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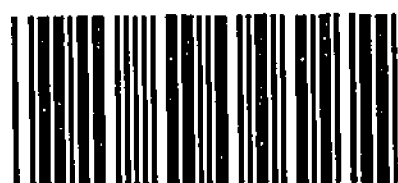
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Witnesses;

Counsel,

Filed 16 day of Aug 1888.
Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

18 Pleads!
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Alexis VanderKolk
Grand Larceny in the second degree.
(MONEY.)
(Sec. 528 and 537, Penal Code.)

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

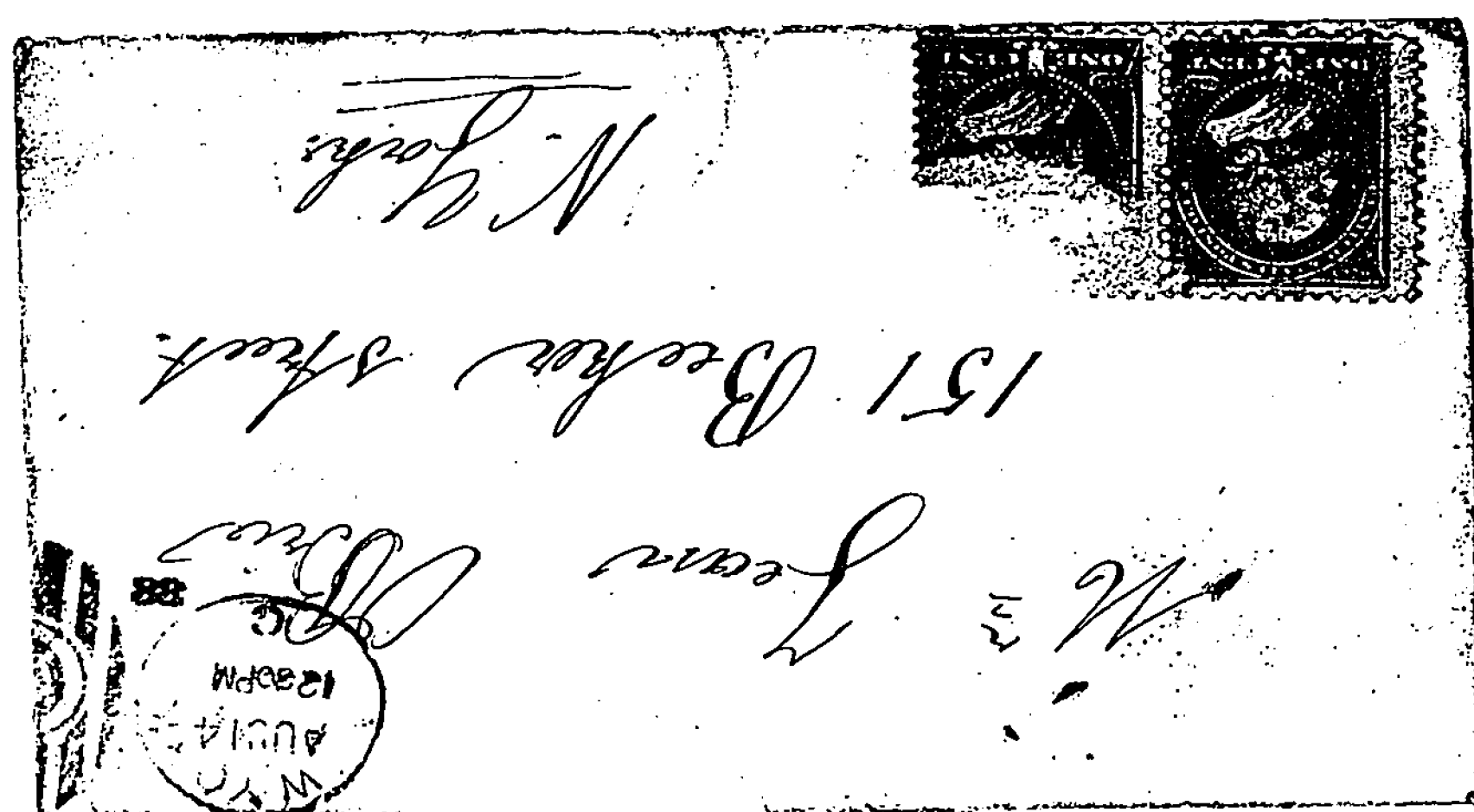
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Bradwell Lawrence
Foreman.

August 17/88
Pleads - Petit Larceny
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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

Veuillez m'envoyer
 des lettres pour donner
 aux gens qui m'ont
 écrits je vous le rendrai
 mes lettres. Les lettres
 je vous les envoie d'ici
 1 mois ou 1 mois et demi
 vous aurez tout de retour
 et je vous donnerai les
 lettres de la dernière pour
 que cela ne se perde
 plus.

Je vous envoie les lettres
 que vous m'avez envoyées
 par la poste. Je vous envoie
 ce que j'ai fait. A
 Paris cela va mieux.

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

- ce fut - L. ...

Si j'ai fait cela
 voici pourquoi, parce
 que j'avais le droit de
 le faire, et moi alors
 j'ai été en mesure, avec
 l'espoir de gagner, et j'ai
 tout perdu.

Maintenant je vous
 demande à quel point
 de ne rien dire, à
 personne et de retirer

vos plaintes en
 disant que vous avez
 retrouvé votre porte
 monnaie,

Si j'avais vu l'air
 de votre plainte, j'en
 ai pour 5 ans, surtout
 avec l'affaire du
 Club.

Diske - mais en
 y en a pour 5 ans
 par le mariage.

**POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL**

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Porteur de cette lettre
Lafayette

1. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 2. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 3. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 4. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 5. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 6. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 7. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 8. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 9. *Phragmites communis* Pers.
 10. *Phragmites communis* Pers.

Yours truly, Geo

Je ne te rendrais
de que de travail
à la Charité et
au service du malade.

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

120 Broadway 120
cave savarin
cigar

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINALMonsieur et Madame
O'Brien.

Si vous s'avez certains, je serais
dans cette position, je suis sûr que
vous ne voudriez pas à l'argent
pour moi. Mais je suis sûr
que vous ne voudriez pas à l'argent
pour moi. Mais je suis sûr

Si vous voulez être assez bon de
rectifier votre plainte, je vous ren-
drai la somme de plus je
vous donnerai 10 dollars en
surplus ou 20 en plus.

Alors, si vous ne pouvez souffrir
un malheur, cela ne vous
travaille pas. Alors, je vous
demande de me donner plus
que vous ne pouvez. Cette plainte
et l'argent vous donnera une
récompense et vous serez heureux.

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

que je ne saurais jamais
vous en faire.

Je suis prêt à jurer
que plus jamais je ne
le ferai et aussi je me refuse
assurément d'avoir fait cela.

Où je m'avance coupable
du crime, et je vous en demande
de pardon, à vous au lieu qui
avez toujours été si bon pour
moi.

Si vous voulez absolument
me faire condamner, veuillez
je vous prie l'us-garantir
votre apporté tout mes
papiers au tribunal, parce
que le jour après ma condam-
nation je retournerai en
France et je maudirai ce
pays.

Espérant encore en

votre faveur de pouvoir
écrire librement.

votre ami indigne
de l'être.

Alexis,

Une supposition que vous
me ferez donner je pense
sont de mille francs rendant
une 18 de dollars.

Je pense aussi que vous
voudrez donner 10 dollars
ainsi que ma mère et
mes frères, et je ne
vous pas ce qui fera
votre confiance, de ce que

Aussi j'espère que
vous m'enverrez ma part
d'un millionnaire.

Alexis,

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

de deux mon deux jours.

N'oubliez pas mes papiers.
Si vous me faite attendre,
s'il vous plaît.

Je suis malade au lit depuis
l'affaire.

Je vous prie de signer un papier comme
quoi je vous dois 60 dollars devant femme.

Je vous prie de faire l'écriture de
ces additions que je vous envoie, et
me l'envoyer de la part de votre femme.

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Police Court—

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District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:
of New York }

John Olney

of No. 151 Bleeker

Street, aged 24 years,

occupation Waiter

being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 5 day of August 1885 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:

about forty
dollars in gold and lawful money
of the United States
(40)

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 Alexis Vanderkotte (now here) The said money was in a pocket book on the bureau of deponent bedroom at 151 Bleeker st. at about 11 30 p m on August 7 1885 when deponent retired. The defendant slept in deponent's premises and knew where the said money was kept. On the morning of August 8 the defendant got up early and left the premises and the said property was missed shortly after the defendant left, and the defendant subsequently wrote and sent to deponent the annexed letter wherein he (the defendant) admits

Sworn to before me this day of 1885

Police Justice.

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the said larceny and promise restitution.
Whereupon deponent charges defendant with
the commission of said larceny and asserts
that he be seized with as the law directs.

SWORN TO BEFORE ME

THIS

DAY OF

August 1888

[Signature]

POLICE JUSTICE.

[Signature]

Dated 1888 Police Justice.

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

Dated 1888 Police Justice.

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

Dated 1888 Police Justice.

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

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.

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

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
on the complaint of

Offence—LARCENY.

1.
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Dated 1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No. Street,

No. Street,

No. Street,

\$ to answer Sessions.

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Sec. 193-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Alexis Vandukoille

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. *Alexis Vandukoille*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *18 years 7 months*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Belgium*

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

Answer. *151 Blauken 7 months*

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*
Alexis Vandukoille

Taken before me this

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day of *August* 188*8*

J. M. Patterson
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 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 August 10 1888 J. M. Pittman *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.*

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Police Court--- 2 District. 1251

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Obery
167 Bleeker St
Alexis Vanderkille

Grand Jurors
Offence

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

Dated August 10 188

Pattem Magistrate.

Anderson Officer.

15 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$ 1000 to answer G. D.

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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

Alexis Vander Kilde

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

Alexis Vander Kilde

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

The said Alexis Vander Kilde,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the eighth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the day time of the same day, ~~Two~~ 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 ; ~~four~~ 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 ; ~~eight~~ 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 ; ~~Twenty~~ 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 ; ~~Twenty~~ promissory note 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 ; ~~four~~ 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 ; ~~eight~~ 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 Certificates of the

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denomination and value of twenty dollars *each* ; *four* United States Silver
Certificates of the denomination and value of ten dollars *each* ; *eight* United
States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of five dollars *each* ; *twenty*
United States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of two dollars *each* ;
twenty United States Silver Certificates of the denomination and value of one dollar
each ; *two* United States Gold Certificates of the denomination and value of
twenty dollars *each* ; *four* United States Gold Certificates of the denomination
and value of ten dollars *each* ; *eight* 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 *ten dollars*.

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of one —

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS,
District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Webber, Frederick

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Witnesses;

Counsel,

Filed 13 day of Aug 1888,

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.
\$1.00
\$4.00
\$1.00

Frederick Weber

Grand Larceny in the 1st degree.
(MONEY)
(Sec. 528 and 530, Penal Code.)

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

Aug 14/88 District Attorney.
Pleads to 1st degree

A True Bill.

Frederick Weber

Foreman.

S. P. 2 yrs. P. D. M.

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Police Court—

2nd District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:
of New York, }of No. 224 West 16th Street, aged 35 years,
occupation Housewife being duly sworndeposes and says, that on the 14 day of July 1888 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession
of deponent, in the night time, the following property viz:

Good and lawful Money of the United
States of the Amount and Value of Twenty five
Dollars four dresses one oxide Watch and
Silver Chain one gold finger ring and three earrings
altogether of the value of One Hundred dollars
the property of Deponent

Sworn to before me, this
14 day
1888

Police Justice.

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 Frederick Webber (nowhere)

from the fact that the defendant had a hired
room from deponent and on said date deponent
removed said property from her room adjoining the
room occupied by defendant and no other
person had access to said room but the defendant
deponent is informed by Officer John Casey
of the 16th Precinct Police that the defendant
admitted and confessed to said Officer that
he defendant had stolen said property from
said room and given the same to one
Cizzie Martin who defendant says went to Chicago

Georgie Webb

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CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 38 years, occupation Police Officer of NY

The 16th Precinct Police Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Gerrie Wheat

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

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John Barry
Police Justice.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Fredrick Webber 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. *Fredrick Webber*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *28 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *224 West 16th St 2 Months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Painter*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*

Frederick Webber

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.....

Defendant
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 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 July 17 188 J. J. Smyth 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.

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Police Court---

2nd 1104 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Georgie Wheat
224 West 26 St
Frederick Netter

Offence *Grand Larceny*

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Dated *July 17th* 188
Logan & Co Magistrate.

Leather Officer Officer.
16 Precinct.

Witnesses *Leather Officer*
No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

\$ *500* to answer *Go*

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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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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Frederica Wadman

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

Frederica Wadman

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

The said *Frederica Wadman*,

16th Ward of the
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *fourteenth*
day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*eight*,
at the *Ward* City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *night* time of
the same day, *one* promissory note 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 _____ ;
Two 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* ; *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 five dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each* ;
Five 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* ; *Five* 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* ;
one promissory note 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 _____ ; *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 ten dollars *each* ; *Three* 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* ; *one* United States Silver Certificate of the

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denomination and value of twenty dollars — ; *Two* 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 ; *one* United States Gold Certificate of the denomination and value of
twenty dollars — ; *Two* 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 *Twenty Five*
dollars, *four* dresses of the value of *Eighteen*
dollars each, *one* watch of the value
of *eight* dollars, *one* chain of the value
of *four* dollars, *one* ring of the
value of *seven* dollars, and *three* earrings
of the value of *Five* dollars *each*,

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of one *George Wheat*
in the dwelling house of the said
George Wheat, there situated, 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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,
District Attorney.

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Weiss, Sigmond

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Freiberger, Joseph

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Witnesses;

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Counsel,
Filed
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day of Aug 1888
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THE PEOPLE

vs.

Sigmund Weiss

and
Joseph Freiberger

Grand Larceny in the
(MONEY)
(Sec. 528 and 537, Penal Code.)

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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1888 tried & acquitted

A True Bill.

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Foreman.
Foreman.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

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In the Matter of the Complaint of :

Minna Samuels :

vs. :

Emanuel Meyers. :
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The above matter was referred to the undersigned by Col. Dawson, for the reason that "the complainant and her witnesses, being Germans, are unable to make themselves understood in English."

The complainant has a meritorious case. Her testimony and her whole conduct before me has created a decided impression, that she is a truthful and honest woman. She deserves commendation for the perseverance which she has shown to bring the said Meyer to justice for an act which marks him as a disgrace to the Police force of our city and a danger to the community.

Her affidavit annexed hereto shows that on the 17th of July, 1888, two men, Weiss and Friedberger, stole a pocketbook containing \$22 from her. Meyer was assigned to arrest the thieves. Materially assisted by the complainant, he succeeded. The pocket-book and part of the money was found on the thieves. On the 6th of August, 1888, when the complainant was to appear before the Grand Jury, Meyer appeared at her house and by promise to secure to her the recovery of her money, he tried to induce her to commit perjury by omitting to state facts material to the issue. On the 8th of Aug-

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ust, 1888, he again called at her house. In the ante room of the Grand Jury he made another attempt to induce the complainant to commit the said crime. She testified, however, to the truth, and the two thieves were indicted. On the 13th of August, 1888, when the trial of the defendants came on, Meyers succeeded by threat of imprisonment to induce the complainant to omit material statements ^{from} her testimony. The defendants were acquitted.

The complainant's ^{statement} ~~statemant~~ makes out a good case of subornation of perjury against Meyer. The Corroboration of her testimony required by statute will be amply furnished by Mrs. Schneider and Mrs. Brown, whose statements form part of this report. Before proceeding against Meyer the stenographic minutes of Meyer's and Mrs. Samuels' testimony at the trial of Weiss and Friedberger should be obtained and examined. If they corroborate the complainant's story the case should be laid before the Grand Jury.

I, therefore, recommend that this matter may be referred back to me or some other deputy, with authority and direction to obtain and examine the said minutes and, if they are found ^{to be} of a corroborative character, to prepare an affidavit of the complainant for submission to the Grand Jury. Meyer's conduct has been especially aggravating, because he has abused his authority as a Police officer to commit a crime in perversion of the administration of public justice.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
Indus and Grosse
Deputy Sheriff

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

-----X
The People
against
Weiss and Friedberger.
-----X

City and County of New York ss.

Minna Samuels, being duly sworn, says: That she is the wife of Heims Samuels and resides with him at 177 Stanton Street, City of New York. On the 17th of July, 1888, on the corner of Stanton and Ridge Street at about ~~a quarter to~~ nine o'clock in the forenoon while standing at a fruit vendor's cart, the above defendants stole from the pocket of deponent a pocket book containing the sum of \$22.00 consisting of four \$5 and ~~one~~ ^{one} \$2 bills. On deponent's complaint in the 13th Precinct station house Detective Emanuel Meier was assigned by the sergeant on duty to work up the case. From the said fruit vendor the said detective learned the names and the whereabouts of the above defendants and subsequently arrested them in Avenue A between 6th and 7th Streets. On being searched in the station house the defendant Weiss was found in possession of my said pocket book and a part of said money. On the day when I had to appear before the Grand Jury a police man in uniform came to me at my house and told me that Detective Meyer wanted me to wait for him, before going before the Grand Jury. At a quarter before eleven o'clock in the same forenoon said Meyer called at my

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house and said as follows: "Do you want your money back, Mrs. Samuels?" I replied that I most certainly wanted to get it back, having saved it in sums of five cents and less by dint of the strictest economy. He continued: Well, I'll tell you, I am a Jehute (Jew) you are a Jehute and the two thieves are Jehuten. What will you have when they get to State's Prison? The man who is out on bail is a married man. He has called on me and gave me money (beating on the ^{breast} ~~side~~ pocket of his coat) to see you and beg you not to go against him, and that if I would do as he (Meyer) would tell me I would get my money back. I should ^{go} down with him to the Grand Jury and there should say that I did not know whether I had put my said pocket book into the pocket of my dress, or whether it had fallen on the street, and that I was not quite sure whether the pocket book found on Weiss' person was really my own, and that I was also not sure that the defendants were the men who stole the said money from me, ^{that I could not say that they} did actually steal it, but that I could merely say that they looked like the thieves. That then they would get discharged, he would give me my money, and everything would be all right. If I would not do as he requested me to do, I would have to run twenty times to court and would not get my money back. That he had a good friend, who is a lawyer, and to him he would recommend the thieves, and he would bring the whole matter to naught. I replied that I could not possibly swear falsely, but Meyer replied that kissing the Bible was not false swearing for

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a Jew. Thereupon I said that it would be impossible for me to retain in my mind any false statement, and that I would certainly return to the truth in the matter and then contradict myself. Meyer then replied that I would not need to go to court again, as the defendants would be at once discharged. He took me to the Grand Jury room. This was on the 6th of August, 1888. The inquest was adjourned to August 8th, 1888. On this day the said Meyer wanted to take me again to the Grand Jury Room. He called at my house. *I had left earlier on Thursday, the 6th of August, 1888,* to avoid him. In the City Hall Park I related the above transaction to a lady unknown to me. She advised me to go to the German Legal Aid Society and ask for their protection against Meyer. I went to said society, and there I was advised by Mr. Harder to tell the whole truth to the Grand Jury. I followed this advice and stated the facts to the Grand Jury, as I have related them above. Meyer had met me in the ante room to the Grand Jury Room, before I went in, and he insisted that I should make the statement proposed by him. On the 13th of August, 1888, the trial of the defendant came on in Part I of the Court of General Sessions. Before the commencement of said trial, the ~~said~~ said Meyer came to me and said: When on the stand, you must say that I went with you to arrest the defendants and that I caught them; but you dare not say that you showed me the fruit vendor at whose cart the defendants stole the money from you and who told me who

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and where the defendants were; nor that the said vendor was kicked out of the station house because he had made palpably false statements to shield the defendants. That if I should say this the Court would punish me with imprisonment. He, Meyer, himself had to tell this part of the affair. Believing his threat, I testified on the stand as Meyer had demanded from me. The trial continued over to August 14th, 1888? Before the opening of the court I saw Mr. Davis, the Assistant District Attorney, who conducted the said case for the People, to tell him all about Meyer's conduct, but Mr. Davis could not listen to me because he had to go to Court. When Meyer was on the stand, he said a great many things that were not true, and when I saw that he did not state the facts which he had forbidden me to state as aforesaid, I asked him in a loud voice: "Why do you not tell what you forbid me to tell? Oh, what stories!" To say more I was prevented by the attendants of the court, who also hindered me from going to the Judge, to whom I wanted to communicate what had transpired between me and Meyer. The trial ended with the acquittal and discharge of the defendants. Thereafter Meyer reprimanded me for having called at him in court. I asked him why he had wronged me so as he had done. He said that if I did not keep my mouth shut, if I would say another word, they, Myer and the defendants, would have my husband arrested. By advice of a gentleman who was present at the trial, but whose name I do not know, I went to Police Headquarters and

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preferred a charge against Meyer: I was asked to bring a lady as witness in whose presence Meyer had spoken to me in the ante-room to the Grand Jury Room. After a long search I found the said lady and took her to Police Headquarters, where she made her statement. I was then told to go home. This was the last I heard of the case in Police Headquarters. If Meyer had not demanded from me under threat to omit the said material facts I should have stated them on said trial.

Sworn to, before me this :

7th day of December 1888 :

Mrs. Samuel
Edward Gross
Notary Public
City and County of New York

Maria Schneider, 177 Stanton Street, landlady of said house. Mrs. Samuels is a tenant of mine. On the 6th and 8th of August, 1888, I have seen Police Officer Emanuel Meyer in my said house. The first time he went out with Mrs. Samuels; the second time I opened the hall door for him and saw him go upstairs.

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LOUISE BROWN, 215 West 36th Street. I am a laundress and live with my husband. On the 8th of August, 1888, I was subpoenaed before the Grand Jury, and while sitting in the ante-room I became acquainted with Mrs. Minna Samuels. She related her case to me and also the attempts of Officer Emanuel Meyer to induce her to make false statements before the Grand Jury concerning the acts of the defendants in her case constituting their crime which they then stood charged with. During said conversation said Officer Meyer came up to Mrs. Samuels, and while leaning on the railing dividing off the ladies' room, he earnestly spoke to said Mrs. Samuels. I heard him say repeatedly, You must say so, it will be better for you. Whereupon Mrs. Samuels always replied: No, no, I will not swear falsely. This was not all that was said between the said two parties, but as I did not pay special attention to their conversation, I did not receive a lasting impression of the remainder of their conversation and cannot remember it now.

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Court of General Sessions

In the matter
of the complaint
of

Mamma Samuels

vs.

Emmanuel Meyer

REPORT.

For the District Attorney.

Dated December 11 1888

Edward Gross

Deputy

Assistant

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City and County of New York ss.

Minna Samuels, of 107 Stanton Street, New York, being duly sworn, says: That on the 6th day of August, 1888, at the City of New York, County of New York, Emanuel Meyer, a member of the Police force of the City of New York, did feloniously offer to deponent a bribe upon the understanding that deponent should give false testimony and withhold true testimony before and from the Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, on her examination before the said Grand Jury concerning the charge of Larceny which deponent had previously thereto preferred against one Sigmund Weiss and one Joseph Freiburger. That deponent had been subpoenaed to appear before said Grand Jury on said 6th day of August, 1888; that in the forenoon of said day the said Meyer called at her house and said, "Do you want your money back, Mrs. Samuels?" Deponent replied that she most certainly wanted to get it back. Meyer continued "Well, I will tell you, I am a Jehute, you are a Jehute and the two ~~thieves~~ are Jehuten; what will *you* have when they get to State's Prison? The man who is out on bail is a married man. He has called on me and gave me money to see you and beg you not to go against him, and if you do as I will tell you you will get your money back. You go down with me to the Grand Jury and say there that you do not know whether you had put your pocket book into the pocket of your dress or whether it had fallen on the street, and that you are not quite sure whether the pocket book found on Weiss' person

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was really your own, and that you are not sure that defendants were the men who stole the ~~certain~~ ^{said} money from you; that you cannot say that they did actually steal it but that you can merely say that they looked like the thieves; that they would then get discharged and I will then give you your money, and everything will be all right. If you will not do as I request you, you will have to run twenty times to court and will not get your money back."

Deponent further says that on the 13th of August, 1888, said Emanuel Meyer in Part One of the Court of General Sessions of the City and County of New York, did feloniously and by fraudulent means attempt to induce this deponent to withhold true testimony at the trial of ~~one~~ ^{said} Sigmund Weiss and ~~one~~ ^{said} Joseph Freiberger, as follows:

That on the said day the said Meyer came to deponent in the said court and said: "When on the stand you must say that I went with you to arrest the defendants and that I caught them, but you dare not say that you showed me the fruit vendor ~~s~~ at whose cart the defendants stole the money from you, and who told me who and where the defendants were, nor that the said vendor was kicked out of the station house, because he had made palpably false statements to shield the defendants; that if deponent should say this the court would punish her with imprisonment. Believing the said Meyer's threat deponent testified at the trial of

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said defendants as Meyer had demanded of her.

Deponent therefore prays that the said Emanuel Meyer be dealt with according to law ^{as} in such cases provided.

Sworn to before me this

29th day of January 1889.

William Harnden

Edward Grasse
Notary Public
City and County of New York

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Court of General Sessions

The People
on the complaint
of Minna Samuels

vs.
Emmanuel Meyer

Complainant's Affidavit

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The People
vs.
Sigmund Weiss,
and
Joseph Freiburger.

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

Monday, August 13, 1888.

Indictment for grand larceny in the second degree.

Minnie Samuels sworn and examined by Mr. Davis.

Q. Mrs. Samuels, where do you live.

A. 117 Stanton Street.

Q. Are you a married woman.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Living with your husband, keeping house.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now I call your attention to the 17th day of July, do you remember that day.

A. Yes sir.

Q. On that day did you see these Defendants.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Both of them.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. Look at them carefully.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Those are the men you saw.

A. Yes sir, the two, this one and this one.

By Mr. Davis. Q. Where did you see them.

A. Right next to the push cart where I bought the pears.

Q. Where is that.

A. Ridge and Stanton.

Q. On the corner of Ridge and Stanton Streets.

A. Yes sir.

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Q. What time of day was it.

A. About nine o'clock.

By the Court. Q. In the morning or evening.

A. In the morning.

By Mr. Davis. Q. You were near this push-cart.

A. Yes sir.

Q. How near to you were they.

A. Just close, they stood right close by me, this man stood right next.

Q. Which one.

A. This man there.

Q. What is his name. A. Freiburger.

Q. He stood on your right.

A. Yes sir, he stood on my right.

Q. So that he pushed you.

A. Yes sir, when I took out my pocket-book he looked at my money, I put my pocketbook in again, he gave me a push, I looked around at the man, so I did not know when it got stolen or anything, I went a few steps, I looked on my pocket and my pocketbook was gone. So I halloed out, I turned around and these men were not there any more; so a whole crowd of people come by me and I told them, "those men took my pocketbook, just now I had my pocketbook and my pocketbook is gone. So I seen a man in Ridge Street where I bought the pears from, so I ran for the man and I told him; well, he says ---

Q. What else did you do.

A. I cried and I told the policeman; so the policeman told me to go up to the Station House.

Q. Did you go and make a complaint.

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A. Yes sir, I told the Captain.

Q. Did you know the names of these men.

A. No sir.

Q. They were strangers to you.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Well, when you told the Captain what did you do.

A. I told the Captain such and such a man stood next to me where my pocketbook was.

Q. You told him all about it.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. What then was done.

A. He sent an officer with me.

By Mr. Davis. Q. Did you go out with the officer.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where did you go.

A. I go on Ridge and Stanton Street.

Q. Did you see these men there.

A. No sir.

Q. Where did you go from there.

A. He took me all the streets round till Sixth Street and Avenue A and First Avenue, So he took them.

Q. You found them there.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. Were they together.

A. Yes sir, one was on a push-cart and one was over further.

By Mr. Davis. Q. On another push-cart.

A. No sir, they had a push-cart.

By the Court. Q. What was in the push-cart.

A. Pears.

Q. Did you buy pears of him.

A. No sir.

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By Mr. Davis. Q. Let us go back to this first push-cart, you saw a push-cart on the corner of Ridge and Stanton Street.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Freiburger was standing very close to you so that he pushed you.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. Were you walking or standing when Freiburger came first up to you.

A. No sir, I was standing at the push-cart.

Q. Their push-cart.

A. No sir.

Q. Another push-cart.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did they have a push-cart.

A. I do not know; when I seen the man again I seen they had a push-cart.

Q. You had not seen the push-cart with them first.

A. No sir, they were standing by the push-cart where I bought the pears.

By Mr. Davis. Q. When you saw Freiburger stand beside you on the corner of Ridge and Stanton, where was the other Defendant, Weiss.

A. Standing back of him, that fellow was standing there.

(Illustrating.)

Q. Weiss, this man here, how near was he to you.

A. He was standing in the back.

Q. How far away was he. A. Not far.

By the Court. Q. Did Weiss touch you.

A. No sir, Freiburger pushed me, I had the pocket on the side here.

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Q You felt him against you.

A Yes sir.

Q Did you see him at your side.

A Yes sir, I looked at him, I told the officer so and so.

Q And did he touch you.

A Yes sir.

Q Did you see what he touched you with.

A No sir.

Q Do you know whether he touched you with his hand or came against you with his body.

A No sir, he touched me.

Q Was your pocket there.

A Yes sir, it was right here, my pocket. (Pointing.-

By Mr Davis. Q Well, did you fall down.

A No sir.

Q Did you stagger when he pushed you.

By the Court. Q Did he push you hard.

A No, he gave me a push, that is all, some kind of a push.

By Mr Davis. Q Did you move.

A Yes, I looked around, looked at that man.

Q When he pushed you how far did you move.

A I did not move at all, I only looked around to the man.

By the Court. Q He pushed against you.

A Yes sir.

By Mr Davis. Q How long after that was it that you missed the pocketbook.

A About a few minutes, three or four minutes.

Q How far had you gone away from him.

A A few steps.

Q A few steps.

A Yes sir.

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Q. Did you look for those men.

A. Yes sir, but I did not see them no place.

Q. Was anybody else around there at the time when you were pushed.

A. No sir.

Q. Only you three.

A. Only me and these two men were standing right to me, he was standing next to me.

Q. The other man was standing over on the other side who had the push-cart.

A. In the middle was the push-cart there was standing the other man who sold me the pears.

Q. There were four altogether, the man who owned the push-cart and who sold you the pears, you and these two defendants.

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is the man's name, do you know.

A. No sir.

Q. Well, did you say anything to the officer about the way in which these men were dressed.

Objected to.

A. Yes sir, I told him.

By the Court. Q. Did you give a description to the officer of these people. A. Yes sir.

By Mr. Davis. Q. Was that before they were arrested.

A. Yes sir, before they were arrested I told in the Station House such and such a man; he had not the moustache he has got now, a little smaller it was, he was more shaved.

Q. This was on the 17th of July, was it.

A. Yes sir.

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Q. Your pocketbook was gone.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You were with the officer, you found these two men and they were arrested, were they.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did they say anything when they were arrested.

A. I do not know.

Q. You did not hear them.

A. No sir.

Q. Do you know whether the officer or anybody searched them.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Were you there when he did it.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was anything found.

A. Yes sir, my pocketbook was found.

Q. Who had it.

A. It was found with this young man Weiss; he had it in the pocket some place, I do not know.

Q. Did you see the officer take it away from him.

A. Yes sir, I seen the way he took it, like this, (Showing.) and I gave a holloa out, "that is my pocket-book."

Q. That is when it was in his hand.

A. No sir, the officer took this out from his pocket.

Q. Where was this.

A. In the Station House.

By the Court. Q. The officer took a pocketbook out of Weiss's pocket. A. Yes sir.

By Mr. Davis. Q. Was there any money in it.

A. I can't tell you.

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Q. Did you get it back.

A. I got no money back.

Q. Did you get the pocketbook back.

A. No sir.

Q. Did you see it in the Station House.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. This was at the Station House the same day of the arrest. A. Yes sir.

By Mr. Davis. Q. Was that the pocketbook you had in your pocket when you stood by the push-cart.

A. Yes sir.

Q. When the pocketbook was taken from you near the push-cart was there any money in it.

A. Yes sir.

Q. How much.

A. Twenty-two dollars, four five dollar bills and a two dollar bill.

Q. How much was the pocket-book worth.

A. About ten cents, long ago.

Q. Was it worth a penny.

A. The pocketbook, no, I paid ten cents.

Cross Examined.

By Counsel. Q. Now what time did you leave your house on the morning in question, the 17th of July.

A. It was near nine o'clock.

Q. Where do you live.

A. I live in Stanton Street,,177.

Q. That is near where.

A. That is a block and a half away from the place where I

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bought the pears.

Q. That is near Pitt Street, is it.

A. No sir it is between Clinton and Attorney.

Q. Ridge Street is quite a thoroughfare isn't it, there are a good many people there at all times around there, Ridge Street corner of Stanton.

A. I do not know.

Q. Don't you know that is a place that is known as the market.

A. There was nobody there that time.

By the Court. Q. Don't you know that is the place known as the Market. A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. Is it not where a great many fish, fruit and vegetable venders are.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Lots of push-carts there, lots of peddlers.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And the place is nearly full of people at most alltimes.

A. Yes sir.

Q. On the other side there were a great many people there too, were there not.

A. There was none, if there was anybody else I would not --

Q. At all other times though you have seen a great many people there.

A. No, on Thursdaynight when I go there for fish ---

Q. Then there is a crowd.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You went up to this push-cart.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You had your pocketbook where.

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A. In my pocket here. (Pointing.)

Q. In that pocket.

A. Yes sir.

Q. What did you buy.

A. I bought three pears.

Q. For how much money. A. Five cents.

Q. I want to know what took place there, where did you have your five cents.

A. In the pocket but not in the pocketbook.

By the Court. Q. Loose in the pocket.

A. Yes sir, five pennies.

By Counsel. Q. You say you had five cents loose in your pocket, you pulled the five cents out.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you pull anything else out.

A. No sir.

Q. You paid it.

A. Yes sir, but one penny was bad, so the man gave me back that cent, I knew from the morning that I had the cent by that twenty-two dollars, I took my pocketbook out and I took the cent out, I found that cent what I had in my purse and I gave it to the man.

Q. You say at that time you were pushed.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And you looked around to see who pushed you.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And you say it was our friend Freiburger here, you are positive about that.

A. Yes sir.

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Q. You did not feel his hand in your pocket.

A. No sir.

Q. You received your pears and you went away, didn't you.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. How far.

A. A few steps.

By Counsel. Q. Now Mrs. Samuels, did not you cross over on the other side of the street.

A. No sir.

Q. Did you leave the curb, did you cross over into the middle of the street.

A. Yes sir, a few steps I walked.

Q. Will you swear that you did not cross over on the other side of the street.

A. Yes sir.

Q. How soon did you get back.

A. The crowd of peoples was around me when I halloood, I could not see ---

Q. How soon did you come back to where this push-cart was.

A. In a few minutes, about three or four minutes.

Q. You missed your pocketbook where.

A. When I walked you know, I walked a few steps and some kind of a feeling I had, so I felt on my pocket and my pocket-book was gone.

Q. That was two or three minutes.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You turned right around to go where this push-cart was.

A. Yes sir, to look three or four minutes.

Q. It did not take you three or four minutes to walk three or four steps.

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A. I ate a pear, I took a pear out and I commenced to eat the pear, so I looked you know, I took a pear out of my basket.

Q. And began eating it.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And at the same time you started to cross the street, did you not.

A. Yes sir, I wanted to go, you know.

By the Court. Q. Did you step down from the curb-stone towards the gutter?

A. No sir, a few steps.

Q. A few steps past the gutter.

A. Yes sir.

Q. On your way to cross the street.

A. Yes sir, I went across on the same side but when I missed my pocketbook I halloed.

Q. Although it took you three or four minutes you did not reach the other side of the street.

A. No sir, because I had the pear in my mouth.

Q. You turned around and came back to go where.

A. To look on that same place, there was no push-cart.

Q. How far were you away from where the push-cart was when you discovered the loss.

A. A few steps only.

Q. Do you want his Honor and the Jury to understand that although you were but a few steps away and this took place only the length of time it would take you to cross from one curb into the middle of the street and went right to the other side of the street, that push-cart was gone.

A. Yes sir, I seen the man go in Ridge Street and I ran after

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the man, I ran in the middle of the block, I seen the man going down Ridge Street so I ran after him.

Q. Had you ever seen this man before, the Defendant Freiberg.
A. No sir.

Q. And when he pushed you you turned around and your glance at him was momentary.

A. I gave him a look.

Q. Just for a second.
A. Yes sir.

Q. How long did you look.

A. I gave him such a look because he pushed me, so I thought I do not know what he wants with me.

Q. That was only for a moment.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You never saw him before.
A. No sir.

Q. You lost your pocketbook.
A. Yes sir.

Q. What did you do then.

A. I cried, I told the officer, the officer told me to go right to the Station House.

Q. And at the Station House you made your complaint and went out with the officer.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And if I remember correctly you said you gave a description of these two men.

A. This man I gave and I said one was a smaller young fellow.

Q. You are sure you gave that description.

A. Yes sir, this is the man I gave the description.

Q. The exact description.
A. Yes sir.

Q. You went out with the officer and went through Ridge St.

A. Yes sir.

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Q. Did not see the Defendant then.

A. No, only the man I bought the pears from.

Q. You finally met these two men on Avenue B corner of 7th St.

A. 6th Street, not Avenue B, Avenue A I believe it was.

Q. And they then had a push-cart with them.

A. Yes sir.

Q. In the morning they did not have a push-cart.

A. Further down was standing a push-cart but there was nobody on it.

Q. The moment that you came across these two men did you know them at once.

A. I pointed them out of hundreds.

Q. Did you on your way from the Station House to where these men were, find anybody that you thought were these two men.

Objected to. Question withdrawn.

Q. The officer made the arrest.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you remember these two men saying to the officer, "we have got a license", when they were arrested.

A. I do not know.

Q. Will you swear that they did not labor under the impression that the officer had arrested them because they had no license.

Objected to. Objection sustained.

Q. Did they say to the officer, "we have a license".

A. No sir, I only hear them say --- the officer said, "come up to the Station House"; he said, "why?" and the Officer said to him, "come up and I tell you."

By the Court. Q. Who said "why".

A. This man here.

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Q. Freiburger.

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. They were brought to the Station House, searched and the pocketbook found on him.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And the moment that that pocketbook was taken from one of the Defendants you said, "that is mine."

A. Yes sir, I told the Captain before.

By the Court. Q. You claimed it at once that it was your property.

A. Yes sir, I know my parasol too.

By Counsel. Q. You had what bills in that pocketbook.

A. I had four five dollar bills and a two dollar bill.

Q. You had seen the pocketbook open in the Station House, did you see the pocketbook open in the Station House.

A. I cannot tell you.

Q. Is it true or not that in the Station House the pocketbook was open.

A. I cannot tell you.

Q. Isn't it true that in the Station House you identified the five dollar bill.

A. I cannot tell you, I only told the Captain one five dollar bill looked like this and one marked like this, a little tore and when you hold it up it is all holes.

Q. Isn't it true that you took one of the five dollar bills in the Station House in your hand and said, "that is my five dollar bill, there is holes in it, that is one of them.

A. No sir, I don't remember this.

By the Court. Q. Did you take one of the five dollar bills in your hand.

A. I do not remember.

Q. Did you see a five dollar bill.

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A. Yes sir, I said, "that is mine," the Captain had it, I told the Captain it was tore, it was all holes; so he showed me ---

Q. Was that the bill you saw torn in a way that you have described.

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. That five dollar bill which was shown you you immediately said was your five dollar bill.

A. Yes, I said that.

Q. Do you remember what kind of money was found on these defendants. A. No sir.

Q. Do you know whether there were four five dollar bills.

A. I cannot tell you, I felt sick, I had to sit down.

Q. The pocketbook you owned had four five dollar bills and a two dollar bill.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Here are two five dollar bills, those are the two bills that were found in the pocketbook.

A. I do not know about the money, I know about one five dollar bill.

Q. Now show me the five dollar bill that you speak of and which you claim was one of your five dollar bills.

(Showing the witness two bills.)

A. They aint neither one..

Counsel: I call upon you, Mr Davis, whether there are any more five dollar bills in the package.

Mr. Davis: I do not see any here, I do not know that that would be evidence, your Honor, my mere statement that there are no other five dollar bills here, I intend to put them in evidence.

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By Counsel. Q. Mrs. Samuels, you say this is your pocketbook.

A. Yes sir, my pocketbook.

Q. How long have you had it.

A. I had it about eight or nine months.

Q. It looks quite worn as though it had a good many years of wear.

A. It is sweaty.

Q. How did you know that this was your pocketbook.

A. Because I looked right away and I told the Captain.

Q. How do you know this was your pocketbook.

A. Why should not I know it?

By the Court. Q. Had you any special mark on it.

A. It is a little torn.

By Counsel. Q. Isn't it true that before this pocketbook was placed in your hands by the police officials, the very moment that it was taken from the pocket of one of the Defendants you immediately said, "that is my pocketbook."

A. Yes sir, I said "that is my pocketbook."

Q. Until that time you had no opportunity of examining it, had you.

A. Because it looks like it.

Q. Wasn't it because it was a pocketbook of this shape and style.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You know as matter of fact that there are a great many pocketbooks like this.

A. I know because from using it, stains on it.

Q. Then Mrs. Samuels, it is merely from the fact that this pocketbook is worn, marked by reason of wear, that you identify it as your pocketbook.

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A. Yes sir, that is my pocketbook.

By the Court. Q. Is it only because the pocketbook is worn and looks old that you identify it or is there any other reason.

A. It is a little torn on the side I told the Captain.

By Counsel. Q. You say it is a little torn on the side.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is there anything else about this pocketbook besides the fact that it is torn on the side and black or discolored by reason of use by which you identified it.

A. I told the Captain it is.

By the Court. Q. Is there anything else beside the fact that it is old and shows the mark of perspiration of your hand and it is torn, is there anything else that you recollect about the pocketbook.

A. The three of them things to open.

By Counsel. Q. When you say three things you mean these buttons.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is there anything else about the pocketbook.

A. On the other side it just commenced to tear.

Q. When you say it is torn, where do you mean, here. (Pointing)

A. Yes sir, on the side, around on the side.

Q. That is torn by reason of wear.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And these three knobs.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And there is nothing else by which you identify this as being your pocketbook.

A. No sir.

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By the Court. Q Describe that pocketbook, tell us where it is torn.

A. It is gray, the color was gray, it was a round little book, it was three little balls to open on one side, it is a little bit tore and on the other side it just commenced

Q. On the other side it just commenced to be torn.

A. Yes sir.

Q. How many places did it have inside of it, two.

A. Yes sir.

By Mr Davis. Q. Look at the pocketbook shown you and say whether that is your pocketbook.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where is the little tear by which you identify it.

A. Here and here. (Pointing.)

By the Court. Q. Tell us where the pocketbook was torn if you can.

A. Under the lock and on the other side it just commenced to tear.

By Mr Davis. Q. I point out to you a part of it, tell me is there a tear there.

A. Yes sir, that is my pocketbook.

Mr D avis: I will offer the pocketbook now.

Q. Did you have anything else in the pocketbook beside the bills.

A. No sir.

Q. No pennies. A. No sir, that one cent I had I took out.

Q. You say you had twenty-two dollars.

A. Yes sir.

Mr Davis: I offer this pocketbook in evidence marked to have contained \$7.77 -- in all \$21.06, I will prove that now.

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Tuesday, August 14, 1888.

Minnie Samuels recalled by Mr Davis.

Q. Mrs. Samuels, when you went with Officer Meyers to find the parties whom you charged with having taken your pocketbook, were these Defendants the only persons whom you identified.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Then before you identified these persons you had not pointed out anybody else as the parties that took your pocketbook.

A. No sir.

By the Court. Q. Did you at any time point out anybody else except these two men.

A. No sir, I told how the man looks.

By Mr Davis. Q. You described the parties to the officer.

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. Did I understand you to say in your direct examination last night, Mrs. Samuels, that the Defendant, Freiburger had a smaller moustache.

A. Yes sir, and his hair was more shed.

Q. You mean his hair was shorter.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And this happened on the 17th of July.

A. Yes sir.

Emanuel Meyers sworn and examined by Mr Davis.

Q. What precinct, Officer.

A. The 13th.

Q. Did you arrest the Defendants in this case.

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A. Yes sir!

Q. On what day. A. On the 17th day of July.

Q. And upon Mrs. Samuels complaint.

A. Yes sir.

Q. When you arrested them was she with you.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And did you take them to the Station House after that.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And did she go with you.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And did you search the Defendants.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was she present at the time.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you find anything on the Defendant, Weiss.

A. Yes sir, I found a pocketbook with \$7.77.

Q. Is that the pocketbook. (Marked Peoples Exhibit I.

A. Yes sir.

Q? When you found that was the lady there.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did she identify it as hers.

A. She said it was hers.

Q. Did you find anything on the other Defendant, Freiberg.

A. Yes sir.

Q. What did you find.

A. I found \$13.29.

Q. Is this the money and in the same shape as when it was found. (Showing it.)

A. Yes sir, the same shape.

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Mr Davis: I offer it in evidence.

Q. That in all makes how much that you found upon both defendants.

A. On one \$7.77 and on the other \$13.29, in all \$21. and some odd cents.

Cross Examined.

Q. Officer, at the time that you arrested the two defendants, where were they.

A. On Avenue A between 6th and 7th Streets.

Q. That is about how far from the corner of Ridge and Stanton Streets.

A. It is about seven, eight or nine blocks.

Q. Were you at the Station House at the time the complaining witness put in her appearance there to make her complaint.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And at that time had you a conversation with her.

A. She came to the Station House and stated the case to the Sergeant and the Sergeant told me to go with this lady; he sent me with this lady to see if I could find out these men.

Q. You had a conversation with her there, did you.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was that conversation in reference to ---

Objected to.

Q. What was the conversation.

A. She came to the Station House and said that she had been robbed.

By the Court. Q. You had some conversation.

A. To the Sergeant and myself she said she was robbed, somebody had taken a pocketbook with twenty-two dollars. I

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asked her where she was robbed? She said, the corner of Ridge and Staton Streets; she claimed she went to a push-cart to buy some pears and she took some money out of her pocketbook to pay for the pears and then put her pocketbook back in her pocket and walked across the street on the opposite side and missed her pocketbook and then came back to look for the man she bought the pears from; she halloed and the officer came; she told him of it and he told her to go to the Station House.

Q. What was the officer's name.

A. That I could not tell.

By Counsel. Q. The officer on post.

A. The officer that was on post.

Q. Did she also describe to you at the time ----

Objected to.

Q. Did she say anything about the money that she had in her pocket.

A. I asked her what kind of a pocketbook it was; she said it was a ten cent pocketbook; I asked her what kind of money was in the pocketbook, she said there was four five dollar bills and one dollar bill; I told her I would go with her to Ridge and Stanton Streets and see if I could find anything; I went to Ridge and Stanton and saw the man that she bought the pears from; I asked him ---

by the Court. Q. Did you have any conversation further with the complainant, if so, tell it.

A. I took her around from one street to another to see if she could identify anybody with a push-cart that she claimed that those men had; we walked through one street and through another.

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Q. You went around with her until you found those two men.

A. Yes sir. When I got to Avenue A, Freiburger was on one side of the push-cart and Weiss was on the other, I walked up to Freiburger and said, "is this one of the men?" She looked at him and said, "where is the other man?" I asked Freiburger, "where is the other man who was with you?" He said, "across the street with a basket of pears. So I called him over.

By Counsel. Q. The other man was this Defendant here.

A. Yes sir, Weiss: I called him over from the opposite side and said to the complainant, "is this the other one?" "Yes, that is them", she said. I said, "you will have to go to the Station House." "What for", they said, "I have got a license." I said, "it don't make any difference about your license, come down to the Station House with me." I took the two of them to the Station House and when I got there I searched them and found this money on their person.

Q. They said to you, "we have a license."

A. Yes sir.

Q. And they thought they were under arrest I suppose for --
Objected to.

Q. You got to the Station House finally.

A. Yes sir.

Q. You had no trouble with these two boys.

A. Not any.

Q. In the Station House the complaint was made and you searched the Defendants.

A. Yes sir.

Q. From whom did you take that pocketbook.

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A. From Weiss.

Q. That is the smaller defendant; by the way, will you tell this Court and Jury the description that the complaining witness gave at the desk of the person she supposed had taken her property.

By the Court. Q. You may tell anything the complainant said that you have not already told, you need not go over the ground you have gone over. Tell this Jury just what this lady said when she was describing these two men.

A. She said there was two men and both had jumpers; one was a tall man about my size or a little taller with a small moustache; and the other man was a smaller man, this.

Q. And they had jumpers on.

A. Yes sir.

By the Court. Q. What had they on when you arrested them.

A. They had jumpers on.

By Mr Davis. Q. They had jumpers on, did they.

A. Weiss has got one on now.

By the Court. Q. That is a jumper that Weiss has on.

A. Yes sir.

Q. That is what you meant when you said jumper, they both had jumpers.

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. On your way around and about, looking for the persons that were to be arrested, did this woman, this complaining witness, look at everybody that had a jumper on or a great number of them, what did she do.

A. When we were going around from one street to another I seen several push-carts with men who had jumpers; she got up and looked at them. She said, "I cannot say about

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that, I am not sure whether that is the one or not. We walked on from there until we got to these two men.

By the Court. Q. She did identify these two.

A. She was not sure first about Freiburger till I called the other man across the street and when she saw the two of them then she said, "them were the men."

By Counsel. Q. Now Officer, isn't it a fact or not that the neighborhood of Ridge and Stanton Streets is a thickly populated neighborhood, is it a fact that nearly all peddlers that frequent that immediate neighborhood with their push-carts and their licensed venders wagons and their stands.

A. Yes sir, the majority of them.

Q. The majority of them wear jumpers.

A. Yes sir.

Q. And these men had jumpers on that day.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now when you got to the Station House and searched the Defendants, this pocketbook was found upon the person of one of the Defendants.

A. Yes sir.

Q. What did this lady say.

A. She said, "that is my pocketbook.

Q. While it was in your hand.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Before she had an opportunity to examine it.

A. I says, "how do you know it is yours?" She said, "it is tore under there", she said it was tore here. (Witness pointing to a place on the pocketbook.)

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By Mr Davis. Q. She had not yet examined it.

A. While I had it in my hand.

Q. It is torn, Officer, under there.

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. Now the money was taken out of the pocketbook.

A. Yes sir.

Q. That is the money. (Pointing to it.)

A. Yes sir, that is the money.

Q. That is the money that was taken from the person of these Defendants.

A. Yes sir.

~~By~~ The Court. Q. \$7.77 was taken from the pocketbook, and the other was taken from the person of Freibarger.

By Counsel. Q. Now that was not in four five dollar bills.

A. Yes sir, the very identical money, it is there.

Mr Davis: That is our case.

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Sec. 108-200.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, ss.

3 District Police Court.

Joseph Frieburger
signed according to law, on the annexed charge; and being examined before the under-
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 am not guilty
Josef Frieburger

Taken before me this

day of *July* 188*8*

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 Rependant

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

Date: May 1 1888 J. H. Hutton Police Justice.

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

Dated.....188.....*Police Justice.*

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

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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 22-9 188..... Police Justice.

$$\begin{array}{r} 13.29 \\ 7.77 \\ \hline 21.06 \end{array}$$

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Police Court---

1102 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Minnie Bannister
E. J. Kers
J. Schriberger

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street.

July 24/88

No. 2, by

Residence

Marcus Weil

321 E. Houston Street.

No. 3, by

Residence

Street.

No. 4, by

Residence

Street.

Dated

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Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

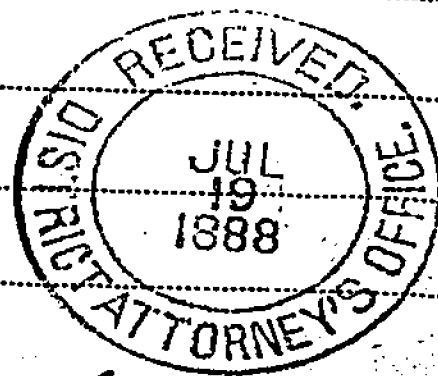
Street.

No.

Street.

\$ *1500.00* back to answer

G. S. Conrad



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Police Court

District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:
of New York,

of No.

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occupation

Housekeeper

Street, aged

36

years,

deposes and says, that on the

17

day of

July

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being duly sworn

at the City of New

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

One Pocket
book containing food and
lawful current money of the
United States, in bills of the
one and value of twenty two
dollars (\$22.)

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

Diamond Hess and
Joseph Friedberger (both now
here) for the reasons following:
At about nine o'clock a.m. this
17th day of July Deponent was
at a push cart on the corner
of Ridge and Stanton sts and
opened said pocketbook and
took a cent out of the same.
The Defendants, near Deponent
and the said Friedberger pushed
and brushed against Deponent
and then said Deponent
missed said property; she
made an outcry and then

Sworn to before me this
188
day
Police Justice.

Complained of the 13th Precinct
Station house, the arrest followed
and said pocketbook was found
in the possession of said Weiss,
and now dependent charges said
Defendants with acting in Concert
and Collusion and Taking, steal-
-ing and Carrying away from
her person and possession the
said pocketbook, money and
property and prays that they
be dealt with as the Law
directs

Sworn to before me } Minnie Samuels
this 17th of July 1888 }
J. M. Peterson 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 188

I have admitted the above named

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated 188

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.

Police Court, _____ District,

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
on the complaint of _____

No. _____

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Date _____ 188_____

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No. _____
Street, _____

No. _____
Street, _____

No. _____
Street, _____
to answer _____ Sessions.

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Sec. 188-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK.

3rd District Police Court.

Raymond Weiss
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.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

I am not guilty
Raymond Weiss

Taken before me this

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Police Justice.

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Sept. 1st. Sat.
Atty. Grosse

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,
City and County of New York.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Mina Samuels
172 Stanton St.

Emanuel Meyer

Offence *Perjury*
a Breach

Dated *Jan 9* 188 *9*

Witnesses, *Mina Samuels*

No. *177* *Stanton* Street,

Maria Schneider

No. *177* *Stanton* Street,

Louise Brown

No. *215* *West 36th* Street,

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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

*Sigmund Weiss
and Joseph Friedberger*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Sigmund Weiss and Joseph Friedberger
of the crime of GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Sigmund Weiss and Joseph
Friedberger, both* —

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *seventeenth*
day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*eight*,
at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *— day —* time of
the same day, *one* promissory note 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 *—* ;
two 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* ; *four* 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* ;
five 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* ;
one promissory note 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 *—* ; *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 ten dollars *each* ; *four* 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* ; *one* United States Silver Certificate of the

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denomination and value of twenty dollars — ; *Two* United States Silver
Certificates of the denomination and value of ten dollars *each* ; *Two* 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* ;
One United States Silver Certificate of the denomination and value of one dollar
each ; *one* United States Gold Certificate of the denomination and value of
twenty dollars — ; *Two* United States Gold Certificates of the denomination
and value of ten dollars *each* ; *One* United States Gold Certificate 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 *Two* dollars,
and one pocket book of the
value of one dollar,

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of one *Minnie*
Samuels, on the person of *the*
said Minnie Samuels, then and there being
found, *from the person of the said Minnie Samuels*, 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.