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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

4553

**DESCRIPTION:**

Pietrowski, Albert

**DATE:**

10/07/92



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Witnesses:

Jacob Keeney

After a careful examination  
of the testimony in this  
case, I am satisfied that  
no jury could be gotten, who  
would convict the defendant  
I therefore respectfully recommend  
the discharge of the prisoner  
on his own recognizance

Thomas J. Bradley

Dep. Asst. Dist. Atty.

April 20 1893  
Wm. J. Keeney  
Atty.

Counsel,

Filed

Pleaded

day of

1893

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Albert Piotrowski

Grand Larceny, second Degree.  
[Sections 523, 531, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

B. Lockwood

Foreman.

State - April 20 1893  
On motion of District  
Attorney defendant discharged  
on his verbal recognizance

POOR QUALITY  
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Police Court— 6<sup>th</sup> District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

138 E 10<sup>th</sup> St Brooklyn E. 5 Jacob Kettering  
No. 4091-3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Street, aged 28 years,  
occupation Laborn being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 22 day of June 1892 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:

five and lawful money to the  
amount and value of one  
hundred dollars

the property of deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by Albert Pietrowskie (now here)

from the fact that said defendant  
represented to deponent that for the  
sum of one hundred dollars he would get  
deponent employment at good wages -  
that deponent paid said defendant  
said sum of money, and he has failed  
and neglected to get deponent said  
employment and deponent therefore charges  
the said defendant with defrauding -  
deponent and feloniously stealing and  
carrying away said money  
Jacob Kettering

Sworn to before me, this 24 day of

August 1892

Wm. H. McMillan  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198—200.

6<sup>th</sup>

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

*Albert Pietrowskie* 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.

*Albert Pietrowskie*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*54 years.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Prussia*

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

Answer.

*4091-3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. 3 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Machinist*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of the charge.  
Albert Pietrowskie*

Taken before me this

day of *August* 189*2*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court--- 6th District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James Ketting  
138 Broadway, New York

Allen Pittman

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Augusta Pickers  
666 E 160 Street.

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

No.

Street.

Witnesses

Street.

Dated

August 24th 1892

Offence

Larceny -  
Theft -

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 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 August 24th 1892 M. J. Webb Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 Police Justice.

on motion of the within  
attorney, let this case  
be admitted to the  
Grand Jury of the  
City of New York  
August 22, 1892  
M. J. Webb

1000 to answer  
Dated August 24th 1892  
M. J. Webb (over)

RECEIVED  
AUG 28 1892  
CLERK OF THE COURT  
CITY OF NEW YORK

Jacob Kettering

Answered an advertisement for a good  
man in the Staats Zeitung, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of  
June. Went to 4091-3<sup>rd</sup> Ave between  
174<sup>th</sup> and 175<sup>th</sup> Sts. Saw Pietrowski at the  
door. Said I could go to work: must give  
\$100 security. Only had \$5: he took it, and  
said to bring the remainder the next day.

Next day drew \$100 from bank (has the  
bank book) gave him \$95<sup>more</sup> and got a receipt  
for \$100. Worked two months: got no money, he  
giving excuses for non-payment of wages.

Also, gave him a double case Heiber  
watch to be repaired. When I asked for  
it, he said it had been stolen.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Albert Pietrowski

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

— Albert Pietrowski —

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

The said Albert Pietrowski,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the twenty second  
day of June, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety- two at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

the sum of one hundred dollars in  
money, lawful money of the United  
States of America, and of the value of  
one hundred dollars,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Jacob Kettering, —

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.

Deaneey Moore,  
District Attorney

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Pollack, Otto

**DATE:**

10/04/92



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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Semmler, Lizzie

**DATE:**

10/04/92



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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Hellmuth, Willie

**DATE:**

10/04/92



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Witnesses:

Mr Savage

Counsel,

Filed

Day of

1892

Pleads.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Otto Pollack,

Engie Semmler

and

Willie Hellmuth

Grand Larceny,  
(From the Person)  
[Sections 438, 439, Penal Code.]

DE KANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Benjamin Lockwood

Sub-3. Oct 17, 192 Foreman.

W. A. 173 tried & convicted  
with receipt of money from

Nov 1833

North Cath. Protest.

Nº 2 Co's Infactory 1833

Court of Gen. Sessions

People

agst

Lizzie Semler

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY  
TO CHILDREN.

100 EAST 23D STREET,

New York, Sept. 27 1892

CASE NO. 67840

DATE OF ARREST

CHARGE

OFFICER

Sept 23  
Larceny from the person

AGE OF CHILD 10 years

RELIGION

FATHER

MOTHER

RESIDENCE

Catholic  
John  
Kate  
No. 1461 Avenue A.

AN INVESTIGATION BY THE SOCIETY SHOWS THAT the family of Semler's - of which Lizzie is the youngest, are Bohemians. The father abandoned his family four years ago, and they have since lived in poverty, and the mother has supported children by washing and ironing. Child Lizzie has not been arrested before, but there is reason to believe that this is not her first offense, and that her mother has had knowledge of the child's stealings.

All which is respectfully submitted,

To Dist Attorney

Harry C. Streeter  
asst Sup.

Court of  
General Sessions.

People

appt

Lizzie Semler

Removal from the Court  
PENAL CODE, § 17

Report of the New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.

ELBRIDGE T. CERRY,

President, &c.,

100 East 23d Street,

NEW YORK CITY.

Court of Sp. Sessions

People,  
agst  
William Helmut.

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY  
TO CHILDREN.

100 EAST 23D STREET,

New York, Sept. 27 1892

CASE NO. 67840

DATE OF ARREST Sept. 25

OFFICER Barkley

CHARGE

Larceny from the person.

AGE OF CHILD

14 yrs.

RELIGION

Catholic

FATHER

George

MOTHER

Mary

RESIDENCE

No. 167 E 1st av.

AN INVESTIGATION BY THE SOCIETY SHOWS THAT on October 1st 1890 William Helmut was arrested for petit larceny, but no complaint was taken in police court, and boy was discharged. Parents of boy are respectable, and have a comfortable home.

All which is respectfully submitted,

To Dist. atty.

Harry E. Stocking  
asst. Supt.

*Court of  
General Sessions*

*People*

*agab*

*William Delmuth*

*James from Person*

PENAL CODE, ss

Report of the New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.

ELBRIDGE T. CERRY,

*President, &c.,*

100 East 23d Street,

NEW YORK CITY.

Court of Benil Sessions

People

vs

Etto Polack

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY  
TO CHILDREN.

100 EAST 23D STREET,

New York, Sept. 27 1892

CASE NO. 67,840

DATE OF ARREST

CHARGE

OFFICER

Bailey

Sept. 20

Larceny from the person

AGE OF CHILD

12 years

RELIGION

Catholic

FATHER

Etto

MOTHER

Mary

RESIDENCE

1457 Avenue A.

AN INVESTIGATION BY THE SOCIETY SHOWS THAT There has

been no previous case or re-  
cord against Etto Polack. Pa-  
rents are Bohemian Regar ma-  
kers. Nothing appears against  
them up to the present case,  
but there is reason to believe they  
have had knowledge of the child's  
wrong doing.

All which is respectfully submitted,

John D. Patterson

Henry E. Sturtevant  
asst. Secy.



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*Court of  
General Sessions*

*People*

*agab*

*Otto Polack*

*Lawson from Benson*

PENAL CODE, 1909

Report of the New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.

ELBRIDGE T. GERRY,

*President, &c.,*

100 East 23d Street,

NEW YORK CITY.

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The People of the State of New York, : Before Hon. Ran-  
against : dolph B. Martine,  
OTTO POLLOCK and WILLIAM HELLMUTH. : and a Jury.  
: :  
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Indicted for grand larceny in the 2nd degree.

APPEARANCES: For the People Assistant District Attorney Vernon M. Davis.

JOAN GRIFFIN, a witness for the People, sworn, testified:

I live at 237 9th avenue in this city. On the 24th day of September this year I was in Central Park. About between half past one and three o'clock sometime I was in the vicinity of the menagerie. I was looking at the animals I had my pocket book in my pocket containing fifty one cents. I did not miss my pocket book until the officer told me some one had taken it . I did not feel any one taking it. The boy Hellmuth ran away but the officer caught him . I saw two little boys and a little girl there near me in the menagerie. I saw my pocket book in the station house and identified it. I did not hear any of the little ones saying anything. The little girl herself stole the pocket book, she said. She also stated that she went to the park with the boys.

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WILLIAM SAVAGE, a witness for the defense, sworn, testified:

I am an officer of the park police. I was on duty in Central Park on the 24th of September in citizen's clothes. I went into the monkey house during the afternoon and stood there for a time watching this girl who has been on the stand. I saw the two defendants and a little girl acting suspiciously. They were feeling the pockets of a number of women there. William Hellmuth was feeling ladies pockets. The little girl put her hand into the complainant's pocket and took out her pocket book. I saw her have it in her hand and go over to the boy Pollock and talk to him. I do not know what they said. Then Hellmuth joined them and the three of them walked out. I went over to Miss Griffin informed her of what had occurred, and she then felt in her pocket for her book and found it gone. I caught the girl and Pollock; Hellmuth ran away but was caught afterwards. I found the pocket book on the little girl. I found nothing on the two defendants.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

Pollock said that he went over to the monkey house with the little girl, with the intention of stealing. When I arrested Hellmuth she said that this little girl had brought him over to the park. I found nothing on him. Pollock admitted having shared in other larcenies committed by this little girl. I am positive that I saw all three feeling the pockets of women.

LIZZIE SEMLER, a witness for the People, sworn, testified:

I am the little girl referred to who stole this pocket book. I was arrested by the officer. I am going on eleven years of age. I live on the same block with ~~the~~ these boys. I had a conversation with Mary Pollock, a sister of the defendant. She took me to the park and taught me to steal pocket books. I went over to the park on the day in question with these two boys. Pollock asked his sister on that day if she would go over to the park to see the animals. She said no that she had to go somewhere for her mother. Then he asked me to go. I went. We went for the purpose of stealing something. We all went together for that purpose. When we got into the monkey house I stole this pocket book. I told the others that I had done it. They knew what I was doing and they were trying to do the same thing. When I had taken the pocket book I had a conversation with the boys about it. Then the officer arrested me. Pollock said when we got some money we would go to a museum. I did not see Hellmuth doing anything in the monkey house. Neither did I see Pollock doing anything.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

The officer is not telling the truth when he says I was feeling woman's pockets; this is the only pocket I went to. I have gone to the park with other little girls and stolen pocket books. I always was in company with others when I went out to steal. I live with my mother. My mother never knew that I went to the park to steal.

I never told her anything about it.

No testimony offered by defence. The jury convicted the defendants of grand larceny 2nd degree.

Indictment filed Oct. 4-1892.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

Part III.

THE PEOPLE &c.

against

OTTO POLLOCK and WILLIAM

HELLMUTH.

Abstract of testimony on

trial, New York, October

17th 1892.

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William Helmut  
Sept. 1892 - Cath. Protec

Mrs. Mary Helmut  
9516. - 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. -

In the matter of the  
Application for the  
discharge of Otto Pollack  
from New York Catholic Protectory.

*Copy  
F. Riordan*

City and County of New York.

Otto Pollack Sr. of No. 1457 Ave. A. in said City being duly sworn says that he is the father of one Otto Pollack aged twelve years.

That deponent, and his wife the mother of said Otto work at Segar making and are well able to support themselves and their children in a decent and comfortable manner.

That prior to living at their present place, they lived at No. 404 East 104 th, St. Otto went to Public School in 97th, st. near 2nd avenue punctually, until vacation commenced at the end of which they moved down to 1457 Ave. A. near 77th, St.

In September when schools opened, Otto could not to go school in consequence of Schools being overerowed and he remained at home he never associated with any bad or disorderly children was never charged with any offence and was never arrested until the time herein stated, he is a good and well behaved boy and strictly honest. The way he came to be arrested in this instance is as follows:

The girl Lizzie Sempler who picked the womans pocket in the Central Park lives in the house adjoining deponent, Otto saw her often on the sidewalk and played with her and other girls and boys living in the neighborhood, Otto did not know anything about her doings away from where she lived, he never went with the girl or any of the other boys to the Central Park, until one Saturday in September

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STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK  
IN SENATE

last, Otto had heard from some boys that this girl was in the habit of paying for Carousel rides in the Park for the boys in the neighborhood and was aksed by them on this Saturday to go with them and get a ride also. This is the way Otto came to go to the Park, he did not know that the girl had previously picked pockets she never told anyone <sup>before</sup> to his knowledge that she did so until she was arrested, Otto always heard her say that she often found money in the Park, and when playing around the sidewalk near her home she would treat Otto and other boys, and girls with soda water and candy and would sometimes give them pennies.

Otto never associated with the boy Helmuth, on this Saturday in Sep was the first time he was in <sup>his</sup> company in the Park.

Sworn to before me  
this 16th, day of Nov. 1892

John C. Lang  
Notary Public  
N.Y. Co.

(Signed) Otto Pollack



*A Copy  
of*  
*Reverend*

City and County of New York

Pavel Kostka of said City being duly sworn says that he does  
business at No. 1479 Ave. A. in said City.

That he has known Otto Pollack Senior and his family for several  
years, that they are sober, industrious, and hard working  
respectable poeple. That Otto Pollack the son of said Otto  
Pollack senior is a decent, honest, and well behaved boy, and  
deponent knows of his own knowledge that he does not and never did  
associate with any bad or disorderly children.  
Deponent also knows that Otto, Pollack senior his father is well  
able to take care of him and has brought him up in a decent and  
respectable manner.

Sworn to before me  
this 16th, day of November 1892

John C: Lang  
Notary Public  
N.Y. co.

(Signed)

P. Kostka

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TO THE HONORABLE SENATE  
OF THE MASSACHUSETTS  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE LANDS  
AND MINES  
BOSTON  
JANUARY 1891  
SIR,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the application of the Massachusetts Land and Mines Commission for a lease of the land in the town of Weymouth, known as the "Weymouth Land", and in reply to inform you that the same has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration.

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365  
John C. [unclear]

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

1877.

*William Savage*  
aged *25* years, occupation *Officer* of No. *1*  
*The Park Premier* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Sam Griffin*  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *25*

day of *Sept* 189*2*

*W. H. Bayly*  
Police Justice.

*William Savage*

Police Court Fourth District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County  
of New York, } ss:

of No. 237-9th Avenue Street, aged 18 years,  
occupation Dressmaker being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 24 day of Sept 1892 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 leather Purse containing Prayer beads  
and medal and good and lawful money  
of the United States of the amount and  
value of Fifty one cents

the property of deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloni-  
ously taken, stolen and carried away by Otto Pallaer, Louis

Semmler, and Willie Kellmuth, all now  
here, while acting in concert for the  
reasons following to wit that on said  
date deponent was in the monkey house  
in Central Park. That the said purse was  
in the pocket of deponent's dress. That  
deponent is informed by Police Officer  
William Amag of the Park Police that  
on said date he, the officer, saw these  
defendants in company with each other  
in said house and saw the defendant  
Semmler take the said purse from deponent's  
pocket and after taking said purse go to  
the said defendants, Kellmuth and  
Pallaer. That he the officer arrested

Sworn to before me, this  
day

Police Justice.

The defendants. and dependent charges  
The defendant with the aforesaid larceny  
while acting in concert and prays that they  
be dealt with as the law directs.

Done before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> Joan Griffin  
23<sup>rd</sup> Day of September 1898

Public Justice

Sec. 198—200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss:  
OF NEW YORK, }

*Otto Pollack* 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 sees 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. *Otto Pollack*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 yrs.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *1457 Avenue A - 3 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Musical*

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.*  
*Otto Pollack*

Taken before me this

day of

*1897*  
*Police Justice*

Sec. 198-200.

H District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss:  
OF NEW YORK, }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Lizzie Semmler

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

10 years old

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Germany

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

Answer.

1046 1st Avenue A.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

go to school

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

Lizzie Semler

Taken before me this

day of

Sept

1897

Wm. J. Butler  
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

District Police Court.

*Willie Hellmuth*  
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 sees fit, to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against him; that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty*  
*Willie Hellmuth*

Taken before me this

day of

Police Justice.



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

Police Court--- 4 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*James H. [unclear]*  
*367 1st Ave*  
*Edw. Walker*  
*George Hunter*  
*William Williams*  
Offence *Receiving stolen goods*

Dated *Sept 25* 188*4*

*Magistrate*

*Officer*

*Precinct*

Witnesses *Carl Hoffman*

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

No. *108 E 23rd*  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Committee of the Board of the Society*

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 \_\_\_\_\_

*Alfred [unclear]*  
guilty thereof, I order that *he* be held to answer the same and *he* be admitted to bail in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_

*Twenty* Hundred Dollars, *each* and be committed to the *Society for the Prevention of* \_\_\_\_\_  
the City Prison, of the City of New York, until *he* give such bail

Dated *Sept 25* 188*4* *J. H. [unclear]* 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.

( C O P Y )

REPORT OF N.Y.S.P.C.C. OFFICER IN THE MATTER OF  
OTTO POLACK.

DEC. 13/93.

Officer at 1457 Avenue A learned that the family of Otto Polack had moved from the house eight months before.

DEC. 14/93.

Officer at 415 Broom Street (N.Y. Catholic Protectory office) was informed that the Polack family was living at 319 East 39th St.

Officer at 319 East 39th Street saw Otto Polack who is living with wife Mary and children, Joseph 16, Frank 12, Mary 8, John 5 and Edward aged three months. Home, consisting of three rooms, was fairly furnished and clean. Family have lived in house four months and are well spoken of. Both man and wife work, at home, at making cigars, earning between them from Sixteen to Eighteen Dollars per week. Son Joseph is employed is employed on a boat.

Officer at 321 East 39th Street saw man's employer, Mr. Sol Dotrinur, who said "Pollack was a sober, steady, man and that he earns good wages making cigars."

*Dear Mr. Penner.*

*Went with wife to Cath. Protectory and  
discharge of 1911. I am satisfied it is a proper  
case -*

*120/11*

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Otto Pollack, Lizzie  
Semmler and William Hellmuth.

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
Otto Pollack, Lizzie Semmler and William Hellmuth.

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

The said Otto Pollack, Lizzie Semmler  
and William Hellmuth, all  
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the 24th  
day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety-two, in the day-time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

divers coins of the United  
States of America, of a number, kind  
and denomination to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, of the value of  
fifty-one cents, one pair of prayer beads  
of the value of fifty cents, one medal  
of the value of one dollar, and one  
pocketbook of the value of fifty cents.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one  
on the person of the said Joan Griffin  
then and there being found, from the person of the said  
Joan Griffin 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.

Joan Griffin  
De Lancey Ricoll,  
District Attorney.

0459

**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

4553

**DESCRIPTION:**

Pope, Dora

**DATE:**

10/27/92



4553

Witnesses:

*The Complainant*  
*in this case is not*  
*in the State & is not re-*  
*quested to return. In my*  
*opinion it is impossi-*  
*ble to obtain a con-*  
*viction without the com-*  
*plainant. I therefore*  
*recommend the Geo. Chas. R.*  
*up the defendant on*  
*his own recognizance*  
*not 2/12 Jas. M. Williams*  
*Deputy*

Counsel,

Filed

day of

189

Plants,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Assault in the First Degree, Etc.

(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*B. Lovegood*

Foreman.

*Discharge don't*

*on recognizance*

Police Court—2—District.

City and County { ss.:  
of New York,

Winfield Pope  
of No. 249 7th Avenue Street, aged 29 years,  
occupation Receives house being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 1898 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Dora Pope  
(now Mrs. The Defendant) had a  
loaded revolving pistol in her hand  
and she pointed it at deponent  
and attempted to shoot deponent  
on 7th Avenue in West Twenty  
ninth Street at the corner of Seventh  
Avenue.

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 21 day  
of October 1898

W Pope  
John Ryan Police Justice.

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Dora Pope*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*24 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*N. S.*

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

Answer.

*220 Sullivan St. - (month)*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Seamstress*

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*

*Dora Pope*  
*Mae*

Taken before me this  
day of September 1937  
*[Signature]*

Police Justice.

*[Signature]*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0463

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

Police Court--- 2 District. 1318

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Michael P. O'Connell  
246 1st Ave  
Dora O'Connell  
Offense Assault  
felony

Dated, Oct 21 189

Magistrate.

Officer.

Prisoner.

Witnesses.

No. 1 246 1st Ave Street

No. Street

No. Street

No. Street

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same, and he be admitted to bail in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ 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, Oct 21 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



Mrs Nellie Pope.

Been in New York 4 years at 220  
Sullivan St for 3 years. Live  
at 249 - 7th Ave, On the 20th of  
October I left home and came  
up to 26th St met my husband  
and Stewart Franklin. and  
the defendant was behind.  
So he asked her not to follow.  
She said she would. if he  
went home she was going home  
she would. Walked a few steps  
when I looked I saw them wrestling  
he had the cane uplifted, and  
she struck him in the mouth,  
and the cane dropped out of  
his hand. The some one said  
"look out young man she has  
a Gun". She struck him with the  
revolver. Then the officers  
came. He had a hole of  
her wrist.

Pope

Officer John Pinkley

I saw the Crowd and came right over. Pope was bleeding & said she had assaulted him with a revolver. I asked him if he would make a complaint. She did not deny the assault but said the revolver.

Stewart Franklin

I was with Dora and Pope  
drinking & came down 26th

The men, Mellie, she said are you going home. I went in the saloon, when we came out they were fighting. I saw Pope punch her. Some one said they have a pistol. I took the pistol in saloon, They both had a hold of the pistol and I took it away. Pope afterwards came and took the revolver.

He says he saw the  
pistol with Pope at Gloucester.

The complainant is not here: & will not be here. He is a white man, and has been living with both women. The only witness is the one claiming to be his wife and she says they were clenching & he had his hand raised to strike. <sup>He</sup> ~~did not see~~ the defendant get the pistol <sup>knave</sup> with Pope some time ago. - Franklin says he saw the

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Wm. Pope*

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

*Wm. Pope*

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

The said

*Wm. Pope*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fourth* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*two*, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *William Pope* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and to, at and against *him* the said *William Pope* a certain pistol then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *William Pope* 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 *the same* the said *William Pope* 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

*Wm. Pope*

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

The said

*Wm. Pope*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said *William Pope* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault, and to, at and against *him* the said

*William Pope*

a certain pistol then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said

*Wm. Pope*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a weapon and an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully 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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

0467

**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

4553

**DESCRIPTION:**

Price, George

**DATE:**

10/24/92



4553

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0468

Witness:  
off D'Brien

(501)

Counsel, *14 Dec*  
Filed *1892*

Pleads, *17 July 25*

THE PEOPLE

*vs.*

*I*

*George Price,*

*alias John Clair,*

*alias John Gilmore*

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

*14 Dec 1892*

A TRUE BILL.

*S.P. 5 years*

*B. Lockwood*

Foreman.

*King's 1308*  
*4000*  
*Sec. 508, Penal Code*

Police Court, 2 District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 300 Mulberry Street, aged 35 years,  
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the 17th day of October 1892 at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, against white on 3rd

Arrested at 29 Street in said  
City, arrested one George Price  
who had in his possession  
One brass and hit One Jimmy,  
One steel screw, One key hole saw,  
Two diamond drills, Two worn bits,  
One punch, 1 coil of fuse, Two steel  
taps, One dark lantern, 6 dynamite  
primers, One loaded revolver, and  
a quantity of dynamite.

Deponent therefore charges said  
Price with unlawfully, unlawfully  
and feloniously having in his  
possession said property with  
intent to commit a crime he having  
previously been convicted of a  
felony.

Stephen O'Brien

Sworn before me this  
18th day of October 1892

Attest  
John Justice

Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*George Price*

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.

*George Price*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*47 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*D.I.S.*

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

Answer.

*271 W 45<sup>th</sup> St*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Photographer*

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 have nothing to say  
at present*  
*Geo Price*

Taken before me this  
day of *October* 19*21*

Police Justice.

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

Police Court---

Dist. No. 1

(52) 1283

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Stephen W. [unclear]*  
*George [unclear]*

2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Date, *Oct 16 189*

*Carrying*  
*Burglars Tools*  
*See 508*

*Magistrate*  
*J. C. [unclear]*  
Officer

Witnesses  
*John W. [unclear]*  
*Michael [unclear]*  
*John W. [unclear]*  
Street

No. *229 W. 20th*  
Street *18*

No. *1000*  
to answer *of [unclear]*  
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 *Guardant*

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same, and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *200* 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, *October 10 189* *A. J. [unclear]* Police Justice.

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

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

George Price, otherwise  
called John Blair, otherwise  
called John Fildmore

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

Indictment accuse George Price, otherwise called John  
Blair, otherwise called John Fildmore  
of the crime of ~~knowingly possessing indictable goods~~  
~~SECOND OFFENSE~~, committed as follows:

Heretofore, to wit: at a court of General Sessions of the Peace, holden in and  
for the City and County of New York, at the City Hall, in the said City of New York,  
on the sixteenth day of May, in  
the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five,

before the Honorable John D. McDonald, City Judge of  
the City of New York,

and Justice of the said Court, the said George Price, otherwise  
called John Blair, otherwise called John Fildmore,  
by the name and description of John Blair, otherwise called John Fildmore,  
was in due form of law convicted of an attempt to commit a felony,  
to wit: an attempt to commit larceny in the third degree,

upon a certain indictment then and there in the said Court depending against him  
the said George Price, otherwise called John Blair, by the  
otherwise called John Fildmore, of the  
name and description of John Blair, otherwise  
called John Fildmore as aforesaid,

for that he the said John Blair, otherwise  
called John Fildmore,  
then late of the sixteenth ward

of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
 Twenty-sixth day of June, in the  
 year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four,  
 at the Ward, City and  
 County aforesaid, with force and arms, the Bandana House of the  
 New York Savings Bank there situate, felon-  
 iously and unlawfully broke into and enter, the  
 said Bandana House being then and there a  
 building in which divers goods, merchandise and  
 valuable things were then and there kept for use,  
 sale and deposit, the same being the goods, chattels  
 and personal property of the New York Savings Bank  
 with intent the said goods, merchandise and valuable  
 things in the said Bandana House then and there  
 being, then and there feloniously and unlawfully to  
 steal, take and carry away: and also, for that  
 the said John Train, otherwise called John T. Moore,  
 afterwards known, on the Twenty-sixth day of  
 June, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
 eight hundred and seventy-four, with force and  
 arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the  
 Bandana House of Richard W. Bull there situate,  
 feloniously and unlawfully did break into and  
 enter, the said Bandana House being then and there a  
 building in which divers goods, merchandise and valuable  
 things were then and there kept for use, sale and deposit,  
 the same being the goods, chattels and personal property  
 of Richard W. Bull, with intent the said goods, merchandise  
 and valuable things in the said Bandana House then  
 and there being, then and there feloniously and unlaw-  
 fully to steal, take and carry away.

And Thereupon, upon the conviction aforesaid, it was considered by the said Court of General Sessions of the Peace, and ordered and adjudged that the said *George Price, otherwise called John Clair, otherwise called John Gilmore,* by the name and description of *John Clair, otherwise called John Gilmore,* — as aforesaid, for the *said attempt to commit the felony aforesaid,* whereof *he* was so convicted as aforesaid, be imprisoned in the *State Prison,* — at hard labor for the term of *two years and six months,* — as by the record thereof doth more fully and at large appear.

And the said *George Price, otherwise called John Clair, otherwise called John Gilmore,* late of the ——— City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, having been so as aforesaid convicted of the *said attempt to commit a felony, as aforesaid,* in manner aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the — *seventh* — day of — *October,* — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety two,* at the ——— City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, did *illicitly and unlawfully* have in his possession, in order circumstances evincing an intent to use and employ the same in the commission of some crime to the *spaid* *and* *aforesaid* unknown, certain tools and implements designed, adapted and commonly used for the commission of *burglary and larceny to wit: one gimmy, two drills, one brace, one brace and bit, two worm bits, two keys, one steel screw, one steel punch, one awl, one sand lantern, a quantity of dynamite, six coils of fuse and six*

against the primers; against the form of  
the Statute in such case made and granted,  
and against the peace of the People of  
the State of New York, and their signatures

Edmund M. M. M.

District Attorney