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**FOLDER:**  
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Nolan, John

**DATE:**  
10/09/91



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Witnesses:

Ed. Becker  
Hanna Keating  
Anna McGinn  
Off. Huntley

In view of the previous character of the girl and the application of Com. Mander Wilke of the US ship Boston for the return of the defendant to his custody I respectfully suggest the suspension of judgment and the return of this prisoner to the custody of the

US Navy  
White Thomas  
President of the

October 22, 1891

Ed. Becker

Counsel,

Filed, 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct

1891

Pleas,

Magistrate

THE PEOPLE

vs.  
Mary Nolan

ABDUCTION.  
[Section 2-2, Sub. 1, Penal Code.]

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John Nolan  
(2 cases)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Ed. Becker

Part 3, October 22, 1891

P. Leads & Sudy. 122

Sen suspended

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**CORRECTION**

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Witnesses:

Ed Decker  
Nanna Keating  
Anna McGinn  
Off Humbleby

In view of the previous character of the girl and the application of Com-mander Wilton of the US ship Boston for the return of the defendant to his custody I respectfully suggest the suspension of judgment and the return of the pris-oner to the custody of the US Navy

Walter Brown  
President MAFAC

October 22, 1891

W. L. Frank

Counsel,

Filed, 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1891

Pleads, J. M. Kelly

THE PEOPLE

19<sup>th</sup> Nov vs. Mary

I John Nolan  
(7 cases)

ABDUCTION, [Section 2-2, Sub. 1, Penal Code.]

DR LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

W. L. Frank

Part 3. October 22, 1891

P. Leads & Guitly  
Sen suspended

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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*The New York Society for the  
Prevention of Cruelty to Children*

100 EAST 23D ST. (COR. FOURTH AVE.)

New York, *October 6<sup>th</sup>* 1891.

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

*The People  
against  
John Nolan*

*Notice of Prosecution.*

*To the District Attorney of the  
City and County of New York,*

*Sir: This Society is interested in the prosecution of  
the above defendant, and is familiar with the facts of the  
case. It respectfully requests that before sending the papers  
to the Grand Jury, fixing the day of trial, consenting to  
any postponement thereof, or to any reduction of bail, or  
final disposition of the charge, you will duly notify me as  
its President and Counsel, so that I may confer with you  
in regard thereto. This request is made pursuant to the  
statute (Laws of 1886, Chapter 30, Section 1), and in  
furtherance of the ends of Justice.*

*I have the honor to remain, with great respect,*

*Elbridge T. Gerry,  
President, &c.*

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0096

**N. Y. GENERAL SESSIONS**

*W. A. Jackson*  
CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

THE PEOPLE



**NOTICE OF PROSECUTION**

BY THE SOCIETY.

**ELBRIDGE T. GERRY,**

*President, &c.*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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District Police Court.

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

Edward Becker

of Number 100 East 23<sup>rd</sup> Street being duly sworn,  
that he has first cause to believe, and does believe  
deposes and says, that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1891, at the

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

assignation situated at number 5 Delancey  
Street in said City, one John Doe and  
one James Doe, did unlawfully take,  
receive, harbor and attempt to use certain  
females, now present, called Annie McGuin  
and Hannah Keating, said females  
being then and there under the age  
of sixteen years, to wit, of the ages  
of fourteen and fifteen years respectively,  
for the purpose of prostitution or  
sexual intercourse, not being their  
husbands, in violation of Section 282  
of the Penal Code of the State of  
New York

Wherefore the complainant prays that the said John Doe and  
said James Doe  
may be apprehended, arrested and dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of October 1891

Edward Becker  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0098

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

*Nannah Keating*  
of No. *73 Jefferson St. Yonkers N.Y.* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that *John Nolan* (now present) is the person of the name of  
*John Doe* mentioned in *Edward Becker and deponents'* affidavit of the *5<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *October*, 189*1*, hereunto annexed.

Sworn to before me, this *6<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *October*, 189*1*, } *Nannah Keating*  
*J.P. Duffy* POLICE JUSTICE.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Nannah Keating*  
aged *15* years, occupation *hat maker* of No. *73*  
*Jefferson St. Yonkers N.Y.* Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Edward Becker*  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *5<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *October*, 189*1*, } *Nannah Keating*  
*J.P. Duffy* Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0099

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Annie McGinn

aged 14 years, occupation Nav Worker of No.

131 Navy St, Yonkers N.Y. Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that she has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Edward Beck

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

Sworn to before me, this 5 day of October 1897

Annie McGinn

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0900

Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*John Nolan* 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. *John Nolan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *19 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Kansas City Mo.*

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

Answer. *M.S. Steamship Boston N York*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Landman*

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*

*John Nolan*

Taken before me this day of *Sept* 1938  
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0901

Sec. 151.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County of New York, or to any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING:

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police Justices for the City of New York, by Edward [Signature] of No. 100 East 23<sup>d</sup> Street, that on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of October 1891 At the City of New York, in the County of New York,

one John Doe, did unlawfully take, receive, harbor, and attempt to use two minor females called Annie McQueen and Hannah Keating aged 14 and 15 yrs respectively for the purpose of prostitution in violation of section 278 of the Penal Code

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

These are Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant and bring him forthwith before me, at the 3<sup>d</sup> DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 5 day of October 1891  
[Signature]  
POLICE JUSTICE.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0902

POLICE COURT DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Edward Becker*

vs.

*John Nolan*

Warrant-General.

Dated *October 6* 1891

*Duffy* Magistrate.

*Becker* Officer.

The Defendant *John Nolan* taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer the within charge, pursuant to the command contained in this Warrant.

Officer.

Dated ..... 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at night.

*P. Duffy*  
Police Justice.

Police Justice.

Dated ..... 188

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

The within named

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0903

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

Form No. 6

off. M. SOCC

Edward Becker of No. 100 E 23rd St NY,  
being duly sworn says that he his acquainted with the handwriting of P. G. Duffey  
the Police Justice, who issued the annexed Warrant and that  
the signature to this Warrant is in the handwriting of said P. G. Duffey  
Sworn to before me this 6th day of Oct 1891

Edward Becker  
Police Justice of the City of Brooklyn.

This warrant may be executed in the City of Brooklyn.

Dated this 6th day of Oct 1891 John Walsh  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0904

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

Police Court... District...

THE PEOPLE, &  
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

106223-83  
 Charles Beck

1 John Nolan  
 2 James Beck  
 3 John Beck  
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Offence Abduction

Dated

Oct 6 1891

Residence

Beckly Magistrate

No. 3, by

Becker Officer

Residence

Beck Precinct

Witnesses

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

Street \_\_\_\_\_

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

Street \_\_\_\_\_



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

Street \_\_\_\_\_

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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.....

John Nolan

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 Oct 6 1891 Beckly Police Justice.

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

Dated..... 18..... Police Justice.

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

Dated..... 18..... Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0905

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

515

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*John Nolan*

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

*John Nolan*

of the CRIME OF ABDUCTION, committed as follows:

The said *John Nolan*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *third*  
day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety-*one*, at the City and County aforesaid, did feloniously take, receive, harbor,  
employ and use one *Samuel Featung*, who was then and there a female  
under the age of sixteen years, to wit: of the age of *fifteen* years, for the purpose of  
sexual intercourse, he, the said *John Nolan*, not being then and there  
the husband of the said *Samuel Featung*, 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.

*John Nolan*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0906

Witnesses:

*Ea. Butler*  
*Hanna Keating*  
*Anna Mc Guin*  
*Off Handley*

*Ed. L. Smith*  
Counsel,

to  
Filed, 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1891  
Pleads, *Abduction*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
I  
*John Nolan*  
(accused)

ABDUCTION  
[Section 222, Sub. 1, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,  
District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*[Signature]*

Foreman.

*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0907

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

515

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
against  
*John Adams*

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

*John Adams*  
of the CRIME OF ABDUCTION, committed as follows:

The said *John Adams*,  
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *third*  
day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety-*one*, at the City and County aforesaid, did feloniously take, receive, harbor,  
employ and use one *Annie McElgin*, who was then and there a female  
under the age of sixteen years, to wit: of the age of *fourteen* years, for the purpose of  
sexual intercourse, he, the said *John Adams* not being then and there  
the husband of the said *Annie McElgin*, 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.

*John Adams*

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Norman, Wesley

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Norman, Wesley

**DATE:**

10/07/91



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0910

Witnesses:

*E. J. Dobb*

*Off. M. Mahon*

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

*7* Day of *Oct* 189*1*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Wesley Norman*

Assault in the First Degree, Etc.  
(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

*Opp to*  
*Part - I - 58 - Oct.*  
*Dismissed*

A TRUE BILL.

*Robert [Signature]*

Foreman.

*Oct 29/91*  
*Spied [Signature]*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0911

Police Court— 4<sup>th</sup> District.

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

Edward Webb

of No. 244 West 47<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 32 years,  
occupation Stableman being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1891, at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Mesley Norman  
(nowhere) who struck deponent two  
violent blows on the head with an  
axe, deponent at the time held  
in his hand, lacerating and  
wounding deponent's head,  
Deponent further says said  
assault was so committed

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

1<sup>st</sup> day }  
Oct } Edward Webb  
of 1891 }

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0912

(1885)

Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Wesley Norman* 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. *Wesley Norman*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *24 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Virginia*

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

Answer. *244 W. 47th St New York*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Labrer*

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*

*Wesley Norman*

Taken before me this  
day of *Dec* 189*1*

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0913

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

POLICE COURT, 4 DISTRICT.

*John McMahon*  
of No. *22 West 125th* Street, aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
occupation *officer* being duly sworn deposes and says  
that on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *September* 188*9*  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York *he arrested*

*Musley Norman* (now here) charged  
with assaulting *Edward Webb*  
by assaulting said *Webb* with an  
axe; that said *Webb* by reason  
of said assault is now confined  
in *Roosevelt Hospital* and unable  
to appear in Court and deponent  
asks that the defendant be held  
to await the result of said *Webb's*  
injuries.

*John B McMahon*

Sworn to before me, this *25* day

of *September* 188*9*  
*J. W. M.*  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0914

Police Court *City* District.

*Part* THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Kesley Norma* vs  
AFFIDAVIT.

Dated *Sept 25* 189*1*

*Murray* Magistrate.

*McMahon* Officer.

Witness, *22*

Disposition, *Committed to Jail etc*  
*Result*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0915

BAILED,

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

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
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No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

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

Police Court... District...

THE PEOPLE, etc.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Edward Welch  
Wesley Norman

Offence... Assault Battery

Dated... 1891

W. E. McMahon  
Magistrate

312 Precinct

Witnesses  
J. C. [unclear]

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

OCT 1891  
ATTORNEY

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
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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 100 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until he ~~be~~ such bail.

Dated Oct 1 18 91 W. E. McMahon Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_

guilty of the offence within mentioned. I order he to be discharged.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

09 16

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, against

Wesley Norman

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse Wesley Norman of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Wesley Norman 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-one, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one Edward Webb in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and with a certain axe

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

with intent him the said Edward Webb 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 Wesley Norman of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Wesley Norman 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 Edward Webb in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault, and with a certain axe

which the said Wesley Norman 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 strike, beat, cut, stab 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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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THIRD COUNT—

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

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

The said *Wesley Norman*

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 said *Edward Webb* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault and *him* the said *Edward Webb* with a certain *axe*

which *he* the said *Wesley Norman* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, in and upon the *head* of *him* the said *Edward Webb*

then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, ~~stab~~, cut bruise and wound, and did then and there and by the means aforesaid, feloniously, wilfully and wrongfully inflict grievous bodily harm upon the said *Edward Webb*

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.*