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*Court of  
General Sessions*

*The People*

*VS*

*Jeremiah Little*

*Burglar*  
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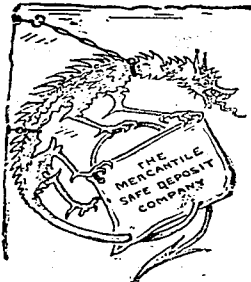
Report of the New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.

ELBRIDGE T. GERRY,  
President, &c.,

100 East 23d Street,  
NEW YORK CITY.

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Hon James Fitzgerald  
N.Y. City.

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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

*Jeremiah Tuttle*

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

*Jeremiah Tuttle*

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

The said

*Jeremiah Tuttle*

late of the *fourteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *twenty-first* day of *March* in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and *ninety-one*, with force and arms, in the  
*night* - time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the  
dwelling house of one *a certain building, to wit:*

*the store of one Charles N. Clark*

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, with intent to  
commit some crime therein, to wit: with intent, the goods, chattels and personal property  
of the said *Charles N. Clark*

*building* in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and  
there feloniously and burglariously to steal, take and carry away, against the form of  
the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the  
State of New York and their dignity.

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SECOND COUNT--

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

*Jeremiah Tuttle*  
of the CRIME of *Petit* LARCENY, committed as follows:  
The said *Jeremiah Tuttle*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, in the *night-* time of said day, with force and arms,

*four bags of the*  
*value of twenty-five cents each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*building*  
in the dwelling house of the said

*Charles N. Clark*  
*Charles N. Clark*

*in the building*  
there situate, then and there being found, ~~from the dwelling house~~ aforesaid, then and there feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*De Lancey Nicoll*  
*District Attorney*

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**DATE:**

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Witnesses:

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Counsel, *23 March 1881*  
Filed *day of March*  
Pleads, *Aggrieved*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Union*  
*Giuseppe Orioni*

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

*John R. Bellows*  
*DE LANCEY NICOLL*  
*JOHN R. BELLOWS*  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*John R. Bellows*  
Foreman.  
*March 30/91*

*Spiced & mounted*  
*March 2nd*  
*S.P. - 5-10-91*

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First District  
Police Court

Joseph Eaton  
vs  
Giuseppe Arion

Charged with  
Felony  
Assault  
February 23/91  
Before Hon  
Judge J. J. Smith  
Police Justice

Henry McGuire called as a  
witness on the part of the people  
being duly sworn and says  
By the Court

Q Where do you reside?  
A 40 Broad Street

Q What is your business?  
A Clerk

Q Did you see any disturbance  
between this defendant and  
one William J. Arion?

A The description I will give you of it  
is this, 3 of us were coming  
down Whitehall Street, a man

named Porcoran, Collins and myself  
of Raymond in what his first name

A Daniel Porcoran, the three  
of us were coming down White  
Hall Street, 30 feet ahead, about  
8<sup>30</sup> o'clock last evening, and  
Porcoran and Collins were arm  
and arm together, and the (3)  
Italians came along and two  
of them were on the curb and  
the defendant ran into Collins  
and he brushed him aside  
and expostulated with him and  
while they were having some  
words, Porcoran stepped in  
between Collins and the defendant  
and the defendant opened  
his coat and pulled out a  
knife and jabbed him with  
it

Q Did you see the knife?  
A No Sir I didn't see it, it was dark



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and I heard it fall, and then he ran away and I said Dry is stabbed we called Corcoran, the man named Dry. And I said to Dan Gallis, you run after the dog he stabbed Corcoran, and I rushed over onto curb stones opposite the car track and caught Corcoran and said he was stabbed, and what was left of the knife fell into the street, half of it went through his overcoat, undercoat and vest and broke off, and I followed him through the street his two friends who were with him didn't do anything at all. It was done just like that (indicating) and are you positive that that is the man?

Yes Sir are the description I saw give of him is that he had a grey coat on and a cap, the light often shades clothes, it looked to me as if it was grey.

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Who did you say was with you at  
the time?  
A William J. Corcoran and Daniel  
Fallon's

Sworn to before me  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of Feby. 1891

Charles V. Feinton  
Police Justice

Laurel Collins called as a  
witness and the rest of the people  
being duly sworn depose and  
say

By the Court.

Q Where do you reside?  
A 11 State Street

Q What is your business?

A Boatman on the Battery

Q How long have you been a boatman?

A 30 years

Q Do you know William Brennan?

A Yes sir

Q And were you with him last  
evening when he was stabbed?

A Yes sir

Q State what you know about the matter  
and all that occurred.

A Three of us were walking down  
Whitehall Street towards the  
W. M. Gurie and when we got

near State Street three State's  
attorneys

blocked up against us and I  
pushed one aside. Edmond states

with him. Ed Corcoran had no words  
at all with them and he cut with  
his knife.

Q What did he do then?

A The Italian did take stabbed  
Corcoran.

Q Which is the man that stabbed him?

A This is the man pointing to the  
defendant.

Q Are you positive that is the man?

A Yes Sir.

Q Did you see him draw the knife?

A Yes Sir.

Q Did you see the knife in his hand?

A I could not see the knife in his  
hand. He drew it out of his pocket.

Q Did you see him put his hand in  
the pocket?

A Yes Sir.

Q What did he do then?

A He pulled out the knife and stabbed  
him.

Q What motion if any did he make?

A None at all. He pulled out the knife

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Ed stabbed him

Q Did you say the defendant approached  
towards Porcoran at the time?  
A Yes sir

Q And did Porcoran say anything at  
the time?

A No sir he did not say anything until a few  
minutes after and then he said I am  
stabbed.

Q How soon after was it?

A 3 or 4 seconds

Q Seconds or minutes.

A Say minutes

Q Did you see the defendant do any-  
thing else after he did the stab-  
bing?

A I saw him running

Q He ran away did he?

A Yes sir

Q Where did you next see him?

A I didn't see him until the affiant  
had him

Q After the affiant had him what  
then occurred?

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A He took him to the Station house.

Q But something else occurred didn't it when the Officer had him, did you see Corcoran identify him?

A No Sir I did not not until he was in the Station house

Q Were you present in the station house when the defendant was brought before Corcoran?

A Yes Sir

Q What occurred then?

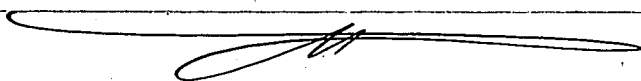
A Corcoran identified him or rather recognized him as the man

Q What did he say?

A I cannot say I was kind of excited

Q Just then a minute what he said?

A He said this is the man that stabbed me and that all



Henry McGuire Recalled by  
the Court.

Q Did you see the defendant after  
the stabbing occurred, after the  
officer had him in the station  
house. Did you see Concoran <sup>and</sup>  
the defendant together?

A Yes sir.

Q Did the officer bring him before  
Concoran?

A Yes sir he brought him before him  
in the station house.

Q Did you see him bring him before  
him at any time either at the  
station house or any where else?

A Yes sir Concoran was brought  
to the station house and the Italian  
was sent for <sup>and</sup> his wounds  
were dressed.

Q Where wounds were dressed?  
A Concoran and in the meantime  
I went to Whitehall Street and came  
back.

Q And you didn't see the officer



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being the defendant before Corcoran  
A. G. Davis, I saw the officer and  
another man bringing in the  
prisoner and he was making the  
charge, and as he passed Corcoran  
said that was the man that  
stabbed him, and he was to wear  
to say any more and he was  
taken away, but as he passed  
him he said that was the man  
that stabbed me.

Where are you employed?

A 2 quincy ship

quincy wharf

A Eastern W. M. Mahon Transportation  
Company

Sworn to before me this  
23 day of February 1891

Charles K. Laintor

Deputy Justice



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Samuel Collins Released by  
the Court?

Q Was it in the station house that  
you saw the prisoner confronted  
with McCowan?

A Yes Sir

Q And was it there that the camera  
took four place in which you  
say Corcoran said he stabbed  
me?

A Yes Sir he said that was the man  
that stabbed him.

Q Meaning this defendant?

A Yes Sir

I come to before me  
this 23<sup>d</sup> day of Feb'y. 1891

Charles N. Finton  
Police Justice

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Frederick Jarvis being called  
as a witness and the part of the  
people being duly sworn and deposed  
And says.

By the Court

Where do you reside?

A 2 Front Street

What is your age?

A 32 years

What is your business?

A Waiter at Minors Arms Hotel

What do you know about this  
trouble if anything?

A I was going into Whitehall Street  
last night and I heard a cry I saw  
struck and I went across the  
street to assist the man and I  
recognized this fellow

What do you mean by fellow?

A This man (pointing to the defen-  
dant) running away, and after  
that he went around the corner  
to Whitehall Street to Front and  
he ran around Pearl Street

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Q And I carried Cocoran with the  
policeman to the Station House  
If you assisted the policeman to  
carry him to the Station House?

A Yes Sir

Q What did you see or do when you  
got there?

A I identified the prisoner as the man  
I saw running across the Street

Q This is the same man?

A Yes Sir

Q What else do you know about it  
if anything?

A I went into the Station House and I  
saw the doctor examine him?

Q Did you hear Cocoran say anything?

A Yes he said that is the man Fred  
and I said I know it, that is  
the boy.

Q Did Cocoran point to anybody?

A Yes he pointed to the defendants

Sworn to before me  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of Feb'y 1891

Charles K. Smith  
Police Justice

The Society of the New York Hospital,  
HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,  
New York, *Mar 2<sup>d</sup>* 189/

*Mr. Crook is steadily improving  
at this Hospital but is not yet  
in a condition to appear in  
court.*

*J. R. Crook  
House Surgeon*

The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,

New York, *Sept 1st* 1891.

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that  
William Goracovan is at Chambers St. Hospital  
suffering from a stab wound of left groin  
which prevents him from appearing in  
Court this morning

Respectfully Yours  
J. B. Croft M.D.

The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.;

New York, Feb 28 189

To whom it may concern -

This is to certify  
that COME CORCORAN is  
still unable to appear  
in court - steadily  
improving -

J. R. Crofton  
House Surgeon



The Society of the New York Hospital,  
HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,  
New York, *Feb. 27* 1891

To whom it may concern -

William Corcoran is  
improving steadily but unable  
to appear in court.

J. R. Crofton  
House Surgeon

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The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,

New York, *Feb 25* 1891

To whom it may concern -

William Corcoran is  
still unable to leave hospital  
and appear in court -

J. R. Crofton  
House Surgeon -



The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,

New York, *Feb'y 25* 1891

To whom it may concern -

*Wm Corcoran* is  
under treatment at this hospital  
for a stab-wound of side and  
will not be able to appear in  
Court for some days -

*J. R. Crofton M. D.*  
House Surgeon -

The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,

New York, Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1891.

Mr. Consoan was yesterday  
operated upon at this Hospital  
and is not in condition to  
appear in Court today nor  
will he be for some time  
to come —

Joseph R. Cudde  
Honorary Secy J.O.R.

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The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,

New York, *Feb 23* 1891

*Mr Corcoran of 45 Mott St  
is not in a condition to  
leave this Hospital today -*

*Jos. R. Cullen  
House Surgeon*

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POLICE COURT, \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT.

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, the current  
 Giuseppe Arion charged with  
 felonious assault on complaint  
 of William Corcoran. Defendant  
 says that Corcoran is now at the  
 New York Hospital from the effect of  
 injuries received and unable to  
 appear in Court. Defendant therefore  
 prays that the defendants be held  
 to await the result of said injuries on  
 said Corcoran.

Joseph Eaton

*Sworn to before me, this*

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day

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Charles W. Tamm  
Police Justice

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Police Court, \_\_\_\_\_ District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.  
*Giuseppe Vanni*

AFFIDAVIT.

*Att. A. S. Smith*

Dated *February 23* 188*9*

*Santer* Magistrate.

*Eaton* (1<sup>st</sup>) Officer.

Witness, *Henry M. Quinn*

*90 Broad Street*

*Daniel Collins*

*11 State Street*

*Fredrick Davis*

*2 Front Street*

Disposition, \_\_\_\_\_

*Committed with  
to await inquiries  
of Feb 26-1891. G.  
Feb. 27-91-9 AM  
Only to March 9. 91. C. J.*



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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

*Gusippa Morin* being duly examined before the under-  
signed according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that it is *h<sup>m</sup>* right to  
make a statement in relation to the charge against *h<sup>m</sup>*; that the statement is designed to  
enable *h<sup>m</sup>* if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against *h<sup>m</sup>*,  
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that *h<sup>m</sup>*'s waiver cannot be used  
against *h<sup>m</sup>* on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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*  
*Gusippa Morin*  
*W. J. Morin*  
*Mark*

Taken before me this  
day of March 1897

Police Justice

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Examination  
March 11<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 1891

4/10/91 bail

March 13-20<sup>th</sup>

Police Court

District

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Campbell  
445 Mulberry St.  
Joseph V. Vroom

Offence *Robbery*  
*1st degree*

Dated

March 9<sup>th</sup> 1891

Attest

*E. J. Ryan*  
Magistrate

Witnesses

*Henry McLean*  
Precinct

No. 90

*James Allen*  
Street

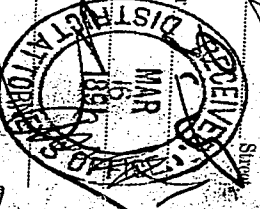
No. 11

*Frederick Jones*  
Street

No. 2

*Frank*  
Street

\$1000 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

*Dufur*

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of

*Ten* Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of

the City Prison, of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated *March 9<sup>th</sup> 1891* *E. J. Ryan* Police Justice.

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

Dated *18* Police Justice.

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

Dated *18* Police Justice.

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Police Court— District.

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

William Concoran  
of No. 45 Whitehall Street, aged 31 years,  
occupation Porter being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 1887 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,  
he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Giuseppe Urvon (nowhere)

Deponent was walking on Whitehall  
Street. Defendant pushed against  
deponent. Defendant did then  
and then cut and stab deponent  
on his body with a knife

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

Wherefore this deponent prays that the said assailant, may be apprehended and bound to answer  
for the above assault, etc., and dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 9<sup>th</sup> day

of March 1887

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William Concoran  
Police Justice.



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The People

Guiseppa Morion

Court General Sessions. Part I.

(Before Judge Fitzgerald. March 30<sup>th</sup> 1891)

Indictment for assault in the first degree.

William Corcoran, sworn and examined, testified. Where do you live? No. 45 Whitehall St.

What is your occupation? Hotel, as a general thing. Where were you on the evening of the

22<sup>nd</sup> of February last? I was going down Whitehall street towards the South ferry. Who were with

you? Edwin Collins and Henry McGuire. Were you walking abreast? Yes sir. Were you on

the curbstone of the sidewalk or the inner side? The inner side of the two that was with

me. Did you see the defendant there, did you meet him that night? I met him in

front of Tegler's shoe store. Did you see anybody with him? Yes sir, two other men.

What did they look like, what nationality? Italians. What were they doing? They were walking up with

this man, and he was on the inner side of the sidewalk but on the outer side of his two

companions. When you approached them what happened? He came up and jostled against

me and then he took that knife. Where is where the knife went in (pointing) I had

an inward hemorrhage and the doctor had to cut me. What happened as he struck

you? As he struck me I turned round and he stabbed me in the left groin. Look at

that (Knife shown) is that the knife he had? Yes sir, that is the knife. Have you ever seen that before, when and where? Yes sir, in front of Mr. Segler's in Whitehall street. The knife went through me - went through my coats, drawers and two shirts. Now the handle came to be broke off I think after he stuck it in he tried to turn it and there was a flaw in the knife. I pulled it out and dropped it down on the ground. I was getting weak and Mr. Jarvis came to my assistance. He struck me first and jostled against me with his elbow. Had you ever seen the man before? Never in my life. You never had any words? Never. Did you have any words with him at that time? No sir. What did the man do then? I stumbled out after he stabbed me into the gutter and I halloed that I am stabbed. A whole gang congregated around there, and Mr. Jarvis was carrying me up Whitehall St. He was carrying me to a drug store, and as we were going we met Officer Eaton coming back with the prisoner and then I say, "What is the man stabbed me", and I went down to the station house, started to go. I could not walk all the way, and Mr. Jarvis and an officer carried me between their arms to the station house and then they run for

an ambulance. What hospital were you taken to? The Chamber street hospital. I went in there on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February and was discharged the 9<sup>th</sup> of March, but I had to go a few times after to get it dressed. You suffered a good deal? Yes. What became of the defendant after putting this knife in you, what did he do? He ran. Did any of your friends run after him? I think they did. I could not say for certain, there was a crowd congregated there right away. How long was it after you were stabbed was it before you saw him in company with a police officer? Not five minutes. You positively identified him as the man who stabbed you? Yes sir. What did the doctor do in the Chamber St. hospital? Dr. Stimpson performed the operation, but after that the House Surgeon, Dr. Crofton had charge; Dr. Crofton is there yet. Cross Examined. It was quite dark at that time was it not? No sir, it was not so very dark there; there was an electric light. It was after seven o'clock? Yes, it was between eight and nine o'clock. You say you did not strike the defendant? No sir. You gave him no provocation whatever to stab you? No sir. You say he was arrested five minutes after? Yes, about five minutes as near as I can judge.

Daniel Collins; sworn and examined, testified.  
What is your business? Boatman at Whitehall.  
You know the complainant, Corcoran? Yes sir.  
Were you with him on the night of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Feb.  
mary? Yes sir. Where did you meet him that  
evening? Corner of Earl and Whitehall streets.  
You joined him and walked down Whitehall  
st. did you? Yes sir. Who else was with you?  
Mr. McGuire, that is all. Did you see the  
defendant there that night, this Italian? Yes sir.  
What did you see him do, if anything? He was  
walking down the street and then three were  
walking up, they jostled very hard against Mr.  
Corcoran, he had no words of provocation, I  
saw him going down in his pocket and take  
out a knife, What did he do with a knife?  
He cut Mr. Corcoran. He struck him, he plung-  
ed it into him, did he? Yes sir. How long  
was that after he jostled against him? It could  
not be two seconds. Did you hear any words  
said? No sir. He just made a dive for  
the knife and plunged it into him? Yes sir.  
What did the complainant do or say? He  
said, he was stabbed. What became of the Italian?  
They ran away. The defendant ran with  
the other two did he? Yes sir. What did you do?  
I stood there, I could not do anything else  
at the present time. Who joined you at that

time, anybody? Only a lot of children. Any witness, any other person? The officer came along. Who did he have with him? He did not have nobody. What did you do after that? I done nothing. I went across the way and stayed there. Did you see the defendant again that night? I seen him when the officer fetched him back about five minutes afterwards. Were you with the complainant at the time and did you identify him as the man? Yes. Was he the man that drew the knife and stabbed Corcoran? Yes. You are positive of it are you? Yes. What became of the knife after Corcoran was stabbed? He pulled it out and he gave it to the officer. Do you know what he did with the knife? It dropped on the sidewalk, and a young fellow picked it up, and gave it to the officer. Had you ever seen the defendant before? No sir.

Cross Examined. You say you saw three Italians? You saw the stabbing, and did you see the three of them run away? Yes sir. Do you know how far they ran? I could not say how far the other two ran, they seperated, two went in one direction and the defendant in another. You say the defendant was running? At the time he was caught. Did you see him running after the stabbing? Yes, the three of them ran together.

Frederick Jarvis, sworn and examined, testified:  
 What is your business? Waiter. Whereabouts? No 2  
 Front street. Where were you on the evening of the  
 22<sup>nd</sup> of February last? Posting some letters for  
 Mr. Martin. Do you know the complainant in this  
 case? Yes. Wm. Corcoran. Do you know the last  
 witness? Yes. Were you on Whitehall street that  
 night? Yes sir I was. What took place there that  
 you saw? I heard the cry of stabbing and  
 I immediately went across the road and  
 found that it was Mr. Corcoran that had  
 been stabbed. I assisted him to the best of my  
 ability, and I picked up the knife in the  
 street which I handed over to the officer. Where  
 did you find the knife? In the roadway.  
 Look at this (Knife shown to the witness) I  
 recognize the blade, that is the one I found,  
 but I do not recognize the handle. You found  
 that in the street you mean? Yes sir. How  
 near to where Corcoran stood? I should ima-  
 gine about four yards or so from where he  
 stood. Did you look at it? Yes. Was there any  
 thing on it? At the end of the point there  
 was a stain of blood on it when I gave it  
 to the officer. Did you find the handle?  
 No sir. What did you do with the blade? I  
 handed it over to the officer. Where was the  
 officer at the time you handed it to him?

In Whitehall street bringing down the prisoner. This is the man. Were you there at the time Corcoran was there and the defendant brought there? No, I did not see Mr. Corcoran. "Dry" is his nickname (the complainant) I helped to carry him to the Hospital. I was taking him to the drug store at the time I met the prisoner. You were taking Corcoran up to the drug store when you saw the officer coming down with this defendant? Yes. What did Corcoran say? He said, "that is the man," to the officer. Do you know anything more about it? I helped to carry Corcoran down to the hospital and he was taken away in an ambulance. You were not with Corcoran that night were you? No sir. not until I heard the cry. I did not see the stabbing and did not see who did it. Joseph Eaton, sworn and examined, testified. I am a police officer and arrested the defendant in Whitehall street on Sunday evening February 22nd. What was he doing at the time? He was walking up on the left hand side of the street. I was coming up on the right in Whitehall street, he was walking away from where the assault was committed. From the description I received from some people I arrested him. What did you do with him when you arrested him? He could not speak English and I saw there was no use of speaking

to him I brought him back towards the station house, and on the way back I met the complainant with Jarvis holding him up and the blood running down through the leg of his pants, and he handed me the blade of a knife and told me that is what he had been stabbed with. Ciccoran told me that. What did he say with reference to the defendant, this man? He says, "that is the man that stabbed me". Did he say where? In the left groin. What did you do? I took him to the station house and made a complaint against him. You do not know what became of Ciccoran, I suppose of your own knowledge? No sir, not at the time being.

Cross Examined. I know where 45 Whitehall street is. How far from there was it you arrested the defendant? A block and a half or two blocks. Did you see any other Italians around there? No sir. Did you see any Italians running away? No. I was going up and the defendant was going up at the same time. Were you before or behind him? I was behind him. How far behind him were you when you heard the cry? I did not get there for about five or ten minutes I should judge after it happened. He had walked a block and a half or two blocks in the ten minutes if he was the man who



did the cutting? he was arrested on suspicion as the man. And he had only got that distance from 45 Whitehall street in ten minutes is that right? Yes, that is right. You did not find anything on this defendant's person did you? A couple of small things, a button hook and ~~the~~ a small knife that he dropped out of his pocket going through Front st. This is the knife (producing it) Do you know what time this took place exactly? As near as I could recollect it happened at 8.30, I got in that neighborhood about 8.40. You do not know how ~~many~~ minutes elapsed between the time the assault had taken place and the time that you got the man? I only judge from the time I was told and the time I got him; it was 8.40 when I got him. Then if one witness for the prosecution states that it was 7.40 or between seven and eight o'clock some one is mistaken about the time? They must be according to that. How far were you from 45 Whitehall st. when your attention was called to the commission of some offence? About half a block I should judge. Then did you return to the scene of the assault before you arrested the defendant, did you go back to where you heard the noise? This thing had been all over where I got there. Some person told me a man was stabbed. Then you were informed some one had been stabbed.

did you return to the scene of the stabbing? Yes. I went right back again; and there I saw that this man Corcoran was stabbed. When I walked up Whitehall street I saw a crowd standing there, they told me a man had been stabbed. I was opposite 45. From the description I got of the man I walked up the street and saw him and brought him back. I could not see the man at first, they had taken him away, the man was gone. Who was it gave you a description of the man who was stabbed? A man by the name of Bellins; he was the second witness on the stand I believe. Let us have the description which he gave you? A low sized man with a cap on and a kind of a shoddy coat. Was this the coat he had on then? I believe that is the coat he had on. Does the defendant look now the same as he did that night? No sir, there is an alteration in his face; he had little black side whiskers and his hair has been cropped; he had a big bushy head of hair on him. He has been shaved and his hair cut since that time? Yes sir.

Joseph R. Crofton, sworn and examined, testified I am a surgeon at the Chamber st. Hospital. I recollect treating a man named Mr. Corcoran when he was brought to the Hospital on February

He was suffering from a stab wound of the left side. The ambulance surgeon had dressed the wound and when I took him down there was some bleeding and I examined the wound and opened it up and it went through all the layers of the wall; it almost entered the abdominal cavity. There was some bleeding, so that I just that night temporarily stopped the bleeding, and the next morning I brought him into the operating room and enlarged the incision a great deal. I want to be sure that the bleeding was stopped, all under the direction of the commanding surgeon; we had him transferred and kept <sup>him</sup> there until March 9<sup>th</sup>. You speak of it extending very near to the abdominal cavity, is that so? Yes. How near? Very close. Suppose it had reached that ~~what~~ would have been the result in your opinion? Of course it would make it very dangerous. What was the depth of the wound? It had gone through all the walls, probably an inch and a half or two inches. What direction did it pass? It seemed to slant; it went in about here (pointing). Have you ever seen that before (Knife shown)? No sir. From the character of the wound would you suppose it would have been inflicted by such an instrument as that? It was an incised wound; it could have

been inflicted by such an instrument as that, it could have been performed by any knife that could have done it? Yes, sir, that could have done it (pointing to the knife)

By the Court. Where he was brought in did you attend him that night? Yes sir. What was his general condition that night? He was in good condition. When did the other doctor attend him? The attending surgeon came down the next morning. What was his treatment, you spoke of some operation? That was the operation, taking him to the operating room and putting him under ether and enlarging the incision, enlarging the original wound. From your examination of that wound was it a wound of the character from which death would have resulted.

The wound itself? Yes? No sir, not that wound.

By the Foreman. Was he (Cecorum) the patient under the influence of liquor? No sir, he did not seem to be.

Guiseppe Brion, sworn and examined in his own defence through the Interpreter.

By Mr. Townsend. Ask him if he cannot talk English? He is eleven months in the country only and he cannot speak English.

By Counsel. Where do you live? I live at 62 1/2 Mulberry street where I was arrested.

By the Court. Can you speak English? No. Where do you

live, how long are you in the country, what have you been working at since you have been here? I dont understand. You dont understand English at all? No.

By Counsel What is your business? I am a shoe maker in 71 Mulberry street. I work there. Do you remember the night of your arrest? Yes, it was Sunday night. There were you that evening? I came from Brooklyn. What part? Sedgwick street. I do not recollect the number. I think it is 227. but I am not sure. How did you find out the place where you went there? Because I was there several times - countrymen of mine live there. What are their names? One of them is Micheale Crokney and the other Alphonse Vicatalli. Did any one go with you when you went to Brooklyn that afternoon, yes or no. I went alone. Did any one return to New York with you that evening at eight o'clock? I was alone when I came back from Brooklyn. Call his attention to the blade that knife, is that your knife? No sir, that little knife is mine. Did you ever have that knife in your possession? No sir. Do you know anything about the stabbing of a man in Whitehall street in the evening of your arrest? I dont know anything about it. Did you have a quarrel or fight with any one in Whitehall street that evening? No sir. I did not.

Did any one strike you or did you strike any one on Whitehall street? No sir, I had no difficulty with any one. You were all alone? I was alone. Were you ever arrested before and convicted of any crime? Never was. How old are you? I am twenty years old. Are you married? My wife is in Italy, not here.

Cross Examined. What is the name of the man you worked for in Brooklyn? Not in Brooklyn; he went to Brooklyn to see his countrymen. Who is the man he works for in Mulberry street? Gerardo Marino, No. 71 Mulberry street. Did he send him word that he was arrested? He knows that I have been arrested. Did you have that knife with you that night? Yes sir, this is the knife that I had. (pointing to it) Did you throw it away from your pocket? Yes sir, I was very much frightened. When the policeman took me, and I threw this knife away because the policeman arrested me. And that is the only reason, because you were very much frightened? Because I was arrested and I was very much frightened, and so I threw the knife away. Did you have any side whiskers on that night? Yes sir. When did you shave them? This morning. Was your hair thick and long that night? About four days ago my

hair was cut. Ask him why he shaved  
his whiskers off? Because my face was  
so dirty.

The jury rendered a verdict of guilty  
of assault in the second degree.

He was sent to the State prison for  
five years.



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Testimony in the case  
of Giuseppe Morion  
filed  
March 1941

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The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,

New York, *March 5* 1891

To whom it may concern -

W<sup>m</sup> Corcoran will  
not be able to appear in  
Court until Monday Mch. 9<sup>th</sup>

J R Crofton  
House Surgeon

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The Society of the New York Hospital,  
HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,  
New York, *March 3* 1891

To whom it may concern.

William Crooran is  
steadily improving but will  
be unable to appear in  
Court for a few days yet,

J. R. Crofton  
House Surgeon

POOR QUALITY  
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The Society of the New York Hospital,  
HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.,  
New York, Mar 4<sup>th</sup> 1891.

Mr. Cochran is steadily improving  
but is still unable to appear in  
Court.

Joseph R. Astor  
House Surgeon -

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Giuseppe Urion*

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

Indictment accuse

*Giuseppe Urion*

of the crime of

*Assault in the first degree*

committed as follows:

The said

*Giuseppe Urion*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the

*twenty-second* day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and *eighty-ninety-one*, at the City and County aforesaid,

*with force and arms in and upon the body  
of one William Corcoran, in the peace of the  
said People then and there being, wilfully  
and feloniously did make an assault and  
him, the said William Corcoran with a  
certain knife which the said Giuseppe  
Urion in his right hand then and there  
had and held, <sup>the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon</sup> and there wilfully and  
feloniously did strike, beat, cut, stab and  
wound, with intent him the said William  
Corcoran thereby then and there feloniously  
and wilfully to kill, against the form of the*

Statute in such case made and provided,  
and against the peace of the People  
of the State of New York and their dignity.

Second Count

And the Grand Jury aforesaid by this  
indictment further accuse the said Giuseppe  
Uron of the crime of assault in the  
second degree, committed as follows:

The said Giuseppe Uron, late of the  
City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit:  
on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon  
the body of the said William Corcoran in the  
peace of the said People then and there being,  
feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make  
another assault and him the said William  
Corcoran with a certain knife which the said  
Giuseppe Uron in his right hand, then and there  
had and held, the same being a weapon and  
instrument likely to produce grievous bodily  
harm, then and there feloniously did wil-  
fully and wrongfully inflict strikes, beat  
cut, stab and wound, against the form of the  
statute in such case made and provided,  
and against the peace of the People of the  
State of New York and their dignity.

Alfred Dancy Nicoll,  
District Attorney