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Halligan, James

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Witnesses:

James Nealin

Sworn to

John Halligan

353, W. 26th St.

McArthur & Co.  
and office

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Henry C. Pierce, U.S.D.  
Edward C. Neer, U.S.D.

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22-512-41

Counsel,

Filed, 15 day of Sept 1887

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

W. H. 28.  
353 of 28th  
march of 28th

James Halligan

Grand Larceny, second degree  
[Sections 528, 531 Penal Code]

HANDLING B. MARTINE

21 1/2 District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Oct 19/87  
Sent by Judge E. H. Halligan  
to care of Court Clerk  
for examination

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

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The People

vs.

James Halligan

Grand Larceny.

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City and County of New York, SS:

Andrew D. Parker being duly sworn, deposes and says:  
I am Chief Clerk in the Office of the District Attorney  
of the City and County of New York. The defendant above  
named was indicted for grand larceny in the second  
degree upon the 15th of September, ult., and upon the same  
day pleaded guilty to said charge, which said plea was  
duly entered upon the records of said Court, and the  
prisoner remanded for sentence on said plea, until the  
21st of said September. After the said plea had been so  
entered, the appearance of the prisoner and other infor-  
mation conveyed to the District Attorney, induced him to  
order an inquiry into the mental condition of said  
prisoner, and in pursuance of his instructions to that  
effect, I sent by mail ~~the following~~ letters of which the  
following are copies:

October 3rd, 1887.

Dr. Henry T. Pierce,  
2072 Sixth Avenue  
City.

Dear Sir:

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Will you please examine into the mental condition of James Halligan, now confined in the City Prison on a charge of grand Larceny, and report thereon to the District Attorney, at the earliest practicable moment.

Yours respectfully,

A. D. Parker

Chief Clerk.

October 3rd 1887.

Dr. Edgar T. Weed,

128 West 130th Street  
City.

Dear Sir :

Will you please examine into the mental condition of James Halligan, now confined in the City Prison on a charge of Grand Larceny, and report thereon to the District Attorney, at the earliest practicable moment.

Yours respectfully,

A. D. Parker,

Chief Clerk.

and received answers to said letters of which the following are copies:

2072 Sixth Avenue.

New York Oct. 6, 1887.

Hon. R. B. Martine,

Dist. Atty. N. Y. City.

Dear Sir



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In accordance with your instructions I examined on the 4th inst. James Halligan now confined at the Tombs I find him to be of unsound mind

Yours respilly

Henry D. Pierce, M.D.

Edgar T. Weed, M.D.  
128 West 130th St.,  
N.Y.

Hon. Randolph B. Martine,

Dear Sir:

At your request I examined into the mental condition of James Halligan now confined in City Prison and found him to show signs of mental weakness (moral Idiocy) as evidenced by childishness, facial expression, stooping posture, weak and flabby muscles, weak circulation, he is also subject to attacks of vertigo, whether caused by epilepsy or abuse of alcohol I have not been able to ascertain. His tongue is flabby and he has but little control of the muscles which close the eyelid.

Yours respectfully

Edgar T. Weed M.D.

Sept 4 - 87.

Drs. Pierce and Weed, to whom the said letters were addressed, and by whom the said answers were written, are physicians of good repute, experience and standing in this county, and have frequently heretofore been employed

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by the District Attorney for the purpose of making examinations into the mental condition of prisoners arraigned upon indictment.

Sworn to before me this

11th day of October, 1887.

Rudolph L. Scharf  
Comr of Deeds  
N. Y. City

A. D. Parker

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N. Y. General Services

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

against

James Halligan

Applicant

of

Andrew D. Parkey

RANDOLPH B MARTINE,

DISTRICT ATTORNEY,

No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,  
NEW YORK CITY.

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The People  
vs.  
James Halligan.

Court of General Sessions, Part I.  
Before Judge Gildersleeve.

October 14, 1887.

A Jury was empannelled to try the question of the  
sanity of the defendant.

Henry T. Peirce sworn and examined.

By Counsel. Q. What is your business. A. I am a physician.

Q. How long. A. About eighteen years.

Q. Are you an expert on insanity.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you seen the defendant here lately.

A. I have.

Q. What time. A. October 3rd and 6th.

Q. Where. A. At the City Prison.

Q. Did you make an examination into his mental condition.

A. I did, sir.

Q. Was anybody present. A. Yes sir.

Q. Who, another physician.

A. There was another physician present but not interested  
in this case however.

Q. State to the Jury the result of your examination.

A. I found the Defendant to be an imbecile, a young man of  
twenty-three or four years old, with the mental devel-  
opement of a child. The configuration and size of his  
head, the facial expression, the irresponsive answers  
that he gave to the questions asked him and his shambling  
gait, somewhat modified by the injury he received, how-  
ever, and the cast of the eye and all the general mani-  
festations proved satisfactorily to me that he was of  
feeble mind and would be termed an imbecile.

Q. Would he be dangerous?



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Q. Would he be ~~enable~~ as far as you can judge, Doctor, to instruct his Counsel as to his defence properly.

A. No sir.

By the Court. Q. Who called you, Doctor, to examine the accused.

A. The District Attorney.

Q. And you saw him on two occasions.

A. Yes sir.

Q. About how long each time.

A. Well, on the first occasion I suppose nearly an hour, between half an hour and an hour and not as long the second time.

Q. Might he not have feigned these symptoms which you have described or some of them.

A. He might have feigned the symptoms, he could hardly feign his appearance.

Q. As you look at this defendant sitting here now, his face indicates to you the character that you have described, does it.

A. Yes sir, almost typical.

Q. You say his head is of unusually small size.

A. Yes sir.

Q. About what sized hat does he take, Doctor.

A. I did not measure his head; his head is chopped, rather flattened down behind and up to a point in front, conical shaped.

Q. He is incapable in your judgment of explaining the nature of his defence.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know what acts he committed that caused the Grand Jury of this County to indict him.

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- A. Only by hearsay and in the District Attorney's instruction to me to examine him; I think it was larceny.
- Q. He is accused of having carried away from the possession of one James Nelias a silver watch, a gold chain and gold pencil of the value of thirty dollars.
- A. His descriptions of his crime were somewhat at variance with that.
- Q. Has he in your judgment sufficient capacity to have any idea of the value of that property, sufficient capacity to realize that it was worth something and it would be profitable to him to have it.
- A. Yes, I think that he realized that much, that it would be a good thing to have it, but I think that he <sup>has</sup> ~~is~~ one of those minds that a child as well as an adult could persuade him or induce him to do anything, whether of an innocent or a criminal nature.
- Q. He is easily influenced.
- A. Particularly so, he would derive as much satisfaction in associating with people very much younger than himself than with older.
- Q. Is he capable of conceiving a plan of stealing, has he sufficient intelligence in your judgment to make up his mind that he can get by certain efforts, possession of property and profit by it.
- A. No, I think that whatever of that sort of thing he would do would be on the impulse of the moment with the aid of his senses. If he saw a thing he would take it perhaps in a stealthy manner, but I do not think that he would be capable ---

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Q. Of exercising cunning or a deep laid plan.

A. No sir, I do not think he would conceive anything of that sort out of malice.

Q. If he has sufficient intelligence to realize the importance of taking property not his own, why cannot he intelligently state what he has done in reference to that property.

A. He did state what he had done in regard to taking it but none of the stories agree; at one time it was one thing and at another time it was another.

Q. Don't you know that parties accused of larceny often make mistatements.           A. I know that.

Q. And it is through different statements that they make that they are often convicted.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was each statement that he made an intelligent explanation of how he got the property.

A. No sir, it was not entirely so and it was accompanied by irrelevant expressions that had nothing to do with the robbery itself, in his wanderings after the robbery.

Q. How are you able to say, if you can Doctor, that these irrelevant expressions are not feigned.

A. I take into consideration the whole of the case, his appearance, the shape and size of his head and the lack of intelligence in his face and the irresponsible answers given to questions that would rather take him by surprise -- putting those together with the testimony in regard to this case, I made up my mind --

Q. Did you get his family history.

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A. Yes sir, but it was negative as far as that goes, nothing that bore upon the case at all.

Q. You have not communicated with anyone who was able to state what his conduct has been in the past, the result of any personal observation.

A. No sir.

by Mr Bedford. Q. Doctor, in your opinion can this man distinguish right from wrong.

A. I do not think he can intelligently.

Q. If he took up a loaded pistol or a dagger now and would shoot anybody in this court-room, is he in such a frame of mind that he would know it was wrong to do it. Suppose he should get up now and take a dagger and rush at the Jury and kill any one of them, would he know that he was doing wrong if he succeeded in it, is he in that condition of mind not to know it was wrong to kill any jurymen or anybody in this court-room.

A. That is a difficult question for me to answer.

Q. That is the question which the law requires you to answer.

A. I think he might have a faint perception, you mean if he should kill in cold blood now?

Q. I mean now as he is, if he should draw a revolver and shoot you dead or any other man, are you under your oath prepared to say that he is that condition of mind as not to know that shooting you or any man dead in this court-room was wrong.

A. No sir, I am not prepared to state that.

Q. A man to be irresponsible must be in such a condition of mind as not to know right from wrong and that if he kills



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a man he is so irresponsible that he did not know that he was killing.

A. I have not stated that the man was insane.

Q. What have you stated.

A. I said that he was an imbecile.

Q. An imbecile means what, it means a man partially deprived of intelligence or wholly, which is it.

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is the distinction between an idiot and an imbecile.

A. An idiot is a man who has entirely lost his reason, whose mental condition ---

Q. He never had any reason to lose.

A. He may have had sometime.

Q. An idiot is defined to be a man born without brains.

A. A person could not be born without brains.

Q. An idiot is a man born without brains, never had any, is that an idiot.

A. No sir.

Q. As I understand it a person insane is one who once had brains and had lost his brains, an idiot is one who never had brains, an imbecile is one who has partially lost his brains, am I right.

A. I think not, sir.

Q. An imbecile is one who partially lost his mind but not entirely, that is a weak mind, that is an imbecile; an insane person is irresponsible because he has no mind -- an idiot is one who never has got a mind, am I right.

A. No sir, you are not right.

Q. Tell me why not.

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A. A man may become an idiot long after birth; a man may have been born with a very bright mind, apparently a bright child and may develop a brain disease that will make him a perfect idiot. As for a person being born without brains, that is a physical impossibility.

Q. He may have brains but they be mush instead of brains.

A. You stated a man born without brains.

Q. I mean a man born without brains, that he cannot understand, but not persons born that way.

A. Of course persons are born apparently so. Do you suppose a man has never been born an idiot, that is, he has brains but he has no reasoning faculties, are there not cases in medical jurisprudence of that kind.

A. I did not say that a man had never been born an idiot, but I said it would be impossible to determine it at birth.

By Counsel. Q. You said a moment ago in answer to Judge Bedford's question you could not tell whether this man had a knowledge of the difference between right and wrong if he fired a pistol off at any person in this room; afterwards you went on to say that he was an imbecile and had partially lost his mind, now will you explain the word lost where the difference would be between right and wrong.

A. We will have to suppose a case. The District Attorney supposed a case of this man immediately, without any forethought, attacking with a dangerous weapon.

By Mr Bedford. Q. Gets up coolly out of his seat now, say he had a dagger and stabs anybody, he is an imbecile you say now, is he so imbecile that if he should kill anybody now, just in this present calm, cool state, if he should kill

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anybody in this court-room do you say, as a medical man, that he could not distinguish right from wrong, in the first place, that he did not know that he was killing anybody and secondly, if he did know he was killing anybody he did not know it was wrong.

A. I say that he might know that he was killing somebody but he would not judge it was the offence that he would be accused of after the deed had been committed.

Q. If he kills a man just as he is now he would know that he was killing him.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now Doctor, if he knew he was killing him, is he in that frame of mind as to know that it was wrong to kill him.

A. No sir.

Q. What do you mean by the language that he did not know it was wrong.

A. That he did not know it was wrong to kill him, did not have the perception of the magnitude of the crime.

Q. Never mind the magnitude.

A. Of the crime, then.

Q. First you have answered that he is in that frame of mind that if he would kill a person he would know that he was killing him.

A. Yes sir, if he did kill him.

Q. But you say that although he would know he was killing him, he is in that frame of mind as not to know the killing was wrong.

A. Yes sir.

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Edgar T. Weed sworn and examined.

By Counsel. Q What is your business, sir.

A. A physician.

Q. For how long a time.

A. Seven years.

Q Have you made any special study of mental disorder in sanity.

A. Yes sir, I have.

Q. And have you seen this defendant before to-day.

A. I examined him on the 1st of October.

Q. Where.

A. In the Tombs City Prison.

Q. How often.

A. I examined him once, I spent about an hour and a half with him, this was the second time.

Q. The time you examined him did you make any peculiar tests.

A. I tested his mental condition by conversation and as to his offence and the causes leading thereto, I made a physical examination of his head.

Q. Now just tell us the result, what you found the matter with him and tell us your opinion.

A. I found him to be of weak mind, an imbecile, as is usually shown by the childishness in conversation, his incessant and irrelevant talking, the facial expression, the peculiar tilting up of the eyebrows, the inability to close the eyes and to keep them closed, his peculiar gait, his posture, that was about it -- except his head, the posterior portion, the back, being cut off, giving a peculiar shaped head; then the muscles were weak and



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flabby, the tongue was weak or at least the muscles showed contraction, I found him in a weak muscular condition.

Q. How about the language.

A. He would talk but in rather a childish manner, just as you expect a young child to speak.

Q. How young a child.

A. A child about eight or ten years of age.

Q. What is the result of your examination, what is your opinion.

A. I believe him, to be an imbecile.

Q. Is he capable of properly instructing his counsel as to his defence.

A. I think not.

Q. Do you know what the charge is.

A. According to the statement which I received in the letter it was larceny.

Q. In that state of imbecility in which you found him or in his present state, if you think it is the same as it was when you examined him, do you think he knows the nature of the crime and knows the distinction between right and wrong.

A. I hardly think he does.

By Mr Bedford. Q. You say he would speak as a child of eight or ten years of age. A. Yes sir.

Q. Haven't you met many a bright little child of eight or ten years of age.

A. I refer to ordinary children.

Q. Well, do you regard the ordinary of eight or ten an imbecile.

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- A. No, I do not, but when you consider a child of eight or ten years alongside a man of twenty-four ---
- Q. You say that he talks like a little child of eight or ten years.
- A. Yes sir, he does not talk like a man of his age, he talks like a younger person, for example ---
- Q. The majority of children of eight or ten have not they been bright and companionable, haven't you often passed a pleasant hour with children of eight or ten years.
- A. I have.
- Q. Is he not as bright as the ordinary child of eight or ten
- A. No sir, he is not., some are no brighter and a great number brighter than he.
- Q. What is the majority of children of eight or ten intellectually compared with him.
- A. They are brighter than he is.
- Q. You qualified that remark that he spoke like a child.
- A. I said he spoke like a child and you asked me what the age was.
- Q. You mean that he spoke like a child of eight or ten with a very weak mind.
- A. He is not as bright as a child of eight or ten years of age.
- Q. You mean a child of weak mind of eight or ten, don't you, you do not mean the ordinary intellect of ten years of age.
- A. You find ordinary children not very bright at that age.
- Q. What is the percentage.
- A. The bright children are in excess.

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Q. Ninety-five percent.

A. Probably about that, yes sir.

Q. Then you refer to his mind being equal to the other five percent.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Not to children generally of eight to ten.

A. Not to children generally comparing that age with his.

Q. Is his mind as bright as the ordinary child of eight or ten.

A. No, it is not.

Q. Is he in such a frame of mind that he could not distinguish right from wrong at this moment or when you saw him

A. I think at the time he committed the act, I hardly think he was.

Q. When you examined him suppose a third party came in the room and suppose there happened to be a knife on the table and he would get up and plunge that in the man's heart and the man dropped down dead and he would be indicted for murder and you would be subpoenaed as a medical expert -- this was after your examination-- could you, under your oath tell the Jury that when you saw this man stab that stranger who came into the room and the stranger drop dead, would you be willing to swear after your examination, immediately prior to the stabbing, that this man was wholly irresponsible, that he could not distinguish right from wrong, that he did not know he was stabbing the man or if he did know it he would not know it was wrong.

A. At the time of committing the act he would not be in a condition to judge right from wrong.

Q. What is the answer, yes or no.

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- A. At the time he would not be in a condition to judge between right and wrong.
- Q. If, at the time you examined him a man came in and without the slightest provocation he would take up a knife and kill him then would you be willing if he were indicted for murder to come into Court and say you examined him as a medical expert and that he was in such a frame of mind as to be entirely irresponsible, that he did not know he was killing the man or if he did know it, that he did not know it was wrong.
- A. At that time he would know he was killing or doing something but he would not know the difference between right and wrong.
- Q. No more than shaking hands with him.
- A. No more than that. May I make an explanation here?
- Q. Certainly, Doctor.
- A. When I examined him at the Tombs his chief concern seemed to be that he was in a very nice place, that he liked the food and would like to stay there.
- Q. They have every possible comfort, is not that true.
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Was not that the talk of a rational man.
- A. Hardly, a man would not prefer to stay in the Tombs, but he preferred it to his own home.
- Q. When he told you that he had a comfortable place and had nice food and everything was nice, was that rational or irrational talk.
- A. That I cannot say but I should judge it was not pleasant to be in there and to receive the treatment there.



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- Q. It is not pleasant for anybody to be confined in any institution, innocent or guilty, but he went on to tell you that although he was there everything was kindly done to him and he had good food, didn't he.
- A. Yes sir, he said he had good food.
- Q. Well, is that the language of a crazy person or the language of a sane man.
- A. In my case I should object to it, I cannot answer for him. I cannot put myself in his place.
- Q. When he told you that the food was good, that everything was comfortable around him and that he was kindly treated--
- A. How often have you been in the Tombs visiting there.
- A. I have been there five or six times altogether.
- Q. Have you ever found anything in the Tombs to contradict this imbecile's statement when he stated that he was kindly treated and the food was good -- have you ever seen anything other than to corroborate this imbecile's assertion when he said he had good food and he was treated kindly and everything was comfortable.
- A. I have seen the other men who objected to it and I suppose I would not care for it myself.
- Q. You have been there half a dozen times, have you ever heard that any inmate of the Tombs awaiting trial was unkindly treated, that the food was bad and that they were uncomfortable.
- A. No, I have not.
- Q. Very well, he must have told you the truth, he was rational enough to describe the life in the Tombs, was he not.
- A. Merely as to the food and the way he was treated, that was all.

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Q. What did he say about it.

A. He said he liked it and would like to stay there. You find that weak minded people are always satisfied.

Q. Considering your knowledge of the Tombs, does that make you believe this man to be rational or an imbecile, is that the way an imbecile would talk or an ordinary rational man, tell me.

A. Well, I would have to qualify that because the majority of men there would object to the food whilst other weak minded people would be very well satisfied with whatever food or treatment they received. They are very easily satisfied as long as their stomachs are filled.

Q. Are all weak minded people very easily satisfied.

A. Some have peculiar ideas.

Q. Don't some get very angry and irritable.

A. That depends on the insanity.

Q. Don't weak minded people get very easily provoked and more dissatisfied and discontented than the man blessed with a strong intellect.

A. As a rule if they are ordinarily well treated and well fed they are not discontented; when they become violent then they go on to the further stage, the stage of insanity and then they have vagaries, such as that the food was poisoned or some condition of that sort.

Q. Are not weak minded persons sometimes a hundred percent more obstinate than the man blessed with a full intellect

A. Yes sir, they are.

Q. Therefore they are not as easily satisfied as you have just said.

A. As regards food they are very easily satisfied.

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Q. How many weak minded people have you seen eat food.

A. I have seen probably one hundred and fifty or two hundred

Q. How many out of the two hundred and fifty are dissatisfied with the food provided it be good.

A. As far as I have been able to judge I have seen none of them dissatisfied, the majority of them eat heartily.

Q. Did you ever hear any person that was perfectly rational and sane confined in the Tombs tell you that the food was bad and he was unkindly treated.

A. I have not, not that they were unkindly treated, but as I have passed through I have heard them make remarks about the bread.

Q. Have you ever seen the bread.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you ever seen better looking bread.

A. No sir.

Q. Did you ever see better bread in your life.

A. That bread is very good, I have seen it myself on the Island in the institutions there.

Q. Then these rational prisoners who complained of the bread did so without reason.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. Do you believe that this man is capable of understanding the nature of his own acts, the ordinary transactions of life.

A. As regards right and wrong I hardly think he is, he is a man who is very easily led.

Q. The records of this Court show that in 1885 about three years ago, in July, he was indicted by the Grand Jury for the crime of burglary in the third degree, it now appears

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from an indictment recently found that he is indicted for grand larceny, is he capable of forming a design to steal.

A. I hardly think he is, he can take as a child would. A child would be attracted by something and take it, but as performing a complicated scheme for stealing I doubt if his brain is strong enough to do that.

Q. Is he capable of forming a design to commit a plain, easy burglary.

A. If he saw something he might be attracted by it and take it as a child would.

Q. He would have sufficient mind to operate upon to create some things.

A. Yes sir.

Q. But having committed a burglary, having committed a larceny, manifesting this disposition from time to time to take things that did not belong to him while that condition of things exists if he's indicted for taking them he has not intelligence to make any defence.

A. He might realize that he done ~~was~~ what was not right but at the time he was taking it I do not think he had any idea of the distinction between right and wrong.

The Jury rendered a verdict that the defendant was imbecile. The defendant was remanded for further disposition,

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Testimony in the  
case of  
James Halligan

filed Sept.

1887

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Police Court—2 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

of No.

occupation

Street,

aged

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years,

being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the

6<sup>th</sup>

day of

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at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz.

One Silver  
Watch; one gold chain and  
one gold pencil of the  
total value of  
(\$30.) Thirty dollars.

the property of

Deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by

James Halligan (now  
here) for the reason that he  
admitted and confessed in  
open Court, and in presence  
of William Gray of the 20<sup>th</sup> Precinct  
Police, that the (Halligan)  
took, stole and pawned said  
property, and Deponent now  
asks that said Defendant  
be dealt with as the law  
directs

James Halligan

Sworn to before me, this

day

of

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Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 34 years, occupation William Gray of No. 20th Street  
Greenwich Village  
Street, being duly sworn deposes and

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of Sept 1888

William Gray

John J. Horner  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss  
OF NEW YORK,

*James J. Halligan* 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.

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.

*James Halligan*

Taken before me this

day of

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*John J. Halligan*  
Police Justice.



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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Seven 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 188 John Herman 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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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*James Teal*  
*497 1/2 Ave*  
*James H. Huggins*  
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BAILED,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Dated *Sept 11th* 188*4*

*Gorman* Magistrate

*Gray* Officer.

*Gray* Precinct.

Witnesses *Gray*

No. *20th* Police Street.

No. *Dr. Henry Pierce* Street.  
*2072 1/2 Ave*

No. *Dr. Edgar T. Weed* Street.  
*128 W. 130*

\$ *700* to answer

*Call*



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*Department of  
Public Charities and Correction.*

THOMAS S. BRENNAN, HENRY H. PORTER, CHARLES E. SIMMONS, Comrs.  
Office of City Prison, Cor. Franklin and Center Streets,

JAMES FINN,  
Warden.

New York, Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 188

Mr Henry A. Eldersleeve  
Judge Court of General Sessions  
Dear Sir

I respectfully  
rebut to you that James Halligan  
now confined in the House of  
Corrections is an imbecile and  
incapable, unable to distinguish  
between right and wrong in my  
opinion he should be sent out  
of the asylum

Respectfully  
William L. Hardy M.D.



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EDGAR T. WEED, M. D.,  
128 W. 130TH ST.,  
N. Y. \*

Thank you for the kind letter about  
of the matter which I have  
been

Yours respectfully,  
Edgar T. Weed, M.D.

Yours  
Edgar T. Weed

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2072 SIXTH AVENUE.

New York Oct 6, 1887  
Hon. R. B. Martine  
Dist Atty N.Y. City  
Dear Sir

In accordance with  
your instructions I examined  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> inst James Halligan  
now confined at the Tombs  
I find him to be of Unsound  
mind

Yrs Resp<sup>ly</sup>  
Henry T. Ferriss



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2072 SIXTH AVENUE.

New York Oct 4 '87  
Hon. R. B. Martin  
Dist. Atty. N.Y. City  
Dear Sir

Pursuant to picture-  
taking from you I have today  
examined into the mental  
condition of Jas. Halligan  
now confined in the Tombs  
in charge of Grand Juror  
In my opinion he is  
of sound mind

Respectfully  
Henry T. Lewis



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Bellvue Hospital

- Sept 27. 17.

This is to certify that James  
Walligan, was admitted to this  
institution April 30/86 and  
discharged May 3/86 to the  
care of friend

Diagnosis - Supposed Insanity

M. J. Rickard  
Chk.

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District Attorney's Office.

City & County of

New York

The People

vs

James Halligan

Let an examination  
be made as to defts. sanity.  
Sept 30. 1887

R.B.M.

To  
Mr Parker

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Sept 26 1887.

No.

Hon Frederick Smythe.  
Recorder.

Honorable Sir.

I desire to call your attention to the case of my son James Halligan who is indicted for ~~Grand Larceny~~ "in the Second degree" and pleaded guilty to the same. In the summer of 1885 I requested the appointment of two physicians to test his sanity and Judge. Giddens appointed Dr. Hardy and another who were connected with the Department of Prisons and Correction of this City and they reported that he was an imbecile and a simpleton.

In March of this year he was taken up in the streets and placed in the insane pavilion at Bellevue Hospital. He is subject to fits. I am informed that when my messenger called, with some under

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clothing, the keeper at the Trunks said  
that he was crazy. He is generally designated  
by the neighbors as "Crazy Jimmy." I have  
no doubt that an examination would develop  
the fact that he is a simpleton, an imbecile  
and not responsible for his actions.  
I am an inviolated man and have been con-  
fined to my room for upwards of a  
year otherwise I would call upon you  
personally.

Respect yours

John Halligan

353 West 26th St

People

15  
Jas. Halligan



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

*District Attorney's Office.  
City & County of  
New York.*

*Copy*

TO :

THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY,  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,  
COURT HOUSE, NEW YORK.

*C. H. Barker*



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OR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

District Attorneys Office.  
City & County of  
New York.

*Copy*

Received of

for

the sum of

Five

dollars

to the order of

the District Attorneys Office

City & County of New York

for the sum of

Five hundred

dollars

*C. D. Barker*

City & County of New York

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

*District Attorney's Office,  
City & County of  
New York.*

*Oct 7*

October 6th 1887. *1887-*

Dr. Henry T. Pierce  
2072 Sixth Avenue,  
City.

Dear Sir :

In your report of October 4th concerning the mental condition of James Halligan, heretofore examined by you, in the sentence "In my opinion he is of                      mind" The word in the blank space is illegible. I am unable to determine whether it is "sound" or "unsound" - the material point.

Will you kindly inform me the correct reading at your earliest convenience, and oblige

Yours respectfully,

*A. D. Barker*

Chief Clerk.

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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

*James Halligan*

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

*James Halligan*

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

The said

*James Halligan,*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
~~sixteenth~~ day of ~~August~~, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~seven~~, at the City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

*one watch of the value of  
twenty dollars, one chain  
of the value of fifteen  
dollars, and one pencil of the  
value of five dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*James Halligan*

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

*Charles J. Smith*

District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2636

DESCRIPTION:

Ham, Crowell A.

DATE:

09/20/87



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Witnesses:

Julius Roberts

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\$169

Counsel,

Filed, 20 day of Sept. 1887

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Crowell A. Ham  
Pr. No. 2/87  
Blue forfeited bail.

Grand Larceny, Second degree  
[Sections 528, 531 Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Chas. J. DeForest  
July 7, 1887

A True Bill.

Chas. J. DeForest

Foreman.

W. H. D.

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Sec. 151.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, }

ss.

In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County  
of New York, or to any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING:

Police Court

District.

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Julius Robertson  
of No. 39 Spruce Street, that on the 23 day of July  
1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

one Corvill A. Ham did steal and  
carry away Two hundred and eighty  
dollars from the possession of  
Complainant

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

These are Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant and bring him  
forthwith before me, at the 4 DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence  
or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to  
be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this

day of

23rd September 1888

POLICE JUSTICE.

State of New York,

ss :

County of Tompkins.

Jacob Tooker being duly sworn says, he is a police  
officer of the City of New York, in New York County, New York,  
that he resides at No. 30 Sutton Place in the City of New York,  
New York County, N.Y. that the name of Andrew J. White purporting  
to be signed to the above warrant is the handwriting of Andrew J.  
White who is one of the police justices of the city of New  
York, New York County, N.Y. by whom the annexed warrant was  
issued.

Sworn to before me this 13th:

day of December, 1886.

Albion  
Julius Robertson

Jacob Tooker

8/15/86

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*9th Ave*

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

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Warrant-General.

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

Magistrate

Officer.

The Defendant *Crowell A. Ham*

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

*age 37. U.S. Res Newfield -  
- Tompkins Co. N.Y.*

Dated *December 14* 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

Police Justice.

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

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

The within named

*This Warrant being  
served by Constable  
No. 13, 1888*

*Let it be  
served by Constable  
No. 13, 1888*

Police Justice.



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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 39 Spruce Street, aged 37 years,  
 occupation Shoe and Leather Merchant being duly sworn  
 deposes and says, that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1886 at the City of New  
 York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
 of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

Good and lawful money  
of the United States of the  
amount and value of Two Hundred  
and Eighty-Dollars

the property of Leopold Robertson and  
this deponent as co-partners

and that this deponent  
 has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
 and carried away by Ernest A. Han (now here)  
 for the reasons following, to wit:  
 on the above described date this  
 deponent gave to the said de-  
 fendant the said money to  
 purchase sixty-eight perf-  
 umes. The said defendant  
 having since said date having  
 failed to return the said money  
 which was to be converted into  
 leather or the value thereof  
 and having appropriated the  
 said money to his own use  
 charges the said defendant with  
 the Larceny thereof.

Julius Robertson

Sworn to before me, this  
23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1886  
Charles J. [Signature]  
 Police Justice.



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Sec. 198—200.

124 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss  
OF NEW YORK,

*Crowell A. Harner* 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

*Crowell A. Harner*

Question How old are you?

Answer

*37 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*United States*

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

Answer.

*Newfield N.Y. 37 years.*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

*Farmer*

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*  
*Crowell A. Harner*

Taken before me this

*14th*

day of *December* 188*8*

*Michael J. Harner*  
Police Justice.

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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

Rowell A. Harris  
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 December 18 188

[Signature] 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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1875  
Police Court— 17th District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Julius Robertson  
39 Spruce St  
Crawell A. Hays

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BAILED,  
No. 1, by Otto Dietz  
Residence 247 Centre Street.

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Dated December 14 188 6

White Magistrate.

James Officer.

H. H. H. Precinct Ch

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

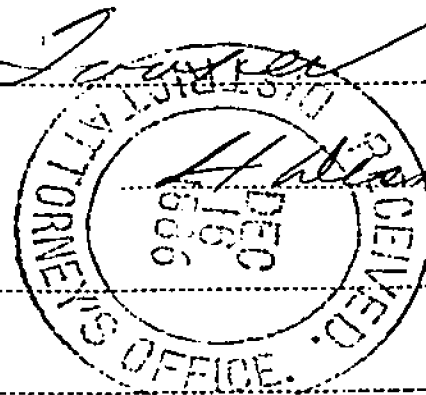
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

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

\$ 10000 to answer GS

Bail Com





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Court of General Sessions, PART One

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Crowell A. Ham

INDICTMENT

For

To

M

Otto Dietz

No.

247

Centre

Street,

The indictment against the above-named defendant, for whose appearance you are bound, has been placed upon the Calendar for pleading at the Court of GENERAL SESSIONS of the Peace, at the Sessions Building, adjoining the New Court House, in the Park of the said City, on \_\_\_\_\_ the 21 day of September instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

If the defendant is not produced at that time, your bond will be forfeited.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

*District Attorney.*



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Let this case stand  
over until 1st Tuesday of  
Oct. in pleading R.B.H.  
Sept 23/87

To Mr Parker

Put with papers  
out

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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

Ronald A. Stam

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

Ronald A. Stam —

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

The said Ronald A. Stam,

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

divers promissory notes for  
the payment of money of  
a number, kind and denom-  
ination to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, for the  
payment of and of the  
value of two hundred and  
eighty dollars, —

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Julius Robertson, —

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

Handwritten signature

District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2636

DESCRIPTION:

Harris, Julius

DATE:

09/07/87



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*Friday*

Witnesses:

*Dr. Stemberger*  
*Capt. H. M. Hall*  
*J. Hartman*

*We appear as to*  
*W. Weitzel*  
*Comptroller*  
*in request that*  
*the said*  
*be accepted*

*Fl*

#5 *Q. A. Fox*

Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed *7* day of *Sept* 188*7*  
Pleads, *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*Julius Harris*  
Grand Larceny *second* degree  
[Sections 528, 531 Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

*Sept 13/87*  
*pleads guilty 16.*  
A True Bill.

*Chas. J. Van Horn*  
Foreman.  
*Ed. R. [unclear]*



N.B. The Complainant joins in prayer for  
 Mercy. See his signature at end of papers  
 W.F. Howe  
 Court of General Sessions

The People &c  
 against  
 Julius Harris

City & County of New York ss  
 Herman Fox being duly  
 sworn says, I reside at No. 207  
 N. 133<sup>rd</sup> Street. I have resided  
 in New York City about thirty  
 years. I know the prisoner  
 Julius Harris, and have known  
 him since his infancy. I  
 have known his parents during  
 their lifetime. - Said Julius was  
 born in the month of March 1864  
 at Boston Mass. After his birth  
 his parents moved to Wheeling  
 W. Virginia and resided there  
 about two years, and then returned  
 to this City. - The father of said  
 Julius who was a Merchant  
 Tailor there died about 6 or  
 7 years ago - his mother died  
 about three years ago. - During  
 the lifetime of his parents he resi-  
 ded with them. - After his

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On mother's death he was obliged  
to earn his own living, being left  
without means. He has a brother  
now about 13 years of age who  
upon the death of his mother  
was sent to an Orphan Asylum  
Julien since the death of his  
mother has lived among strangers.  
During the lifetime of his parents  
he was a good and obedient boy  
and since he has at all times  
behaved in an honorable and  
respectful manner except the  
commission of the crime now held  
on. I know of no other  
misdemeanor or crime committed by  
him, and all persons who know  
him, speak well of him. -

Given to my hand

September 14<sup>th</sup> 1887

Witness my hand

W. B. Lister

Notary Public  
N.Y.C.

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Court of General Sessions  
New York City

The People &c  
vs:  
Julius Harris

Grand Larceny.

City and County of New York. Ss.

Julius Harris being duly sworn deposes and says:  
I am the above named defendant and am 20  
years of age. I have resided in this City for the past 16 years -  
and have supported myself by honorable toil since my  
thirteenth year.

I was never before arrested for any offence prior to the  
present and up to the time of my arrest on the present  
charge I was never charged with or guilty of any criminal  
offence.

I have been but recently married on August 7<sup>th</sup> 1884  
(one week prior to my arrest) and was living with my wife at  
No 446 Sixth Avenue in the City of Brooklyn at the time of  
my arrest.

I solemnly swear that at the time I procured the goods  
(which are the subject of this charge) and pledged them  
with the pawnbrokers, it was my intention to redeem  
them as quickly as I could with what money I could  
realize from my relatives, and return the goods to the  
rightful owners, and I had no idea that committing



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the act which I did was stealing or the committing of a criminal offense, if I had such a thought I could have easily stolen thousands of dollars worth of valuable property in the same way.

I deeply regret and feel very keenly my present humiliating position and I humbly request the Court to be merciful with me and give me a chance to reform as my present condition is the result of bad companions with whom I associated prior to my marriage and I feel that with my good wife's good influences and the Court's merciful interposition I will hereafter be a credit to her and to the community.

Sworn to before me this

14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887

*Julius Harris*

Commissioner of Beeds

New York City.



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N. Y. General Sessions.

The People &c

vs:

Julius Harris

City and County of New York. S. S.

Gertrude Harris duly sworn deposes  
and says:

I am the wife of the above named defendant.

I am 19 years of age and since my husband's arrest I have been residing with my parents at No 238. East- 114<sup>th</sup>. Street — in this City.

I was married less than six weeks ago to Julius Harris the above named defendant; prior to my husband's arrest and at the time of his arrest we were living together at 446 Sixth Avenue in the City of Brooklyn.

I was acquainted with my husband for about two years before our marriage.

I always looked upon him as an honest-respectable sober young man.

He worked daily and seemed to me to be attentive to his business until his association with bad companions, which I have ascertained is the sole cause of his present condition.

I earnestly beseech the Court to be merciful to my husband and give him a chance to reform.

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believing that this offence has been a warning  
to him, and that when he is liberated from  
confinement he will become a useful and  
dutiful citizen of the community, as well as  
a faithful and kind husband.

Sworn to before me this

14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887

} Mrs. Gertrude Harris

Joseph T. Mosby

Commissioner of Beeds

N. Y. City.

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W E, the undersigned, merchants and tradesmen doing business in the City of New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that JULIUS HARRIS, who was up to the time of his arrest in the employ of P. Hartman of 36 Maiden Lane, this City has always prior to the commission of the offence, for which he is at present in custody been a young man of honesty, probity, industry and general good conduct, and prior to the present instance we never knew of his having been accused of any offence of any description whatever.

We cheerfully join in recommending him to the merciful consideration of the Court, feeling there is every chance for his reformation and future good character if he is saved the disgrace of imprisonment in the State Prison.

*Francis Hunter 358 Bklyn*

*S. F. Myers & Co. 48-50 Maiden Lane. Former Employer*

*David W. Smith 33 Maiden Lane*  
*of Mr. Smith & Co*

*William A. Smith #23 Maiden Lane*

Complainant

*James A. Smith*  
*...*

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

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

Sworn to before me this  
day of

18

N. D. Court of General Sessions

The People of the City and County of New York  
Plaintiff  
against

Julius Harris  
Defendant.

Affidavits and  
Petition.

HOWE & HUMMEL,

Attorneys for Plaintiff

87 & 89 CENTRE ST., New York City.

Due and timely service of copy of the within  
hereby admitted  
this day of 18

Attorney.

To



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Police Court First District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.of No. 73 Nassau Street, aged 31 years,occupation Jeweller being duly sworndeposes and says, that on the 9 day of August 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

One pair of ladies diamond  
Earrings of the value of  
Three hundred dollars  
(\$ 300 00/100)

the property of

Elias M. Kleiberger and  
in the care and custody of deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by Julius Harris (nowhere)

from the fact that at about 10 <sup>30</sup>  
o'clock A.M. of the above datesaid  
defendant came to deponents place  
of business at the above number  
and represented to deponent that  
he had a customer for a pair of  
diamond Earrings by the name  
of S. P. Jones who was a dealer  
in rag on 17<sup>th</sup> street between 3<sup>rd</sup>  
and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues and promised  
to return the Earrings or the above  
amount of money in lieu of them  
the next day. Deponent relying  
upon the representations so made

Sworn to before me, this

188

day

Police Justice.

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to him by said defendant he deponent gave to defendant the aforesaid property with instructions that if said Customer did not purchase said property and pay for it at once not to leave said property but return it to deponent the following day. - Deponent further says that defendant again called the following day at his place of business and informed deponent that he had left said property with a party in Long Branch and promised again to return them the following day (August 11, 1889). Defendant called at Deponents place of business Friday August 12, and promised to positively return said property the following day (Saturday). Deponent further says that on Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup> 1889 he met defendant on Maiden Lane when he admitted and confessed to deponent that he had pawned the aforesaid property and then went to deponents place of business and admitted and confessed to deponent in the presence of deponents father Elias M. Kleinberger that he had pawned the said property and had appropriated the money realized thereon to his own use and benefit. Therefore deponent prays that said defendant be held to answer and docket with as the law directs.

Given to before me  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1889 } Daniel Kleinberger  
J. Henry B. B. }  
Police Justice

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Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

*Julius Harris* 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

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 have nothing to say  
at present*

*Julius Harris*

Taken before me this

day of *June* 188*8*

Police Justice.



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

*Defendant*  
\_\_\_\_\_ guilty thereof I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *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 *Aug 15* 188 \_\_\_\_\_ 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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Police Court-- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*David Klembing*  
*73 Nassau*  
*Julius Harris*

Offence *Grand Larceny*

BAILED,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Witnesses

*Robt B. Lester*

*23 Maiden Lane*

*Peter Hartman*

*38 Maiden Lane*

Dated *Aug 15* 188*7*

Magistrate.

*Capt. McLaughlin*  
*and Jas. Oates*

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses *David N. Smith*

No. *33 Maiden Lane* Street.

*Marcus M. Meyer*

No. *50 Maiden Lane* Street.

*Allen B. Smith*

No. *9 Maiden Lane* Street.

*2500* to answer

*See back of Papers*

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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

*Julius Harms*

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

*Julius Harms*

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

The said *Julius Harms*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*ninth* day of *August*, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven*, at the City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

*Two savings of the value of*  
*one hundred and fifty dollars*  
*each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Eliza M. Klendwager,*

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

*Handwritten signature of District Attorney*

District Attorney.

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Hennessey, James

DATE:

09/19/87



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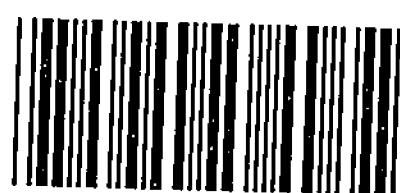
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Harris, Louis

DATE:

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Cornelia M. Brumbyhoff  
Off. Jefferson County, Ky.

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A  
Chester

Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Filed, 19 day of Sept 1887  
 Pleads, Adversely 20

# THE PEOPLE

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W. Marshall  
10/14

vs.

Louis Harris

41 paid - and P1

James Hemmerson

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*District Attorney.*

Pls Oct 2/09 ~~Mr~~  
 Mr Head & Co.  
 Mr Head & Co.  
 A True Bill. per Mr.

# A True

Quint. de Grand

*Foreman,*

*Florence*

**Grand Larceny** **دِغَر** degree [Sections 528, 531 **دِغَر**, Penal Code].

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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 54 East 7th Street, aged 45 years,

occupation Housekeeper being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 1st day of September 188 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

Two silver forks; one pie knife; one sugar sifter;  
 Twelve coffee spoons; twelve hot picks; two  
 nut crackers; six napkin rings; two cloth  
 oven coats; & one silver headed cane; all of  
 which property is valued in the  
 sum of at the least One Hundred  
 Dollars

\$100.00

the property of Deponent & her husband & son  
 & in Deponent's charge

and that this deponent  
 has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
 and carried away by Louis Harris; and James

Hennessey (both now present) from  
 the following facts to-wit:

That Deponent is informed by  
 Jefferson Morrill a police officer  
 of the 25th Police Precinct, that  
 he Morrill at the time mentioned found  
 the above described property  
 in the possession of Defendants; De-  
 fendant Harris having in his possession  
 one of the said coats; while Defendant  
 Hennessey had the remaining portion of  
 said property in his Defendant's possession.  
 That Defendants were not authorized to take said  
 property into their possession.

Cornelia M. Brinckerhoff

Sworn to before me, this

of September 1887

Samuel C. Brinckerhoff Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*Louis Harris* 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.

*Louis Harris*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

*W.B.*

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

Answer.

*176 Forsythe Street. 2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer,

*Employed in B. Jones Hair, 106th St. & 2 Ave.*

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 met Kennedy on the street  
he had a money bag & asked  
me to carry it.*

*End of exam*

Taken before me this

day of

*Sept*

1887

at

*106th St.*

City of New York

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198—200.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

District Police Court.

*James Hennessy* 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.

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 have nothing to say.*  
*James Hennessy.*

Taken before me this

day of

*September*

188

at

*Police Justice.*



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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 W. J. Hudson

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Fifty 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. 7 188

Sam'l C. Smith 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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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1 *Cornelia M. Brinkhoff*  
2 *vs* *54* *78*  
3 *Louis Harris*  
4 *James Hennessey*

*Office of the  
Clerk*

BAILED,

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Dated *Sept. 8* 188 *7*

*O'Reilly* Magistrate.

*Miomell* Officer.

*25* Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

\$ *15.00* to answer *Paul*

COMMITTED.

0087

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
against

Louis Harris and  
James Hemmery

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

Louis Harris and James Hemmery

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

The said Louis Harris and James  
Hemmery, both —

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
Eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, at the City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

Two dollars each, one bundle of  
the value of two dollars, one sugar  
cutter, of the value of two dollars,  
four spoons of the value of two  
dollars each, twelve pairs of  
the value of one dollar each, two  
pairs of the value of two  
dollars each, six napkin rings of the  
value of three dollars each, two  
overcoats of the value of twenty  
dollars each, and one case of the  
value of five dollars, —

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Rosalie M. Brundage. —

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



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SECOND COUNT—

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

*Danis Harris and James Hemmery*  
of the CRIME OF CRIMINALLY RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY, committed as follows:

The said *Danis Harris and James Hemmery, both* —

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, with force and arms, *the goods,*

*chattels and personal property in*  
*the first count of this indictment*  
*particularly described,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of *the said Comelia*  
*van Brinckerhoff, —*

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

*Comelia v. Brinckerhoff —*

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

*Danis Harris and James Hemmery*

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

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

District Attorney.



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DESCRIPTION:

Harris, Mary

DATE:

09/14/87



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Counsel,  
Filed day of Sept 188  
Pleads

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Mary Harris  
(Sept. 29/40)  
Grand Larceny in the  
(MONEY)  
(Sec. 528 and 531, Penal Code)

Frank A. Conner (att)  
Randolph B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

Sept 29 1940

A True Bill.

Alvin C. DeForest

Foreman.  
I am a deputy sheriff and I am  
not a party to this case  
and I am not a party to  
this case.

Witnesses:

Mary Harris  
Off Geo A. Neal 22nd St. Jail

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Police Court—11 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.Mamie Marks  
of No. 74 West 53<sup>rd</sup> Street, aged 28 years,  
occupation Housekeeper being duly sworndeposes and says, that on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :A pocket book containing Seventy  
three dollars and fifty Cents Gold  
and lawful money

the property of

deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by Mary Harris now present  
from the fact that about one O'clock  
P.M. on said day deponent visited a  
friend in premises 829. Seventh Avenue  
and before going to dinner deponent  
placed her pocketbook on the sideboard  
of the dining room. That the defendant  
was a servant in the place and by reason  
of her employment as such, had access  
to the dining room and went in and  
out several times during dinner. That  
when deponent was about leaving she missed  
the property and discovered that the defendant  
~~had~~ had left the house. That when the  
defendant returned and was accused of

Sworn to before me this

1887

Police Justice



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Taking the property she denied having committed the larceny but expressed a willingness to return the money rather than be arrested. That she thereupon returned seven ten dollar bills and some other money and attempted to destroy two of the bills to prevent discovery or identification by deponent.

Deponent further says that at the time of the larceny the pocketbook contained seven ten dollar bills, one of which was somewhat mutilated, and immediately identified by deponent among the bills returned by the defendants after her arrest.

Wherefore deponent charges said Mary with the larceny of the property in question.

Framie Marks

Subscribed before me this  
5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887

Sam'l C. Bell (Police Justice)



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Mary Harris*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

*North Carolina*

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

Answer.

*In West 26<sup>th</sup> Street*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer,

*Servant*

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 of the charge*

*Mary Harris*  
*M.H.*

Taken before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 188

Police Justice.

The People } Court of General Session. Part I.  
 Mary<sup>W.</sup> Harris } Before Judge Cowing  
 September 29. 1887. Indictment for grand larceny  
 in the second degree.

Maggie Marks, sworn and examined,  
 I live 74 West Fifty Third St.; on the 4<sup>th</sup> of Sept  
 I was visiting a friend at 879 Seventh Avenue.  
 I had a pocket book containing seventy three  
 dollars and fifty cents - there were seven  
 ten dollar bills and I recognized the money  
 by a torn ten dollar bill. Before taking my  
 seat at the dinner table I laid my pocket  
 book with this money in it on the buffet;  
 after dinner the defendant went out about  
 eight o'clock, I was going home and I missed  
 my pocket book and the girl was gone; she  
 came back about ten o'clock and the lady  
 of the house asked her if she had seen my  
 pocket book? She said, "no." I then accused  
 her of taking the money and offered her  
 five dollars if she would give it back to  
 me; she said she did not have any  
 money. Then I went out and called an  
 officer in and he searched her and  
 found this money; there was seventy five  
 dollars found on her, but the pocket book  
 was missing. I recognized one of the  
 ten dollar bills because it was torn.  
 (The money now shown me is my money.

When the defendant found the officer had come in she tore up two of the ten dollar bills; she was willing to give the money up rather than go to the station house, but she would not admit that she stole it. Before the defendant went out she came to the lady of the house and borrowed a quarter of a dollar for car fare. Cross examined. I am married and have kept house since last January; my husband is a book maker. I have been acquainted with the lady I visited at Seventh Avenue two years; she is a married lady and her husband lives in the house with her. I went there at one o'clock and I had conversation with her and with a lady who was visiting there, Mrs. Cole of Philadelphia. That is the first time I ever saw her. I had no conversation with any other person and did not meet any person while ~~she~~ ~~was~~ there. I did not snatch a roll of bills from the defendant when she came back at ten o'clock, and it is not true that in the struggle the ten dollar bill was ~~torn~~. I did not see the money with her until she was searched in her own room. When the officer came in she ran into the bath room and said, "My Lord." When I came back with the officer the defendant was still in the house.



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George A. Neal sworn. I am an officer of the 2<sup>nd</sup> precinct and arrested the defendant in the premises 829 Seventh ave. on the 4<sup>th</sup> of Sept. upon the complaint of Mrs. Marks, who came to me on my post. When I got to the house I told the defendant that Mrs. Marks accused her of stealing her money. She said, "I didn't steal her money, I done gone, I got no money." I says, "How much have you got?" She handed me out of her pocket four ten dollar bills, a two dollar bill, one dollar in silver, a 25-cent piece, a ten-cent piece and two pennies; she said, "That is all I have got." I said to Mrs. Marks, holding the ten dollar bills up, "Is there any of that money you can identify?" She said she could identify one bill by its being torn on the side and dark on the back. The defendant picked up the other money and tore it up and ran in the bath room and tried to throw it in the water closet. I got \$75.34 altogether. She said to the lady of the house, "Don't let him lock me up, I will be done gone, I give the money to him." She gave the balance of the money to the lady of the house and she gave it to me; the defendant tore two ten dollar bills; she did not say where she got the money. Cross Examined The money



was laid out on the bed. I don't know any thing about this house in Seventh Avenue.

Mary Harris sworn and examined in her own behalf. I came from North Carolina and am a cook. I am positive the woman I worked for in Seventh Avenue keeps a bed house. <sup>Her name is Mrs. Holmes.</sup> I saw the complainant there on the day in question, but I did not take her money. I worked for the money I had. I went out that night after dinner and I borrowed a quarter of Mrs. Holmes. I did not want to break into my big money. Mrs. Marks accused me of taking her money. I told her I did not see it. The officer came and I showed him my money, about \$75. He put it out on the bed. Mrs. Marks, the officer and myself grabbed for the money. The officer said we had to go to Court. I did not offer to give back the money.

Henry S. Med sworn. I am the father of Mrs. Nauman who lives at 35 West Thirty first St.; my daughter is very sick and could not come to Court; the defendant worked for her as cook for a month or six weeks. I never had any complaints about her dishonesty.

June Holmes sworn. It is a respectable flat house where I live; the defendant borrowed 25 cents of me on the night in question.

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Maria C. Vanderbergsworn. I

Keep an intelligence office. I know the prisoner seven months. Three or four days before she was arrested she made the remark in my office that her father had died a short time before, that he was a clergyman, and she could not go home because she had no money.

The jury rendered a verdict of guilty.

(The money now shown me is my money)

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Testimony in the

case of

Mary Harris

= filed

Sept. 1887.



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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

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

Dated September 5 188

Sam'l C. Smith 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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165) 1445  
Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Nannie Marks  
74 West 59,  
Manhattan

Offence  
Selling  
Selling

2  
3  
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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

Dated September 5 188

J. Reilly Magistrate.  
George A. Neal Officer.  
22 Precinct.

Witnesses Call the officer

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$ 15.00 to answer

COMMITTED.

0102

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Mary Harris*

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

*Mary Harris*

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

The said *Mary Harris*.

(57359) late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *fourth* day of *September*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *seven*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *day* time of the same day. *three* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury notes), of the denomination of twenty dollars, and of the value of twenty dollars *each*; *seven* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury notes), of the denomination of ten dollars, and of the value of ten dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury notes), of the denomination of five dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of two dollars, and of the value of two dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of one dollar, and of the value of one dollar *each*; *two* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of twenty dollars *each*; *seven* promissory notes for the payment of money, (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of ten dollars *each*; *five* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of five dollars *each*; *two* United States Silver Certificate of the

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denomination and value of twenty dollars *each*; *Five* United States Silver  
Certificates of the denomination and value of ten dollars *each*; *Five* United  
States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of five dollars *each*; *Five*  
United States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of two dollars *each*;  
*Five* United States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of one dollar  
*each*; *Five* United States Gold Certificates of the denomination and value of  
twenty dollars *each*; *Five* United States Gold Certificates of the denomination  
and value of ten dollars *each*; *Five* United States Gold Certificates of the  
denomination and value of five dollars *each*; and divers coins, of a number, kind  
and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of *Three*  
*dollars and fifty cents, and one*  
*percent each of the value of one*  
*dollar,*

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels, and personal property of one \_\_\_\_\_

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

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
*District Attorney.*

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DESCRIPTION:  
Harrison, George

DATE:  
09/20/87



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Witnesses:

J.D. McLaughlin  
Off-Keeper

Laurel. Smith  
Duck Sept 8  
Port Charlotte  
Sept 1 kept for  
Camp 1001 Chum

Sept 1000 us  
before for 1000  
Camp 1000

Counsel,

Filed, 20 day of Sept 1887

Pleads, Indigently (20)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

2

George Harrison

[Section 206, Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

Pr Sept 27/87 District Attorney.

Head April 27/87

A True Bill.

Chas J. DeForest

Foreman.

J. M. or 1000 427

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0106

Police Court—3<sup>rd</sup> District.

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

of No. 128 Park Row Street, aged 25 years,  
occupation Waiter being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

George Harrison, now here, who  
with intent to disfigure de-  
ponent did repeatedly bite out  
a piece of flesh from deponent's  
chin with his teeth, thereby  
seriously disfiguring deponent's  
person by mutilation thereof

with the felonious intent to ~~take the life of deponent, and~~ 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 be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 6<sup>th</sup> day  
of September 1887.

James J. Laughlin  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198—200

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*George Harrison* 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.

*George Harrison*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*21 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

*New York City*

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

Answer.

*51 Park St. all my life*

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 have nothing to say at present*

*Geo. Harrison*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.



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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 \_\_\_\_\_

George Harrison  
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 June 1 188 Wm. P. Hutton 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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Police Court--

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1440 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*James J. Laughlin*  
*128<sup>th</sup> Park Row*  
*George Harrison*

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Offence *Murdering*

BAILED,

No. 1, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 2, by .....

Residence ..... Street,

No. 3, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 4, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

Dated *September 6* 188

*Patterson* Magistrate.

*Morgan* Officer.

*1* Precinct.

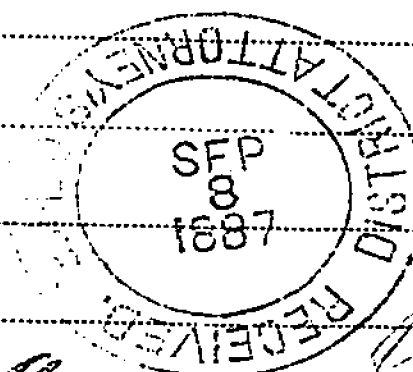
Witnesses .....

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

\$ *1000* to answer



*Comptroller*

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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 Harrison

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

George Harrison -  
of the CRIME of Maiming -

committed as follows:

The said George Harrison,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York afore-  
said, on the 21st day of September, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty seven, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms; he and upon one  
James J. Sanfordin, then and there  
present, unlawfully and feloniously did  
make an assault, and with intent him  
the said James J. Sanfordin, then and  
there to injure and disfigure, then and  
there feloniously and unlawfully did  
strike the person of the said James J. Sanfordin,  
and did then and there unlawfully and  
feloniously take off a portion of the  
skin of the said James J. Sanfordin,  
thereby injuring his person, and seriously  
disfiguring the same, against the form  
of the Statute in such case made,  
and provided, and against the peace of

