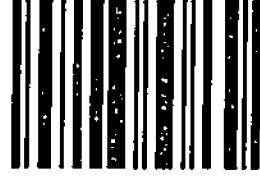
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DESCRIPTION:

Kerns, Kate

DATE:

07/02/84



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Witnesses:

Officer Ahern  
4' Court

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Counsel,  
Filed 2 day of July 1884  
Pleas Not Guilty

THE PEOPLE  
vs. Kate James  
vs. P. B. Olney  
[Sections Penal Code]

PETER B. OLNEY,  
July 14/84 District Attorney.  
Brid + convicted, with recou.  
claim to marry.  
A TRUE BILL.  
John James

Foreman.  
James Lee  
J. Lee

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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

*Hate Kerns*

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

of the CRIME OF

*Hate Kerns*  
*Attempting Suicide*

committed as follows:

The said

*Hate Kerns*

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty ninth* day of *June* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *four*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, *with intent to take her own life, feloniously did cast herself into the waters* where commonly called the East River, and *with the intent aforesaid, did then and there feloniously sink and submerge her body in the said waters, the same being an act dangerous to human life* 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.

*Peter B. Olney*

*District Attorney.*



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

Police Court - 1st District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Thomas Shearn

Nate Kerns

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Offence Attempted  
Suicide

Dated 30 June 1884

Magistrate,  
Officer.

4 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

\$ 1000 to answer Sessions.

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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 Nate Kerns

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of two 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 30 June 1884 P. J. Duffy Police Justice.

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

Dated ..... 1884 ..... 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 ..... 1884 ..... Police Justice.



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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Kate Kerns*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Kate Kerns*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *25 Washington St. 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Domestic*

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*

*Kate Kerns*  
*Mark*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.



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

POLICE COURT, 1<sup>st</sup> DISTRICT.

Thomas Ihearn aged 28 years  
Occupation Police Officer  
of No. the 14<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 29 day of June 1884

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Kate Kerns (now here)

did unlawfully with intent to take her  
own life commit upon herself an act  
dangerous to human life to wit on the  
morning of said day at or about the  
hour of 5 o'clock A M. she jumped from  
pier 24 East river in the waters of the  
East river for the purpose of drowning  
her self Thomas Ihearn

Sworn to before me, this  
of June 1884  
Police Justice



Testimony in the  
Case of  
Kate Kerns.

filed July  
1884.

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The People vs. Kate Kerns

Court of General Sessions, Part 7  
Before Remond Smyth.  
Monday, July 14, 1884.  
Indictment for attempt to commit suicide.

Thomas Sherman sworn and examined,  
testified. I am an officer of the Fourth precinct; on  
the 29<sup>th</sup> of June I saw the defendant a quarter  
past five Sunday morning in South St. I  
was standing on the corner of Beekman  
and South St and I saw this woman cross-  
ing ~~the~~ street and going over towards the  
dock near Peck Slip; she walked over  
and got right on the string piece, took off  
her hat, blest herself and dived over-  
board. I ran over and jumped after her  
and pulled her out by the hair of the  
head and got her on a raft assisted  
by two citizens. She commenced black-  
guard me and asked me why the hell  
I did not leave her drown. I was away  
from her about fifty feet when she jump-  
ed in. Cross Examined. Was the woman  
intoxicated? I could not say she was. Will  
you say she was not? I would not say  
that; she might have had something to  
drink for what I know. How long had she  
been in the water before you managed  
to get her out? About seven or eight minutes.



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I guess. I put her under arrest, took her to the station house and from there to the hospital. We had to take her to the station house by force; she was able to resist and to talk. She was able to ask you why the hell you did not let her drown herself.

Yes sir.

### The Case for the Defence.

Kate Kerns sworn and examined in her own behalf testified. I recollect the day I was arrested on this charge, but I do not remember, as the officer has testified, being on the pier that morning. I only recollect going out to get a couple of drinks in the morning and to walk down there not knowing where I was going. I had a kind of a touch of the horrors. I sat on the string piece and got a headache. My head went round, dizzy and I fell overboard.

That is all I recollect about it. I do not know what time in the morning that was. I had about four drinks taken that morning. I was drinking five or six days in succession previous to that. I am sure I was under the influence of drink that morning. When did you get your senses? After I went to the Chamber St. hospital I was two or three hours before I remembered anything. That was after



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the officer arrested me. Did you intend to commit suicide that morning? No sir; my life is too precious to me to do anything like that; it was all an accident. Can you remember anything that occurred after you got into the water? Yes sir, I remember clinging to a pile of wood that was there to try to save myself; it was six or eight minutes before the officer came. I tried all in my power to rescue myself. The water rather revived me, it made me sober. I have never been arrested before for anything. ~~Cross~~ Examined. I was trying to go home, but the liquor overcame me, so I could not go home. I came down into the Fourth ward somewhere. I slept at 25 Washington St. that night and got up at four o'clock in the morning. I judged it was about four o'clock. I had a touch of the horrors and wanted to get a drink. I walked from Washington St. along to the Fourth ward because there were no liquor stores open. I think it was in Roosevelt St. I got the drinks. I am not acquainted there. I belong to Washington St. I am only three years in the country. I can show you my reference. I am a domestic and always live out and work for my living. Why did you say to the



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officer, "Why the hell didn't you let me drown myself?" I said nothing of the kind. He told me going to the Chamber St. hospital that he would persevere himself to send me to the Island. When I was taken to the hospital the doctor said, I was not a case bad enough for it, but they gave me some medicine to put me asleep. I was asleep two or three hours. Did you take your hat off before you jumped in? No, indeed, you can see the feathers of it, I had to take two of the feathers out of it that were destroyed. I did not bless myself nor do anything of the kind. I fell accidentally. You had no intention of committing suicide? No sir, not the slightest - such a thought never run in my head.

Thomas Sherre recalled by Mr. Adams the defendant did not cling to any spike. I stripped off my coat and threw off my hat as soon as I saw the woman jump overboard and dived after her and caught her by the hair of the head. I tried to get her in and she insisted on staying where she was. Two citizens had hold of the boat hook and I had hold of her by the hair of the head. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty with a recommendation to mercy.



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DESCRIPTION:

Kerwin, John

DATE:

07/10/84



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Witnesses:

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Filed 10 day of July 1884  
Pleads "Not Guilty"

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
John Drown  
27  
489. 2 km  
Assault in the First Degree  
(Firearms.)

*Read & Read Off*  
PETER B. OLNEY,  
JOHN MORRISON

7<sup>th</sup> Feb 1884  
District Attorney.  
Held & committed Auld 24

A TRUE BILL.  
H. 23

*George J. Jackson*  
Foreman.

*250 fine on  
the Court & Read  
11/2/84  
Dec 7/84*



POOR QUALITY  
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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

*John Terwin*

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

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

The said *John Terwin*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fourth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *four*, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of *James Ryan* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and to, at and against *him* the said *James Ryan* a certain *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *John Terwin* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously, did then and there shoot off and discharge, with intent *him* the said *James Ryan* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided. and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

## SECOND COUNT.

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

*John Terwin* of the Crime of assault in the second degree, committed as follows:

The said *John Terwin*

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said *James Ryan* then and there being, feloniously did, wilfully and wrongfully, make an assault, and to, at and against *him* the said *James Ryan* a certain *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which *he* the said *John Terwin* in *his* right hand, then and there had and held, the same being an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, feloniously did, wilfully and wrongfully then and there shoot off and discharge

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.

PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.



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Police Court—11 District.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, { ss.

of No.

James Ryan  
The 18 Precinct Police Street,

Friday being duly sworn, deposes and says, that  
on Monday the 4th day of July

in the year 1884 at the City of New York, in the County of New York

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Charles Burns  
and John Kerwin Norwiche

Each  
Who Willfully and  
Feloniously aimed  
pointed and discharged  
a Pistol that was  
loaded with Powder  
and Ball at this  
deponent

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 4th day

of July 1884

James Ryan

J. Henry Ford

POLICE JUSTICE.



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RECEIVER'S OFFICES  
OF THE  
BANKERS AND MERCHANTS TELEGRAPH COMPANY,  
No. 187 Broadway,

RICHARD S. NEWCOMBE, } Receivers.  
JAMES G. SMITH, }

New York, *March 19* 1885,

Hon. Frederic Lugeth,  
Recorder,

Dear Sir:

Having known John Kerwin between three and four years, the greater part of which he was employed by this Company in the Construction and Maintenance Department, and seeing him almost daily while so employed we consider him a thoroughly honest and trustworthy man, as well as a peaceable citizen. We therefore unite in craving Your Honor's leniency in the sentence you are about to impose upon him, and ask that the same be as light as possible, having regard for your Honor's views.

*M. Smith*  
Supt. Bx & Mtl. Co

*W. G. Smith*  
Supt. Construction



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Hon. Frederick Smyth.  
Recorder.

HENRY BISCHOFF, JR.,  
STAATS ZEITUNG BUILDING,  
TRYON ROW,  
NEW YORK CITY.



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LAW OFFICE  
HENRY BISCHOFF, JR.  
STAATS ZEITUNG BUILDING,  
TRYON ROW.

New York, March 20<sup>th</sup> 1885

Dear Sir:

Friends of mine, whose representations I value, have applied to me to join in a petition to You for clemency towards John Kirwin, convicted of felonious assault, and who is to be sentenced by You on Monday next. I cheerfully do this, as the young man is represented by his employers and acquaintances as otherwise exemplary and the sole support of his widowed mother and as never having been arrested before. How Kirwin got into his present difficulty is inexplicable to those who know him. The standing and high character of the parties applying to me impress me with the truth of the representations of Kirwin and if my request can assist Mr. Kirwin in his present difficulty and prevail upon You to be lenient with him I will be sincerely gratified.

To Hon. Frederick Smyth  
Recorder.

Yours respectfully

Henry Bischoff, Jr.



People

<sup>10</sup>  
John Callman

Homicide

Depreciated value  
he refused to pay  
in default of paying  
that in \$200 each

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The People }  
 vs } Homicide  
 John Kallmaier }

City & County of New York, ss:

John Brennan being duly sworn says: That he is a Police Officer attached to the 14<sup>th</sup> Precinct. That Peter Kallmaier, Mary Kallmaier and George Kallmaier are Material witnesses for the People in the above entitled action. That deponent has reason to be-

lieve that said witnesses will not appear when required to testify from the following facts; that said witnesses reside in Jersey City and are very poor - and claim to be unable to procure sufficient funds to pay their expenses to this City & return. That they cannot come unless able to borrow the necessary money.

Wherefore deponent prays that said Peter, Mary and George Kallmaier be sent to the House of Detention of Westchester.

Sworn to before me this

18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1885

Rudolph L. Schaff

Clerk of Deeds

N.Y. City & Co.

John Brennan



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Police Court District 24448

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James C. Byrne  
18th Precinct  
John H. Keegan  
Charles Byrne  
Offence Felony

Dated July 4 1884

Magistrate

Residence No. 1, by William E. Smith, 340 West Avenue, Street.

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

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

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

Witnesses: 1. John H. Keegan, 18th Precinct, Street.  
2. Charles Byrne, 388 1st Street.  
3. John H. Keegan, 18th Precinct, Street.  
4. Charles Byrne, 388 1st Street.

No. 1, by William E. Smith, 340 West Avenue, Street.

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

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

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

Witnesses: 1. John H. Keegan, 18th Precinct, Street.  
2. Charles Byrne, 388 1st Street.  
3. John H. Keegan, 18th Precinct, Street.  
4. Charles Byrne, 388 1st Street.

No. 1, by William E. Smith, 340 West Avenue, Street.

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

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

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

Witnesses: 1. John H. Keegan, 18th Precinct, Street.  
2. Charles Byrne, 388 1st Street.  
3. John H. Keegan, 18th Precinct, Street.  
4. Charles Byrne, 388 1st 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

John H. Keegan

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 July 4 1884 J. Henry Bond Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated July 5th 1884 J. Henry Bond Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Kerwin* 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. *John Kerwin*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *27 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *489 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Labourer*

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*

*J. Kerwin*

Taken before me this *4*  
day of *May* 188*8*  
*William J. Smith*  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*Charles Burns* 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.

*Charles Burns*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*390 - 1st Avenue*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Press Business*

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*

*Charles Burns*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.



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(2)

James Ryan a Police Officer  
of the 18th Precinct being sworn  
says that on the morning of the  
4th day of July about the hour  
of one o'clock he was in a  
Oyster Saloon 388 - 1st Avenue  
in the act of leaving the  
saloon when Kerwin  
and two more came in  
and Kerwin took a  
Chair up and struck  
me on the head and then  
there was a crowd came in  
and they all commenced  
to strike and kick me  
then drew my pistol and some  
one struck my hand and knocked  
my pistol out of it and Kerwin  
picked my pistol up and  
discharged two shots at  
me I can not say that  
Burns ~~fired~~ discharged  
a pistol but he was with  
the crowd and helped them

assault me

C + by Mr Nesbitt

I was not on duty at the time  
I was in the Oyster Saloon  
I was in there about twenty minutes



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(2)

before Kerwin and the others came in and there was a number of fire crackers thrown into the saloon while I was there. and caused annoyance to everyone in there. There was about 3 or 4 people present at the time the fire crackers was being thrown in to the oyster saloon. I can not say who it was that threw the firecrackers in. I did not attempt to make any arrest before Kerwin came in. I never had any trouble with Kerwin before nor did I know his name or have any conversation with him. Kerwin came in and said pointing to me there is the son of a Bitch that interfere about the fire crackers as soon as I was knocked down and my pistol I did not fire any shots. I did not point the pistol at Kerwin. I was standing up when I drew my pistol. ~~I then saw my pistol~~ and it was knocked out of my hand and I next saw my pistol in the hands of Kerwin.



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(3)

there was only two shots  
fired  
soon before me this James Ryan  
5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884  
J. Henry Ford  
Police Justice



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4

James Moughan being  
sworn says I am a Police  
Officer attached to the 18  
Precinct. I was on duty  
on the morning in question  
I was standing on the steps  
of the Station House and a  
Woman came and told me  
there was a Man shot in a  
Cigar Saloon 388 - 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
and when I got to the Saloon  
I saw Kevin have officers  
Ryan against the door and have  
~~the~~ a pistol in his hand. I  
did not see Burns there.  
Sworn before me this

5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884 James A. Moughan  
J. Henry Smith  
Police Justice

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(5)

I saw and I heard and being duly sworn says that he is 38 years of age and keeps an oyster saloon at 388 - 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and about half past twelve on the night in question Officer Ryan came for a stein of oysters and while he was sitting <sup>at a table</sup> ~~there~~ waiting for his oyster there was a number of firecrackers thrown in to the saloon and officer Ryan went to the door and spoke to someone about ~~the~~ the annoyance. I did not notice Kervin coming in to my place and did not see him till officer Ryan had him in hand and said that is the right man and attempted to ~~take him~~ <sup>take him</sup> from the saloon and the crowd commenced to throw bottles and other things at the officer I had the pistol shot but cannot say what was done the firing. I did not see ~~the~~ Kervin strike the officer with the chair. I know Kervin when I see him I cannot say that he was at present the time of the fight.



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(6)

Q I Was not excited ~~at~~ up to the time  
I saw the pistol I cannot say  
I saw the officer knocked down  
While I Was in the Saloon  
Sworn before me this & sheppard  
5th day of July 1884

J. Henry Ford

Police Justice

John Keown being duly sworn  
says that he is 27 years of age  
and resides #89 - 2 Avenue ~~St~~  
and is Foreman of Telegraph Lineman  
and has work for the same Company  
for 7 years. I have never been arrested  
before in my life. On the night in  
question I was going into the Saloon  
388 - 1st Avenue to have some repairs and  
as Officer Ryan was coming out  
of the Saloon I saw a man strike  
the officer with his fist I do not  
know his name. And then the  
officer seized a hold of my arm  
and I have got my man. And  
as he took a hold of me the crowd  
rushed in and the officer drew his  
revolver and fired one shot at the



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at the Crowd and then he pointed  
the pistol at me and turned it  
in his hand and the pistol  
went off. And then Officer Ryan  
go of the pistol and I threw  
it out into the street and he  
then asked some one to give him  
his pistol and when he did he  
struck me in the face with it  
and when I was in the  
Station House the officer struck  
me in the face with his fist  
I did not know the two men that  
went into ~~the~~ saloon nor did go in  
with them

J. Kevin

sworn before me

this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884

J. Henry Bond  
Police Justice



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Luke Burns age 20  
being truly Sunday that he  
resides 390 - 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue I am  
a Brass finisher and work every  
day I have never been arrested  
in my life I was sitting on a  
Coal Box in front of 386 - 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
with a few other friends and  
there was a crowd of little boys in  
front of the Oyster Saloon and they  
were throwing firecrackers into the  
Oyster Saloon and Officer Ryan  
came out and came over to the  
Coal Box and brand us away  
and stuck one of the party in the  
face with his hand and we all  
went a way and as soon as the officer  
went back in the Saloon we went back  
and sat on the Coal Box and then two  
young men went in the Saloon right after  
him and then Kevin came a  
long and he went into the Saloon  
and one of the young men stuck the  
officer as he was coming out of the door  
It was not Kevin because I know him  
but was not acquainted with the man  
that stuck the officer and then the  
officer turned around seized a  
pistol of Kevin and then



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After Ryan drew his pistol and  
fired and I then walked over  
to my own door and stood there.  
I was arrested in the morning while  
I was in bed  
Sworn before me Charles T. Davis  
this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884  
J. Henry Ford  
Police Justice



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Patrick Downing of 406  
E 23 Street being duly sworn  
says that he is 47 years of age  
and is a Laborer. I was  
sitting on the Coal Box at  
the time Kerwin was not there  
Burns was there I saw some  
small boys throw firecrackers  
into the Icebox there was  
none throwing by any one on the  
Coal Box I did not see any  
one strike the officer & I saw the  
officer discharge his pistol the  
officer was not knocked down  
while I was there.

Sworn before me Patrick<sup>th</sup> Downing  
This 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884 Mark

J. R. R. R.  
Police Justice



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James Hastings of 402 East 23<sup>rd</sup>  
to bring Andy Brown says that he is  
20 years of age and is a German  
that he was present at the time  
the officer came out of the office  
Ladson and ordered him and others  
from the Coal Box. ~~and that~~  
~~that~~ ~~Brown~~ in the face I saw  
the officer have a pistol pointed  
at some one head but I don't know  
his name and I know it was  
not Kevin. and when the  
first shot was fired the pistol  
was in the hand of the officer  
Brown before me this  
5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1894 James Hasty  
J. Perry Ford

Police Justice



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(12)

George brought of 408 & 23  
bring away from days that he  
is 25 year of age and a laborer  
I was opposite the oyster saloon on  
the night my attention was attracted  
by loud talking and I saw a  
pistol in the hand of the officer  
and saw him discharge it at  
the time he had a hole of heroin  
soon before me this  
5th day of June 1871. George Hunt

J. Henry Ford  
Police Justice



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(13)

Dennis Downey of 406 East 25th  
bring away from days that he is  
25 years of age and a laborer  
I was opposite 388 - 1st Avenue  
on the night in question and  
I saw the officer have a pistol  
in his hand and ask him  
to exchange it and at the time  
he had told of a man  
sworn before me was Dennis Downey  
3rd Ave of Jersey City  
J. Murray  
Police Justice



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

POLICE COURT, 1 DISTRICT.

aged 27 years.

Delia Shepherd

of No. 388-1st Avenue

Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the

morning of the 1 day of

July

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

she saw a crowd  
of men inside and outside of the store  
388-1 Avenue, beating Officer Ryan  
the complainant with bottles and  
glasses. The defendant Burns now  
present was one of the crowd in the  
store, but on account of the excite-  
ment can't swear if Burns struck  
the complainant.

Mrs Delia Shepherd

Sworn to before me, this

of July

1884

day

Wm J. Bond Police Justice



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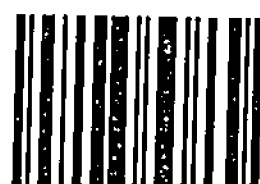
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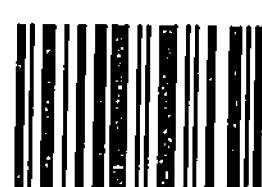
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Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed & day of

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July 9

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Herman Steadler  
and  
Max Gardens

Grand Larceny 2nd degree

[Sections 528, 531, — Penal Code].

PETER B. OLNEY,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

George J. Jackson

Foreman.

Aug 6, 1874

Each Both Plead Guilty

Elmeria Ref.

Charge all way back

Indictment - from 6th floor  
when Robert's former  
guilty



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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

*Bernard Herder*  
*Max Egerman*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
*Bernard Herder and Max Egerman*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *second* degree, committed as follows:

The said *Bernard Herder and Max Egerman*, each

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*fourteenth* day of *June*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*four*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,  
*two dresses of the value of forty*  
*dollars each, one shawl of the*  
*value of eighteen dollars, and*  
*sweater of the value of two*  
*dollars, one cap of the value*  
*of twenty five dollars, and*  
*one collar of the value of twenty*  
*five dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Theodore Manger*

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.



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SECOND COUNT—

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

*Vernon Herder and Max Garvens,*  
of the CRIME OF *Grand Larceny in the Second*  
*Degree, committed as follows:*  
The said *Vernon Herder and Max*  
*Garvens, each*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*fourteenth* day of *June* in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*four*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,  
*two dresses of the value of forty*  
*dollars each, one shawl of*  
*the value of eighteen dollars,*  
*one spread of the value of two*  
*dollars, one fur cap of the*  
*value of twenty five dollars*  
*and one fur collar of the*  
*value of twenty five dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of *one Mary Anderson*  
*whose true Christian name is to*  
*the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown,*  
by ~~persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before~~

*then and there feloniously did*  
*take and there feloniously did*  
~~unlawfully and unjustly, did feloniously receive and have, the said~~

*take, steal and carry away:*

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

~~PETER B. OLNEY,~~

~~District Attorney.~~



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Third COUNT.

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

Herman Kessler and Max Cohners  
of the CRIME OF Grand Larceny in the Second Degree,  
committed as follows:

The said Herman Kessler and Max Cohners  
late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, on the  
fourteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty four, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,  
two dresses of the value of forty  
dollars each, one shirt of the  
value of eighteen dollars, one  
spread of the value of two dollars  
one fur cap of the value of twenty  
five dollars, and one fur collar  
of the value of twenty five  
dollars, of the goods, chattels  
and personal property of one  
Solomon Meyman, 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.

Peter B. Olney,  
District Attorney.



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All the Court - of General  
Sessions of the Peace in  
and for the City and County  
of N.Y.

That people vs  
against  
Herman Kessler  
and

Max Garvey

I hereby declare  
that I have no objection,  
and consent that the  
goods recovered in above  
case, and now in the  
hands of Capt. Sumner  
19<sup>th</sup> Precinct, being the  
property of Theodore Meyer  
as mentioned in the  
indictment, be delivered to  
the owner thereof. I further  
declare that I am the duly  
trained counsel of defendants  
N.Y. July 15/84

Frank Keller

att for defts

846 Broadway

We acknowledge the goods mentioned  
in the indictment; Note the property  
of the Theodore Meyer, mentioned in the  
indictment.

Herman Kessler  
Max Garvey.



W. J. Federal Bureau Court.

Thel Poplar

~~Plaintiff~~

against

Herman Pessler

Defendant

affidavit - as to  
character of  
defendant Pessler

FRANK J. KELLER.

Attorney for *defendant*

346 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK CITY.

To *Esq.*

Attorney for .....

Due and timely service of

..... is hereby admitted.

Dated ..... 188

Attorney for .....

C. B. Merwin, Printer, 218 Fulton St., N. Y.

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Herrmann Kessler has been  
in our employ for about  
six years and always proved  
himself a most forward

the City and

N.Y. July 7/84

W. H. Kaufman  
formerly joined  
A. H. Kaufman

New York S. J.  
being duly

sworn to and;

1. He is in the decorating business  
in the City of New York, and has  
been so for the last fifty years.  
He has his place of business  
at 212 East 18th Street.
2. Dependent has known defendant  
Kessler for the last ten years,  
and defendant has repeatedly  
worked for dependent, at  
one time for three years steadily.
3. Dependent has always found  
said defendant Kessler an  
honest, hardworking, and  
industrious man, and would  
be willing to give said Kessler  
immediate employment if the Court  
will suspend sentence on the  
present charge against him.

Witness my hand and seal  
this 7th day of July 1884  
James H. [unclear]  
County of [unclear] City of New York

Christof Ashtalffy



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Court of General Sessions of the  
Peace in and for the City and  
County of New York  
The People vs  
against-

Herman Kessler  
City and County of New York S. S.  
Christof Asztalfy being duly  
sworn saith;

1. He is in the decorating business  
in the City of New York, and has  
been so for the last fifty years.  
He has his place of business  
at 212 East 18th Street.
2. Dependent has known defendant  
Kessler for the last ten years,  
and defendant has frequently  
worked for dependent; at  
one time for three years steadily.
3. Dependent has always found  
said defendant Kessler an  
honest, hardworking, and  
industrious man, and would  
be willing to give said Kessler  
immediate employment if the Court  
will suspend sentence on the  
present charge against him.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this August 1887 } Christof Asztalfy  
James J. Byrne }  
County Clerk of City & County



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In the Court of General Sessions  
of the Peace in and for the  
City and County of New York  
The People vs.

against

Hermann Kessler  
City and County of New York S. S.  
Julia Burch of the  
City of New York, being duly  
sworn and;

1. She is a property-holder in  
the City of New York, and has  
lived here for the last thirty  
(30) years. She is in the fruit  
or roasted goods business at  
No 10 Nostrand street.
2. She has known the above  
named defendant for the  
last twenty odd years, and  
has been intimately acquainted  
with his parents and family,  
all of whom are eminently  
respectable people.
3. Dependent has given bail  
for defendant Kessler.
4. Said defendant Kessler to  
dependent's personal knowledge  
has always borne the highest-



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character for honesty  
and integrity, and has  
been hardworking and  
industrious, as the other mem-  
bers of this family.

5. Defendant would gladly give  
work to defendant, and  
would take him into her  
employ immediately, in her  
factory, should the court  
discharge him, or suspend  
sentence.

In witness whereof,  
this 6<sup>th</sup> August 1884

Julia Bush

David E. Ginter  
Notary Public  
N.Y. Co. (214)

~~Julia Bush~~



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BAILED,

No. 1, by *John Quack*  
Residence *69 Grand Street.*

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

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

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

Police Court *4* District *1409*  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
*Thomas Thompson*  
*974 3rd St.*  
*Thomas Thompson*  
*Grand Larceny*  
Dated *July 14* 188 *4*  
Magistrate.  
*Samuel Thompson*  
Officer.  
*28 1st Precinct.*  
Witnesses  
*Samuel Thompson*  
No. *38* Street *1st Precinct.*  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
to answer *Samuel Thompson* Sessions.  
*Case*

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

*Thomas Thompson* *Ma Garrison*  
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 *July 14* 188 *4* *J. Thompson* 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

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

4 District Police Court.

*Max Garvens* 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. *Max Garvens.*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *26 Years.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *154 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. 2 Years.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Porter*

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 stealing the*  
*Others.*

*Max Garvens.*

Taken before me this

day of *July*

188*8*

*William J. Smith*  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

*Herman J. Kessler* 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. *Herman J. Kessler*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *27 Years.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Brooklyn, N.Y.*

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

Answer. *210 East 56 Street 1 Month.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Truck driver*

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 stealing a portion of the property*

*Herman Kessler*

Taken before me this *4<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *July* 188*8*  
*J. Murphy*  
Police Justice.



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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

Solomon Heyman  
of No. 974 3<sup>d</sup> Avenue Street, aged 40 years,  
occupation Merchant. being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1884 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 Black Satin dress. One Silk Brocade dress together of the value of twenty five dollars. One Paisley Shawl of the value of eight dollars. One Spread of the value of two dollars. One Fur Cap. One Collar together of the value of forty five dollars. And other personal property of the value of fifty five dollars. All being of the value of One hundred and ninety five dollars.

the property of Theodore Mayers and a woman named Davidson. and in deponent's care and charge.

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

Heaman J.essler and Paul Garver (both now here) from the fact that the said defendants admitted and confessed in deponent's presence that they had each taken a portion of said property and pawned them in various pawn offices. Where deponent in company with Officer Campbell of the 28<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police recovered a portion of said property.

Solomon Heyman

Sworn to before me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1884  
Police Justice.



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Kester, Henry

DATE:

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POOR QUALITY  
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Witnesses:

Day of Trial,

Counsel,

Filed, 8 day of July 1884

Pleads

July 9

THE PEOPLE

vs.

P

Denny Chester

13 West

459 West

Shawnee

PETER B. OLNEY,

~~JOHN M. MASON~~

District Attorney.

Aug 5/84.

Filed as Assault 209.

A TRUE BILL.

George V. Jackson

Foreman.

S.P. 4 years,

July 21, 1884

25 " "

Assault in the First Degree, E.C.

(12170218)



POOR QUALITY  
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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

*Henry Hester*

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

*Henry Hester*

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

The said *Henry Hester*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *Sixteenth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *four*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of *August Piezger* in the peace of the said people then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *in* the said *August Piezger* with a certain *knife* which the said *Henry Hester*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound with intent *to* the said *August Piezger* then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

## SECOND COUNT:

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

*Henry Hester*

of the CRIME OF *Assault in the Second Degree*, committed as follows:

The said *Henry Hester*

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said *August Piezger* then and there being, feloniously did, willfully and wrongfully, make an assault and *in* the said *August Piezger* with a certain *knife* which the said *Henry Hester*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, feloniously did, willfully and wrongfully then and there beat, strike, stab, cut and wound

against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

PETER B. OLNEY,

JOHN McKEON, District Attorney.



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

Police Court District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

August Fischer  
259 Eldridge St.  
Henry Kester

Offence Felony  
Assault & Battery

Dated 188

Magistrate.  
Officer.

Precinct.

No. 259 Eldridge St.

No. 259 Eldridge St.

No. 259 Eldridge St.

\$ 400 to answer 400 Sessions.

Committed

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

Henry Kester

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Seven 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 June 5<sup>th</sup> 1884 John F. Emmen 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

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

2 District Police Court.

*Henry Kester* 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 h 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. *Henry Kester*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *43 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *259 Plecker Street about nine months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Shoe 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 but did it in self  
defense*

*Henry Kester*

Taken before me this  
day of *June* 188*8*  
*John J. McNamee*  
Police Justice.



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Police Court—2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No.

August Ziegler 31 yrs  
239 Bleeker Street,

on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May being duly sworn, deposes and says, that

in the year 1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Henry Kester  
(now here) who feloniously stabbed

deponent in the left breast

with a Shoemakers Knife then

and there held in the hands

of said defendant

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

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

Sworn to before me this

of

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John Herman POLICE JUSTICE.



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

POLICE COURT, 2 DISTRICT.

Edward Pierce

of No. the 9th Precinct Police Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 16 day of May 1888

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he arrested one

Henry Kester (now here) charged with  
having feloniously assaulted and beaten  
one August Ziegler by stabbing the  
said Ziegler in the left breast with a  
shoe makers knife then and there held  
in the hands of the said Kester causing  
injuries from which the said Ziegler is  
now confined to his room and is unable  
to appear in Court as set forth in the  
annexed certificate, the said August Ziegler  
fully identified the said Henry Kester in the

Sworn to before me, this

of

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John J. Justice.



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presence of deponent as the person who had inflicted the said injuries on him Ziegler

Wherefore deponent prays the said Kester may be held to await the result of said injuries.

Sworn to before me

this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1884

Edward Pierce  
Police Justice

POLICE COURT— DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE & C.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Edward Pierce

vs. Henry Kester

Dated

1884

May 17

Magistrate.

Office

Witness

Deposition

May 18, 1884



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New York, May 16, 1884

To whom it may concern,  
This is to certify that  
August Liegler, living at  
2569 Bleeker Street, is confined  
to his room and bed, suf-  
fering the results of a stab  
wound of chest.

Thomas C. Kany, M.D.  
30 Bedford St.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Keller  
De, cc  
forwarded  
Oct 31/84  
P.O. O.



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**State of New York.**

Executive Chamber,

Albany, Oct 17 1884

Sir: Application having been made to the Governor for the pardon of Henry Keester, who was sentenced on May 6 1884, in your County, for the crime of Assault with a dangerous weapon for the term of 4 years and to the State Prison you are respectfully requested (in pursuance of Chapter 310, Laws 1849) to furnish the Governor with a concise statement of the case as proven on the trial, together with any other facts or circumstances which may have a bearing on the question of granting or refusing a pardon. Be pleased, also, to state the previous character of the convict. *All inquiries respectfully requested.*

Each letter of inquiry from this Department should be answered on a separate sheet.

Very respectfully yours,

*James Cleveland*  
*Gordon Brown*  
*Executive Clerk*

To *Mr. P. B. Allen*

District Attorney, &c.



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DESCRIPTION:

King, Michael

DATE:

07/23/84



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Witnesses :

Counsel,

Filed 23 day of July 1884

Pleads

*Not Guilty (not)*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Michael King*

Grand Larceny (2<sup>nd</sup> degree)  
(From the person)  
[Sections 528, 530, — Penal Code]

PETER B. OLNEY,

*Aug 12/84* District Attorney.

*Ind. & acquitted.*  
**A True Bill.**

*George J. Jackson*  
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

*Michael King*

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

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

The said *Michael King*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*fourteenth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*four*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one neck tie of the*

*value of five cents*

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

*Peter B. Olney*  
*District Attorney*







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Sec. 198-200

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Michael King 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. Michael King

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 19 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. 251 8<sup>th</sup> Ave 3 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Labourer

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  
Michael King

Taken before me this 14  
day of July 1884  
A. H. H. H. H.  
Police Justice.



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District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

George Leuthner

of No. 215 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street,

3 a.m.

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 14 day of July 1884

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 in the night time the following property, viz:

one silk necktie of the value of  
five cents

the property of deponent who is 33 years old  
and a Plumber by occupation

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 Michael King (now here)

that deponent saw said property  
in the possession of said King  
and that previous to it being  
found in said King's possession  
said neck tie was then and  
there worn by deponent

George Leuthner

Sworn before me this 14 day of July

Police Justice,

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Koshofski, Michael

DATE:

07/10/84



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Witnesses :

Counsel,

Filed 10 day of July 1884

Pleads

THE PEOPLE

[Sections 528 and 529 Penal Code].  
(False pretenses).  
LARCENY, with force and violence

Michael Xochopli

(4 copies)

PETER B. OLNEY,

District Attorney.

July 11/84  
Pleaded guilty to 18  
A TRUE BILL.

George J. Jackson

Remanded to Prison

July 11, 1884

W. H. L.



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ORIGINALS

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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

*Michael Vosholsky*

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

*Michael Vosholsky*

of the CRIME of *Grand LARCENY in the Second Degree* committed as follows:

The said *Michael Vosholsky*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Seventeenth* day of *June* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*four*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, with intent to deprive and defraud *Charles*

*C. Webster and George C. Webster* (then and there being copartners and jointly business then and there under the firm name of *Webster and Company*) of the property hereinafter mentioned, and of the use and benefit thereof, and to appropriate the same to *his* own use, did then and there feloniously, fraudulently and falsely pretend and represent to *one Rufus W. Terry* then and there being a clerk and book keeper in the employ of said *Charles C. Webster and George C. Webster*.

That *he* was a member of a certain firm then doing business under the name and style of *Mark Warner and Company*. That said firm of *Mark Warner and Company* then had on deposit to their credit in the *Mechanics and Traders Bank of Brooklyn*, a large amount, to wit: at least the sum of *fifty three dollars*, against which said firm was then entitled to draw *cash*. That *he* the said *Michael Vosholsky*, as a member of said firm of *Mark Warner and Company* then and there had full power and authority to draw, make and sign checks in the name of said firm. And that a certain paper and writing, which *he* then and there exhibited to and delivered to the said *Rufus W. Terry*, in the words and figures following to wit: *Brooklyn N.Y. June 17<sup>th</sup> 1884* *Mechanics and Traders Bank* *Pay to the order of R. W. Terry & Co* *Fifty Three* *Dollars \$53.00/100* *Mark Warner & Co.* was a good and genuine bank check, and was then and there of the value of *fifty three dollars*, —



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And the said Budger L. Tenny

then and there believing the said false and fraudulent pretenses and representations so made as aforesaid by the said Michael Koshchynski

and being deceived thereby, was induced, by reason of the false and fraudulent pretenses and representations so made as aforesaid, to deliver, and did then and there deliver to the said Michael Koshchynski, ten yards of silk of the value of four dollars each yard, and five yards of velvet of the value of four dollars each yard

of the ~~proper money~~ goods, chattels and personal property of the said Charles B. Webster and Jerome B. Wheeler and the said Michael Koshchynski did then and there feloniously obtain the said

~~of the proper money~~ goods, chattels and personal property of the said Charles B. Webster and Jerome B. Wheeler from the possession of the said Charles B. Webster

and Jerome B. Wheeler, by color and by aid of the false and fraudulent pretenses and representations aforesaid, and with intent to deprive and defraud the said Charles B. Webster and Jerome B. Wheeler,

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 Michael Koshchynski

was not then a member of a firm then doing business under the name and style of Werner and Company. And whereas in truth and in fact the said firm of Werner and Company did not then have on deposit to their credit in the Mechanics and Traders Bank of Brooklyn at least the sum of twenty-five dollars, or any sum of money whatever, against



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which the said firm were then  
entitled to draw. And whereas  
in truth and in fact the said  
Michael Kardolofsky did not  
then and there have as a  
member of said firm, full power  
and authority to draw make  
and sign checks in the name of  
said firm.

And whereas in truth and  
in fact the said paper and  
writing which the said Michael  
Kardolofsky then and there exhibited  
to and delivered to the said Rufus  
H. Terry, as aforesaid, was not  
a good and genuine bank check,  
and was not then and there of the  
value of fifty three dollars, but  
was utterly false and worthless,

And Whereas, in truth and in fact, the pretenses and representations so made  
as aforesaid by the said Michael Kardolofsky  
to the said Rufus H. Terry — was and were,  
then and there in all respects utterly false and untrue, as the said —  
Michael Kardolofsky  
at the time of making the same then and there well knew.

AND SO THE GRAND JURY AFORESAID do say: That the said —  
Michael Kardolofsky —  
on the day and year first aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in the  
manner and form aforesaid, and by the means aforesaid, with force and arms, ten  
yards of silk of the value  
of four dollars each yard,  
and five yards of velvet of  
the value of four dollars  
each yard —

of the ~~proper money~~ goods, chattels and personal property of the said Charles  
B. Webster and Grace B. Wheeler,  
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.

PETER B. OLNEY, District Attorney.



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Sec. 198-200

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Michael Koschowski 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. Michael Koschowski

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 32 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. US

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

Answer. No home

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Salesman

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 and  
wave examination

Michael Koschowski

Taken before me this 26

John J. Smith  
Police Justice.



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STATE OF NEW YORK.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

POLICE COURT—

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DISTRICT.

of No.

200

61st Avenue

39. Brook Ave

Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says that on the

17th

day of

June

1884

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

Michael

Koshofski (now here) did willfully with intent, to defraud, by color or aid of a cheque or order for the payment, of money, he well knowing that the maker or drawer thereof, was not entitled to draw the same for the sum specified therein; obtain from deponent property of Charles B Webster and Jerome B Wheeler, (and in the care and custody of deponent) consisting of ten yards of silk and one piece of velvet containing five yards and in all of the value of fifty three 93/100 dollars, under the following circumstances to wit: On said date said defendant entered the store where deponent is employed and purchased said property. Said defendant falsely represented to deponent that he was a member of the firm of Mark Werner and company and that he had an account in the Mechanics' Bank of Brooklyn. Said defendant then in deponent's presence drew and signed the annexed cheque signed the same Mark Werner and company. Said defendant also had in his

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have a bank book purporting to be a book of deposit in said bank.

Deponent believing the representations to him made by said defendant delivered to him <sup>said property</sup> and received from said defendant said cheque for the sum of fifty two dollars and also ninety three cents in change. Deponent sent said cheque to said bank for collection when it was returned to deponent as worthless and of no value no such party having any account in said bank. Wherefore deponent charges said defendant with willfully with intent to defraud by color or aid of a cheque or order for the payment of money he well knowing that the drawer or maker thereof was not entitled to draw upon the drawer for the amount specified therein, obtaining from him said property.

*Rufus K. Terry*

Sworn to before me }  
this 26 of June 1884 }  
*Golden D. Brown*

*Police Justice*

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness.

Disposition.



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Brooklyn C.D. June 17/84  
Mechanics & Lumber Bank  
Pay to the order of R.H. Macy & Co  
Fifty Three no/100 Dollars  
\$53 no/100 West Werners Co  
E. H. OLIVER, PRINTER, 106 E. 5TH ST. N.Y.



**POOR QUALITY  
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FOR BANK DEPOSIT

*May 19*

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BAILED,

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

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

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

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

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Police Court 2 District 1434

James D. Fort  
32 to 36  
Michael H. Koptick  
JUL 1 1884

Office Larceny

Dated June 26 1884  
Smith Magistrate.  
Alas Reese Officer.  
63 Precinct.

Witnesses: A. J. O'Leary  
Residence of Medansio  
No. 144 Franklin Street  
Greenpoint &c.

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
to answer \_\_\_\_\_ Sessions.

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

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

Dated June 26 1884 Solomon B. Smith Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1884 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

*Michael Koshofski* being duly examined before the under-  
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is *no* 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 *no* waiver cannot be used  
against *him* on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Michael Koshofski*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*MS*

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

Answer.

*No home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Salesman*

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 and  
waive examination*

*Michael Koshofski*

Taken before me this

*26*

day of *June* 1934  
*John Smith*  
Police Justice.



~~No. 3309~~ ~~Am~~ ~~Bank~~ ~~for~~ ~~Ed~~ ~~June~~ ~~19~~ <sup>th</sup> ~~188~~ ~~x~~  
~~Mechanic~~ ~~&~~ ~~Fund~~ ~~Bank~~  
 Pay to the order of ~~Stem~~ ~~Box~~  
~~Trenton~~ ~~Riv~~ ~~no~~ ~~10~~ ~~Dollars,~~  
~~\$26~~ ~~no~~ ~~100~~ ~~in~~ ~~present~~ ~~to~~  
 M. & H. Blotter Tablet.

M. &amp; H. Blotter Tablet.

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Sec. 198-200

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

*Michael Koszowski* being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is *no* 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 *no* waiver cannot be used against *him* on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Michael Koszowski*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*MS*

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

Answer.

*No home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Salesman*

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 and  
waive examination*

*Michael Koszowski*

Taken before me this *26*  
day of *June* 1934  
*John J. Smith*  
Police Justice.



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

POLICE COURT— 2 — DISTRICT.

James D. Ford

of No. 32 to 36 W. 23

33. Gasler

Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says that on the

19

day of

June

1884

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

Michael

Koshofski (now here) did willfully with intent to defraud by color or aid of a cheque or order for the payment of money, he well knowing that the maker or drawer thereof was not entitled to draw upon the drawee for the amount specified therein, obtained from deponent property of Isaac Stern Louis Stern Bernhard Stern and Benjamin Stern and in the care and custody of deponent) consisting of two pairs of gloves one dress and one piece of pongee and in all of the value of Twenty six dollars, under the following circumstances to wit. On said date said defendant entered the store where deponent is employed and purchased said property. Said defendant falsely represented to deponent that he was a member of the firm of Mark Wernier and Company and that he had an account in the Mechanics and Traders Bank of Brooklyn, and that he had money deposited in said bank. Said defendant then in deponent's presence wrote and signed the annexed cheque signing the same Mark Wernier and Company



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Said defendant also showed deposit  
a book of deposit in said bank.  
Depositor believing the representation  
made to him by said defendant  
delivered to him said property and  
received therefor said cheque. Depositor  
sent said cheque to said Mechanics  
and Traders Bank of Brooklyn for  
collection and it was returned as  
of no value. Wherefore depositor charges  
said defendant with willfully and intent  
to defraud by color and aid of a cheque or  
order for the payment of money he well  
knowing that the drawer or maker thereof  
was not entitled to draw upon the  
drawee for the amount specified  
therein, obtaining from him said  
property

James A. Ford

Seen to before me  
this 26<sup>th</sup> of June 1884

Solomon R. Smith

Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness.

Disposition.



Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed 10 day of July 1884

Pleads

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
P  
Michael Rodopoulos  
(Hears)

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

PETER B. OLNEY,

July 11/84 District Attorney.

Emitted in the Ord.

A True Bill.

George J. Jackson

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

*Michael Koszowski*

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

*Michael Koszowski*

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

The said

*Michael Koszowski*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the ~~nineteenth~~ day of ~~June~~ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*two pairs of gloves of the value  
of three dollars each pair  
one dress of the value of  
twenty five dollars, one piece  
of silk of the kind called  
pomage of the value of ten  
dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Isaac Stern*

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.

*Peter B. Olney,*

*District Attorney*



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BAILED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
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Police Court - 2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John A. Williams  
836 9838 Broadway  
Michael Joseph  
Offence Larceny

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Dated June 26 1887

Swick Magistrate.  
S. Rogers Officer.  
60 Precinct.

Witnesses Mr. Jones  
Mr. Butler Brother Street.

23rd St New Broadway  
219 O'Connell's Carriage  
Mechanics Station  
144 Franklin Street  
No. 52nd Street  
1008 to answer Sessions.

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

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

Dated June 26 1887 Solou B. Smith Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1887 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1887 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Michael Koshofski 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 him; that the statement is designed to  
enable h him if h see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h him  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that h is waiver cannot be used  
against h him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Michael Koshofski

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 32 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. US

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

Answer. No home

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Salesman

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 and  
I waive examination

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Taken before me this 26  
day of June 1937  
John J. [Signature]  
Police Justice.



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

POLICE COURT—

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DISTRICT.

John A Williamson

of No. 836 + 838 Broadway <sup>35. Cashier</sup> Street, being duly sworn, deposes andsays that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 1887

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

Koshofski (now he) did willfully with intent to defraud by color or aid of a cheque or order for the payment of money, he well knowing that the maker or drawer thereof was not entitled to draw upon the drawee thereof for the amount specified therein, obtain from deponent, property of a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York and doing business under the name of Mitchell Vance and Company (and in the case of deponent) consisting of one clock of the value of fourteen dollars, under the following circumstances to wit. On said date said defendant purchased at said store the above mentioned clock, and told deponent he wanted to take it with him as it was for a wedding present. Said defendant represented to deponent that he was a member of the firm of W. W. Verner and Company doing business in the city of New York and that he had a



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money deposited in the Mechanics and Traders Bank of Brooklyn at the same time showing deponent a book purporting to be a book of deposit on said bank and purporting to have the sum of five hundred dollars deposited to his credit in said bank. Said defendant then wrote the annexed cheque for the amount of fourteen dollars, on said bank and signed the same M Werner and Company.

Deponent believing the representations made to him by said defendant delivered to him said check. Deponent sent said cheque to said bank for collection when it was returned to him as worthless and of no value. Wherefore deponent charges said defendant with willfully with intent to defraud by color or aid of a cheque or order for the payment of money he well knowing at the time that the drawer or maker <sup>thereof</sup> was not entitled to draw upon the drawee for the sum therein specified obtaining from him said property. John A. Williamson

Signed to be sworn this 26 of June 1884

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFRIDA VIT.

vs.

Dated

Magistrate.

Witness,

Disposition,

Solomon B. Smith

Police District



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No. B139 —      Brooklyn ED 6/19/88

*The Mechanics & Trades Bank*

Pay to the order of *Wm. H. Vance & Co*

*Forsythe*      *10/10* Dollars


*\$14 00/100*      *W. H. Vance*



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Witness:

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Counsel,  
Filed 10 day of July 1884  
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THE PEOPLE  
vs. *P*  
*Michael Koschinsky*  
*(It says)*  
Forgery in the Second Degree.  
(Sections 511 and 591.)

PETER B. OLNEY,  
~~JOHN MCKEON~~  
July 11/84 District Attorney.  
Entered on Ans. Ord.  
A True Bill.  
*George J. Foreman*  
Foreman.

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0024

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Michael Kosholstein

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

Michael Kosholstein

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

The said Michael Kosholstein

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the nineteenth day of June — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, feloniously did forge, and cause and procure to be forged, and willingly act and assist in the forging a certain instrument and writing, to wit: an order for the payment of money of the said summandy called bank check, which said forged bank check,

is as follows, that is to say:

No. 139 - Brooklyn E.D. 4/19" 1884  
The Mechanics and Traders Bank  
Pay to the order of Mitchell Vance & Co  
Fourteen \$100 Dollars  
\$1400.00 M. Warner & Co

with intent to defraud, 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.

Peter B. Olney  
District Attorney



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

0025

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

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*George Washington Smith*  
30 8th Street  
New York City  
Office *Laurel*

Dated June 26<sup>th</sup> 188

*Smith* Magistrate.

*Regina M. Smith* Officer.

*Alb* Precinct.

Witnesses *Joseph Grace*

No. 10 4th St 23d Street.

No. 10 4th St 23d Street.  
*First National Bank*

No. 500 to answer Sessions.

No. 500 to answer Sessions.

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 *Respondent*

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 June 26<sup>th</sup> 188 *John B. Smith* 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  
OF NEW YORK, ss*Michael Kosowski*

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

*Michael Kosowski*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*32 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York City*

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

Answer.

*Refused*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

*Salesman*

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**Witness Kosowski*

Taken before me this *26* day of *June* 193*6*  
*John J. [Signature]*  
 Police Court



0027

STATE OF NEW YORK,  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT—

DISTRICT.

of No. 70777

George N. Behrman, Cashier

says that on the 23rd

day of June

1884

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

Michael Kaslofski

(now here) did wilfully with intent to defraud by cash or paid of a cheque or order for the payment of money, he well knowing that the maker or drawer thereof was not entitled to draw upon the drawee the amount specified therein obtain from deponent property of Ferdinand Chovis and Michael McCombliug and in the care and custody of deponent consisting of twenty yards of deapara in all of the value of nine dollars. Under the following circumstances to wit: On said date, said defendant entered the store where deponent is employed and purchased said property said defendant falsely represented to deponent that he was a member of the firm of Eustace Brooks & Company. And showed deponent a bank book and in the presence of deponent he wrote and signed the indexed cheque signing the same Eustace Brooks & Co. Deponent believing the representations made to him by said defendant delivered to him said property and received therefore said cheque to said First National Bank of New York for collection and it was returned as of no value wherefore deponent charges said defendant with wilfully



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with intent to defraud by color or aid  
of a cheque or order for the payment  
of money he well knowing that the  
drawer or maker thereof was not entitled  
to draw upon the drawer for the amount  
specified therein obtaining from him  
said property

person to before me  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1884  
George W. Fehrmann  
Solo R. Smith  
Deputy Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness.

Disposition.



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No. *B3164* — HOBOKEN, N. J., *June 28* 188*8*

First National Bank of Hoboken,

Pay to Order of *Conklin & Chavis*

*nine* *no* *100* Dollars.

\$ *900* *100*

HEATY & STEVENSON, 15 Spruce St., N. Y. *Custom Bonds Co*



0030

FOR DEPOSIT

TO CREDIT OF

Wm. & Co.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

0031

Counsel  
Filed *18 July* 188*7*  
Pleads

*Petit Larceny, with receiving stolen goods*  
(Sections 528, 532.)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*P*

*Michael Koschowski*  
*(Guilty)*

PETER B. OLNEY,

WHEELER H. PEGGIBAM,

*July 11/84* District Attorney.  
*Quoted*  
*dictated on ans. Ord.*  
A TRUE BILL.

*George J. Jackson*  
Foreman.

*Witnesses:*



0032

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Michael Kosholstein

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

Michael Kosholstein

of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY, committed as follows:

The said Michael Kosholstein

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid,  
on the 23rd day of June in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eightyfour, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

Twenty yards of

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forty five cents each

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of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Ferdinand  
N. Chivis then and there being found, then and there  
unlawfully did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the Statute in such case  
made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and  
their dignity.

Peter B. O'Meara  
District Attorney