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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Rausch, John

DATE:

09/14/86



2269

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0409

Witnesses:

Geo. A. Reynolds

John H. Kitchin

45 W. 14th St.

Counsel,

Filed 14 day of Sept 1886

Pleads guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs.  
John Rausch

Grand Larceny, 2nd degree

[Sections 628, 68 Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Pr. Lapse 24th  
Plead guilty.  
A True Bill.

Wm. Macclay  
District Attorney

Sept 20th 1886

Wm. H. H.



Court of General Sessions  
City & County of New York  
The People &c  
<sup>agst</sup>  
John Rausch

City & County of New York ss.  
Hugh P. Lavell being  
duly sworn says:

I live at 83 1/2 India  
Street Brooklyn N. Y. and  
am a contractor for  
James Brachter Piano  
forte Manufacturer 21<sup>st</sup>  
Street & 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave in the  
city of New York - I  
have been with said  
firm for the past thirty  
one years, with the ex-  
ception of three and one  
half years that I served  
in the U. S. Army -

I know John Rausch  
the prisoner, and have  
known him for the  
past 8 or 9 years - He  
worked for me in the

furnishing department at  
Haines Brothers for it in  
5 years - He is a thoroughly  
good mechanic and  
did his work faithfully  
and well - Never  
shirked his work and  
was always attentive  
and diligent - He would  
occasionally drink intoxi-  
cating liquors and while  
in that state would  
of course not attend to  
his duties absenting him-  
self from the factory -

He left my employ  
on account of dull  
business and I would  
have taken him back  
had he not got other  
work -

I believe him to be  
thoroughly and strictly  
honest - He had oppor-  
tunities while in my  
employ to steal valuable  
tools, materials and money.

I am informed that he has been arrested for stealing while under the influence of liquor. I have seen him under such influence and know that he was irresponsible and not accountable for what he did at such times although he is not vicious -

From what I know of the man I do not believe that he ever intended to deliberately commit a theft. Every man in the shop that has worked with him will bear me out in what I say as to his honesty -

I have seen some of his family from Buffalo N. Y. and they are very respectable people in my judgment. I will promise to



See that the prisoner  
is employed if he is  
discharged

I make this affidavit  
for the reason that  
I am desirous of saving  
the prisoner from State  
Prison and because I  
believe that when  
under the influence  
of liquor, as he was  
at the time of the com-  
mission of the offence  
charged, he is not re-  
sponsible and does  
not know the conse-  
quences of his own  
acts

Sworn before me

this 20th day of

Sept. 1886

Benjamin Buchanan

Notary Public

New York Co.

W. P. Lavell



Court of General Sessions  
City & County of New York

The People vs vs  
against  
John Rausch

City & County of New York ss:  
John H. Kitchen being  
duly sworn says.

I am an attorney &  
counselor at law and have  
an office at 45 William  
Street in the city of New-  
York - At the request of  
the Clergy of Saint George's  
church in this city I have  
made an examination of  
the defendants previous  
character, with a view,  
if possible, of assisting  
the defendant in his  
present troubles. From  
such examination I find  
the defendants' character  
to be remarkably good;  
Haines Brothers Piano

Manufacturers at 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue with  
whom the defendant was  
employed for more than  
six years speak of him  
in the highest terms both  
as a workman and for  
his honesty -

Mr. J. Evers a manufacturer  
of doors at 155 E. 30<sup>th</sup>  
Street with whom the  
defendant was employed  
for more than two years,  
and until recently also  
speaks of the defendant  
in the highest terms -

The crime for which  
the defendant is indicted  
is the stealing of ten dollars  
in money and a silver  
watch from the complainant,  
who was his room-  
mate at 168 E. 125<sup>th</sup> Street.  
The watch was pawned for  
\$2.50 - It is admitted by  
all who are acquainted  
with the facts, that the

prisoner ~~was~~ under the influence of liquor at the time he committed the act and that when inquiry was made as to what became of the property he confessed the crime before he was arrested by the officers.

I would further state for the information of the court, that the prisoner has restored to the complainant the money and the other property and that the complainant does not care to still press the charge against the defendant.

I am also informed that the prisoner is an expert varnisher and will be able to obtain work upon his discharge from custody.

The above facts are made by me, without reward and without the expectation of any and simply with the



view of trying to save the  
defendant from the de-  
gradation of state prison  
and because I believe  
that if the prisoner had  
not been under  
the influence of liquor  
he would not now be  
in his unfortunate position  
and the crime would  
not have been committed.

The prisoner is of a  
respectable family in  
Buffalo N. Y. and I am  
informed I believe that  
his father is dying -

The defendant was ar-  
rested on the 20th of Aug.  
and has been in the  
city prison for one month  
Sworn before me  
this 20th day of Sept. 1886

Benjamin Buchanan  
Notary Public  
New York Co

John H. Hatcher



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0418

Court of Special Session  
City & County of N. Y.

The People &c  
vs

John Rausch

Defendant

John H. Ketchum  
Counsel for Prisoner

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0419

Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 168 East 128th Street, aged 19 years,  
occupation Butcher being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 18th day of August 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:

One Silver Watch with Statue  
Chain attached together of the  
Value of Twenty Eight dollars—  
and Four one hundred money  
of the United States issue to the amount  
of ten dollars all being of the value of Thirty Eight  
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 Rauch (now here)

from the fact that the same Rauch  
admitted and confessed to  
deponent that he did take, steal  
and carry away said property  
from deponent's possession

George A. Reynolds

Sworn to before me this  
18th day of August 1888

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0420

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK

District Police Court.

*John Rausch* 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

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 guilty of the  
Charge - J. G. Rausch*

Taken before me this

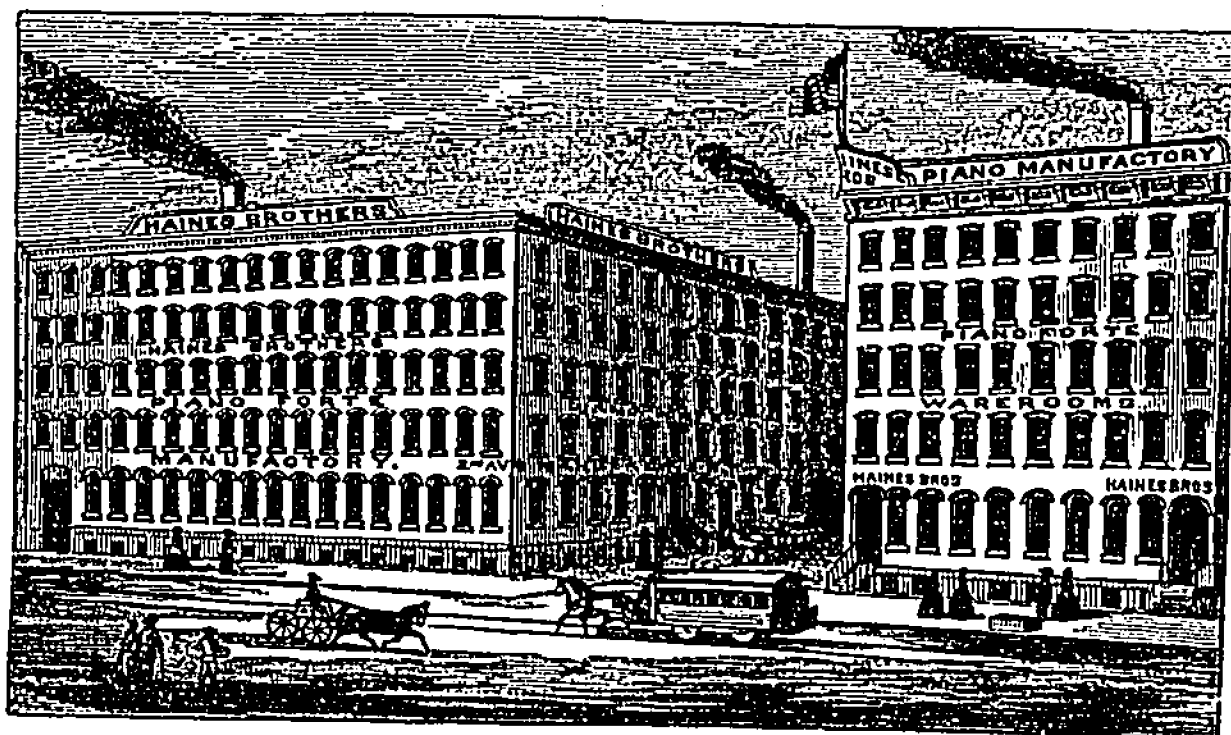
day of *March* 188*8*

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0421



HAINES BROTHERS,  
\*Piano-Forte Manufacturers,\*

OFFICE AND WAREHOUSES,  
356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370 and 372  
SECOND AVE., Cor. 21st STREET.

New York, Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1886

To His Honor Judge Geldersleeve  
Sir

Desiring to add my testimony  
to others in behalf of this unfortunate  
prisoner, I write the following trusting  
that you will kindly consider it in your  
wise judgment.

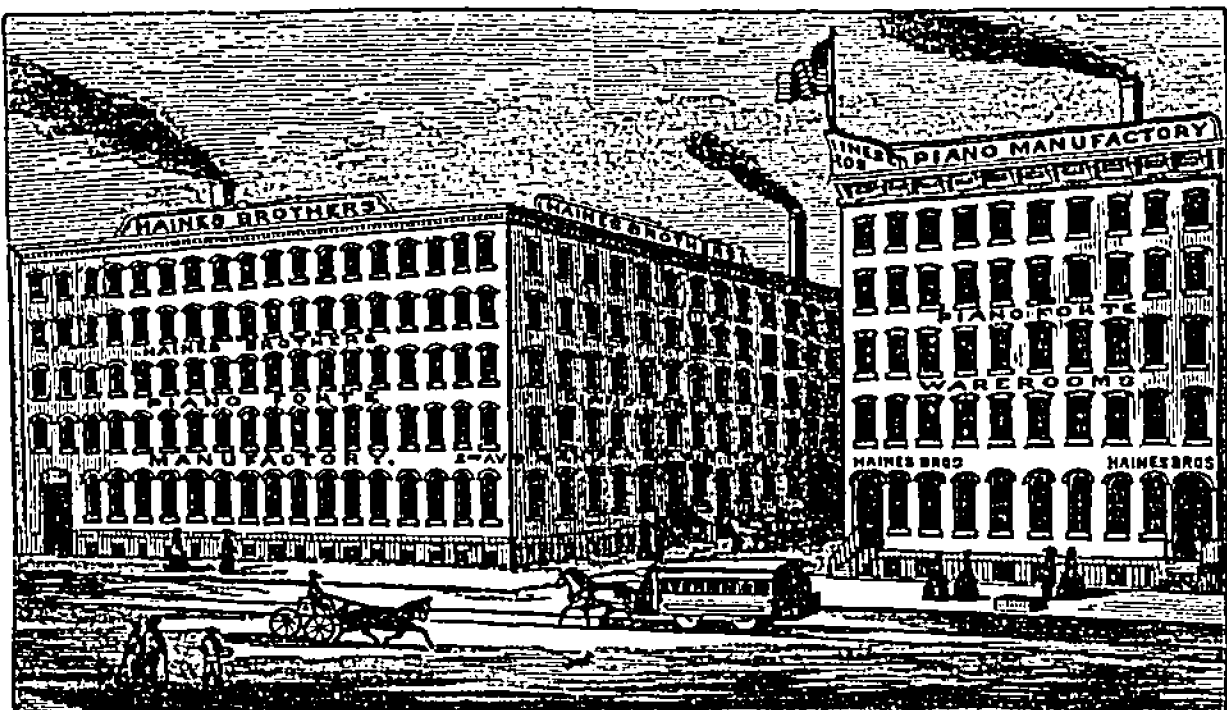
John Rausch has been in our  
factory several years employed under a  
contractor, working faithfully as an hon-  
est man should, giving full service for  
his compensation, always attentive and  
painstaking. Having had no end of  
opportunities to make away with prop-  
erty should he be disposed to, but  
I must say always proving himself  
to be an honest man.

He is a sufferer from some  
form of nervous disorder that drives  
him to seek some form of drugs



**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0422



**HAINES BROTHERS,**

**\*Piano-Florte Manufacturers,\***

OFFICE AND WAREHOUSES,  
356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370 and 372  
SECOND AVE., Cor. 21st STREET.

New York, ..... 188

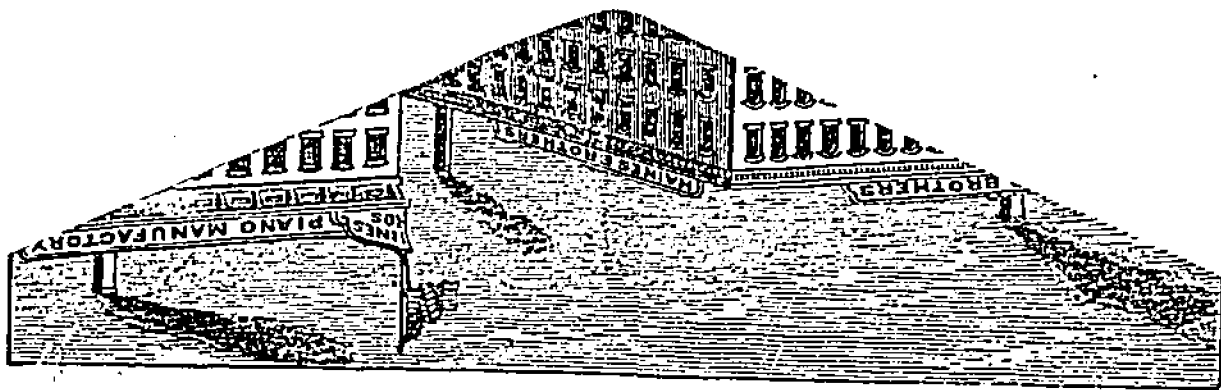
or intoxicant that unsettles his mind  
or nerves when I know he is not  
competent to pass judgement upon  
right or wrong, and think when in  
that shape he should be under med-  
ical treatment

Dr. McDonald has expressed himself  
professionally as I have above stated  
and you could no doubt Your Honor  
verify the above by reference to  
the records of the institution where  
he was under treatment

Again asking Your Honor  
for leniency in this case as it is  
truly one for mercy from a  
wise and learned Judge I am  
Your Honor yours respectfully,  
J. M. Haines Jr.

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0423



**HAINES BROTHERS,  
PIANO-FORTES,  
356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370 & 372  
Second Ave., Cor. 21st St.,  
NEW YORK.**

*To His Honor  
Judge Geldersheim  
Addressed*



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court

District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1. *James J. [illegible]*  
2. *James J. [illegible]*  
3. *James J. [illegible]*  
4. *James J. [illegible]*  
Offence *James J. [illegible]*

Dated

*James J. [illegible]*  
188

*James J. [illegible]*  
Magistrate.

*James J. [illegible]*  
Officer.

*James J. [illegible]*  
Precinct.

*James J. [illegible]*  
No. 1000

*James J. [illegible]*  
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*James J. [illegible]*  
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*James J. [illegible]*  
No. 1000

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. [illegible]*  
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 *May 20* 188 *James J. [illegible]* 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

0425

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 Bausch*

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

*John Bausch*

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

The said

*John Bausch*

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

*one watch of the value of*  
*twenty eight dollars, one chain*  
*of the value of one dollar, and*  
*the sum of ten dollars in*  
*money, lawful money of the*  
*United States and of the value*  
*of ten dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Figoras A. Reynolds.*

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

*Randolph B. Martin,*

*District Attorney*



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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Reardon, Patrick

DATE:

09/23/86



2269

POOR QUALITY  
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0427

Witnesses:

*A. Brady*

Counsel,  
Filed *23 Sept* 188*6*  
Pleads *Not Guilty*

Grand Larceny 2nd degree  
[Sections 628, 68 Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*12*

*Patrick Beardon*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*Def.* District Attorney.

*Pleads Guilty*

A TRUE BILL.

*5 yrs 1/2 yrs.*

*Wm. M. Mearns*

Foreman.

*Wm. Mearns*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0428

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 57 years, occupation Clerk of No.

190 Water Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Philip Brady

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

Sworn to before me, this 13th  
day of Sept 1888

Rudolph M. Dwyer

[Signature]

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0429

Police Court First District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, ss.

of No. 190 Water Street, aged 44 years,  
occupation Labourer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

One Gold Hunting Case watch,  
Of the Value of

Twenty Five Dollars

the property of

Deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by Patrick Reardon (mailed here)

for the reason, that on said day said property was in a vest which was hanging in a closet in said premises and deponent saw the same about 12 o'clock, and when deponent returned about one o'clock the said property was gone. Deponent after wards found said property in the possession of the defendant and in the presence of Rudolph M. Bore of 553 Lafayette Avenue took said property away from said defendant which deponent fully identifies as being his and charges said Defendant with the larceny thereof.

Philip Brody  
sworn

Sworn to before me, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1886

not me  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0430

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, { ss

*James* District Police Court.

*Patrick Reardon* 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 guilty of the charge~~  
I am not guilty

*Patrick Reardon*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0431

BAILED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
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No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
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Police Court, 1st District.  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
1 John Eric Renda  
2  
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Dated September 13<sup>th</sup> 1888  
Offence  
Witnesses  
No. 1  
No. 2  
No. 3  
No. 4  
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

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

Dated Sept 13 1888 by Emery Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0432

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

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

*Salinda Pearson*

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

*Salinda Pearson*

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

The said

*Salinda Pearson,*

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

*one watch of the value of*

*twenty five dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Philip Bradley*

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

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0433

SECOND COUNT—

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

*- Linda Beardon -*

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

The said *Linda Beardon.*

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

*one watch of the value of*

*seventy five dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*William Brady*

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

*William Brady*

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

*Linda Beardon.*

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

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

**District Attorney.**

0434

**BOX:**

232

**FOLDER:**

2269

**DESCRIPTION:**

Reardon, Thomas

**DATE:**

09/08/86



2269



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0435

Witnesses:

W. Madden

offered, 7th Br

Counsel,

Filed

1886

Pleas

W. H. H. H.

THE PEOPLE

April 20th

Tracy & Leggett

Thomas Beardon

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

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

District Attorney

A True Bill

W. H. H. H.

Refused

W. H. H. H.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0436

Gouverneur Hospital  
July 20<sup>th</sup> 1886

This is to certify that Michael,  
Madame at present shows  
no alarming symptoms. In  
my he is not in immediate  
danger.

John A. Pell M.D.  
House Surgeon



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0437

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

POLICE COURT, 2 DISTRICT.

of No. The 7th Precinct Police James Hogan being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 17th day of July 1886

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he arrested

Thomas Reardon (now here) for  
feloniously assaulting and beating  
one Michael Madden of No 80  
Market Street by pointing, aiming  
and discharging and firing off a  
loaded pistol loaded with powder  
and leaden ball two of the balls  
so discharged from said pistol held in  
the hands of said Reardon, taking  
effect in the head and body of  
said Madden and inflicting injuries

Police Justice



41229 3

POLICE COURT— DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Hogan

James Madden

from which the said Madden is now  
confined to the Governor's Hospital and  
is unable to appear in Court as set forth  
in the Amended Certificate and said Madden  
identified the defendant Reardon in the  
presence of deponent as the person that  
did shoot deponent and inflict the  
said injuries. Wherefore deponent  
prays that the said Reardon may  
be held to await the result of said  
injuries.

Dated July 17 1880

John Hogan

Magistrate

James Madden

Witness

John Hogan

Sworn to before me  
this 17th day of July 1880

John Hogan

Police Justice

Disposition

41500 (paid for)

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0439

Gouverneur Hospital

July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1886

This is to certify that Michael Madden  
was admitted to this hospital on July 17<sup>th</sup>  
suffering from pistol-shot wounds; one  
of the right side of head, about one inch  
behind and below the Parietal Eminence, the  
other about one inch and half from  
median line to left, over the sixth intercostal  
space. He is unable to be removed.

John Dapell M.D.

Attending Surgeon.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0440

Sec. 192.

3 District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before John J. Monroe a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging Thomas Reardon Defendant with  
the offence of felonious assault & Battery

and he having been brought before said Justice for an examination of said charge, and it having been made to  
appear to the satisfaction of said Justice that said examination should be adjourned to some other day, and the hear-  
ing thereof having been adjourned,

We, Thomas Reardon Defendant of No. 31,  
Monroe Street; by occupation a liquor dealer,  
and Moses Weil of No. 263 East 10  
Street, by occupation a liquor dealer, Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that  
the above named Thomas Reardon Defendant  
shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the 3 District Police Court in the City of New York,  
during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of fifteen  
Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 23 Thomas Reardon  
day of July 1888 Moses Weil

John J. Monroe P. L. J. JUSTICE.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0441

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

*John Thomas*  
day of *July* 188*6*  
Sworn to before me, this  
Justice.

*Moses Weil*

the within named Bail and Surety being duly sworn, says, that he is a resident and *free*  
holder within the said County and State, and is worth *thirty* Hundred Dollars,  
exclusive of property exempt from execution, and over and above the amount of all his debts and  
liabilities, and that his property consists of *House & lot N<sup>o</sup>*

*263 East 10th Street, of the value*  
*of Eleven thousand dollars*  
*subject to a mortgage of three*  
*thousand dollars*

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Undertaking to appear  
during the Examination.

*Thomas Reardon*

Taken the *29* day of *July* 188*6*

Justice.

*Moses Weil.*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0442

Bellevue Hospital  
7/22/86

Nathan Madden came  
to Bellevue Hospital on Tuesday  
was shot Saturday in chest.  
Gives no symptoms pointing to  
penetration of ball into thorax  
and consider him able to  
be discharged anytime after  
today -

B. S. Ten Eyck  
Assoc Surgeon

J. G. W. Gray

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0443

Police Court— 3 District.

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

of No. 40 Minkler Street, aged 24 years,  
occupation laborer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on 17 day of July 1886 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Thomas Reardon (nowhere)  
who aimed and discharged two shots  
from a revolving pistol at deponent,  
wounding deponent in the left breast  
and in the back of deponent's head,

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 24 day  
of July 1886

Michael Madden  
deponent

James H. [unclear] Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0444

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

Thomas Reardon 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

Thomas Reardon

Question How old are you?

Answer

30 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Ireland

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

Answer.

311 Madison Street 6 years

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

Rigging dealer

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

Thomas Reardon

I taken before me this

day of

188

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0445

Adopted 9 am  
July 25 1886  
July 26 1886 2:30 PM

BAILED  
No. 1, by James White  
Residence 263 East 10 St.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court  
District 3

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Michael Quatman

40 West 10th St.

James Quatman

Offence Fel. assault

Dated July 24 1886

James Magistrate.

James Officer.

James Precinct.

James Witnesses

No. 137 Madison Street.

Frank Keller

James

No. 137 Madison Street.

James

No. 137 Madison Street.

James

James

James

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

Dated July 26 1886 James Police Justice.

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

Dated July 26 1886 James 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.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0446

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Thomas Reardon*

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

*Thomas Reardon*

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

The said *Thomas Reardon*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *nineteenth* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*eight*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Michael Madden* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and to, at and against *him* the said *Michael Madden*, a certain  *pistol* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *Thomas Reardon*, 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 *Michael Madden*, 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

*Thomas Reardon*

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

The said *Thomas Reardon*

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 *Michael Madden*, 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 *Michael Madden*, a certain  *pistol* then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *Thomas Reardon*, 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. MARTINE,

District Attorney.



0447

BOX:

232

FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, James

DATE:

09/17/86



2269

0448

Witnesses:

Off. Ramsey, 28th Br.

Blakeshellman

Counsel, Sullivan  
Filed 17 day of Sept. 1886  
Pleads Not Guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs. *R*

ASSAULT IN THE THIRD DEGREE.

(Section 219, Penal Code.)

James Reilly

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Wm. Macaep*  
Sept. 17 Foreman

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0449

**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 Riddley*

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

*James Riddley*

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

The said

*James Riddley*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *22<sup>nd</sup>* day of *August*, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, at the Ward, City and County  
aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Robert Ramsey*  
in the peace of the said people then and there being, with force and arms, unlawfully  
did make an assault and *in* the said *Robert Ramsey*  
did then and there unlawfully beat, wound and illtreat, to the great damage of the  
said *Robert Ramsey*, 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:

232

FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, John

DATE:

09/09/86



2269

0451

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

Witnesses:

*Lennie Wood*

*off Holladay 10<sup>th</sup> Dec*

*Handwritten signature*

*Officer*

*and his partner*

*will be subjected to trial*

*Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> 1886*

*24<sup>th</sup> 6 mos*

Counsel

Filed

Placed

day of

1886

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*H*

*John Reilly*

*H.D.*

Robbery, ~~second~~ degree.  
[Sections 224 and 227, Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

*24<sup>th</sup> 6 mos*

*Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1886*

A True Bill.

*Wm. Mace*

Foreman.

*Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 1886*

*Charles Francis Foley*

*1018*

*1018*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0452

Police Court—2 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

of No. 181 Greene Street, aged 20 years,  
occupation Prostitute being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 20 day of July 1886 at the City of New

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

of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

Good and lawful money of the  
United States consisting of one  
Silver coin of the denomination  
of fifty 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 Reilly (nowhere)

for the following reasons to wit: that  
deponent went with the defendant into a  
room in the house No 54 Thompson street  
for the purpose of having sexual intercourse  
and the defendant gave deponent the  
aforesaid fifty cent piece for such  
intercourse. And as soon as the defendant  
had got through having said intercourse  
with deponent he the defendant snatched  
said fifty cent piece out of deponent's left  
hand. and cut deponent in her private  
parts with a small pen knife which he the  
defendant then and there held in his hand  
wherefore deponent charges the said defendant

Sworn to and signed before me this 20th day of July 1886

Police Justice



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0453

with feloniously taking, stealing and carrying  
away the aforesaid fifty cent piece from  
the person of defendant and prays he  
may be held and dealt with according to law

Jessie Woods

Sworn to before me  
this 20th day of July 1886

Solomon Smith

Police Justice

Dated 1886 Police Justice.

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

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named

Dated 1886 Police Justice.

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

Dated 1886 Police Justice.

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

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

committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

Offence—LARCENY.

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Dated

1886

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

\$

to answer

Sessions.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0454

Sec. 198-200.

12 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss  
OF NEW YORK,

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

It taken before me this

day of

1888

*Johnes*  
Justice.





POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0456

Police Department of the City of New York.

Precinct No. *J*

New York, *July 20* 1886

To The Justice  
Presiding at 2<sup>d</sup> Dist  
Police Court

Sir

In the case of  
John Rielly arrested for  
Robbery & Assault. I  
would recommend that  
the complainant Jennie  
Woods who is a common  
prostitute be sent to the house  
of detention in order to secure  
his conviction. Dr W. D. Mitchell  
of St Vincent's Hospital states  
that he, on examination  
found she had been cut

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0457

in the private parts, with  
a knife or other sharp in-  
strument. She was also  
robbed of the 50 cents  
he had given her, for  
her purses

Respectfully

Myron Allen

Sept 1881

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0458

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 Riddley*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse *John Riddley* -

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

The said

*John Riddley*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirtieth* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, in the *day* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Jennie Woods*, - in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

*and did take from the said Jennie Woods, - one silver coin of the kind called a dollar, of the value of \$1.00*

*and*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Jennie Woods*, - from the person of the said *Jennie Woods*, - against the will, and by violence to the person of the said *Jennie Woods*, - then and there violently and feloniously did rob, 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*



0459

BOX:

232

FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, Thomas

DATE:

09/10/86



2269

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0460

Witnesses:

*My Commission 19th Dec*

Counsel,

Filed *10* day of *Sept* 188*6*

Pleads *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE

*vs.*

*Thomas Reilly*

Grand Larceny, 2nd degree, etc. [Sections 528, 58 1, 550, Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*By Depy 23/88. District Attorney.*

*and accepted.*

A True Bill.

*And Macclay*

*foreman.*

*Continued*

*2006*

*Sept 22*

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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0451

Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

of No. 141 East 16<sup>th</sup> St Street, aged 28 years,  
occupation Lawyer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 12 day of August 1888 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the night time, the following property viz :

One row boat of the value  
of thirty dollars \$30.00

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 Thomas Reilly (known)

from the following facts, to  
wit: That deponent is in-  
formed by Alexander Launson  
a Police Officer of Nineteenth  
Police Station, that Launson  
after the time of said Larceny  
and the above described  
property in the possession  
of Deponent. That Deponent  
was not at any time authorized  
by Deponent to take said  
property into his Deponent's  
possession. And that Deponent  
is absolutely unknown to Deponent.

George W. Wickesham

Sworn to before me, this 16 day  
of August 1888

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0462

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Awen Cannon  
aged 25 years, occupation Police Officer of No. 19th Police Precinct Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Joseph W. McKelsham  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 16  
day of August 1888

Awen Cannon

[Signature]

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0463

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer.

*Thomas Reilly*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*19 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*United States*

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

Answer.

*318 East 45th Street. 6 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.

*Two men invited me to  
take a sail in the boat  
& I did. I am not guilty of  
stealing the boat.*

*Thomas Reilly*

Taken before me this

day of *August* 188*8*

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0464

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

1234  
Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Rev. Dr. Mcintosh  
141<sup>st</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

James Kelly

Offence *Larceny*

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Dated August 16 188

*James* Magistrate.

*Anderson* Officer.

*Y* Precinct.

Witnesses

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

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

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

\$ 500 to answer

*CM*

*40-56*

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 August 16 188 *James* 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

0465

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Thomas Riddley*

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

*- Thomas Riddley -*

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

The said *Thomas Riddley*

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

*one new - book of the value of*  
*thirty dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*George W. Winderham, -*

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

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ORIGINAL**

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SECOND COUNT—

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

*- Thomas Reddy -*

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

The said

*Thomas Reddy,*

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

*one row-boat of the value of*

*thirty dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*George W. Wickendham.*

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

*George W. Wickendham.*

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

*Thomas Reddy.*

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

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

**District Attorney.**

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Reubel, John

DATE:

09/30/86



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Witnesses:

By Officer English  
Affinity sworn  
and then in person  
to believe that this  
is a copy of the current  
offence for

Counsel,  
Filed  
Pleads,  
1886

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
John Rebel  
Grand Larceny, 2nd Degree.  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 531, — Penal Code].

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.  
Dec. 1, 1886.  
Charles J. J.  
A True Bill.

John A. Wood, Foreman.  
George B. B.  
N. H. H.

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ORIGINAL

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District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Thomas Moran

of No. 57 Pike Street,

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 24th day of September 1886

at the house 57 Alvarado St. City of New York,

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

and person of deponent in the day time

the following property, viz :

One gold watch and  
chain of the value in all of  
Thirty five dollars

Subscribed before me this

day of

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 Rebel, who  
was present when Deponent went to  
sleep on the back stoop of said premises  
on said date, having the said property  
in his vest pocket. When Deponent  
awoke the said property was missing.  
The defendant subsequently as Deponent  
is informed by Officer Patrick English  
admitted to be said English that

Police Justice,

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He had taken the said property  
and pawned it, and the said  
Englishes, upon information received  
from the defendant, went to the  
pawn shop described by the  
defendant and, upon an order from  
Justice Kilbrick, recovered the said  
property which is now in court.

Sworn to before me this }  
23d day of September }  
1886. } Thomas Moran

J. P. Kilbrick

Police Justice

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Patrick English  
aged 49 years, occupation Policeman of No. Thirteenth Street  
saying that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Thomas Moran  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 29th  
day of September 1888 Patrick English

J. Wilburt  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0472

Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss

*John Reubel* 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 Reubel*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *34 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer *New York City*

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

Answer *67 Attorney Street 18 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer *Marble Cutter*

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 guilty of the charge*

*John Reubel*

Taken before me this *23*  
day of *April* 188*4*

*William*  
Police Justice.

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



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ORIGINAL

0474

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 Reidel*

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

*John Reidel* -

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

The said

*John Reidel,*

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

*one watch of the value of twenty*

*five dollars, and one chain of the*

*value of ten dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Thomas Moran.*  
on the person of the said *Thomas Moran.*  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Thomas Moran.*  
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.

*Bartholomew Martin,*

*Attorney*

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Richardson, Henry

DATE:

09/29/86



2269

Witnesses:

Martha Howell

Aunie Howell

Louisa B. Hilliard

Dr. C. J. Gumpson

W. J. Evans

Counsel,

Filed *Sept 29* day of *Sept* 188*6*

Pleas

*Wm. H. H. Co*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Henry Richardson*  
*Oct. 20, 1886.*

*Speed & Cherry disengaged*  
*W. H. H. Co*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

*Disinterested Attorney*

A TRUE BILL

Foreman

*Wm. H. H. Co*

*W. J. Evans*

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New York Sept 24 '86

To The Agent for The Pre-  
vention of Prostitution &  
Children

This is to cer-  
tify that I have ex-  
amined Henry  
Richardson, Colored,  
& as the result  
of my examination  
& experiment I  
find that he is  
now undergoing the

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stage of recov-  
ery from an  
attack of gon-  
orrhoea.

Yours Resph.  
Eugene Fuller  
M.D.

This certifies that I  
have examined Annie  
Atwell 10 years of age  
& I find that Rape has  
been committed upon her.  
The hymen is torn on one  
side & the whole Vagina  
very much excoriated.  
Also find that she is  
suffering from Gonorrhoea  
in its worst form.

Dr. Cornelia V. Simpson  
Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 229 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
1886.



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Certificate  
of  
Annex Atwell.  
Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>  
1886.

Form 9.

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

Second  
Sixth District Police Court.

of No. 7 - 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Age 45 years  
street, Occupation Washington being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1886  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Harry Richardson did unlawfully and wilfully take and use defendant's daughter Annie Stivell, age 10 years, for the purpose of sexual intercourse, without the consent of her father, mother or guardian and in violation of Section 212 of the Penal Code, as defendant has been informed and for the following reasons truly believes.  
That defendant has been informed by her daughter Annie Stivell, that about the hour of 6 o'clock on the above date she went into the back cellar of premises No 269 Shogabeth Street for the purpose of emptying a pail of clothes into the water closet; that when she reached the cellar the defendant was in a water closet on the opposite side of the cellar from the one in which she emptied the pail of clothes, that after coming out of the water closet and while wrenching out her pail the defendant called to her, to come to him, that she refused, whereupon the defendant came out, and taking the said Annie Stivell by the arm dragged her back into his water closet, and fastening the door unbuttoned his pants and took out his penis and raising her clothes inserted his penis into her private parts; that he hurt her, and she struggled with him and succeeded in getting away, and ran into her own water closet on the other side of the cellar; that shortly thereafter she came out of her water closet and while locking the door on the outside, she was seized again by the defendant, and taking her back into his water closet he again unbuttoned his pants, and took out his penis and raising her clothes inserted his penis into her private parts, after which the defendant permitted her to go.  
Defendant further says, that she has been informed by Hansa Beverley Willard age 14 years of No 269 Shogabeth Street, that between the hours of 6 and 7 o'clock A.M. on the above date she went into the cellar of premises No 269 Shogabeth Street for the purpose of emptying a pail of clothes, and then and there saw defendant's daughter Annie Stivell and the defendant Harry

Richardson coming out of his water closet together, and saw the defendant's pants open in front and his private parts exposed to view;  
 Defendant further says, that she has had the said Annie Stovell examined by Dr. Cornelia E. Simpson of No 229 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street and has received from her the annexed certificate.  
 Wherefore defendant prays that the said Henry Richardson may be apprehended and dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 day of September 1886.

Matth E. Stovell

John J. Roman,  
 Sheriff.

Form 9.  
 Police Court—SETH DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Annie Stovell

vs.  
 Henry Richardson

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated

September 22

1886

John J. Roman

Magistrate.

Officer.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.aged 10 years, occupation school-girl of No.7-6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, being duly sworn deposes andsays, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Martha Stwell

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

Sworn to before me, this 22  
day of September 1886} Annie StwellJohn J. Goodman  
Police Justice.CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.aged 14 years, occupation Domestic of No.219 Elizabeth Street, being duly sworn deposes andsays, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Martha Stwell

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

Sworn to before me, this 22  
day of September 1886} Emma Beverly <sup>her</sup> Willard  
markJohn J. Goodman  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Henry Richardson*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *40 years of age.*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *United States.*

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

Answer. *269 Elizabeth Street. (for four months)*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Kalsminis*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty.*  
*Henry Richardson*  
*(initials)*

Taken before me this

21<sup>st</sup>day of *April* 188*8*

*John J. Thompson*  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 151.

Police Court 2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss. In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County  
OF NEW YORK, } of New York, or to any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING:

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Martha Stowell  
of No. 1 - 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, that on the 23 day of August  
1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Henry Richardson did unlawfully and willfully take and  
use the person of daughter Emma Stowell, age 10 years, for the  
purpose of sexual intercourse, without the consent of her father  
mother or guardian and in violation of section 222 of the Penal  
Code.

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

These are, Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant, and bring him  
forthwith before me, at the 2 District Police Court, in the said City, or in case of my absence  
or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to  
be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 26 day of September 1886

John W. Brown POLICE JUSTICE.

Police Court 2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs

Henry Richardson

Warrant-General.

Dated September 26 1886

John W. Brown Magistrate.

James D. Richardson Officer.

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

James D. Richardson Officer.

Dated 1886

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

John W. Brown Police Justice.

REMARKS.

Time of Arrest, Sept 28 1886

Native of N.Y.

Age, 10

Sex, Male

Complexion, Dark

Color, Black

Profession, Lat

Married, No

Single, Yes

Read, Yes

Write, Yes

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court 2<sup>nd</sup> District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Martha Stowell

7-6-93

1 Henry Richardson

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Offence Abduction  
Felony Sec 282 of  
Penal Code.

Dated Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>

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Magistrate.

Officer.

210 Henry Street

Witnesses

No. 1 to Curran, Street,

No. 2 to Stuchbury

No. 3 to 210 Henry Street,

No. 4 to 210 Henry Street,

No. 5 to 210 Henry Street,

No. 6 to 210 Henry Street,

No. 7 to 210 Henry Street,

No. 8 to 210 Henry Street,

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

Henry Richardson

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 Sept 23 188 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.

**POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL**

0487

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

The People

v.

Henry Richardson.

BRIEF FOR THE PEOPLE.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE.

The prisoner, a colored man, 40 years of age, kalsominer by occupation, at 269 Elizabeth Street, is indicted for the crime of abduction of Annie Atwell, 10 years of age, on August 23, 1886. The case is a remarkable one, as the medical examination made at the time showed that the prisoner was suffering from gonorrhoea, and the examination of the girl shows that she is also suffering from the same malady. It is obviously one of those peculiar cases too often met with, where a man afflicted with venereal disease has sexual intercourse with a young child in the belief that by so doing the disease will leave him and go to the child. This belief is very prevalent among the ignorant class of foreigners chiefly, and in more than one case The New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children have had this remarkable theory explained to them by the individual perpetrating the crime. In the present instance, the prisoner denies his guilt.

EVIDENCE.

ANNIE ATWELL: - 10 years old, and resides with her parents at No. 7 Sixth Avenue. On August 23 about 6 o'clock in the morning, witness went into the cellar of the premises 269 Elizabeth Street for the purpose of emptying a pail of slops into the water

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IN AND FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF CLERK OF THE COURT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK

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closet. When she reached the cellar the prisoner was in the water closet on the opposite side to that where she was. After coming out of the water closet and while rinsing out the pail, the prisoner called to her to come to him. Then taking her by the arm he dragged her back into the closet, and raising her clothes, unbuttoned his pants and inserted his penis into her private parts. She struggled with him and succeeded in getting away and ran into her water closet on her side of the cellar. When she came out the prisoner seized her again, took her again into his water closet, unbuttoned his pants, took out his penis and raising her clothes inserted it in her private parts, after which he allowed her to go.

LOUISA BEVERLY H *Hamad* Is 14 years of age, and resides at 269 Elizabeth Street. Between 6 and 7 o'clock in the morning on August 23rd, witness went into the cellar for the purpose of emptying a pail of slops. Saw the last witness Annie Atwell coming out of the water closet together with the prisoner, whose pants were open in front and his private parts exposed to view.

MARTHA ATWELL: - Mother of the first witness. Her occupation is that of washing and ironing, at 7 Sixth Avenue. Her daughter is 10 years of age. Witness made the complaint in the present case.

DR. EUGENE FULLER: - On September 24 examined the prisoner, and found that he was recovering from an attack of gonorrhoea.



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DR. CORNELIA S. SIMPSON: - On September 22 examined the girl Annie Atwell, and found that violence had been used upon her. The hymen was torn on one side, and the whole vulva very much excoriated. The girl was also suffering from gonorrhoea in its worst form.

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ORIGINAL**

0490

**N. Y. GENERAL SESSIONS**

**THE PEOPLE**

**AGAINST**

*Henry Richardson,*

PENAL CODE, §

**BRIEF FOR THE PEOPLE.**

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ORIGINAL

0491

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Henry Richardson*

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

*Henry Richardson*

of the CRIME OF *Abduction*.

committed as follows:

The said

*Henry Richardson*

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Twenty Third* day of *August*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty- *Six*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

did feloniously take, receive, harbor, employ and use one *Annie Atwell*, who was then and there a female under the age of sixteen years, to wit: of the age of *ten* years, for the purpose of sexual intercourse, the said *Henry Richardson* not being then and there the husband of the said *Annie Atwell*, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the said People.

*Randolph Bennett*

*District Attorney*



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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2269

DESCRIPTION:

Riess, Max

DATE:

09/27/86



2269

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0493

Witnesses:

H. Simon

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads

Sept 1886

THE PEOPLE

vs.

William  
Loren Chapin  
Max Bress

Grand Larceny, 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree.  
(From the Person.)  
[Sections 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Per Sept 20/86  
Rec'd & filed

A True Bill.

W. D. Macleay

Foreman.

S.P. Three years.

W. D. Macleay

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0494

Police Court—3rd District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

Harris Simon  
of No. 27 Orchard Street, aged 20 years,  
occupation Milk Wagon Driver being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 19th day of August 1888 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession and  
Person of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

one silver watch of the value  
of fifteen dollars

the property of deponent

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

from the fact that on said day  
deponent and said defendant  
were riding in a milk wagon  
together, and said watch was  
then contained in the left  
side pocket of the coat then  
on deponent's person. That said  
defendant suddenly jumped  
off the wagon and ran away  
and deponent thereupon  
discovered the loss of said  
property. That after the arrest of  
said defendant he admitted  
stealing said watch and passing  
it.

Harris Simon  
deponent

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this  
18th day of August 1888  
at New York City  
J. M. Sullivan, Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198—200.

*J. M.*

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } SS

*Max Riess*

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 *Max Riess*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *17 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *150 Broome St. 5 years.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer *Tobacco Stepper*

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 it for satisfaction,  
because when I had  
money they treated me  
good when I had none  
they kicked me about  
like a foot ball*

*Max Riess.*

Taken before me this

day of *September* 188 *8*

*William*  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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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 *Jan 14/10*  
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Harold Harrison*  
*55 1/2 Hudson Street*  
*New York*

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

Offence *Larceny from the person*

Dated *September 18* 188 *6*

*William* Magistrate.  
*McCarthy &*  
*153rd* Precinct.

Witness *John M. Kearney*  
No. *153rd Precinct* Street.

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

No. *1000* to answer *S.D.* Street.

*Wm. Kearney*  
*153rd*

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 *Man Press*

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 *September 18* 188 *6* *Wm. Kearney* 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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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Max Riess

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

— Max Riess —

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

The said

Max Riess,

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

*one watch of the value of*  
*fifteen dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Stannis Simon.*  
on the person of the said *Stannis Simon.*  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Stannis Simon.*  
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. Swartz,

*District Attorney*



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

2269

**DESCRIPTION:**

Robbin, Frederick W.

**DATE:**

09/10/86



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Witnesses:

John M. Bell

Sergt M. Gurney

Counsel,

Filed 10 day of

1886

Pleads

THE PEOPLE

Grand Larceny in the (MONEY)  
(Sec. 528 and 529, Penal Code.)

Fredrick W. Robbin

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

State Reformatory of Lunatic.

W. D. MacCae

Foreman.

Notary

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Police Court—2 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

John M. Bell  
of No. 212 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, aged 23 years,  
occupation clerk being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the or about 15 day of July 1886 (at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

One hundred and one dollars good  
and lawful money of the United States  
and three English Sovereigns of the value  
of fourteen dollars and six pence  
together of the value of one hundred and  
fifteen +  $\frac{64}{100}$  Dollars

(# 115.  $\frac{64}{100}$ )

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 Frederick W. Roblin

from the fact that deponent had said  
sum of money in a trunk and said  
trunk being in deponent's room in said premises  
and securely locked. And the said Roblin  
roomed in said house. And on the 18<sup>th</sup>  
day of June 1886 deponent went to the New  
York Hospital on account of sickness. And  
deponent is informed by Patrick J. Macken  
of No. 212 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue the proprietor of said  
premises that on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July  
1886 the said Roblin left his premises very  
suddenly without saying anything to Macken  
or any other person in his house or telling them where  
he was going and left some of his clothes

Sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 1886

Police Justice



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also two days wages <sup>which</sup> Mackem owed him for services rendered. Mackem notified depment of the sudden departure of Roblin. When depment went to said premises and discovered that said trunk had been broken open and the aforesaid sum of money taken out. Wherefore depment charges the said Frederick W. Roblin with feloniously taking, stealing and carrying away said property and prays he may be arrested and dealt with as the law directs

John M. Bell

Suorn to before me  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1886

J. H. Smith

Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated 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 mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1886 Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

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Offence—LARCENY.

Dated 1886

Magistrate.

Witness,  
No. Street,  
No. Street,  
No. Street,  
to answer Sessions.

Officer.  
Clerk.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 40 years, occupation Patrick J. Mackern  
Merchant of No.

312 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John M. Bell  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this

day of

188

Aug } Patrick J. MacKeon

J. Henry Ford

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198—200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer.

*Fredrick W Roblin*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*24 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

*Chicago Ill*

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

Answer.

*14<sup>th</sup> St + 6<sup>th</sup> ave. One year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer,

*Salesman*

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 guilty  
F. W. Roblin*

Taken before me this

day of

*Aug*

*24*

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*61*

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 151.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County  
OF NEW YORK, } of New York, or any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York:

Whereas, Complaint on oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices in and for the said City, by John M Bell

of No. 212 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, that on the 15 day of July

1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, the following article to wit :

One hundred and one dollar good and lawful money  
of the United States and three English sovereigns of the  
value of fourteen dollars and sixpence together

of the value of One hundred + fifteen + 64/100 Dollars,  
the property of Complainant

w as taken, stolen and carried away, and as the said complainant has cause to suspect, and does suspect and  
believe, by Frederick W Roblin

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

These are, Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and every of you, to apprehend the body of the said Defendant and forthwith  
bring him before me, at the 2 DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence  
or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to  
be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 18 day of August 1886

J. J. Henryford POLICE JUSTICE.

POLICE COURT. 2 DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John M Bell

vs.

Frederick W Roblin

Warrant-Larceny.

Dated Aug 18 1886

Frank Magistrate

Jas McQuinn and  
Frank McQuinn Officers

The Defendant

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

Jos. J. McQuinn Officers

Dated August 18 1886

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

[Signature] Police Justice.

REMARKS.

Time of Arrest,

Native of

Age,

Sex

Complexion,

Color

Profession,

Married

Single,

Read,

Write,

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

W  
Police Court District. 1278

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John M. Bell

213 vs. 6013  
Fred W. Roblin

Offence Larceny  
Felony

Dated Aug 18 1886

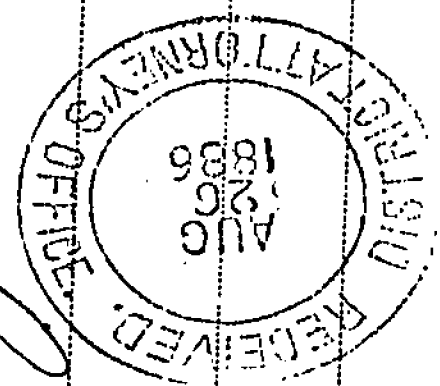
Magistrate

McGuire + Morgan Officers

Central Office Precinct

Witnesses Patrick Macken

No. 212 6th Avenue Street



No. 550  
550  
C. J. Smith  
Street

No. 69

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 Aug 18 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

0506

# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Frederick W. Riddin*

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

*Frederick W. Riddin* -

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

The said *Frederick W. Riddin*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *27th* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *day* time of the same day, *did*

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

*and three gold coins of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland of the kind called sovereigns of the value of five dollars each.*

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels, and personal property of one *John W. Ridd*, then and there being found, *from the person of the said* *John W. Ridd*, 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:**

2269

**DESCRIPTION:**

Robbins, John

**DATE:**

09/29/86



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

**2269**

**DESCRIPTION:**

**Barton, Charles**

**DATE:**

**09/29/86**



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Witnesses:

Matthew Rame

Off. Brady, 18th B.

vide Enclosed Affidavit  
after repeated efforts  
to find the complainant  
& without success - I  
am willing to discharge  
the defendants with  
our recognizances  
and fixed at \$2,000 each

Oct 18/86

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Counsel,

Filed 19 day of Sept 1886

Pleas

THE PEOPLE

Robbery, (MONEY)  
(Secs. 224 and 228, Penal Code.)  
degree.

15th

John Robbins

and

Charles Barton

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

D2 Mr. 17/86 District Attorney.

13th Dec'd 1886

A True Bill

Filed Angelae

Foreman

26 Oct 1886

1886

No 319 Complaint



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ORIGINAL

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT—FOURTH DISTRICT.

Matthew Rame  
of No. 419 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street,  
being duly sworn, deposes and saith, that on the 19 day of September  
1876 at the 18 Ward of the City of New York, in the  
County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, from the person of deponent,  
by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

Good & lawful money  
of the United States

of the value of Seventy Two Dollars,  
the property of Deponent  
and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property  
was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, by force and violence as aforesaid, by

John Robbins and Charles  
Barton both known here  
from the following facts  
to wit:— That at the time  
mentioned the aforesaid money  
was in a pocket of a coat then  
& there worn by Deponent.  
That at said time Deponent  
went with Defendant Robbins  
to a room in premises  
309 East 19<sup>th</sup> Street in said  
City, & hung said coat contain-  
ing said money upon the wall  
of a bed therein. That while in  
said room Defendant Robbins  
seized Deponent & by force  
& violence held him down  
upon said bed. That while  
Defendant Robbins so held  
Deponent Defendant Barton  
came from beneath said  
coat & took from said coat

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the above mentioned money.  
That with defendants there  
went away with the same.

Matthew Rame

Sworn to before me  
this 20th day of September 1886

Andrew M. Rame

Police Justice

Police Court—Fourth District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT—Robbery.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

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ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

District Police Court.

John Robbins 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

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

Not guilty  
John Robbins

Taken before me this

day of

188

Police Justice



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Sec. 108-200.

4<sup>c</sup> District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY { ss  
OF NEW YORK.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer

Charles Barton

Question. How old are you?

Answer

19 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New Orleans La.

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

Answer.

No. 309 East 19<sup>th</sup> St. 3 days.

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

Shut Cutter

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

Charles Barton

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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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 THE COMPLAINT OF

Matthew Pound  
419 E. 14,  
John Robbins,  
Schute & Schute  
Offence Robbery

Dated September 21 188

White Magistrate.

Quady Officer.  
Precinct.

Witnesses

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

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

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

\$1000 to answer

Wong

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 \$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 Sept 20 188 \_\_\_\_\_ 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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ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

*John Robbins*  
*Charles Barton*

City and County of New York, ss.:

*John J. Brady* being duly  
sworn, deposes and says: I am a Police Officer attached to the *18th* Precinct,  
in the City of New York. On the *3d* day of *November* 188*6*  
I called at *No. 419 East 14th Street*

the alleged residence of *Matthew Rowe*  
the complainant herein, ~~to serve him with the annexed subpoena~~, and was informed by *Mrs.*

*Foley* with whom the said *Rowe*  
formerly boarded, that the said *Rowe*  
had left her house and had gone  
to work in Brooklyn and has not  
returned. I then called at *No 80 Willoughby*  
*Street Brooklyn* and was there informed  
that the said *Rowe* had been employed  
there but had left some time ago.  
I have made diligent search  
and inquiry for the said *Matthew*  
*Rowe* but I have been unable to  
ascertain his present whereabouts.

Sworn to before me, this

of

*November 17* day  
*1886*

*Rudolph L. Scharf*  
*Court & Deeds*  
*N. Y. City*

*John J. Brady*



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE on the Complaint of

Matthew Love

John Robbins

Charles Barton

Offense: Robbery

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Affidavit of Police Officer

John F. Brady

Precinct.

Failure to Find Witness.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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*Affidavit Warrant*

**PART 2.**

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]

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To

of No.

*Matthew Rowe*  
*419 East 14*

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 *November* instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

*John Robbins et al*  
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 *November* in the year of our Lord, 1883.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

*Robbins  
v. Barton*

City of New York, ss.:

says: I reside at No.

*George G. Banger*  
being duly  
*339 East 22<sup>d</sup>*

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 *12* day of *Nov.* 188 *6*

I called at *No. 419 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street*

the alleged *residence* of *Matthew Rowe*

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

*Foley with whom the said Rowe formerly boarded, that he had left her house about 5 weeks ago, and did not leave his present address, and that she does not know where he can be found.*

*I have made diligent search and inquiry in the neighborhood but have been unable to ascertain his present whereabouts.*

Sworn to before me, this

*Nov. 17* day of *Nov.* 188 *6*  
*Rudolph L. Scharf*  
Com. of Deeds  
N. Y. City

*George G. Banger*  
Subpoena Server.



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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of

Matthew Rowe

John Robbins

Chas. Barton

Offense: Robbery

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Affidavit of

Geo. B. Banger

Subpoena Server.

Failure to Find Witness.

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**PART 2.**

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.]

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York

To Matthew Rowe

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 day of November instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

John Robbins et al  
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 November in the year of our Lord, 1886

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace,

The People of the State of New York,

To Off. Brady

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 day of November instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth, and give evidence in our behalf, against

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RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney.*

Capt. Clinchy Please detail this Officer to find the complainant in this case  
J. W. Loman Chief Clerk  
PART 2. per Schatz

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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 Addams and  
Charles Barton*

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

*John Addams and Charles Barton*

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

The said *John Addams and Charles Barton*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *nineteenth* day of *September*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*six*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Matthew Rome*, in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and — *three* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of twenty dollars, and of the value of twenty dollars *each*; *seven* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of ten dollars, and of the value of ten dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of five dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each*; *ten* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of two dollars, and of the value of two dollars *each*; *three* promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of one dollar, and of the value of one dollar *each*; *three* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of twenty dollars *each*; *seven* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of ten dollars *each*; *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*; *divers* coins, of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of

*Twenty dollars,*

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

*them the said John Addams and Charles Barton*, *then and there aided by an accomplice actually present, to wit: each of the other*

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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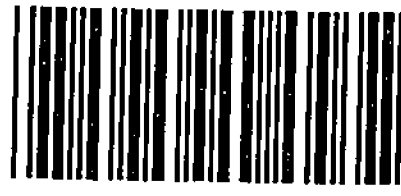
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DESCRIPTION:

Robers, John

DATE:

09/10/86



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Witnesses:

*A. P. Puchan*

*Wm. H. Pugh*  
Counsel,  
Filed *10* day of *Sept* 188*6*  
Pleads, *Voluntarily* 13.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*R*

*John Robers*

*Sworn in the 2nd Degree.*  
[Sections 408, 506, 518, 531.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Wm. H. Pugh*

*Sept 20th* Foreman

*Grand Jurors*

*No 73*

Police Court—1st District.

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

of No. 242 East 23rd Street, aged 25 years,  
occupation Plumber being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that the premises No 242 East 23rd Street,  
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a tenement

and which was occupied by deponent as a dwellling  
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name Bernard Kuchan

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening a  
door leading to deponents  
apartments in said premises

on the 22 day of August 1886 in the day time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

about four o'clock A.M.  
attempted to be  
Clothing & Goods & lawful money  
of the United States of the  
combined value of about  
four hundred dollars

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

John Roberts (nowhere)  
for the reasons following, to wit: That at the time  
mentioned deponent while  
sleeping in his (deponents)  
apartments at said premises,  
was aroused by a noise  
in said apartments & saw  
defendant therein. That de-  
fendant is not an acquain-  
tance of deponent & was



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not authorized to enter  
said apartments. That when  
discovered by Depoent de-  
fendant attempted to escape.  
That Depoent is informed  
by James H. Griffon that he  
(Griffon) at the time men-  
tioned saw defendant leave said  
premises & run away. That he  
(Griffon) followed defendant & kept  
defendant in sight till he  
defendant was arrested.

Bernard Blencher

Sworn to before me  
this 22nd day of August 1886  
J. J. Omer

Police Justice

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.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

James H. Gifford  
aged 28 years, occupation Carpenter of No.

127 East 122nd Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Bernard Kuehn

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

188

22 Jan - H. Gifford

My Omer

Police Justice.

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Sec. 108-200.

CITY AND COUNTY {  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

*[Signature]* District Police Court.

*John Roberts* 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

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 went into the place  
to sleep.*

*John Roberts*

Taken before me this

day of *August* 188*8*

*[Signature]*  
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 THE COMPLAINT OF

1 *James H. [unclear]*  
2 *242 E 73rd*  
3 *St. [unclear]*  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Offence *Disorderly*

Dated *August 13th* 188*6*

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses *James H. [unclear]*

No. *422* Street *E 73rd*

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

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

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

*committed* to answer *P.S.*

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

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

Dated *August 13th* 188*6* *ay me* 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 Roberts*

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

*John Roberts* -

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

The said

*John Roberts,*

late of the *Eighteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *twenty second* day of *August* - , in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine* , with force and arms, about the  
hour of *four* o'clock in the *day* time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one

*Bernard Bandman.* -

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there some  
human being, to wit: *the said Bernard Bandman,* -

within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels  
and personal property of the said *Bernard Bandman,* -

in the said dwelling house then and there being, then and there feloniously and burglariously to steal,  
take and carry away;

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

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SECOND COUNT—

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

*John Rogers*  
*attempting to commit*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

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

*divers articles of clothing and wearing  
apparel, & a number of kind and  
description to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, of the value of  
three hundred dollars, and the  
sum of one hundred dollars in  
money, of the value of one  
hundred dollars,—*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Benjamin Bencher*

in the dwelling house of the said

*Benjamin Bencher*

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

*Charles J. Bencher*  
*District Attorney*



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**DESCRIPTION:**

Roberts, Charles

**DATE:**

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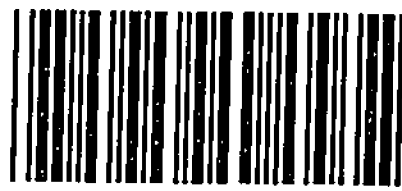
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DESCRIPTION:

Roberts, Mina

DATE:

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Witnesses:

Wm. L. R. [Signature]

It took all day to  
try the prisoners.  
They stood on the  
first bench-clear  
for acquittal and  
one for conviction.  
On all their heads  
was stood the same  
therefore ask that  
prisoners be dis-  
charged on their  
own recognizance.

Nov 10-1886

G. F. D.

A. D. A.

Counsel,

Filed 20 day of Sept 1886

Pleads

Not guilty. Oct 1.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Charles Roberts

and

Mina Roberts

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

22 Nov 1886

Not done by day when  
on recognizance.

[Signature] Foreman

Nov 9-1886  
G. F. D.



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

POLICE COURT, 3<sup>rd</sup> DISTRICT.

Mary Ann Roberts

of No 200 Avenue C. Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 1886

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, deponent saw

her husband, Charles Roberts  
in the act of having sexual  
intercourse with his sister,  
Mena Roberts, in a room  
in premises 880 Columbus Ave.

That deponent therefore charges  
said Charles and said Mena  
with feloniously committing  
the crime of Forcible  
violation of Section 502  
of the Penal Code of the  
State of New York.

That deponent pray they may  
be arrested and dealt with  
as the law directs.

Sworn to before me this }  
22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1886 }  
Mary Ann Roberts

Wm Patterson  
Police Justice

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*W. K. Good*  
POLICE COURT— DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
*Mary Ann Roberts*

*vs.*  
*Charles Roberts*

*2-Mary Roberts*

*Dated September 22<sup>d</sup> 1886*

*Watson* Magistrate.

Witness.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position.

AFIDAVIT.

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Sec. 151.

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Police Court

District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned one of the Police Justices for the City of New York, by Mary Ann Roberts of No. 200 Avenue C. Street, that on the 16 day of September 1886 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Charles Roberts and Mena Roberts,  
being brother and sister, did fel-  
lowing have sexual intercourse  
with each other in violation  
of Section 502 of the Penal  
Code of the State of New York

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

These are, Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant, and bring them forthwith before me, at the 3rd District Police Court, in the said City, or in case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 22 day of September 1886

J. M. Patterson POLICE JUSTICE.

Police Court

3rd District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Mary Ann Roberts

vs

Charles Roberts

Mena Roberts

Warrant-General.

Incant

Dated Sept 22d 1886

B. L. B. Magistrate

W. C. Officer

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

Officer.

Dated 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

Police Justice.

REMARKS.

Time of Arrest, Sept 23. 1886

20 years

German

German

Sex, Co.

Complexion, Light

Color, 21 years

Profession, Cherryman

Cherryman

Married, Co.

Single, 881. 11th Ave

Read, 11th Ave

Write, 11th Ave



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7 DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

THE PEOPLE,  
ON COMPLAINT OF  
*Mary Ann Roberts*  
*Charles Roberts*  
*Mena Roberts*

Examination had *Sept 24* 188 *6*  
Before *Jacob H. Patterson* Police Justice.

I, *Walter L. Crosby* Stenographer of the *1st* District Police Court, do hereby certify that the within testimony in the above case is a true and correct copy of the original Stenographer's notes of the testimony of *Mary Ann Roberts* and *Hannah Denning* as taken by me on the above examination before said Justice.

Dated

*Sept 27 1886*

*Walter L. Crosby*  
Stenographer.

*J. H. Patterson*  
Police Justice.

Police Court  
Third District

The People vs  
Mary Ann Roberts

Charles Roberts  
Mena Roberts

Examination Before Justice Patterson  
September 24 1886

Mary Ann Roberts, the complainant,  
being duly sworn and cross examined  
on her affidavit deposes and says:-

Q. Where and when were you  
married?

A. I was married on the 12th of  
June 1876 at St Michael's church  
Pitts street Liverpool. My name  
was then Mary Ann Clark  
My witnesses names were John  
Clark and Ann Clark my  
two cousins.

Q. Did you come to this country  
with your husband?

A. No sir. I came here twelve  
months ~~afterwards~~ after him.

Q. You refused to come with  
him?

A. I did

Q. After your arrival in this  
Country did you leave your

husband's house and domicile?

A - I left him.

Q How long were you away from him?

A - About 9 or 10 months - I came back to him on the 17th of March last.

Q Did you ever represent to any one that this child now in court in the arms of the defendant Mena Roberts was your child?

A - I did tell Mr Cohen our landlord so.

Q Were you living with your husband at 880 Eleventh Avenue on Sept 16 1886?

A - Yes

Q That was the night you accused him and his sister?

A - Yes

Q Was he in and out during the evening?

A - Yes; He was in at supper about 10 o'clock we had supper all together as fully as possibly could be

Q When did he arrive home?

A - About half past twelve P.M.

Q Were you awake?

A - I was awake



Q Did you then have any conversation with your husband?

A No sir.

Q None at all?

A None.

Q Were you drunk or sober?

A I was sober. I am not in the habit of getting drunk.

Q Is it not a fact that you abused him so that he threatened to leave your room?

A Yes, sir.

Q When you saw him on the bed as you say in your sister's room was he lying on the outside of the bed-clothes?

A Yes. He was lying on the outside, but the clothes were turned down.

Q Were the bed clothes between him and defendant?

A There were no bed clothes between them at all.

Q Had he his underclothing on?

A His undershirt was on. That was all - That was all.

Q Was the baby between them?

A The baby was at the other side of her.

Q The other side?

A Yes.

Q You swear to that positively?

A Yes.

Q That is as true as anything else you have sworn to?

A I will swear it.

Q Were the defendants lying alongside of each other?

A He was lying right over her.

Q Right over her?

A Right over her; Right over her. I could not see her at all. He was right on top of her. Right on top.

Q You are a married woman?

A Yes.

Q Did you see his private parts?

A I could not see his private parts because his back was towards me. When I went in he was right on top of her - right over her.

Q You are sure of that?

A I am indeed sure.

Q Did you not make a statement before Justice Kilbuck that yesterday morning that your husband was lying on the outside of the bed clothes?

- 1 Yes; but I did not say anything about the bed clothes being turned down?
- 2 Did you not state that he had his drawers on?
- 1 No sir
- 2 Did you remain under your husband's roof that night - the 16th?
- 1 Yes. I sat before the stove in a chair.
- 2 Where were you the 9 months that you were away from him?
- 1 Four months in Astoria, three months at Pelham and seven weeks in Thirteenth street with a Spanish lady. I left her to come back to him.
- 2 Have you lived with your husband since this child was born?
- 1 The child was a little over a month old when I came to live with him.
- ✓ ✓ The child was born Dec 26 1885 I came back on March 17 '86 and have lived with him since.
- 2 While you were living in Thirteenth street did you



come home to him every night?

A Not every night. I used to go when I had an evening out on Wednesday, and on every other Sunday.

Q You lived with your husband from one month after this child was born up to the 16th of September last?

A Yes; from March 17 1885 to Sept 16 1886.

Q The defendant Ellen Roberts was living with you and your husband all that time?

A Yes.

Q Do you know where that child was born?

A Yes.

Q Did you call upon the defendant Ellen Roberts at the house where the child was born?

A Yes.

Q You saw the child just after it was born?

A Yes; when it was a month old.

Q Did you know that Ellen Roberts was in the family way before the child was born?

No. I did not see. I suspected that she was but I was not sure because I was away all the time. I suspected as much.

2 Did you not see her when she was living in 7th street before the child was born?

1- No sir. I was in a situation in Astoria. I never saw her until the child was born.

2 How long before the child was born did you see her last?

1 I have not seen her for ten months. I <sup>left</sup> ~~arrived~~ here on May 26 and ~~left~~ <sup>arrived</sup> here on Feb 8, previously I arrived here.

2 You were away from her 10 months from May 1885 to March 1886?

1 Yes, until the child was about a month old.

2 When did you last see her in 7th street?

1 I saw her just before May 26 in 7th street

2 You lived at that time with your husband?

7 1- Yes. I remained there from

February to the May 26. That's  
where he brought me to

Q Why did you leave your  
husband on May 26?

A Because I had heard things  
I did not like. I had  
heard that she buried a  
child in America. When she  
came to America with him  
she was in the family way

Q In other words the reason  
you left was certain things  
you heard?

A Yes.

Q Did you know anything  
about it yourself?

A No.

Q Had you and your husband  
lived happily together?

A At Liverpool we sometimes  
had a little bother now  
and again but we got on very  
well. We were in business together  
when his sister came. There  
we were all broke up. We  
had a splendid house and  
home fit for anybody until  
she came.

Q Did you and your husband  
live happily together for eight  
months after the child was born  
up to Sept. 17 last?



- A Oh yes, we got on very nicely  
He was doing his best
- X 2 Had you suspicion of your  
husband and his sister  
before that?
- A I did <sup>not</sup> have suspicion because  
I firmly believed he had  
given it up and that he  
had no more to do with  
her
- 2 You had no suspicion up  
to the 16<sup>th</sup> of September that  
there was anything wrong  
between your husband and  
his sister?
- A For the last month she  
was so very impudent  
with me and he did not  
seem to care, and stopped  
out at the liquor store
- 2 When he stopped out at  
the liquor store where was  
his sister?
- A She was in bed.
- 2 Has there not been a  
good deal of trouble between  
you and your husband be-  
cause you would insist on  
carrying a bottle of whiskey in  
your pocket and he objected.
- A Never never or

Q - Mrs Hannah Denning being  
sworn as a witness for the  
complainant deponent and  
says - I am a married woman  
I live at No 200 Avenue C. I  
know the defendants. They lived  
on the same floor where I  
live at 200 Avenue C. They  
came there in July 1885. I  
guess they remained there eight  
months until March last.

Q - Do you recollect the birth of  
this child now in the arms  
of the defendant Anna Roberts?

Objected to. The ground of  
objection is that the  
proposed testimony is not  
material to this case,  
and that the nothing  
that transpired previous  
to Sept 16, the date of  
the alleged crime can  
be inquired into.

Objection overruled  
Exception

A - I do.  
Q - Is the defendant Anna  
the mother of the child?  
A - She is.  
Q - Was anything said at  
that time by either of the

Defendants as to who was  
the father of the child?

Objected to

Objection overruled

Exception

A No; there was nothing said  
by either of the Defendants  
as to who was the father of  
the child?

Q Do you know who is  
the father of the child?

A No, I could not say. The  
Defendants were then living  
as man and wife together

Q Did they occupy the same  
room together then?

A Yes  
Q Was there more than one  
bed in the room?

A No There was only one little  
bed -

Q Did you ever see them in  
bed together?

A No.

Q Did you ever hear the  
Defendant Charles Roberts  
say he was the father of  
this child?

A No, Sir

Q Were you present when the  
child was born?



Objected to  
Objection overruled  
Exception

A I was at the bedside

Q - Was Charles Roberts, the  
Defendant present?

A No Sir

Cross Examined by Mr. Keller

Q Were you ever in their room  
while they occupied it there?

A Certainly

Q So you know how many  
mattresses there were in the  
room?

A I know there were two.

Q Their own property?

A Certainly.

The defendants Counsel Mr. Keller  
admitted to the court that  
the defendants are brother  
and sister.

Both defendants, on being  
questioned by the court ad-  
mitted that they are brother  
and sister.

Hannah Denning being recalled  
and further examined by the  
Court Depose and says:-  
When the defendant Mena  
Roberts was living at my  
house 200 Avenue C I called  
her Mr Roberts, when the com-  
plainant Mary Ann Roberts  
called there she was introduced  
as a sister in law. She passed  
as a sister in law.

Q She admitted by her acts  
that she was a sister in law?

A Not to me.

Q How many times did the com-  
plainant come to the house?

A As far as I could see she  
came as one friend would come  
to see another.

Q Did any conversation take  
place to show that she  
was a sister in law?

A Mr Roberts there (Sgt. Mena)  
told me she was a sister in  
law.

Q Did you always call the  
defendant "Mena" Mr Roberts

A I always did.

Q Mary Ann Roberts Mary Ann Roberts re-called  
2 While you lived at Astoria did  
you know the defendants were

By the Court

- Q. living as man and wife?
- A. Yes sir. I knew but I forgane him then. I did not know where he was. I did not know how long he had been there until he told me.
- Q. How long did you live with him after you first saw him in this country?
- A. Only a few weeks. When I got a situation I left.
- Q. How did you find out he was there?
- A. ~~He~~ I went to the store where he had been working cleggs.
- Q. Did you when you were in Astoria know that he was living with his sister?
- A. Yes I did.
- Q. How long did you let him remain there?
- A. Well: of course I got his promise and a thought I would go back.
- Q. You went to live with him afterwards while the baby was there?
- A. Yes.
- Q. There was no trouble between you and him?
- A. No sir. we lived very nicely.



until this night of the 16<sup>th</sup>

Letters written by Defendant  
Charles Roberts to com-  
plainant produced and  
read by the court.

Q Is it not your trouble in  
England that is referred  
to in these letters?

A No Sir

Q He says these letters do  
not refer to his relations with  
his sister, but to previous  
trouble in England.

A That is all lies. He got me  
to come back to him to this  
country.

Q When

A February 8 1885.

Q When you came here did  
you go to live with him?

A Of course.

Q How long

A 2 1/2 months. Then I found  
out about him and his  
sister and then I left him.

Q How did you find out?

A I inquired where he had  
been living.

Q Why did you take employment  
elsewhere?

15- A Because I found out about

- him and his sister.
- 2 Where did you find out?  
A Up in Third Avenue, where they lived - 26th I think and I went away over in Brooklyn

Quon Examined by Mr. Kelle

- 2 Was there not an agreement between you for you three to live together and it to be understood that this man and this woman, the defendants, were to be represented as man and wife for the purpose of protecting this girl, his sister? Did you agree that they should be represented as man and wife?
- A No sir, Never, Never in this word. He begged and pleaded of me, and wrote me pitiful letters and I thought I would try him again.
- 2 The whole three of you lived together during the two months and a half that you lived with him after you came from England?

- A Yes
- Q While you were living together did you discover this intimacy between the brother and sister?
- A I did not see it before my eyes. I was told she had a baby. He acknowledged himself that he had the baby buried in Evergreen Cemetery.
- Q Did he tell you that he was the father of the child?
- A Yes sir.
- Q When you left him?
- A I left him. One day he threatened to kill me; to murder me. He and his sister.
- Q Then you went to service?
- A Four months in Astoria.
- Q You came back and sought him?
- A Yes. I was in Peckham two months.
- Q How long before you saw him again?
- A About six months.
- Q You went to live with him again?
- A I did on his promise in



the letters

2 How old was the baby?

A One month. The baby was  
born Dec. 26 / 45.

2 Did he tell you that it was  
his baby?

A Yes.

2 Did you lived with him  
right along?

A Yes.

2 although he told you  
that he was the father  
of the child?

A Yes.

2 How long was you there?

A About 6 months.

2 Then you discovered him  
having connection with her?

A Yes.

2 After you had been  
six months with him?

A Yes.

2 Was you in your room when  
he went in her bed room?

A I was in bed. He undressed  
himself in our room; lowered  
the lamp and walked lightly  
across the floor and went  
in her bed room. I saw  
the door put to. I suspected  
him and I burst right  
in on them.

Q Did he speak to you

A Never spoke a word. There was a lamp in the kitchen. He was in the habit of looking in on the baby; to look to see if it was covered. I thought he was lingering there and when he shut the door to I jumped out of bed.

Q Do you ever drink anything?

A No more than a glass of beer

Q Do you ever get tipsy?

A No, Sir.

Q Have you ever been drunk?

A No, Sir.

Q Were you discharged from any of your places for being drunk?

A No, Sir.

Q Why did you leave your first place?

A The work was too heavy for me.

Q You left of your own accord?

A Yes.

Q Did you leave your place in Pelham of your own accord?

A Yes.

- Q And came to live with him?
- A I took a situation with a lady in Pelham, and then with a Spanish lady in Thirteenth street. - None of them wanted me to leave. The lady in Astoria was Mr. Graver and the lady in Pelham was Mr. Redford.



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK

3 District Police Court.

*Charles Roberts* 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

*Charles Roberts*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*40 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Germany*

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

Answer.

*880 Eleventh Avenue 6 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer

*Janitor*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty of the charge  
and never had any sexual  
connection with the defendant  
Mena Roberts. On the 16th  
of September last about  
half past 12 p.m. my wife was  
intoxicated and I went into  
the room occupied by the  
defendant Mena Roberts  
and with my underclothing  
on me, laid on the outside  
of the bed clothes, when my  
wife rushed into the room  
screaming.*

*Charles Roberts.*

Taken before me this

24

day of September 1886

*J. M. H. H. H.*

Police Justice.

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3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK { ss

Charles Roberts

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.

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Answer.

Germany

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Answer.

880 Eleventh Avenue 6 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer

Janitor

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

Answer.

I am not guilty of the charge and never had any sexual connection with the Defendant Mena Roberts. On the 16th of September last about half past 12 p.m. my wife was intoxicated and I went into the room occupied by the Defendant Mena Roberts and with my underclothing on me, laid on the outside of the bed clothes, when my wife rushed into the room screaming.

Charles Roberts.

Taken before me this

24

day of September 1886

1886

John J. McCann

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

*Mina Roberts* 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 *Mina Roberts*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *880 Eleventh Avenue 7 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer *I help around the house*

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. *The child in court is my child. Its father is Peter Mellon whose photograph I have at home. The defendant Charles Roberts and I never at any time had any sexual intercourse.*  
*Mina Roberts.*

Taken before me this

*24*

day of *September* 188*8*

*William J. Sullivan*

Police Justice.



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10. A.M.  
Sept 26<sup>th</sup>

10. A.M.  
Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

BAILED,  
No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

" 24<sup>th</sup> at 9  
my balance of  
debt cleared.

as to 27<sup>th</sup>  
a day Sept 25<sup>th</sup>  
2. P.M.

Police Court District 1453

THE PEOPLE, vs.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Mary Ann Roberts

Charles Roberts

Mena Roberts

Offence

Guest

Dated

September 22 1886

William Magistrate.

Officer

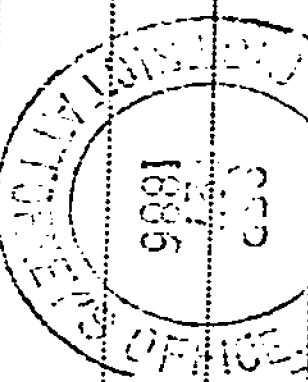
Mrs. Harold Spence

Witnesses

No. 1

20<sup>th</sup> St

No. 2



Street

No. 3

100<sup>th</sup> St

Street

Comd

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 Charles

Roberts and Mena Roberts

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

Dated Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1886

J. M. Pittman Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

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

Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named

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

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

Police Justice.

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Charles Roberts  
and Maria Roberts

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

Charles Roberts and Maria Roberts  
of the CRIME OF Incest, —

committed as follows:

The said Charles Roberts and Maria  
Roberts, both —

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York afore-  
said, on the sixteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

being then and there within the degree  
of consanguinity within which mar-  
riages are declared by law to be in-  
festuous and void, to wit: being then  
and there brother and sister, with force  
and arms, did feloniously and  
incestuously commit adultery and  
fornication with each other, to wit, the  
said Maria Roberts being then and  
there a single woman, and the said  
Charles Roberts being then and there  
a married man, and having a lawful  
wife alive, and notwithstanding the same  
the said Charles Roberts having then  
and there carnal knowledge of the body

of the said Maria Roberts, and her  
the said Maria Roberts married her and  
there said husband of the body of  
the said Charles Roberts, against the  
form of the Statute in such case made  
and provided, and against the peace  
and dignity of the said People.

Charles Roberts,  
District Attorney.