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Fisher, Charles

DATE:

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Hartman, George

DATE:

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Witnesses:

Robert A. Pinkerton

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Counsel, Peter Westcott
Att'y for Fisher.
Filed day of Feb 1885
Pleads Not guilty etc

Forgery in the Second Degree.
(Sections 511 and 521, Penal Code.)

THE PEOPLE
vs.
George Bradman
Dias George Ekers, Dias
Madi madak Lee, Dias
Charles Edes, Dias Charles
McRain, and
Charles Fisher
Dias Charles S. Sabin
Dias Charles S. Sabin
(3 Cases)

H.D. RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.
W.A. Amundson
Foreman.

Counted on case
indt - filed Dec 3/85

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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

George Starkman
otherwise called George
Peters, and
Charles Bidder, other-
wise called Charles Bonfain

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse *George Starkman, otherwise called George Peters and Charles Bidder, otherwise called Charles Bonfain* of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *George Starkman, otherwise called George Peters, and Charles Bidder, otherwise called Charles Bonfain*, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty second* day of *August*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five* with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did forge, and cause and procure to be forged, and willingly act and assist in the forging a certain instrument and writing, *to wit: an order for the payment of money of the said commandry called Trade-Checks,* which said forged *Trade-Checks,* is as follows, that is to say:

No. 6150 *New York, August 1885.*
Per Exchange Bank
Pay to the order of Daniel Jackson
Four hundred and fifty \$ Dollars.
\$450⁰⁰ *William H. Bond*

with intend to defraud, 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 *George Hartman, otherwise called George Peters* and *Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain* of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *George Hartman, otherwise called George Peters* and *Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain*, each

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, having in *their* possession a certain forged instrument and writing, *to wit: an order for the payment of*

money of the kind commonly called bank checks,

which said forged *bank - check,* is as follows, that is to say:

Hessman & Day

No. 6150

New York, August 12th 1885

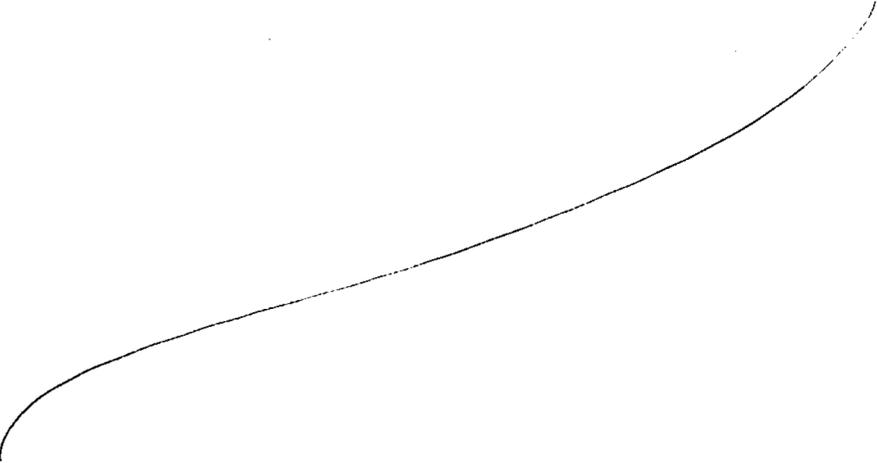
For Exchange Bank

Pay to the order of Daniel Fisher

Two hundred and fifty \$ Dollars,

\$ 4600

Hessman & Day



with force and arms, and with intent to defraud, the said forged *bank check,*

then and there did feloniously utter, dispose of and put off as true, *and* the said *George Hartman otherwise called George Peters* and *Charles Fisher otherwise called Charles Fountain*, then and there well knowing the same to be forged, 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

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Witnesses:

Counsel, *J. M. [Signature]*
Filed *3* day of *Dec* 188*8*
Pleads *Not Guilty (4)*

THE PEOPLE
Charles W. Spearhead
indictable
George D. [Signature]
Dias George [Signature]
Dias "Mark Markley [Signature]"
Dias Reader [Signature]
Dias Reader [Signature]
(Pleaded)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

L. L. [Signature] Jr.
Foreman.
December 18 1888.

Tried & convicted
S. P. Lee years.
Jan. 7 1886.
Chambers

And the witnesses
filed in [Signature]
1888
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Forgery in the Second Degree.
(Sections 511 and 521, Penal Code.)

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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,

Charles J. Overlandt
against indicted as
George Hartman otherwise
called George Peters, otherwise
called Mark Markatoff
otherwise called Charles Peter
otherwise called Charles McLean.

Charles J. Overlandt
indicted as

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
George Hartman, otherwise called George
Peters, otherwise called Mark Markatoff, otherwise
called Charles Peter, otherwise called Charles McLean,
of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Charles J. Overlandt, indicted as
George Hartman, otherwise called
George Peters, otherwise called Mark Markatoff,
called Charles Peter, otherwise called Charles McLean,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
7th 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, feloniously did forge, and cause and procure to be forged, and willingly act
and assist in the forging a certain instrument and writing,

To wit: an
order for the payment of money, of
the said company called Bank of America,
which said forged Bank of America,
is as follows, that is to say:

No. 50151 New York City 1885
Firman American Bank
Pay to the order of Peter —
Five hundred — Dollars
\$500# George J. Stein

with intend to defraud, 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
Fitzroy Starkman, otherwise called Fitzroy Peters,
otherwise called Mark Markat of Lee, otherwise called
Charles Lee otherwise called Charles McFain
of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said Fitzroy Starkman, otherwise called
Fitzroy Peters, otherwise called Mark Markat
of Lee, otherwise called Charles Lee,
otherwise called Charles McFain, —
late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid,
at the City and County aforesaid, having in possession a certain forged
instrument and writing, did feloniously utter, dispose of
and put off as true, a certain forged
instrument and writing, to wit: an order
for the payment of money, of the kind
commonly called bank checks, —
which said forged bank check,
is as follows, that is to say:

no. 50161 New York City 1885
Firman American Bank
Pay to the order of Cashier, —
Five Hundred — Dollars
#500# Chicago, Ill.

with intent to defraud, he the said
Fitzroy Starkman, otherwise called
Fitzroy Peters, otherwise called Mark
Markat of Lee, otherwise called
Charles Lee, otherwise called
Charles McFain,

~~with force and arms, and with intent to defraud, the said forged~~
~~then and there did feloniously utter, dispose of and put off as true,~~ the said
then and there well knowing the same to be
forged, 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

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Edward H. Miller
527 1/2
No 183
Counsel, Peter Mitchell
Filed day of 1885
Pleads by (127)

Forgery in the Second Degree.
(Sections 511 and 521, Penal Code.)

THE PEOPLE

vs.
George Davidson,
Dias George Stone, Dias
Madri Madad Jha, Dias
Charles R. Dea, Dias
Charles J. McElreath, and
Charles E. Idner,
Dias Charles Sontain
Dias Charles Edmer
(3 names)

H. B. RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

By Mr. District Attorney
Not Pleads guilty

A True Bill.

W. A. Chandler
Foreman
July 2, 1885

Witnesses:
Robert A. Pinkerton

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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

George Starkman, otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "mask-madest adde", otherwise called Charles Edes, otherwise called Charles McFain, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer,

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse George Starkman, otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "mask-madest adde", otherwise called Charles Edes, otherwise called Charles McFain, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer, of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said George Starkman, otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "mask-madest adde", otherwise called Charles Edes, otherwise called Charles McFain, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called, Charles Palmer, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the thirteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did forge, and cause and procure to be forged, and willingly act and assist in the forging a certain instrument and writing, to wit: an order for

the payment of money of the kind commonly called bank-notes,

which said forged bank-note _____ is as follows, that is to say:

No. 600 New York, Aug. 31 1885
Bank of America
Pay to the order of Cashier or Bearer
Seven hundred & eighty of 100 Dollars.
\$780.00 Redman & Co.

with intend to defraud, 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 *George Starkman otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "Mack Market of Joe" otherwise called Charles Peters, otherwise called Charles McFain, Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer,* of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *George Starkman otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "Mack Market of Joe, otherwise called Charles Peters, otherwise called Charles McFain, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer,* each late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, having in *their* possession a certain forged instrument and writing, *to wit - an order for the payment of money of the kind commonly called bank checks,* which said forged *bank check* is as follows, that is to say:

No. 600 New York, Aug 21 1935
Bank of America
Pay to the order of Cash or Bearer
Seven hundred & eighty of 100 Dollars.
\$ 780 00/100 Redman & Co.

with force and arms, and with intent to defraud, the said forged *bank check* then and there did feloniously utter, dispose of and put off as true, *then* the said *George Starkman otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "Mack Market of Joe" otherwise called Charles Peters, otherwise called Charles McFain, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer,* then and there well knowing the same to be forged, 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

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CORN EXCHANGE BANK,
NEW YORK.

Wm. A. NASH, - - - PRESIDENT.
LOFTIN LOVE, - - - CASHIER.

Received by
V. M. J. Oct. 22/88

Oct 22 1888

Hon. R. B. Martine
Dist Atty City N.Y.
Scri.

Our attention has been called to a paragraph in one of the morning papers, recounting the arrest of two parties, Char. Fisher and "Mashmasat" Jake who we believe are the principals in the forgery lately passed on this Bank, the Bank of America

and other institutions in this city.

The case as you are aware, is now being investigated by the Grand Jury, and pending their action, (if action has not already been taken, would it not be well to have these men detained -

I earnestly hope for your cooperation in a matter so important to us & the other Banks inter-
Est'd. Respectfully,
Wm. A. Nash

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ALVAN PINKERTON,
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ROBT. A. PINKERTON, Gen'l Sup't,
Eastern Division, New York.
WM. A. PINKERTON, Gen'l Sup't,
Western Division, Chicago, Ill.
GEO. D. BANGS, Sup't, 66 Exchange Pl., N. Y.
R. J. LINDEN, Sup't, 45 So. Third St., Phil'a.
WM. A. PINKERTON, Sup't,
191 & 193 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill.
CLARENCE A. SEWARD, N. Y. } Attorneys for
LEWIS C. CASSIDY, Philad'a. } the Agency.
D. W. MUNN, Chicago, Ill. }

**Pinkerton's National
Detective Agency**

WE NEVER SLEEP!

New York, Oct. 22nd. 1885

Hon. Randolph B. Martine,

District Attorney, New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed article taken from the "World" this morning re-
fers to Chas. Fisher alias Palmer and George Hartman alias "Mash Mar-
ket Jake", who are the originators of the forged checks which were
passed on the Bank of America, Corn Exchange Bank, and German
American Bank, and whose case has been under investigation by the
Grand Jury.

I notify you thinking that it might have escaped your attention.

Yours Respectfully,

Robt. A. Pinkerton
Gen. Supt. Eas. Div.

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THE WORLD.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23.

Two Mysterious Prisoners.

Charles Fountain, twenty-two years old, residing in West Fifty-seventh street, and George Peters, thirty-nine years old, residing at the Rossmore Hotel, were taken to Jefferson Market yesterday by Detectives Hickey and O'Conner. Fountain is a short, stout fellow, whose real name is said to be Fisher. Peters is said to live in Philadelphia and to be known as "Mash Market Juke," one of the smartest of the old downtown bank sneaks. Fountain is said to be a sneak thief. The two detectives refused to tell why the men had been arrested, and asked Justice O'Reilly to remand them until to-day. This was done, and they were taken back to Police Headquarters.

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Grand Jury Room.

PEOPLE

vs.

Nelson Gaylord.

Forgery.

This case is connected
with the case against
Chas J. Everhard, alias
Mush Market Joke, etc.
convicted in Part I. Dec/88
Therefore for full information
look at papers in such
case.

Also see papers in Rec. vs.
Philip Dräger Indicted Dec 27

Witnesses:

Counsel,

Filed 27 day of Oct 1885

Pleas Not Guilty (28 Oct. 1885)

THE PEOPLE

vs.
 George Stanton
 alias George Pitts alias
 Mash Master Lake, alias
 Charles Cook alias Chalk
 McGlowin and
 Charles Fisher
 alias Charles Fountain
 alias Charles Valium
 (3 cases)

Forgery in the Second Degree.
(Sections 511 and 521, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

J. H. Amidon

Foreman.

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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 George Hartman, otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called Wash Market Gate, otherwise called Charles Cook, otherwise called Charles McElroy, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer.

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse George Hartman, otherwise called George Peters otherwise called "Wash Market Gate" otherwise called Charles Cook, otherwise called Charles McElroy, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain otherwise called Charles Palmer, of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said George Hartman otherwise called George Peters, otherwise called "Wash Market Gate" otherwise called Charles Cook, otherwise called Charles McElroy, and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain otherwise called Charles Palmer late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the thirty first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did forge, and cause and procure to be forged, and willingly act and assist in the forging a certain instrument and writing, to wit: an order for the payment of money of the kind commonly called bank checks which said forged bank check, is as follows, that is to say:

No. 600 New York Aug 31 1885 Bank of America Pay to the order of Duty or Bearer Seven hundred & eighty 00/100 Dollars \$780 00/100 Recknagel & Co

with intend to defraud, 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 George Hartman otherwise called George Peters otherwise called "Nash Market Gate" otherwise called Charles Galle, otherwise called Charles McGlow and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain, otherwise called Charles Palmer of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said George Hartman otherwise called George Peters otherwise called "Nash Market Gate" otherwise called Charles Galle; otherwise called Charles McGlow and Charles Fisher, otherwise called Charles Fountain late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, having in their possession a certain forged instrument and writing, to wit: an order for the payment of money of the kind commonly called bank-checks

which said forged bank check is as follows, that is to say:

No 600 New York Augth 31. 1885

Bank of America

Pay to the order of Duty or Bearer Seven hundred & eighty 7/100 Dollars

\$780 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Recknagel & Co

Recknagel & Co

with force and arms, and with intent to defraud, the said forged bank check, then and there did feloniously utter, dispose of and put off as true, they the said George Hartman otherwise called George Peters otherwise called "Nash Market Gate" otherwise called Charles Galle otherwise called Charles McGlow and Charles Fisher otherwise called Charles Fountain otherwise called Charles Palmer then and there well knowing the same to be forged, 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

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The People
vs
Fisher

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CORN EXCHANGE BANK,
NEW YORK.

WM. A. NASH, - - - PRESIDENT.
LOFTIN LOVE, - - - CASHIER.

Oct 26 1885

Hon R. B. Martine
Dist Atty City & Co of N.Y.

My dear Sir.

With Mr Corlies the Vice
Pres of the Bank of America, I
called at your office this after-
noon but as you were engaged
in the Waid case, we were un-
able to see you.

We are very much grat-
ified by the arrests made by
the police in the forgery cases
and especially the detention
of Fisher & "Washmarket" fake
By one of the Sunday's papers
I notice that there seemed to
be some likelihood, ^{of the latter} of ~~his~~ being
discharged on Saturday, but he

was immediately arrested on
another and I presume an
older charge.

We sincerely hope that none
of the parties arrested will
Escape punishment. In the
case of Washmarket fake, we
are told by Mr Puckerton that
ample corroborative evidence
exists, and he will place
in your hands if you desire
it, a brief of the testimony.
All these men are very
dangerous to us, and I was
much pleased with Mr Davis'
note in which he expressed
your approval of our efforts
to bring all the parties to jus-
tice, who were in anyway con-
cerned with the forgeries
Very Resp, W. A. Nash

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Office of Platt & Bowers,

JAMES N. PLATT,
JOHN M. BOWERS,
B. AYMAR SANDS.

Attorneys at Law,

52 & 54 William Street,

BOX 83 P. O.

New York, Nov 9th 1885

My dear Sir -

The enclosed letters explain the reasons why the Banks urge you to use the witness of the Boys who were the dupes of Hustiman & Fisher for the purpose of convicting them. I hope you will feel that the Public interests will be best served by taking this course - Will you kindly notify the Com Exchange Bank, the day before the case is to be tried - I am sorry to trouble you so much but the conviction of these men is of great importance to the Banks who have gone to large expense in the matter -

Hon Randolph B. Mastine
District Atty

Very truly Yours
John M. Bowers

The People

vs

Geo. Hartman
Chas. Fisher

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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 _____

316 / 930
 Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John F. Williams
 Treasurer Queen Bank
 William J. Gaylord

1 _____
 2 _____
 3 _____
 4 _____

Offence Forgery

Dated Sept 5 1885

Magistrate
 Officer
 Precinct

Witnesses

No. 50 Small Street

William O'Connell

No. 50 + 52 Exchange Alley Street

John J. Williams

No. 145 E. 10th Street

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 _____

William J. Gaylord

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 Sept 5 1885 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 188 _____ Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

Melrose J. Gaylord 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 *Melrose J. Gaylord*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Watertown New York*

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

Answer. *147 East 19 Street Brooklyn*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer *Bar-tender*

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*
Melrose J. Gaylord

Taken before me this

day of *September* 188*5*

John J. ...

Police Justice.

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STATE OF NEW YORK, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss: POLICE COURT, 1st DISTRICT.

John F. Deane, aged 31,
Cashier of the German American Bank
of No. 50 Wall Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 5th day of September 1885
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *deponent was and*

is now the Cashier of the German American Bank of the City of New York doing business as a bank of discount and deposit at the premises above stated, that said Bank is duly organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of New York.

That on said 5th day of September 1885 Nelson J. Gaylord (nowhere) did knowingly and feloniously utter as true and did present to J. A. Williams, the paying teller of said Bank and did demand from said Williams as cash paying teller, payment of that certain token and instrument in writing here to annexed and marked (E. A.), and purporting to be a check made and drawn by Baltzer & Richtenstein, on the said German American Bank, dated Sept. 1885, payable to the order of Deaver, in the sum of five hundred dollars.

Deponent is informed by German Baltzer nowhere that said instrument is false forged fraudulent and counterfeit and deponent believes the same to be true.

That on said 5th day of

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September 1885 said Baltzer & Lichtenstein were depositors of money with said Bank, and did have right to draw upon the funds of said Bank for money to the amount of such deposit.

Sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1885
John J. Gorman
Police Justice

City & County of New York

Herman Baltzer aged 59 a Banker of No 50 & 52 Exchange Place being duly sworn says that on the 5th day of September 1885 deponent did have money deposited to his credit and the credit of Albert Lichtenstein his copartner in the German American Bank of said City

That the instrument hereto annexed and marked Exhibit A, and being the same taken described in the foregoing complaint was not made or written by deponent or by the authority or consent of deponent, or any person connected with deponent firm

That said taken is false forged & counterfeit and that the names of Baltzer & Lichtenstein subscribed to said taken is not

his Autentic of the handwriting of deponent, and the same is calculated to deceive

H. R. Baltzer

Sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1885
John J. Gorman
Police Justice

POLICE COURT— DISTRICT

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Dated

Witness

Disposition

AFFIDAVIT

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THE PEOPLE &c.)
against.)
George Hartman, alias Mash Market Jake,)
and Charles Fisher, alias Harry Sheppard.)

City and County of New York, SS.

Nelson J. Gaylord, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:- On September 5th. 1885, in the city of New York I had in my possession a check drawn upon the German American Bank, for the sum of Five hundred dollars, purporting to have been signed by Balser and Lichtenstein, and dated the _____ day of _____. On said date I personally presented the said check which had been made payable to bearer at the above named bank for the purpose of getting it cashed, but on presentation of the same payment was refused and I was thereupon immediately arrested while in the bank. Subsequently I was tried in the Court of General Sessions on the charge of uttering forged paper and convicted and thereupon sentenced to a term of imprisonment in the State Prison for ten years. I desire to state that I knew that the said check was a forgery and spurious at the time that I presented it for payment, and that my action in presenting it was prompted and instigated by the promise of reward and payment, made to me by the above named George Hartman, alias Mash Market Jake, and Charles Fisher, alias Harry Sheppard. The manner in which said check came into my possession was as follows:- About three months previous to my arrest I was introduced to one Philip Geiger, who is to be found at the south-east corner of 86th. street and Second avenue.- Subsequent to this and not ten days before my arrest, the said Geiger introduced me to

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the above named Hart, an, alias Mash Market Jake, in a saloon on Second avenue, near Second or Third street, in this city, about 1 o'clock in the afternoon, wither I had gone with said Geiger, and one ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Jeremiah McMullen, alias Jerry the Barber, who is to be found in First avenue and Bowery, in a place called "The Cottage."

When we entered the saloon I saw seated at the table the above names George Hartman, alias Mash Market Jake, as if waiting there for us to arrive. We all sat down, and Mash Market Jake asked Geiger if I was the man or words to that effect. He said no, but this was the man, pointing to the aforesaid Jeremiah McMullen. Then Mash Market Jake asked Geiger who I was. He told him that I was a friend of his; to this Mash Market Jake responded, "is it all right?" Geiger said, "Yes, that is all right." Then Mash Market Jake turned to me and putting his hand on my knee, said, "I am not interested in this - I am doing it for a friend of mine, and only receive a few dollars for my trouble." Then he turned to McMullen and told him in, effect what he had told me, namely, that he was not interested in it only to the extend of a few dollars. The friend to whom he referred as being the one chiefly interested for whom he was working, and from whom he was only to receive a few dollars was, as ^{he} stated at the time, the above named Charles Fisher, alias Harry Sheppard. Thereupon, turning to McMullen, he asked him whether did this business before. McMullen responded no, I never laid any paper. McMullen acting in a way as if he was afraid to do it, Mash Market Jake said to him, "do you or do you not want to do it, - if you don't want to do it say so." McMullen thereupon said, well, I will do it. Mash Market Jake then asked McMullen, if he would lay a large piece or a small piece the same time recommending to him that he would take a small piece.

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frist. Jake thereupon said, wait a moment until I get back. He then went out of the saloon and up the street; I followed him to the door in order to speak with a friend of mine named George Hanson, and while there upon the sidewalk, I saw Jake in conversation with the above named Charles Fisher, alias Harry Sheppard. I remained outside a little while and then asked said Hanson to come in and have a drink with me, which he did. He remained in the saloon and sat there with the rest of us at the table. Soon after that, Jake returned and went up to Hanson and shook hands with him as if he had known him some time. Jake then whispered something which I did not understand to the above named Geiger, who thereupon went to Hanson, who as a consequence of what was said to him by Geiger, left the saloon. After he left the saloon Jake made the remark that ~~MMMMXX~~ they didn't want Hanson present, he was behind the age.- Having said this, Jake drew from his pocket three checks enclosed in a large pocket-book, and spread the said checks out upon the table, and addressing McMullen, he said, "Now you can take your choice, whichever one you want to lay." McMullen selected a check on the Corn Exchange Bank, for three hundred dollars or thereabouts, signed by Hillhouse and Day. After McMullen had selected the check which he was to lay, Jake gave him instructions, how he should present it,- he should get into line in the bank, take his turn and not be flurried, and when he asked for the money to ask for it in large bills. Jake then returned the remaining two checks into his pocket; all this having been done, Jake said, to McMullen, wait a moment, until I get a man who will go with you - he is six foot tall and if you get into trouble he will stand by you. Jake then returned, and instead of bringing the man back with him, he said the man had already gone down there.

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I further state that ~~XXXX~~ the check that McMullen took away, was returned to Jake on the same day about 3 or half past 3 o'clock, in a place at First street and the Bowery, in a saloon kept by Dick Heigs. After McMullen left the saloon with the check I remained in the saloon in company of Geiger. While there we drank a good deal of beer, but I was not too drunk to understand what was going on, having only drunk about six glasses of beer. About half past 2, Jake came running into the place, and said to Geiger, "He has lammed away," Geiger then said, "where is the man that went down with him?" They walked towards the bar, and I said "Where are you going?" We are going outside," he said, come on. They walked towards the next corner above, toward 4th. and 5th. streets and Second avenue, and at this place for the first time I met the above named Fisher, to speak to him. While here all three began to quarrel about the way in which the matter had been carried out. Then Geiger said, take a walk down to First street with me, and he turned toward Jake to follow him. Jake followed us down and we went to Dick Heigs' saloon at First street and the Bowery. There we found the above named Jeremiah McMullen at the pool table, behind the screen. Jake went up to him and said "You son of a bitch, give me that money." McMullen said, "Don't get so hot," he said "if I got the money I wouldn't have the paper, would I?" He said, no. McMullen then said here is your paper, and he handed it back to him. Jake then patted him on the back and said, "that is all right, what did he say?" McMullen said, they were not in the habit of cashing such large checks without identification, and McMullen said that he replied to the man at the bank, that he would return - that he would get the identification and return; after this we parted company.

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Subsequent to this on the 5th. of September, there was a ring at my door bell; I went down stairs and saw there Jake. He came up stairs and began to talk about some money and checks. I said to him hush - I don't want my wife to hear us talking about the checks.- This was in the morning. He said well we will go in the other room. I told him I was afraid to do anything of the kind. I said to him, Geiger will do it for you, he has cashed them before,- why don't you get him. He said I think he is on a drunk, he has got some money, and cannot stand prosperity. At his suggestion I went to Geiger's house, ^{leave word at Geiger's} to see ~~if I could get him to come and do the work~~. He was not in.- I returned and continued the conversation with Jake whom I met in a saloon in 18th. street and Third avenue, whither he had gone after I left the house. ~~XXX~~ Here we had two or three drinks, I drinking whiskey, and he was drinking gin. I left the saloon and went back to my house and brought in ^{two or three} a pins of beer, which I drank with a boarder that was there. I then went out to go down town and then met Jake between 18th. and 19th. street in Third avenue, coming to my house. We went in the corner of 18th. street and Third avenue in a liquor store; there we met the above named Charles Fisher, looking at a directory. Wash Market Jake, after some conversation said, "well we want money, we all want money, and you (meaning me), have no money," and then I said I will do it.

Jake thereupon said, if you fall or get into any trouble I got a hundred dollars to get you out of trouble. Jake then gave me a half a dollar for carfare to go down town. Fisher handed me a piece of paper and said here, if they ask you where the addresses of Paiser and Lichtenstein are, you can tell them.

leave word at Geiger's house that he wanted to see him.

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After this, Jake, Fisher and myself went out in the vestibule of this saloon, and while there, Fisher took from his pocket a large wallet out of which he drew a check and showed it to me. He handed that check to the said Mash Market Jake, who took the wallet also, and stuffed in it some rolls of brown paper, put *the check inside, and gave the check and wallet to me. I then*

~~they~~ went down to the German American Bank, presented it to the paying teller, was refused payment, and I was arrested.

Sworn to before me this }
15th day of October 1885 }

Nelson J. Gaylord

Douglas
Notary Public
N.Y.C.

I went with Strain & Jake following & then told my wife I would not be home till 10 o'clock then Jake turned to me & handed me the check. My wallet & papers I kept in my pocket & we left the house together and I

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People, etc.
 No 113
 George Hartman alias
 George Peters, alias "Mad-
 Market" alias,
 Charles Peter alias Charles
 McTear, -
 and
 Charles Fisher alias
 Charles & Stanton, alias
 Charles Palmer.

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District Attorneys Office
 City & County of
 New York

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In the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, for the City and County of Philadelphia.

April SESSIONS, 1880

CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

THE GRAND INQUEST of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, inquiring for the City and County of Philadelphia, upon their respective oaths and affirmations, do present, That *William Hillborn, late of the said County German*
C. B. Roberts late of the said County German. John Carroll late of the said County German. William Moran
late of the said County, *German* on the *twelfth* day of *April* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty at the County aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, with force and arms, &c., *A large number of promissory notes for the payment of money commonly called National Bank notes purporting to be issued by the General National Banks of the United States for the payment of Twenty two hundred dollars being still due and unpaid. A further description of the same the Grand Inquest being unable to give by reason of the same being in the possession of the said William Hillborn. C. B. Roberts. John Carroll and William Moran.*

Altogether
of the value of *Twenty Two Hundred Dollars*
of the goods and chattels, moneys and property of *Henry Huddy*

then and there being found, then and there feloniously did steal, take and carry away contrary to the form of the Act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

AND THE INQUEST aforesaid, upon their oaths and affirmations aforesaid, do further present, That the said *William Hillborn. C. B. Roberts. John Carroll and William Moran*

afterwards, to wit: On the same day and year aforesaid, at the County aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, with force and arms, &c., feloniously, wilfully and maliciously did enter the *Building and Store* of one *Henry Huddy* there situate, *with an intent*, the goods and chattels, moneys and properties in the said *Building and Store* then and there being, feloniously to steal, take and carry away, contrary to the form of the Act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

AND THE INQUEST aforesaid, upon their oaths and affirmations aforesaid, do further present, That the said *William Hillborn. C. B. Roberts. John Carroll. And William Moran*

afterwards, to wit: on the same day and year aforesaid, at the County aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, with force and arms, &c., the goods and chattels, moneys and properties aforesaid, by some ill-disposed person (to the Jurors aforesaid yet unknown) then lately before feloniously stolen, taken and carried away, feloniously, unjustly, and for the sake of wicked gain, did receive and have the said *William Hillborn. C. B. Roberts. John Carroll & William Moran*

then and there, well knowing the goods and chattels, moneys and properties last mentioned, to have been feloniously stolen, taken and carried away, contrary to the form of the Act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Henry S. Hoagert
District Attorney.

WITNESSES.

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No 271
April
SESSIONS, 1880

COMMONWEALTH

vs.
William Nelson
C. B. Roberts
John Carroll
William Moore

1st Count—LARCENY.
2d Count—ENTERING WITH INTENT TO STEAL.
3d Count—RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS.

BAIL, \$ 2500 Each

TRUE BILL.

Maurice H. Mattinger
Foreman.

April 17 1880
April 19 1880

The Defendant being arraigned, pleads

Guilty
18 months C.P. each
J. K. G.

COSTS, \$
J. P. Smith
Magistrate.

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Larceny

True Bill

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vs

William Hillborn

C. B. Roberts

John Carroll

William Moran

April 19th 1880 defendants present and being arraigned
Woods guilty

Same day defendants present whereupon the Court orders
and adjudge that they each pay a fine of One Dollar
undergo imprisonment in Separate or Solitary Confinement
at Labor in the State Penitentiary for the Eastern District
of Pennsylvania for the term of Eighteen Months each
pay the costs of prosecution and stand committed
until this judgment is fully complied with

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The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

I, W.E. Littleton, Esquire, Clerk of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, for the City and County of Philadelphia, DO CERTIFY, that the foregoing is a true copy of the whole Record in the cause wherein the

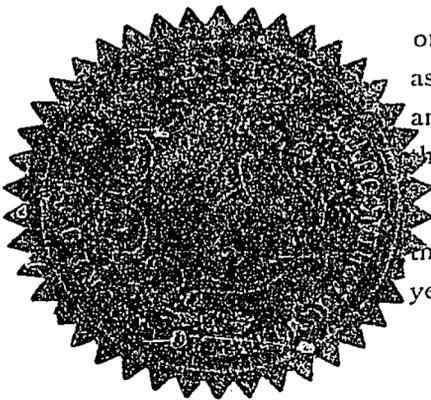
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

Plaintiff and

William Hillman
C.B. Roberts
John Carroll
and
William Moran

Defendant s;

of April Term, 1880 Number 271 as full, entire, and complete as the same remains on file in the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, for the City and County of Philadelphia, in the case there stated.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court this Thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty Five

W.E. Littleton Clerk.

COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

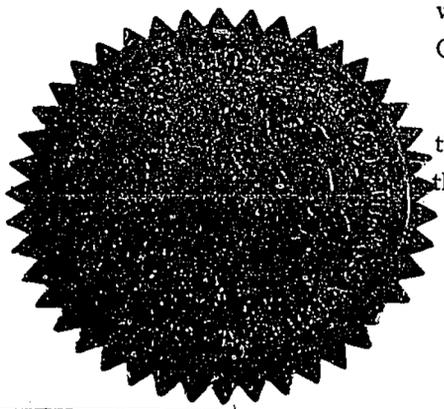
I, J.I.C. Hare, presiding Judge of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the City and County of Philadelphia, DO CERTIFY, that the foregoing Record and Attestation, made by W.E. Littleton Esquire, Clerk of the said Court, whose name is thereto subscribed and seal of office affixed, are in due form, and made by the proper officer.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this Thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty Five

J.I.C. Hare

COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

I, W.E. Littleton Esquire, Clerk of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the City and County of Philadelphia, DO CERTIFY, that the Honorable J.I.C. Hare, presiding Judge by whom the foregoing Attestation was made, and whose name is thereto subscribed, was, at the time of making thereof, and still is, a Judge of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the City and County of Philadelphia, duly commissioned and sworn; to all whose acts, as such, full faith and credit are and ought to be given, as well in Courts of Judicature as elsewhere.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, this Thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty Five

W.E. Littleton Clerk.

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STATEMENT OF MRS. CAROLINA GAYLORD.

Made to Robt. A. Pinkerton,

New York, Saturday Nov. 21st. 1885

I am the wife of Nelson J. Gaylord. I reside at 147 East 19th, St. New York. Had been acquainted with my husband between one and two years previous to marrying him. My husband's business when I first knew him was that of day clerk at the Devonshire House. He was also clerk at the Grand Union Hotel. He afterwards went to tending bar, worked in several different places, and just previous to his arrest he was to work for the Vree er Bros., 90 Bleecker He had given up this place about two weeks previous to his arrest, and was doing nothing at the time of his arrest.

I remember a man whom my husband called "Charley". He called at my house first in company with my husband, this was a short time after my husband had given up his situation at Vreeder Bros. My husband did not introduce me to him, but I heard my husband call him "Charley". He afterwards called at my house three or four times to see my husband. I knew that there was some talk going on between them in regard to checks, I judged this man "Charley" was in some business that did not seem proper. I judged this from what I heard of his business with one Phillip Dreigr, and I had heard a man named Geo, Hansen, an acquaintance of my husband say, that this man "Charley" was giving Dreigr checks to pass. I thought "Charley" was trying to draw my husband into the same business, and I advised and urged my husband to have nothing to do with him, or he would get into trouble. My husband promised me that he would having nothing to do with the passing of checks, but my husband is

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naturally easily led and when drinking is especially so, and for this reason I wanted to break up the connection between him and this man "Charley". On one occasion, a day or two previous to my husband's arrest, on going into the room where my husband and Charley" were, I heard "Charley" saying to my husband " when I ask you to do anything- you rest assured that it is as sure, as that trunk is there." (pointing at a trunk of mine standing in the room) they will either hand you the money or you will get a polite refusal. On the day of my husband's arrest "Charley" came to my house in the neighborhood of ten o'clock, rang the bell, and my husband went to the door, I looked out on the stoop and saw who it was; they stood talking on the stoop for about ten minutes, and "Charley" went away, my husband came up stairs. Short time after "Charley" left, my husband went out. I think he was gone in the neighborhood of an hour; when he returned I could see that he had been drinking a little. I knew that he had had in the house during the morning about three pints of beer, which had been divided up between himself, a lodger in the house, and I took a glass myself, but it was evident to me that he had been drinking after he left the house. He only had returned a short time when the bell rang, my husband went to the door, and admitted the man "Charley" they came up stairs together. This was in the neighborhood of about one o'clock, they took a seat in the kitchen, I was in and out of the kitchen attending to my work; they remained in the kitchen about ten minutes. I went into the kitchen from the front room, once while they were there, and I saw "Charley" have a long red pocket-book in his hand, he was showing a piece of paper that was in the pocket-book to my husband, the paper was half in and half out of the pocket-book, and on the upper corner of this paper, I

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saw the word "BANK". I am satisfied it was a bank check. I only got a momentary glance at the check and pocket-book, as "Charley" immediately gave it to my husband, and he put it in his pocket. I tried to get an opportunity to speak to my husband, but had no chance to do so as they passed out together. My husband said that he would be home at 4 o'clock. My husband had faithfully promised me not to have anything to do with this man "Charley's" business, and I had full confidence in him, and I did not think he would be so foolish as to pass a check. On the occasion after my husband left the house, after he had met "Charley" on the door stoop, I have understood since that he went to get Phillip Dreger to come and see "Charley" but Dreger would not leave the house. My husband left the house in ~~the afternoon~~ as near as I can remember shortly after one o'clock. As he did not come home at the time he agreed for dinner, 4 p. m., I became worried. About 5 p. m. the bell rang, I went down to the door and the man "Charley" was there. He asked if my "better-half" was home. I said "no", he entered without being asked and ran up the stairs, he appeared excited and nervous. He went into the kitchen, I do not remember whether he opened the door and walked in, or whether I left the door open. When I got up to where he was in the kitchen, I asked if anything was wrong, he said "nothing that I know of". He said that he had been waiting for my husband at some point, but he had not come, and as long as he did not come home it made him worried." I asked him if my husband had been drinking, he said "no" only one glass of beer. I said that I would blame him if my husband had any trouble, as I heard you tell my husband "that it was just as sure as my trunk was standing there." "Charley" then said

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if he got into trouble, that it would be some very light thing, and that he would have Howe and Hummell do anything that could be done for him. He promised to help my husband all he could. He asked me if I thought it was dangerous for him to come here (meaning my house) he said that there was a house across the road that looked to him suspicious. He handed me a slip of paper, which he evidently had written out before he came to the house, on which was the name of "William Simpson, Hazard House, North West corner of 84th St. and 3rd. Ave.," and said that anything I wanted to know to write him there as if my husband was in trouble he would be afraid to come to the house. He told me to let me know as soon as I heard from ^{my} husband. He was in a hurry to leave and left; before leaving he expressed himself as being very sorry for my husband, that he liked him, that he was a ^{lover} ~~lover~~ that evening I heard from husband by a messenger employed at the Tombs, that my husband was confined there. On the Monday following I went to the Tombs and saw my husband. He told me that he had went down with a check, and that Charley had remained behind in a liquor saloon and that he was arrested on presenting the check. My husband said that I was to find out from "Charley" what he intended to do for him. Shortly after I returned home from the Tombs a woman called and said that she was the sister of "Charley" she said that she had been around in the morning looking for me, but could not find the house. She said that when she went home that "Charley" scolded her, and said that I would not know how to get down to the Tombs. "Charley" told her to ask me if I wanted any money. I then delivered to her the message from my husband, and to see what he was doing for him, she said that "Charley" was working very hard, and

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and he was trying to hire a man to go bonds. I asked her if she thought he would succeed, she said that she hoped so that he had gone out of the city to attend to the matter. The next day this same lady called again, and told me to hurry and get my clothes, as she was going to take me to see her brother. We went to St. and 5th. She took me to a large summer garden where we sat down at a table and had something to drink, she left me and said that she would go and get her brother. I was there but a few minutes, when the man "Charley" came in. At first I scarcely recognized him, as he had shaved off his beard, and had nothing but a mustache. He sat down at the table and said that it was a bad thing about my husband being locked up, he asked me if I had seen him, and what he had to say. He said that he would raise about \$75.00 on his jewelry, and to do that was to pretend to be sick, the other was to plead guilty and get one year on the Island, and to pay the prosecuting attorney \$50.00 and he could get him on the Island, he said that if my husband went on the Island for one year, that he could get him in a good position, and I could see him once a week, that a little money would do a great deal up there. He said for to get an attorney and stand trial that he might be convicted and get five years. He asked me if I thought my husband would say anything about him and the others. I told him "no" he said that if my husband kept his mouth shut, that he would stand right by me, and do all he could for me, but if my husband mentioned his and the other parties names, as they were notorious people, it would get him punished more severely. I do not know whether it was at this interview or one after it, that he said it was

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a bad job that the only gentleman out of the whole party (meaning my husband, Nickerson, Dreiger and Jerry Mc Mulisn) who had been passing checks be locked up. This I think was all that occurred on this day. I arranged to meet "Charley" the next day at 3 o'clock at the same place, and would tell him what my husband had to say. I went and seen my husband the next day, and at 3 o'clock met "Charley" at the same place as the day previous, and told him what my husband said, that he was not willing to plead guilty and wanted a lawyer. "Charley" said it was much better not to have a lawyer, as if my husband had a lawyer he would spoil the case. He said that he would pawn his jewelry and give me the money for a lawyer. I also gave him a note from my husband, in which he asked for \$50.00 to pay a lawyer. "Charley" said that he would get money by pawning jewelry and send it over by messenger boy or bring it over. That evening "Charley" called at my house, he was somewhat under the influence of liquor. He handed me \$40.00 and said that he would give me \$10.00 next day, saying this was all he had. I met him several times after this, once corner of 11th, St. and 3rd. Ave" and once on 19th, St. and on each occasion the conversation was in regard to my husband's case. At one of the interviews that took place shortly after my husbands' arrest, he said to me when he had given my husband the check, that my husband asked him if there was any ~~trouble~~ danger, "Charley" said to my husband that there was as much danger as one of the horses in the street car falling down. He also told me at one of the interviews, that he told my husband that if he saw them make a false move when he presented the check to "slide out". The day after "Charley" told this to me I told my husband

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he said that he could not get out, as they watched him and locked the doors. All of my interviews with "Charley" occurred within a week or ten days after my husband's arrest. "Charley" finally sent me a message by a District Messenger boy, and in this message he said that it was known that he had called at the house, and that he would therefore stay away for the present, and in the meantime he would send a friend to see me. He said that I had better employ Christian Kneass as my husband's lawyer. This note I destroyed on the occasion of next visit to the Tombs. On the next day when visiting the Tombs when talking to my husband, a man came and handed my husband a note, in which it stated "send your wife down and see a friend of 'Charley's'". I went down on the first floor of the Tombs and met a man standing between the desk and the door leading to the yard, he addressed me, and said that "Charley" had sent him to see me. I asked him how I knew he was a friend of "Charley's". He then said, did you not get a despatch last night, saying that "Charley's friend would come and see you". I told him that I had, he said that he intended going to my house, but he was down in the Tombs and hearing I was there concluded to see me. He gave me his business card that day which I afterwards gave to Mr. Pinkerton. He said his name was Oliver, I noticed on the card he gave me, that his firm was Oliver and Holman, dealer in Diamonds 483 6th, Ave.. He asked me if "Charley" had asked me to employ Christian Kneass as attorney. I said "yes" he said that he would go over with me, as he was acquainted with him. I went with him and gave him \$10.00 as a partial retainer as my husband's attorney, and went the next day and paid him \$40.00 more, making in all \$50.00. Oliver said that if I would call that even
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ing at his place of business he would tell me what "Charley" said. I went that evening. He said that "Charley" had gone away, he said that he might be gone six hours, and might be twelve hours. I did not see "Charley" again. Oliver came and saw me several times. I also called at his store. I received several notes through District Messenger boys from Oliver. These notes I have delivered over to Mr. Pinkerton who has still possession of them. I next heard from "Charley" about Oct. 12th, he sent me a note by District Messenger boy, it arrived at my house about 10 o'clock. This note ran as follows:

Dear Friend:

Oct. 12th, 1885

"I am sorry to hear that both of you have lost confidence in me, I have had much trouble since I saw you. Had it not been for my sister, I would to-day be worse of than Nel; tell Nel I will do all I can for him in his trouble. I have just arrived here. I was in a place where I could not write you. I will see you tomorrow. I enclose \$5.00 all I have.

(Signed) "Charley"

This note I also delivered to Mrs. Pinkerton. The next day my husband was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. "Charley" did not call and see me next day, and I have not seen him since; although I have seen Oliver, and Oliver has ~~seen him~~ seen him and told me what he said. When I married my husband, I never knew that he had previously been convicted of crime, the first that I knew he had ever been convicted was after his arrest on this charge of forgery, he then told me about it, and said that they were going to bring this evidence up against him and give him a long term of sentence. Oliver

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told me on one occasion that Mr. Pinkerton was in communication with my husband, and that it would be all the worse for him if Mr. Pinkerton had anything to do with it.

I have seen a picture in Mr. Pinkerton's possession of a man with a full beard and white high white hat. This is the man I know as "Charley".

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S T A T E M E N T O F

Leonard S. Nickerson,

New York, Saturday Oct. 17th, 1885

I am 22 years old past, am married, I reside with my Mother 44 Perry st. this City, my Mother is a widow, I have one sister, and my Mother depends principally upon me for her support. I recognize the check shown me, dated Aug. 26th, 1885 drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank by Hillhouse and Dey for \$395.00 and endorsed on the back by John Whitney, and Hillhouse and Dey. I presented this check for payment at the Corn Exchange Bank; I do not remember the exact date, but it was sometime the latter part of August. The circumstances of my receiving this check were as follows: -

I was acquainted with a young man named Nelson Gaylord. I first knew him when he kept a saloon in 13th, St. near 8th, Ave. he had a pool table in the saloon, and I occasionally went there. At 18th, St. and 8th, Ave. was a place where I principally frequented. After Gaylord sold out his saloon I knew him as a bar tender at the race track, Jerome, and also knew where his residence was in 19th, St. near 3rd. Ave. and occasionally visited him there. I had not seen him for a month or two, when one afternoon on the same day of which I endeavored to pass this check, above referred to, on the Corn Exchange Bank, Gaylord came into a saloon No. 575 Hudson St. which I visit, and asked me if I would take a walk with him over to Greenwich Ave. I said that I had nothing to do, as I had been down town to look for work, and would just as leave go; we walked over to a saloon on the North West corner of Greenwich Ave. and 11th, St.. On the way over Gaylord told me that he was going to meet a couple of young fellows. Just as we was going into the saloon, he said to me

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that these friends of his, whom he was going to meet, had a check which they wanted me to have cashed. We went into the saloon, and on entering two men got up from a table and came towards us; he introduced ^{me} to them, but at this moment I do not remember the names that he called them by; he, however, called them by some name, but he spoke them quick, and I was not paying special attention. I drank a small beer, and I think the two men I was introduced to drank a small ~~beer~~ whiskey and Gaylord drank glass of beer. After drinking the beer we stood talking for a few minutes together, and finally the older one of the two men whom Gaylord introduced me to. The man with the full sandy beard, said to me, "wait a minute. and I will have this ready for you" he then stepped over to a small desk, which is in this beer saloon- and apparently did some writing. The younger of the two, whom Gaylord had introduced me to stepped out of the saloon. The man with the sandy beard after writing at the desk and I were . and gave me a check for \$395.00 payable to John Whitney heretofore described. He said for me to go down to the Corn Exchange Bank and pass this check into the paying Tellers window, and if the paying Teller turned away from his desk with the check and walked back in the bank, for me to leave. He agreed to meet me at the same place where we were then. He sent Gaylord with me to the Bank, and told Gaylord to come back with me. He did not agree to give me any money for having the check cashed. We took the Elevated road and went to Rector St. where Gaylord and I got off and went to the Bank. It was about 1 o'clock when we arrived there. Gaylord stood on the corner and I went in with the check. There were quite a number of people standing in line, and I fell in line, and when it came to my turn I handed in the check. The Teller asked me if I wanted cash for this, "I said yes"

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The Teller looked at the check, and walked back into the Bank, and I walked out. I did not see Gaylord as I came out. I then went to Thomas St. and saw my Uncle who drives a truck. I said nothing to him what I had been doing. I rode up town with ^{him} on the truck, I then went to the saloon North West corner Greenwich Ave. and 11th, St. where I agreed to meet the man who gave me the check, but no one was there. I then went around to 575 Hudson St. a saloon previously referred to, and as I came up near the saloon I saw Gaylord and these two men standing on the corner; both the young man and his companion asked me if I got the money. "I said no" that when I presented the check the man walked away, and I came out, they did not appear to believe but what I got the money, but Gaylord told them that I was all right.. We all then went into a saloon, the younger man of the two treated. We then separated, I remained in the saloon, and Gay-
lord went away together. I did not see either of these two parties whom Gaylord introduced me to, but I heard that the older one of the two had been to the saloon in Hudson St. looking for me in the afternoon on two other occasions.. The bar-tender told me this, and by his describing the man to me I recognized it as the man with sandy beard whom Gaylord introduced me to. I probably would have seen him, had I not been out looking for work. Finally I think about a week or two afterwards, I attempted to pass a check on the Corn Exchange Bank. I had been out with my Mother one day and met Gaylord in Hudson St. between West 11th, and Perry Sts. he said that he had been to my house to see me, he said that the man whom I had taken the check before for, was up in the saloon in Hudson St. and wanted to see me. Gaylord said that he had a little money, and offered to treat me, we went in to a saloon in Charles St. and had a milk punch, I then went with ^{him}

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to the saloon, 575 Hudson St., here we found the same man who sent me down to the Corn Exchange Bank, he said that he had another check he wanted me to take down and get cashed, but he did not say on what Bank the check was drawn, I refused to go, but he kept coaxing me for a long time, in the neighborhood of an hour to take down the check, saying that there was no danger, and that I would get the money on presenting the check. During the time he was urging me to take down the checks, he called for the drinks twice. I have not seen him since. I afterwards heard of Gaylord's arrest, and went to see him once in the Tombs, he said to me that my head was level for not taking down one of the checks, and that the best way was to keep straight.

I have seen the two pictures shown me by Mr. Pinkerton, and I recognize both of them, the man with full beard and mustache was the man who gave me the check to take down to the Bank. The picture of the man wearing the derby hat and mustache, is the younger man of the two whom Gaylord introduced me to.

I make this statement of my own free will without any inducement, ^{but} to serve the ends of justice.

*Man with sandy beard told me that he got check
from a party (Gibbs) connected with the Bank.
Leonard S. Nickerson*

Witness R. M. S.

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STATEMENT OF MRS. CAROLINA GAYLORD.

Made to Robt. A. Pinkerton,

New York, Saturday Nov. 21st. 1885

I am the wife of Nelson J. Gaylord. I reside at 147 East 19th, St. New York. Had been acquainted with my husband between one and two years previous to marrying him. My husband's business when I first knew him was that of day clerk ~~at~~ at the Devonshire House. He was also clerk at the Grand Union Hotel. He afterwards went to tending bar, worked in several different places, and just previous to his arrest he was to work for the Vreeder Bros., 90 Bleecker. He had given up this place about two weeks previous to his arrest, and was doing nothing at the time of his arrest.

I remember a man whom my husband called "Charley". He called at my house first in company with my husband, this was a short time after my husband had given up his situation at Vreeder Bros. My husband did not introduce me to him, but I heard my husband call him "Charley". He afterwards called at my house three or four times to see my husband. I knew that there was some talk going on between them in regard to checks, I judged this man "Charley" was in some business that did not seem proper. I judged this from what I heard of his business with one Phillip Dreigr, and I had heard a man named Geo, Hansen, an acquaintance of my husband say, that this man "Charley" was giving Dreigr checks to pass. I thought "Charley" was trying to draw my husband into the same business, and I advised and urged my husband to have nothing to do with him, or he would get into trouble. My husband promised me that he would have nothing to do with the passing of checks, but my husband is

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naturally easily lead and when drinking is especially so, and for this reason I wanted to break up the connection between him and this man "Charley". On one occasion, a day or two previous to my husband's arrest, on going into the room where my husband and "Charley" were, I heard "Charley" saying to my husband "when I ask you to do anything- you ^{can} rest assured that it is as sure, as that trunk is there." (pointing at a trunk of mine standing in the room) they will either hand you the money or you will get a polite refusal. On the day of my husband's arrest "Charley" came to my house in the neighborhood of ten o'clock, rang the bell, and my husband went to the door, I looked out on the stoop and saw who it was; they stood talking on the stoop for about ten minutes, and "Charley" went away, my husband came up stairs. Short ~~time~~ ^{time} after "Charley" left, my husband went out. I think he was gone in the neighborhood of an hour, when he returned I could see that he had been drinking a little. I knew that he had had in the house during the morning about three pints of beer, which had been divided up between himself, a lodger in the house, and I took a glass myself, but it was evident to me that he had been drinking after he left the house. He only had returned a short time when the bell rang, my husband went to the door, and admitted the man "Charley" they came up stairs together. This was in the neighborhood of about one o'clock, they took a seat in the kitchen, I was in and out of the kitchen attending to my work; they remained in the kitchen about ten minutes. I went into the kitchen from the front room, once while they were there, and I saw "Charley" have a long red pocket-book in his hand, he was showing a piece of paper that was in the pocket-book to my husband, the paper was half in and half out of the pocket-book, and on the upper corner of this paper, I

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saw the word "BANK". I am satisfied it was a bank check. I only got a momentary glance at the check and pocket-book, as "Charley" immediately gave it to my husband, and he put it in his pocket. I tried to get an opportunity to speak to my husband, but had no chance to do so as they passed out together. My husband said that he would be home at 4 o'clock. My husband had faithfully promised me not to have anything to do with this man "Charley's" business, and I had full confidence in him, and I did not think he would be so foolish as to pass a check. On the occasion after my husband left the house, after he had met "Charley" on the door stoop, I have understood since that he went to get Phillip Dreigr to come and see "Charley" but Dreigr would not leave the house. My husband left the house in ~~the afternoon as far as I can remember~~ shortly after one o'clock. As he did not come home at the time he agreed for dinner, 4 p. m., I became worried. About 5 p. m. the bell rang, I went down to the door and the man "Charley" was there. He asked if my "better-half" was home. I said "no", he entered without being asked and ran up the stairs, he appeared excited and nervous. He went into the kitchen, I do not remember whether he opened the door and walked in, or whether I left the door open. When I got up to where he was in the kitchen, I asked if anything was wrong, he said "nothing that I know of". He said that he had been waiting for my husband at some point. but he had not come, and as long as he did not come home it made him worried." I asked him if my husband had been drinking, he said "no" only one glass of wine. I said that I would blame him if my husband had any trouble, as I heard you tell my husband "that it was just as sure as my trunk was standing there." "Charley" then said

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if he got into trouble, that it would be some very light thing, and that he would have Howe and Hummell do anything that could be done for him. He promised to help my husband all he could. He asked me if I thought it was dangerous for him to come here (meaning my house) he said that there was a house across the road that looked to him suspicious. He handed me a slip of paper, which he evidently had written out before he came to the house, on which was the name of "William Simpson, Hazard House, North West corner of 34th St. and 3rd. Ave.," and said that anything I wanted to know to write him there as if my husband was in trouble he would be afraid to come to the house. He told me to let ^{him} know as soon as I heard from ^{my} husband. He was in a hurry to leave and left; before leaving he expressed himself as ^{being} very sorry for my husband, that he liked him. that he was a nice fellow, and would do all he could for him. At 9 o'clock that evening I heard from ^{my} husband by a messenger employed at the Tombs, that my husband was confined there. On the Monday following I went to the Tombs and saw my husband. He told me that he had went down with a check, and that "Charley" had remained behind in a liquor saloon and that he was arrested on presenting the check. My husband said that I was to find out from "Charley" what he intended to do for him. Shortly after I returned home from the Tombs a woman called and said that she was the sister of "Charley" she said that she had been around in the morning looking for me, but could not find the house. She said that when she went home that "Charley" scolded her, and said that I would not know how to get down to the Tombs. "Charley" told her to ask me if I wanted any money. I then delivered to her the message from my husband, and to see what he was doing for him, she said that "Charley" was working very hard, and

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that he was trying to hire a man to go bonds. I asked her if she thought he would succeed, she said that she hoped so that he had gone out of the City to attend to the matter. The next day this same lady called again, and told me to hurry and get on my clothes, as she was going to take me to see her brother. We went to 58th, St and 3rd. she took me to a large summer garden where we sat down at a table and had something to drink, she left me and said that she would go and get her brother. I was there but a few minutes, when the man "Charley" came in. At first I scarcely recognized him, as he had shaved off his beard, and had nothing but a mustache. He sat down at the table and said that it was a bad thing about my husband being locked up, he asked me if I had seen him, and what he had to do. He said that he would raise about \$75.00 on his jewelry, and that he would sell the pawn tickets. He said there were three things to do. One was to pretend to be sick, the other was to plead guilty and get one year on the Island, and to pay the prosecuting attorney \$50.00 and he could get him on the Island, he said that if my husband went on the Island for one year, that he could get him in a good position, and I could see him once a week, that a little money would do a great deal up there. He said for to get an attorney and stand trial that he might be convicted and get five years. He asked me if I thought my husband would say anything about him and the others. I told him "no" he said that if my husband kept his mouth shut, that he would stand right by me, and do all he could for me, but if my husband mentioned his and the other parties names, as they were notorious people, it would get him punished more severely. I do not know whether it was at this interview or one after it, that he said it was

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a bad job that the only gentleman out of the whole party (meaning my husband, Nickerson, Dreigr and Jerry Mc Mullen) who had been passing checks be locked up. This I think was all that occurred on this day. I arranged to meet "Charley" the next day at 3 o'clock at the same place, and would tell him what my husband had to say. I went and seen my husband the next day, and at 3 o'clock met "Charley" at the same place as the day previous, and told him what my husband said, that he was not willing to plead guilty and wanted a lawyer. "Charley" said it was much better not to have a lawyer, as if my husband had a lawyer he would spoil the case. He said that he would pawn his jewelry and give me the money for a lawyer. I also gave him a note from my husband, in which he asked for \$50.00 to pay a lawyer. "Charley" said that he would get money by pawning his jewelry and send it over by messenger boy or bring it over. That evening "Charley" called at my house, he was somewhat under the influence of liquor. He handed me \$40.00 and said that he would give me \$10.00 next day, saying this was all he had. I met him several times after this, once corner of 11th, St. and 3rd. Ave" and once on 19th, St. and on each occasion the conversation was in regard to my husband's case. At one of the interviews that took place shortly after my husbands' arrest, he said to me when he had given my husband the check, that my husband asked him if there was any ~~trouble~~ danger, "Charley" said to my husband that there was as much danger as one of the horses in the street car falling down. He also told me at one of the interviews, that he told my husband that if he saw them make a false move when he presented the check to "slide out". The day after "Charley" told this to me I told my husband

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he said that he could not get out, as they watched ^{for} him and locked the doors. All of my interviews with "Charley" occurred within a week or ten days after my husband's arrest. "Charley" finally sent me a message by a District Messenger boy, and in this message he said that it was known that he had called at the house, and that he would therefore stay away for the present, and in the meantime he would send a friend to see me. He said that I had better employ Christian Kneass as my husband's lawyer. This note I destroyed on the occasion of next visit to the Tombs. On the next day when visiting the Tombs when talking to my husband, a man came and handed my husband a note, in which it stated "send your wife down and see a friend of 'Charley's'" I went down on the first floor of the Tombs and met a man standing between the back and the door leading to the yard, he addressed me, and said that "Charley" had sent him to see me. I asked him how I knew he was a friend of "Charley's". He then said, did you not get a despatch last night, saying that "Charley's friend would come and see you". I told him that I had, he said that he intended going to my house, but he was down in the Tombs and hearing I was there concluded to see me. He gave me his business card that day which I afterwards gave to Mr. Pinkerton. He said his name was Oliver, I noticed on the card he gave me, that his firm was Oliver and Holman, dealer in Diamonds 483 6th, Ave.. He asked me if "Charley" had asked me to employ Christian Kneass as attorney. I said "yes" he said that he would go over with me, as he was acquainted with him. I went with him and gave him \$10.00 as a partial retainer as my husband's attorney, and went the next day and paid him \$40.00 more, making in all \$50.00 Oliver said that if I would call that evening

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ing at his place of business he would tell me what "Charley" said. I went that evening. He said that "Charley" had gone away, he said that he might be gone six hours, and might be twelve hours. I did not see "Charley" again. Oliver came and saw me several times. I also called at his store. I received several notes through District Messenger boys from Oliver. These notes I have delivered over to Mr. Pinkerton who has still possession of them. I next heard from "Charley" about Oct. 12th, he sent me a note by District Messenger boy, it arrived at my house about 10 o'clock. This note ran as follows:

Oct. 12th, 1885

Dear Friend:

I am sorry to hear that both of you have lost confidence in me. I have had much trouble since I saw you, had it not been for my sister, I would to-day be worse of than Nel; tell Nel I will do all I can for him in his trouble. I have just arrived here. I was in a place where I could not write you. I will see you tomorrow. I enclose \$5.00 all I have.

(Signed) "Charley"

This note I also delivered to Mrs. Pinkerton. The next day my husband was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. "Charley" did not call and see me next day, and I have not seen him since; although I have seen Oliver, and Oliver has ~~seen~~ seen him and told me what he said. When I married my husband, I never knew that he had previously been convicted of crime, the first that I knew he had ever been convicted was after his arrest on this charge of forgery, he then told me about it, and said that they were going to bring this evidence up against him and give him a long term. of sentence. Oliver

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I have seen a picture in Mr. Pinkerton's possession of a man with a full beard and ~~white~~ high white hat. This is the man I know as "Charley".

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BRIEF IN CASE OF

PEOPLE,

VS.

GEO. HARTMAN ALIAS "MARSH MARKET JAKE."

Paying Teller
German American Bank,

Will prove of attempt to pass
check purporting to be drawn by
Baltzer and Lichenstein.

Will identify Nelson J. Gaylord as
the party who attempted to pass
check.

Member of firm of Baltzer and
Lichenstein,

Will testify that check present-
ed by Nelson J. Gaylord to Pay-
ing Teller German American Bank
that the signature is forgery.

Carl Schulken
Porter, Baltzer & Lichenstein
52 Exchange Place

Will identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Marsh Market Jake" as party who
called at office of Baltzer &
Lichenstein early in the morning
on three or four different oc-
casions previous to the forgery on
the German American Bank, and on
the last occasion, the morning of

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the forgery, and asked to see the firms cancelled checks.

For full particulars. See Carl Schulken statement.

Nelson J. Gaylord
at present a convict in Sing Sing prison
prison serving sentence of ten
years for attempting to pass
forged check purporting to be
signed by Baltzer & Lichen-
stein on the German American
Bank

Will identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Marsh Market Jake", as party from
whom he received check.

Will identify photograph of Charley
Fisher alias Palmer as party con-
cerned with Geo. Hartman in giving
him forged check on German America
Bank.

Will testify as to his arrest
while attempting to pass the check.
For full details, as to Nelson J.
Gaylord's testimony. See state-
ment made to Assistant District
Attorney Davies, and now on file
with the indictment, with other
papers in the case in the District
Attorney's office.

Previous to present conviction of
Nelson J. Gaylord while quite a

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young man at White Plains, Westchester Co., he was convicted, or plead guilty to the charge of burglary.

B. F. Trainor,
Man. B. & O. Telegraph Office
42nd. St. & 6th, Ave.

Can testify on Oct. 12th, 1885
man called at the office and delivered message in sealed envelope to be sent to Mrs. Carolina Gaylord 147 E. 19th, St.

Will produce book showing entry of this message.

Edward G. Williams
132 E. 76th, St. City,
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Will testify on October 12th, 1885
was messenger boy for Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph Co. 42nd. & 6th, Ave
that he received message to Mrs. Carolina Gaylord 147 E. 19th,
Saw man who sent this message.
Will testify that he delivered message to lady outside of Mrs. Gaylord's door (this was Mrs. Gaylord)

Message he delivered was from Geo. Hartman.

One of these messages was de-

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livered by Baltimore & Ohio District Messenger boy.

Phillip Dreigr
Witness in House of Detention,

Will identify Geo. Hartman alias "Marsh Market Jake" as man who gave him two checks to pass on the Corn Exchange Bank, and one check to pass on Bank America.

Can also testify as to acquaintanceship between Hartman and Gaylord. Has some knowledge of the German American Bank forgery, which will have to be got out of him before he goes on the stand, in order to understand how to examine him as witness.

Has made confession as to his knowledge regarding other forgeries on Corn Exchange Bank and Bank of America, in which Hartman was implicated. The check on Hillhouse and Day and on the German American Bank was not touched on at this confession, as it was not thought necessary at the time.

For full particulars. See Dreigr's

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statement on file with other papers
in District Attorney's office.

Leonard S. Nickerson
Witness in House of Detention,

Can testify as to friendship between Geo. Hartman alias "Marsh Market Jake" Was introduced to Hartman by Nelson J. Gaylord, Was given forged check by Hartman to pass on Corn Exchange Bank.

See statement on file with other papers in the case, in District Attorney's office.

Leonard S. Schork
Rhinelanders Hotel
No. 2 Greenwich St.

Can identify Geo. Hartman alias "Marsh Market Jake" as having seen him in company with Dreigr.

Can identify Dreigr and Hartman, and seen them together, as testified by Dreigr in the saloon of Rhinelanders Hotel, about the time testified to by Dreigr.

Conrad Price
Keeper in Essex Market prison

Can corroborate Dreigr, as to his being confined in Essex Market prison, under name of Phillip

Smith

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at time of Grant funeral.

Can identify Geo. Hartman alias "Marsh Market Jake" as having been confined there at sametime, under name of Mc Gloin and put in the cell with Dreigr. This is the point at which Dreigr claims to have first met Hartman.

Morris Koppe,
Bartender, 575 Hudson st.
In corroboration of
Leonard S. Nickerson's state-
ment

Can identify Geo. Hartman alias "Marsh Market Jake" as the party who visited saloon where he is employed in company with Nickerson.

Can testify that Hartman called there several times to see Nickerson sometime previous to Nickerson arrest.

Can identify picture of Chas. Fisher alias Palmer as party who was in company with Hartman.

S. Walter Hassell,

Cross Examination of
Geo. Hartman

See statement in regard to his
past life; also certified record

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to his conviction in Pennsylvania
Was arrested in Boston at sametime
as Chas. Fisher alias Palmer.

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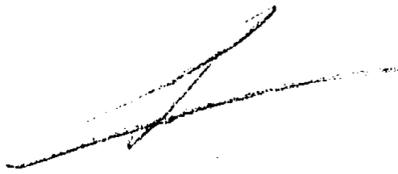
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4 39 Avenue

(Mrs Gaylord)

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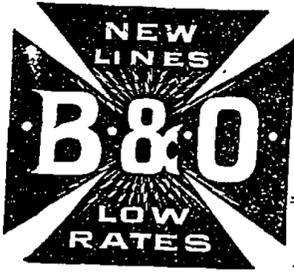
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W. J.
Corn Exchange Bank
London
Address of W. Simpson
given by George
Kartman Palmer
Gaylord.



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The Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph Company

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D. H. BATES, President and Gen'l Manager,
New York City.
J. E. ZEUBLIN, Gen'l Sup't,
Chicago, Ills.

E. A. LESLIE, Sup't,
New York City.
C. SELDEN, Sup't,
Baltimore, Md.

EDW. LELOUP, Sup't,
New Orleans, La.
DAVID HALL, Sup't,
Galveston, Tex.

RECEIVER'S NUMBER	TIME FILED	CHECK

SEND the following message, subject to the terms printed on the back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

To Tell her that I will
do all I can for you
in this trouble I just
arrived here I am in a
great deal of trouble
I will see you in
Monday
Inclosed find the
all I have

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT ON BACK.

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PRESIDENT & GEN'L. MANAGER.

D. H. BATES,

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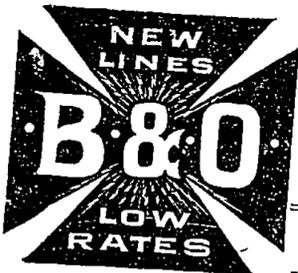
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<i>I</i>	<i>had</i>	<i>much</i>	<i>trouble</i>
<i>I</i>	<i>was</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>the</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>did</i>	<i>it</i>	<i>with</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>was</i>	<i>off</i>	<i>them</i>
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The People

*vs.
George Hartman
Charles Fisher*

List of Witnesses

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People, &c.

vs.
George Hartman
Charles Fisher

OFFENCE

District Attorney.

List of Witnesses

- Leonard S. Nickerson H.D. #4 Perry St.
- Philip Dreiger H.D. 304 E. 26 St.
- Nelson J. Gaylord
- Robert A. Burkerton 66 Exchange Pl.
- George Irvine 140 Pearl St.
- ~~Off. Hickey~~ C.O.
- ~~" Glorboor~~ "
- ~~" McLaughlin~~ "
- Wm. H. Merry 48 Wall
- E. Duncan Giffen 3 Park Row
- Abraham L. Kish 2189 - 2 Ave
- John F. Fredericks 50 Wall St
- J. A. Williams " " "
- Herman Baltzer 50-52 Exchange Pl.
- Mrs. Caroline Gaylord 147 E. 19 St.
- Off. Hagan 1st Ave.

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*Roberta
D. [unclear]*

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ROOM 2.

New York, Sept 3rd 1880.

Hon R. B. Martino:-

Dist^{ct} Atty City of N.Y.

Sir:- In the case of the
People vs Nelson Gaylord, now under indictment
for forgery in the second degree I have to report as
follows.

The firm of Battjes and Lichtenstein of nos 50 and 32
Exchange place, this city, reputable, and agents for some
of the largest concerns in Europe, occupy a suite of
offices of the building No 32 on the second floor back,
the southernly room is faced on the inside with
counters and an arrangement into which are set
several windows, as in a bank, barred, through which
one can hold converse with the cashier, bookkeeper
and Exchange clerk. It is not possible to enter
behind this counter into the main office, which is
entered through an adjoining door in the hall
way. This main office is partitioned with an
iron railing about 4 to 10 ft high, into which one

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door is set, after the portion of the room to the south of railing makes the main office occupied by the printer and bookkeeper etc; the other portion to the north is an empty room other than a few boxes and chairs, but not occupied for other and business purposes, after passing by the railing you find yourself at the door of the printer's office also ruled off as is the one just described. About the first week in August of this year, the janitor (who from what I know is honest and who is employed exclusively by this firm, and who also acts as messenger etc, was in the habit of arriving at the office about 7.30 Am. and remaining to about 4 or 5 P.M.) was in the afternoon approached by a man, who inquired of Mr. Madden the Exchange Clerk was in, he was informed that he had gone. Some 8 days afterwards another man called in the morning about 9 o'clock and asked if Mr. Madden the Exchange Clerk was in, the Porter

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informed him that this gentleman could only be found between the hours of 10 and 3. The porter describes this man as being tall, stout, red face and sandy hair. I deep more passed and this same man called one evening said he came from the stationer who wanted to know whether or not the quality of the paper used in the manufacture of the checks had turned out all right, as it was a new lot, the honest dutch porter said Mr. Muddum was the one to pass on that, said the stranger I cannot get here between 10 & 3 wants you show me the paper used on one of the old checks, the porter who was in the main office, said certainly and got him the last bundle, removing through May & June and about No. 400. and said he says the stranger felt the paper without entering the bundle, and went away. —
Three days afterwards the stationer

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Schmidt 31 & 32 Bonds, sent up a list of numbers he had punched on blanks for a young man among them "No. 50151" and asked what was the reason for sending for them in such an unusual way. Investigation showed that a young man had called on the stationer verbally requesting as from the firm that these numbers be furnished, and he had in good faith done so. Mr. Samuels the Cashier at once on receipt of this information, sorted and examined the bundle of checks shown as he the paper says in an untid condition and found that 10 checks on the General American Bank and four on the Bank of America were missing, both of these Banks were at once notified as to the knowledge in possession of the firm and two hours later the forged check for \$300 for which the prisoner is under indictment was presented

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for payment at the German American Bank, and "Maksim Galerc" a few minutes later as prisoners. This so far as known is a brief history of the case. "Galerc" pleaded not guilty at the police court.

The expert testimony will show that the "check in suit" is a simulation of the signature "Baltzer and Dickelstein", and also of the body writing which is a simulation of the Cushing's genuine hand writing. —

How it was done.

There are 3 methods of forging, one is a free or offhand copy, another by use of pen and ink and its kindred processes — of which it is absolutely good —, there remains then the 3^d ~~method~~ method.

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"viz: tracing," which is and can be done in several ways, by the use of tracing paper and transferring onto carbon paper, and then over writing the tracing or in tracing direct, and this last I am of the opinion is the ~~more~~ manner in which it was accomplished. — An examination of the genuine handwriting of Mr. Battjes, presents ~~no~~ special characteristics, he over writes on the base line, he does not cross his t's until he has fully completed the entire signature, the first signature is written in sections one of the t's not crossed at all, the entire signature and as a comparison ~~microscoped~~ showing much hesitancy and deliberation, the pen pressure being entirely different and while presenting a fair copy or imitation ~~this~~, is on a comparative analysis shown to be dissimilar in many respects. — A plate glass, masked at all points except where

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a space is left the size of a check, is the top of a table, through this glass is reflected by the aid of a mirror, sun light or artificial light, the operators head being covered with a cloth or other material to shut out all light but that reflected up through the open space, wherein the work is to be accomplished, a check genuine, probably one of the 10 stolen ones, and also of the denomination of \$300 is laid down on the glass, and another clean blank in which the fingerprint is made. is exactly registered over it, with a pencil in this case the operator uses one 5, which having completed he takes a pen and proceeds to overwrite the pencil marks which done a soft rubber being used the pencil marks are partially removed, and the check is ready to be used. The compound microscope shows abrasion of the fibre of the paper where

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it has been in some places broken by the rubbing
and the handwriting is still apparent to the
eye if attention is directed to it. My opinion
is that it is a tracing by overwriting. A
comparison of Nelson Gaylord's signature
is not of service as there is hardly enough
to base any opinion on, but this much I
am certain of that it is not a genuine
signature.

All of which is respectfully
submitted.

Very respectfully,

D. N. Carvalho

P.S. I hand you herewith also with
the forged check & genuine ones.

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Hillhouse & Day.

No. 6154

NEW YORK, *Aug^t 26* 1885.

CORN EXCHANGE BANK

Pay to the order of *John Whitney*
Three hundred ninety five \$ ——— Dollars
\$395.00

Hillhouse & Day

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John Whitney
Hillhouse & Day
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NEW YORK
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Baltzer & Fichtenstein.
No. 50151 New York Sept 1885
German American Bank
Pay to the order of Bearer
five hundred Dollars
\$500
Baltzer Fichtenstein

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J. G. Taylor's

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<i>Bulger & Sachse</i>	<i>No 49427</i>	<i>New York June 15 1885</i>
	<i>German American Bank</i>	
	<i>Pay to the order of Chatham Ave. N.Y.</i>	
	<i>Two hundred and 94/100 Dollars</i>	
	<i>\$201⁹⁴</i>	<i>Robert Sachse</i>

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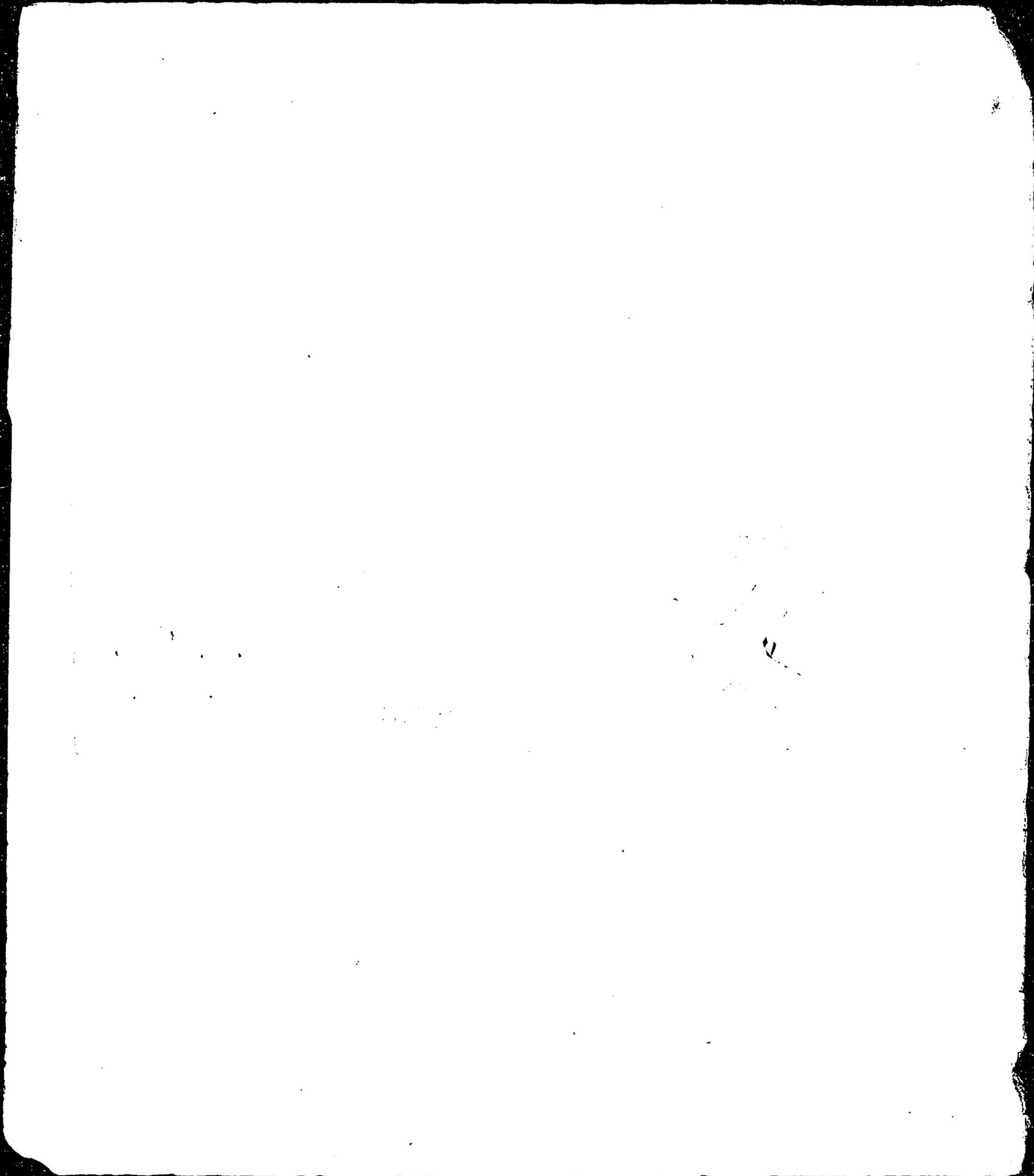
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Bulger & Sichtenstein.
No. 49430 New York June 15 1885
German American Bank
Pay to the order of Mrs. P. M. S. Bulger
Thirty two hundred fifty and 66/100 Dollars
\$3263⁶⁶
Payable through
Bulger & Sichtenstein

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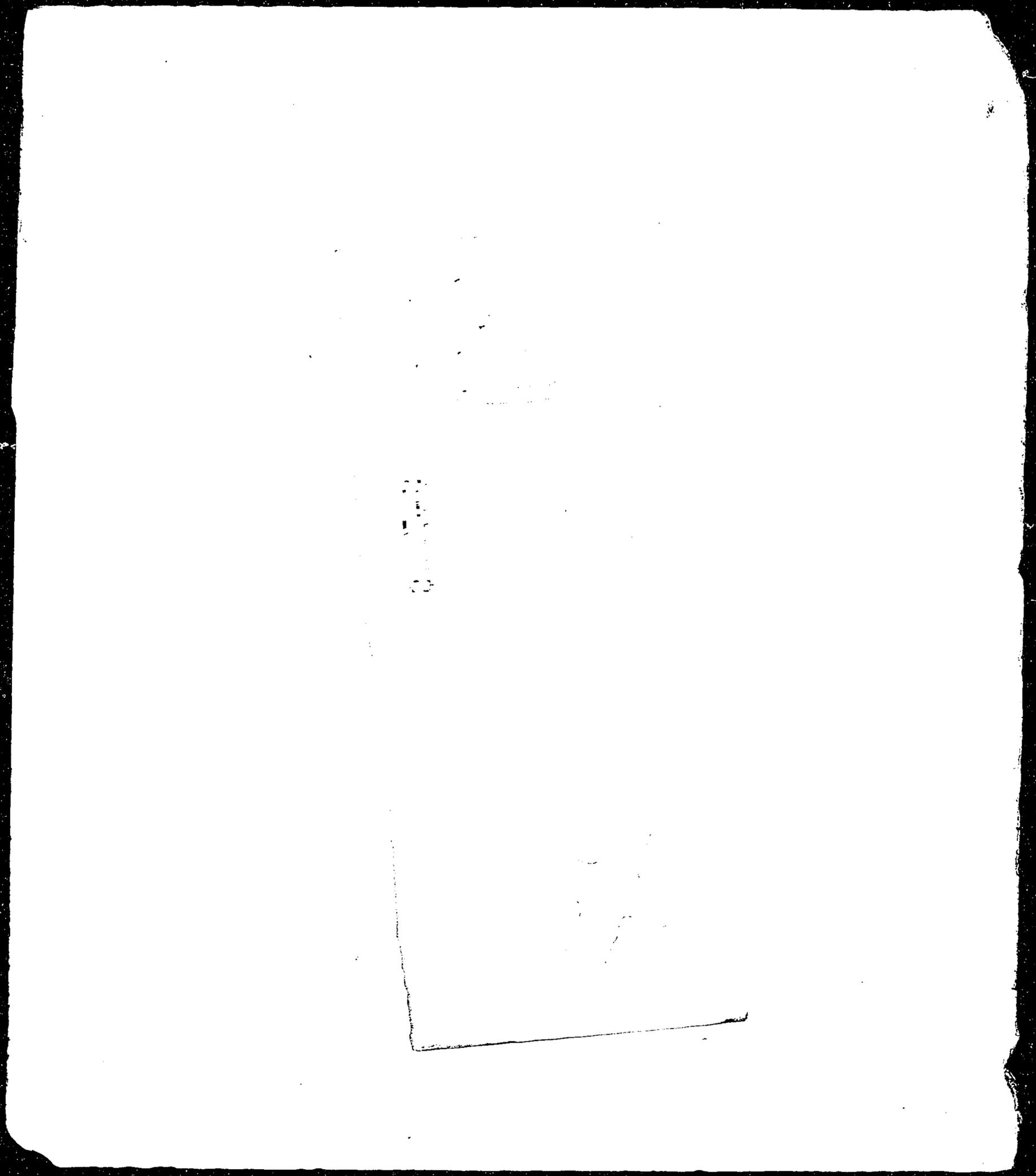
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Bulger & Lichtenstein.
No. 49406 1:100 New York June 12 1885
German American Bank
Pay to the order of *John J. McNamee* *Four* Dollars
\$4.00
Bulger & Lichtenstein

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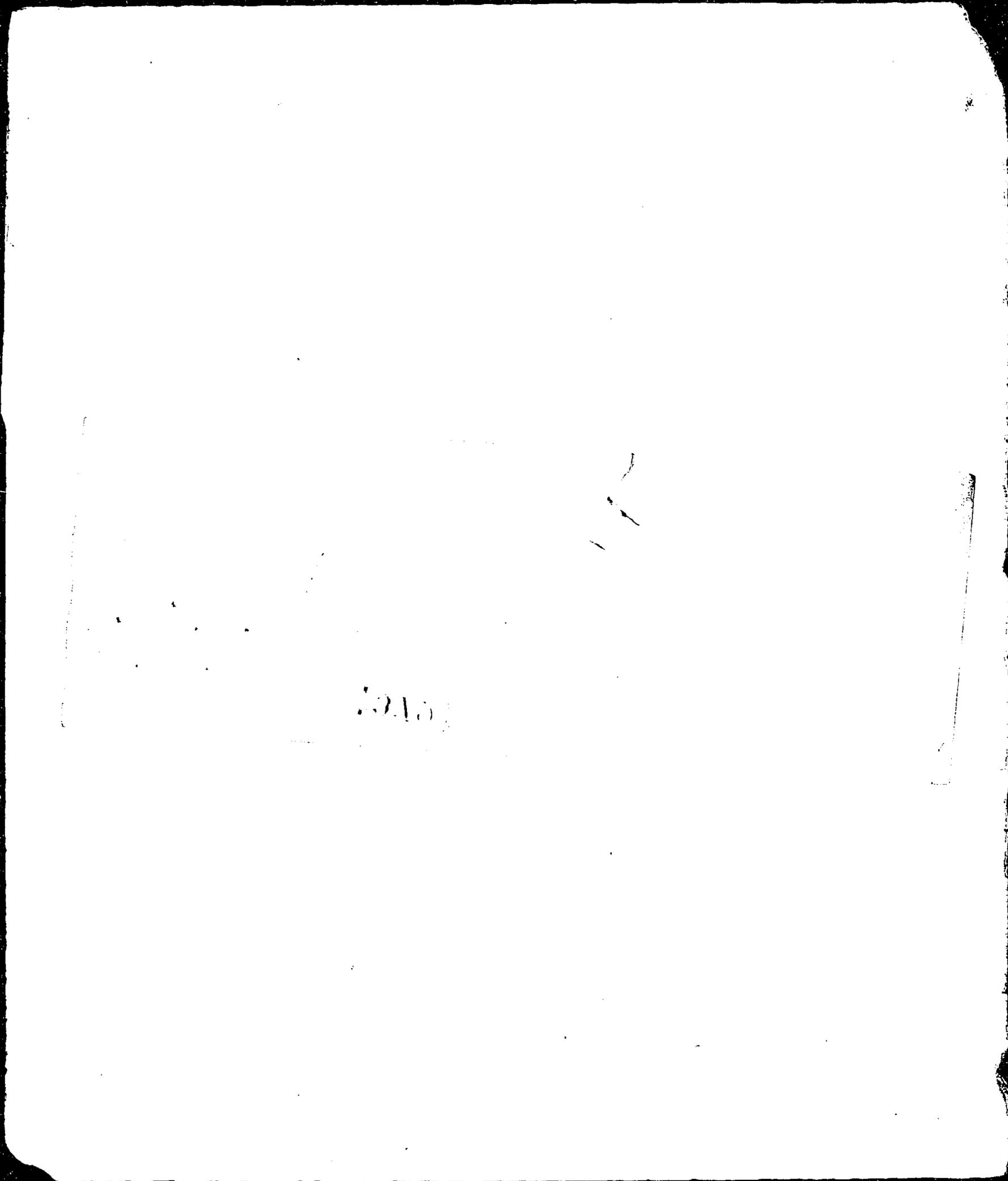
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<i>Badger & Lichtenstein.</i>	No. 49359	New York	June 9	1885
	German American Bank			
	Pay to the order of Mrs. Isaac L. Badger			
	Three hundred twenty nine Dollars			
	\$ 3794	<i>Badger & Lichtenstein</i>		

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STATEMENT OF CARL SCHULKEN,

Made to Robt. A. Finkerton.

I live at 62 Houtten St. Jersey City, and place of business 50 Exchange Place, New York, where I am in employ, as porter, for Baltzer & Lichtenstein. I remember the occasion of the arrest of a man for attempting to pass a check on the German American Bank, which purported to be drawn by Baltzer & Lichtenstein, my employers, and which check proved to be a forgery. The arrest occurred on a Saturday, but I do not at the present time fix the date. About three weeks previous to this arrest (I cannot fix the date definitely) in the morning about 8.50 o'clock, a man called at the office and asked for Mr. Martins the exchange clerk, and I told him that Mr. Martins had not arrived, and that he was only at the office between the hours of 10.00 A.M. and 3.00 P.M.; he then left remarking that he would call again. About seven or eight days afterwards, this same man called at the office again about 9 to 9.30 A.M., I recognized him at once as the man who had been in about eight days previous; he again asked for Mr. Martins, I told him that he had not arrived, and I further said to him "I told you once before that Mr. Martins was only here between the hours of 10.00 A.M. and 3.00 P.M.," On this occasion I asked for his name, as Mr. Martins would like to know it, he replied that his name was "Welsh" he then remarked that he would see him some other time, and left. About a week after this, this same man called again; it was shortly after 8 a.m., he again asked for Mr. Martins and remarked in substance that he was having a great trouble to meet him. I then said perhaps I could do as well, saying that he wanted to see the kind of paper we used for our checks. My business is, after the checks are returned from the bank to check them off in accordance with the stubs in the book, and I had a bunch of checks on my desk at the time of the call of this man, and thinking he was connected with the stationer where we get out checks

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showed him the bunch of checks; he took hold of the top check, and felt it between his fingers as if feeling the quality of the paper.; he then asked if our firm had made any complaint about this paper before, I said no, he then said this was all he wanted of Mr Martins thanking me for my attendance of him he left. Within one or two days after this call a young man, who was afterwards identified as Nelson J Gaylord, was arrested, in the German American Bank for attempting to pass forged check of \$500 on Baltzer & Lichtenstein. I did not see this man who called at our office on three different occasions again, until I seen him at Police Headquarters at that time I at once identified him, as the man who had called at our office. At Police Headquarters he walked into the room I was in, he was in company with another man. There had been several parties passing and re-passing previous to this man coming in but the moment I seen him I knew him, and stated this to a man who was standing alongside of me. I was afterwards called into Inspector Thomas office, and found this man there with the inspector. The inspector asked me if I ever saw this man before, and I told him that I had seen him at different times in our office. He then asked the man if he had ever seen me, and the man remarked, "no" that he had never seen me.. The Inspector remarked, "yes, I thought so" he further remarked "This man is only a thief, he did not forge the checks" After the arrest of Nelson J. Gaylord for attempting to pass forged checks of Baltzer & Lichtenstein on the German American bank that ten Baltzer & Lichtenstein cancelled checks drawn on the German American Bank and four cancelled checks of Baltzer & Lichtenstein drawn on the Bank of America had been stolen. I know these check had been there at one time, as I was the party who filed them away, and checked them off with the stubs in the book. On the occasion of this last man's call at the office, when I showed him the cheks and he felt them,

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the checks that I showed him were the checks of Baltzer & Lichtenstein on the German American Bank.

(This man who was identified at Police Headquarters is "Mash Market Jake".)

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*Belmont, J.
"Mason" papers*

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STATEMENT OF

Leonard S. Wickerson,

New York, Saturday Oct. 17th, 1935

I am 22 years of age, single, and I reside with my father at Perry St. this City, my father is a widow, I have one sister, and my mother depends principally upon me for her support. I received the check serial no. 1341 Aug. 28th, 1935 drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank by Hillhouse and Day for ~~\$325.00~~ and endorsed on the back by John Whitney, and Hillhouse and Day. I presented this check for payment at the Corn Exchange Bank; I do not remember the exact date, but it was sometime the latter part of August. The circumstances of my receiving this check were as follows:-

I was acquainted with a young man named Nelson Gaylord. I first knew him when he kept a saloon in 13th St. near 3th Ave. He had a pool table in the saloon, and I occasionally went there. At 13th St. and 3th Ave was a place where I principally frequented. After Gaylord sold out his saloon I knew him as a bar tender at the race track, Jerome, and also knew where his residence was in 10th St. near 3rd Ave. and occasionally visited him there. I had not seen him for a month or two, when one afternoon on the same day of which I endeavored to pass this check, above referred to, on the Corn Exchange Bank, Gaylord came into a saloon No. 575 Hudson St. which I visit, and asked me if I would take a walk with him over to Greenwich Ave. I said that I had nothing to do, as I had been down town to look for work, and would just as leave go; we walked over to a saloon on the North West corner of Greenwich Ave. and 11th St. On the way over Gaylord told me that he was going to meet a couple of young fellows. Just as we was going into the saloon, he said to me

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that these friends of his, whom he was going to meet, had a check which they wanted me to have cashed. We went into the saloon, and on entering, two men got up from a table and came towards us; he introduced them to me, but at this moment I do not remember the names that he called them by; he, however, called them by some name, but he spoke them quick, and I was not paying special attention. I drank a small beer, and I think the two men I was introduced to drank a small beer whiskey and Gaylord drank glass of beer. After drinking the beer we stood talking for a few minutes together, and finally the older one of the two men whom Gaylord introduced me to. The man with the full curly beard, said to me, "wait a minute. and I will have this ready for you" He then stepped over to a small desk, which is in this beer saloon- and apparently did some writing. The younger of the two, whom Gaylord had introduced me to stepped out of the saloon. The man with the curly beard after writing at the desk, came over to where Gaylord and I were, and gave me a check for \$395.00 payable to John Whitney heretofore described. He said for me to go down to the Corn Exchange Bank and pass this check into the paying Teller's window, and if the paying Teller turned away from his desk with the check and walked back in the bank, for me to leave. He agreed to meet me at the same place where we were then. He sent Gaylord with me to the Bank, and told Gaylord to come back with me. He did not agree to give me any money for having the check cashed. We took the Elevated road and went to Rector St. where Gaylord and I got off and went to the Bank. It was about 1 o'clock when we arrived there. Gaylord stood on the corner and I went in with the check. There were quite a number of people standing in line, and I fell in line, and when it came to my turn I handed in the check. The Teller asked me if I wanted cash for this, "I said yes"

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The Teller looked at the check, and walked back into the Bank, and I walked out. I did not see Gaylord as I came out. I then went to Thomas St. and saw my Uncle, who drives a truck. I said nothing to him what I had been doing. I rodd up town with him on the truck I then went to the saloon North West corner of Greenwich Ave. and 11th, St. where I agreed to meet the man who gave me the check, but no one was there. I then went around to 575 Hudson St., a saloon previously referred to, and as I came up near the saloon I saw Gaylord and these two men standing on the corner; both the young man and his companion asked me if I got the money. "I said no" that when I presented the check the man walked away, and I came out, they did not appear to believe but what I got the money, but Gaylord told them I was all right. We all then went into a saloon, the younger man of the two treated. We then parted, I remained in the saloon, and Gaylord and the other men went away together. I did not see either of these two parties whom Gaylord introduced me to, but I heard that the older one of the two had been to the saloon in Hudson St. looking for me in the afternoon on two other occasions. The bartender told me this, and by his describing the man to me I recognized it as the man with sandy beard whom Gaylord introduced me to. I probably would have seen him, had I not been out looking for work. Finally I think about a week or two afterwards, I attempted to pass a check on the Corn Exchange Bank. I had been out with my Mother one day and met Gaylord in Hudson St. between West 11th, and Perry Sts. he said that he had been to my house to see me, he said that the man whom I had taken the check before for was up in the saloon in Hudson St. and wanted to see me. Gaylord said that he had a little money, and offered to treat me, we went into a saloon in Charles St. and had a milk punch, I then went with

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to the saloon, 575 Hudson St., here we found the same man who sent me down to the Corn Exchange Bank, he said that he had another check he wanted me to take down and get cashed, but he did not say on what Bank the check was drawn, I refused to go, but he kept coaxing me for a long time, in the neighborhood of an hour to take down the check, saying that there was no danger, and that I would get the money on presenting the check. During the time he was urging me to take down the checks, he called for the drinks twice. I have not seen him since. I afterwards heard of Gayloras arrest, and went to see him once in the Tombs, he said to me that my head was level for not taking down one of the checks, and that the best way was to keep straight.

I have seen the two pictures shown me by Mr. Pinkerton, and I recognize both of them, the man with full beard and high hat was the man who gave me the check to take down to the bank. The picture of the man wearing the derby hat and moustache, is the younger one of the two whom Gayloras introduced me to.

I make this statement of my own free will without any inducement to serve the ends of justice.

Witness my hand and seal this 11th day of June 1894

Leonard S. Nickerson
Witness R. W. S.

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BRITISH IN CASE NO. 100

PEOPLE,

VS.

PRO. HARTMAN ALIAS "MARSH MARKET JACK."

Payling Teller
German American Bank,

Mr Williams

Will prove of attempt to pass
check purporting to be drawn by
Baltzer and Lichenstein.

Will identify Nelson J. Gardner as
the party who attempted to pass
check.

A. R. Baltzer

Member of firm of Baltzer and
Lichenstein,

Will testify that check present-
ed by Nelson J. Gardner to Pay-
ling Teller German American Bank
bore the signature of Gardner.

Carl Schritzen
Partner, Baltzer & Lichenstein in
52 Exchange Place

Will identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Marsh Market Jack" as party who
called at office of Lichenstein
Lichenstein early in the morning
on three or four different oc-
casions previous to the forgery on
the German American Bank, and on
the last occasion, the morning of

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the forgery, and asked to see the
fines cancelled checks.

For full particulars, see Carl
Wentzen statement.

Nelson J. Gaylord
at present a convict in Sing Sing, New York
prison serving sentence of ten
years for attempting to pass
forged check purporting to be
signed by Walter A. Widen-
stein of the First American
Bank

Will identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Hush Market Jake", as party from
whom he received check.

Will identify photograph of Charley
Bisler alias Palmer as party con-
cerned with Geo. Hartman in giving
him forged check on First American
Bank.

Will testify as to his address
while attempting to pass the check
For full details, see Nelson J.
Gaylord's testimony. See state-
ment made to Assistant District
Attorney Davison, and now on file
with the indictment, with other
papers in the case in the District
Attorney's office.

Previous to present conviction of
Nelson J. Gaylord wife quite a

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young man at White Plains, Westchester Co., he was convicted, or plead guilty to the charge of burglary.

R. W. Finley,
Gen. M. & T. Telegraph Office
12nd St. & 6th Ave.

Can testify on Oct. 18th, 1905
man called at the office and delivered message in sealed envelope to be sent to Mrs. Carolina Gaylord 147 W. 10th St.

Will produce book showing entry of this message.

Edward J. Williams
192 W. 70th St. City,

Will testify on October 18th, 1905
was messenger boy for International Ohio Telegraph Co. 12nd & 6th Ave
that he received message to Mrs. Carolina Gaylord 147 W. 10th St.
Saw man who sent this message.
Will testify that he delivered message to lady outside of Mrs. Gaylord's door (this was Mrs. Gaylord)

Message he delivered was from Geo. Hartman.

One of these messages was de-

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livered by Baltimore & Ohio Dis-
trict Messenger boy.

Philip Dreigr
Witness in House of Detention,

Will identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Horn Market Jake" as man who gave
him two checks to pass on the Corn
Exchange Bank, and one ~~check~~ to
pass on Bank America.

Can also testify as to acquaint-
anceship between Hartman and Day-
ton. Has some knowledge of the
German American Bank Company, which
will have to be got out of him be-
fore he goes on the stand, in order
to understand how to examine him
as witness.

Has made confession as to his
knowledge regarding other forger-
ies on Corn Exchange Bank and
Bank of America, in which Hart-
man was implicated. The check on
Hillhouse and Day and on the
German American Bank was not
touched on at this confession, as
it was not thought necessary at
the time.

For full particulars. See Dreigr's

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statement on file with other papers
in District Attorney's office.

Leonard S. Nickerson
Witness in House of Detention,

Can testify as to friendship be-
tween Geo. Hartman alias "Marsh
Market Jake" was introduced to
Hartman by Nelson G. Gavioni, was
given forged check by Hartman to
pass on Loan Exchange Bank.

See statement on file with other
papers in the case, in District
Attorney's office.

Leonard S. Senork
Rhineclaniers Hotel
No. 2 Greenwich St.

Can identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Marsh Market Jake" as having seen
him in company with Dreiger.

Can identify Dreiger and Hartman,
and seen them together, as testi-
fied by Dreiger in the saloon of
Rhineclaniers Hotel, about the time
testified to by Dreiger.

Conrad Price
Keeper in Essex Market prison

Can corroborate Dreiger, as to his
being confined in Essex Market
prison, under name of Phillip

Smith

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at time of Grant funeral.
Can identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Marsh Market Jake" as having been
confined there at sometime, under
name of Mc Cloin and put in the
cell with Buehr. This is the
point at which Buehr states to
have first met Hartman.

Norris Kuppe,
Bar tender, 575 Hudson st.
In corroboration of
Leonard S. Nickerson's state-
ment

Can identify Geo. Hartman alias
"Marsh Market Jake" as the party
who visited saloon where he is
employed in company with Nickerson.

Can testify that Hartman entered
there several times to see Nickerson
sometime previous to Nickerson
arrest.

Can identify picture of Chas.
Bisher alias Palmer as party who
was in company with Hartman.

W. Walter Hassell,

Cross ~~examination~~ examination of
Geo. Hartman

See statement in regard to his
past life; also certified record

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to his conviction in Pennsylvania
was arrested in Boston at sometime
as Chas. Fisher alias Palmer.

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(Wanted)
The Defendant
who worked up
the case

District Attorney's Office
City & County of
New York

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Office of
C. Duncan Sniffen,
Advertising Agent.
3 Park Row.

Telephone, Nassau No. 650.

New York

Dec. 17th. 1885. 188

Randolph B. Martine, Esq.,

District Attorney,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I hate to annoy you with a trifling matter, but the fact is, I have been subpoenaed in this particular case, some seventeen or eighteen times. There was a gang of four who committed forgery. The principal who got up the scheme, the party who wrote the checks, and the young man who presented them at bank have each been sentenced for ten years; but this fourth man, I know nothing at all about, and I have so stated each time I have called at the General Sessions, to your assistant in charge. Won't you please just instruct him to drop my name from this roll, as I know nothing whatsoever about the matter, and it is simply connecting me in the case against this man, because I was cognizant of facts relating to the other three, who have been convicted. If this is in your province, please inform me, and very much oblige,

Yours, very truly,

C. Duncan Sniffen

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PART I.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE SECOND STORY AND FRONTING THE PARK.
If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.
Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To *C. D. Sniffen*
of No. *3 Park Row* Street,

GREETING :

W I C O M M A N D YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the *17* day of *December* instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

George Hartman
in a case of Felony whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Witness, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, of our said City, at the City Hall, in our said City, the *17* Monday of *December* in the year of our Lord 188*8*.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

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George Hartman alias "Mash Market Jake."

Was raised in Baltimore, Maryland, in the neighborhood of the "old Mash Market," from this Market he derives his alias of "Mash Market Jake". His business for the past twenty years has been that of a pick-pocket, shoplifter, bank sneak thief, store and safe burglar. Has been arrested frequently in New York for various crimes, has been convicted in Maryland. About 1877 was arrested in Hamilton, Ontario with Eddie Miller, for a silk robbery, and was sentenced to the Kingston penitentiary, Dominion of Canada. Has been arrested at various times in Chicago, St. Louis, Cleveland, Philadelphia, Boston, New York and other Cities. Has been convicted in Canada twice for shoplifting, first under name of Chas. Yost, and was sentenced to Kingston penitentiary, where he served his term. ^{about 1880} was a second time in Canada, and convicted under name of Chas. Webb, and sentenced to five years at Kingston, Can. Was liberated from Kingston prison last Spring. Since then has been arrested in Boston, New York and Philadelphia, was convicted of Grand Larceny in Philadelphia under name of William Hilborn and sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment in April 19th, 1880 by Judge Bridges, was released September 19th, 1881, has also been convicted in Philadelphia on a charge of vagrancy with Philly Pearson a bank sneak thief. It is said that he has also been convicted and served time in New York State a number of years ago. He was arrested in New York during the Grant funeral as a professional thief, and kept locked up until after the funeral. He fell in with Fisher about four or five months ago, and since that time has adopted the new business of "forgery".

George Hartman

When arrested, was in company with Charles Fisher alias Palmer, both convicted for several years & served time in prison to 10 years

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Coin Exchange
Forgeries
Corrected statement of
Mrs. Caroline Gaylord
Nov. 21, 1865.

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CORN EXCHANGE BANK,
NEW YORK.

WM. A. NASH, - - - PRESIDENT.
LOFTIN LOVE, - - - CASHIER.

Nov. 7 1885

Mr. R. B. Martine.

Dist. Atty City of N.Y.

Dear Sir

Mr. Bowers, of our attorneys informs me that he saw you yesterday in relation to the forgers from whom this Bank, and a number of others have suffered.

There are, as I understand it four persons under arrest and indictment; Two young men who presented the checks, and two Chas Fisher and Geo Hartman who organized and directed the frauds. We believe that Fisher and Hartman are the more dangerous men, and that the other two were to a certain extent their dupes. We do not desire that any of them should escape punishment, but should

there be any danger of the "professionals" going free, we feel that some use should be made of the two minor criminals in order to place Fisher and Hartman where they will be incapable of doing harm for a long time to come.

The forgeries committed although not very large in each case, were very numerous, and peculiarly dangerous to the Banks. This Bank and the Bank of America have assumed the care and expense of ferreting these men out, and we should be disappointed if the professional forgers should not suffer more heavily than the two young men who were their tools and subordinates. If then the latter testimony

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can be used to that end,
we believe that a great ben-
efit will be done to the Bank-
ing interests not alone in this
City, but in other parts of the
Country.

As I stated in a former
note Mr Pinkerton has cor-
roboration of the statement
of the two younger men, which
he is ready to place at your
disposal.

Very Respectfully
W. A. Nash

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CORN EXCHANGE BANK.
NEW YORK.

Nov 9. 1855
Hon R. B. Martine
Dist Atty City & Co of N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I omitted to state in my
note of the 7th inst that Hartman
(Machmarket Jake) has been
known for twenty years as an
expert bank sneak thief. He
served a term of imprisonment in
the Phila penitentiary from Apr 19.
1850 to Sep 19. 1851. for larceny;
served three or four years in
the Kingston (Canada) prison
and was also convicted in the
State of Maryland. Fisher is
also a man of the same stamp,
and has a record somewhat
similar although I have not
the exact details at hand.

Very Resply W. Wash P.

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Office of Platt & Bowers,

JAMES N. PLATT,
JOHN M. BOWERS,
B. FAY & SANDER

Attorneys at Law

52 & 54 William Street,

BOX 83 P. O.

New York November 9th 1885

Dear Sir: I am very greatly surprised & grieved that subpoenas have been served in the matter of the People vs. agst. George Hartman and others for tomorrow morning.

I have not the slightest doubt that this has occurred through an error in your office, as under my instructions to you that Mr. Pickerton's presence would greatly facilitate connection, I am certain that you will hold the case until he can get here. He is in Chicago and we will telegraph tonight so that he can be here Thursday morning if you desire. Pickerton naturally returns on Saturday - We should therefore

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prefer that the case should stand till Monday.

The Banks would feel so deeply aggrieved at any acquittal or failure of proof, that you will excuse my personally urging you at least to hold the case till Thursday.

Please advise me by return if I shall telegraph tonight for Fitchburg. He has, as I think you have been informed, strong corroborative evidence of such proofs as you have against the defendants.

We cannot obtain such evidence at least in such a manner as will be satisfactory to the Banks, in any other way.

Very truly yours
Randolph B. Mantua

George H. Perkins
George H. Perkins

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LEWIS C. CASSIDY, Philad'a. the Agency.
D. W. MUNN, Chicago, Ill.

Pinkerton's National
Detective Agency

WE NEVER SLEEP!

New York Oct. 20th, 1885.

Hon. Randolph B. Martine,
Dist. Atty, N.Y. City,

Dear Sir:-

Since seeing you yesterday, I have caused an investi-
gation to be made to ascertain how far we could corroborate the
testimony of Phillip Dreiger in case indictments were found against
Chas Fisher & Geo. Hartman for the forgery of the checks on the
Corn Exchange Bank and the Bank of America.

I find in the saloon referred to in Dreiger's statement, where
he states that he met Fisher & Hartman previous to his trip to
the bank to present the checks, and after getting the money on
the same, that there is an employee in this saloon who corrobo-
rates Dreiger to the extent that he recognizes positively the pict-
ure of Hartman as the man he saw in Dreiger's company at the sa-
loon.

At the cigar store on 2nd, Ave, spoken of in Dreiger's state-
ment, where he was left on the street and Hartman & Fisher went

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into the cigar store (as Dreiger supposes to do some writing on the check) the proprietor of the store remembers the call of the two men and identifies the picture of the younger man (Fisher) as the party who asked the loan of a pen.

We could also prove by the woman whom Dreiger lives with, the fact that Hartman called at the house on two different occasions, referred to in Dreiger's statement, and that Dreiger went out with Hartman. We can also prove by her that on one occasion Nelson Gaylord called at the house and asked Dreiger to go out with him to meet Hartman.

By Mrs. Gaylord we could prove the acquaintanceship between Hartman and her husband. I have also a number of letters written by Hartman that were sent to one of the parties through American District Messenger boys, showing his interest in these cases, and expect to be able to identify the sender of these notes.

I can corroborate the testimony of Nickerson by the bartender in the saloon on Hudson St. who will identify Hartman as coming there on several occasions with Nickerson, and remembers the circumstances, and thinks he can also recognize Fisher--having seen him there with Gaylord, Hartman & Nickerson.

I am fully convinced, that if all these parties can be indicted, sufficient corroborated testimony can be got together to warrant a jury in convicting them.

Yours Respectfully

Robert A. Pindell
Supt. East Div.

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*Wassner Bitt
Lake*

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At a Court of Sessions, held in and for the County of Westchester, at the Court-House in the town of White Plains, on the 9th day of Dec A. D. 1878 :—PRESENT—

Honorable Gilaspufford County Judge.

Wm. K. Howe
Cyrus Lawrence } Justices of Sessions.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

—VS.—

Nelson Gaylord & Grand Larceny INDICTED FOR Burglary 1st Degree

THE PRISONER Nelson Gaylord having been indicted, arraigned, and convicted of Grand Larceny by plea of guilty

the Court now here, on motion of H. H. Baker Esquire, District Attorney,

DO ADJUDGE AND SENTENCE the said Nelson Gaylord to be imprisoned in the ALBANY COUNTY PENITENTIARY, at HARD LABOR, for the term of Three

Years. And from examination of said Prisoner, on oath, by said Court, as entered upon the Minutes thereof, it appears the said Prisoner has learned and practiced the trade of Plumber, age 19 years, Born Watertown, N.Y.

Westchester Co. Ss: J. James,
FD Crane County Clerk of
Westchester Co. do hereby
certify that the foregoing
is a correct copy of
the record of conviction
of Nelson Gaylord as
the same appears in
the minutes of the Court
of sessions & of the whole
of such record,
Dated Sept 17, 1875

J. F. Crane
Clerk

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of the University of Pennsylvania

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240 WEST 34TH STREET, N. Y.

BRANCH CLARK, M. D.,

OFFICE HOURS:
9 TO 12 A. M.
7 TO 8 P. M.

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Nov 9 1885
New York City

This is to Certify that I have examined the urine said to belong to Chas Fischer alias Fontaine now in the Tombs I find he has Bright's disease of the kidney

Branch Clark marked with "blood". His circulation is feeble, skin cold, and clammy perspiration. His kidneys are also affected, and examination of urine shows albumen. Altogether he is such condition, that although moderate exercise in open air is necessary, any like hard or exhaustive labor would soon break him up, unfit him for any labor, and shorten his life.

J. W. Jackson, M.D.
Physician to City Prison

PRISON,

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, Commissioners.

2 and Center Streets,

Nov 9 1885.

fy that I have
"Charles Fischer"
I find his lungs
condition, especially
spits pretty mucous

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Department of
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,

S. BRENNAN, HENRY H. PORTER, CHARLES E. SIMMONS, Commissioners.
Office of City Prison, Corner of Franklin and Center Streets,

JAMES FINN, WARDEN,

New York, November 9th 1885.

This is to Certify that I have
carefully examined "Charles Fisher"
now in this prison. I find his lungs
in a very delicate condition, especially
the right lung, the spots further
streaked with blood. His circulation is
feeble, skin cold, and showing
spiration. His Kidneys are also
affected, and examination of urine
shows albumen. Altogether he is such
a condition, that although moderate
exercise in open air is necessary, any
like hard or exhaustive labor would
soon break him up, unfit him for
any labor, and shorten his life.

W. W. Jackson, M.D.
Physician to City Prison

U.S. Supreme Court

The People v

vs

Charles E. Hardy

Order

At a General Term of the Supreme Court
of the State of New York, held at the
New Court House in the City of New
York on the 4th day of January 1887.

PRESENT, Hon. Charles D. Van Brunt
Hon. John R. Brady
Hon. Charles Daniels,
Justices.

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The People of the State, of New York

Against

Charles J. Freyhardt, indicted as George
Hartman alias George Peters, alias "Mash
"Market Jake" alias Charles Coke, alias
Charles McElain

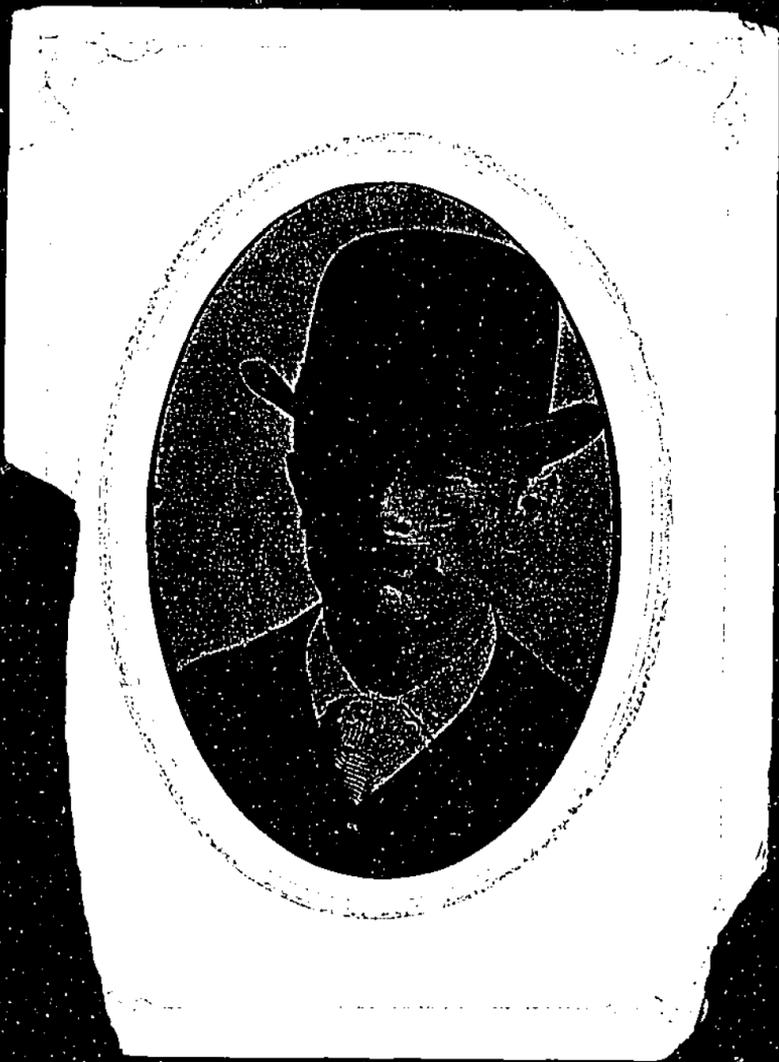
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The defendant Charles J. Freyhardt having appealed
to the General Term of this Court from a judgment of
the Court of General Sessions of the Peace rendered on
the 7th day of January 1886 and after hearing

of counsel for the defendant, and Randolph B.
Martine Esq. of counsel for the People it is,

ORDERED, that the said judgment of the Court of
General Sessions of the Peace be and the same is hereby
in all things affirmed.

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