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THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Felix Albert Vogel.

Abduction

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,

[redacted]

District Attorney.

Part Two: June 15. 1881

Tried & convicted:

True Bill.

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Foreman.

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City and County } ss.
of New York. }

The jurors of the People of the State of New York in and for the body of the City and County of New York, upon their oath present.

That Felix Albert Vogel late of the nineteenth Ward of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid on the twenty-seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, did knowingly, intentionally and feloniously make, send, and deliver to, and part with the possession of, for the purpose of being sent and delivered to Bertha Strasburger a certain letter and writing threatening therein and he the said Felix Albert Vogel did then and there threaten therein and thereby to do an injury to the jurors aforesaid unknown to the person of the said Bertha Strasburger, Louis Strasburger the husband of her the said Bertha Strasburger, Rosa Strasburger a child

of them the said Louis Strasburger and Bertha Strasburger and divers other persons to the jurors aforesaid unknown belonging to the family of her the said Bertha Strasburger with a view and with intent to extort, obtain, and gain from her the said Bertha Strasburger the sum of sixty thousand dollars in money of the moneys and property belonging to her the said Bertha Strasburger and which said letter and writing is in the German language and is as follows:

NYC 27. 3/7 81 Herrn L. Strassburger & Comp. City. Wir machten heute den Versuch Ihre Tochter zu entführen, doch da wir Ihn vorläufig nur zeigen wollten welche Schritte wir eventl. im Stande sind durchzusetzen so denken wir, daß Sie vielleicht schon eine Ahnung haben, was wir jetzt durchsetzen werden. Wir warnen Sie nochmals unseren Wünschen ganz genau nachzukommen und falls wir bis Montag 4 Uhr nicht sicher sind, daß Sie Genanntes gut im Couvert verpackt bei sich tragen, sollen Sie überzeugt werden daß nach unserer unsere dauernden und fortwährenden Arbeit in dieser Gelegenheit sich endlich doch für uns ein Moment bieten

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we can assure you that no crime whatever it may be, will deter no from accomplishing our purpose.

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and which letter and writing being translated into the English language is as follows:

N.Y. C. 27. 3. 81.

Messrs L. Strasburger & Comp. City

We made an attempt to day to carry off your daughter. By this we really want to show you to what length we are prepared to go to accomplish our ulterior purposes.

We warn you again that if you do not comply with our demand (if you do not pay and deliver the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars meaning thereby) and have what we want (the aforesaid sixty thousand dollars meaning thereby) in an envelope for us by Monday at 4 o'clock you will live to see what will be the most remarkable event in the history of your family.

By refusing to do so ~~xx~~ you will compel me to take other measures and we can assure you that no crime whatever it may be, will deter us from accomplishing our purpose.

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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.

Daniel G. Rollins
District Attorney.

Day of Trial June 7 May 31

Counsel,

Filed 23 day of May 188 1

Pleads Not guilty (24)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

[illegible]

Felix Albert Vogel

Attempt to murder

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,

District Attorney.

True Bill.

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Foreman.

Cons on other indictments

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To His Honor Judge T. H. Smyth
Recorder of the Court of General Sessions
New-York City

Your Honor!

In June 1881 I was brought before you, on a charge of abduction & blackmail, and being guilty of both, was duly sentenced by your Honor for a term of 7 years and 6 months imprisonment and an additional fine of $ 250. —

The sentence imposed on me expired on the 5th July last, but having no means to pay the fine, I am still kept in prison, to work off this fine, at making vests at the rate of one Dollar per day. —

Before my time expired, I wrote to the complainant in the case, Mr. Strasburger, No. 15 Maiden Lane, begging his pardon for the wrong I intended or done him, telling him of my incapability of paying that fine, and asking him as a favor to see your Honor, in view of having this fine released. — Mr. Strasburger promised to do so, and as I was further informed has done so; though without the hoped for success.

Now, as a last resource, I appeal to your Honor directly, hoping that you will grant my request. —

Your Honor are aware, that I was a very young man, at the time of my conviction, and though I knew, that I had done wrong, was not aware of the enormity of

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the crime nor the road it would let me to.

Five years have elapsed since then, and during this prison life have strictly obeyed the rules and regulation in vogue here and have succeeded in establishing a solid character for honesty and industry, in fact, have become one of the best workmen of this institution; as the Warden and the Deputy will testify. - If good behavior and cheerful industry, while in prison merit any favor (and I am told that they do!) may I beg your Honor, to show me mercy and release me from this fine.

I assure your Honor, if you will release me, that I will go to work at once, and thanks to the trade I have acquired here, have no doubt, but that I will earn an honest competency. Mr. Mc Caffrey, late Supt. of the State manufacturing Dept. here now Manager of the N. Y. store, Broadway 689 has assured me of his assistance in procuring employment.

Before the expiration of my time, my mother, who resides at Leipzig, Germany, sent me 75 doll. as a help towards a new life, but when I heard of your Honor's refusal to remit this fine, by advice of some people here, applied to Mr. B. M. Beckwith, a lawyer of Pittsburgh, who wrote me, that your Honor had no power to remit this fine, but no

matter for the court of common pleas, further that no part payment of a fine would be accepted, that if I had 249 Dollars, I could not be released, but must serve the whole 250 days. I then paid him 50 Doll. all I had left and he promised to do all in his power to procure my liberty, and now, 10 weeks after the expiration of my sentence, he done nothing towards my release. It appears that a prisoner is a legal prey for any one, who under pretence of helping him may have access to him!

I have no friends in this country, but it being yet Summer, and the tailor trade brisk and comparativily easy to procure honest employment, do I beseech Your Honor in vain to give me a helping hand towards a new life and to set me at liberty, or must I empty this bitter cup to the dregs and be discharged in the Winter, when trade is dull and the chances to procure employment at a premium and starvation and temptation at a discount?—

Hoping that your Honor will show me that mercy and release me from this fine I am

Very Respectfully Yours

Felix A. Vogel

Clinton Prison
Dannemora
10th September 1886

Personally appeared before me Felix A. Vogel known to be the person described in the above petition and duly acknowledged that he executed the same

Felix A. Vogel

Subscribed & sworn to before me this
13th day of Sept 1886

Notary Public

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Police Department of the City of New York,

Precinct No.....

New York, April 11th 1881

Frederick kept my money - 2nd Sagert are of the Evangelischen Religion - the name Kabitzky. Sagert saw in third avenue the young man was German 15 Years old whom I met at 9th St on the corner of 3rd Ave whom I gave the letter on Wednesday April 6th to take him to 128 East 61st St and he was ordered to bring back one Enclosure for which he would receive of Sagert $1 - on the corner of 3rd Ave - I dont Know which letters I composed two of my letters Sagert typed and all the rest he wrote also the first letter I printed myself with Type. December 24th 1880 - which I bought Corner of Fulton and Broadway - I told Sagert about it March 10th and he said it must be continued I told him it will not work as the first attempt did not the second would not yield much more about March 15th Sagert proposed to Kidnap Rose with a Carriage to which I objected On Sunday March 27th the letter written written by Sagert was shown to me on the wrapping out - I printed the name L Strassburger on the 4th of the page and I gave Sagert this paper on the 26th On the Morning of the 26th I and Sagert played Billiards at Ahles 54th St bet 3rd and Lexington Avenues On that forenoon I hired the Room at 152 East 52nd St for Rose Sagert intended remaining there with Rose and she was to sleep on the floor. I was to remain in Stanton St although on March 24th my Room was Locked on account of non-payment

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Sagert took to 352 East 52nd St a Bandbox and other thing on the 26th On the 27th I was at Eldridge St came out on 2nd Ave Elevated Rail Road to 352 East 52nd St Sagert an extra Key wanted did not get it went to drink between Lexington and 3rd Aves a glass of Beer then Sagert took letter No 2 over to the Temple Lexington Ave and 55th St sent in to the Doctor with a little girl — I walked a few Blocks down Lexington Ave and I told Sagert I dont think it will work Sagert said I will tell her Pa Broke his Leg and in this way get her over to house 352 East 52nd St and then up stairs and then Sagert would quiet her — I was glad that the Carriage plan was not used for I would have to have acted as Coachman which would have implicated me more and in that case could only get Rose by force — I saw Dr Huebch with Sagert whereupon Sagert went up to 3rd Ave — I met him at 47th St and 3rd Avenue Elevated Rail Road and I told him to get out at the next Station he did but I went to Hoffmans and dined Sagert came afterwards and remained a few minutes — at 7 P.M Sagert returned and only remained a few minutes — On the 28th March he told me about letter he wrote on the evening of the 27th I told him all right he sent another March 28th P.M another Saturday April 2nd in which he offered friendly compromises which I wrote although Sagert copied it and changed it somewhat — one letter I composed at Fohs Delancey street —

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Sagert wrote it more distinctly I only gave outlines — Sagert said I would like to drown myself am tired of all; on the 3rd April we composed a letter between us in the Cafe Cosmopolitan and on the 4th Sagert mailed the same Tuesday 5th Sagert wrote letter No 7 in Cafe Cosmopolitan; on Wednesday 8th saw in Staats Zeitung — afternoons expected answer at 5 P.M. — Sagert came with letter requesting me to get a boy to send up to 128 East 61st st and then to go away the boy should take the letter to the above mentioned house and to wait answer and then to return to 3rd Avenue. I did as Sagert requested and returned home from 59th st per Elevated Rail Road. Sagert told me between 9th and Stanton sts to meet him early next morning — The same day he informed the General Post Office to deliver all future letters to Hoffmans 29 Stanton st — Thursday at 8 A.M. I called on Sagert but found he was out all night with B. Fohs 149 Delancey st but met him about 10 A.M. at 29 Stanton st. I then went walking and returned to Stanton st and found Sagert angry and short — I then spoke to Danziger and the last named asked Sagert why he dont call on him — I went towards Chrystie st and he followed and I went home and he went to Fohs and later on I went to a Beer Saloon and then to Hoffmans about ½ hour later About 10.30 went to Fohs and did not find him and then went home and at 11 A.M. both stood before Hoffmans dilatorily he then asked me why I had left him I said

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because you acted so queer, whereupon he said come along and we walked to 2nd Ave Elevated Rail Road we sat on opposite sides as far as 65th st we then walked down to 63rd st and 2nd Ave - Sagert ordered me to go to 61st st and 4th Ave when he met me and then told me he had sent 2 small boys to 128 East 61st st - he told me to be satisfied Miss Spelten will come - I told him her name was Miss Spelten and not Spelten - we went till Madison Avenue - I then went to 5th Avenue and Sagert was near the Corner of Madison Ave - I saw Miss Spelten coming I believe and as I arrived at 5th Avenue I shot and heard also a shot (from Sagert) which I thought was and then I shot again and went off towards 59th st and 5th Avenue and then hurried into the Park but did not know that Sagert was shot - I did not know Miss Spelten dropped the Envelope but I imagined it - I then went to 6th Ave and 59th st to drink a glass of Beer and then took the 6th Ave Elevated Rail Road to Bleecker st and from thence to fort home & I found a telegram & then went to Fohs enquired for Sagert and then to my Room to get my Trunk off and to leave for Europe Saturday - Sagert had also a Pistol but dont know what became of it he gave me mine - On not finding Sagert (2) and thought he might have got shot - I went to get a glass of Beer and was there until I was arrested Detective Wade asked me my name and then I thought Sagert was arrested - The third party of whom I spoke to be a Pole was only said to satisfy Mr. Strassburgers

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Vogel Statement
translated in English
as sworn to before
Coroner Herman
April 12th 1881

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Precinct No.

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I arrived at New York on the 25 Oct. last on the same vessel with Mr. Stran.
In the course of the month of Nov. I became acquainted with Mr. J. Sagert as he was about to leave the firm of Fried. Keppel on B'dway opposite City Hall.
In Berlin I casually met Sagert at Linde's Depot (business) though I previously had business dealings with his father.
Here in New York the same business often (or several times) brought us in contact; but one Sunday morning I met Sagert as I went to 54th St. to pay my respects to Mr. Str. & family.
S. said he was taking a walk to the Park and in consequence our paths lay in the same direction to 54th St. In this way only I remember having told S. on his enquiries anything about Mr. Str. affairs. If I am not mistaken I met S. at an Art dealers place and on his questioning me, how my visit had turned out I spoke to him about things in general.
I believe I last saw S. on Saturday before Christmas. About 3 or 4 weeks ago I met S. on B'dway for the first time since then.

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He had a package of "lookslates" with which he said he intended to go peddling. He accompanied me, and told me of his sad condition, I then gave him a dollar and promised to help him, to return to Germany with me. (or take him to Germany with me). From that time R. daily visited me and I helped him as long and well as I could. Every time I gave him any money he promised to repay me either here or in Germany. He further stated that he expected 240 Thalers from a rich uncle in Altona and 100 Ths from his father and from his bride (intended) at Hannover a fortune amounting to about 10000 Ths. So he often spoke of the Strauburg family and if I still visited there and how Miss Spelten was getting on. I asked him what business that was of his, whereupon he smilingly answered, that he should like to start a love affair with her. Then in the course of the conversation he said, that he intended to "stike" the wealthy Mr. Strasburger. I told him to try it. Good, I'll do it, was the reply. I looked at him smilingly and he said, well, you

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can reach him with threats "all the same"!
I asked him however, and he did not reply
but simply told me to keep quiet.
I at first took it for a joke, but at last
I saw he was serious.
Day after day we went out together and
twice I saw a man who to all appearance
was an Israelite, who wore a short
full beard and dressed in blue clothing.
This man met P. & myself twice, they
exchanged a few words, — I passed on.
He asked me once, if a child could not
be easily kidnapped, I said "no" — and
asked him what he meant. All he
answered was, that with a wagon the
thing would be easy, for instance if I
acted as driver, he and a third person
would take her from the street by force.
I surmised this was meant for Mr.
Hastings daughter, and said No! No! —
These were my words, and then changed
the subject of our conversation.
He asked many odd questions for instance when
services commenced at the Temple on Friday.
I told him I did not know but would enquire
and I did enquire at the Café Cosmopolitan

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but am not certain. So days passed till March 26. when the rooms at 52nd St. were rented, as he said for a family well known to him named Dubois; I might go and rent them, it was all the same." I did this without knowing his object.

On this evening he told me to give him a hat box and picture folio (or map) he wanted to put things in to bring to me so that he could put them in my big trunk preparatory to our departure for Europe. On Sunday early he said, "we should get the key ~~the~~ which was missing from the rooms rented.

We went out, and he sent me to the housekeeper to get it down. I went up and they told me it was mislaid. I told him this. We walked through the streets for 45 minutes and eventually reached Lexington av. where I left him at 11.30. I took the car for 29 Stanton St. and took my dinner there. Then I passed the house for the purpose of getting him as I had invited him to play a game of Pinakle at Hofmanns 29 Stanton St. He said "he'd see." At last he came to

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Hofmann's but left soon after.
Evening he came to Hofmanns where I
was playing Briskel with that gentlemen
same as every evening. He staid a half
hour and then left. On monday afternoon
he told me of his "adventure" as he called
it. I have already told Mr. Rtr. this.
Since that time I avoided S. whenever
I could, Hofmann's know that.
There was not a word said about the Stx.
affair. I avoided this too.
On the 6th of Apr. he gave me a letter to
Mrs. Rtr. asking me to tend to it.
I did this without knowing its contents.
On the 7 of April I was walking along
first Ave about 11 o'clock with S. when
the gentlemen I mentioned before
joined us. We went to about 40 St when
in a zig-zag way we reached 61 St and
1st Av. when I got sick of the thing and
I told R. I wanted to eat something
and leisurely walked through 61st St.
I expected R. to follow me as I thought
he had noticed that their behavior
had displeased me. A few moments
passed when R. joined me, we loitered

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through to about Madison Av. when I again told P. that I was hungry. whereupon he said I should go, but should meet him later at 59th St. and 6th Av.— he wished to go along Madison Av. He told me en passant that when he stopped to urinate I was to fire a pistol. I did so at 5 Ave bet. 60 & 61st Sts I shot even twice. Before I did this I could see P. on Madison Av. He raised his hand in a salute, which I imitated.

Signed
Vogel

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Forth Statement
of Vogel Maac
to Mr Lenis
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~~[illegible]~~ The third Man of whom I first spoke as being a Polander was only said to satisfy the many Questions about a third Party - there was no third Party - myself & Jacket was all that were concerned - Saturday ~~[illegible]~~ 28th we played at 54th Street Ahlss - Brewery - J Bellard myself & Jacket -

In Fulton Str I printed the L S I ~~[illegible]~~ No 32 - which I never showed to Jacket - I got the Types letters in Broadway near Fulton - & did print the Type between 2 Pieces of Wood After I told Jacket about my first Threatening letter - he kept on pushing me in this matter all along. -

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Tuesday 5th S wrote letter [illegible]
on Wednesday 8th saw in Stock getting —
the Notice of [illegible]
at 5 15 S came with letter requesting [illegible]
got Boy sent up 128 E [illegible] & then [illegible]
tell Boy del. letter & [illegible]
to 3 ave — down so [illegible]
Elev. 3 ave 59th. told me [illegible]
& 9th to see him [illegible] morning — [illegible]
Boy on [illegible] & 3 [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] 29 [illegible]
called S [illegible]
B Johns 149 Delancy [illegible]
at [illegible] 20 [illegible] & 10 [illegible]
to [illegible] he was angry & [illegible] then [illegible]
I [illegible]
I went [illegible] Chrystie the [illegible]
& I went home — he went to Johns & I went
[illegible] 1/2 [illegible]
[illegible] 10 30 [illegible] Johns — [illegible]
went home — stood before Hoffman
A 11 — both stood silent — he [illegible]
me why I left home I saw [illegible]
acted so queer — then he [illegible]
along — [illegible] to Elevated 2 ave

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+ we sat on opposite sides - to 65th St.
walked down to 63 on 2nd Ave - + under S -
wind me to go 51 - + 4 ave when he met
me - + then told me he had sent letter
through 2 Boys - be satisfied - Miss Spatten
will come - I told him Miss Spatten + not
Miss Sp & then - went till Mad. ave -
+ Sam gave to 5th ave + shoot of Pistol
in 5th ave - we went together to Mad. ave
I went to 5 ave + he was near Cor. Mad.
ave - I saw Miss S coming I believe
+ as I arrived I shot ~~two~~ + heard a shot
+ thought Jachert shot + then I shot
again + went of towards 59th on 5 ave
+ then turned on 59th ~~left~~ into the Park
did not know Jachert got shot. I did
not know that Miss Spatten dropped the Eurodyne
altherein I could imagine - went to
6th ave + 59th first took a Glass Lager -
6th ave Cor to Blunder St. + from then home
on foot went to Tobs begun for
Jachert than to my Room to get my
trunk off - on Saturday for Europe - Jachert
had also a Pistol, but dont know what
became of it - he gave me cuisine -
when I did not find Jachert I thought he
might have got shot - I went to get
Glass Bar + was there ~~when~~ until I
was arrested - Detective Waite asked me
so I thought Jachert was arrested -

Corner

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Police Department of the City of New York,

Precinct No. ____

New York, 10. 4. 1881

Fr. behielt mein Geld. — Ich u. S. gehörten zur evan. Religion. Den Namen Kabotz sah S. in 3. Ave. Der junge Mann war deutsch ca 15 Jahr. Ecke 3 Ave. 9 Str. nahm von mir den Brief am Mittwoch den 6 Jan. nach 128 E. 61 Str. u. war beauftragt y Couvert zurück zu bringen, wofür ihm S. y Dollar geben wollte in d. 3 Ave. Ich weiß nicht welche Briefe ich selbst aufsetzte. 2 hat er copirt. Die Anderen hat er auch geschrieben. Den ersten Brief habe ich selbst gedruckt den 24. Dec. Die Buchstaben kaufte ich Ecke Bruge u. Fulton Str. Ich theilte dies Sep. am 10. März ungefähr mit u. ersagte es nicht weiter fortgeführt werden. Ich sagte ihm es würde nicht gelingen, indem das erste nicht gelang wird das zweite nicht viel mehr bringen. Ca. am 15. März hat S. proponirt, Rosa zu entführen mit y Wagen. Dies habe ich widersprochen. Am Sonntag den 27 März zeigte mir S. den Brief auf dem Weg nach 61 Str. Ich drückte den Namen L. Sta. — oben am Kopfe des Briefes u. ich gab S. am Morgen des 26. 3. 81 u. am 26. spielte S. u. ich Billard in der 54 Str. betw. Sext. u. 3 Ave. An denselben Vormittag mietete ich Zimmer 332 E. 52 Str. um R. da unterzubringen. Es war beschlossen, daß S. mit Rosa dort blieb. Rosa sollte auf dem Boden schlafen u. ich sollte in Stanton Str. bleiben, obschon am 24 März mein Zimmer abgeschlossen wurde, indem ich Miethe schuldig war. S. nahm

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[illegible] S. hatte auch y Pistole [illegible] aber
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
die Meinige. Als ich S. nicht fand dachte
ich daß S. geschossen wurde u. ging ich y Glas
Bier zu trinken u. blieb dort bis ich arretirt
wurde. Der Detective Wade fragte mich, ob
dachte daß S. arretirt sei. Der 3. Mann war
dem ich zu erst sprach der y Pole sein sollte
habe nur gefragt um Mr St. zu [illegible] zu
stellen. Es war kein 3. Person im Spiel
S. u. ich waren die Einzigen, die mit dieser Sache
zu schaffen hatten.
" In Stanton Str. 32 habe den ersten Brief gedruckt
den ich S. nie gezeigt jedoch davon gesprochen
Ich kaufte Buchstaben Pulvenst u. Blog F
u. drückte durch Vermittelung 2 Helfer.
Nachdem ich S. an my ersten Br. sagte hat
er mich angerathen fortzufahren.
Damit habe ich die rein Wahrheit gesagt
u. Mr Capt [illegible] and Louis Strassburger u. [illegible] gebracht
[illegible] als my Geständniß, ~~was~~
Felix Albert [illegible]

welchen Capt [illegible] in s. Besitz hat.

Campbell saw him with [illegible] also Capt [illegible] He sent it to Coroner

[illegible] wurde, indem ich Miethe schuldig war. S. nahm

Vogle Statement
written by himself
in German and
handed to Captain
Gunner and Sworn
to at Inquest
before Coroner
Herman April
12th 1881

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MUNICIPAL POLICE,
300 Mulberry Street,
N.Y.C.

First Statement of Felix Vogel Made by him to Louis Strasburger and afterwards Said by Vogel to be not Correct

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N. Y. City: 27. 3. 81.

Meine liebe Kraut!

Deinen Brief habe ich erhalten, doch haben indemselben mir Deine darin enthaltenen traurigen Nachrichten nicht gefreut, ich mich daher sehr gräme und besorgt über dich bin.
Ich bin heute zwar sehr ein Fuhr, und will dir damit hier kurz benachrichtigen, daß ich diesen Donnerstag nach Deutschland zurück gehe, also am 20 April in Hannover bin, richte dich ein daß wir uns treffen dort. Sollte du nicht kommen, so hinterlasse in der Ital. Str. 10a bei. Hinsehe, wo du hingereist bist, &

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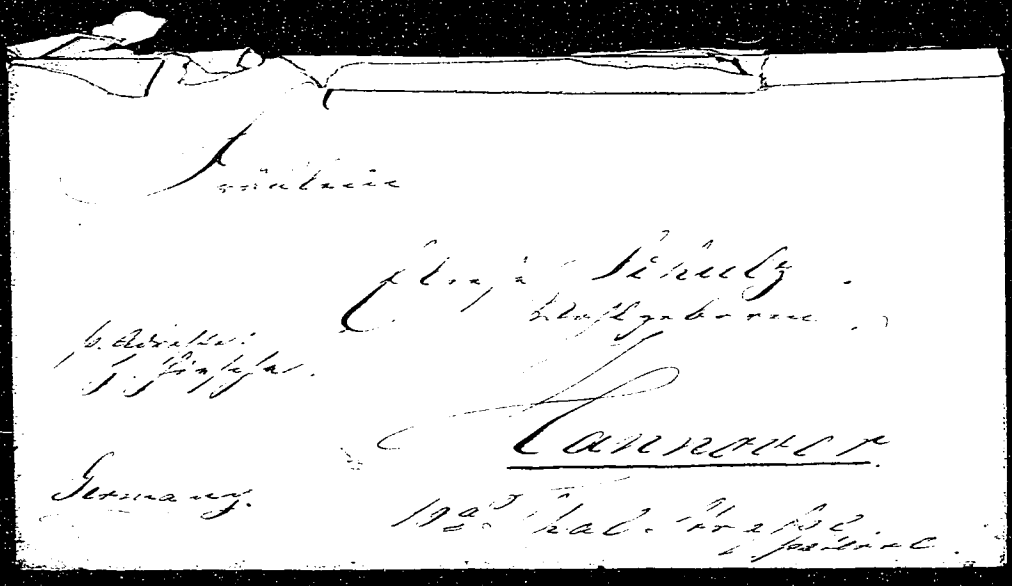

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Translation

Exhibit No. 1.

It must be known to you that y-
(your thereby meaning) (the aforesaid L S the husband of her the said B S and C A) (the said B S + C A thereby meaning)
husbands were condemned to pay
60,000 doll. (dollars meaning thereby) We address ourselves
(the aforesaid B S + C A meaning thereby)
for the last time to you ladies.
(the aforesaid B S + C A thereby meaning)
If you do not wish soon to
(If you do not wish the aforesaid L S to be killed soon and made to be and become a corpse in the house of them the said B S + C A meaning thereby)
have a corpse in your house, then
they the said B S and C A should and must pay (then pay the aforesaid sum of $60,000 to him the said F A V meaning thereby)
Should you (the said B S + C A meaning thereby) want to prevent bloo-
(then the said B S meaning thereby)
dy deeds, then madam str. should
(should take one of the rail road cars of the house rail road running upon and along the Avenue in the city & Co of N.Y. meaning thereby)
take the ave. car alone sharp
(at 30 minutes after one o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby)
at 1.30 o'clock to the cor. broadway
(to the corner of Broadway + Barclay street in the city & Co of N.Y. meaning thereby)
Barclay str. get money ready
(get the aforesaid sum of $60,000 ready meaning thereby) (and at 30 min after 3 o'clock in the afternoon + 30 o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby)
& between 3.30 - 4 o'clock she will
(the said B S meaning thereby)
go alone f. b'way - barclay str.
(from said Broadway + Barclay st meaning thereby)
to west b'way 3 times - envelop
(to west Broadway in the city & Co of N.Y. 3 times up & down with the envelope containing said $60,000 in the hand of her the said B S meaning thereby)
in hand up & down.

ex - R.

directed to / Mrs. Louis Strasburger (Bertha Strasburger) / to Mrs. Charles Adler (Caroline) / B Adler

Vogel printing [illegible]

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Translation

Exhibit No. 2.

L. Strassburger.

Honoured sir!

I herewith desire you immediately to dismiss my daughter Rosa on account of sudden sickness of one of the members of the family.

respectfully
L. Strassburger

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Translation

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Vogel printed Messrs L. Strassburger & Co on this letter

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Exhibit No. 3.

N. Y. C. 27. 3. 81.

Messrs L. Strassburger & Co

City.

To day we tried to carry off your daughter, but as we at present only want to show you what measures we in the future are able to take, we think that you already may have a presentiment about what we shall now effectuate.

We warn you again to comply strictly with our wishes and in case we are not sure that you until monday at 4 o'clock carry on you the named article packed in the envelop (#60000 enclosed in an envelope meaning Kendy) you shall be convinced that after our lasting and continual work in this case, there will at last be a moment for us which surely will be the singular one in the history of your family.

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If you should not comply with our wishes, you will thereby induce us doubly to sharpen our plans which we are forced to execute, and at the same time not fear any kind of crime.

Executive - Committe, 3a l.s.

The envelope here addressed Louis Strasburger [illegible] to Mr Strasburger ~~at 128 E 61 St~~.

Translation

Exhibit No. 4.

Messrs L. Strassburger & Co

Acknowledging ours from yesterday we want you to take notice that you must carry the envelop in question on all your ways in such a manner in your hand that everybody can notice it.

We hope that this transaction now soon will come to an end in the prescribed manner, unless you at once give us an occasion then every communication by letter will be broken off.

Should you not comply with our wishes then we advice you during the coming summer not to let your family breath too much free sea-air; We have time for vengeance.

The executive-committee

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Translation

Vogel made original letters, then being copied by Sagasta

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Exhibit N. 5. New York 2. 4. 81.

Honoured Mrs. Strassburger

Herewith I address myself to you ~~entirely~~ wholly personally and without ~~having the least interest in it~~ being in the least interested in the matter, ~~again~~ to warn once more. Though fearing that this also will be of no use, I shall not be discouraged from seeking to mediate. If you want this — only in your interest ~~perhaps~~ so as not to be left ~~remain~~ ~~as~~ a widow in this desolate world, then work upon your husband as Mrs. Adler has done, eventually try to settle the affair yourself, I offer you my ~~help~~ aid in this.

I cannot more!

If I find in ~~the~~ ~~next~~ sundays N.Y. Staatszeitung the following advertisement:

Ludwig Kabotsky

Third Ave.

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recommends all kinds of Tabacco.
then you wish my help.

I sign

Seeratad. Ex. K.

Dirigeste Mr Strasburger

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Translation

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This appears to have been composed by Vogel + Sagart April 3 + sent by Sagart to April 4.

Exhibit A.6. New York 4. 4. 81.

Greatly honoured ladies!

You will pardon me if I allow myself through this to put myself into nearer relation to you.

I, the writer of this a born pole was drawn into the intrigues of the nihilists on account of the invidious disposition of my race against the Zar of Russia.

I clung with eagerness to this enterprise as the circumstances of my generation as said above always called forth the desire of vengeance against the tyrannizing of the people as in Russia.

Besides, I receive as secretary of this „Aesgos" of the nihilists very high renummeration which make my life very comfortable and for which I have only to deliver every written translation in every language.

over

this is now the writer of this.
Now we will go further!

The transactions with your husband count back already six months, I know of course all details.

The correspondence showed itself to be without result, and hence your daughter properly should have been carried away this day eight days ago which I however prevented, as I advised they should at present try it with attempts at threatening. This was managed by a stupidly managed attempt to fetch away your daughter from school. Of course this should fail. Really Rosa should have been taken direct from the street in a carriage by force or kindness and then away, never to be seen again. I prevented this! —

Translation

Exhibit 6. continued

Thereupon threatening letter without result. Last Thursday night vengeance should have been had against Mr. St. by throwing a bomb.

I prevented this.'

As Mr. St. went home with the boy, one of my colleagues noticed the newspaper in his left pocket and called out „The Courier" immediately orders were withdrawn.

All this was my work. –

Now you ask, why this interest. I am the only Israelit in the division of the sixteen, the others are all catholics, therefor I concluded to warn you.

Now my ladies, in fact I can do no more, I can only warn and warn, until may be it is too late.

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Meanwhile there is to be taken a new resolution until Tuesday night –

Indeed I shall always warn – inform you what is going to be done, still I fear that the following resolution will be adopted.

The 4. Sect (vengeance sect) consisting of 6 men will be ordered by their own discretion, by their own resolution to handle the tools of their goddess. –

Then even I can not warn any more, as everybody will act for himself.

Then I can advise you no more. – In the mean time do not let Rosa go out of the house either alone or with Miss. S.

Pay yourself only few visits, especially discontinue coming

Exhibit 6. continued

home at nighttime.

What your husband could do in regard to your safety, I do not know myself, as to the persons, the honour of execution of their arbitrary resolution is more than the value of their life.

This your friend writes to you! Should it be possible for you to comply with the wishes and demands of the N., even in a reduced way, why then you certainly could enjoy more peace and safety than now, when I, if in your position really could not shut an eye.

Could and would you do the beforesaid, why then I would try to enter into a mediation.

Assuring you to have acted without nihilistic interest especially as to what was said in the

over

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Last sentence I sign

Seer. d. E. K 3 Av.

I am to be found through advertisement under the known name in the Staatszeitung of Tuesday, as also in monday nights N. Y. Tagesnachrichten" in which you eventually shortly can intimate, what you have resolved.

but only short – accurate – and above all quick.

with great respect
your devoted
friend.

Directed to Mrs Strasburger (Vogel admitted dictating this)

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Translation

Exhibit N. 7. New York 5. 4/81

Honoured ladies.

All in a hurry I warn you as to to morrow night, specification I still miss.

If your husbands have such fearless dispositions, then this is very bad.

In regard to the amount (factor) I request your immediate statement, but certainly not too much reduced. Without fail this evening in N. Y. „Tages-Nachrichten".

„Answer" so that one can inhibit all in good time.

Without naming the amount I can do nothing

your devoted friend

Annexed to Mrs Strasburger

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Translation

Exhibit N: 7. New York 5. 4/81

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„Answer" so that one can inhibit all in good time.

Without naming the amount I can do nothing

your devoted friend

devoted to the Strasburger

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Translation

Exhibit N. 8. New York 6. 4. 81.

Honored Ladies

Herewith I inform you that yesterdays resolution was adopted.

I have succeeded in turning things so that this resolution shall not be in force before Thursday. You have to take the questioned [illegible] at once into your house and envelop it, so that eventually (if my chief consents it can be fetched away or disposed of, certainly in not too reduced circumstances.

Be fully convinced that I warn as an upright friend! You see from following newspaper column, that N. do not jest.

your friend

Printed Reward offered Mayor Howell was yesterday authorized by resolution of the aldermen to offer a suitable reward for the

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detection of the wicked person, who on the twelth of March had placed one with dynamit filled grenade under the stoop of the house of James Mc Chesney No. 175 Clinton Str..

directed to Mrs S.

Translation

Exhibit N.9. N. Y. 7. 4. 81.

What is the meaning of this ?
Of not Miss Spalter immediately after receiving this, before anybody leaves the house, walks through 61 Street bearing the envelop in her hand to Central Park and there eventually into it, I can only regret that I had you written to.

I should finally myself possibly have enlarged out of my "Own". This is the thanks If done as named above, then Miss S. must let the envelop fall as soon as she hears a shot fired and walk quickly along without looking back. This will probably already happen in 61 Street.

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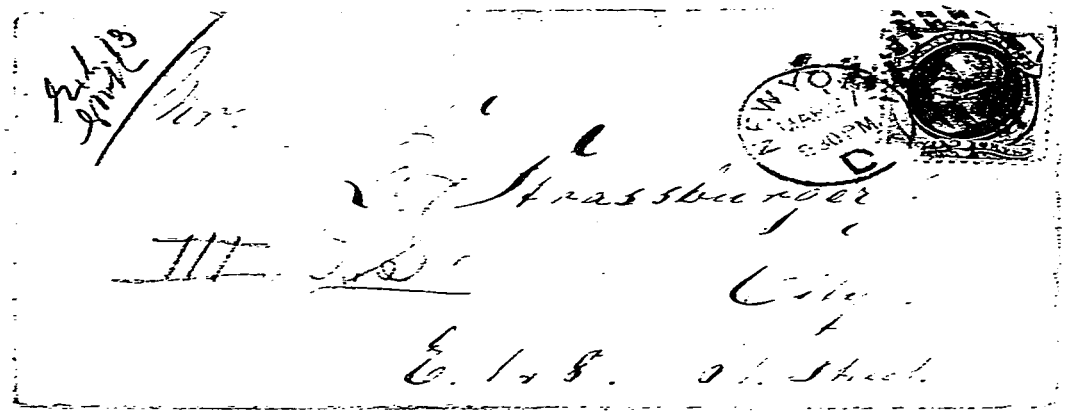

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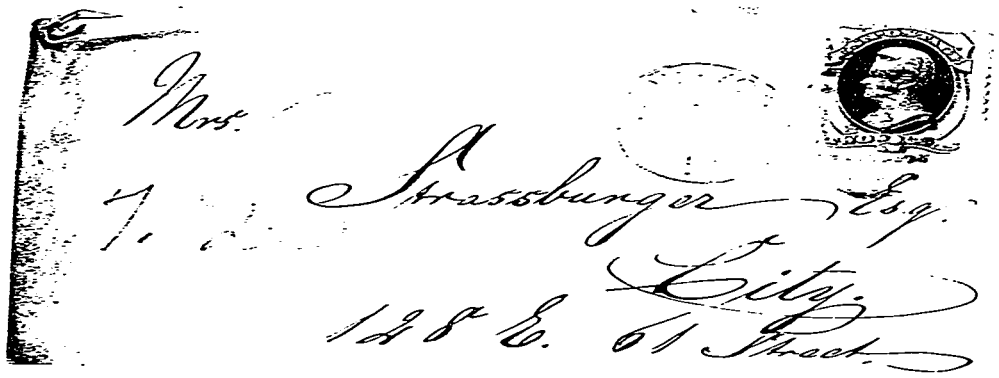

Mrs.

Strassburger Esq.

City.

128 E. 61 Street.

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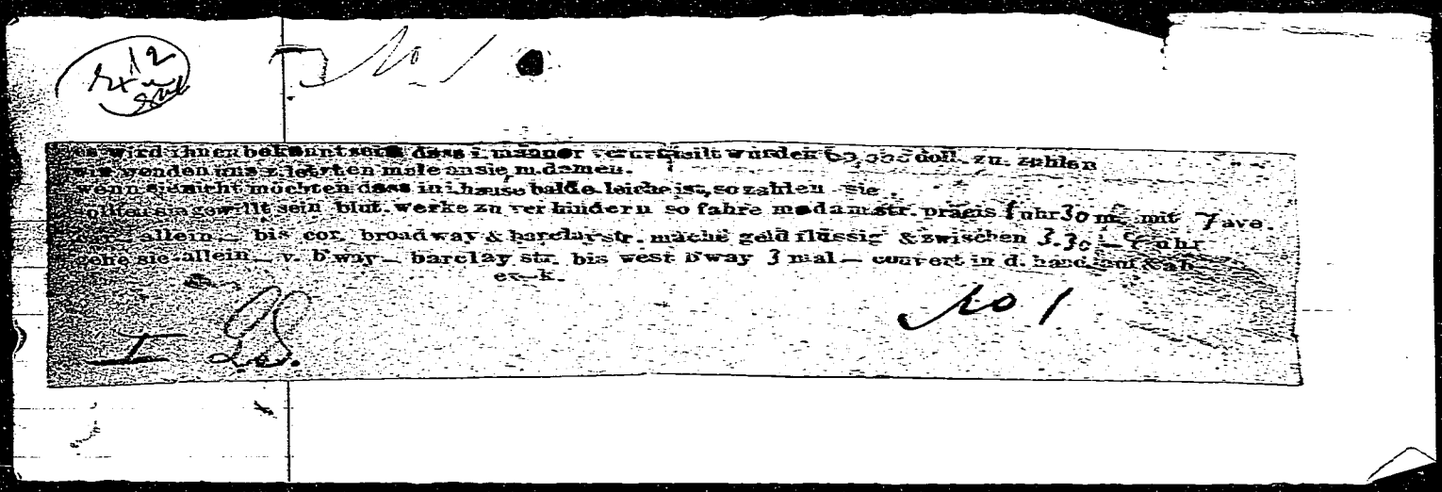

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es wird ihnen bekannt sein dass i. männer verurtheilt wurden 60,000 doll. zu zahlen
wir wenden uns z. letzten male an sie, m. damen.
wenn sie nicht möchten dass in i. hause balde leiche ist, so zahlen sie.
sollten sie gewillt sein blut. werke zu verhindern so fahre madam str. präcis 1 uhr 30 m. mit 7 ave.
car allein — bis cor. broadway & barclay str. mache geld flüssig & zwischen 3.30 — 4 uhr
gehe sie allein — v. b'way — barclay str. bis west b'way 3 mal — convert in d. hand. auf & ab
ex-k.

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I 28.

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Ao 9 N. Y. 7. 4. 81.

Was soll das heißen? Wenn nicht sofort nach Empfang dieses (ehe Jemand anders das Haus verläßt) Miss. Spölten das Couvert in der Hand tragend die 61 Street bis zum Central-Park und dann event. in diesem hinein geht habe ich nun zu bedauern, daß ich an Sie schreiben ließ.

Ich hätte schließlich selbst noch fraglich aus „Eigenem" erhöht – Dies ist der Dank. Geschieht Gesagtes wie oben. Dann hat Miss S. sobald ein Schuß fällt das Couvert fallen zu lassen u. ruhig weiter zu gehen ohne sich umzusehen.

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Dies geschieht wahr-
scheinlich schon in der
61. Street.

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No 8 New-York. 6. 4. 81.

Geehrte Damen!

Hierdurch theile Ihnen mit, daß der gestrige Beschluß angenommen war. –
Ich habe es so zu drehen gewußt, daß dieser Beschluß erst Donnerstag in Kraft tritt.
Sie haben das in Rede stehende sofort in Ihr Haus zu nehmen und zu convertiren, damit eventl. (wenn meine Chef einwilligt, indem ja nicht in zu reducirten Verhältnissen), abgeholt oder verfügt werden kann.
Seien Sie fest überzeugt, daß ich als aufrichtiger

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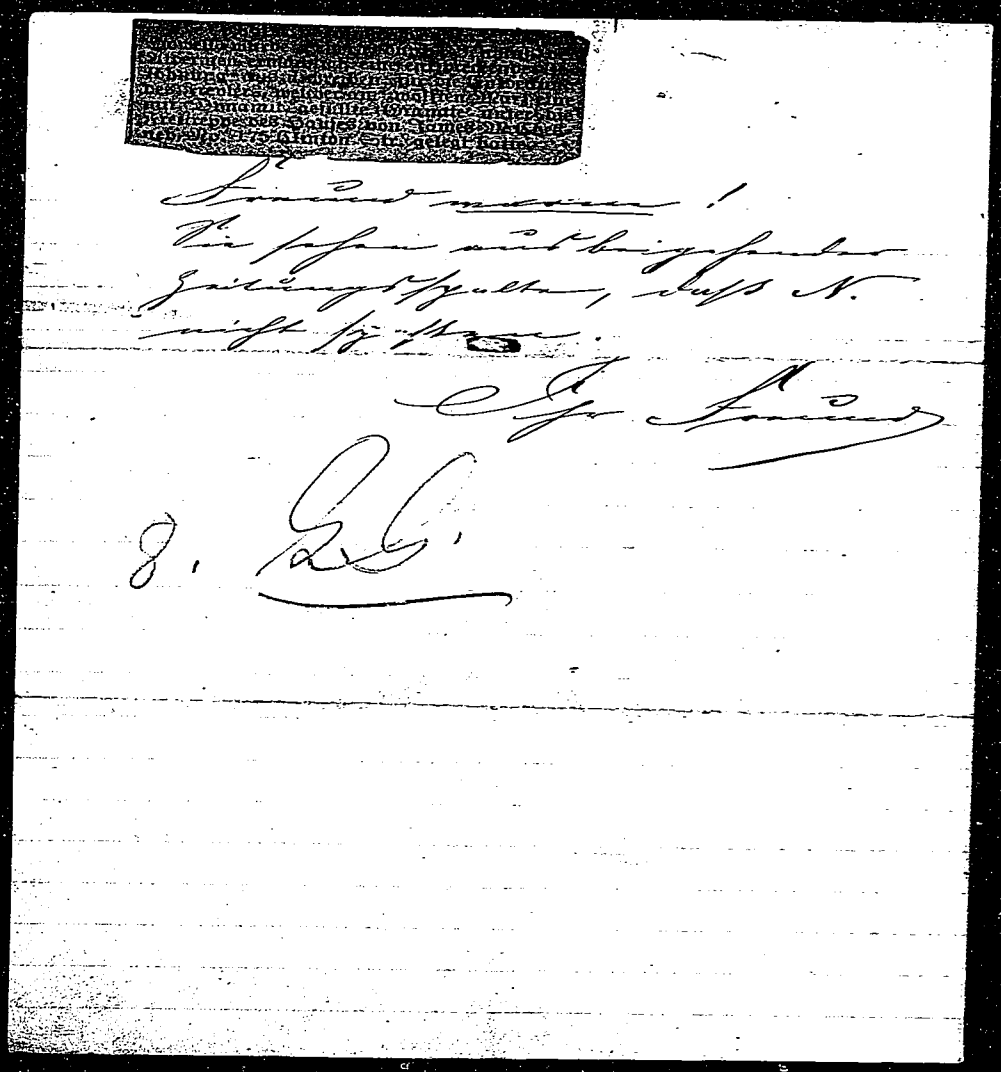

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Belohnungsangebote. Mayor Howell wurde gestern durch Beschluß der Aldermen ermächtigt, eine entsprechende Belohnung auszubringen, für die Entdeckung des Frevlers, welcher am zwölften März eine mit Dynamit gefüllte Granate unter die Freitreppe des Hauses von James McChesney, No. 175 Clinton Str. gelegt hatte.

Freund warm!

Ich sehe aus beigehender Zeitungsspalte, daß Sie nicht schlafen.

Ihr Freund

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300 Mulberry Street, N.Y.C.

Envelope Letters and Keys found in Sagard pocket after he was shot

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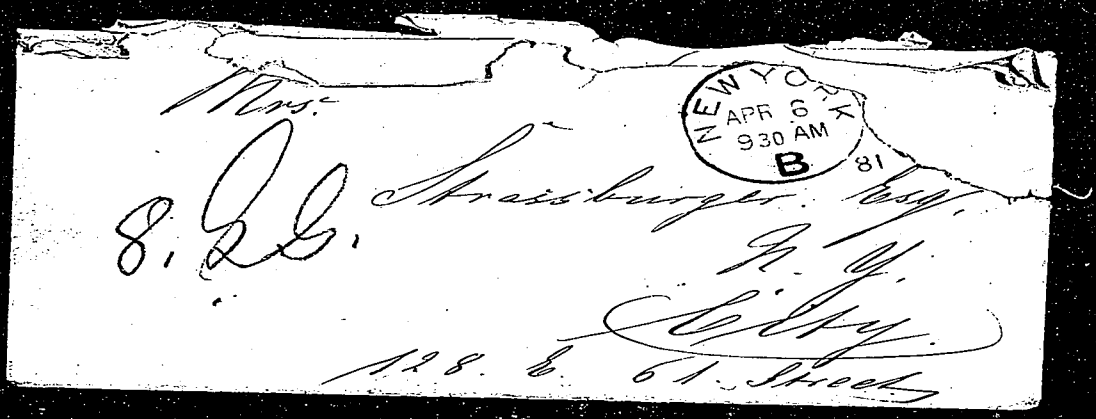

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MUNICIPAL POLICE,
300 Mulberry St.,
NEW YORK CITY.

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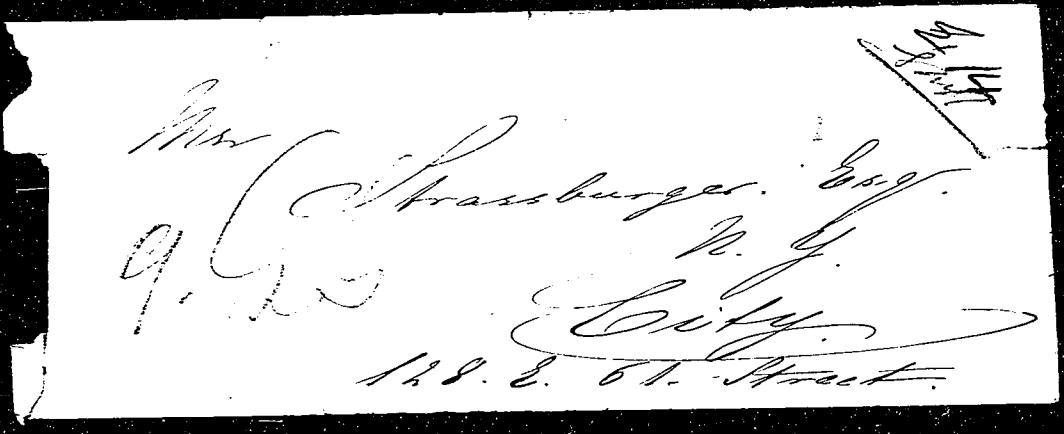
Miss
C. Strassburger. Esq.
N. Y.
City.
128. E. 61. Street.

New-York. 27. 3. 87.

Meine liebe Mama!

Deinen mir so lieben Brief habe ich erhalten & mich sehr gefreut, so, daß ich mir sagen kann, es giebt noch ein Mensch auf der Welt, welcher mir durch seine aufrichtige Liebe das Heimweh lindert, indem er mir auch einige Zeilen, mir gegenüber erkenntlich [illegible] zeigt. – Sie hätten mir erlaubt von einigen beizufügen einen Brief an Euch liebe Eltern einmal zu schicken & ebenfalls zu dem Geburtstage meiner kleinen Schwester, wo ich leider bedauern muß, den richtigen Tag nicht mehr im Gedächtniß zu [illegible], nach meinem Wissen ist derselbe am 6 oder 11 April.

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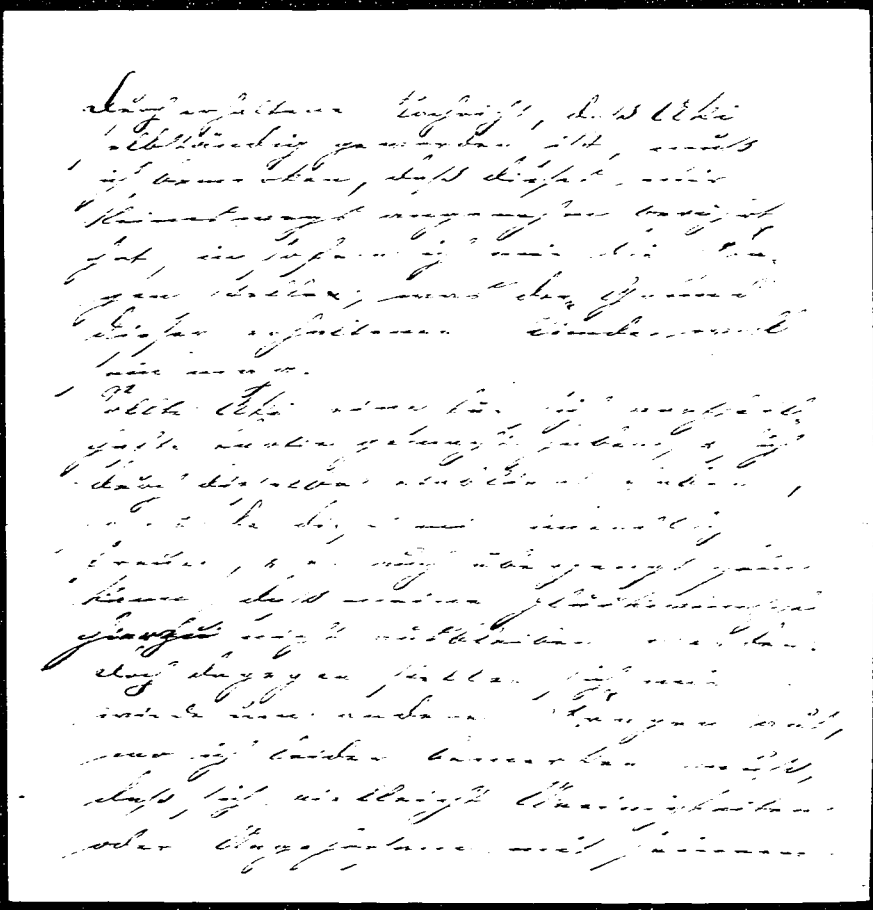

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Ext 1 [illegible]

L. Strassburger. No 2

Geehrter Herr!

Hierdurch ersuche ich Sie meine Tochter Rose wegen plötzlicher Erkrankung eines Familienmitgliedes sofort zu entlassen

ergebenst
L. Strassburger.

II [illegible]

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Erl. 5 8 Abt

No 5 New-York. 2. 4. 81.

Geehrte Frau Strassburger.

Hierdurch wende ich mich ganz persönlich an Sie um ohne die geringste Interesse daran zu haben, nochmals zu warnen. Obgleich ich fürchte, daß auch dieses nichts nützen wird, lasse ich mich doch nicht abschrecken Vermittlung anzubahnen suchen.
Wollen Sie dies nur in Ihrem Interesse etwa nicht als Wittwe in dieser öden Welt dazustehen, so wirken Sie, wie Frau Adler auf Ihre Gatten ein eventl. suchen Sie die Angelegenheit selbst zu regeln ich bitte Ihnen die Hand dazu.
Mehr kann ich nicht!
Finde ich in der N. Y. Staatszeitung Sonntag folgende Annonce:

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Ludwig Kabotsky.
Third Ave.
empfiehlt alle
Sorten Tabacke.

Denn wünschen Sie meine
Hülfe.

Ich zeichne

Peeratad Zor. K.

5. Kb

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Stett

No 4

Mess. L. Strassburger & Comp.

Unseres Gestriges bestätigend, machen wir Sie darauf aufmerksam, daß Sie fragliches Couvert, auf jeden Ihrer Wege, so in der Hand tragen, daß es Jedermann bemerken kann.

Wir hoffen, daß nun diese Affaire bald auf vorgeschriebener Weise erledigt sein wird, im andern Falle nun unbedingt falls Sie uns sofort keine Veranlassung geben, jede schriftliche Verbindung unserseits abgebrochen ist.

Sollten Sie unseren Wünschen nicht nachkommen, so rathen wir Ihnen Ihren Familie diesen kommenden Sommer

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No 3 N. Y. C. 27. 9. 81.

Herrn L. Strassburger & Comp.
City.

Wir machten heute den Versuch Ihre Tochter zu entführen, doch da wir Ihr vorläufig nur zeigen wollten welche Schritte wir eventl. im Stande sind durchzusetzen so denken wir, daß Sie vielleicht schon eine Ahnung haben, was wir jetzt durchsetzen werden.

Wir warnen Sie nochmals unseren Wünschen ganz genau nachzukommen und falls wir bis Montag 4 Uhr nicht sicher sind, daß Sie Genanntes gut im Couvert verpackt bei sich tragen, sollen Sie überzeugt werden, daß nach

unserer

unserer dauernden und
fortlaufenden Arbeit
in dieser Angelegenheit
sich endlich daß für uns ein
Moment bilden wird, darin
Ihre Familiengeschichte ge-
nauest einzig dastehen wird.
Falls Sie nicht unseren Wünschen
nachkommen, so veranlassen
Sie uns dadurch unsere weiterge-
henden Pläne, welche wir
gezwungen sind durchzuführen,
doppelt zu verschärfen und
uns dann dafür auch nicht
vor irgend einer Art des
Verbrechens scheuen. III 28

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6.88 — No 6 New-York. 4.4.81.

Sehr geehrte Damen!

Sie werden verzeihen wenn ich mir erlaube, Ihnen durch dieses etwas näher zu treten. Ich, Schreiber, dieses, geborener Pole wurde durch die gehässige Neigung meines Stammes gegen den Zar der Russen in die Verwickelungen der Nihilisten gezogen. Mit Eifer war ich bei diesem Unternehmen da die Verhältnisse meiner Generationen wie oben gesagt gegen die Tyrannisirung der Völker, wie in Rußland, stets die Rachelust in mir hervorriefen. — Außerdem erhalte ich als Secretär dieser Aeszpos der Nihilisten sehr hohe Unterhaltungskosten, welche mir das Leben sehr behaglich machen und wofür ich nur jede schriftliche Uebersetzung in jeder Sprache zu liefern habe. —
Das ist nun Schreiber dieses. —

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Gehen wir nun weiter!
Die Unterhandlungen mit Ihren Gatten
greifen schon circa sechs Monate zu-
rück. Ich kenne selbstverständlich
alle Details.
Die Correspondents erwies sich er-
folglos und so sollte heute vor acht
Tagen eigentlich Ihre Tochter ent-
führt werden, woran ich jedoch
verhindert eintrat, indem ich
rieth man solle erst noch mit e.
Droh-Versuchen einschreiten. Dies
geschah durch einen dummen
angestellten Versuch Ihre
Tochter aus der Schule abzuholen.
Selbstverständlich sollte dies miß-
lingen. Eigentlich sollte Roser
von der Straße direct in eine
Equipage durch Gewalt oder Güte
gebracht werden und dann
fort auf nimmer wieder-
sehen. Ich verhinderte dies!
Darauf erfolgloser Drohbrief.

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Am vergangenen Donnerstag Abend
sollte an Mr. Str. durch ~~[illegible]~~ Werfen
einer Bombe gerächt werden.
Ich verhinderte Dies!
Als Mr. Str. mit dem Knaben nach
Hause ging gewahrte einer meiner
Collegen die Zeitung in seiner lin-
ken Tasche und rief „Das Couvert"
sofort wurden die Ordres zurückgezo-
gen.
Alles dies war mein Werk.–
Nun fragen Sie weßhalb diese Theilnahme.
Ich bin der einzige Israelit unter der
Abthlg. der Sechszehn, die Anderen sind al-
le Katholiken. Dieserhalb beschloß ich
Sie zu warnen!
Nun meine Damen mehr kann ich
eben nicht; ich kann eben nur
warnen und warnen, bis es
vielleicht zu spät sein wird.–
Vorläufig ist bis Dienstag Abend
ein neuer Beschluß zu fassen.–
Warnen will ich zwar immer,

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Ihnen mittheilen was ausgeführt wer-
den soll, doch fürchte ich, daß folgen-
der Beschluß Dienstag Abend gefaßt
werden soll.
Die 4. Sect. (Rächt. Sect.) bestehend aus 6. Mann
wird beauftragt, nach eigener Wil-
kür, nach eigenem Beschluß die Werk-
zeuge Ihrer Göttin zu handhaben.
Dann kann auch ich nicht mehr war-
nen, da dann ein jeder Selbst-
ständig handeln wird.
Dann kann ich Ihnen keinen Rath
mehr geben.
Lassen Sie vorläufig Rosa nicht
aus dem Haus weder allein
noch mit Miß S. machen Sie
selbst wenig Besuche, zumal
unterlassen Sie nächtliche Heim-
kunft.
Was Ihren Gatten zu ~~[illegible]~~

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No 6

Sicherheit thun könnten, wüßte ich eben selbst nicht, da den Personen die Ehre der Ausführung ihrer willkürlichen Beschlüsse über ihr eigenes Leben geht.
Dies schreibt Ihnen ihr Freund! –
Sollte es Ihnen möglich sein die Wünsche und den Anforderungen der N., vielleicht auch etwas Reducirt nachzukommen, nun dann könnten Sie allerdings bessere Ruhe und Sicherheit genissen als wie jetzt, wo ich an Ihre Stelle effectiv kein Auge zuthun könnte.
Könnten und wollten Sie Vorstehendes thun, nun dann würde ich den Versuch machen friedliche Vermittelung anzuknüpfen.
Indem ich Ihnen versichere

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ohne nihilistische Interessen, zumal das im letzten Verse erwähnte, gehandelt zu haben zeihen.

Secr. d. E. K. 3. Av.

Ich bin zu finden durch Annonce unter bekanntem Namen in der am Dienstag erscheinenden Staats-Zeitung, wie Montag Abend in der „N. Y. Tages-Nachrichten", worin Sie natürl. kurz andeuten können was Sie beschlossen; jedenfalls nur kurz – genau – und hauptsächlich schnell.

In Hochachtung

Ihr ergebener

Freund!

b. 22

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Lab. 7
JWT

No 7 N. York. 5.4/81.

Geehrte Damen,

In aller Eile warne ich für Morgen Nacht, Specifikation fehlt mir noch.
Wenn Ihre Gatten so unfruchtsame Naturen sind, ist es sehr schlimm.
Betreffs des Factoren er, suche Sie um so fortige genaue Angabe, jedoch jetzt nicht zu reducirt.
Auf jeden Fall diesen Abend in
„N. Y. Tages-Nachrichten"
Antwort, damit man rechtzeitig noch Alles

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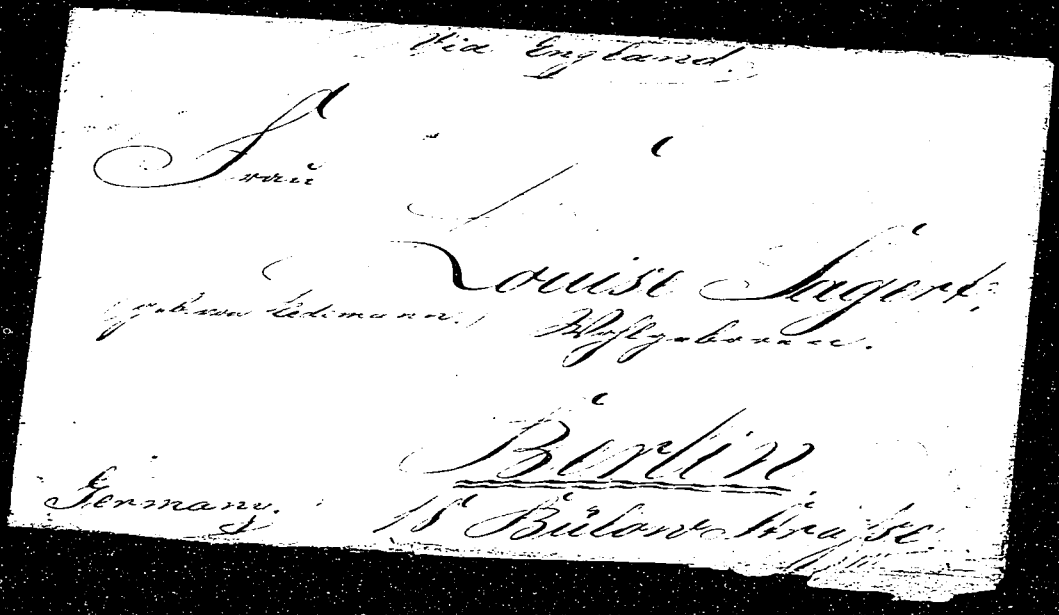

Via England.

Frau

Louise Jagert,

(geb. von Ledemann.) Wohlgeboren.

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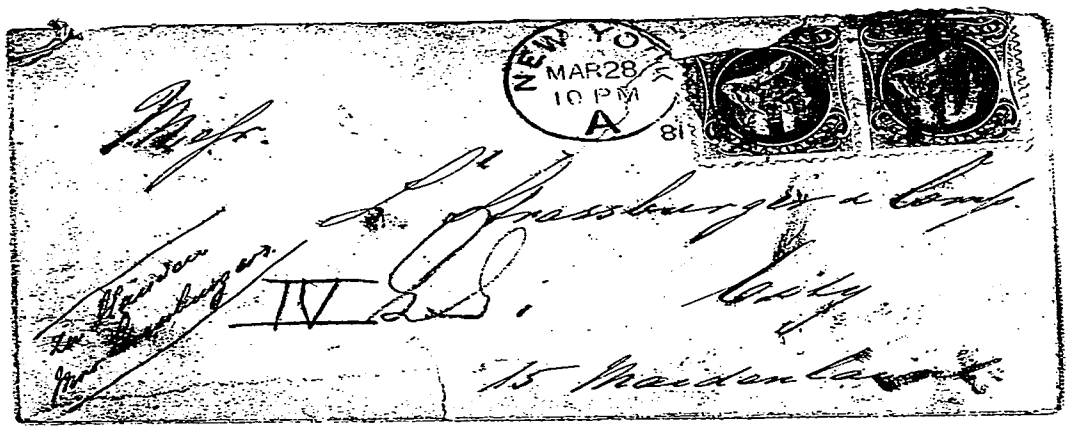

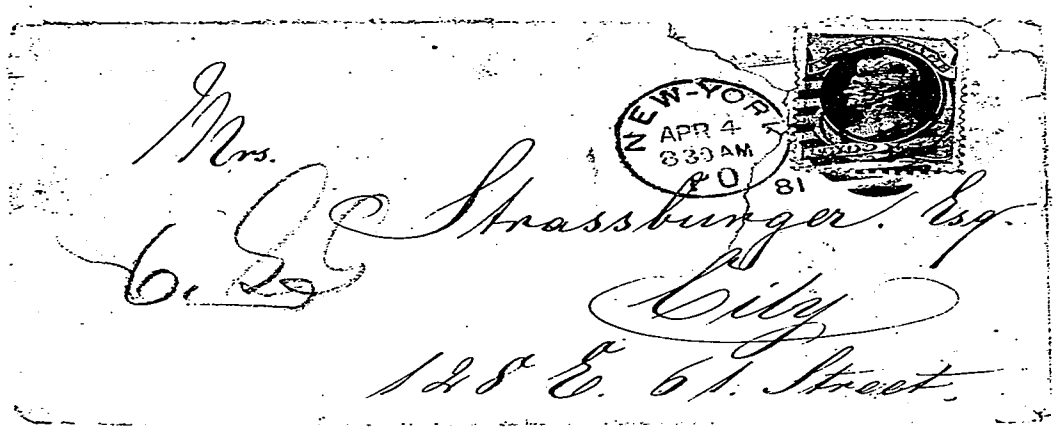

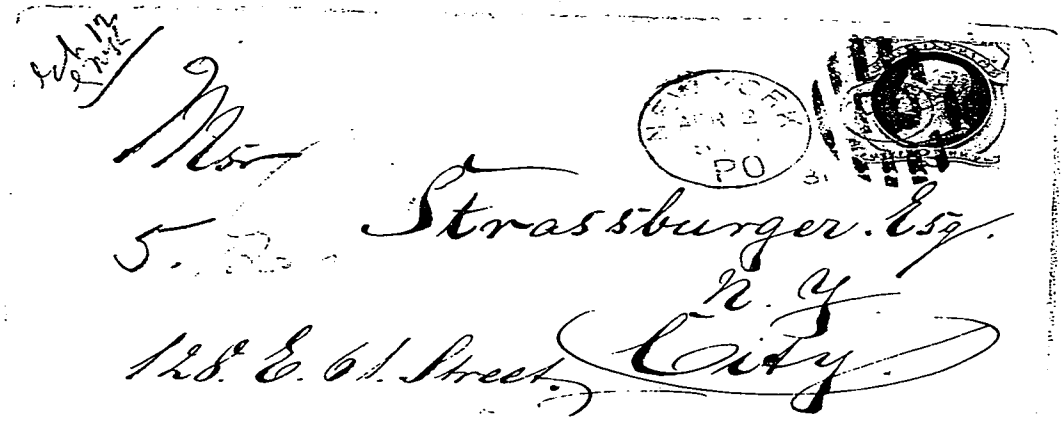

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In the Matter of the Petition
of Felix A. H. Vogel, for remission of fine.

To the District Attorney of the City and County of New York;

Please take notice that upon the petition, of which the annexed is a copy, and the certificate of Isaiah Fuller, Agent and Warden of Clinton Prison at Dannemora, I shall move the Court of General Sessions, in and for the City and County of New York, on the ~~23th~~ 26 day of ~~November~~ December, 1880 at the opening of Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard, for an order remitting the fine imposed upon said Vogel by Recorder Smythe in said City of New York, on or about the Twentieth day of June, Eighteen hundred and Eighty one, upon said Vogel's conviction for the crime of Abduction and attempt to blackmail.

Yours &c. Miller & Savage
Attys. for Petitioner.

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To

The Court of ~~Common Plea~~ General Sessions for the City and County of New York:

Your petitioner respectfully shows, that he was born in Germany in the year 1860, That he came to this Country, landing in New-York in the month of 21st Oct 1880.

That in June 1881 he was convicted, in the Recorders Court of the City of New York of an attempt to commit the crime of Abduction, and a few days after, and before sentence upon such Conviction, and, as he believes, on the 20th day of June 1881, he was convicted on his plea of guilty for an attempt to blackmail, both of which offenses were a part of the same transaction.

That for the attempt to blackmail he was sentenced to be confined at hard labor at Sing-Sing States prison for the term of two years and six months, and for the attempt to abduct for the term of five years, to commence at termination of the first sentence, and to pay a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars, and to stand committed until such fine was paid,

That by virtue of said sentences your

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Petitioner was conveyed to said Sing-Sing States Prison, where he remained confined at hard labor until July 4th 1881, when he was removed to Clinton States Prison, at Dannemora, where he has ever since been confined at hard labor.

That for good conduct your petitioner has earned commutations of sentence, and that he is informed by the officers of said Prison that he will have served out both of said sentences on July 5th 1886, but that he will be held in confinement until said fine is paid not exceeding two hundred and fifty days.

Your petitioner further shows that he is utterly destitute of money or property with which to pay said fine, and that it is utterly impossible for him to pay the same, that he is a stranger in a strange land without friends to aid him, and unless said fine be remitted he will be confined for the whole two hundred and ~~fifty days~~, after the expiration of said terms of sentence.

That your petitioner was never before convicted of any crime, or arrested upon any criminal charge. That he is now 26. years of age only —

and your Petitioner prays this Court to remmit said fine and direct his discharge at the expiration of the terms of his said sentences, or for such other order or relief as to the Court shall seem just.

Felix Vogel

State of New York
County of Clinton ss: Felix Vogel, the Petitioner above named being duly sworn says the foregoing petition is true of his own knowledge except as to the matters therein stated on information and as to those matters he believes it to be true

Subscribed & sworn before me June 18th 1886
B. M. Beckwith
Notary Public

Felix Vogel

Court of Common Pleas

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of New York —

Petition of

Felix A. H. Vogel

for remission of fine

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State of New York.

Office of the Agent and Warden of Clinton Prison.

Dannemora, 12th July, 1886.

To whom it may concern;

This may certify that Felix A. H. Vogel, serving a sentence of imprisonment at this prison, has always bourne himself well in his observance of the rules governing Convicts.

Isaiah Fuller,

Agent and Warden of Clinton Prison.

Court of Quarter Sessions Court.

In the Matter of

~~Plaintiff~~

~~against~~

The Petition of

Felix H. Vogel

~~Defendant~~

MILLER & SAVAGE,

Attorneys for Petitioner

Office and P. O. Address,

202 Broadway,

NEW YORK CITY.

To R. B. Martine Esq.

District Attorney for New York

Due and timely service of a copy of within

is hereby admitted,

Dated Dec 1 1886

Attorney for

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

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Court of Quarter Sessions Court.

In the Matter of

~~Plaintiff~~

~~against~~

The Petition of

Felix A. H. Vogel

~~Defendant~~

MILLER & SAVAGE,

Attorneys for Petitioner

Office and P. O. Address,

202 Broadway,

NEW YORK CITY.

To C. B. Matthews Esq.

District Attorney for New York

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is hereby admitted,

Dated, N.Y. Dec 1 1886 188

Attorney for

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

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT—FOURTH DISTRICT.

Louis Strasburger

of No. 128 East 61st Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and saith, that on the 7th day of April 1881, at the Nineteenth Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously attempted to be taken, stolen, and carried away, from the person of deponent, by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, *the following property, viz:*

Sixty thousand dollars

of the value of Sixty thousand Dollars,

the property of Complainant

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously attempted to be taken, stolen, and carried away, by force and violence as aforesaid, by

Felix Albert Vogel (now present) from the fact that on the 24 December 1880, and on March 27th March 28, April 2, April 4, April 5, April 6, April 7, 1881. Said Vogel did write and caused to be written the annexed letters to deponent all of which were of a threatening character, and were written to deponent with the intent to extort from deponent the above described amount of money, and further said Vogel acknowledged to deponent that he wrote and composed the letter of the 24th December 1880 and further that he aided and assisted one Johannes Herman Edward Sagert to write the other letters and caused them to be sent. Said Vogel acknowledged & confessed to a statement hereto annexed and made before Gerson N Herrman Coroner of this city that he had written and caused to be written all of the annexed threatening letters

Louis Strasburger

Sworn to before me, this 13 day of April 1881

Jos Mrs Osmond

Police Justice.

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City and County of New York ss

Louisa Spelten residing No 128 East 61 street being sworn says that on the 7 day of April 1881. a letter was received by Mrs Bertha Strasburger at No 128 East 61 street New York city and which is hereto annexed and known as letter No 9 in which deponent was requested to go up to 61 street toward 5 avenue and when she heard a pistol shot fired to drop an envelope and return home Deponent went up as far as Madison avenue and 61 street heard a pistol shot in 61 street between 5 & Madison avenues dropped an envelope which was supposed to contain money as requested in letter No 9 and returned home

Sworn to before me this 13 day of April 1881

[illegible signature]

Police Justice

Louise Spelten

Police Court—Fourth District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT—Robbery.

Dated 187

Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

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Police Court, Fourth District.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Felix Albert Vogel being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he was at liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Felix Albert Vogel

Question. How old are you?

Answer. Twenty Two years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Leipsic Germany

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. 32 Stanton Street

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. Picture Vender

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so what,—relative to the charge here preferred against you?

Answer. I have nothing more to say than what I have already said before the Coroner

F. H. Vogel

Taken before me this 13 day of Sept 1871

Police Justice.

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Witnesses against, Mr Felix Vogel, in the attempt at Robbery of Mr Louis Strassberger, N.Y.

1st Louis Strassberger Complainant, who rec'd most of the threatening letters, from Miss Seigert & Vogel, demanding, $60.000 ect ect ect

2nd Mrs. Louis Strassberger, wife of the Complainant who also rec'd threatening letters from same parties.

3rd Miss Spelton, Governess in Mr Strassberger's family. This lady is the party, who took decoy letter from Mr Strassberger's house & dropped same in the Street at signal of pistol shot fired by Felix Vogel. Seigert was to obtain such letter.

4th Master Jacob Bernheimer & Companion These boys took last letter, to Mr Strassberger's house, from Seigert said letter informing them that this was the last appeal, & for the Governess to bring out an envelope, with the desired money in, & to drop same at signal of pistol shot.

5th Ben Fohs, 149 Delancy St. It was in this party's store, that Seigert used to write his letters, & have appointments with Felix Vogel.

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6th. Miss Adolph & Emil Danziger, brothers, These parties were aware of some Conspiracy, going on, in which Seigert & Vogel, were interested in, (Said Conspiracy turned out to be, the Strassburger affair)

7th. Doorman Daggerty, 28th Police Precinct, This party found in Seigert's hut, original Manuscript of the last letter, sent to Mr Strassburger. Said letter is in Vogel's handwriting

8th. Also Capt John Gunner (28th Police Precinct) & Detective Saml J. Campbell, who had charged of the Case.

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Witnesses in the attempted abduction of
Mr Louis Strassburger's daughter.

1st Dr Huebsch, recd a letter requesting him to send Mr Strassburger's daughter home, Sunday
Heading of letter was printed with Mr Strassburger's name

2nd Mr Louis Strassburger, recd the above mentioned letter, at his residence, about 1 hour after Dr Huebsch had recd same

3rd Mrs Martha Schneer, this lady rented the rooms, 332 East 52nd St (where Mr Strassburger's daughter was to be detained) to Mess Vogel & Seigert. Vogel paying the money for same.

4th Mr Robt. E. Stone, witness to the preceding transaction. This gentlemen resides in this house

5th Jacob Ahles 155 East 54th St, witness to Mess Seigert & Vogel being in his saloon & around the Synagogue, on the Saturday previous & on the Sunday, the day of sending the previous mentioned letter to Dr Huebsch.

6th Adolph Danziger (now 14 Allen) (76 Eldridge) St, was informed by Seigert of the plot to abduct "the wealthy Mr Strassburger's daughter"

7th Mr Felix Vogel, admits in his sworn statement before the Coroner, of having commenced the correspondence with Mr Strassburger, by sending him a letter, in type form. This was done previous to Seigert being in the plot. — over —

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He also admits of having printed the heading of the letter sent to Dr Hubsch

The type used on these occasions, is in the possession of Capt John Gunner, 28th Police Precinct.

Mr. Vogel also admits of having been present with Sugert on the Sunday, when the letter was sent to Dr Hubsch, & the attempted abduction took place

~~Mr Fohs saw~~ Sugert meet Vogel.

Haggerty door keeper

Hoffman

Witnessed in the attempted Abduction of the Daughter of Mr Grassburger.

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Louis Strasburger & Co

IMPORTERS OF

WATCHES & DIAMONDS

15 MAIDEN LANE,

P.O. BOX 3190.

New York June 10 1881

To the Hon. Mr Beecher
District Attorney
Dear Sir,

I called on you — but found I was to late & would advise you to have the Daughter of Mr Hoffman the Grocery Merchant at 29 Stanton Street supposed as she is a important Whitness in the Vogel case.

Yours most respectfully

Louis Strasburger

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

List of Witnesses

New York, 188

Peo
vs
Felix Albert Vogel

Louis Strassburger 128 E 61 St
Bertha Strassburger " "
Louisa Spelten " "
Dr Adolph Huebsch 791 Lex Ave
Martha Schuser 332 E 52 St.
Robert E. Stone " "
Conrad Stellman 155 E 54
Benj. Fohs 149 Delancey
Adolph Danziger 14 Allen
Emil Danziger 159 Carmel
Jacob Bernheim 145 E 60
Henry August 133 E 61
Peter Hoffman 29 Stanton
Capt Gunner 28 Prec
Samuel J. Campbell " "
Off Cornish (over) 28 " "

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Mis Hoffman 29 Stanton St
Law V. arst pistol. & was tried to
give false address

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City and County } ss.
of New York.

The jurors of the People of the State of New York in and for the body of the City and County of New York, upon their oath present:

That Felix Albert Vogel late of the nineteenth 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-one at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, did knowingly, intentionally and feloniously make, send and deliver to, and part with the possession of, for the purpose of being sent and delivered to Bertha Strasburger a certain letter and writing threatening therein, and he the said Felix Albert Vogel did then and there threaten therein and thereby to do an injury to the person of Louis Strasburger who was then and there the husband of her the said Bertha Strasburger to wit: to kill and slay him the said Louis Strasburger with a view and

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with intent to extort, obtain and gain from them the said Louis Strasburger and the said Bertha Strasburger and each of them the sum of Sixty thousand dollars in money of the moneys and property belonging to them and each of them the said Louis Strasburger and Bertha Strasburger. and which said letter and writing is in the German language and is as follows

New York 2. 4. 81

Geehrte Frau Strassburger

Hierdurch wende ich mich ganz persönlich an Sie um ohne die geringste Interesse daran zu haben, nochmahls zu warnen.

Obgleich ich fürchte, daß auch dieses nichts nutzen wird, lasse ich mich doch nicht abschrecken Vermittlung anzu bahnen suchen. Wollen Sie dies – nur in Ihrem Interesse etwa nicht als Wittwe in dieser öden Welt dazustehen, so wirken sie, wie Frau Adler auf Ihren Gatten ein event. suchen Sie die Angelegenheit selbst zu regeln ich bitte Ihnen die Hand dazu. Mehr kann ich nicht! Finde ich in der N.Y. Staatszeitung Sontag folgende Annonce Ludwig Kabotsky Third Ave empfiehlt alle Sorten Tabacke denn wünsche Sie meine Hülfe. Ich zeichne Seeratad E & K

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and which letter and writing being translated into the English language is as follows:

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Honorable Mrs Strasburger

I hereby address myself to you personally, without being in any way interested in the case, to give you a fair warning.

Though fearing that you will not pay any attention to this, I shall feel compelled to try and intercede for you. If you do not wish to be left a widow in this desolate world (if you do not wish your husband killed and thereby be left a widow in this desolate world meaning thereby) you will in conjunction with Mrs Adler try and persuade your husband to settle this matter (pay and deliver to the aforesaid Felix Albert Vogel the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars in money and of the value of Sixty thousand dollars meaning thereby) I am willing to assist you. If I find in the N.Y. Staatzeitung of Sunday the following

advertisement
Ludwig Kabotsky
recommends all kind of tobacco
Shall Know that you (the said
Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby)
want my help
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.
Daniel S. Rollins
District Attorney.

No. 7

Day of Trial

Counsel, [illegible]

Filed 23 day of May 1881

Pleads Not guilty (24)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

[illegible]

P.

Felix Albert Vogel.

Attempt to rob.

DANIEL G. ROLLINS,

[redacted]

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

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Foreman.

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Police Department of the City of New York,

Precinct No. .....

New York, ... 188

Am 25 October bin ich hier in New York auf denselben Schiff wie Mr. Str. angekommen. Ich lernte dann ich Laufe des Monat November Johannes Sagert aus Berlin, als derselbe im Begriff war das Geschäft „Friedr. Keppel", Broadway vis à vis City Hall, zu verlassen, kennen. In Berlin habe ich Sagert vorüber gehend im Geschäft Linde's Depot gesehen, obgleich ich mit seinem Vater geschäftlich verkehrte. Hier in N. Y. führten uns die gleichen Geschäfte etliche Mal zusammen, jedoch eines Sonntags Vormittag traf ich S. als ich nach der 54th Str. ging um meine Aufwartung der Familie Str. zu machen. S. gab an einen Spaziergang nach dem C. P. unternommen zu haben u. so führte uns diese Begegnung auf gemeinsamen Weg bis zur 54th Str. Auf diesen Weg nun, erinnere ~~ich~~ mich, habe ich auf Befragen S. den Zweck wie die Verhältnisse Mr. Str. erzählt. Wenn ich nicht irre hat S. als ich ihm bei einem Kunsthändler traf, mich gefragt wie mein Besuch abgelaufen sein und habe ich ihm, so Allgemeines erzählt. Ich habe dann S. glaube ich am Sonnabend vor Weihnachten das letzte Mal gesehen. —

Vor ungefähr 3–4 Wochen traf ich S. auf dem Broadway zum ersten Mal seit jener Zeit zusammen, er hatte ein Päckchen Notiz-Schreibtafeln, wo er angab mit diesen hausiren zu gehen. Er begleitete mich und schilderte mir seine traurige Lage, worauf ich ihm einen Dollar gab, und ich ihm sagte, daß ich sehen wolle, ihm mit nach Deutschland zu nehmen.

Von da an kam S. täglich zu mir, ich unterstütze ihm so lange u. so gut ich konnte. Ein jedes Mal, daß ich ihm etwas Geld gab, versprach er mir Alles, wenn nicht hier

sodoch dann ich Deutschland wieder gut zu machen. Ferner gab es an, daß er von seinem reichen Onkel in Altona 240 und von seinem Vater 100 Dollar erwartete, auch von seiner Braut in Hannover das Capital was sich auf 10,000 Thaler erhalten könnte.

So sprach er dann auch öfters von Str. Str. Familie, ob ich diese noch besuche u. was Fräulein Spelten mache. Ich fragte ihn was ihm das angingen, worauf er lächelnd andeutete er wolle eine Liebschaft mit ihr anfangen. Dann kam es im Laufe des Gesprächs, daß er äußerte ~~man~~ er wolle den reichen Mr. Str. anpumpen. Ich sagte er solle es versuchen. Gut ich thue es war die Antwort. Lächelnd sah ich ihn an, da sagte er man könnte auch durch Drohung ganz dasselbe erreichen. Ich fragte wieso, da gab er keine Antwort u. erklärte ich solle nur ruhig sein. Erst nahm ich es für Scherz, jedoch später sah ich ~~ei~~ daß es Ernst war

Tag aus Tag ein gingen wir zusammen weg und zweimal sah ich einen Mann, der seinem Ansehen nach ein Israelit kurzen Vollbart trug u. glaube ich blaue Kleidung trug. Dieser begegnete S. u. mir zweimal er wechselte ein paar Worte während ich weiter ging.

Er frug mich dann einmal ob man ein Kind nicht leicht entführen könnte, ich verneinte dies und frug ihn was er meine. Ich erhielt keine Antwort, als daß er sagte per Wagen müsse dies leicht gehen z. B. ich solle den Treiber machen, er würde Sie vielleicht mit noch einem Dritten in den Wagen von der Straße mit Gewalt setzen. Ich ahnte daß dies auf Mr. Str. Tochter

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gemacht war u. sagte No, Sir. dieses war mein Worte worauf das Gespräch auf ein anderes Thema geführt wurde. Er fragte mich manches Sonderbare, z. B. wann die Kirche im Tempel Freitag anfinge. Ich sagte das weiß ich nicht, jedoch will ich darnach fragen; da habe ich wohl im Cafe Cosmopolitan Jemand gefragt jedoch weiß ich dies nicht bestimmt. So vergingen die Tage bis zum 26. März, wo die Wohnung in der 52. Str. gemiethet wurde – wie er angab für eine ihm bekannte Familie die Dubois hieße, ich solle sie miethen, dies wäre ja egal. Ich that dies ohne Ahnung zu welchem Zweck. An diesem Abend sagte er ich solle ihm die Hutschachtel geben und eine Bildermappe, er wolle Sachen herein legen u. sie zu mir bringen, damit ich diese in meinem gr. Koffer packen, bezüglich unserer Ueberfahrt nach Europa.

Sonntag sagte er, es war sehr früh, wir wollten den Schlüssel holen der zu genannter Wohnung fehle. Wir gingen hinaus und er schickte mich zum Hauskeeper ich solle denselben herunterholen. Ich ging hinauf und man sagte mir er sei verlegt. dieses sagte ich ihm.

Wir gingen ~~nach~~ durch die Strassen ca. 45 Minuten u. kamen schließlich auf die Lexington Ave. wo ich mich ca 11.30 verabschiedete. Ich fuhr mit der Car nach Stanton 29 wo ich zu Mittag speiste. Dann ging ich an seiner Wohnung vorbei um ihn zu holen da ich mit ihm Binakel bei Hofmanns 29 Stanton

spielen wollte wozu ich ihm eingeladen. Er sagte er wolle sehen. Endlich kam er zu Hofmanns ging, aber gleich wieder fort. Abend kam er zu Hofmanns wo ich mit diesem Herrn, wie fast jeden Abend Binackel spielte. Er verweilte eine halbe Stunde worauf er weg ging. Am Montag Nachmittag glaube ich erzählte er mir von dem „Abenteuer" wie er sagte. Ich erzählte dies Mr. Str. schon.

Seit dieser Zeit habe ich S. gemieden wo ich konnte dies wissen Hofmanns. Von der Str. Action ist nicht ein Wort gefallen. Ich habe dies auch gemieden. Am 6. April gab er mir einen Brief an Mrs Str. ich solle ihn besorgen. Ich that dies wußte aber nicht was derselbe enthielt.

Am 7. April nun ging ich mit S. ca 11 Uhr die 1. Ave entlang als sich der Herr, den ich oben erwähnte zu uns gesellte. Wir gingen bis ungefähr zur 40. Str. wo wir der Kreuz u. quer nach der 4. Ave u. 61te Str. gelangen, wo mir endlich die Sache so nebenbei herzulaufen überward, u. ich S. mittheilte, ich möchte etwas essen gehen, ~~wenn ich mich traf~~ und ging die 61. Str. sehr langsam entlang. Ich vermuthete daß S. mir nachkommen würde, da er wohl gemerkt haben mochte, daß ich erzürnt durch dies erwähnte Betragen, geworden. Es vergingen wenige Minuten S. kam u. wir gingen, vielmehr tändelten bis ziemlich zur Madison Ave. wo ich S. noch mals erklärte ich hätte Hunger, worauf er sagte

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ich möge gehen wir wollte uns aber an der 59. Str. u. 6. Ave. treffen ~~in~~ er wolle die Madison Ave entlang gehen. dabei sagte er mir ganz nebenbei ich solle wenn er pfiff mein Pistol abschiessen Ich that so u befand mich in der 5. Ave zwischen 60 u. 61. Str. Ich schoss sogar zweimal. Ehe ich dies that konnte ich S. in der Madison Ave sehen er hab, wie grüssend seine Hand was ich auch nachahmte.

Felix Vogel

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City and County } ss.
of New York.

The jurors of the People of the State of New York in and for the body of the City and County of New York, upon their oath, present:

That Felix Albert Vogel late of the nineteenth Ward of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid on the twenty-fourth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, did knowingly, intentionally and feloniously make, send and deliver to, and part with the possession of, for the purpose of being sent and delivered to Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler a certain letter and writing, threatening therein, and as he the said Felix Albert Vogel did then and there threaten therein and thereby to do an injury to the person of one Louis Strasburger who was then and there the husband of the said Bertha Strasburger to wit: to kill and slay him the said Louis Strasburger with a view and with intent to extort, obtain and gain

from them and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline adler the sum of Sixty thousand dollars in money of the money and property belonging to them and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline adler and which said letter and writing is in the German language and is as follows:

es wird ihnen bekannt sein dass i. männer verurtheilt wurden 60.000 dll. zu zahlen, wir wenden uns z. letzten. male an sie, m. damen. wenn sie nicht möchten dass in i. hause bald e, leiche ist, so zahlen sie. sollten sie gewillt sein blut werke zu verhindern so fahre madam str. präcis 1 uhr 30 m. mit 7 ave. car - allein - bis cor. broadway & barclay str. marke geld flüssig & zwischen 3.30 - 4 uhr gehe sie allein - v. b'way - barclay str. bis west b'way 3 mal - convert in d. hand auf & ab ex - k.

and which letter and writing being translated into the English language is as follows:

Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline adler meaning thereby) then pay. (then they the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline adler should and must pay the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars to him

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from them and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler the sum of Sixty thousand dollars in money of the money and property belonging to them and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler and which said letter and writing is in the German language and is as follows:

es wird ihnen bekannt sein dass i. männer verurtheilt wurden 60.000 doll. zu zahlen, wir wenden uns z. letzten. male an sie, m. damen. wenn sie nicht möchten dass in i. hause bald e, leiche ist, so zahlen sie. sollten sie gewillt sein blut werke zu verhindern so fahre madam str. präcis 1 uhr 30 m. mit 7 ave. car - allein - bis cor. broadway & barclay str. marke geld flüssig & zwischen 3.30 - 4 uhr gehe sie allein - v. b'way - barclay str. bis west b'way 3 mal - couvert in d. hand auf & ab ex - K.

and which letter and writing being translated into the English language is as follows:

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It must be known to you (the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler thereby meaning) that y. (your thereby meaning) husbands (the aforesaid Louis Strasburger the husband of her the said Bertha Strasburger and Charles Adler who was then and there the husband of her the said ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler meaning thereby) were condemned to pay 60.000 doll. (dollars meaning thereby) We address ourselves for the last time to your Mr. ladies (the aforesaid Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler meaning thereby)

If you (the aforesaid Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler thereby meaning) do not wish soon to have a corpse in your house (if you do not wish the aforesaid Louis Strasburger to be killed soon and made to be and become a corpse in the house of them the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler meaning thereby) then pay. (then they the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Caroline Adler should and must pay the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars to him

the said Felix Albert Vogel, ~~and~~ meaning thereby) Should you (the said Bertha Strasburger and ~~Charles~~ Carolina Adler meaning thereby) want to prevent bloody deeds, then madam str, (then the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) should take the 9 ave. car (should take one of the rail road cars of the horse rail road running upon and along seventh avenue in the city and county of New York meaning thereby) alone sharp at 1.30 o'clock (at thirty minutes after one o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby) to the cor. Broadway & Barclay str. (to the corner of Broadway and Barclay Street in the city and county of New York meaning thereby) get money ready (get and have the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars ready meaning thereby) & between 3:30 — 4 o'clock (and between thirty minutes after three o'clock in the afternoon and four o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby)

she (the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) will go alone f. bway – barclay str. (from said Broadway and Barclay Street meaning thereby) to west bway 3 times – envelop in hand up + down (to West Broadway in the city and county of New York three times up and down with the envelope containing said sixty thousand dollars in the hand of her the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby.)

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And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present. That the said Felix Albert Vogel late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit on the day and year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, did knowingly, intentionally and feloniously make, send and deliver to and part with the possession of, for the purpose of being sent and delivered to Bertha Stradburger and Caroline Adler a certain letter and writing, threatening therein, and he the said Felix Albert Vogel did then and there threaten therein and thereby to do an injury to the person of one Charles Adler who was then and there the husband of the said Caroline Adler, to wit: to kill and slay him the said Charles Adler with a view and with intent to extort, obtain and gain from them and each of them the said Bertha Stradburger and Caroline Adler the sum of Sixty thousand dollars in money of the money and property belonging to them

and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler and which said letter and writing is in the German Language and is as follows:

es wird ihnen bekannt sein dass i. männer verurtheilt wurden 60.000 doll. zu zahlen. wir wenden uns z. letzten male an sie, m. damen. wenn sie nicht möchten dass in i. hause balde, leiche ist, so zahlen sie, sollten sie gewillt sein blut werke zu verhindern so fahre madam. str. präcis 1 uhr 30 m. mit 7 ave. car-allein- bis cor. broadway + barclay str. mache geld flüssig + zwischen 3.30 - 4 uhr gehe sie allein - v. b'way - barclay str. bis West bway 3 mal - couvert in d. hand auf + ab ex - k.

and which letter and writing being translated into the English language is as follows:

It must be known to you (the said Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler thereby meaning) that y. (your thereby meaning) husbands ~~the aforesaid~~ Louis Strasburger who was then and there the husband of her the said Bertha Strasburger and

the said Charles Adler who was then and
there the husband of her the said
Caroline Adler meaning thereby) were
condemned to pay 60.000 dolle. (dollars
meaning thereby) We address ourselves
for the last time to you Mrs. Ladies
(the aforesaid Bertha Strasburger and
Caroline Adler meaning thereby.)
If you (the aforesaid Bertha
Strasburger and Caroline Adler thereby
meaning) do not wish soon to
have a corpse in your house (if you
do not wish the aforesaid ~~Co~~
Charles Adler to be killed soon and
made to be and become a corpse in
the house of them the said Bertha
Strasburger and Caroline Adler meaning
thereby) then pay (then they the said
Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler
should and must pay the aforesaid
sum of Sixty thousand dollars to him
the said Felix Albert Vogel ~~and~~ meaning
thereby)
Should you (the said Bertha
Strasburger and Caroline Adler meaning
thereby) want to prevent bloody
deeds, then madam Sr. ~~then the~~

said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) should take the 7 ave. car (should take one of the railroad cars of the horse rail road running upon and along Seventh avenue in the city and County of New York meaning thereby) alone sharp at 1.30 o'clock (at thirty minutes after one o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby) to the cor. broadway & Barclay str. (to the corner of Broadway and Barclay Street in the city and County of New York - meaning thereby) get money ready (get and have the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars ready meaning thereby & between 3.30 - 4 o'clock (and between thirty minutes after three o'clock in the afternoon and four o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby). she (the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) will go alone f. bway - barclay str. (from said Broadway and Barclay Street meaning thereby) to west bway 3 times - envelop in hand up & down (to West Broadway in the city and County of New York

three times up and down with the envelope containing said Sixty thousand dollars in the hand of her the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby.
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And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid do further present That the said Felix Albert Vogel late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid afterwards to wit on the day and year aforesaid at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, did knowingly, intentionally and feloniously make, send and deliver to and part with the possession of; for the purpose of being sent and delivered to Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler a certain letter and writing, threatening therein, and he the said Felix Albert Vogel did then and there threaten therein and thereby to do an injury to the person of one Louis Strasburger who was then and there

the husband of the said Bertha Strasburger to wit: to kill and slay him the said Louis Strasburger with a view and with intent to extort, obtain and gain from them and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and Louis Strasburger the sum of Sixty thousand dollars in money of the money and property belonging to them and each of them the said Bertha Strasburger and Louis Strasburger and which said letter and writing is in the German language and is as follows: es wird ihnen bekannt sein dass i männer verurtheilt wurden 60.000 doll. zu zahlen, wir wenden uns z. letzten male an sie, m. damen wenn sie nicht möchten dass in i hause balde leiche ist, so zahlen sie, sollten sie gewillt sein blut werke zu verhindern so fahre madam str. präcis 1 uhr 30 m. mit 7 ave. car-allein-bis cor. broadway & barclay str. mache geld flüssig & zwischen 3.30-4 uhr gehe sie allein - v. bway-barclay str. bis West bway 3 mal. convert in d. hand auf & ab ex-k.

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If must be known to you (the said
Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler
thereby meaning) that y. (your thereby
meaning) husbands the aforesaid Louis
Strasburger the husband of her the said
Bertha Strasburger and Charles Adler
who was then and there the husband
of her the said Caroline Adler meaning
thereby) were condemned to pay
60.000 doll. (dollars meaning thereby)
We address ourselves for the last time
to your ladies (the aforesaid Bertha
Strasburger and Caroline Adler meaning
thereby)

If you (the aforesaid Bertha
Strasburger and Caroline Adler thereby meaning)
do not wish soon to have a
corpse in your house (if you
do not wish the aforesaid Louis
Strasburger to be killed soon and
made to be and become a corpse in
the house of them the said Bertha
Strasburger and Caroline Adler meaning
thereby) then pay (then they the said

Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler should and must pay the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars to him the said Miles Albert Vogel ~~and~~ meaning thereby)

Should you (the said Bertha Strasburger and Caroline Adler meaning thereby) want to prevent bloody deeds, then madam str. (then the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) should take the 7 ave. car (should take one of the rail road cars of the horse rail road running upon and along seventh avenue in the city and county of New York meaning thereby) alone sharp at 1.30 o'clock (at thirty minutes after one o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby) to the cor. Broadway & Barclay str. (to the corner of Broadway and Barclay Street in the city and county of New York meaning thereby) get money ready (get and have) the aforesaid sum of Sixty thousand dollars ready meaning thereby & between 3.30 - 4 o'clock (and between thirty minutes after three o'clock

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in the afternoon and four o'clock in the afternoon meaning thereby) she (the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) will go alone f. bway & barcldy str. (from said Broadway and Barclay Street meaning thereby) to west bway 3 times - envelop in hand up & down (to West Broadway in the City and County of New York three times up and down with the envelope containing said Sixty thousand dollars in the hand of her the said Bertha Strasburger meaning thereby) ea - K 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

Daniel G. Rollins
District Attorney

Day of Trial

Counsel,

Filed 23 day of May 188/

Pleads Not guilty (2x)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

v.

Felix Albert Vogel

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DANIEL G. ROLLINS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

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Foreman.

Part Two. June 20 1881

Pleads Guilty

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City and County } ss.
of New York.

The jurors of the People of the State of New York, in and for the body of the City and ~~County~~ of New York, upon their oath, present:

That Felix Albert Vogel late of the nineteenth Ward of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid on the twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one at the Ward City and County aforesaid with force and arms did attempt and endeavor maliciously, forcibly, unlawfully, and feloniously to lead, take and carry away a certain child under the age of twelve years to wit: one Rosa Strasburger who was then and there over the age of ten years and below the age of twelve years with intent to detain and conceal the said child from Louis Strasburger and Bertha Strasburger who were then and there the parents of said child and then and there had the lawful charge

and custody of said child.

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further present: That the said Felix Albert Vogel late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid afterwards to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid at the Ward, City and County aforesaid did attempt and endeavor maliciously, fraudulently, unlawfully and feloniously to lead, take and carry away a certain child under the age of twelve years to wit: one Rosa Strasburger who was then and there over the age of ten years and below the age of twelve years with intent to detain and conceal the said child from Louis Strasburger and Bertha Strasburger who were then and there the parents of said child and then and there had the lawful charge and custody of said child.

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid, do farther present: That the said Felix Albert Vogel late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards to wit, on the

day and in the year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid did attempt and endeavor maliciously, fraudulently, unlawfully and feloniously to decoy and entice away a certain child under the age of twelve years to wit: one Rosa Strasburger who was then and there over the age of ten years and below the age of twelve years with intent to detain and conceal the said child from Louis Strasburger and Bertha Strasburger who were then and there the parents of said child and then and there had the lawful charge and custody of said child; 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.

Daniel G. Rollins.
District Attorney.