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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Connor, John

**DATE:**

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*J.P.*

Counsel,  
Filed  
Pleads  
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THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
John O'Connor  
MURDER, first degree  
[Sec. 183, Penal Code]

Dec 12/89

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL. 1167

*John A. Allen*

Dec. 20, 1889 Foreman

*Read Name: 1 do  
10/13/89 2 months  
J.P.*

Witnesses:

*Capt Gannon  
Off. O'Brien  
J. Murphy  
John Spinguis  
John Gough  
Berniah Bonnan*

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Police Court, 4 District.

City and County of New York, ss.

Captain

of No. 25th Precinct, Street, aged 36 years, occupation Captain being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 6th day of November 1889, at the City of New York, in the County of New York.

John Connor (now here) did willfully point a gun and discharge one shot from a revolving pistol then and there held in the hands of the said Connor, at the body of one Jeremiah Ferris, the ball from said pistol striking and wounding the said Ferris in the head, causing injuries from which the said Ferris died on the 6th day of November, 1889. That the said Connor admitted and confessed to deponent in the presence of witnesses that he did shoot the said Ferris and stated that he had no excuse to offer except that he was intoxicated deponent therefore prays that the said Connor may be held to answer

Sworn to before me this 8th day of November 1889  
John Connor Capt 25th Precinct  
R. T. W. Mabey  
Justice

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Police Court, J District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 203 East 6th Street, aged 15 years,

occupation Bottle Washer being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November 1889, at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, Dependent, at or about the

hour of 10 P.M. on said date was in

the liquor store of Hermon and Farrell

no 145. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in Company with

John O'Connor. That the said

O'Connor asked dependent to loan

him a pistol which dependent had.

Dependent loaned the said O'Connor

the pistol, in about 30 minutes after-

wards dependent saw the said O'Connor

discharge two shots from said pistol

in the liquor store no 145. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue

and immediately go to the door of

said premises, dependent saw the

said O'Connor stand in the doorway

of said premises, point aim and discharge

one shot from said pistol. Dependent

immediately went out of said premises

and saw the body of Jeremiah Lamin

lying on the sidewalk and the said

O'Connor was standing on the sidewalk

with the pistol in his hand. I saw

John Spriggins take the pistol from

O'Connor and advise O'Connor to meet

meaning go O'Connor to run away

and

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Police Court, 4 District.

City and County of New York, ss.

John Cunniff  
of No. 25th Precinct Police Street, aged 56 years,  
occupation Police Captain being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188\_\_\_\_, at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

Joseph Murphy, John Spriggins  
and John Gough (all named) are  
material witnesses against one John  
O'Connor, charged with Homicide  
Department, his reason to believe that  
the said Murphy, Spriggins & Gough  
will not appear to testify  
Department therefore orders that the  
said Murphy, Spriggins & Gough  
may be required to furnish security  
to testify

Sworn to before me John Cunniff  
this 8th day of November 1889, Capt 25th Precinct  
W. J. Mahon  
Police Justice

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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name.

Answer. *John Connor*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *19 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *211 East 43 St. 1 year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Gas Fitter*

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. *It was an accident*

*John O'Connor*

Taken before me this

day of *September* 188*8*

*Wm. M. Mahoney*

Police Justice.

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BAILED,  
 No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 5, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 6, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 7, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
 No. 8, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

Police Court

District

1888

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John J. ...*

*John J. ...*

Offence *Homicide*

Dated *Nov 8th* 1888

*M. ...* Magistrate

*John ...* Officer

Witnesses *John ...*

No. *23*, *Heenech* Street

*George ...* Street

No. *...* Street

*...* Street

*...* Street

*...* Street

*...* Street

*Em*

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 *Deperens*

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 *legally discharged*

Dated *Nov 8th* 1888 *W. J. ...* Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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STATE OF NEW YORK.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss. 1

AN INQUISITION,

Taken at the house of Burrows Office No. 67 Park Row Street, in the 4th Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, this 15 day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and 89 before Louis W. Schultze Coroner,

of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the Body of Jeremiah Cronin Jr. lying dead at

Eight good and lawful men of the State of New York, duly chosen and sworn, affirmed and charged to inquire, on behalf of said people, how and in what manner the said Jeremiah Cronin Jr. came to his death, do upon their Oaths and Affirmations, say: That the said Jeremiah Cronin Jr. came to his death by

Pistol shot wound of the neck inflicted with a pistol in the hands of John Connor at 63rd Street & Avenue A. November 6th 1889

In Witness Whereof, We, the said Jurors, as well as the CORONER, have to this Inquisition, set our hands and seals, on the day and place aforesaid.

JURORS.

- |                                   |                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Louis Thoms 292 Elizabeth St.     | Flennery 29 E Houston St.  |
| Jacob Lutz 11 East Houston        | Feist Street matter,       |
| J. H. May 53 E Avenue A           | Michael Maher 57 E Houston |
| J. Jordan 135 Crosby St           |                            |
| F. J. Fletcher 56 East Houston St |                            |

Louis W. Schultze CORONER, & C.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

John O'Brien 25 Precinct New York  
says. About 10 o'clock Nov. 6. in  
63 St bet 1 av & av I heard  
shot & walked to the corner &  
found deceased lying on the  
sidewalk - I heard one Murphy  
had a pistol & arrested him he  
told the Captain that O'Brien  
shot Brown.

John O'Brien

Taken before me

this 15 day of May 1889

Louis W. Schuly

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Joseph Murphy being sworn up  
 living 203 Gay St.  
 Jack Connors called me into  
 the saloon kept by one Farrell  
 he gave me 2 drinks. He told  
 him I bought a pistol for a  
 quarter. I showed O Connors  
 the revolver - he took it & rubbed  
 the pistol against Joff's face -  
 Joff was asleep - he awoke & took  
 2 bottles & threatened to throw the  
 bottles at him. Connors fired a  
 shot in the rear of the store &  
 another in front & a 3rd in  
 the street. I saw O Connors  
 in my front view.

Joe Murphy

Taken before me  
 this 15 day of November 1889

Louis F. Schuch

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

John Spriggins being sworn says  
I was, at 245 E. 1st St.  
Crown & I were sitting on  
a <sup>edge</sup> box. Connors & Murphy  
were in salvo - 2 shots were  
fired in store - we wanted to  
go to the corner - a 3rd shot was  
fired & I saw Crown dead.  
I told Connors & Murphy  
dead.

John Spriggins

Taken before me  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1887  
L. W. Schudy,

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

John J. Gough semparwork says  
July 14th - 20th  
On the night in question I was  
asleep in saloon. I woke up  
& saw Connors with a re-  
volver - I picked up a bottle  
Connors fired 2 shots in  
the floor. I took up the bottle  
when he presented the pistol

John J. Gough

Taken before me  
this 15th day of November 1887  
Louis. W. Sweeney

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

James J. Campbell being sworn says I am  
Special Officer.

In conversation with the pris-  
oner - He said he borrowed  
the pistol & fired 2 shots in  
the floor & fired another in  
the street. He did not know  
that he had shot Crocker.

J. J. Campbell

Taken before me  
this 15th day of November 1889  
Louis. W. Schuly

CORONER.

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TESTIMONY.

*A. L. Weston* M. D., being duly sworn, says:  
I have made *an autopsy* of the body of  
*343 E.* now lying dead at

and from such

and history of the case, as per testimony, I am of opinion the cause of death is

*Homicide by pistol shot wounded of neck, laceration of spinal cord*  
*Cluck*

*A. L. Weston* M. D.

Sworn to before me,

this

*day of* *Nov 18 89*  
*Louis. to S. S. S. S.*

CORONER.

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MEMORANDA.

AGE	PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	Date When Reported
20 Years 1 Month 6 Days	Rep.	343 East 64 <sup>th</sup> St. <i>from 400 &amp; 63<sup>rd</sup> St.</i>	Nov. 7 <sup>th</sup>

Was asked by John Lawrence  
ask that corner of 1<sup>st</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> St.  
63<sup>rd</sup> St about 9<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> / 1889

William John O'Brien  
51<sup>st</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> St.  
Jno. Murphy  
203 E. 64<sup>th</sup> St.  
Jno. Cronin Dr  
343 E. 64<sup>th</sup> St.

L. W. S.

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AN INQUISTION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Josiah Cronin

whereby it is found that he came to death by

Nov 7

Inquest taken on the \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ before

LOUIS W. SCHULTZE, CORONER.

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Coroner's Office,

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, SS.

*John O'Connor* 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—

*John O'Connor*

Question—How old are you?

Answer—

*19*

Question—Where were you born?

Answer—

*New York City*

Question—Where do you live?

Answer—

*211 E 73*

Question—What is your occupation?

Answer—

*Gas filling*

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

*I have nothing to say.*

*John O'Connor*

Taken before me, this 15 day of Nov 1889

*Sam. W. Schuyler* CORONER.

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MEMORANDA.

AGE	PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	DATE When Reported
20 Years 1 Months 6 Days	<i>NY</i>	343 East 64 <sup>th</sup> St	Nov 9

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HOMICIDE  
AN INQUISITION.

On the VIEW of the BODY of

*Joseph Brown Jr.*

whereby it is found that he came to his Death by the hands of

*John O'Donnell*

Report taken on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1889

*John A. Schmitt*  
Coroner

Committed \_\_\_\_\_

Examined \_\_\_\_\_

Discharged \_\_\_\_\_

Date of death \_\_\_\_\_

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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 O'Connor

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment,  
accuse John O'Connor

of the CRIME OF Murder in the First Degree, committed as follows:

The said John O'Connor,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *sixth* —  
day of — *November*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty-*nine* —, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one  
*Jeremiah Cronin the younger*, in the peace of the said People then and there being,  
wilfully, feloniously, and of *his* malice aforethought, did make an assault, and the said  
— *John O'Connor*, — a certain pistol then and there charged and  
loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which said pistol the said *John*  
*O'Connor* — in *his* right hand then and there had and held,  
to, at, against, and upon the said *Jeremiah Cronin the younger* —  
then and there feloniously, wilfully, and of *his* malice aforethought, did shoot off and  
discharge, and the said *John O'Connor* —  
with the leaden bullet aforesaid, out of the pistol aforesaid, then and there by force of the  
gunpowder aforesaid, shot off, sent forth and discharged, as aforesaid, *him* the said  
*Jeremiah Cronin the younger*, in and upon the *neck* of *him*  
the said *Jeremiah Cronin the younger*, then and there feloniously, wilfully, and of  
— *his* — malice aforethought, did strike, penetrate and wound, giving to *him*  
the said *Jeremiah Cronin the younger*, then and there, with the leaden bullet  
aforesaid, so as aforesaid discharged, sent forth and shot out of the pistol aforesaid, by the

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said John O'Connor in and upon the neck of  
the said Jeremiah Cronin the younger, one mortal wound of the breadth of  
one inch, and of the depth of six inches, of which said mortal wound he the  
said Jeremiah Cronin the younger, at the City and County aforesaid,  
~~from the said~~ ~~day of~~ ~~in the~~  
~~year aforesaid, until the~~ ~~day of~~ ~~in the same year~~  
~~aforesaid, did languish, and languishing did live, on which said~~  
~~day of~~ ~~in the year aforesaid, the said~~  
~~at the City and County aforesaid, of the said mortal wound did die.~~  
then and there died.

And so the Grand Jury aforesaid do say: That the said

John O'Connor, him  
the said Jeremiah Cronin the younger, in the manner and form, and by  
the means aforesaid, wilfully, feloniously, and of his malice aforethought, did kill  
and murder, 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~~

John R. Fellows,  
District Attorney.

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

of the same CRIME OF Murder in the First Degree, committed as follows:

The said

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the said  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty-\_\_\_\_\_, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the  
said \_\_\_\_\_ in the peace of the said People then and there  
being, wilfully, feloniously, and with a deliberate and premeditated design to effect  
the death of the said \_\_\_\_\_, did make an assault, and the said

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O'Connor, Martin

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Witnesses:

Off: Whipple  
Mrs. Higgins  
Off: Helmer  
Off: [unclear]

Counsel,

Filed

Dec 18 1897

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Martin O'Connor

H.D.

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
Foreman.

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Police Court  
Second Dist

The People vs  
Wm Whisell  
Martin O'Connor

Examination Before Justice Ford  
Dec 7 1883

William Higgins being duly sworn  
and examined by the court as  
a witness for the people deposes  
and says: -

Q Where do you live?

A Troy.

Q On the 29<sup>th</sup> of September  
last was you assaulted by  
any one?

A Yes Sir.

Q Where did it occur?

A In Bleeker St. corner of  
Sullivan.

Q On the street?

A Inside in the saloon  
Skilleen Saloon

Q What time of the day or night?

A Some time in the middle of the day.

Q Do you know who assaulted you?

A No sir.

Q How did it happen?

A I could not say sir.

Q Was you drunk?

A I had been drinking; yes sir.

Q Did you have any quarrel with any one?

A No sir; not that I know of.

Q Do you mean to say that you have no recollection of what occurred there at all?

A No sir; I do not know any thing about it.

Q Turn around and look at the defendant and see if you ever saw him before?

A. (Looking at defendant) No sir I do not know him.

Q Did you ever have any

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trouble with him?

A No: not as I know of. I

do not know him at all

Q Of you had seen him on  
that day would you know  
it now?

A No Sir: I do not think  
I would.

Q You was there drinking?

A Yes.

Q You do not remember him  
there at all?

A No Sir

Q You do not know how  
you were cut or who cut  
you?

A No.

Q And you had no quarrel  
with any one?

A No Sir: not that I know of.

Sworn in before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day

of Dec 1889

J. Murray

Police Justice.

William Whisell being, duly

sworn and examined by me

Court as a witness for the people.  
deposes and says: I made  
this arrest. I was riding  
on a car about half past  
five o'clock. I heard some  
one holler "Murder: police:  
that man stabbed a man"  
I saw defendant, running.  
I jumped off the car and  
made the arrest. There  
was two other officers with  
me on the car and they  
jumped off with me and  
took him back. Higgins  
was lying on the sidewalk  
in front by the door. He  
raised up - he accused this  
defendant of stabbing him.  
I said "Are you sure this  
is the man that done it?"  
He said "I am" I turned  
defendant over to these  
officers and I took care  
of this man. and we all  
went to the station house. I

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asked him in the station  
house and he said he  
closed up the knife and  
put it in his pocket

Q Have you any witnesses here

A No sir

Q Who were these officers  
who were present when the  
complainant identified the  
defendant?

A Officers Klein, O. Hagg  
and Gilmartin of the  
25<sup>th</sup> precinct

Q Were they there?

A Yes sir.

Q Was this complainant discharged  
from the hospital?

A Yes sir. He has been hanging  
about the neighborhood there  
for some time. I could not  
say whether he has any occupation.

Sworn to before me this..... day

of December..... 1899

*[Signature]*

Police Justice.

5 Martin O'Connor the defendant

called by his counsel Mr  
Mr. Laughlin  
Mr Mr Laughlin - The defendant  
wants to be sworn.

The court I cannot allow him to  
be sworn.

Mr Mr. Laughlin - I offer him  
as a witness in his own  
defence.

The court - Let him make a  
statement in relation to the  
charge

Mr Mr. Laughlin - I called him  
as a witness in his own  
defence - but let it go.

Martin O. Connor The defendant  
states in his own behalf: -

I was standing near the street  
door. Another fellow and  
I were wrestling. Two  
fellows came over took  
my hat and ran away  
with it. I followed them

6 in the saloon at the

corner of Bleeker and Thompson  
Street. Then the whole  
crowd jumped on to me.  
I do not know who they  
were. I was never in  
the place before.

Q Did you go into the place?  
A I do not know that the  
gentleman was there. As  
soon as I got in the  
whole crowd jumped on  
to me. I had a pocket  
knife in my pocket. I  
did not cut anybody.

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Q Why did you run away?

A I did not run away. The  
first thing I knew I got  
hit.

Q Where was you when the  
officer arrested you?

A In there - the saloon

Q Did you attempt to run  
away?

A No sir. I did not run away

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Q You attempted to run away?  
A No Sir. I did not try  
to run away.

Sworn to before me this ..... day

of December 1889

G. H. H. H. H.

Police Justice.

Officer William Wispell recalled.  
Q Was this man running  
away?

A He was running through Thompson  
Street, He was on the other  
side of Thompson St. This  
was in Sullivan St.

Sworn to before me this ..... day

of December 1889

G. H. H. H. H.

Police Justice.

The Defendant recalled

Q By Mr. Higgins (Mr. Laughlin)  
How long have you been  
locked up?

A - About seven weeks.

Defendant held to answer  
\$2500 bond.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

POLICE COURT, 7 DISTRICT.

William Whipple

of No. 15 Precinct Street, aged 27 years,

occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says

that on the 7th day of December 1889

at the City of New York, in the County of New York: William Higgins

(born here), is a material and unwilling witness for the people of the State of New York against Martin Connor (who is charged with feloniously assaulted and beaten said Higgins. Deponent fears that said Higgins will not appear to testify when required therefore deponent prays that said Higgins be sent to the House of Detention

Wm Whipple

Sworn to before me, this

7th day of December 1889

1889 day

John W. ... Police Justice.

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Bellows Hosp. N.Y.  
Dec 6--1889

This is to certify that Mr.  
Higgins is about well and  
will be discharged from  
the Hospital on Saturday  
Dec. 7. in the afternoon

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon  
Hosp. Surg. Division.

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Certificate  
No 3576

Bellevue Hosp. N.Y.  
Dec 3-1889

This is to certify that  
Wm Higgins is not yet able  
to leave the Hospital and that  
the appetite for certifiable is  
still unabated

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

Certificate  
No 3575

Bellevue Hosp. N.Y.  
Dec 3-1889

This is to certify that Wm  
Higgins is not yet in condition  
to be discharged

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

Certificate  
No 3574

Bellevue Hosp. N.Y.  
Nov 29-1889

This is to certify that Wm  
Higgins is still unable to leave  
the Hospital

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

Bellevue Nov 14 1889

Wm Higgins will be  
discharged in a few  
days from the Hospital  
He is nearly well

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

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Belleur Hosp Mar 27-89  
You Higgins  
~~Thomas Simon~~ will  
leave the Hospital in  
a few days in all prob-  
ability

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon  
1st Surg Div.

Belleur Hosp. Mar 25-89  
You Higgins  
~~Thomas Simon~~ is still  
unable to leave the  
Hospital

W. N. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

Belleur Hosp NY  
Mar 23-1889  
You Higgins will not be  
able to appear in court  
for several days

W. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

Belleur Hosp NY  
Mar 21-1889  
You Higgins will not be able  
to appear in court for  
a week

W. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

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ORIGINAL

0805

Bellvue Hosp. N.Y.  
Nov 17-1889  
Wm Higgins will probably  
be discharged about the  
last of the week  
W.D. MacArthur  
House Surgeon

Bellvue Hosp. N.Y.  
Nov. 17-1889.  
Wm Higgins will be discharged  
from the hospital in a few  
days in all probability  
W.D. MacArthur  
House Surgeon  
1st Surg Div.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0806

Police Court— 2nd District.

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

William Whispell

of the 15th Precinct Police Street, aged 26 years,  
occupation Police officer. being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 29 day of September 1889 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, William Higgins

was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Martin O'Connor

Deponent is informed by said William Higgins in the presence of said Martin O'Connor that he O'Connor cut and stabbed said William Higgins in the left thigh with a knife he held in his O'Connor hand

That said William Higgins is now in consequence of said assault confined in bed at Bellevue Hospital in said City and unable to attend in Court

That said assault was made as deponent is informed and believes

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

Wherefore this deponent prays that the said <sup>O'Connor</sup> assailant may be apprehended and bound to answer for the above assault, etc., and be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 12 day  
of November 1889.

William Whispell

John Morrison Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0007

Sec. 193-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Martin O'Connell* 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. *Martin O'Connell*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *24 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Washington D.C.*

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

Answer. *South Brooklyn, 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Horseshoer.*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty and demand an Examination of Martin O'Connell.*

Taken before me this

*13*

day of

*1889*

*J. J. [Signature]*

Police Justice.



Court of General Sessions.

The People  
vs.  
Martin O'Connor

Indictment:

Assault with a Weapon  
§§ 217 & 218 P.C.  
for having on the 29th of Sep-  
tember, 1889, assaulted complain-  
ant William Higgins and stabbed  
him with a knife.

Complainant has been at  
Bellevue Hospital until the  
7th of December, 1889

Witnesses:

William Higgins, Complainant  
House of Detention,  
Assault and injuries,

Officer Whispell,  
15 Precinct  
Cries of complainant and  
arrest of defendant with a  
knife in his hand.



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ORIGINAL

0011

64 William Higgins, House of  
Delegates, Complainant. I am  
a Congregationalist and have lived  
in this city since April, 1888.  
On the 27th of September 1889, at  
about nine o'clock in the morn-  
ing I went to Kelly, O'Dilly  
and Fogarty's liquor saloon in  
~~the basement of the second house~~  
on the North east corner of Decker  
and Pulliam Street, in Block  
Street and stayed there until I  
was assaulted. This must have  
been in the afternoon of said day.  
I drank whiskey all day and  
I cannot remember that I ate  
any thing while I was in said  
store. Edward Richards, who had  
slept with me the preceding night  
in the South Fifth Avenue Hotel,  
accompanied me to the said  
store and remained there  
with me as long as I can  
remember. According to my  
recollection, I had no quarrel  
with any one while I was  
in said saloon. I had only  
about 30 or 40 cents in my

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possessions, when I went to the  
said saloon. I had no watch  
and no jewelry about me. At  
the time I was assaulted I was  
so intoxicated that I do not  
remember whether I was attacked  
inside or outside of the said  
saloon, or whether I was put  
out of the said saloon by any  
body, or how I got out of it.  
I did not know that I had  
been stabbed until I became  
conscious the next morning,  
while I was around was  
being dressed ~~in the~~  
St. Vincent's Hospital. I cannot  
remember that I told officer  
Whispell that the defendant  
had stabbed me. I have  
no recollection of having seen  
the defendant before he was  
shown to me in the Police  
Court. Since the assault I  
had nobody call on me. At  
Bellevue Hospital I was in-  
formed that a party had  
called to see me, but was not  
admitted. I was discharged.

from Bellevue Hospital on the  
17th of December, 1889. The wound  
I received was a cut wound  
in the left thigh. During  
my stay in the said saloon  
a man by the name of John  
Ryan was there, but I do  
not know whether he saw  
the assault upon me. I  
do not know where he lives,  
but he hangs around the  
said saloon.

Officer Whispell says that it is  
impossible to obtain more  
evidence. He believes the com-  
plainant to be unwilling to  
testify to the truth, because when  
the defendant had been arrested  
and was confronted with  
him, he positively identified  
him as his assailant. The  
defendant was arrested with  
the knife in his hand. The  
complainant has the reputation  
of being a thief.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0014

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

THE PEOPLE, &c.

vs.

*Martin Dunbar*

**BRIEF OF FACTS.**

For the District Attorney.

*Deputy District Attorney*  
*Edward H. [unclear]*

Deputy Assistant.

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District Attorney's Office.

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PEOPLE

ns.

Joseph. Taito  
Forgery.

Michael Inglesse  
56. E. Houston St  
Offheil Connor  
10 West.

Serafino Siccardi  
56. E Houston St

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

08 15

**REQUEST FOR BETTER ADDRESS.**

Post Office, Philadelphia, Pa. <sup>12/17</sup>

There is a letter in this Office, bearing your business card and supposed to be from you, addressed to Michael Ingles

637 Olville

~~As the address contains no street and number, and the party is unknown to us, we are unable to deliver the letter and have placed it in the General Delivery subject to call. If you can supply a better address, please fill the blanks at the bottom of this card and return it to this office, giving street and number, occupation or title, or some clue that will help the letter carriers to find the party.~~

The delivery of mail to transient parties would be greatly facilitated if marked "Transient."

WILLIAM F. HERRITY, Postmaster.

The above-mentioned letter is intended for \_\_\_\_\_, No. \_\_\_\_\_ street.

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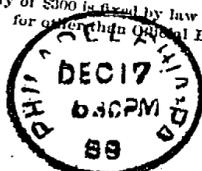
PLEASE RETURN THIS NOTICE WITH YOUR REPLY.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0017

GENERAL DELIVERY DIVISION.  
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,  
Post Office, Philadelphia, Pa.  
GENERAL BUSINESS.

A penalty of \$300 is fixed by law for  
for overcharge on General Business



*Mr. District Attorney's Office*  
*New York*  
*N.Y.*

RETURN THIS IN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED POSTMASTER, PHILADELPHIA, PA., PREPAYING POSTAGE.

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ORIGINAL

0018

W. GOODSTEIN & SONS,

DEALERS IN



MAIN OFFICE, 9 & 11 HESTER ST.

TELEPHONE CALL, { Down-town, 957 Spring.  
Up-town, 1460 39 St.

YARDS.

9 & 11 HESTER ST.  
340 TO 350 E. 62D ST.

New York, Dec. 18 1889

Hon. John R. Fellows

Could you kindly put off case of the People vs Antonio Kalest which is on trial for today till Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> or if not convenient to you till the following Saturday as I have to be out of the City before those days to attend to an important law suit which is being tried by so doing you will greatly oblige yours  
Very Resp<sup>t</sup>

David Goodstein

David Goodstein }  
vs }  
Antonio Kalest }

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DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

THE PEOPLE,  
ON COMPLAINT OF

Mr. Whisfield  
vs.  
Martin Connor

Examination had  
Before Dec 7 188  
Henry Ford Police Justice.

I, W. L. Ormsby Stenographer of the District Police

Court, do hereby certify that the within testimony in the above case is a true and correct copy of

the original Stenographer's notes of the testimony of Wm Higgins,  
Wm. Whisfield

as taken by me on the above examination before said Justice.

Dated Dec 7 188

W. L. Ormsby  
Stenographer.

Henry Ford  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0020

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Martin O'Connor

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

Martin O'Connor

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

The said Martin O'Connor

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the twenty-ninth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one William Higgins in the Peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and him the said William Higgins with a certain knife

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

with intent him the said William Higgins 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

Martin O'Connor

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

The said Martin O'Connor

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

with a certain William Higgins knife

which the said Martin O'Connor in his right hand then and there had and held, the same being a weapon and an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, cut, stab and wound, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

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THIRD COUNT—

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

Martin O'Connor  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Martin O'Connor

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

which he the said Martin O'Connor in his right hand then and there had and held, in and upon the thigh of him the said William Higgins then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, stab, cut, bruise and wound, and did then and there and by the means aforesaid, feloniously, wilfully and wrongfully inflict grievous bodily harm upon the said William Higgins

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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

0022

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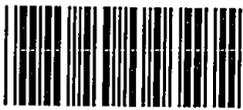
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**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Keefe, Cornelius

**DATE:**

12/23/89



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**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0023

177  
Cundy  
Counsel,  
Filed 23 day of Apr 1879  
Pleads *Not guilty.*

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306 New York  
THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Cornelius O'Keefe  
Deputy  
Sheriff  
[Sections 528, 531, Penal Code].  
Grand Larceny, Second Degree.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

*City of New York.*

A True Bill  
*John A. Allen*  
Foreman.

*J. Mc Caffrey dismissed  
by Grand Jury*

Witness:  
*P. J. ...*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0024

Court of General Sessions

The People

vs

William O'Keefe

City and County of New York ss,  
Herbert Hempel being duly  
sworn says that he resides at 386  
Henry St in the City of New York,  
that he has known the above named  
defendant for over six years, and  
lives in the same house with him,  
that he knows him to be a good up-  
right and honest boy.

Sworn to before me

this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1899.

Herbert Hempel

City of New York

N.Y.C.

Herbert Hempel

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0025

Court of General Sessions  
The People  
vs  
Cornelius Steufel

City and County of New York/55.  
Michael Reilly being duly sworn says  
that he resides at # 343 Madison St  
in the City of New York. that he has known  
the above named defendant for 4 or 5  
years. That Defendant has worked for  
Deponent for some time and has always  
found him to be an honest industrious  
boy

Sworn to before me  
this 26 day of Dec 1899.

Abraham H. Kern  
Comms of Deeds  
C.P.Y. Co

Michael Reilly

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0025

Court of General Sess.  
 The People  
 agt  
 Cornelius McKee  
 City and County of New York/ss  
 Philip H. Doughlin being duly sworn  
 says he at resides at 100 West 41st  
 in the City of New York. That he has  
 known the defendant for about 4 yrs  
 and he has always had an excellent  
 reputation in the neighborhood.

Sworn to before me  
 this 26 day of Dec 1899  
 Philip H. Doughlin  
 County of New York  
 City of New York

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0027

Court of General Sess.

The People

agst

Cornelius O'Keefe

City and County of New York/SS.

Mr. J. J. Del. being duly sworn, says that  
he resides at # 320 Henry Street in  
the City of New York that he has known  
the Defendant for 13 yrs and knows him  
to be an honest and good boy

Sworn to before me

this 20 day of Dec 1894

Wm. J. Del.  
County of New York

Thos. J. Kelly

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0028

Court of Gen. Sess.  
The People  
vs  
Cornelius O'Keefe

City and County of New York / ss  
Daniel O'Keefe being duly sworn says  
that he resides at #423 Cherry Street  
in the City of New York, that he has known  
the above named defendant from his  
childhood and he has always been  
a good upright and honest boy.

Sworn to before me  
this 26 day of May 1877

Abraham D. Levy  
County of Deeds  
N.Y. Co

Daniel E. McJannet

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0029

Court of General Sess.  
The People  
agst  
Cornelius Skufel

City and County of New York / S.S.  
Andrew Parker being duly sworn says  
that he knows the above named defen-  
dant for about ten years, that he has  
always been a good upright honest  
boy, and that he bears an excellent repu-  
tation in the neighborhood.

Sworn to before me  
this 26 day of Decr 1899 } Andrew Parker  
Abraham D. Key }  
County of Geo.  
C. H. D.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0030

Court of New Sessions  
The People,

agst

Cornelius O'Keefe

City and County of New York ss.

John Culhane being duly sworn says  
that he has known the above named defen-  
dant all his life, that he has a good rep-  
utation in the neighborhood in which  
he resides, and that his parents are good  
honest, and respectable people and well  
able to take care of the boy

Sworn to before me

this 26 day of August

William Henry

Comptroller of the Court

C. H. C.

John M. Culhane

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0031

Court of Gen Sessions

The People

aget

Cornelius O'Keefe

City and County of New York/SS.

William Muller being duly sworn

says that he resides at # 300 East 17th

with the City of N.Y.

What he has known the above named de-  
fendant since he was a little child  
and he has always been an honest up-  
right good boy, and Dep. cheerfully  
recommends him as a person deserv-  
ing the clemency of the Court,

Sworn to before me

this 26 day of Dec 1899.

Michael J. Lee

City Clerk

City of N.Y.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0032

Court of General Sessions  
The People

agst

Cornelius O'Keefe

City and County of New York S.S.

M. J. Sullivan being duly sworn  
says that he resides at #306 Henry  
Street. That he has known the above  
named defendant for about 4 yrs  
That he knows him to be a good up-  
right and honest boy

Sworn to before me  
this 26 day of Dec 89.

William L. K.  
Com. of Deed  
- 1114. Co

M. J. Sullivan

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0033

Court of General Sessions  
The People

vs  
Cornelius O'Keefe

City and County of New York ss  
P. J. Conlon being duly sworn says  
that he resides at # 306 Henry Street  
in the City of New York. That he has  
known the above named defendant  
for about 34 years. That he knows him  
to be an honest boy, and deserving  
the leniency of the Court in this case.  
Defendant has an excellent repu-  
tation in the neighborhood.

Sworn to before me } P. J. Conlon  
this 26 day of Dec 89 }  
at address L. K. E. }  
County of Deeds }  
C. L. Y. E. }

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0034

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

..... being duly  
sworn, says that he resides at No. .... Street, in the City of  
New York; that he is ..... years of age; that on the ..... day of .....  
18 ....., at Number ..... in the City of  
New York, he served the within ..... on .....  
the ..... by leaving a copy thereof with .....

Sworn to before me this  
day of ..... 18 }  
.....

*N. Y. Court of Gen. Sec.*

*The People*  
Plaintiff,

against

*Cornelius O'Keefe*  
Defendant.

PURDY & McLAUGHLIN,

Attorneys for

No. 280 BROADWAY, New York City.

Due and timely service of cop of the within  
hereby admitted  
this day of ..... 18  
..... Attorney.

To .....

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0035

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

Cornelius O'Keefe

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself. The defendant, Cornelius O'Keefe has never to my knowledge been in trouble before. His parents are respectable and deserving people. The defendant, O'Keefe has made full restitution & all property has been returned to me, and <sup>he</sup> O'Keefe has given me information about the other defendant (McCaffrey) which led to his arrest. The defendant O'Keefe has been in prison now about a month and I think he has been punished enough. He bears an excellent reputation, and I respectfully ask permission to withdraw the complaint. <sup>his</sup> Patrick X. Grady  
Witness by  
Wm. J. Penckles  
Dep. Chief Clerk Nov. 24-89.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0036

Police Court Third District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York,

of No. 4 Jackson Street, aged 44 years, occupation Stableman being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 3 day of November 1889 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:

Three Blankets  
and One Cape Robe of  
the Value of Thirty (\$30)  
Dollars

the property of Samowitz, Dr. Hogan,  
Mr. Curney, and Mr. Goldstein,  
care 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 Cornelius Neffe

now here, for the reason that said deponent of his own free will and volition, without intimidation or coercion admitted and confessed that he took said property.

Therefore deponent now charges said defendant with taking, stealing and carrying away said property and prays that he be dealt with as the law directs.

Catrick Brady  
mark

Sworn before me, this 3 day of November 1889  
of Catrick Brady  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0037

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 11th DISTRICT.

Patrick Grady

of No. 4 Jackson Street, aged 44 years,

occupation Millman being duly sworn deposes and says,

that on the 3 day of November 1889

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

John Mc Caffrey (now here) did act in concert and collusion with one Cornelius O'Keefe on said date when said O'Keefe stole property described in the attached Affidavit, as this Dependent is informed by one William Christie of 60 Montgomery St

Patrick Grady

Sworn to before me this

John D. Kelly

day

Police Justice,

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0030

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Minic* District Police Court.

*John J. McCaffrey* 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, and that the statement is designed to enable him, if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against him, that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John J. McCaffrey*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *At home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Printing*

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. *Am not guilty*  
*John J. McCaffrey*

Taken before me this

day of

1888

Police Justice.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0039

Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Cornelius O'Keefe 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. Cornelius O'Keefe

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 18 Years Old

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. United States

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

Answer. 306 Henry (104 Years)

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Plumber & Carpenter

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. Ample Guilty  
Cornelius O'Keefe

Taken before me this

day of September 1888

[Signature]  
Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0041

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Cornelius O'Keefe*

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

*Cornelius O'Keefe*

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

The said

*Cornelius O'Keefe*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *third* day of *December* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *eighty-nine*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*three blankets of the value of seven dollars each and one lap-robe of the value of ten dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Patrick Grady*

then and there being found, then and there feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

*John R. Fellows*  
District Attorney

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Neil, James

**DATE:**

12/29/89



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**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

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Witnesses;

Counsel,  
Filed *20* day of *Dec* 188*9*  
Pleads, *Proqually* *by* *Step*

*Burglary in the second degree*  
*and attempt at grand*  
*larceny, first degree.*  
[Section 497, 506, 34, 528, 530.]

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*James O'Neil*

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

**A True Bill.**

*Paul A. Lewis*

*Part III Foreman*  
*February 5/90*  
*Pleads - Attemp 9/2/1889*

*S. P. 3 yrd.*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0044

Police Court 25 District.

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

of No. 488 7<sup>th</sup> Avnu Street, aged 45 years,  
occupation Keep a clothing store being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that the premises No. 488 7<sup>th</sup> Avnu Street, Ward  
in the City and County aforesaid the said being a three story brick  
building in part clothing store and dwelling house  
and which was occupied by deponent as a Isaac Schneiderman  
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breaking a  
pane of glass in the window of said  
store.

on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 1889 in the night time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

One velvet coat of the value of  
five dollars.  
(\$5.00)

the property of Deponent.

and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen and carried away by

James O'Neil (now here).

for the reasons following, to wit: that at the hour of  
10 o'clock P.M. December 11<sup>th</sup>  
deponent locked his store and retired  
for the night, and at that time  
said pane of glass was in good  
condition, and at about the hour  
of 2.30 o'clock A.M. said date  
deponent was awakened by the noise  
of breaking glass. deponent got

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up, and discovered that said pane of glass was broken, and that the defendant had his hands through the broken glass, in the act of removing same clothing from the window. Depnunt caught hold of the defendants hands and attempted to hold him, when he the defendant broke away, depnunt gave the alarm, Depnunt is informed by Officer Archibald Tuggart, that he heard depnunt's cries, and on coming to said premises he saw the said defendant in the act of running away from said window that he then pursued and caught the said defendant, and when he brought the defendant back he the officer found a velvet coat hanging on the railing of the next house. Depnunt further says he has since seen said coat, and identifies it as his property. And charges the said defendant with Burglarily entering said premises as aforesaid, and feloniously taking, stealing and carrying away said coat.

Isaac Schneiderman  
Dated 188

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

Sworn to before me  
this 21 day of Dec 188

I have admitted the above named to bail to answer by the undertaking hereunto annexed.  
Dated 188

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 188

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

Police Court, District, Offence—BURGLARY.

THE PEOPLE, &c., on the complaint of

1. 2. 3. 4.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witness, No. Street,

No. Street,

No. Street,

\$ to answer General Sessions.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Archibald Taggart*  
*Police Officer* of No.

aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, occupation *20th Precinct Police* Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Isaac Schneiderman*

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

Sworn to before me, this *12* day of *Dec* 188*8* } *Archibald Taggart*

*J. Henry Ford*  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 19-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*James O'Neil* 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.

*James O'Neil*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*21 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*451 W. 52<sup>nd</sup> St. 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Errand Boy*

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*  
*James O'Neil*

Taken before me this

day of

188

*Albany*  
Police Justice.

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

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 Police Court...  
 District...

THE PEOPLE, A.C.,  
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Deas Schurckman

1. *Mico Oltis*  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_

*Office*

Dated *Dec 13/9* 18\_\_

*Strom* Magistrate.

*Archibald Staggart* Precinct.

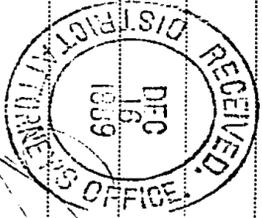
Witness: *David Cohen*

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

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

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

\$ *1500* to answer.



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

*Defendant*

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *fifteen* 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 *Dec 13* 18\_\_ *J. Staggart* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0049

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*James O'Neil*

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

*James O'Neil*

of the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *James O'Neil*,

late of the *Twenty-fifth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-fifth* day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, with force and arms, about the hour of *two* o'clock in the *night* time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one

*Isaac Schneiderman*,

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there some human being, to wit:

*The said Isaac Schneiderman,*

within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods chattels and personal property of the said *Isaac Schneiderman*,

in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and there feloniously and burglariously to 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

*James Reid* of the crime of attempting to commit of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the first degree, committed as follows:

The said *James Reid*,

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, in the ~~middle~~ time of the said day, with force and arms,

*divers articles of clothing and wearing apparel, of a number and description to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of <sup>six</sup> ~~four~~ hundred dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Ernest Schneiderman*, in the dwelling house of the said *Ernest Schneiderman*,

there situate, then and there being found, from the dwelling house aforesaid, then and there feloniously did ~~steal~~ <sup>attempt to</sup> 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.

*John R. Fellows, District Attorney*

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3527

**DESCRIPTION:**

O'Neil, Michael

**DATE:**

12/03/89



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*John*

Counsel,

Filed *3*

day of

*Dec* 188*9*

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*P*

*Michael O'Neil*

Grand Larceny, *1st* Degree,  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 580 ~~172~~ Penal Code].

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Robert Lewis*

Foreman.

*Dec 3/89*

*Henry G. Gray*  
*S.P. McCoy & Co. Inc.*

Witnesses

*John MacFarley*  
*Off the Judge*

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Police Court— / —District, Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

of No. 425 West 19<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 57 years,  
occupation Clerk being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession and person of deponent, in the night time, the following property, viz:

One watch of the value of about Fifty dollars

the property of deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by Michael O'Neil (now here) for the reason that deponent was walking along Centre Street on the pathway of the City Hall Park and carried said watch in a pocket of the vest then worn on his person. That said watch was attached to a chain and fastened to said vest. That the defendant stepped in front of deponent pretending to sell newspaper and held a newspaper under deponent's face and the deponent felt a tug at said chain and felt said watch being taken from his person; deponent struggled with the defendant who escaped

Sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of

Police Justice

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and was pursued by Officer Thomas R. McIntyre  
of the Park Police, who informs deponent  
that when he arrested the defendant he  
defendant dropped ~~some~~ watch in front  
of him which watch deponent identifies  
as his property.

Sworn to before me }  
this 13<sup>th</sup> November, 1889 }  
J. H. Gann }

John Madry

J. H. Gann  
Police Justice

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Thomas R. M. Dwyre*

aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, occupation *Police officer* of No.

*Central Park* Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *John McCloy* and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *13<sup>th</sup>* day of *November*, 188*7*

*Thomas R. M. Dwyre*

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0056

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Michael O'Neil*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *25 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *No home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Laborer*

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

Answer. *I have nothing say*  
*Michael O'Neil*

Taken before me this *13*  
day of *Nov* under 1889  
*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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

Police Court... 1  
 District... 1411

THE PEOPLE, Ac.,  
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
 James Mcclay  
 vs.  
 Michael Stuck  
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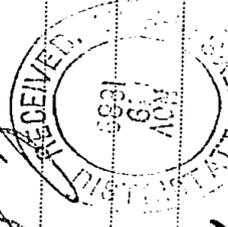
Dated Nov 13 1899

Magistrate  
 Stephen [Signature]  
 Michael Stuck  
 Officer

Witnesses  
 Bouvier Park  
 James P. [Signature]  
 Bouvier Park Station

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 Joseph [Signature]

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$ 1000.00  
 Louis [Signature]



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

defendant

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

Dated Nov 13 1899 [Signature] 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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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

*Michael O'Neill*

*Lar from person.*

*John  
James Mcclay  
475 W. 19 St*

*Off Thos R McSutyr  
Central Park Police*

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0059

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Michael O'Neil*

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

*Michael O'Neil*

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

The said *Michael O'Neil*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twelfth* day of *November* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, in the *night* - time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one watch of the value of fifty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *John MacLay* on the person of the said *John MacLay* then and there being found, from the person of the said *John MacLay* 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

— *Michael O'Neil* —  
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said *Michael O'Neil*

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,

*one watch of the value of  
fifty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

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

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

*Michael O'Neil* —

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.

**JOHN R. FELLOWS,**

*District Attorney.*