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**FOLDER:**

4366

**DESCRIPTION:**

Palmer, Harriet

**DATE:**

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

Witnesses:

*Wm Dolan*

The house complained  
of has been closed  
and on the statement  
of Captain Priest  
that the messman  
no longer exists  
I recommend in  
view of the advanced  
age of the left that  
penitence be ordered

*Wm Dolan*  
*Wm Dolan*  
*Apr 29/92*

Counsel,

Filed, *213* day of *April* 188*2*

Pleads, *Wm Dolan*

THE PEOPLE

*Wm Dolan* vs. *B*

*Harriet Palmer*

KEEPING A HOUSE OF ILL-FAME, ETC.  
(Sections 322 and 385, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*Wm Dolan*  
Foreman.

Part I April 29-  
*W. L.*

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

State of New York,  
City and County of New York, 55.

of No. *15th Precinct* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that *Samuel Palmer* (now present) is the person of the name of

*Samuel* mentioned in deponent's affidavit of the *4*

day of *March* 188*9* hereunto annexed.

Sworn to before me, this *6*

day of *March* 188*9*

*Thomas Solan*

*[Signature]* POLICE JUSTICE.

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

Sec. 322. Penal Code.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss.  
OF NEW YORK.

2 District Police Court.

of No 151st Avenue Street, in said City, being duly sworn says  
that at the premises known as Number 28 - East 13th Street,  
in the City and County of New York. on the 2 day of March 1889 and on divers  
other days and times, between that day and the day of making this complaint

Jane Dor house of  
did unlawfully keep and maintain and yet continue to keep and maintain a  
prostitution and did then, and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully procure  
and permit as well men as women of evil name and fame and of dishonest conversation to visit, frequent and come  
together for unlawful sexual intercourse, and for the purpose of prostitution and lewdness, and then and on the said  
other days and times, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and yet continues to permit said men and women of evil  
name and fame there to be and remain drinking, dancing, fighting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving  
themselves, whereby the peace, comfort and decency of persons inhabiting and residing in the neighborhood, and  
there passing is habitually disturbed, in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

Deponent therefore prays, that the said Jane Dor  
and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises, occupied by said  
Jane Dor  
may be apprehended and dealt with as the law in such cases made and provided may direct.

Sworn to before me, this

day of March 1889 Thomas Salan

James C. Bailey Police Justice.

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

*W*  
Police Court— *2* District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Thos W. Dean*

vs.

*Sam Dean*

AFFIDAVIT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 188

*A. R. Kelly* Justice.

\_\_\_\_\_ Officer.

\_\_\_\_\_ Precinct.

WITNESSES :

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

Sec. 151.

Police Court 2 District.

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

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned one of the Police Justices for the City of New York, by *James H. Brown* of No. *128* Street, that on the *2* day of *March* 188*9*, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *James H. Brown* did keep and maintain at the premises known as Number *128* Street, in said City, a *house of prostitution* and there unlawfully procure and permit as well men as women of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation to visit, frequent and come together for unlawful sexual intercourse, and for the purpose of prostitution, and there unlawfully and wilfully did permit said men and women of evil name and fame there to be and remain ~~drinking, dancing, fighting,~~ disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves whereby the peace, comfort, and decency of persons inhabiting and residing in the neighborhood and there passing is habitually disturbed in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, in the name of the People of the State of New York, to Command you, the said Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the body of the said

*James H. Brown* and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises occupied by said *James H. Brown* and forthwith bring them before me, at the *2* DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this *4<sup>th</sup>* day of *March* 188*9*

*James H. Brown* POLICE JUSTICE.

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Police Court— District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

WARRANT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

The Defendant  
taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer  
the within charge, pursuant to the command con-  
tained in this Warrant.

Officer.

Dated 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or  
at night.

*Do J. C. R. Police Justice*

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

Dated 188

Police Justice.

The within named

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POOR QUALITY  
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(1235)

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

District Police Court

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Harriet Palmer*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *45 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *25 East 3<sup>rd</sup> 12 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Housewife*Question. Give any explanation you may think proper of the circumstances appearing in the testimony  
against you, and state any facts which you think will tend to your exculpation?Answer. *I am now finally*  
*Harriet Palmer*  
*man*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.



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POOR QUALITY  
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BAILED  
No. 1, by Geo. Van Helder  
Residence 417-M-42 Street  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street

Police Court (1912) District 2

THE PEOPLE, etc.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OFGeo. Van HelderJames C. Colman

Office

Dated

Mar 6 1892

Residence

James C. Colman

No. 1, by

James C. Colman

Residence

James C. Colman

Witnesses

No. 1, by

James C. Colman

Residence

James C. Colman

No. 2, by

James C. Colman

Residence

James C. Colman

No. 3, by

James C. Colman

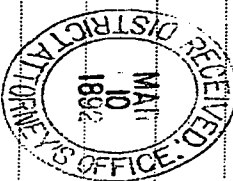
Residence

James C. Colman

No. 4, by

James C. Colman

Residence

James C. Colman

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

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

Dated Mar 6 1892 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated March 7 1892 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

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

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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

*The People* :  
vs :  
*Harriet Palmer* :

*Harriet Palmer* defendant in the  
above entitled action hereby authorizes JAMES D. Mc CLINTOCK  
Attorney at Law, to act as my Attorney under Section 330  
of the Code of Criminal Procedure in this action.

State of New York :  
City of New York :  
County of New York :

*Harriet X Palmer*  
mark.

On the ~~27th~~ <sup>28th</sup> day of *April* in the  
year one thousand eight and ninety one, before me personally  
came *Harriet Palmer* to me known, and known  
to me to be the individual described in, and who executed  
the foregoing instrument, and *hath* acknowledged that *she*  
executed the same.

*John W. Wilson*  
Commissioner of Deeds, New York Co.

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

General Session.

Am. People.

<sup>no.</sup>  
Harriet Palmer

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For Mrs. Willard,  
Atty Gen Dept.  
113. 6th Ave.  
New York City

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ORIGINAL

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## Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
AGAINST*Harriet Palmer*

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

*Harriet Palmer*(Sec. 322,  
Penal Code.)of the CRIME OF KEEPING AND MAINTAINING A COMMON BAWDY HOUSE AND HOUSE  
OF ILL-FAME, committed as follows:

The said

*Harriet Palmer*

late of the *Fifteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York afore-  
said, on the *Second* day of *March* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*two*, and on divers other days and times, as  
well before as afterwards, to the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, a certain common bawdy house and house of ill-fame, unlawfully and wickedly did keep  
and maintain; and in said house divers ill-disposed persons, as well men as women, and common  
prostitutes, on the days and times aforesaid, as well as in the night as in the day, there unlawfully  
and wickedly did receive and entertain; and in which said house the said evil-disposed persons and  
common prostitutes, by the consent and procurement of the said

*Harriet Palmer*

on the days and times aforesaid, there did commit whoredom and fornication; whereby divers unlaw-  
ful assemblies, disturbances and lewd offenses on the days and times aforesaid, as well in the night  
as in the day, were there committed and perpetrated; to the great damage and common nuisance of  
all the good people of the said State there inhabiting and residing, in manifest destruction and sub-  
version of and against good morals and good manners, against the form of the statute in such case  
made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

## SECOND COUNT—

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

*Harriet Palmer*(Sec. 385,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF MAINTAINING A PUBLIC NUISANCE, committed as follows:

The said

*Harriet Palmer*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *Second*  
day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

ninety- *two*, and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, unlawfully did keep and maintain a certain common, ill-governed house, and in *her* said house for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, as well men as women, of evil name and fame and dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together then and on said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on said other days and times there to be and remain, tippling, drinking, gaming, cursing, swearing, quarreling, making great noises and otherwise misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and suffer, to the great annoyance, injury and danger of the comfort and repose of a great number of persons, good citizens of our said State there residing, and passing and repassing, to the common nuisance of the said citizens, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

## THIRD COUNT:

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

*Harriet Palmer*

(Sec. 322,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING A DISORDERLY HOUSE, committed as follows:

The said

*Harriet Palmer*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *Second* day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*two*, and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, unlawfully did keep a certain ill-governed and disorderly house, the same being a place of public resort, and in the said house and place of public resort, for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons, as well men as women, of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together, then and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in *her* said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on the said other days and times, there to be and remain, drinking, tippling, gambling, rioting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit, and yet continues to permit, by reason whereof the peace, comfort and decency of the neighborhood around and about the said house were, and yet are habitually disturbed, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

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Witnesses

*W. H. Chapin*

Counsel,

Filed

day of April 1892

Pleads,

*W. H. Chapin*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

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*W. H. Parker*

*Corporation Ordinance,  
Section 83, Chapter 100, Act,  
of 1890.*

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*W. H. Chapin*

Foreman.

Presented to the Court  
by the District Attorney,

April 25, 1892

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(522)

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Joe Carden*

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this

indictment, accuse *Joe Carden* —

of the crime of *violating an ordinance of the*  
*Town Board of the City of New York,*  
committed as follows:

The said *Joe Carden,*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*twelfth* day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and ninety-*two*, — at the City and County aforesaid,  
*did unlawfully and* *place certain*  
*goods, wares and merchandise, to wit:*  
*ten barrels of flour, upon the sidewalks*  
*of the common street and public highway*



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there, however as to division thereof, and  
did thereby then and there and lawfully  
offend against and violate a certain  
ordinance thereto by me duly passed and  
adopted by the Town Council of the said  
City, and then and there in full force and  
operation, which said ordinance is as follows,  
that is to say:

"No person shall lead, drive or ride any  
horse, or drag any wheel or hand barrow, or  
saw any wood, or lay or place any wood, coal,  
or other thing, or any goods, wares or  
merchandise, or any other article whatsoever,  
upon any footpath or sidewalk, under the  
penalty of five dollars for each offense."  
against the form of the Statute in such case  
made and provided, and against the peace of  
the People of the State of New York, and  
their dignity.

De Lancey Street,

Edmund Ottomay,

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Payton, Musie

**DATE:**

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Mathias Le Boumeau

## Pleads,

# THE PEOPLE

Grand Larceny, (From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 529, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

## A 'TRUE BILL'

*Wm A. Foreman,*  
Foreman.

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Please with family

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

(1865)

Police Court—2—District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

Louis Moratelli

of No. 133 - N - 29 Street, aged 41 years,occupation waiter being duly sworn,deposes and says, that on the 12 day of April 1892 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the night time, the following property, viz:

Good and lawful money  
of the United States amounting  
to Thirty seven dollars  
(\$37<sup>00</sup>)

the property of Deponent

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

for the reasons following to wit—  
about 12 o'clock P.M. on said date  
deponent and two others were walking  
through West 37<sup>th</sup> Street and they  
were accosted by three women—  
the deponent was accosted by the  
defendant and she embraced deponent.  
The defendant then went away and  
in short period of time thereafter deponent  
missed the money from the left hand  
pocket of the pants that he then wore  
and where he had the money before he was  
embraced by defendant—deponent  
caused the arrest of defendant and

Sworn to before me this  
12th day of April 1892

Police Justice

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she was searched in the station house  
thirty seven dollars was found ~~was~~ secreted  
in her stocking - the money found in defendant's  
stocking consisted of three ten dollar bills  
one five dollar bill and one two ~~one~~  
dollar bill - the same denominations  
of the money feloniously taken and stolen  
from deponent

Louis Marabelli

sworn to before me  
this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 1892

J. H. F. F. F.  
Police Justice

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

(1335)

Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Minnie Payton*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*18 years.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ken tucky*

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

Answer.

*139 W-25<sup>th</sup> St. I rruke.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*None*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty.*  
*Minnie Payton*

Taken before me this

day of *March* 189*3*

*John J. Brady*  
Police Justice.

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ORIGINAL

April 1892-1892

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

Police Court---

District---

THE PEOPLE  
vs. \_\_\_\_\_  
OF THE COMPLAINERS

James McCarroll  
133 West 29th St  
New York City

Dated,

April 13 1892

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witnesses

Marion E. Bouscarr  
19 Avenue Main 1st Precinct

No.

Street

No.

Street

No.

Street



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Offense

Harvey from prison

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

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

Dated, April 13 1892 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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ORIGINAL

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Musie Payton*

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

*Musie Payton*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said

*Musie Payton*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *12th* day of *April* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*two*, in the night-time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*three* promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called United States Treasury Notes, of the denomination and value of *ten* dollar \$ *each*; *three* promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called Bank Notes, of the denomination and value of *ten* dollar \$ *each*; *three* United States Gold Certificates, of the denomination and value of *ten* dollar \$ *each*; *three* United States Silver Certificates, of the denomination and value of *ten* dollar \$ *each*;

*one* promissory note for the payment of money, of the kind commonly called United States Treasury Notes, of the denomination and value of *five* dollar \$; *one* promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called Bank Notes, of the denomination and value of *five* dollar \$; *one* United States Gold Certificate, of the denomination and value of *five* dollar \$; *one* United States Silver Certificate, of the denomination and value of *five* dollar \$;

*one* promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called United States Treasury Notes, of the denomination and value of *two* dollar \$; *one* promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called Bank Notes, of the denomination and value of *two* dollar \$; *one* United States Gold Certificate, of the denomination and value of *two* dollar \$; *one* United States Silver Certificate, of the denomination and value of *two* dollar \$;

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



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SECOND COUNT—

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

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

The said

*Musie Payton*

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

*the same goods chattels and  
personal property described  
in the first count of this  
indictment*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Louis Moratelli*

by a certain person or persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before  
feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said

*Louis Moratelli*

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

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Peterson, John

**DATE:**

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POOR QUALITY  
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Witnesses:

*James Agnew*

*May Callahan*

Counsel,

Filed

25 day of April 1892

Pleads,

*May 29*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*P*

*John Peterson*

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*W. H. Johnson*

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of April 1892*

*Notary Public*

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

Police Court, / District.

(13-3)

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No.

174 South  
Laborer

Street, aged.

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years,

occupation.

being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the

day of

April

1892, at the City of New

York, in the County of New York

That John Peterson did wilfully  
and unlawfully point and  
discharge a loaded  
revolving pistol at plaintiff  
in premises 174 South Street  
with the intention of doing  
plaintiff bodily harm  
James Agnew

Sworn before me this  
12<sup>th</sup> day of April 1892

Wm. Mahan

Police Justice

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL(1335)  
Sec. 198—200.CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK.

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John Petersen*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Norway*

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

Answer. *174 South Street. 2 Months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Latner*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty.**John Petersen.*

Taken before me this

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day of

*April**1891**Police Justice.*

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Sec. 151.

POLICE COURT, 1 DISTRICT.

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

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned one of the Police Justices for the City of New York, by *James Agnew*

of No. *174 South* Street, that on the *7* day of *April*

188*2* at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently Assaulted and Beaten by *John Peterson*

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

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

Dated at the City of New York, this *12* day of *April* 188*2*

*Wm. A. ...* POLICE JUSTICE.

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Police Court..... District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Warrant-A. & B.

Dated

April 12 1892

McMahon Magistrate.

English Officer

The Defendant

John Peterson  
taken, and brought before the Magistrate to answer  
the within charge, pursuant to the command con-  
tained in this Warrant.

Patrick English Officer.

Dated

April 13 1892

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

Police Justice.

Dated

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WARDEN and KEEPER of the City Prison of the City of New York.

having been brought before me under this Warrant, is committed for examination to the

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Yes

174 South St

The within named

Police Justice

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

Police Court... District...

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James J. Russell

vs.

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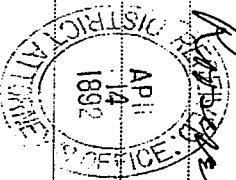
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Witnesses

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

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

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

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

No. 5, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 6, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 7, by \_\_\_\_\_

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No. 9, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 10, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 11, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 12, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 13, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 14, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 15, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 16, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 17, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 18, by \_\_\_\_\_

No. 19, by \_\_\_\_\_

Dated, April 13, 1892

Attest

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Offense

Assault

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same, and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, \_\_\_\_\_ and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named \_\_\_\_\_  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_  
guilty of the offense within mentioned, I order h \_\_\_\_\_ to be discharged.  
Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

*against*

John Peterson

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

The said

John Peterson

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

SECOND COUNT—

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

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

The said

John Peterson

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at  
the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of the said  
James Agnew in the peace of the said People then and there being,  
feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault, and to, at and against him  
the said James Agnew  
a certain pistol then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the  
said

John Peterson

in his right hand then and there had and held, the same being a weapon and an instrument  
likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully shoot  
off and discharge, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the  
peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,  
District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Poly, Ernest

**DATE:**

04/05/92



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No. 18. *Robbery*

Counsel,

Filed 5 day of April 1892

Pleas, Not Guilty (6)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Ernest Poly

Robbery, (Sections 224 and 226, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*Wm. H. Johnson*  
Foreman.

Part 2 - April 11, 1892

Find and Commit

10475 J. J. 1892

April 19/92

Arrested for assault  
on woman & taking \$43  
the accused & his wife  
again arrested for stealing  
of money. Amos, who was not  
tried. See P.O. records  
for further information.

*Michael Quinn*

*Officer Sheehan*

Roll of the persons  
arrested in this case

Indictment following  
without fault.

*Joseph Bennett*

1457 North  
V. E. Pearson

Mr. Green + West 3

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*John Robinson*

Mr. Green, Springfield

Also officer who sent me

champed from Friday

Thursday

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Police Court— 2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, }

Michael Lurin

of No. 166 Perry Street, Aged 33 Years  
Occupation laborer being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the26 day of March 1882 at the 11 Ward of the City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away from the person of de-  
ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:about seventy five cents in gold and  
lawful coin of the United Statesof the value of seventy five cents DOLLARS,  
the property of Deponentand that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was  
feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, by force and violence as aforesaid by

Ernest Poly (nowhere)

and several others not arrested. Deponent  
was passing through West Third Street  
near Carmine Street. The defendants  
assaulted deponent, and the defendant  
Poly was acting in concert with them, and  
deponent is positive that at that  
time the defendant Poly put his hand in  
the breast coat pocket of deponent's vest  
then worn by deponent, and defendant  
took out the said money by force  
and ran off and then deponent ran after  
defendants they beat him and the  
defendant was arrested immediately  
his

Michael Lurin

by of

Sworn to before me, this

Michael Lurin  
1882  
Police Justice

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(1237)

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK.

2 District Police Court

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Ernest Poly*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*19 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*120 7th Avenue*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Driver*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty.**Ernest Poly*

Taken before me this

*27*

day of

*March*  
1892

Police Justice.

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

Deposition ...  
Police Justice, ...

Police Court ... District ... 360

THE PEOPLE, vs.,  
ERNEST POLY,  
Offence ... Robbery

Dated March 27 1892  
Magistrate,  
Officer, ...

Witnesses,  
Dennis O'Connell,  
No. 120 West 3d Street,



No. ...  
to answer ...

\$20000 No. 37 3/4 3P.2

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of twenty-five hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated March 27 1892 Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named ... to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated ... 18 ... Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named ... guilty of the offence within mentioned. I order he to be discharged.  
Dated ... 18 ... Police Justice.

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

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The People,  
vs.  
ERNEST POLY.  
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Before  
HON. FREDERICK SMYTH,  
and a Jury.

Tried April 11th, 1892.

Indicted for ROBBERY in the first degree.

Indictment filed APRIL 5th, 1892.

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APPEARANCES:

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY BARTOW S. WEKKS,  
For THE PEOPLE.

MESSRS. PURDY AND McMANUS,  
For THE DEFENCE.  
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MICHEAL QUINN, THE COMPLAINANT, testified that he lived at 66 Perry street. He remember the morning of the 26th of March, 1892. On the preceding evening he went down town to see a friend ---- down in the neighborhood of the East River, below the Brooklyn Bridge. He saw the defendant on that morning in West Third street, between one and two o'clock. At the time, he, the complainant, had about seventy-five cents in his waistcoat pocket. He, the complainant, was on his way home and he saw four men coming behind him. One of the men caught a hold of him by both of his arms and another man came in front of him and put his hand in his vest pocket. He, the complainant, heard some money drop upon the side-walk and, when he stooped to pick it up, one of the men hit him upon the ear and knocked him down. He made an out-cry. He could not tell which one of the men knocked him down. It was the defendant who put his hand in his, the complainant's waistcoat pocket. He saw the defendant do this. He next saw the defendant in the custody of a policeman. A colored man was with the policeman and the defendant.

In cross-examination the complainant testified



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that he distinctly recognized the defendant, because it was the defendant who came in front of him, while his arms were being held from behind, and took the money from his waistcoat pocket. He, the complainant, had been drinking a few glasses of beer that night. He did not keep an account of the number, but perhaps it was four or five. He was not intoxicated.

DANIEL ASSAVALL testified that he lived at 120 West Third street.

He was in West Third street early on the morning of March 26th, 1892. He saw the complainant walking along Third street. He saw the four men attack the complainant and knock him down upon the sidewalk and hit him in the face. It was the defendant who struck the complainant in the face ---- at about the region of the ear. The defendant ran away after he struck the complainant. He ran to Sullivan street. Then the complainant cried out for the police and the defendant came back and was arrested.

In cross-examination the witness testified that the four men who assaulted the complainant ran away together. Then they separated and he, the witness, paid

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no attention to any of them except the defendant. He kept his attention fixed upon the defendant because he saw him strike the complainant. He did not see the defendant take any money from the complainant's pocket. He, the witness, was at too great a distance to see that, if it occurred. He, the witness, was at least fifteen or twenty feet from the complainant and the defendant at the time that the defendant struck the complainant. The gas lamps were light at the scene of the encounter. He, the witness, could not identify the other three men. He recognized the defendant as soon as the police officer arrested him.

OFFICER MICHAEL R. SHEEHAN testified that he was attached to the 15th police precinct. Early on the morning of March 26, 1892, his post was on West Third street, from Broadway to Sixth avenue. About a quarter to two o'clock that morning he was going through West Third street from McDougal, and he heard the cry of police and in Third street, near Sullivan, he found the defendant. The complainant accused the defendant of putting his hand in his pocket and taking out seventy-five cents, and Daniel

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Assavall said that he saw the defendant take the money out. The complainant said that one of the defendant's companions hit him, the complainant, behind the ear, and knocked him down. He, the witness, arrested the defendant and took him to the station house, accompanied by the complainant. The complainant had a cut behind his ear and his ear was black and swollen. The witness Assavall also went to the station house. The defendant said that he was waiting for a car when he, the witness, arrested the defendant.

In cross-examination the witness testified that the defendant denied having robbed the complainant, or having had any connection with the robbery. He said that he was standing at the corner, waiting for a car. The Roundsman who heard the cry of police at about the time he, the witness, did, reached the spot at about the same time and pursued the three companions of the defendant, but they escaped. He, the witness, searched the defendant in the station house and found upon his person a fifty cent silver piece and three twenty-five cent silver pieces.

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FOR THE DEFENCE, ERNEST POLY, THE DEFENDANT, testified that he was nineteen years of age. He had never been convicted of any crime. On the morning in question he was standing on the corner of Sullivan and West Third streets, waiting for a car that went past the door where he was living with his aunt. He was not in company with any one at that time. He, the defendant, did not assault or rob the complainant, nor did he have any hand in doing so. He did not see the complainant robbed or assaulted. He, the defendant, lived at 120 Seventh avenue. He, the defendant, was coming from the corner of Thompson and West Third streets to get the car, and as he was coming through Third street the complainant was coming towards him. As he, the defendant, passed a disorderly house on West Third street, four young men about his, the defendant's, size came out. It was raining that night and he, the defendant, had his coat collar turned up and his hands in his pockets. The men that came out of the disorderly house gave him, the defendant, a shove, and threw him up against the complainant. He, the defendant, put up his hands to prevent himself from being thrown too violently against the complainant, and the

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brim of his hat struck the complainant in the forehead, and his hat fell upon the sidewalk. The brim of his hat was broken.. Then he, the defendant, heard something fall on the side-walk and a moment afterwards the four men ran away. He, the defendant, went to the corner to wait for the car. The cars ran only every fifteen minutes at that hour. At that moment the witness Assavall ran up to him, the defendant, and said, "There is one of the fellows. Lock him up." And thereupon the complainant said, "Is that one of the men?" And Assavall said, "Yes, that is one of the men," and at that moment the officer ran over and caught hold of him, the defendant. It was not the officer that testified, but a roundsman. The roundsman held him, the defendant, and rapped five or six times, and thereupon the officer who claimed to have made the arrest came up. He, the defendant, stood in the custody of the roundsman at the corner for fully five minutes before the officer came up. He, the defendant, did not attempt to run away. He did not know either of the four men that came out of the disorderly house and pushed him up against the defendant. He, the defendant, was a driver for an express wagon.

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He was employed by Minnett's express, at 175 Wooster street.

In cross-examination the defendant testified that the complainant's money dropped out of his pocket, after he, the defendant, was thrown up against the complainant, while his, the defendant's, back was turned. The complainant did not fall down. He, the defendant, did not assault the complainant, and did not know how he received the cut behind his ear and how his ear became swollen and black. It was not true that he, the defendant was arrested the summer preceding the trial for assaulting women in the street and was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year. He was not arrested for this offence by Officer Murdock. He, the defendant, was a single man and lived with his aunt and brothers and sisters. He worked on the day of his arrest. He went to a ball in an assembly room in that neighborhood, and from there went and played pool. The assembly room was in Bleecker street. He played pool with the son of the boss of the assembly rooms, and this young man left him at the corner of Tgompson and West Third streets. They had just left a liquor saloon there, after having

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had a drink.

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## Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Ernest Edgar*

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

*Ernest Edgar*of the CRIME OF ROBBERY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:The said *Ernest Edgar*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fourteenth*  
 day of *March*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
 ninety-*two*, in the *time of the said day*, at the City and County aforesaid,  
 with force and arms, in and upon one *Michael Quinn*,  
 in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault; and

*divers pieces of the United States of*  
*America, of a value, said and*  
*denominated to the Grand Jury*  
*aforesaid unknown, of the value*  
*of seventy five cents,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Michael Quinn*,  
 from the person of the said *Michael Quinn*, against the will  
 and by violence to the person of the said *Michael Quinn*,  
 then and there violently and feloniously did rob, steal, take and carry away, the said

*Ernest Edgar* being then and there  
 aided by an accomplice, addressed  
 present, whose name is to the Grand  
 Jury aforesaid as yet unknown.

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.

*Godfrey H. H. H.*  
*District Attorney*