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Neeb, Henry

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Neeb, Christina

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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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M.S. SCHLOSS,  
Counsel at Law  
Bank Bldg. 87 E. 125 St. N.Y.  
L. A. Allen

Counsel,  
Filed, April 1924  
Plends of

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS.  
(Section 550, Penal Code.)

vs.  
THE PEOPLE,  
# Henry Neeb  
and  
Christina Neeb  
(2 cases)

DE LANCEY NICOLL

*De Lancey Nicoll, Attorney*  
*Do not sign this document*  
*Read & sign when*  
*A True Bill is returned*  
*of*  
*Alfred Calver*  
*Patrick McPherson*  
*110 1/2 Ave of the Americas*  
*Foreman*  
*Patrick James 15*  
*1924*  
*Bail discharged*  
*acted upon and signed*

Witnesses:

Harris Phillips  
off Mott

July 25/24

Bail acts cho!  
increased to \$1000  
by Judge Chantrel

The Municipal Court  
Neeb has already been  
a term of imprisonment  
in both cases  
and in the same case  
symbol keeps Neeb  
by making copies  
has our recognition  
Am 15/24  
and in 1924

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0156

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Christina Keel*

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

*Christina Keel*

of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY committed as follows:

The said

*Christina Keel*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *eleventh*  
day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
~~eighty~~*nineteen* at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one piece of cloth of the value  
of five dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Harris Phillips*

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

*De Lancy Nicoll,  
District Attorney.*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0157

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M. B. SOEHLLOSS,  
Counsel at Law,  
81 E. 125th St., N.Y.

Counsel, *M.B. Soehlloss*  
Filed *May 21 1891*  
Pleads, *M.B. Soehlloss*

[Sections 528, 532, Penal Code]

PETIT LARCENY.

vs. THE PEOPLE  
*John*  
*239 2 Ave. N.Y.*  
*Christina Reed*  
*(7 cases)*

DE LANCEY NICOLL

JOHN R. FELLOWS

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Alfred C. ...*

*Done April 21, 1891*

Foreman.

*Heads of ...*

*John ...*

Witnesses:

*W. Phillips*

*M. M. ...*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0158

Police Court, 5 District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York, }

Harris Phillips  
of No. 2207 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Street, aged 38 1/2 years,  
occupation Jailor being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the 11 day of February 1891, at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, Henry Neep and  
Christina Neep (now here) had

in their possession ~~having~~  
a quantity of cloth of the value  
of three hundred and eighty five  
dollars - (the property of deponent.)  
~~knowing~~ the said property to have  
been stolen, for the reasons following  
to wit, on various dates between  
January 1<sup>st</sup> 1890 and the 11<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 1891 - deponent missed  
from his place of business quantities  
of cloth, ~~etc~~

Deponent is informed by his  
son Abraham Phillips that on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 1891 -  
accompanied by Officer Mott of the  
29<sup>th</sup> Police Precinct, he visited  
the apartments occupied by said  
defendants at no 2390 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
and that he found in said  
apartments, the said property -  
which he identified as being part  
of the property stolen from deponent

Harris Phillips

Sworn to before me  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 1891

J. Quinn  
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0159

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Abraham Phillips

aged 22 years, occupation Sailor of No.

2207 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Harris Phillips

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

Sworn to before me, this 12  
day of July 1891

Abraham Phillips

P. J. [Signature]  
Police Justice.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Frederick J. Mott

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

29<sup>th</sup> Police Precinct Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Harris Phillips

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

Sworn to before me, this 12  
day of July 1891

Frederick J. Mott

P. J. [Signature]  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0160

Sec. 198-200.

5 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Henry Keel

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. Henry Keel

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 25 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Germany

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

Answer. 2390 - 2nd Avenue 6 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Sailor

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

Henry Keel

Taken before me this

12

day of February 1891

[Signature]

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK } ss.

*Christina Neep*

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. *Christina Neep*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *38 yrs*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *2390-2<sup>nd</sup> Ave* *6 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Tailorress*

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*  
*Griffin Hall*

Taken before me this

*12*

day of *Sept* 189*1*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0162

BAILED

No. 1, by Harry Mardon  
Residence 3311 124th St.

No. 2, by Robert M. Mardon  
Residence 3311 124th St.

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

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

Police Court, 5  
District, 206

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Harry Phillips  
2207 1st Ave  
Henry Neep  
Christina Neep

Offense, Received Stolen goods

Date, Feb 13 1891

Robert M. Mardon  
Magistrate

Witness Abraham Phillips  
No. 2207-3  
Street \_\_\_\_\_



No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
I will look to answer  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

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

Defendants

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same, and he be admitted to bail in the sum of (Ten) 1000 Hundred Dollars, each and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail

Dated, Feb 13 1891 P. J. Dineen Police Justice.

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

Dated, Feb 14 1891 P. J. Dineen Police Justice.

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

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

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0163

Police Court 5 District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, ss.

Norris Phillips

of No. 2207-3rd Avenue Street, aged 42 years, occupation Tailor being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 11 day of February 1897 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 piece of cloth of the value of five 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 Christina Neep (now here) for the reason following to wit:

On said date the said property was on a table in deponents place of business at no 2207-3rd Avenue Deponent is informed by his son Abraham Phillips, that he saw the Defendant take the said property from the said table and secrete it on her person.

Norris Phillips

Sworn to before me, this 12 day of February 1897 William Redick Justice

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0164

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Abraham Phillips*

aged 22 years, occupation Tailor of No.

2207 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Harris Phillips

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

Sworn to before me, this 12  
day of September 1891

*Abraham Phillips*

*J. D. [Signature]*  
Police Justice.

[Lined area for additional text or notes]

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0165

Sec. 198-200.

5 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Christina Neep

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 38 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Germany

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

Answer. 2390 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue 6 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Tailors

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

Josephine N. N.

Taken before me this 12  
day of February 1897  
W. J. J.  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0166

BAILED,  
 No. 1, by Henry Munn  
 Residence 331 E 12th St  
 No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court, 5 District, 205

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Henry Phillips  
2209 3rd Ave  
Christina Neep

Offense, Peter Larceny

Dated, Feb 12 1891

Diener Magistrate

Wright Officer

Witness Abraham Phillips  
29 Precinct

No. 2207-3rd Ave Street



No. 300 Street  
 to answer Advised

Ex July 13 - 9 - a.m.  
" 13 - 2.30 p.m.

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 (Three) 3.00 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, Feb 13 1891 Diener Police Justice.

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

Dated, Feb 14 1891 Diener Police Justice.

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

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 1891 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

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**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
*against*

*Henry Neel and  
Christina Neel*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment,  
accuse *Henry Neel and Christina Neel*  
of the CRIME OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, committed as follows:

The said *Henry Neel and Christina Neel*, both  
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*eleventh* day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and ~~eighty~~ *ninety one* at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,  
*one hundred yards of cloth of the value  
of three dollars and eighty five cents  
each yard*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Harris Phillips*

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

unlawfully and unjustly, did feloniously receive and have; the said *Henry  
Neel and Christina Neel*

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL.

~~JOHN R. FELLOWS,~~

District Attorney.

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Niederost, Xavier

**DATE:**

04/17/91



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**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0169

Counsel,

Filed,

Pleads,

1991

THE PEOPLE

vs.

[Sections 528, 531, 550 Pennl Code] and Larceny, Second Degree,

DE LANCY NICOLE

JOHN R. FINELOWE

District Attorney.

*Kamer Frederick*

*att. Gen. G. H. ...*

**A True Bill.**

*Emmett. Griffin*

*April 20, 1991 Foreman.*

*Edward J. ... P.S.M.*

Witnesses;

*Barbara Beckenberch*

*Officer Tabell*

*19 April*

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0170

Police Court 2 District. Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss:  
of New York,

Barbara Beckenberch

of No. 64 Avenue A. Street, aged 52 years,  
occupation Housekeeper being duly sworn,

deposes and says, that on the 14 day of April 1891 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 to the amount  
and value of eleven dollars and seventy-  
two cents - a ring, a stud, a breast  
pin and chain - all of the value  
of about thirty dollars \$30  
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 Xavier Videncost now here,

He said property was kept in a trunk  
in deponent's residence at 64 Avenue  
A. and deponent boarded there,  
deponent missed said property and  
suspected the deponent, and gave  
information to Officer William D.  
Sabell of the 19th Precinct, that

Sworn to before me this  
1891 day  
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Defendant had gone to a house  
in West 28th Street, and deponent  
is informed by said Tabele that  
on April 14 1891 he arrested the  
Defendant at said house in  
West 28th Street, with the said  
stolen property in his possession

Sworn to before me this 15 day  
of April 1891  
D. D. M. M. M.  
Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0172

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*William D. Labelle*

aged *30* years, occupation *Policeman* of No.

*19th Precinct*

Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

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

Sworn to before me, this *15*  
day of *April* 189*8*,

*William D. Labelle*

*W. W. M. M. M.*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0173

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Xavier Merwest* 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. *Xavier Merwest*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *22 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Switzerland*

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

Answer. *64 Avenue A.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Waiter.*

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*

*Xavier Merwest*

Taken before me this

day of *June* 19*21*

*15*

*W. J. ...*

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0174

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

Police Court 2 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

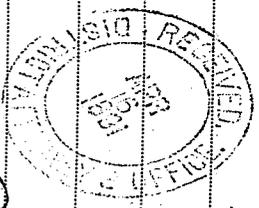
Barbara Backlund  
64 Ave A  
Xavier Niederst  
Larceny  
felony

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Offence \_\_\_\_\_

Date April 15 1891

W. D. Yalove  
Magistrate  
Officer

Witnesses  
Cecil W. Spain  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
Precinct 19



No. 18910  
to master  
C. J. [Signature]  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature]

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

~~Xavier Niederst~~

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 April 15 1891 [Signature] Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0175

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Xavier Nederost

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by  
this indictment, accuse Xavier Nederost

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

The said

Xavier Nederost

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety-one, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the  
day time of the same day, divers 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 a number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, for the  
payment of and of the value of eleven

dollars; divers other promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due  
and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as Bank Notes), of a number and denomination  
to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, for the payment of and of the value of  
eleven

dollars; divers United States Silver Certificates of a number and denomination to the Grand  
Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of eleven

dollars; divers United States Gold Certificates of a number and denomination to the  
Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of eleven

dollars; divers coins of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid  
unknown, of the value of eleven dollars and seventy

two cents, one finger ring of the value of  
five dollars, one stud of the value of  
three dollars, one breast-pin of the value  
of five dollars, and one chain of the  
value of five dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Barbara Beckenbuck  
then and there being found,

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS, District Attorney.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

0176

*Second* COUNT:—

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

of the CRIME OF CRIMINALLY RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY committed as follows:

The said *Xavier Niderost*

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

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

of the goods, chattels and personal property of *Barbara Beckenbuck*

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

unlawfully and unjustly, did feloniously receive and have; *he,* the said *Xavier Niderost*

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL.  
~~JOHN B. FELLOWS~~, District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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Norton, Thomas

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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0178

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Thomas Norton

DE LANCEY NICOLL

~~JOHN R. HOLLOWAY~~

District Attorney.

Apr 7/91 B.S.W.

A TRUE BILL

*Alfred Cannon*

Foreman.

*April 7/91*

*Witnessed by me 4/11/91*

*Chief of Clerks of*

*Peter Quincy*

*Sen 1 year*

*exp 1/91 P.B.M.*

Witnesses:

*Isaac Friedman*

*W. Friedman*

*Particular in the Third degree.*  
*Hand writing, etc.*  
*Agree & receive*  
*[Section 498, 576, 578, 579, 580]*

*Boo*

*day of April*  
*1891*

The People  
Thomas Norton

Count of General Sessions Part I  
Before Judge Martine. April 7. 1891.  
Indictment for burglary in the third degree.  
Jacob Bregerger, sworn and examined, testified.  
I live at No. 641 East Ninth street. I am a man-  
ufacturer of paints. I live in Fourteenth street.  
The shop in Ninth street is in the rear; you  
enter the shop from the front building through  
the alleyway; the shop is one room. I was  
only there one week before the robbery. About  
the 20th of March I had in the shop about three  
hundred pairs of made pants. I closed the  
shop on the 25th of March at eight o'clock on Sat-  
urday evening. There is two doors in the shop;  
one of the doors is a trap door, it has two locks  
with "screw eyes" & nails with holes in  
about three or four inches long; they come  
together like a padlock. The pants now shown  
me were in my workshop on the 25th of  
March and they were made by me; on  
that Saturday I brushed them to send them  
off on Monday. I had "hands" to work on them,  
I did not make them myself. The pants be-  
longed to me. I left my shop at eight o'clock  
in the evening on the 25th of March. I fastened  
the door and locked it with two locks, one  
on each door. I then went home. I live at No.  
602 East Fourteenth st. I came back to the  
shop again on Sunday morning; one of the

men came around and he said the place was broken open. I seen that everything was destroyed in the shop. There were forty six pairs of pants lying down stairs in an empty shop, and twelve pairs of pants were missing. The locks were not open. but the screw eyes were pulled out with a piece of iron; we found the piece of iron; the door was open. I afterwards saw two pairs of the pants that I missed when I went with the officer to Friedman's pawn shop in Avenue B. and five pairs in five different pawn shops in Brooklyn; there are four pairs still missing. What was the value of the twelve pairs of pants that you missed? About forty dollars; they are worth four dollars per pair.

Cross Examined: There were forty six pairs of pants in the shop. I got the goods from down town and make them up in my shop. I had about three hundred pairs of pants altogether. I counted the pants that were made up on the Saturday before the burglary. I counted them in the afternoon. I get them from a down town wholesale house to make up. I identify these pants as my work by the lining - the red cross stitches; on other pants it is black. I don't know if there are other tailors that put the same marks and numbers on that I do.

I have been in the business about ten years. I got these goods from Weisman & Co; they have some tailors in New York and some in Brooklyn. Do you suppose if you went up to Brokaw's you would not find pantaloons and coats looking like that? I do not know. Don't you know you would find hundreds of pantaloons like that in Brokaw's today? I do not say you cannot find them, but I know that is my work. These are the red marks to which I referred (pointing to the pantaloons) I told the policeman who was here this morning about the burglary and he reported it to the station house.

Isaac Friedman, sworn and examined. My place of business is No. 344 East Houston St and I am a pawn broker. I have been engaged in business at that place about eight or nine years. I saw the defendant when he pawned these things on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March. The pantaloons now shown me are the ones the defendant brought to my place; he pawned them there on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> and I gave him \$1.25 on them.

Cross Examined. I know it was on Monday that the pants were brought to my place, I am not sure whether it was the 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>; it was between eleven and half past eleven o'clock in the morning. A great many people

come into our place. The officer came in at two o'clock in the afternoon. I identify the defendant because I took the pants from him myself. The officer came in and showed me the pattern of the pants and asked me if I took any like it, and I told him 'yes'. I knew the defendant by his face and the clothing he has on. There could not be a mistake about him. I said the man who pawned the pants wore a brown overcoat, a saccque and vest. I never saw the man before that day. He only pawned one pair of pants and I gave him a ticket. The defendant was ~~not~~ searched in my presence, but ~~he~~ was not searched until he was taken to the station house. There was no ticket found in his possession. I went to the station house the day after the pants were pawned. I did not say in the station house or in the police court that he came to my chop at half past ten o'clock. I said it was about eleven or half past eleven o'clock.

Patrick Brennan, sworn and examined.  
I am an officer of the 13<sup>th</sup> precinct and my precinct embraces the place of business of the complainant. I never saw the defendant before the day I arrested him, which was Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of March. I arrested him in 354 East Tenth St

in a liquor saloon. There had been a complaint made on Sunday morning that the burglary had been committed. I went to the premises and examined them. I saw the stairs leading up; there is deep stairs leading up; there is just one step landing through the door; there was two eye hooks with a hanging lock on it; those were broken out. Another door leading inside that was broken also. I afterwards went to the pawn shop of Friedman I did not have the <sup>complainant</sup> ~~defendant~~ with me the first time. I took him there on Tuesday to identify the goods and he identified part of them. I did not take the defendant to the pawn broker. The pawn broker volunteered to go out with me on Monday. He said he knew the party and could find him. He walked around till ten o'clock at night and could not find him. The next morning I went up to No. 354 Tenth street and stayed there a few moments and the defendant came in. He had his back turned toward the witness Friedman; he looked through a mirror and said, "I think that is him, I don't see his face." I say, "Be positive, don't accuse any one in the wrong." He said, "I am positive" that is him. "Then arrested the defendant. He said, "That is all wrong." I say, "How do you know it is wrong? Why do you say that? If it is anything"

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crooked. I aint into it." I brought him to the station house and searched him there. I <sup>found</sup> ~~found~~ nothing on his person. I brought him to court I stated the case there and he was held for the jury.

Thomas Norton, sworn and examined in his own behalf testified. I have been working in the Edison Electric works located at Seventeenth street and avenue B. I have never been in trouble before and always worked for a living. I am not guilty of the burglary charged against me. I did not break into the premises in question and know nothing about it. On this Saturday night I was in the saloon No. 354 East Tenth street. I went into that saloon about seven o'clock. I stayed there I guess until about ten o'clock in the evening. I went up to Mrs. Sass's house; she called me up. I went home that night about half past eleven or a quarter to twelve o'clock. They were playing pool in the saloon, and I was watching the game. I was not working Monday. I was sick for two weeks; my mother could tell you the same thing. I do not feel quite well yet. I left the house about nine o'clock Monday morning and went through Tenth street. Mrs. Sass and Mrs. Lynch were looking out of the window. They called me up there. I went up and she

asked me would I run an errand I was up ten minutes, and when I came down the saloon keeper called me in, Martin Spellman, 35 1/2 East Tenth street. I was in there till near eleven o'clock. I went in there about nine or half past nine o'clock. I then went up to this tailor's shop in Tenth street, I dont know the number, between Avenue A and B. Did you pawn this pair of pantalons with this pawnbroker? I never have been in that pawn shop before until I was going down to court. This detective brought me in there. Did you pawn these pantalons or do you know anything about it? No, I dont know nothing about it. Are you guilty of this crime or do you know anything about it? So help me God I am innocent. I dont know nothing about it, I never seen the pants, never seen that man, and never have been in that pawn office. He accused me of having a brown coat. First he said I had light hair. He told the detective going down to the Essex Market I can tell him by his light hair. So I told him I was innocent of it. Then I was brought into the pawn office I says, "I never have been in here before. I never seen that pawn office before in my life. I am telling the truth."

Cross Examined: I have been working for the Edison Electric Co. for two years, not steadily, off and

on account of sickness. Who did you work for before you went to work for the Edison Co. Simon Weiss in Centre street. How long did you work for him? Over two years, nearly three years. Who did you work for before that? The American umbrella manufacturing Co. Down to what time did you work for the Edison Electric Co.? Three weeks ago; it is five weeks ago now. So that you were out of employ three weeks before this trouble occurred? Yes. I left because I was sick. I told my mother I was sick and could not work. Had a heavy cold in my chest. I have got it yet. I worked a power press at the Edison Co. I am quite sure it was seven o'clock when I got into the saloon No. 354 East Tenth st. Martin Spellman is the proprietor, and he is here. There were some other young fellows there sitting down. George Sars was one. I live at 379 East Eighth st. No. 354 is between B & C. in Tenth st. and 379 is between B and D in Eighth st. I believe that the complainant's place is in Houston street. I don't know what streets it was between. I don't know much about that neighborhood down there. I was speaking of the parson office. I don't know anything about

the man's place who says he lost his  
 pantaloons. The name of the young fellow  
 who told me in the saloon he was going to the  
 theatre is Jacob Hertford. George Sass and Paddy  
 Fisher were also in the saloon. It was a quarter  
 to twelve when I got home. I went into the saloon  
 on Sunday, and on the Monday following I  
 left home at nine o'clock in the morning.  
 I went to the saloon but before going there I went  
 to Mrs. Sass's house; she lives at 350 Tenth St.;  
 she is a friend of mine; she sent me on  
 an errand to the ~~police~~ shop to play a couple  
 of numbers for her; I don't remember the  
 numbers; she gave me fifty cents. She then  
 asked me to chop some wood for her as  
 her boy was sick. I did so and went to  
 the saloon, and when it was near one  
 o'clock I went around to Eighth street to Mrs.  
 Lynch's, Mrs. Sass's sister. It is three or four  
 years since I have been in Brooklyn. I  
 have been locked up in the Tombs two weeks.  
 Martin J. Spellman, sworn and examined.  
 I keep two liquor stores, one is at the corner  
 of Twelfth street and Dry Dock and the other  
 is 350 East Tenth St. I have never been arrested  
 for anything except once for a violation of the  
 Excise law. I know the defendant about six  
 years. I never knew him to steal anything.  
 I never saw him do anything out of the way.

His reputation is good. I have never known him  
 to be in any trouble since I knew him. I have  
 heard others speak well of him. I remember the 21<sup>st</sup>  
 of March Saturday. I was in my place of business  
 that night and saw him there first about 9  
 o'clock, and he was in the store before I closed  
 up; that was about 20 minutes to twelve o'clock.  
 Then we walked down to Avenue C. My father  
 has the habit of coming up and making me  
 go home with him every night. So he walked  
 down Avenue C. with us two. Of course your  
 recollection cannot be distinct about hours. I  
 saw the defendant in my store on Monday  
 March 23 sometime about ten o'clock; he  
 stayed there until about five or ten minutes  
 to eleven o'clock. I sent him on an errand  
 and he went to the house of a woman next door  
 and went on the same message for her  
 as he went for me. I sent him to the policy  
 shop; he went there and brought back the  
 slip, and he went up stairs in Mrs. Sasi's house  
 again; he came back about a quarter of  
 two to the store. He had no pantaloons with  
 him - he went with a paper. Did you ever  
 see any pantaloons like that in his possession  
 (showing pantaloons) No sir. I did not.

Cross Examined. When he is working and when he is  
 not working he is in my place once-in-a-while

I see him two or three times a week. He is not working now because he is sick; he was working in the Edison Electric works about four weeks ago. Since the time he stopped working down to the time he was arrested he was in my place off and on, walking around and in the store. I was in my place last Saturday night. I am always there. I cannot remember who was in there at seven o'clock Saturday night. I could not tell you who was in there Saturday afternoon at five o'clock. I don't know who was in there last night at seven o'clock. I cannot give any reason why I recollect that the defendant was in my place that Saturday night, except that the officer on the beat was telling me about the place being broken into Ninth street; my cellar was broke into the same night, the 21<sup>st</sup>, but there was nothing taken. I had to get up out of bed at three o'clock in the morning to lock the cellar. I would not swear that at the hour of seven o'clock on Saturday and for four hours thereafter he was in my place. Did you hear anybody state on Saturday night the 21<sup>st</sup> that he was about to go to the theatre? I heard somebody say something of going up to Jerry Kearns' ball; nothing was said about the time the ball commenced. Norton told it to the fellows that he was going to the ball. My place was closed 20 minutes to twelve o'clock.

My father and I went to Avenue C. to go to our house, whenever he (the defendant) went I do not know. I think he went up through Tenth st.; he said he was going up to a ball. John Fritz was in my place twice since I opened there; he was in on this Saturday night, he went to the ball too, but he did not go out with me. I dont know where the man's place is that was broken into. Officer M'Callough told me his place was broken into; he said it was in Ninth street; he woke me up about three o'clock in the morning and told me my Tenth street store was broken into. I dont think I saw the defendant on Sunday but I saw him the Monday afterwards in the morning before eleven o'clock. I think I gave Norton 22 cents to play policy "heavy." He got to my store first about half past nine on Monday and stayed till eleven. I dont know where he was between eleven and two o'clock.

Ann Norton sworn. I am the mother of the defendant, he has always been a good boy. I remember Saturday night the 21<sup>st</sup> of March, I could not tell the time he came home because I was asleep in bed. I have not seen any pantaloons in my house; he never brought anything in there that did not belong to him. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of petty larceny.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Testimony in the  
case of  
Thomas Norton  
filed  
April 1941

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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Police Court 3rd District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 641 Ninth Street, aged 26 years,  
occupation Tailor being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No. 641 Ninth Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Ward  
in the City and County aforesaid the said being a factory building  
the second floor of  
and which was occupied by deponent as a parts factory  
and in which there was at the time <sup>no</sup> human being, by name

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breasting the  
lock of a door leading to said  
premises,

on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1891 in the night time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Twelve pairs of pants of  
the value of

Forty (40) Dollars

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

Thomas Norton (now here)

for the reasons following, to wit: Deponent says, - said property was  
contained in said premises, which deponent left  
at about 8 PM of March 21<sup>st</sup> securely locking the  
doors and fastening the windows as usual.  
Deponent further says - when he returned  
to said premises at about 8 AM of March 22<sup>nd</sup>  
he elicited that his premises had been burglar-  
iously entered, in the manner aforesaid,  
and said property, taken, stolen and carried away

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Deponent further says - he is informed by Isaac Friedman of 514 East 70th St, a pawnbroker, that on March 23rd, he received from defendant a pair of pants in pledge, which pants deponent identifies as one of the missing pants.

Deponent further says - he is informed by Officers Breunauer & Cornick of the 13th Precinct on March 24th they arrested defendant on the identification made of defendant in the presence of said Officers, that defendant was the actual man who had pawned said pair of pants, said identification being made by said Isaac Friedman.

Therefore deponent charges defendant with burglariously entering said premises and taking stealing and carrying away said property from his possession.

Sworn to before me of *J. Bregenzler*  
this 26th day of *March* 1933  
*John J. Ryan*  
Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1933  
Police Justice  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1933  
Police Justice  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1933  
Police Justice

Police Court, \_\_\_\_\_ District, \_\_\_\_\_  
THE PEOPLE, vs.,  
on the complaint of \_\_\_\_\_  
vs. \_\_\_\_\_  
1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ 1933  
Magistrate \_\_\_\_\_  
Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk \_\_\_\_\_  
Witness \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
§ \_\_\_\_\_ to answer General Sessions.

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Isaac Friedman*  
aged 24 years, occupation cleaning man of No. 344 East Houston Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Jacob Meyer and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 24 day of March 1899 } Isaac Friedman

John Ryan  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0195

Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Thomas Norton

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 22 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Newport City

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

Answer. 379 Eighth St - 7 mos.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Barber

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.

Ths Norton

Taken before me this 14  
day of April 1914  
John A. Ryan  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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BAILIED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court... 3  
District... 391

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James H. [unclear]  
Thomas M. [unclear]

Offence: Burglary

Dated

March 24 1891

Magistrate

Thomas M. [unclear] Officer

137 Precinct

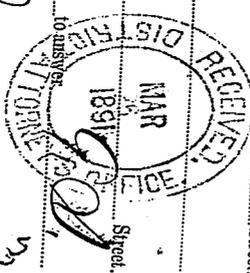
Witnesses: David [unclear]

No. [unclear] Street

James Friedman

No. 344 & Houston Street

No. 10011 Street



James [unclear]

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 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated: March 24 1891

John [unclear] 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 h to be discharged.

Dated 188 Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
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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

*Thomas Norton*

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

*Thomas Norton*

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

The said

*Thomas Norton*

late of the *Eleventh* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *21st* day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety one*, with force and arms, in the *night* - time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one *a certain building, to wit:*

*the factory of one Jacob Dregenger*

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

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

**POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL**

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SECOND COUNT—

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

*Thomas Norton*

of the CRIME OF *Grand LARCENY in the second degree*, committed as follows:

The said *Thomas Norton*

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

*twelve pair of trousers of the value of three dollars and fifty cents each pair*

*[Large decorative flourish]*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Jacob Bregenzler*

in the ~~dwelling house~~ *factory* of the said *Jacob Bregenzler*

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

**POOR QUALITY  
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THIRD COUNT—

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

*Thomas Norton*

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

The said

*Thomas Norton*

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

*twelve pair of trousers of the  
value of three dollars and fifty  
cents each pair*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

*Jacob Bregerzer*

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

*Jacob Bregerzer*

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

*Thomas Norton*

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL.

~~JOHN R. FELLOWS,~~

District Attorney.