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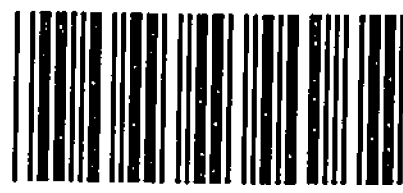
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DESCRIPTION:

Barton, William A.

DATE:

04/03/86



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POOR QUALITY  
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Witnesses:

John Sanders

Counsel,

Filed

Day of

1886

Pleads

THE PEOPLE

vs. W. M. vs.

William A. Barton

PETIT LARCENY.

[Sections 528, 532, Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Chas. B. Decker

City Prison Community

Foreman.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0758

Police Court—11 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

John Sanders  
of No. 1002 Sixth Avenue Street, aged 50 years,  
occupation None being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 1 day of March 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 day time, the following property viz:

Eden razors, one pair of scissors  
and one bookbinder's knife, all of the  
value of about twenty-five  
dollars. \$25.00

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 William A. Barton (now  
here) from the following facts to-  
wit:—That after the time of said  
larceny deponent admitted  
to deponent the taking and  
stealing of the above described  
property; and that deponent in  
the presence of deponent infor-  
med detection <sup>showing</sup> Jacob H. Riley of the  
22nd Police Precinct where said  
property could be found. And  
that deponent is informed by said  
Riley that he (Riley) after the time  
of said larceny found said property in  
the place indicated by deponent.

John Sanders  
deponent

Sworn to before me, this  
29 day of March 1888  
at New York  
Police Justice.



**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 32 years, occupation James H. Riley Police Officer of No. 22nd Police Precinct Street, being duly sworn deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John Sanders 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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James H. Riley  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

H District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY {  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

William A. Barton 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

William A. Barton

Question. How old are you?

Answer

25 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

United States

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

Answer.

306 West 21st Street 15 years

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

No occupation

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.

Innocent. I demand trial  
by jury

Wm. A. Barton

Taken before me this

24

day of March 1888

James J. Smith

Police Justice.

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

Police Court District. 420

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1 William A. Smith  
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Offence Petit Larceny

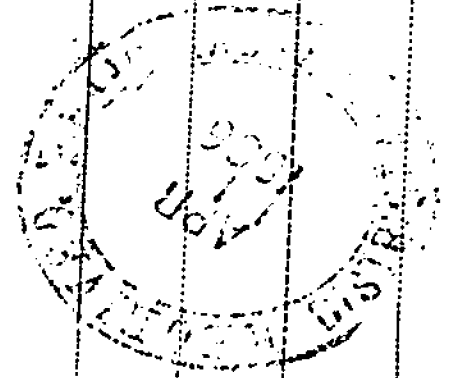
Dated March 29 1886

Magistrate  
Officer  
Precinct.

Witnesses

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

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



No. 500 Street, to answer

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named 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 March 29 1886 Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1886 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1886 Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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April 2. 1886

Judge

Dear Sir

You will oblige  
me very much by looking  
over this case of William  
Bastons's; as the man  
says he does not want  
any thing done with  
him; only he wants  
his things. and as he is  
a cripple; and his  
father is a minister  
who will be in Court to  
day. with great regret  
and he has confessed  
to every thing. please  
I ask judge as a  
hard working woman



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his mother. to do the  
(very) best you can for  
my and his Father's  
sake.

I remain ~~your~~  
his Mother  
Julia A Barton.  
306 W. 21<sup>st</sup>

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

*William A. Barton*

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

*- William A. Barton -*

of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY, committed as follows:

The said *William A. Barton*,

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

*seven rings of the value of two*  
*dollars each, one pair of scissors*  
*of the value of one dollar, and one*  
*knife of the value of two dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*John Sanders,*

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.

*Randolph B. Smith,*  
*St. John's*

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DESCRIPTION:

Battles, Michael

DATE:

04/03/86



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POOR QUALITY  
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Counsel,

Filed

day of

1886

Pleads

*Wm. J. Porter*

THE PEOPLE

ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, ETC.  
(Sections 217 and 218, Penal Code).

*Wm. J. Porter*  
*146*

*R*

*Michael Battles*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*Pr Apr 7/96 District Attorney.*

*Wm. J. Porter*

*Wm. J. Porter*

A True Bill.

*Wm. J. Porter*

Foreman.

Witnesses:

*William Porter*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0767

Police Court—1st District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 51 Bayter Street, aged 21 years,  
occupation peddler being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1886 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Michael  
Battler (now known who cut

and stabbed said deponent

on the right hand with the

blade of a knife then and

then held in his hand

cutting deponent severely

on the thumb of the right

hand; said assault was

committed

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 26<sup>th</sup> day  
of March 1886.

Sam'l V. Kelly Police Justice.  
William J. Torro

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0768

Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

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

Question What is your name?

Answer

*Michael Battis*

Question How old are you?

Answer

*21 years*

Question Where were you born?

Answer

*New York City*

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

Answer

*146 Chatham St. 3 years.*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

*Labourer*

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*

*Michael Battis*

Taken before me this

*26*

day of

*March*

*1886*

*Samuel C. Kelly* Police Justice.



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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.

Police Court

District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON AID COMPLAINT OF

William J. ...  
51 Baxter St

Michael ...

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Offence

Self Assault

Dated March 26 1886

Magistrate

Officer

Precinct

Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

No.

to answer

G. S.

Committed

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 100 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 26 1886

Daniel C. ... Police Justice.

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

Dated 1886 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 1886 Police Justice.

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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

*Michael Baddles*

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

*Michael Baddles*

of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Michael Baddles*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Twenty sixth* day of *March*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *William Barnes*, — in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *in* the said *William Barnes*, — with a certain *knife* —

which the said *Michael Baddles* — in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound

with intent *in* the said *William Barnes*, — thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*Michael Baddles*

of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Michael Baddles*,

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of one *William Barnes*, — in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make an assault, and *in* the said

*William Barnes*, — with a certain *knife* —

which *he* the said *Michael Baddles* — in *his* — right hand then and there had and held, the same being an *instrument* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully beat, strike, stab, cut and wound, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Randolph B. Martin*  
*District Attorney*

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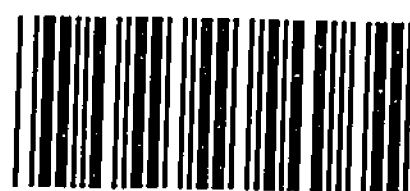
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Beardswortt, John

DATE:

04/28/86



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Witnesses

Patrick Smith  
David Leaky - Officer

Counsel,

Filed 28 day of April 1886

Pleads, 6 Months 24

THE PEOPLE

vs.

R

John Beardsworth

Grand Larceny, 2nd Degree,  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 531, Penal Code.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

May 7/86, District Attorney.

Heads of

A True Bill. Pen 3 months.

J. W. Brown

Foreman.

May 7<sup>th</sup> 1886

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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6 District Police Court--

Affidavit--Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No. Sedgwick Avenue

Patrick Smith, 30 years old, laborer  
Street, Highbridge, New York City

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 20 day of April 1886  
at the boarding house at Shaft 24 New Bedford City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession and  
possession of deponent, on the day time,

the following property, viz.:

Good and lawful money of the  
United States, bills or notes as follows: Two  
bills each of the value of Five Dollars and  
one bill of the value of Two Dollars; and silver  
and copper coins of the value, together, of Six  
Dollars and Ninety two cents; in all of  
the value of Eighteen Dollars and Ninety  
two cents

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

John Beardsworth, now  
here, from the following facts: At about three  
o'clock on the afternoon of said day deponent  
went to sleep on a bed in a room in said  
boarding house, having said money in a pocket  
of the trousers then worn by him. On waking  
at about four o'clock deponent missed said  
money, and said Beardsworth who was in  
said room when deponent laid down to sleep  
was no longer there when deponent awoke.  
Officer David Leahy of the 2<sup>d</sup> Precinct Police

POOR QUALITY  
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informs deponent that at about ten o'clock  
on the night of said day he found on the  
person of <sup>of said</sup> Breadsmith the pocket book here-  
shown which deponent identifies as his  
pocket book which contained the money <sup>carried</sup> on  
deponent's person when he laid down to sleep  
as hereinbefore stated. Said officer, as he informs  
deponent, also found upon the person of said  
Breadsmith the sum of Seven Dollars and  
twenty cents, which said Breadsmith admitted  
to be the property of deponent.

Sworn to before me this  
21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1886

*M. H. H.*

Police Justice

*P. T. Smith*

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*David Leaby*

aged 40 years, occupation police man of No.

the 2<sup>d</sup> Police Precinct

Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Patrick Smith

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

Sworn to before me, this 21<sup>st</sup>

day of April 1886

*M. H. H.*

Police Justice.

*David Leaby*



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198—200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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District Police Court.

*John Beardsworth* 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.

*John Beardsworth*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*30 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*England*

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

Answer.

*Sedgwick Avenue, Highbridge; 3 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Labourer*

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. We had been drinking together after getting paid off. I had no intention of stealing anything, nor have I any recollection of doing so.*

*John Beardsworth*

Taken before me this

21<sup>st</sup>

day of

*April*

1881

*John Beardsworth*  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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

Police Court- 6<sup>th</sup> District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Patrick Smith

1 John Beaudemont

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Offence Larceny  
from the Person

Dated April 21<sup>st</sup> 1886

W. C. Meade Magistrate

John F. 2<sup>d</sup> Officer

Witness said officer

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

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

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

\$ 1000 to answer  
to answer

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

Beaudemont

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of \$1000 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 21<sup>st</sup> 1886

W. C. Meade

Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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

*John Beardmont*

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

*John Beardmont*

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

The said *John Beardmont*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twentieth* day of *April*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *day* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*Two* Promissory Notes for the payment of money, the same 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,

*Two* Promissory Notes for the payment of money, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied, and of the kind known as *Bank Notes*, of the denomination of *Five* dollars, and of the value of *Five* dollars each,

*one promissory note for the payment of money, of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes, being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the denomination and value of two dollars, and divers coins, of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown. of the value of six dollars and ninety two cents, and one pocket book of the value of one dollar, —*  
of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Patricia Smith*. —  
on the person of the said *Patricia Smith*. —  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Patricia Smith*. —  
then and there feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Randolph B. Martin,*  
*District Attorney*



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Benedetto, Pietro

DATE:

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*Archibald A. Mc*

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
for the City and County of New York.

The People vs } Assault.  
- vs -  
Pietro Benedetto }

For:

Please to take notice, that upon  
the Indictment, Complaint and all  
the papers and proceedings herein;

A motion will be made by the  
defendant above named at the Court  
of General Sessions of the Peace for the  
City and County of New York; before  
Hon. Rufus B. Cowing, on the 21<sup>st</sup>  
day of February, 1887, at 11-o'clock  
in the forenoon of that day; or  
as soon thereafter as counsel can  
be heard, for the discharge of the  
above named defendant upon the  
ground of a failure of the people  
to prosecute; and for such other  
and further relief as to the Court  
may seem just.

Dated, New York February 16<sup>th</sup> 1887

Robert H. Racey,

Attorney for Defendant

O. O. & Address No. 25 Chambers Street,  
N. Y. City



To the  
 Hon. Randolph B. Martin,  
 District Attorney,  
 City & County of New York.

Court of General Sessions  
 of the Peace  
 for the

City & County of New York

The People vs

- vs -

Pietro Beneditto

Defendant

Arrested at Motion.

Robert H. Racey,

Deputy City

25 Chambers Street

N. Y. City

To

Hon. R. B. Martin,

District Attorney

City & County of New York

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**PART II.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY, AND FRONTING THE PARK.

If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.  
Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To

*Maria Benedetto*

of No.

*56*

*Mulberry*

Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building in the Park of the said City, on the *16* day of *February* instant, at the hour of *ten* in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

*Pietro Benedetto*

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

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *February*, in the year of our Lord 188

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

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**CORRECTION**



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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**PART II.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY, AND FRONTING THE PARK.

If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.

Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room door, that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPÆNA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

*Court of General Sessions of the Peace.*

The People of the State of New York,

To

*Maria Benedetto*

of No.

*56*

*Mulberry*

Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building in the Park of the said City, on the *16* day of *February* instant, at the hour of ten *11* in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

*Pietro Benedetto*

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

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *February*, in the year of our Lord 188

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

*not found*

*not known*

POOR QUALITY  
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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Benedict

Mr. Bennett,  
Let for off. Gmpt  
and be found in  
off. ind. in  
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District Attorney's Office.

*Part Two*

PEOPLE

vs.

*Benedetto*

*Feb 18*

*Affidavit  
Wanted*

*Due to 20 Feb 1916*

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*Hane Huntley make*

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POOR QUALITY  
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Affidavit wanted

PART II.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY, AND FRONTING THE PARK.

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[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPOENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To

Maria Benedetto

of No.

56 Mulberry

Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building in the Park of the said City, on the 18 day of February instant, at the hour of ten in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

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

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of

, in the year of our Lord 188

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 16 day of February 1887, I called at No. 56 Mulberry Street

the alleged residence of Maria Benedetto

the complainant herein, to serve her with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the person in charge of the saloon in the building and by several women in the house that they don't know anyone by the name of Maria Benedetto and ~~she~~ does not live there to their knowledge.

I have called on several previous occasions with the same result.

Sworn to before me, this

day

of

February 17

, 1887

Rudolph L. Schauf

John G. Muttley

Subpoena Server.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0788

Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Benedetto*

County of New York, ss:

s. and says: I reside at No.

*John W. Hunter* being duly  
*607 Tinton Avenue*

Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the

City and County of New York. On the *16* day of *February* 188*7*,

I called at *No. 56 Mulberry Street*

the alleged residence of *Maria Benedetto*

the complainant herein, to serve her with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the person in charge of the saloon in the building and by several women in the house that they don't know anyone by the name of Maria Benedetto and ~~none~~ does not live there to their knowledge.

I have called on several previous occasions with the same result.

Sworn to before me, this *17* day

of *February*, 188*7*

*Rudolph L. Schauf*

*John W. Hunter*  
Subpoena Server.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0789

Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of  
*Maria Benedetto*

vs.

*Pietro Benedetto*

Offense:

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

Affidavit of

*John W. Hunter*  
Subpoena Server

Failure to Find Witness.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0790

Police Court—1—District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

Maria Benedetto  
of No. 56 Mulberry Street, aged 28 years,  
occupation House Cleaner being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on 28 day of March 1886 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

§ he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Pietro  
Benedetto (now here) deponent's husband  
who wilfully and maliciously cut and  
stabbed deponent on the forehead  
with a dagger then and there held  
in his hand of said dagger

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 29 day }  
of March 1886 } Maria Benedetto  
mark

Sam'l O'Reilly Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0791

Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

*Pietro Benedetto*

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 *Pietro Benedetto*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *33 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Italy*

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

Answer. *Brooklyn 6 mos*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer *Laborer*

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*

*Pietro Benedetto*

Taken before me this  
day of *March* 188*9*

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*Samuel M. Hall*  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0792

BAILED,  
No. 1, by C. C. Carr  
Residence 440 Mulberry Street.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Police Court / District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Maria Benedetto  
St. Maloney  
Julio Benedetto

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

Offence Felony  
Assault

Dated March 29 1886

A. O. Kelly Magistrate  
Roche Officer.  
Precinct. 4

Witnesses

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

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

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

1000 to answer 88 Street.

Commulter  
Bailed

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 10 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 29 1886 Sam'l O. Kelly Police Justice.

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

Dated March 29 1886 Sam'l O. Kelly Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0793

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Pietro Benedetto*

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

*Pietro Benedetto* —

of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Pietro Benedetto*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Twenty eighth* day of *March*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Maria Benedetto* — in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *in* the said *Maria Benedetto*, — with a certain *dagger*. —

which the said *Pietro Benedetto* — in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound

with intent *in* the said *Maria Benedetto* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said *Pietro Benedetto* — of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Pietro Benedetto*,

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of one *Maria Benedetto*, — in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make an assault, and *in* the said *Maria Benedetto*, — with a certain *dagger*. —

which *in* the said *Pietro Benedetto* — in *his* — right hand then and there had and held, the same being a *weapon* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully beat, strike, stab, cut and wound, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Randolph Martin,*  
*District Attorney*

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Bennett, James

**DATE:**

04/21/86



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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No. 162  
Counsel,  
Filed 21 day of April 1886  
Pleads: *Chargely*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*James Bennett*  
Robbery, *first degree*,  
[Sections 224 and 22 & Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.  
Disch'd by the Ct. in his own  
recog.  
A True Bill.

*Joseph Brown*  
Foreman  
*James Bennett*  
Affiant  
June 4th  
J.S.C.

*Mr. No. 162*  
Witnesses: *Extra Record*  
*Ed. J. Brumby*

It appearing by the within affidavits  
that it is impossible to secure the at-  
tendance of *Picardo D. Chiff*  
a material and necessary witness for  
the People and without whose evidence  
a conviction cannot be had. I there-  
fore respectfully recommend that the  
defendant herein *James Bennett*  
be  
discharged on his own recognizance.  
N. Y. June 4 1886  
*Randolph B. Martine*  
District Attorney.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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*Affidavit wanted*

**PART I.**

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Room door, that your attendance may be known.

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**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To *Richard D. Cluff*

of No. *38 Cherry* Street.

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the *3* day of *June* instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

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

Witness, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, of our said City, at the City Hall, in our said City, the first Monday of *June* in the year of our Lord, 188*6*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

*every*  
Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the *2* day of *June* 188*6*, I called at *No 30 Cherry St.*

the alleged residence of *Richard D. Cluff*

the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the housekeeper of those and the adjoining premises that she does not know anyone by the name of Richard D. Cluff residing in that building, and that she don't know where he may be found. I have made diligent search and inquiry but have not been able to ascertain the present whereabouts of the said Richard D. Cluff.

Sworn to before me, this *3* day

of *June* 188*6*

*Rudolph L. Schaff*  
Court of Peace

*Jacob Deubert*  
Subpoena Server.

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**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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**Court of General Sessions.**

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*es Bennett*

County of New York, ss.:

and says: I reside at No. *161 Essex*

Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the

office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the *2* day

of *June* 188*6*, I called at *No 30 Cherry St.*

the alleged residence of *Richard D. Cluff*

the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the

housekeeper of those and the adjoining premises that she does not know anyone by the name of Richard D. Cluff residing in that building, and that she don't know where he may be found. I have made diligent search and inquiry but have not been able to ascertain the present whereabouts of the said Richard D. Cluff.

Sworn to before me, this

*3*

day

of

188*6*

*Rudolph L. Schay*  
Clerk of Court

*Jacob Denbert*  
Subpoena Server.

being duly sworn, deposes and says he

Subpoena, of which the within is a copy, upon

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by

on the

day of

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

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People, &c.

vs.

*James Bennett*

OFFENCE

RANDOLPH B. MACHUE,  
District Attorney.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Please find complainant & report to Chief Clerk

SUBPENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To

of No.

Street.

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the 7 day of MAY instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

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

Witness Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, of our said City, at the City Hall, in our said City, the first Monday of MAY in the year of our Lord, 1886.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

Sworn, deposes and says. I am a police officer attached to the 7th Precinct in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 24th day of April 1886, I called at No 30 Cherry Street

the alleged residence of Richard D. Bluff the complainant herein, to serve him with a subpoena, and was informed by the lady of whom he hired the room that the said Bluff had formerly lived there but had left the day after the robbery and had not seen him since, that she don't know where he is or where he can be found. I have on previous occasions made diligent search and efforts to find said Richard D. Bluff but have been unable to find him or to gain any information of his present whereabouts

Sworn to before me, this

7 day

of

May 1886  
Rudolph L. Schaaf  
Court of Deeds

Edward J. Donnelly

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**POOR QUALITY  
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**PART 2.**

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**SUBPENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To Richard D. Bluff  
of No. 30 Cherry Street.

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the day of 7 instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

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

Witness, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, of our said City, at the City Hall, in our said City, the first Monday of 1886 in the year of our Lord, 1886.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

sworn, deposes and says. I am a voice officer, and reached to the 7<sup>th</sup> Precinct Street in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1886, I called at No 30 Cherry Street

the alleged residence of Richard D. Bluff the complainant herein, to serve him with a subpoena, and was informed by the lady of whom he hired the room that the said Bluff had formerly lived there but had left the day after the robbery and had not seen him since, that she don't know where he is or where he can be found. I have on previous occasions made diligent search and efforts to find said Richard D. Bluff but have been unable to find him or to gain any information of his present whereabouts.

Sworn to before me, this

7 day

of May 1886  
Rudolph L. Schauf  
Court of Deeds

Edward J. J. Connolly  
Notary Public



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions.

PEOPLE

*Bennett*

of New York, ss.:

*Edward J. Donnelly*  
being duly

sworn, deposes and says: I reside at No. *7<sup>th</sup> Precinct* Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *April* 1886, I called at No 30 *Cherry Street*

the alleged residence of *Richard D. Cluff*  
the complainant herein, to serve him with a subpoena, and was informed by *the*  
*lady* of whom he hired the room that she said  
*Cluff* had formerly lived there but had  
left the day after the robbery and had  
not seen him since, that she  
don't know where he is or where  
he can be found. I have on  
previous occasions made diligent  
search and efforts to find said *Richard*  
*D. Cluff* but have been unable  
to find him or to gain any  
information of his present  
whereabouts

Sworn to before me, this

*7* day

of

*May*  
*Rudolph L. Schaaf*  
Clerk of Deeds

*Edward J. Donnelly*



POOR QUALITY  
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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People, &c.

vs.  
*James Bennett*

OFFENCE

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, occupation Edward J. Donnelly  
Police officer of No. \_\_\_\_\_

The 7th Precinct Police Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Richard D. Cluff

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

Sworn to before me, this 12th  
day of April 1888 Edward J. Donnelly

[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

*James Bennett*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*James Bennett*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*16 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*334 Pearl Street - 7 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Card Mounter*

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.*

*James Bennett*

Taken before me this  
day of June

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Police Justice.



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Police Court - 419. 539  
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.

# ON THE COMPLAINT OF

ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Richard D. Colwell  
50 Cherry St.  
N.B.

James Duwett

Offence Robbery

Date: April 12<sup>th</sup>

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W. J. Allen

*Magistrate.*

Yours truly,  
Officer.

17

Precinct.

AT

DAY

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**No.**

Street

N<sup>y</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Sired.  
 committed to answer  
 A.D.

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 One 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. he shall appear in the court at the next term of the City Court at New York on the first day of the month of January next at ten o'clock in the forenoon and there answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show cause why he should not be committed to the City Prison and be held to answer the charge against him and show

Dated April 16<sup>th</sup> 1888 James Watson 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  
ORIGINAL

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has not been home in  
three weeks

PART 2.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY AND FRONTING THE PARK.  
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Room door, that your attendance may be known.  
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SUBPOENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To

Richard D. Bluff

of No.

30 Cherry

Street.

GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That, all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the Sessions Building, in the Park of the said City, on the instant, at the hour of eleven day of 11 6 7

in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf, against

Geo. Bennett

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

Witness, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, of our said City, at the City Hall, in our said City, the first Monday of 11 6 7 in the year of our Lord, 1886.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney.

Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 1886, I called at No. 30 Cherry Street

the alleged residence of Richard D. Bluff. the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the

lady of whom he hired the room that the said Bluff had left there about three weeks ago, that she could not tell where he had gone or where he could be found. I have called there several times and have made diligent search and inquiry but have not been able to gain any information of the present whereabouts of the said Richard D. Bluff.

Sworn to before me, this

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day

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Rudolph L. Schauf  
Clerk of Peace

Chas. D. Crowl  
Subpoena Server.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*James Bennett*

County of New York, ss.:

*John J. Carroll*  
*245 Clinton*

being duly

poses and says: I reside at No.

Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the

office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the *6<sup>th</sup>* day

of *May* 188*6*, I called at *No. 30 Cherry Street*

the alleged residence of *Richard D. Bluff*.

the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by *the*

*lady of whom he hired the room that the said Bluff had left there about three weeks ago, that she could not tell where he had gone or where he could be found. I have called there several times and have made diligent search and inquiry but have not been able to gain any information of the present whereabouts of the said Richard D. Bluff.*

Sworn to before me, this *3* day

*Rudolph L. Schuyler*  
*Clerk of Court*

*John J. Carroll*  
Subpoena Server.

being duly sworn, deposes and says he  
Subpoena, of which the within is a copy, upon  
on the day of  
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State of New York,  
City and County of New York, ss.  
If you know of more testimony than was produced before the Magistrate, or if a fact which you think material was not there brought out, please state the same to the District Attorney or one of his assistants.



**POOR QUALITY  
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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People, &c.

vs.

*James Bennett*

OFFENCE

**RAEDOLPH B. MARTINE,**  
District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0009

Examined Before Justice Pove  
April 16, 1886

Edward J. Donnelly, being  
duly sworn before, and says:  
At quarter to one on the night  
of April 12 I heard a man  
cry "Police" near 45 Catherine  
street. I sent out a rap, and  
I saw the Defendant run across  
Catherine street into Madison  
street and back again, down  
Catherine into Monroe with  
No 19 Monroe st. I followed  
him into the hall and  
I found the Defendant  
lying on the stairs. I picked  
him up and arrested him  
and near the place where  
he was lying. I found the  
pocket book and bundle  
of letters described in the  
complaint as having been  
stolen from R. D. Cluff.

SWORN TO BEFORE ME  
THIS 16 DAY OF April 1886  
*My Obedt*  
POLICE JUSTICE.

Edward J. Donnelly

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court

3d District.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Richard D. Cluff  
of No 30 Cherry Street, Aged 28 Years  
Occupation Private Letter Carrier being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the  
12th day of April 1886 at the 4th Ward of the City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away from the person of de-  
ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

A Pocket Book with three Plated Studs  
A Fair Ticket Representing two Rings  
and a Package of Letters all of the value of  
nine dollars \$9.00

Deponent

Deponent

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 force and violence as aforesaid by

James Bennett (nowhere) from the fact  
that while deponent was passing through Catherine  
Street between Madison and Monroe Street he  
was knocked down and robbed by force and  
violence against his consent and with the  
said defendant, and another person whose name  
is unknown at about 10 o'clock this A.M. and  
the above property taken, stolen and carried away  
from his person. Deponent further says that  
Officer Edward J. O'Malley of the 7th Precinct Police  
arrested said defendant and he informed deponent  
that he found said property in the possession  
of defendant. Deponent therefore asks that  
said defendant be held to answer and dealt  
with according to law.

Richard Cluff

day of

Sworn before me, this

1886

Police Justice.



0811

# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*James Bennett*

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

*James Bennett*

of the CRIME OF ROBBERY in the *First* degree, committed as follows :

The said *James Bennett*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Ninth* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Richard Platts* in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

*one pocket watch of the value of one dollar, three funds of the value of fifty cents each, one written instrument and evidence of contract, of the said commonly called paper tickets, of the value of five dollars, and one hundred pieces of paper of the value of five cents each piece.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Richard Platts*, from the person of the said *Richard Platts*, against the will, and by violence to the person of the said *Richard Platts*, then and there violently and feloniously did rob, steal, take and carry away, *the said*

*said James Bennett* being then and there aided by an accomplice actually present, whose name is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown.

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

*Randolph B. Martin*

*District Attorney*

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2116

DESCRIPTION:

Bertsch, John

DATE:

04/03/86



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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*Mr. B. B. B.*

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1886

Pleas

*very pretty*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*John Bertsch*

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

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*Dr. Apr 20/86 District Attorney.*

*mid acquitted. April 20*

A True Bill.

*Robert B. B.*

*April 20/86 Foreman.*

*Spied by my daughter*

*9 photographs*

Witnesses:

*David C. Cagney*

*Bail produced  
\$4000. - He  
supt. hearing  
been tried - & the  
jury. disassembling*

*Apr 13/86*



0814

Police Court—5 District.CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, { ss.

of No.

David E. Cagney  
the 23<sup>d</sup> Precinct Streetbeing duly sworn, deposes and says, that  
on Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> day of Marchin the year 1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

John Beartsch  
(now known) who did willfully  
and feloniously aim and point  
a revolving pistol loaded with  
powder and leaden balls  
at deponent and pulled  
the trigger of said pistol while  
defendant was aiming it  
at said deponent. Said defendant  
also struck deponent on the  
neck with the butt end of  
said revolver and attempted  
to take deponents life or to do  
him grievous bodily harmwith the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or to do him grievous bodily harm; and without  
any justification on the part of the said assailant :Wherefore this deponent prays that the said assailant may be apprehended and bound to answer  
for the above assault, etc., and be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this

day

of

188631  
March  
David E. CagneyJ. M. M. Ford

POLICE JUSTICE.

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Sec. 198—200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

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

Question What is your name?

Answer

Question How old are you?

Answer

Question Where were you born?

Answer

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

Answer

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

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

Answer

*I am not guilty*  
*John Beartsch*

Taken before me this

31

day of March 1888

*John Beartsch*  
*John Beartsch*

Police Justice.

0015

Police Court District.

420

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

David C. Haganey

13-10-1886

John Beartsch

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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Offence

Delinquency  
Assault

Dated

March 31 1886

John Beartsch

Magistrate

Officer.

Precinct.

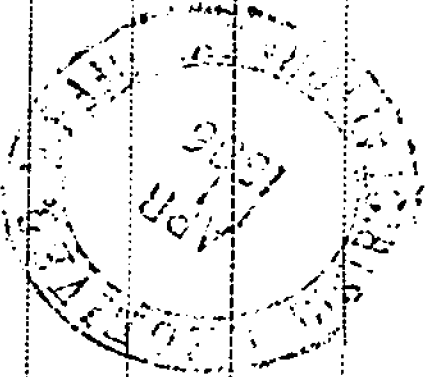
Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

Street.



No.

Street.

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to answer

John Beartsch

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

John Beartsch

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Twenty 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 31 1886

John Beartsch

Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

Dated

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Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named

guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.

Dated

188

Police Justice.



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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*John B. Burt*

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

*John B. Burt*

of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows :

The said *John B. Burt*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirtieth* day of *March*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *David E. Ragsdale* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and to, at and against *him* the said *David E. Ragsdale* a certain  *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *John B. Burt* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did then and there shoot off and discharge, with intent *him* the said *David E. Ragsdale* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*John B. Burt*

of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows :

The said *John B. Burt*,

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of one *David E. Ragsdale* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make an assault, and to, at and against *him* the said *David E. Ragsdale* a certain  *pistol* — then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *John B. Burt* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully shoot off and discharge, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINEZ**

~~District Attorney~~

(over)

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*David* COUNT. [Sec. 280, N. Y. City Consolidation Act of 1832.]

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said

*John Bertrich* —

of the CRIME OF USING PERSONAL VIOLENCE UPON A MEMBER OF THE POLICE FORCE, WHEN IN THE DISCHARGE OF HIS DUTY, WITHOUT JUSTIFIABLE OR EXCUSABLE CAUSE, committed as follows :

The said *John Bertrich*,

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterward, to wit : on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the

City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *David E. Raagney*,

being then and there a member, to wit : a *patrolman* — of the

police force of the City of New York, and then and there being in the discharge of his duty as such

*patrolman* , unlawfully did make an assault, and did then and there unlawfully,

wilfully and without justifiable or excusable cause, use personal violence upon the said —

*David E. Raagney* , — so being in the discharge

of his duty as aforesaid, and him the said *David E. Raagney*,

did then and there unlawfully and wilfully strike, beat, wound and illtreat ; against the form of the

Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New

York, and their dignity.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Bogan, James J.

DATE:

04/15/86



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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112-108  
Counsel,  
Filed 10<sup>th</sup> April 1886  
Pleads Property

Grand Larceny in the second degree.  
(MONEY)  
(Sec. 538 and 539, Penal Code.)

THE PEOPLE

vs.

James J. Bogan

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

G. W. Brown

April 21/86

Foreman.

Heads of Jury  
J. M. Van D.

Witnesses:

John J. McKee

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

of No. 89 Columbia Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 1st day of March 1886

at the in Allentown, Lehigh County State of Pennsylvania City of New York,

~~in the County of New York~~ was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession

of deponent and brought into the City, County, and State of New York

the following property, viz:

One Silver Watch and Plated Gold Chain  
and good and lawful moneys of the value  
of eighty dollars all being of the value of  
one hundred and twelve dollars \$112.00

the property of deponent

and that this deponent

has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken,

stolen, and carried away by James J. Bogau (nowhere)

from the fact that defendant took stole and carried  
away said property from deponent's possession in  
Allentown, Lehigh County, in the State of Pennsylvania,  
and brought said property into the City of New  
York and that he was informed by name  
George Haffner that he sold him a Pawn Ticket  
for a Watch which he deponent has seen in the  
Pawn office and that he identifies said  
Watch as the one stolen from his possession  
Deponent has also seen the Chain which is also  
in the Pawn which was stolen from him. Deponent  
asks that defendant be held to answer and dealt with according  
to law.

John J. Weber

Sworn before me this

11th

day of March

1886

at New York

Police Justice,

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0022

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

George Kaffner  
aged 19 years, occupation Cigar-Packer of No. 97 Eighth Avenue Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John J. Weber  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of April 1888 George J. Kaffner

W. J. Omer  
Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

34

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

*James J. Bogau* 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.

*James J. Bogau*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*193 Broome Street - 1 month*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Truck driver*

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 took the Watch and Chain but  
not the money.*

*James J. Bogau*

Taken before me this  
day of *April* 188*9*

*Lucas*  
Police Justice.

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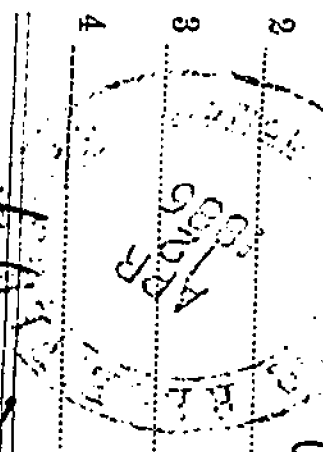
0024

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

Police Court- 34 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John J. McGowan  
James J. McGowan  
19 Columbia Street



Offence Brandtgering

Dated June 11 1886

Magistrate

McGowan & McGowan

13 Precinct.

Witnesses

No. 1 East 8th Street

Therman Phansen

No. 44 Jackson Street

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

Committed to answer J. J.

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

James J. McGowan 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 June 11 1886 any one Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1886 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1886 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0025

Lehigh County, ss.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA


To any Constable of the said County==GREETING:

WHEREAS complaint has this day been made before me, the subscriber, one of the Aldermen, of the City of Allentown, in and for the said County of Lehigh, upon the oath of *Charles J. Gebber* charging on *James J. Bogan* with the carrying of a *revolver* of *7.8* calibre *ammunition of the United States of America*, and a *Silver Watch and Chain*

at the *City of Allentown*, in said County:—These are, therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to command you, forthwith, to apprehend the said *James J. Bogan*

and bring *him* before me to answer unto the said complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand and seal this *10<sup>th</sup>* day of *March* A. D. 183*6*

*Walter L. Jones*  Alderman.



**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

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WARRANT.

Commonwealth

vs.

*James J. Boyan*

*1845*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

00827

# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*James F. Boagun*

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

*James F. Boagun* —  
of the crime of GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *James F. Boagun*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *first* day of *March*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*two*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, ~~in the~~ *time of the same day,*

*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 twenty dollars, and of the value of twenty dollars *each*; *six* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of ten dollars, and of the value of ten dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of five dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each*; *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 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*; *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 twenty dollars *each*; *six* 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*; *ten* 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* divers coins, of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of *twenty* dollars,

*one note of the value of twenty*  
*dollars, and one coin of the*  
*value of two dollars.*

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels, and personal property of one *James F. Boagun*, then and there being found, ~~from the person of the said~~ *James F. Boagun*, then and there feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Bogan, John

**DATE:**

04/21/86



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Witnesses:

Chas. Altman

Georgeos affee

for

last no. direct

ad. 4 years ago

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get away account  
on above direct  
part. has since  
been made for

RF

No 169

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

day of April 1886

THE PEOPLE

vs.

John Bogan

Defendant

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Brought in the Third Degree.

Sections 498.

A True Bill.

J. H. Brown

Foreman

Copied 1/1/87

Pleads Guilty

1/12/86 Max S. P.

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POOR QUALITY  
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15101

Police Court 2nd District.

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

of No. 645 Broadway Street, aged 39 years,  
occupation Furrier being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No 645 Broadway Street,  
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a Marble Building

And the first floor of  
~~and~~ which was occupied by deponent as a Store for Manufactured furs  
and in which there was at the time ~~no~~ human being, ~~by name~~

attempted to be

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly

breaking  
the lock of the door leading from  
the hallway into said store

on the 15th day of April 1886 in the day time, and the  
~~attempted to be~~  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

A Quantity of Seal skin garments  
and other furs of the Value  
of thirty thousand 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 ~~attempted to be~~ aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away by

John Bogart (now here)

for the reasons following, to wit: On said date, about the hour  
of 7.15 o'clock a.m. deponent had the door  
leading into said store from the hallway  
securely locked and fastened. — About  
the hour of 7.40 o'clock a.m. on said  
date, deponent saw said defendant in the  
act of breaking the lock of said door  
by means of a burglar's jimmy which  
he the said defendant held in his hand.

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That deponent immediately cause the  
arrest of said defendant and found  
in his possession a picklock and  
table knife

Wherefore deponent charges  
said defendant with attempted Burglary  
as aforesaid

Sworn to before me  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1886  
J. B. O'Brien  
Clerk

Police Court	District.
THE PEOPLE, &c., ON THE COMPLAINT OF	
vs.	Burglary
Dated	188
Magistrate.	Officer.
Clerk.	Witnesses:
Committed in default of \$	Bail.
Bailed by	No.
Street.	



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0032

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

*Quay*  
District Police Court.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer

Question How old are you?

Answer

Question Where were you born?

Answer

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

Answer

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

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

Answer

*I am not guilty -*  
*John Bogan*

Taken before me this

day of

188

Police Justice.

0033

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

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Charles E. Brennan*  
645 Broadway

1 *John J. Ryan*  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

Offence *attempted*  
*burglary*

Dated *April 15* 188

*Harry E. Coffey* Magistrate  
Officer.

15 Precinct.

Witnesses

*Harry E. Coffey*

No. 1 *at Court* Street.

*Harold W. Hatcher*

No. *445 Broadway* Street,

*William J. Macauliffe*

No. *54 E. 10 St* Street,

*to answer* *Q.S.*

*Q.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 *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 *April 15* 188 *Police Justice.*

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*John Brown*

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

*John Brown of the crime*  
*attempting to commit*

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

The said *John Brown*,

late of the *5th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *15th* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit: the *store* of one

*Charles Altmann,*

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

*Charles Altmann,*

in the said *store* 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.

*Randolph Martin,*

*John Brown*



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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Boyd, James

DATE:

04/30/86



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Witnesses:

Patrick Connell  
Chas. S. Pike - officer

Dr. [unclear]  
J. M. [unclear]  
H. C. [unclear]

Counsel,  
Filed 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1886  
Pleads, [unclear]

vs. THE PEOPLE  
James Boyd  
Burglary in the second Degree.  
[Sections 498, and 34, Criminal Code.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
May 5, 1886 District Attorney.  
[unclear]

A True Bill.

[Signature]

Foreman

29. 4. 2  
24th 9 mos. 1886  
[Signature]

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## STENOGRAPHERS' MINUTES.

1 Court of General Sessions - P. C. -

BEFORE

The People vs.

against

James H. Smith indicted

for Robbery, Sec. 200, N. Y. C.

James Frederick Smith,

Declarer, and a Jury.

May 5th, 1886

WITNESSES.

DIRECT.

CROSS.

RE-DIRECT.

RE-CROSS.



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Court of General Sessions, Part 2.

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THE PEOPLE &c. :  
- agst. - : Before Hon. Frederick Smyth,  
James Boyd, Indicted for : Recorder, and a Jury.  
Robbery in the Second Degree.: -----000-----  
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Tried May 5, 1886.

APPEARANCES.

Assistant District Attorney, John R. Fellows for the People;  
Mr. Cohen, for the defence.

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PAT. CONNELL, of Number 58 Varick Street, testified,  
that on the 20th of April 1886, he was in his rooms at 58  
Varick Street. The outer door of his rooms was locked; he  
had in the rooms property and clothing of the value of Five  
hundred dollars. He heard a rap at his door three times.  
About ten minutes later some one stuck an instrument through  
the keyhole and worked it around in the lock. It was an  
iron instrument. Then the instrument was pulled out and  
the person outside tried to force the door open. Then he,

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the complainant opened the door. He saw the defendant Boyd and another man at the door. He tried to catch them both and they fell down stairs, and the other man got away, but he held on to Boyd. Boyd said that he was not guilty and that he had come into the house to sell thimbles. He had one thimble. The iron instrument was found on the stairs. It was about 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

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OFFICER CHARLES S. PIKE, of the 5th Precinct, testified that between two and three o'clock on the afternoon of the day in question he found the defendant in the custody of the complainant. He found the outer door of the complainant's room somewhat broken. He found a thimble on the defendant's finger and the defendant said that he was selling them. He had only one thimble about him.

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For the Defence, JAMES ROYD, the defendant, testified that he lived at number 52 South 5th Avenue; and had been in the country two years and one month. He had been in the City eight weeks, having lived previously in Yonkers. For three weeks previous he made a living by peddling thimbles,

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and he went into the house where the complainant lived to sell thimbles. He walked up to the first floor and met a woman and asked if she wanted to buy a thimble and she said no. He passed up to the second floor and a well-dressed man was standing at the complainant's door. He was in the act of opening the door and he asked him if he wanted to buy a thimble or knew anybody that did. He turned around and said no, and he, the defendant started to go down stairs again, when the well dressed man ran after him and pushed him down the stairs and ran out of the house, and the complainant caught him, the defendant. He did not attempt to enter the complainant's room.-He, the defendant, thought that he was attacked by the people in the house and begged a lady to call in a policeman.

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Under cross examination he testified that he had sold five thimbles that morning. He paid 15 cents for them. He worked for Mr. Shaw, in Yenkens for seven weeks.

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Indictment filed April '86-

Dept of General Session <sup>P. 2</sup>

The People vs  
against  
James M. Fox

STENOGRAPHERS' TRANSCRIPT.

May 5th 1886.

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## STENOGRAPHERS' MINUTES.

Count of General Sessions - P. 2 -

BEFORE

The People vs.  
againstJames Mayd indicted  
for Robbery, second degree

Hon. Frederick Smith,

Recorder, and a jury.

May 5th. 1886

WITNESSES.

DIRECT.

CROSS.

RE-DIRECT.

RE-CROSS.

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

District Police Court.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer

Question How old are you?

Answer

Question Where were you born?

Answer

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

Answer

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

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

Answer

*I am not guilty*

*James Boyd*

I went into a tenement house for the purpose of selling some tinware, and when I reached the second floor there was a man standing at the door doing something to the door. I asked him if he knew anybody inside that wanted to buy any tinware and when I spoke to him he started and said no. I started to go down stairs and he ran after me and pushed me down stairs, I fell down the whole flight of stairs and so did the other man and as we laid in the hall, this man Patrick Connell came up and caught hold of me and made the other man make his escape.

*James Boyd*

Taken before me this 26  
day of March, 1885

David C. McCall  
Police Justice.



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Police Court— District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 58 Varick Street, aged 28 years,

occupation laborer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No 58 Varick Street,

in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a four story brick  
apartment building, one of the apartments  
of which was occupied by deponent as a dwelling

and in which there was at the time a human being, by name

Patric Connell  
attempted to be

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly inserting some  
unknown instrument into a lock in the  
door of said room

on the 26 day of April 1888 in the day time, and the  
attempted to be  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Household furniture, ladies  
dresses and gents clothing  
in all of the value of  
Five Hundred Dollars

By

the property of Deponent

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

James Boyd (now here) and another  
man not arrested who were acting in concert  
for the reasons following, to wit: at about the hour of

2 O'clock P.M. in said apartment  
deponent was in said room, hearing  
three knocks being made on said  
door went to the said door and  
saw the said unknown instrument  
being inserted in said lock.

Deponent waited about three  
minutes, and saw that the door was

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about to be pushed in when he  
opened the said door and seized  
hold of Defendant and said  
unknown man, they both attempted  
to break away from defendant, the  
said unknown man succeeding in  
getting away, Defendant held  
the said defendant until the arrival  
of the Officer.

Wherefore defendant charges the  
said defendant, and said unknown  
man with attempting to burglariously  
enter said home and take, steal  
and carry away the aforesaid  
property.

Sworn to before me  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1886 } Patrick Connolly

Sam'l C. Brilly Police Justice

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Burglary Degree.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$

Bail.

Bailed by

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Street.

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court-  
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

IN THE COMPLAINT OF

*Salvatore D. Amato*

*St. Mark St.*

*James Doyle*

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Dated

*April 26*

1886

*John Kelly*

Magistrate.

*Paul*

Officer.

5 Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

Street.

*21 April 28 10 a.m.*

*8500 Avenue*

No.

Street.

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Street.

*\$ 1500*

to answer

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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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *1500* 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 26* 1886 *Samuel C. Kelly* Police Justice.

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

Dated 1886 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 1886 Police Justice.



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**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*James Beards*

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

*James Beards* —  
of the CRIME OF BURGLARY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *James Beards*.

late of the *5th* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *twenty sixth* day of *April*, in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, with force and arms, about the  
hour of *Nine* o'clock in the *day* time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one

*Patricia Connell*. —  
there situate, feloniously and burglariously did *attempt to* break into and enter, there being then and there some  
human being, to wit: *One said Patricia Connell*.

within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels  
and personal property of the said *Patricia Connell*.

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,

*Donald J. Martin*,  
District Attorney

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Counsel,  
Filed *3* day of *April* 18*86*  
Pleads, *Verily, my*

*W. S. Mc* THE PEOPLE  
*vs.*  
*James Boyd*  
[Sections 498, and 34, Criminal Degree.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
*May 5, 1886* District Attorney.  
*and removed*

A True Bill.

*W. H. Brown*

Foreman

*29. 4. 2*  
*24th 9 May 1886*

Witness:  
*Patrick Connell*  
*Chas. S. Pike - officer*

*W. H. Brown*  
*J. M. Ellis - Clerk.*  
*H. C. Shaw - Secretary*  
*H. H. Shaw*

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