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DESCRIPTION:

Shanahan, Joseph

DATE:

05/29/91



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279. J. C. Conner

Counsel, *W. L. Shidmore*
Filed *May* 1891
Pleaded *Verdict* 24

THE PEOPLE
vs.
Joseph Shanahan
(3 cases)
Grand Larceny *Second Degree.*
(also *Second Offense*)
[Sections 528, 531, 6-8-8 Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. L. Shidmore

Foreman.

dictated on the
dictament filed June 2/91

Witnesses:

The deft herein having
pleaded to Grand Larceny
in the first degree - second
offense on another indictment
and sentenced to the State
Prison for 16 years on
the 2nd day of June 1891 and
his Honor Judge Cowing
having taken into consideration
in passing sentence the
fact that this indictment
with another are pending
against said deft about
the amount that he is indebted
to be paid are any
June 2nd 1891
Wm. Shidmore
County Clerk of said city

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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

Joseph Shanahan

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

Joseph Shanahan

of the crime of Grand Larceny in the second degree
as a SECOND OFFENSE, committed as follows:

Heretofore, to wit: at a court of General Sessions of the Peace, holden in and
for the City and County of New York, at the City Hall, in the said City of New York,
on the eighteenth day of May, in
the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty,

before the Honorable Frederick Smyth, Recorder of
the City of New York

and Justice of the said Court, the said Joseph Shanahan
by the name and description of Joseph Lynch

was in due form of law convicted of a felony
to wit: felonious assault

upon a certain indictment then and there in the said Court depending against him

the said Joseph Shanahan by the
name and description of Joseph Lynch

as aforesaid,

for that the said Joseph Shanahan, by the name and description of
Joseph Lynch as aforesaid, and James Moran, Thomas J. Reilly and James McManis
then all late of the

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City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
— *sixteenth* — day of — *May* — in the
year aforesaid, at the _____ City and
County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body
of one John Williams in the peace of the
said People then and there being, feloniously
did make an assault and to, at and against
him, the said John Williams a certain pistol
then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder
and one leaden bullet which the said
Joseph Lynch, and James Moran, Thomas
J. Reilly and James McMann in their
right hands 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 John Williams
thereby then and there feloniously
and wilfully to kill,

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And Thereupon, upon the conviction aforesaid, it was considered
by the said Court of General Sessions of the Peace, and ordered and adjudged that
the said Joseph Shanahan
by the name and description of Joseph Lynch
as aforesaid,
for the felony whereof
he was so convicted as aforesaid, be imprisoned in the State
Prison at hard labor for
the term of five years
as by the record thereof doth more fully and at large appear.

And the said Joseph Shanahan
late of the _____
City of New York, in the
County of New York aforesaid, having been so as aforesaid convicted of the
said felony in
manner aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the fifteenth day of
May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and ninety-one, at the _____ City and County aforesaid, with force
and arms, divers promissory notes for the
payment of money, being then and
there due and unsatisfied, (and of the kind
known as United States Treasury Notes)
of a number and denomination to the
Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, for
the payment of, and of the value of
eighty-five dollars; divers other promissory
notes for the payment of money, being then
and there due and unsatisfied (and of the
kind known as Bank Notes) of a number

and denomination to the Grand Jury
aforesaid unknown, for the payment of,
and of the value of eighty-five dollars;
divers United States Silver Certificates of a
number and denomination to the Grand Jury
aforesaid unknown, of the value of eighty-
five dollars; divers United States
Gold Certificates of a number and denomin-
ation to the Grand Jury aforesaid un-
known, of the value of eighty-five
dollars; divers coins of a number, kind and
denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid
unknown, of the value of ten dollars, of
the goods, chattels and personal property
of one John Sack 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.

De Lancey Nicoll
District Attorney.

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Shaw, Edward

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Witnesses:

Sam L. White.

Jeffrey Austin
a husband of Lacey
in the Hotel. Both
he has worked
then for two
years. & then
to his first condition.

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Counsel,
Filed
Pleads,

[Signature]
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THE PEOPLE

vs.

Edward Shaw

Grand Larceny & Second Degree

[Sections 528, 53, 530 Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. S. Widmore
May 20/91 Foreman.

[Signature]
24/6/91
St. J. 10/10/91

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Affidavit—Larceny.

Samuel L White

deposes and says, that on the 24 day of April 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

One overcoat
of the value of seventy five dollars
\$75-

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 Edward Sherman (now here). The defendant was employed as a servant at the Everett House where the said property was kept in deponent's room, and subsequent to the larceny of said property the defendant was suspected and accused of committing said larceny and the pawn ticket for said overcoat was found in the possession of defendant as deponent is informed by Detective Peter Nugent (now here), and deponent has recognized said property in a pawn shop.

Sam^l L. White

Sworn to before me, this 1 day
of May 1881 }
in Mukato Police Justice

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged _____ years, occupation Detective of No. _____

307 Mulberry Street, being duly sworn, deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Samuel L. White
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 12 day of May 1890, } Peter Nugent

W. M. M. M. M.
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

2 District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. Edward Shaw.

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 35 years.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. England

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

Answer. 521 East 16 St

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Porter

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.
Edward Shaw

Taken before me this

12

day of

March

1881

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... 2 District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James J. White
Corbett vs. Strange

Edward Shaw

Lacey
Mis

1
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Offence _____

Dated May 12 1891

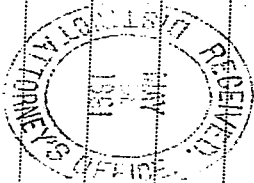
McMahon Magistrate.

Officer.
Precinct.

Witnesses

No. _____
Street _____

No. _____
Street _____



No. 2500
Street 328

Stom

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 _____

Edward Shaw

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

Dated May 12 1891 W. W. W. Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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New York May 18th 92

In relation to Edward Shaw
the person mentioned in this
note I would state that
I have known him for
11 years he was employed
in the Everett House all
that time. that being the
place where he committed
the offence which put him
in prison I have never
heard anything against
him before he has a wife
& 1 child

Officer Peter Nugent
34th Precinct

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District Attorney's Office,

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

May 17 1892
Henry W. Unger Esq.
~~CAPTAIN OR OFFICER IN COMMAND~~ *Chief Inspector*

Dear Sir:

I desire to see Officer *Mugent*
attached to your command in
May 1891 in relation to the case of
Edw. Shaver
sentenced *May 20th* to *2*
years and *6* months imprisonment by
Recorder Smith

Please ask the officer to bring such information in relation to the case, and as to the previous record of the prisoner, as he may be enabled to obtain.

Yours truly,

HENRY W. UNGER,

Deputy Assistant and Secretary to the District Attorney.

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Dr. J. Mugent is not at the
Central office kindly have the
notice forwarded to wherever
he is

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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

Edward Shaw

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this
indictment, accuse *Edward Shaw*

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

The said

Edward Shaw

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-fourth*
day of *April* - in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-one at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one overcoat of the value of
seventy five dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Samuel L. White

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

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SECOND COUNT—

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

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

The said

Edward Shaw

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,

*one overcoat of the value of
seventy-five dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Samuel L. White

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

Samuel L. White

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

Edward Shaw

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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Shay, Michael

DATE:

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Witnesses:

Oscar F. Intenbaum

Charles Etler

Officer Michael Kehoe

to Precinct

1012
Counsel, Heane
Filed 5 day of May 1891
Plends *Chitguth*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Michael Shay

Michael Shay

Grand Larceny, *from the Person*
[Sections 528, 530, Penal Code]

JOHN R. FELLOWS

District Attorney.

may
may

Part II May 20/91
pleads G. & 2d deg.

A True Bill.

W. S. Skidmore

Foreman

May 20/91
2 party record T. B.

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Police Court / District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

Oscar Fish. tenbaum

of No. 99 Orchard Street, aged 25 years,
occupation Wood Turner being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 30 day of April 1897 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession
of deponent, in the right time, the following property, viz:

One gold Watch of the value of
Sixty five dollars

the property of Belmont

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 Michael Shea (mark here)

deponent says that while standing
in front of No 19 Berrery in said
City said defendant took said
property from the pocket of the vest
then and there worn by him

That deponent caught said
defendant by the arm and he broke
away and ran away down Pell
Street and while in pursuit
said defendant was caught by
officer Michael Ochoa

Oscar

his
X Fish. tenbaum
man

Sworn to before me this
day of May 1897
at New York City
Charles H. H. H. H.
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

1 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

Michael Shea 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.

Michael Shea

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

18 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

NY

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

Answer.

94 Henry St 1 year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Heaman

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

Answer.

I am not guilty
Michael Shea

Taken before me this

Michael Shea

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

575

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James J. Thompson
99 Orchard St.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

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2
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Offence

Larry
the prison

Date

May 1
J. J. J.

Magistrate

Charles O. O'Brien

Officer

6

Prisoner

Witness

No.

Charles O'Brien

Street

No.

Street

No.

\$1000

to answer

Committees

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

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

Dated May 1st 1899 Charles O'Brien Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 Police Justice.

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

Dated 18 Police Justice.

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Office of
H. HERRMANN,
PRESIDENT OF
THE HERRMANN CHAMBER SUIT FURNITURE CO.
THE HERRMANN DINING ROOM FURNITURE CO.
THE HERRMANN BUREAU CO.
THE HERRMANN DESK CO.
368-370 BROOME STREET.

New York, May 20th 1891.

Mr. O. Ficklerbaum!

*Our Business will not
suffer your continued
absence. We will allow
you twice more to attend
to legal case on hand.
otherwise we will have to
fill your place with a
more steady Employee.*

Respectfully

Mr. H. Herrmann Chas. D.

CHD.

POOR QUALITY
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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Michael Shay

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment accuse
Michael Shay
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said

Michael Shay

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirtieth*
day of *April* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
~~eighty~~ *ninety one*, in the *night* - time of the said day, at the City and County
aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one watch of the value
of sixty-five dollars*

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

De Lancey Nicoll,
District Attorney.

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Sheehan, Maurice

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Witnesses:

Thomas Stevenson

Officer Stevens

G. P. Stevens

See former Certificate

Apr. 30. 1883 for

Ex. L. 101. deg. of

Order Certificate

Rein. of Order Cert.

FM.

Counsel,

Filed

Pleas,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

F

Maurice Sheehy

Edw. J. Nicol,
JOHN R. FILLIOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. E. Bidmore

Foreman.

May 11th 1883

Received John Sheehy

134.05 D.P. 1883

Edw. J. Nicol

[Sections 224 and 228, Penal Code].
Robbery, 1st degree.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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

Police Court--First District.

of No. *Thomas Donoran*
Boston - Massachusetts Street, being duly sworn, deposes
and says, that on the *Third* day of *May* 189*1*
at the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the
County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, from the person of de-
ponent, by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property viz:

*Good and lawful money of
the United States (consisting
of a five dollar note and a one
dollar note)*

of the value of *Six (6)* 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

*Maurice Sheehan (now here) from the
following facts to wit: That between
the hours of two and three o'clock A.M.
of the aforesaid date, deponent in company
with an unknown man was walking
in Washington Street, and that in front
of premises No 10 Washington, the said
unknown man accosted and spoke
to the defendant who was standing in
front of said door and asked the said
defendant if he could give deponent
a room and lodgings for the night -*

Sworn before me, this

18

day

Police Justice

and that on the defendant answering
Yes. the said unknown man went
away. and deponent in company with
defendant went up the stairs to a
room on the 3. floor of said premises,
and that while in said room the
said defendant demanded what
money deponent had, and on being
refused by deponent, attacked him
and struck him several blows with
his clenched fist on the face -
and that the said defendant then
drew a knife from his pocket and
threatened to kill deponent if he
would not give him what money he
had - And deponent further says
that on being attacked, and believing
his life in danger, gave the
aforesaid property to the defendant.
and that the said defendant
immediately ordered deponent
out of the room, and out of the
House - Deponent therefore charges
the defendant with having committed
a Robbery and asks that he may be
held and dealt with as the Law may
direct

Sworn to before me } Thomas Donovan
this 3 day of May 1891 }
Charles Martin
Deputy Justice

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Police Court--First District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK.

Maurice Sheehan

being duly examined before the under-
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he was at
liberty to refuse to answer any question that may be put to him states as follows,
viz:

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Maurice Sheehan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *31 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

Question. Where do you live?

Answer. *10 Washington Street -*

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer. *Laborer*

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what—relative to the charge
here preferred against you?

Answer.

I am not guilty -
his
Maurice Sheehan
mark

Taken before me this *2* day of *May* 18*97*
Charles J. Smith
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

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Norman Brown
Thomas J. Kelly
Thomas J. Kelly

Offence

Robbery

Date

May 2 9

Magistrate

Officer

Precinct

Witnesses

No.

Street

No.

Street

No.

Street



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

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 *May 2 9* *Charles Winters* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT, DISTRICT.

of No.

occupation

that on the

Charles W. Stevens

Street, aged _____ years,

being duly sworn deposes and says,

~~at 47 1/2 St. New York, N.Y.~~ Thomas Donnan

Know here is a necessary and material witness
against Maurice Sheehan charged with
having committed a Robbery and
deponent further says that he is led
to believe that the said Donnan
will not appear at the said trial
of said Sheehan, therefore asks that the
said Donnan may be held to await the
said trial or find surety for his
appearance at said trial

Charles W. Stevens

Sworn before me, this _____ day of _____ 19__

Charles W. Stevens

Police Justice

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ORIGINAL

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Sheehan arrested
again July 12, 1890
for petty larceny
Beverly (3) same
month in the Pen
itery by Judge
Smith

again in
June 5, 1890
for Stealing two
Bags of Lager
Beer (3) five
months in the Pen
by Judge Draffery

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0276

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Maurice Sheehan

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

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

The said *Maurice Sheehan*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *third*
day of *May*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and *eighty*, in the *first* time of the said day, at the City and
County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Thomas Donovan*,
in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

one promissory note for the payment of money, of the kind commonly called United
States Treasury Notes, of the denomination and value of *one* dollar; *one*
promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called Bank Notes, of the de-
nomination and value of *one* dollar; *one* United States Gold Certificate,
of the denomination and value of *one* dollar; *one* United States
Silver Certificate, of the denomination and value of *one* dollar.

one promissory note for the payment of money, of the kind commonly called United
States Treasury Notes, of the denomination and value of *five* dollars; *one*
promissory note for the payment of money of the kind commonly called Bank Notes, of the de-
nomination and value of *five* dollars; *one* United States Gold Certificate,
of the denomination and value of *five* dollars; *one* United States
Silver Certificate, of the denomination and value of *five* dollars.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Thomas Donovan*,
from the person of the said *Thomas Donovan*, against the will,
and by violence to the person of the said *Thomas Donovan*,
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armed with a dangerous weapon, to
wit: a certain dangerous knife.

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.

Deane M. Hill,
Attorney.

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Bernard Hirsch
Lucy Winkelhans

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John Smith

Ans

William Zimmer

Dr. Lancelotti
JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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 A True Bill.

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W. G. Kidmore
Foreman.

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James G. Thompson
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The People
John Smith
William Zimmer

Court of General Sessions. Part I
Before Judge Cowing. June 2. 1891
Indictment for robbery in first degree.
Bernard Hirsch, sworn and examined,
testified. I live at 62 Willett street and am
going on to seventeen years old. I am a
cloak operator and was employed by Levy
in Birmingham street. I remember the
night of the 29th of April. I was going to my
brother's in Henry street; the tall fellow,
John Smith, stopped me in Willett near
Broome and Delancey street in this city;
he asked me for a cigarette. I said I did
not smoke, I had not any. Then he got
hold of me by the neck and he choked
me and got hold of my eyes and took
my hat off and called over the other
fellows and they stole my watch and
ran away. Smith got hold of me by the
neck and put his hand over my
mouth; he called over to another fellow.
I don't know how many fellows came
over; they got hold of my eyes, I did not
see them. They did not have me down
on the sidewalk, but they had me
up against the house. I don't know what
the other defendant, Zimmer did. The watch
which was taken from me was a
silver watch. I have it here, I got it back

The lady, who is a witness, she got it back. After they took the watch and hat they ran away. I ran for an officer and found one. I told the officer what happened to me and I went with him to the same place where they robbed me; the lady witness had the watch, and she gave it to the officer. The officer arrested them afterwards. I identified Smith as the one who took hold of me first and stopped me.

Cross Examined. I never saw John Smith before that night. How long did this occurrence last, how long did it take that he asked you for a cigarette and caught you by the throat? About two minutes. How many boys were there around you? I cannot say; I know there was more than one because they were holding me and they licked me. This was half past nine o'clock at night and it was dark, not very dark, there was a light on the other side. That was the time I saw Smith's face; he came over and caught hold of me. He was arrested that same night. I don't know how long after the occurrence, the officer knows. I cannot say how many hours. I say they licked me. Smith gave me a punch in the jaw.

Lucy Winkelhouse, sworn and examined, testified
Where do you live? No. 118 Broome near Mott
street. Do you remember the night of the
29th April last? Yes sir. I was out on the
street seeing a lady friend. Did you see
the occurrence between the last witness, Ber-
nard Hirsch and Smith in the street
that night? Yes. I was going along and I
saw Smith having him by the neck and
I heard him halloo for his friends on the
other side of the street. He called them
over; there were five or six. I do not know
their names; they came over and started
to kick the complainant, and one halloed,
"Take his watch" I think it was Smith who
said that. What did they do? They gave him
a good clubbing and shoved him up
against the house; then they ran away
after that on the other side. Smith ran over
and I told Hirsch to get a policeman and
have them arrested. What became of Smith?
They were sitting over across the street
and Hirsch went away to look for a
policeman. When they seen that Hirsch
went for a policeman they commenced to
run and I ran after them. Zimmer
gave me the watch; he told me he found
it. Was he in the group that was with
Smith? He was in the crowd, and after

he gave me the watch he ran away with Smith. After that I went looking for Hirsch and I met him on the street with an officer and I gave the officer the watch. Did you see the Zimmer boy do anything to the complainant? It was pretty dark; I seen them all in a bunch, I could not see what Zimmer did. You did not see him do anything individually? No. He was one of the group that came over and was one of the group that was punching Hirsch. Did you see him punch Hirsch? No. I did not; there was a whole crowd there. I was running after him, and when he seen me run he stopped in the street, turned around and gave me the watch. What did he say? He said he found it; he did not tell me where he found it. Do you know why he gave you the watch? I could not tell you why he gave it to me. He had not taken it from me, but he had seen me talking with Hirsch.

Cross examined. This happened in Willett between Broome and Delancey streets on the east side; it was in the night time between nine and half past nine o'clock at night. I could not tell you which way Hirsch was walking because when I got there they had him by the neck, Smith.

had him by the neck; holding him by the throat; he had the other hand over his eyes. How many boys were there around? About six altogether; when he called for them Smith was all alone, when he hallooed for his crowd on the other side of the street. About five or six came running over, I did not count them. On which side of the street did Zimmer hand you back the watch? On the east side; on the same side this happened; they ran over to the building; they ran to the corner of Delancey street and I ran after them. How long a distance, how far did you run after these boys? Half a block down. After Smith had got Hirsch by the throat he went back to this building didn't he? Yes sir, and sat down there. It is an empty building. Did all the boys go down there? They sat there. How long did they sit there before they got up to run? After five or ten minutes. I and Hirsch were on the other side of the street. I don't know whether they saw me speak to Hirsch. I don't know why they commenced to run. I know Smith from being around the neighborhood, but Zimmer I do not know I am sure Smith had his hand over the eyes of Hirsch.

Phillip Kuntz, sworn and examined, testified I am an officer of the Twelfth precinct. I arrested the defendants on suspicion. I arrested Smith in the Newsboy's lodging house down in New Chambers St. at twelve o'clock on the night of the 29th of April. I arrested Zimmer the next morning in front of the shop where he works in Howard street. I went all through the Newsboy's lodging house looking for Smith; there are about three hundred boys there. I found Smith on the top floor asleep and I woke him up. He dressed himself, he had the complainant's hat. I said, "Where did you get that hat?" He says, "I got it from a boy." I says, "Is not that the man's hat you took the watch from?" He said, "No, another boy gave it to me," and I took him to the station house and notified the complainant; he came to the station house the next morning, and he identified him as the man that had him by the throat, and he identified the hat too. The defendant said another boy gave him the hat. I asked him who took the watch from the complainant? and he said he did not. When I arrested Zimmer he said he knew nothing about the case - that he found the watch in the street and gave it to the lady.

William Zimmer, sworn and examined by the Defence testified: I am fifteen years old and live at 155 Ridge street with my parents who are here in Court. I work at passementerie I work for William Wolf, 25 Howard St. How long have you worked for him? A year. I have heard the testimony in this case. Do you remember the watch that this lady who was on the stand said you gave her? Yes. I picked the watch from the ground I ran over and gave it to this young girl and then I went home right away. Did you see Smith and Mirsch that night? Yes. Tell us all about the occurrences of that night? I seen Smith grab him (the complainant) by the neck and choke him and he asked him for a cigarette. The fellow said he did not smoke; then he (Smith) got him by the throat, and he had his hand over his eyes hitting him I think. Then he called the whole crowd over and then we went over. That is all I know. What did you do when you got over? I seen the watch on the ground and I gave it to this girl. What did you do to Mirsch, did you punch him? No. Didnt you touch him? No. Did you take the watch from

Hirsch? No. Did you see anybody take it from Hirsch? No. You found it on the ground? Yes. Where was his hat, also on the ground? I did not see it. You had not his hat? No. Did you see anybody touch Hirsch except Smith? No. Have you ever been arrested before? No sir. When Smith called these boys did you run over to steal anything from Hirsch? No sir. Do you know what Smith called the boys over for? No. How old are you? Fifteen. Have you ever been in trouble before this? No. How long since you left school? Two years. Have you been working every day since except Sunday? Yes. You have never been arrested before? No.

Cross Examined: What did you run away for? I did not want to get in any trouble in the crowd, I did not want to get arrested. I ran home right away. What did you say to Smith about the watch? Nothing. When you picked it up what did Smith say about the watch? Nothing. Smith had the hat in his hand? Yes, he had it in his hand; he gave that young fellow (the complainant) his old hat. After you got over who did the punching? I don't know that; he called us over. After you got over you saw Smith punch

him? Yes. Was Smith the only one punched him? No. Didn't you take a crack at him? No sir, I did not touch him. I did not kick him. I stood right there. It was while I was standing there and the other boys were around that I saw the watch at my feet. The lady, whom I did not know, chased me. I gave her the watch. I did not see Hirsch at the time. I did not see him looking for the officer. I told Smith to give the complainant back his hat and he would not do it. I know Smith; none of the other fellows who were there are in Court - the names of some of them are: Albert Hammet, another fellow they call "Buck" and Jack McGacken. I gave the watch to the girl because I saw her running. I thought perhaps she was the cousin or sister of Hirsch. The next morning when we were taken to the Police Court Smith and I told the Judge we were only fooling. These boys all live around the neighborhood and they work for a living. Smith withdrew his plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty to grand larceny in the second degree. The Jury acquitted Zimmer. Smith was sent to the Elmira Reformatory.

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Testimony in the
case of
John Smith and
Wm. Zimmer

Filed
May 1891

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Police Court-- 3rd District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss
OF NEW YORK,

Bernard Kirsch
of No 62 Millett Street, Aged 16 Years
Occupation Operator being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the
29th day of April 1931, at the 13th Ward of the City of New York,
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away from the person of de-
ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

A silver watch of the
value of Five (5) Dollars, and a
derby hat of the value of Two (2) Dollars
all

of the value of Seven (7) 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

Smith and William Zimmer (both workers)
for the reasons following, to wit:
Deponent says - he was walking on
Millett Street and had said property on
his person, when he was suddenly seized
by defendants who held deponent by the
and violently took from him the said
property and ran off therewith at 9:30 P.M.
Deponent further says - he is informed
by Lucy Minckhouse of no. 18 Broome Street
that he saw defendants forcibly and vio-
lently take, steal and carry away said
property from deponent's person, and per-

day of

Sworn to before me, this

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Police Justice.

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Said defendants, deponent being informed by said
Betsy Windelhouse that she was accompanied by a
young man unknown to her and deponent who
recovered said watch from defendant Zimmer
and gave the same to said Betsy Windelman who
had seen said unknown man recover said watch
from said defendant Zimmer. Deponent
further says he received said watch from said
Betsy Windelhouse and is informed by Officer
Philip Nantz that he subsequently arrested de-
fendants on suspicion of having robbed deponent in
the manner aforesaid, and identified defendants
as his said assailants in the presence of said Officer,
as well as a hat found in the possession of defendant
Smith as being his property. Moreover,
deponent prays that defendants be held and
dealt with as the law directs.

Sworn to before me
this 30 day of April 1903
Benie Hirsch
John Ryan
Police Justice,

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been
committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.
Dated 188
I have admitted the above named
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.
Dated 188
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named
guilty of the offence mentioned, I order he to be discharged.
Dated 188
Police Justice.

Police Court, District,	
THE PEOPLE, &c., on the complaint of	
vs.	
Offence—ROBBERY.	
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Magistrate.	
Officer.	
Clerk.	
Witnesses,	
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
\$	to answer General Sessions.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Philip Thunz
aged _____ years, occupation *officer* of No. _____
125 *Ree* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Bernard Hirsch*
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *30th*
day of *April* 1890,

Philip Thunz
John Ryan
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Lucy Winkelhouse
aged *22* years, occupation *operator* of No. _____
118 Broome Street, being duly sworn, deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Bernard Hirsch*
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *30th*
day of *April* 1890,

Lucy Winkelhouse
John Ryan
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 22 years, occupation Operator of No. 118 Broome Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Bernard Hirsch and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 30th day of April, 1898, } Lucy Winkelhouse.

John Ryan
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged _____ years, occupation Officer of No. 12th Ave Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Bernard Hirsch and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 30th day of April, 1898, } Philip J. Hunt.

John Ryan
Police Justice.

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POOR QUALITY
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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, ss.

2 District Police Court.

John Smith 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.

John Smith

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

17 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

United States

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

Answer.

88 Broome - 2 years

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

making parasols

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 was only fooling.

John Smith

Taken before me this
day of March 1917

John H. Ryan
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
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Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

William Zimmer 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 in
that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used
against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *William Zimmer*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *14 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *United States*

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

Answer. *155 Ridge St - 1 1/2 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Passenger under*

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 was only fooling.*

William Zimmer

Taken before me this 3rd
day of June 1902

Police Justice.

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BAILED,
No. 1, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____
No. 2, by Arthur Wood
Residence 93 Oldland Street _____
No. 3, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____
No. 4, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____

Police Court... 9 - District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William Zimmer
William Zimmer

Offence Robbery

Date April 30 1891

Bluff Hunt Officer.
Bluff Hunt Precinct.

Witness Sarah Miller

No. 114 Broadway Street _____

No. 100 E. 33rd Street _____

No. 100 E. 33rd Street _____

U.S. DISTRICT COURT
MAY 1891
U.S. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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

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

Dated April 30 1891 John J. Ryan Police Justice.

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

Dated April 30 1891 John J. Ryan Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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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 Smith and
William Pinner*

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

John Smith and William Pinner
of the CRIME OF ROBBERY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said *John Smith and William Pinner*, both —

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-*
ninth day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and *eighty-one*, in the *first* time of the said day, at the City and
County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Bernard Smith*,
in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

*one watch of the value of five
dollars, and one hat of the value
of two dollars and fifty cents,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Bernard Smith*,
from the person of the said *Bernard Smith*, against the will,
and by violence to the person of the said *Bernard Smith*,
then and there violently and feloniously did rob, steal, take and carry away, *the said*
John Smith and William Pinner, and
each of them, being then and there aided
by an accomplice actually present, *to*
wit: each by 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.

*Deane Smith,
District Attorney*

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Spellisey, Mary

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Witness:

Hansach Haslach

off Michael Shelley

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Counsel,

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Pleas,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Mary Spellway

[Sections 528, 537, 538 Penal Code.]

DELANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

CP 10 days.

W. S. Richardson

Foreman.

June 2nd 1891

W. S. Richardson

The People
Mary Spellissey (Count of General Sessions. Part I
Indictment for grand larceny in the second degree.
Hannah Haslacher, sworn and exam-
ined, I live 432 East Fifty Eighth street and am
a married woman. I know the defendant
Mary Spellissey. I engaged her on the 24th
of March this year at the office of Mrs.
Pusch No. 147 Fifty Fourth street; she entered
my employ on the 24th and she con-
tinued in my employ for three weeks;
she left on the 13th of April suddenly; she
had eleven days to serve yet. The only
reason she gave me for going was
that her mother was sick. I had a jewel
box in my wardrobe, which I now hold
in my hand. When the defendant left
it was found in her room. I saw the
box a week before her leaving; it contained
a diamond ring worth a hundred dollars,
the ring had seven diamonds in it, but
there was one out of it, leaving six; there
was another diamond loose in the box
rapped in a piece of paper and a
ring in which it was, costing \$25. There
was also a necklace worth ten dollars,
a small wallet containing a five dollar
gold piece and two trade dollars, also
a silver thimble. There was an

enamel watch set with diamonds, which was worth one hundred dollars; there was a small scarf pin with diamonds worth about ten dollars and another that had a small pearl in it worth three dollars; There was a pocket book mounted with oxidized; a gold locket worth ten dollars and a gold stud worth two dollars and a half; three silk handkerchiefs worth about \$1.50; a gold tooth pick worth about 75 cents - three pencil charms worth about seven dollars.

When I found all these things missing I went to Mr. Pusch's office in Fifty Seventh st.; the defendant was not there. I did not go anywhere else to look for her; a nephew of mine did; the next time I saw her was two weeks ago today up at the Fifty Seventh Street Court.

Did you ever see any of your property that you have described after that?

Q. I never saw any of the articles, except a silk handkerchief, the silver thimble, a brush and some embroidery. I saw them at the station house. I identified them right away. What was the aggregate value of the property? I should judge something like two hundred dollars.

Cross Examined Last Monday I was down here in Court and had a conversation with the District Attorney about the case. I forget his name; he merely asked me what I had missed. I appeared before the Police Magistrate when the defendant was arrested. I told him all the things that were missing. I occupy one flat which consists of seven rooms; the defendant slept in the room next to me; the dining room is in the rear, and the other three rooms are between the dining room and the front room. There are ~~six~~^{seven} in my family - my husband, myself, mother and four children; the oldest child is fourteen. I have nobody else living in the house with me. Brothers of mine come to visit me. As a general thing we all washed in one room. I went out of my room once in a while in the afternoon, but very rarely in the evening. My husband was away from home most of the time in the day time. When I went out I left my mother and Mary in the house. The box was closed in the ward robe. When I saw it a week before the things were taken out of it it was locked. I had it in my hand I opened it to get a ring I wanted to get fixed and locked it and put

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it back in the same place where I found it. Didnt you and Mary have any words? Not a word. You did not have a little quarrel? Not at all, no fault finding.

Monday morning was the wash morning I came out, I had nothing to say to her, probably I said something which I do not recollect; she told me she had to go away tomorrow, her mother was very sick. She left on Tuesday the 13th of May. I had a woman come there to do my ironing; she went away that evening. I never authorized the defendant to take the jewel box and put it in her room; nobody had charge of it but myself; it was unlocked when I found it - broken, in fact. The flat is a single one and the rooms run into each other; there is a door leading from the private hall to the dining room and we have to go into that private hall before we get into the flat. We can get into the front room also without going into the dining room.

Samuel Haslacher sworn. I am a son of the last witness and live with my mother. I know the defendant. I am the person that made enquiries concerning her whereabouts that my mother referred to. One day I went

to Hoboken and I happened to find out where she lived, and I went over to speak to her mother and when I did so the defendant was just gone. I saw her over there and asked her why she left so suddenly? She said her mother was sick, she ~~had~~ come right home. I saw her mother; this was about two or three weeks after she left. I said to her if she saw such and such things in our house? I asked her if she saw a locket or a pin? She said, no, she did not see any such things. That is all I said to her then I was going off; she said she was just coming over to New York. Did she come over to New York with you? No, she did not come with me. I next saw her in Fifty Second street right by the ferry. I did not do anything, I did not talk to her; she got on a car and I got on the car and rode to Third Avenue; she went out on one side and I stood back, and when she came up to Fifth Street they arrested her, Mr. Shelley, he was looking for her; he was there and I called his attention to her; I just walked up, he came out I told him she was there and he arrested her; he took her to the station house I don't know if he searched her. I went home.

Michael F. Shelley, sworn and examined. I am a police officer connected with the 23^d precinct. I arrested the defendant on the 19th of May on Third Avenue and Forty Second St. I took her to the station house and told her she was accused of taking things from Mrs. Maslachew and I mentioned the things. I told her they found some of the things in the bundle. I found the bundle in Mrs. Rusch's intelligence office the day after she left. I went to Mrs. Rusch's office right away, five weeks before the arrest. I searched the bundle the next morning and found in it a hair brush, a collar button, a thimble, a silk handkerchief and some pieces of lace. When I arrested her I told her she was accused of taking diamond jewelry, a watch and chain and one thing or another, and some of the things were found in her bundle; she said she took the thimble and the handkerchief but she denied taking the jewelry; she said she did not know anything about that. I told her she acted very suspiciously in keeping away so long after she promised to come to New York; she did not say anything about that. I had quite a conversation with her, but she would

not say anything in reply. The complainant in the presence of the defendant identified the Thimble and the brush in the station house as her property.

Cross Examined. She made no explanation of how she came to take the Thimble and the brush. About the gold collar button that was there she said she brought that from the old country; the complainant identified that button as being hers. The defendant admitted taking the Thimble and the Handkerchief, but not the brush; the complainant identified the brush and the piece of lace in her presence. Officer, did she tell you (the defendant) how she came to take those things, how she came to have them? No sir; she made a remark to the complainant, that she might have put them up in her bundle, but not to me.

Bridget Spellisey, sworn and examined for the defence, testified. I live in Bloomer street, corner of Hudson Avenue, Union Hill, N. J. and I am the mother of the defendant. I have been in this country twelve months next July; my daughter Mary came here with me. She had the gold button that is here in the old country. I first saw it with her uncle in Tullah, Ireland; her papa got it from his uncle, who lived in this country eighteen years; he came

back to Ireland visiting. Mary brought that button to this country. She has never been arrested before; she is nineteen years old. It was five years ago when her uncle gave it to her. Mary Spellisey, sworn and examined. I am over eighteen years old and am in this country going on twelve months and was never arrested before. You have heard the complainant state the number of things that were in this box that was taken from her. Did you take those things? No sir but what in my clothes. Do you know anything about them? No sir. This button that was spoken of I took with me from Ireland. The other things in that paper you say belong to Mrs. Maslacker, how did you come to have those things, Mary? They used to all wash themselves in my bedroom when I was living there. I took those things up with my clothes. I left my clothes in the Intelligence office; then I did not go, till ~~two weeks~~ ^{got sick} ago; when I got home I did not look for a place; she said that I had stolen the things from her. The things were thrown loosely around there. I did not steal them. I never saw the diamond jewelry; I did not know she had them; she used to keep every place locked.

Cross Examined I was sick going on three weeks. I was sick in her house, and I got awful bad when I went home. I was only a few days home when I got the grippe. I left my bundle at Mrs. Pusche's to look for a place after a week's time. Mrs. Haslacher was awful saucy to me; she used to call me a dirty Irish-white I was with her; she did not discharge me, but I told her I was going to leave. I told her that my mother was sick. I did not ask Mrs. Pusche to ask Mrs. Haslacher to let me off for a week on account of my mother's sickness. Mrs. Haslacher paid me that was the second place I was in. I don't know the name of the street the lady lived in, Capt. Maffat was the man's name; he had a wife and one child; it was up town in this city, it was higher than Twenty Third St. on the Second Avenue. I did not go on the Elevated Railroad to go there, but it was near the Second Avenue Railroad. I was going on two months with them. I don't know the names of the grocery man or butcher. I could find my way from Capt. Maffat's house to Union Hill. I could find my way back but I do not know the number of the street; it was a street where the Second Avenue "elevated" runs. Do you remember the number of the house?

No sir. Is Capt. Maffitt here? No sir. Could you go from this Court to Capt. Maffitt's house? Yes. How would you go? Take the Elevated when you come to Broadway. I would go up to Second Avenue where the "elevators" used to run; the elevated used to run right across the house where I used to be in. It was not on the Avenue, it was across the street. I don't know the name of the street; it is about six or seven blocks from Broadway. Has the complainant paid you your wages? She kept one dollar and fifty cents of it.

Hannah Haslacher recalled by Assistant District Attorney Lyman for the prosecution in rebuttal. (Look at that button well (showing the witness the button) take a long look at it; is that your button? In my drawer in my room there was several buttons

Counsel
District Attorney: No questions.
That is the case.

The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of petty larceny.
The defendant was remanded for sentence.

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Police Court

4 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss:

of No. 432 E 58th Hannah Haslachor
occupation Married Street, aged 38 years,
deposes and says, that on the about 10th day of April 1891 being duly sworn,
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in
the day time, the following property, viz:

A quantity of jewelry consisting
of a diamond ring silver
thimble, brush, hair
and other articles together
of the value of at least One
hundred 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 Mary Spellisey (know her)

from the fact that said
Spellisey was in the employ
of deponent as a domestic
that on or about said date she
left deponent's employ and then
deponent missed said property
that deponent then visited an Intelligence
Office where said Spellisey was
waiting for employment searched
her effects and found a bag containing
therein one silver thimble one hair
brush one stud and other small
articles which deponent fully
identified as a portion of the articles
stolen from her premises

Hannah Haslachor

Sworn to before me, this

20 day

of April 1891
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198—200.

X District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Mary Spellissey*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland.*

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

Answer. *Boone St. Union Hill. N.J.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Domestic*

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*
Mary Spellissey
maiz

Taken before me this

20

day of

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 _____
No. 5, by _____
Residence _____ Street _____

Police Court - 4 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

432 East 58th St
Hannah Stachler

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Hannah Stachler

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Hannah Stachler

Offence _____

Dated May 20 1891

Magistrate

Officer

Precinct

Witnesses Van L. Spachner

No. 432 East 58th St

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

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

Dated May 20 1891 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

Mary Spellisey

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this
indictment, accuse *Mary Spellisey*

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

The said

Mary Spellisey

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *tenth*
day of - *April* - in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety *one*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one finger-ring of the value of
sixty dollars, one thumb of the
value of five dollars, one stud of
the value of five dollars, one brush
of the value of one dollar, one hand-
kerchief of the value of one dollar
and divers other goods, chattels and
personal property (a more particular
description whereof is to the Grand Jury
aforesaid unknown) of the value of thirty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Hannah Haslacher*

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

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SECOND COUNT—

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

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

The said

Mary Spellisey

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

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

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Hannah Haslacher

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

Hannah Haslacher

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

Mary Spellisey

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Sperduto, Marco

DATE:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Sperduto, Marco

DATE:

05/22/91



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Witnesses:

Louis Anderson

Officer John D. Thompson

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Jury Pleads Acquitted May 27

Counsel,

Filed 22nd day of May 1891

Pleads, Acquitted

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

THE PEOPLE

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supplied
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Building 28.20

Marco Sperduto

JOHN R. FELLOWS

District Attorney.

A True Bill

W. E. Skidmore

Foreman.

Sept 2 - June 1, 1891.

Tried and convicted of

Assault in the 1st Deg.

W. E. Skidmore

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Police Court—2 District.

City and County { ss.:
of New York,

of No. 32 Boratow Street, aged 23 years,
occupation Shoe maker being duly sworn
deposes and says, that on the 11 day of May, 1887 at the City of New
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Mario Spaduto. (over here)

who wilfully and maliciously
cut and stabbed deponent
on the face and head with
a shoe maker's knife that
he then and there held in
his hands

Deponent further
says that said assault
was committed

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

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

Sworn to before me, this 11 day
of May, 1887.

Albino Nicos
John S. Keag Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK,

2 District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Murphy Speedauto

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

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Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Ireland

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

Answer.

125 Greenwich St 14 Mos.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Shoe maker

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,
the complainant struck me
first. and I defended my
self. first. with a pencil.
which I happened to have
in my hand at the time*

Murphy Speedauto

Taken before me this

day of

May

1889

at

John Street

Police Justice.

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The presiding magistrate is authorized to hear and determine this case in my absence and to accept bail.

John E. Kelly
Police Justice

SWORN TO BEFORE ME
THIS DAY OF
POLICE JUSTICE.

BAILED,
No. 1 *Shaban Radei*
Residence *163 Mulberry Street.*

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

Police Court---

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District

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,

VS. THE COMPLAINT OF

William J. Thompson
37 Decatur St.
Manuel Fernandez

Offence

Assault (felony)

Dated

May 11 1891

No. 1

Kelly

Magistrate.

No. 2

Thompson

Officer.

No. 3

Anderson

Witness.

No. 4

101 Grand St. St.

Witness.

No. 5

1000, East 3d, May 12 1891

Witness.

No. 6

1000, East 3d, May 12 1891

Witness.

No. 7

1000, East 3d, May 12 1891

Witness.

No. 8

1000, East 3d, May 12 1891

Witness.

No. 9

1000, East 3d, May 12 1891

Witness.

No. 10

1000, East 3d, May 12 1891

Witness.

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 *get* such bail.

Dated *May 11 1891* *W. J. Thompson* Police Justice.

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

Dated *May 12 1891* *W. J. Thompson* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

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The People,

vs.

MARCO SPERDUTO.

)

) Before

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) -- HON. FREDERICK SMYTH,

)

and a Jury.

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.....

Tried June 1st, 1891.

Indicted for ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

Indictment filed May 22nd, 1891.

APPEARANCES:

Assistant District Attorney Macdona, For The People.

Robert H. Racey, Esq., For The Defense.

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ALBINO NEGRO, the COMPLAINANT, testified, through the Official Interpreter, that he lived at 32 Horatio Street, and that he was a shoemaker. He was living at that place on the 11th of May, 1891. He knew the defendant. The defendant worked for him for six months, as a journeyman shoemaker. The defendant was not in his employ on May 11th, 1891. He had been out of his employ for a long time. He met the defendant on the 11th of May, 1891, at the corner of Hudson and Horatio Streets, at 11 o'clock in the morning. The defendant was on the opposite side of the street---Hudson Street. He, the complainant, was walking up Hudson Street from Washington. He was then on his way to his store. As soon as the defendant saw him the complainant, he crossed over to the sidewalk where the complainant was

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walking, and came face to face with him, the complainant. Without a word, the defendant struck him, the complainant, upon the head with a shoemaker's last. The blow fell upon his, the complainant's head, over the left eye. The blow had left a severe pain in his, the complainant's, left ear, and he could not hear in that ear. The defendant also scratched him in the face. He also pulled out a shoemaker's knife from his pocket, and cut him, the complainant, three times upon the face with it. Then a couple of men came up, and asked why he, the complainant, did not have the defendant arrested, and they called a policeman, and the defendant was arrested. The defendant then ran into his, the defendant's store, in Greenwich Street. He had a store of his own. He was arrested in the store. In

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the complainant testified that he had been in the United States only about a year and a half, and spoke very little English. He, the complainant, tried to take the knife out of the hand of the defendant. He, the complainant, had no weapon whatever to defend himself with. He, the complainant, did not say a word to the defendant before he was assaulted.

LOUIS ANDERSON, of 101 Summit Street, Brooklyn, testified that he was in the City of New York on the 11th of May, 1891, and in the neighborhood of 31 Horatio Street. It was then between 12 and 1 in the afternoon. He saw the complain-

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ant and the defendant fighting. His attention was drawn to the two men by seeing a knife in the defendant's hand. The complainant had nothing in his hands. He saw the defendant cut the complainant twice, with the knife. Then he, the witness, parted them, and said to the defendant, "You had no right to hit a man with a knife." Then the defendant stopped striking the complainant with the knife, and turned away, and began to run. As he began to run, the complainant picked up a wooden last and threw it at the defendant. At that time the complainant was covered with blood. Besides the cuts, he had scratches on his face. When the complainant threw the last, the defendant picked up a hammer, but a bystander stopped him from using it, and he, the witness, said, "I will have you arrested for using a knife," and then the defendant went right around the corner and into his own store. As he was going, he threw some-

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thing away, but he, the witness, could not tell what it was. He, the witness, followed the defendant around the corner, and the defendant said to him, "You son of a bitch, I'll fix you," and, in the meantime, the police officer had come up. The police officer then arrested the defendant, and he, the witness, went to the station house. He, the witness, had never seen either the complainant or the defendant before. In

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the witness testified that he was an iron worker, and worked wherever he could get employment. He had been out of work about five weeks. He attended a meeting in Clarendon Hall, in 13th Street, and he was going over to Hoboken when he saw the fight between the complainant and the defendant. He, the witness, was alone at the time. He had worked for Cornell and Jackson.

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The complainant had a white shirt on at the time of the assault, and his shirt was covered with blood.

OFFICER JOHN F. HOUGHNEY, testified that he was attached to the 9th Precinct. He arrested the defendant on the 11th of May, 1891, between 12 and 1 o'clock in the afternoon, in Greenwich Street, near Horatio Street, in his own store. The witness, Anderson, was with him, the Officer, when he made the arrest. He, the witness, saw the complainant in the street at the time. He, the witness, did not see the assault. He, the witness, was in citizens clothes at the time. He had just left the police station. The complainant was covered with blood---his face, hands and shirt.

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He had three stab wounds on his face, and his left eye was swollen. He, the witness, asked the defendant where the knife was that he had cut the complainant with, and the defendant made no reply. He, the witness, took him to the police station. There he searched the defendant, but found no knife upon him. In

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the witness testified that the defendant had a small scratch on the right side of his neck.

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FOR THE DEFENSE,

MARCO SPERDUTO, the DEFENDANT, testified, through the Official Interpreter, that he was a shoe-maker by trade. He lived at 167 Mulberry Street, and he had kept a shoe store in May, at 825 Greenwich Street, but he had the store no longer. On the 11th of May he went out from his shop to take the measure for a pair of shoes. He, the defendant, took the last out to take it to a store to get the number of the shoes that he wanted. He, the defendant, had a lead pencil in his upper left breast pocket. He took the pencil out and played with it in his hand as he walked along. When he reached the corner of Horatio and Hudson Street and stopped at a fruit stand, kept by a friend of his. He was jest-

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ing with the man who kept the fruit stand. Just at that moment the complainant passed behind him, about two or three paces distant, and the complainant thought that he, the defendant, was making fun of him. So the complainant turned back and called him, the defendant, a son of a bitch, and a son of a prostitute, and all kinds of names, and shook his fist at him, and said, "I will cut your face." He, the defendant, said, "What do you want with me? Why don't you look after your own interests?" The complainant said, "I am good enough for your own family." He, the defendant, said, "Go and look after your own business---mind your own business." At the same moment the complainant struck him, the defendant, in the chest, and he fell. He, the defendant, had the last in his hand, and he struck the complainant with it in the head, and then the complainant got hold of his, the defendant's, throat and scratched his throat with his nails.

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He, the defendant, held in his lefthand a lead pencil, and he believed that he had hit the complainant in the face with the lead pencil and scratched him with the pencil. He, the defendant, did not have a shoemaker's knife in his possession at the time, and he did not cut the defendant with any knife. He, the defendant, had frequently seen the witness, Anderson, standing at the corner of Horatio and Hudson Street, idling away his time. He had never seen him, do any work. He, the defendant, was married, and had two children. After the difficulty with the complainant, he, the defendant, walked to his store. He did not run. He was arrested there 15 minutes later. In

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the defendant testified that he had no intention of seriously injuring the complain-

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ant. He merely defended himself after the
complainant began the fight.

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New York, May 11. 1891

This is to certify that
I have this day examined Albino
Nigro, 28 years, from n: 32 Boratis
Street N. Y. City, and found him
with contusions and scratches on the
left part of the forehead and right
ear. Said scratches appear to be done with a
pointed instrument also declares that he
suffers pain from the head the result
of contusions and blows

L. Marguet,
M.D.
519 Hudson St

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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

Marco Sperduto

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse
Marco Sperduto
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

Marco Sperduto

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
eleventh day of *May*, in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and eighty ~~ninety one~~, with force and arms, at the City and County
aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Albino Negro*
in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and
to, at and against *him* the said *Albino Negro*, with
a certain ~~pistol~~ *knife* then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden
bullet, which the said *Marco Sperduto*
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,~~ *strike, stab, cut and wound,*
with intent *him* the said *Albino Negro*
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
Marco Sperduto
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

Marco Sperduto

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
the said *Albino Negro* in the peace of
the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make
another assault, and to, at and against *him* the said
Albino Negro, with a certain *knife*
~~a certain pistol then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet,~~
which the said *Marco Sperduto*

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a weapon and
an instrument likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did
wilfully and wrongfully ~~shoot off and discharge,~~ *strike, stab, cut and wound,* against the form of the statute in such case
made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and
their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Stewart, Georgie

DATE:

05/08/91



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Witnesses;

Off Michael Corner
15 Precinct

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

J. O'Neil
day of *May* 1891

THE PEOPLE

vs.

B

Georgie Stewart.

att. 11/21
Read to the Court of Special
Session for trial, by request
of Counsel for Defendant.

KEEPING A HOUSE OF IL. FAME, ETC.
[Sections 822 and 825, Penal Code.]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. L. Dickinson

Foreman.

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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

Georgie Stewart

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

Georgie Stewart

(Sec. 382,
Penal Code.) of the CRIME OF KEEPING AND MAINTAINING A COMMON BAWDY HOUSE AND
HOUSE OF ILL-FAME, committed as follows:

The said

Georgie Stewart

late of the *fifteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid,
on the *third* day of *May* in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and *ninety-one*, and on divers other days and times, as well
before as afterwards, to the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and
County aforesaid, a certain common bawdy house and house of ill-fame, unlawfully and
wickedly did keep and maintain; and in the said house divers evil-disposed persons, as well
men as women, and common prostitutes, on the days and times aforesaid, as well in the night
as in the day, there unlawfully and wickedly did receive and entertain; and in which said
house the said evil-disposed persons and common prostitutes, by the consent and procurement
of the said *Georgie Stewart*

on the days and times aforesaid, there did commit whoredom and fornication; whereby divers
unlawful assemblies, disturbances and lewd offences on the days and times aforesaid, as well
in the night as in the day, were there committed and perpetrated; to the great damage and
common nuisance of all the good people of the said State there inhabiting and residing, in
manifest destruction and subversion of and against good morals and good manners, 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

Georgie Stewart

(Section 385,
Penal Code.) of the CRIME OF MAINTAINING A PUBLIC NUISANCE, committed as follows:

The said

Georgie Stewart

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *third*
day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

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and *ninety-one*, and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, unlawfully did keep and maintain a certain common, ill-governed house, and in *her* said house, for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, as well men as women, of evil name and fame and dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together then and on said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on said other days and times there to be and remain, tippling, drinking, gaming, cursing, swearing, quarreling, making great noises and otherwise misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and suffer, to the great annoyance, injury and danger of the comfort and repose of a great number of persons, good citizens of our said State there residing, and passing and repassing, to the common nuisance of the said citizens, 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.

THIRD COUNT.—

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

Georgie Stewart

(Section 323
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING A DISORDERLY HOUSE, committed as follows:

The said

Georgie Stewart

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *third* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety-one* and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, unlawfully did keep a certain ill-governed and disorderly house, the same being a place of public resort, and in the said house and place of public resort, for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons, as well men as women, of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together, then and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in *her* said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on the said other days and times, there to be and remain, drinking, tippling, gambling, rioting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit, and yet continues to permit, by reason whereof the peace, comfort and decency of the neighborhood around and about the said house were, and yet are, habitually disturbed, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY
JOHN R. FELLOWS,
District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Stonehouse, Albert J.

DATE:

05/15/91



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Witnesses;

Ellen Messinger

Wm Messinger

Off^r Thos Stapleton

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Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Albert J. Stanchoucy

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

DE LANCEY NICOLL,
JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. E. Hickman

Foreman.
Part IV May 23/91

Verdict Acquitted.

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Police Court

3rd District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss:
of New York,

Ellen Musgrave

of No. 67 Monroe Street, aged 44 years,
occupation Keeps house, being duly sworn,
deposes and says, that on the 11th day of May 1891 at the City of New York,
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in
the daytime, the following property, viz:

Good and lawful money
of the United States, of the
value of
Four hundred thirty-one Dollars
the property of deponent

Sworn to before me this 12th day of May 1891

John A. [illegible]

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 Albert J. Stonehouse (now here) for the

reasons following; to wit: Deponent
says, — said money was contained in
said premises, from where deponent missed
the same at about 10⁴⁵ am of said date.

Deponent further says, that at about
said hour, she is informed by her son William
Musgrave of No. 67 Monroe Street, her son
defendant in said premises, on the
first floor, where deponent resides,
wherefrom deponent charges defendant
with taking, stealing and carrying away said
property from her possession.

Ellen Musgrave

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

William Musgrave
aged *19* years, occupation *Student* of No.
67 Monroe Street, being duly sworn, deposes and
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Allen Musgrave*
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *12th* } *William Musgrave*
day of *May* 189*0*.

Allen Musgrave
Police Justice.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, }

Albert J. Stonehouse 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.

Albert J. Stonehouse

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

28 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

England

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

Answer.

372 Cherry St - 6 weeks

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Carpenter

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, and
demand an examination*

Albert J. Stonehouse

Taken before me this

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March

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John J. McNeill
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---

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,
vs. THE COMPLAINANT OF

William M. Morgan
of the County of
Westchester

Offence *Grand Larceny*

Dated

May 12 1891

No. 3, by

Wm. M. Morgan
Magistrate.

Stephen M. Morgan
Magistrate, Officer.

Witnesses

David L. Brown
Precinct.

No. _____

Street _____

No. _____

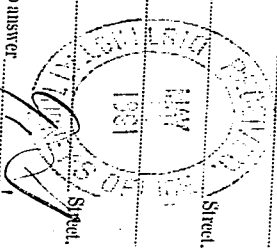
Street _____

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Street _____



1000 & May 10-9, and 1000
Wm. M. Morgan

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 *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 12 1891* *Wm. M. Morgan* Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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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

Albert J. Stonehouse

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by
this indictment, accuse *Albert J. Stonehouse*

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

The said

Albert J. Stonehouse

#431 late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *eleventh*
day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-one, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the
day-time of the same day, divers promissory notes for the payment of money, being
then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury
Notes), of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, for the
payment of and of the value of *two hundred*

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

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

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

dollars; divers coins of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid
unknown, of the value of *thirty-one dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Ellen Murgrave*
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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL.

~~JOHN R. FELLOWS~~, District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Sullivan, Patrick

DATE:

05/28/91



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Witnesses:

Edw. H. McCormick

Off John Severcool

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Counsel,

Filed

28 day of May 1891

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Patrick Sullivan

Robbery.

[Sections 224 and 228, Penal Code].

DeLaneyville
JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. S. Ridmore
Foreman.

June 3/91

Heard by Jury

Elmer R. J.

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Police Court 2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, ss.

Edward H. McCormick
of No. 234 Monter Street Lower City, Aged 42 Years
Occupation Cutter being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the
12 day of May 1891, at the 5 Ward of the City of New York,
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, from the person of de-
ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

One Gold Watch and
Chain

of the value of Fifty DOLLARS,

the property of deponent

and that the 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

Patrick Sullivan (nowhere)
and two other persons not yet arrested
and unknown to deponent. From the
fact that at or about the hour of 11³⁰
P. M. on said date deponent was
arrested by the said Sullivan in
Canal Street near Hudson Street that
the said Sullivan was at the side
of deponent and along Greenwich Street
and when near the corner of Laight
Street the said unknown persons
came up in a doorway that the
said Sullivan then struck deponent

day of

Sworn to before me, this

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Police Justice.

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on the neck with his Arm - Throwing
down and while down was
lying prostrate on the sidewalk The
said Sullivan held down
while the said unknown persons took
said property from down's left
hand and ran off the said unknown then
in down's prison
Down thoughtfully says that the
said Sullivan may be here to
Anger.

Down before me } Edward H. M. Smith
This 22nd day of May 1891 }
W. W. Madison
Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime herein 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 1888
I have admitted the above named
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.
Dated 1888
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named
guilty of the offense within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.
Dated 1888
Police Justice.

Police Court, District,

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
on the complaint of

Office—ROBBERY.

vs.

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Dated 1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witness,

Street,

Street,

Street,

\$ to answer General Sessions.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK, ss.

2 District Police Court.

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

Patrick Sullivan

Taken before me this

day of *May* 189*9*

Police Justice.

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Alfred

Dated.....1 May 31 1891, W. W. W. W. W. Police Justice.

Dated.....18.....*Police Justice.*

Dated.....18.....*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

Patricia Sullivan

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

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

The said *Patricia Sullivan*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fourth* day of *May*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ~~eighty-nine~~ *ninety-one*, in the ~~night~~ *day* time of the said day, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Edward J. McCormick*, in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

one watch of the value of thirty-five dollars, and one chain of the value of fifteen dollars,

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

Patricia Sullivan being then and there aided by an accomplice actually present, whose name is to the Grand Jury aforesaid as yet unknown.

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

DeBaucy Hill,
District Attorney

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DESCRIPTION:

Summer, Perrin H.

DATE:

05/05/91



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Witnesses:

Antoine R. Saffery
46 W 100 St
Geo S. P. M. E.

I certify that the
presence & discharge
of this personnel
board which they
were subjected to
was

Delaney Moore
Det ally.

Jan 29 1892

Counsel,
Filed C day of May 1891
Pls. Volpey - J. - post lunch
[Signature]

[Section 113. - Penalt-Code]

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vs. B

Perin H. Summer

De Sancy Thcott
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. S. Kidman

Foreman

July 1993

Paul D. DeLong

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Witnesses:

Antoine R. Saffery
46 W 100th
Geo S. P. McKee

I Certify that the
presence of his charge
in his personal
bond which they
were detained at
me

Did away Moore
last ally.

Jan 29 1892

Counsel,

Filed
day of

1891

Plaintiff

vs. People
of the City of New York

THE PEOPLE

vs.

B

Perin H. Summer

De Sancy Nicoll
RANDOLPH B. MARGINE

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. G. Kidman

Foreman

July 1993

Paul J. DeLong

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Inquest into the death of FRED EVANS, subsequently identified as William Wright.

New York, April 1st, 1891.

Mrs. Sheridan Plusch, duly sworn:

I live No. 239 West 123rd Street. I am acquainted with Perrin H. Sumner and I have also seen his son, Arthur Sumner. Mr. Sumner never introduced me to a person by the name of George H. Edgar. He introduced me to a man named Smith. There was a James Edgar who boarded - who had a room there but he was an old gentleman. A young man by the name of Smith came there one evening to see Mr. Edgar. And when I read the account in the newspapers the description tallied with the gentleman that was at my house and I went to see in Duffy's the undertakers, if it was the same gentleman, and I positively thought it was. I supposed it was Edgar's nephew. I understood that he was his nephew, because the old gentleman was expecting his nephew at my house and he was to take a room from me. The old gentleman said there was some trouble and he said he lost his brother at Yonkers, New York, that was his brother. He did not say that in the presence of Mr. Sumner. I always thought the old gentleman's name was Smith, I only knew him as Smith; on the 30th when he left he told me about his brother's trouble at Yonkers, and he said his name was not Smith but Edgar. Afterwards when I saw that in the paper I went to Duffy's undertakers establishment to see whether it was the young man that was in my house with Mr. Sumner looking for a room. Because his description tallied so much with the young man who called at my house. I afterwards went to Macy's to see this man Smith; I wanted to question him to see whether he was the man; he didn't know the number but he knew the street and he said between 7th and 8th Avenues; I said were you there in the evening or after noon and I questioned him on those points to see if I was mistaken or not; he said it was in the evening. I asked him what kind of clothes he had on and if he had any plaid or checked clothes; he said yes he had all those kind of clothes. I said you are not the man and he insisted he was. I don't know what to say to-day; I cannot swear one way or the other. Mr. Sumner wanted me to identify the man and Mr. Crouch told me it would be some help to the old man if I would do it; Mr. Sumner said the old gentleman would pay me handsomely if I did. Mr. Crouch said something about three or four hundred dollars if I would go and identify the man. Mr. Crouch is a real estate man and he knew Mr. Sumner well. Whatever was said about remuneration to be paid to me was said to Mr. Crouch. This young man whom I thought was the Edgar that committed suicide called on me with Mr. Sumner to look at a room; I then took it for granted that he was the old man Edgar's nephew.

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WILLIAM H. POWELL, duly sworn:

I live No. 60 ~~Deane~~^{Decatur} Street Brooklyn. I am a salesman by occupation and I have my headquarters at No. 47 Courtlandt Street. I called at Mr. Sumner's office about 11 O'clock and on the morning in question and he seemed to be excited about something and I found out it was the suicide he was talking about. He asked me if I read about it and I told him yes. He said I have an idea that that was young Edgar's nephew. I said that don't seem possible because he had plenty of money. Finally he prevailed upon me to go to the Astor House and I went there and he compared the handwriting in the signature with a letter. I said I couldn't find any similarity in the letter E with the E on Edgar and told him that. He urged me to go down to the undertaker shop and I said I hadn't any time. He said come along and I humored him a little and went down with him. He said could you identify this party and I said no, unless he has a resemblance to the old gentleman, James H., I think was his name, that is the only way I can identify him. He seemed to know just where the undertaker shop was and had a card in his pocket. He said what do you think of it; I said there is a slight resemblance between the old gentleman and this corpse here; he said yes, I think that is George H.; he seemed to be in a hurry to get out, he didn't want to be seen around there. I made an affidavit in this matter, and I told him it is pretty queer thing ~~that~~ you got me into now and I don't quite like it at all; he said that it was a good advertisement for me and I said I don't care about that kind of advertisement. He, Sumner, said, for me to identify the body and the old gentleman would see me paid handsomely for it; he said you will get five thousand dollars - he had my life insured for five thousand dollars but I have not got the policy yet. He never paid me any money on account of that promise but he said the old gentleman would recompense me handsomely for it; he said the old gentleman will give you five thousand dollars. When I said a little while ago that I didn't want to go in that business I meant the identifying business, identifying bodies and getting paid for it.

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THOMAS W. FITZGERALD, duly sworn:

I am District Attorney for Richmond County. I have had charge of the Ruttinger matter in Staten Island. I have the clothing here that was found upon Wright and Ruttinger and the clothing found on the Astor House suicide, known as Fred Evans. (The clothing is now produced and compared by the Jury).

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George C. Harrison, duly sworn:

I am a professor of languages and live No. 75 East 52nd Street. I was boarding at the same house with Ruttinger and Wright; I am not positively sure but I am quite sure I saw that coat on Wright, it looks like the coat that was on Wright. If I were not under oath I would say that it was the coat and the tie also; either that or one like it. The photograph which has been shown me is the photograph of young Wright. I saw the body at the Morgue and I recognized it and I recognized it as the body of the young man who sat next to me at the table at New's Boarding House. I had very little conversation with him except sometimes at the table; I knew him altogether two weeks and we dined at the same table.

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New York, April 2nd, 1891,
11 o'clock, A. M.

Inquest continued.

EDWARD C. SMITH, duly sworn:

I live No. 322 West 17th Street and I am stock keeper in the china department of R. H. Macy & Co. I called at No. 239 West 128th Street, last January in company with Mr. Sumner; the object of my visit was, only out of friendship on Mr. Sumner's part he wanted to recommend me to a room. I think he introduced me as Mr. Smith, I don't remember any introduction. I know Mr. Sumner and I became acquainted with his sons the same as young fellows do I suppose. I am not a married man. Mr. Sumner told me about this room and I went up there with him for the purpose of securing the room. I was not introduced to an old gentleman by the name of Smith. I saw Mrs. Plusch there and I had some conversation with her, but I don't remember the conversation - it was about the room; I declined to take it because it was further up town than I wanted to go. Mr. Sumner asked me to go down to Duffy's undertaker es - tablishment to look at the body and I went down with him but I could not identify the body. When I went to Mrs. Plusch's place I was there probably twenty minutes.

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HAMILTON CROUCH, duly sworn:

I live No. 168 West 121st Street and I am in the real estate business. I have known Mr. Sumner fourteen or fifteen years and I know Mrs. Plusch. I met Mr. Sumner at Mrs. Plusch's house when I went there to collect the rent and see to the repairs of the house. There was nothing said about the Astor House Suicide only what I read in the papers. Mr. Sumner wanted Mrs. Plusch to identify the body; but there was no price offered for it at all, no compensation; I asked her if she thought it was the man that

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called at her house, and she said from the description it looks very much like it and she said Mr. Sumner wanted her to go down and identify it as she was so positive it was the man; she told it to me that Mr. Sumner said that if she was so positive it was the man by the description she had better go down and identify it, and I said, well I wouldn't go down there without he paid my expenses; that is the way the conversation about the three or four hundred dollars came in. She said what would that be and I said you know better than I do. When Mrs. Plusch says I offered her three or four hundred dollars to do it she is mistaken.

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CUTHBERT R. SAFFERY, duly sworn, testified:

I live No. 46 West 100th Street. It was on Tuesday that I first heard I was wanted in the case; Tuesday the 24th of March a representative of the World came up to my house and told me they had a little work for me to do; they wished me to get at the bottom, if possible, of Mr. Sumner's methods in endeavoring to claim the body of the Astor house suicide as Mr. George H. Edgar. They said that Mr. Pike a solicitor in Nassau Street, that Mr. Sumner was anxious to get Mr. Pike to employ a man to identify Mr. Edgar's body. I went down with this gentlemen to Mr. Biggs Restaurant No. 125 Washington Street and saw Mr. Pike who was in bed; I was to take the name of Andrus and was supposed to keep a place at Mount Kisco, to keep a hotel. Mr. Pike said he made an arrangement to meet Mr. Sumner the following morning at nine o'clock at his house, and I was to be down there. I went there, he had been there -- I was a little late, I saw him afterwards. I met him at the corner of Sixth Avenue and Washington Place and I went to Mr. Pike's house with him and he introduced me as Mr. Andrus. We went into the sitting room there and sat down. Mr. Sumner said you know what you have got to do - you know these men Edgar, I laughed and said, "No, I didn't know them, but he would have to describe them to me, which he did; he gave me a detailed description of all three of them; it then turned out in the conversation that he imagined I kept a place in New York; I told him no, it was at Mount Kisco I kept it; he said, did you never keep one here?" I said, "Yes." He asked me where; I told him on 14th Street; how long ago? "About two years and a half." he said that would suit very well. That I could originally become acquainted with them in New York and it would be natural enough that I would ask them out to my place in Mount Kisco; I was to have known the Edgars at different times and places and to give an account of the conversation had with the Edgars. I was originally to have known them by the name of Smith and say that the parties had called for them and asked for Edgars and subsequently had it explained to me by Mr. Edgar that that was his real name but on account of some transactions in the Old Country he was compelled to change his name, a criminal transaction. I then asked him what I was to get for all this; I didn't propose to do it for love

of him or the Edgars or anybody else; he said there was not much money in it - he was a poor man, but Mr. Edgar was very rich. I said ^{do what} you propose to give me now must cover my casual expenses and ~~is there any~~ chance of making anything in the future? - He said yes, Mr. Edgar was a very liberal man and he would pay me well. He also said he would fix all that with Mr. Pyke. He took Pyke in the next room, I presume to give him some money. I did not see him give him any; he came out again and told me he fixed it all right with Mr. Pyke. It was then arranged I should meet at the inquest but first of all I was to go down to the Morgue with Mr. Pyke and identify the body. I went up to see the body; they refused to shew it to me, that was for the purpose of coming here to the inquest and to identify the body.

Q What about this Mount Kisco Hotel? A. That was all imagination.

Q And Edgar should have spoken to you at the Mount Kisco Hotel, that was part of your contract? A. Undoubtedly; I was to have known him there.

Q How about the effects; were you to be shown the effects? A. That was another part of it, I was to say that Edgar had left some of his clothing at my hotel and also an unpaid board bill; that was part of the contract.

Q That was all done with Sumner? A. Yes, sir; that was the first morning he asked me where I could purchase the clothes; I told him in some second hand store or pawnshop; I suggested that a loud English check would be suitable for the purpose; it was arranged then that we should meet at the inquest. I met him again in the room here; he came over to me.

Q You met him here? A. Yes, sir.

Q A week ago yesterday? A. Yes, sir; he came over to the seat there and posted me again as to the particulars, as to time and things.

Q While in the Court room? A. Yes, sir.

Q Were you the man, before we adjourned, Mr. Sumner got up and stated to the Court a week ago yesterday there was a man here from the country and who had to go away again and he was anxious to have him called as a witness? A. Yes, sir.

Q You were with him at the time? A. Yes, sir; I think it was his solicitor that said it. He also told me in the Court room that the last time I saw him I was to say he was in very low spirits.

Q That contract or agreement was all made in the presence of Perrin H. Sumner? A. Yes, sir; all this conversation was in the presence of Sumner.

Q That was arranged in the presence of Sumner? A. Yes, sir.

Q You have told us all about this agreement with Sumner? A. I had any amount of interviews with him after that.

Q All in reference to the same subject? A. Yes, sir.

Q What is your business? A. I have no occupation at present.

The Coroner: Now, Mr. Taylor, do you desire to ask any questions.

Mr. Taylor: No, sir.

The Coroner: Any of the Jurors?

By a Juror:-

Q Did you get any money from Mr. Sumner? A. I did not personally; there was money handed to Mr. Pyke I believe; Mr. Pyke showed me a receipt.

Q Mr. Pyke is not here, I believe? A. I don't think he is, I don't know.

Q Was there any amount promised to you? A. Not promised to me personally, only Mr. Pyke, the 25 dollars in cash, and 25 dollars if the result of the inquest was satisfactory. He said he was a poor man, but he said Mr. Edgar was a rich man.

Q Did he tell you he knew you were to get twenty-five dollars cash? A. And twenty-five dollars.

Q How did he come to say you would get more? A. He said it would only be enough to cover my cash expenses.

Q You were told the amount you were to get? A. I didn't mention the 25 dollars.

By a Juror:-

Q What reward was promised you after you got through? A. Not with Sumner, personally; 25 dollars in cash and 25 dollars if the result of the inquest was satisfactory; they offered me another 25 dollars if I brought my wife down as a witness; this Sumner did himself.

Q You should bring your wife down? A. Yes, sir.

By Another Juror:-

Q Have you always been in that occupation? A. No, sir.

Q What was the last one? A. Clerk in Hanes Brothers, piano manufacturers.

Q You are not a journalist? A. I have done a little of that kind of work.

Q What do you mean - journalistic work of this work you speak of now? A. I was on one occasion -

Q Were you a journalist in any sense? A. I went out for the World about a year ago on an expedition to the west, for them to endeavor to get the white caps out the Indian reserves.

Q Were you promised any money by the newspapers?

A. Certainly; there was no sum mentioned, but I expect to be remunerated for this.

By the Coroner:-

Q You say Sumner himself promised you twenty-five dollars in addition if you brought your wife down? A. Yes.

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MICHAEL J. DUFFY, duly sworn:

I am an undertaker by occupation; the body of the Astor House suicide was taken to my establishment and it was there for about seven days. I examined his features very closely and the photograph now shown me, the photograph of William Wright, is I think, that of the man whose body was at my establishment. I recognize it as the same man.

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JOSEPH A. DUFFY, duly sworn:

I am in business with my brother who was just on the stand; I saw the body of the Astor House suicide in our establishment. The photograph now shown me is that of the Astor House suicide. I saw Mrs. Plusch when she came into our establishment and she looked at the body in several positions, full face, side and back view and I asked her if she knew the man; she said she thought so, but she was not sure. I wanted to get her name and she wouldn't give it to me. Mr. Sumner was not with her at the time, she was there alone. I saw Mr. Sumner in our place and I asked him if he knew the body and I asked him if he had any friends he didn't answer me and went out.

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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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INQUEST UPON THE BODY KNOWN

- as -

FRED EVANS.

N. Y. April 1st & 2nd, 1891.

To the Court of
Oyer and Terminer in and
for the City and County of
New York, and to the
Presiding Justice of the
Supreme Court holding
said Court.

The undersigned respectfully
returns to the within writ of
Certiorari, The original complaint
and warrant and exhibits to the
within writ of Certiorari.

The evidence in support of the
said charge which was taken
before me by the Stenographer of
this Court at the examination
demanded by the relator Perrin
At Sumner was not concluded
until a quarter to 6 o'clock last
evening, for this reason it has
been impossible for the said
Stenographer to transcribe the minutes
of testimony. Immediately the

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Stenographers report aforesaid
testimony is completed which
the undersigned has directed
shall be effected with all caution
and which ^{and which cannot be ready before}
ent speed, ^{on day for Tuesday} the entire testimony
which will justify the under
signed in his detention aforesaid
permi St. Sumner to await the
action of the ^{in court} ~~court~~, will be
submitted to the honorable court

Very Respectfully

Charles N. Fortitor

Police Justice

Nata Newman }
April 30 / 1891 }

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The People of the State of New York.

To

Hon. Justice Smith

and to all and every person and persons, officer and officers having in his or their custody or control any complaint, affidavit, indictment, charge, or written or printed paper or document of any kind touching the imprisonment and detention of the prisoner hereinafter named;

GREETING:

We command you that you certify fully and at large to the Supreme Court of The State of New York, at a Special Term thereof to be held at Chambers in the Court House of the City and County of New York on *the* day, the *3rd* day of *April* A. D. 18*92* at *10 1/2* o'clock in the *fore* noon, the time and cause of the imprisonment of

William H. Sumner
by you detained, as it is said, by whatsoever name the said *Sumner* shall be called or charged, and that you then and there return to the said Supreme Court fully and at large all and every complaint, charge, affidavit, indictment, commitment, written or printed document or paper, and the orders, proceedings, evidence, conviction and judgment in the premises, together with all things touching or in any manner concerning the same. And have you then there this writ.

But if, at the time when this writ is returnable, a Court of Oyer and Terminer in and for the City and County of New York, shall be actually sitting at the Court House of the City and County of New York, then you shall make return to this writ, according to the precept thereof, at the time and in the manner hereinbefore specified and commanded, before the said Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Witness the honorable CHARLES H. VAN BRUNT, Presiding Justice of our said Supreme Court in and for the First Judicial Department, at the Court House of the City and County of New York. the *2nd* day of *Apr* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *1*

By the Court.

Robert W. Gregory

COUNTY CLERK.

PURDY & McLAUGHLIN,
Attorneys for Relators,
No. 280 Broadway,
New York City.

POOR QUALITY
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New York Supreme Court

The People, &c.

Ex rel *William K. Sullivan*

vs.

The Mayor of the City of New York
John F. Ryan
Respondent.

Writ of Certiorari.

William K. Sullivan
PURDY & McLAUGHLIN,

ATTORNEYS FOR RELATOR,

No. 280 Broadway, New York City.

The within writ is allowed this *20*
day of *April* 18*1918*

William K. Sullivan
Justice of the Supreme Court of the
State of New York.

The within writ is adjourned to the _____ day of _____ 18____, at the same time and place, and the relator is remanded to the custody of the respondent in the mean time.

Dated the _____ day of _____ 18____

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Dated the _____ day of _____ 18____

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Dist.

City and County } ss.
of New York, }

SUBPENA.

CORONERS' OFFICE, 67 Park Row,
The People of the State of New York, to

L.S.

William Anderson

WE COMMAND YOU, that laying all other matters aside, you appear in your proper person, before **FERDINAND LEVY**, one of our CORONERS for the City and County of New York, at the Coroners' Office, 67 Park Row (second floor) adjoining ~~East River Bridge~~

Wednesday April 1st at 2 P.M.
to testify the truth, and give evidence according to your knowledge, in relation to the cause of the death of *Frederick Evans*

lying dead at _____ Street, and this you are not to omit under the penalty of the law.

WITNESS my hand and seal this _____ day of _____ 189

Ferdinand Levy Coroner of the City and County of New York.

Precinct please serve.

Bring this Subpena with you.

If this Subpena be disobeyed, an Attachment will immediately issue.

POOR QUALITY
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Police Court, ~~1st~~ District.

City and County } ss.
of New York, }

Cuthbert R. Saffery
of No. 46 West 100th Street, aged 43 years,
occupation Journalist being duly sworn, deposes and says,
that on the 25th day of March 1891, at the City of New
York, in the County of New York, Perrin H. Sumner

did promise to give deponent a bribe
upon the understanding and agreement
made by and between said Sumner
and deponent, that deponent who
was about to be called as a
witness to testify as such witness
on a certain hearing inquiry and
investigation and proceeding authorized
by law, namely an inquiry into
the cause of the death of a deceased
person who was found dead at
the Hotel Burke in the City of New
York on or about the 2nd day of
February 1891, which inquiry
was being held ^{in the County of New York in the City of New York} before Alderman
Levy Esq. one of the Coroners of
the City of New York, and a jury
duly impanelled to ascertain the
cause of the said death, and that
would give false testimony as
such witness on such inquiry,
and that on said day, and on
other days between said 26th day
of March 1891 and the 31st day of
March 1891, at the City of New York,
said Perrin H. Sumner promised
said bribe to deponent so that
the testimony of deponent as
such witness in said inquiry
should be thereby ^{by} influenced;
and at said times before mentioned
said Perrin H. Sumner attempted
by other means fraudulently to
induce deponent as such witness

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That on the said 23rd day of March 1891, Defendant and said ^{having been introduced to him by} ~~John~~ ^{Robert} Serrin to Summer, in company of one George S. ~~Edgar~~ Pike at N^o. 125 Washington Place in the City of New York. Said Summer said to defendant "I want you to be a witness on the Edgar Inquest before Coroner Levy," and you are to say you became acquainted with the Edgar's in your place in New York. Defendant had previously informed said Summer that he (defendant) had kept a hotel

Police Court--_____District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

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Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No.

Street.

No

Street.

No.

Street.

to answer

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in Fourteenth Street in the City
of New York. Said Summer
continued. "It will then be
quite natural that you would
have invited him (meaning
Edgar) out to your hotel in
Monte Carlo. Depoent told
said Summer that he did
not know said Edgar at
all, when said Summer
replied, "Oh that is easy
enough, I'll describe them
for you, and said Summer
did then send these five
depoent descriptions of ^{two} ~~three~~
men - James H. Edgar and
George H. Edgar - which he
told depoent to be very
careful about. Said Summer
also told depoent that
it would be necessary for
depoent to have the dates
of the time when depoent
was alleged to have seen
said Edgar, and said Summer
accordingly gave depoent
several dates, the late date
of which was the commission of

the month of January 1891, just before the suicide of said Edgar, and said Sumner then and there also told me to swear that at about said time said Edgar appeared to me to be very dispirited. Said Sumner also at said meeting impressed on me the necessity of my not knowing him, and if I was asked as a witness if I knew him to swear that I did not.

I met said Sumner by appointment on many occasions since said 26th of March, ^{in the City of New York} and said Sumner said to me at said time and place that if I would do as he wished and swear to the untrue statements he had made to me that he would pay me well for it, and probably give me other jobs. On the numerous interviews I had with said Sumner he told me many things which he wished me to swear to

on said coroner's inquisition,
and also delivered to ~~me~~ me
personally the subpoena which
I herewith annex, and make
a part of this my affidavit.

It is a fact that said
Summer also wanted me to
fix up a Hotel Register
and have the name James D.
Edgar, ^{and George H. Edgar} on it. He also had
me practicing the signature
of James D. Edgar & Geo Edgar
in his (Summer's) office No 198
Broadway in said City at said
before mentioned times.

Said Summer was also
to pay said George H. Edgar a
sum of money ^{for me} for my
swearing falsely to the identity
and other facts of and concerning
said James D. Edgar, and George H. Edgar.

Sworn to before me this
31st day of March 1891 { Luther R. Daffery

Da J. H. Edgar
Jury Justice.

g.H.E.

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Sec. 151.

Police Court Fair 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 Cuthbert R. Saffery
of No. 46 West 100 St Street, that on the 25th day of March 1891.

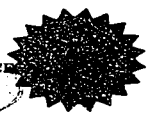
1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Perrin H. Sumner
did induce said Saffery to commit
perjury and promise to bribe
said Saffery as a witness on a
certain hearing inquiry and investigation
held to be held before Ferdinand Levy Esq and
jury duly empanelled before said Coroner
Levy.

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 Fair 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 31st day of March 1891.

Do J. J. [Signature] POLICE JUSTICE



Police Court Fair District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Cuthbert R. Saffery

vs

Perrin H. Sumner

Warrant-General.

Dated March 31st 1891

Magistrate.

Officer.

The Defendant Perrin H. Sumner
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.

Do J. J. [Signature] Police Justice.

REMARKS.

Time of Arrest.

Native of

Age.

Sex.

Complexion.

Color.

Profession.

Married.

Single.

Read.

Write.

POOR QUALITY
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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Perrin H. Summer

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

57 years.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Indiana

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

Answer.

429 Michigan Ave 6 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Real Estate Broker

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.
P. H. Summer

Taken before me this

day of

1904

William H. Summer Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
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April 2 - 91 - 2:30 PM
C. W. U. P.

Police Court - East District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles R. Siffert

James H. Wheeler

Offence Falsifying Evidence

BAILLED,
No. 1, by Michael W. Bradley
Residence 748 Washington Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

Officer David C. Bailey Magistrate.

Dated

April 11, 1891.

Officer

Magistrate

George S. Rice 125 W. Market St.
Residence Samuel S. Rice 125 W. Market St.
Residence Samuel S. Rice 125 W. Market St.

Frederick S. Rice 125 W. Market St.
Residence Frederick S. Rice 125 W. Market St.

124 Second Ave.

Exhibit with Clerk Clark

\$20.00 to answer Special Session

comparisons to me by (see also) depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named Serrin R.

Summer is

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 April 2nd 1891. Charles N. McIntosh Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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April 2-91-230 PM
Chas. J. Smith

BAILED,
No. 1, by Michael H. Bradley
Residence 748 Washington Street
No. 2, by _____
Residence _____
No. 3, by _____
Residence _____
No. 4, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____

Police Court - First District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles A. Saffery
Bureau H. Chandler

Offence Falsifying Evidence

Dated April 1, 1891

Samuel B. Bailey Magistrate.

Officer.

Witnesses: George S. Cifer 125 W. Ninth St.
Samuel B. Bailey 59 Duane Street
Frederick S. Cifer 10th St. East

Frederick S. Cifer 10th St. East

124 Second Street

Exhibit with clerk Clark

\$20.00 to answer - Edward Serrin

and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named Serrin A.

Summer is

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 April 2^d 1891, Charles A. Saffery Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

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

Dated _____ 18 _____ Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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NEW YORK COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

----- x
: The People etc.
: against
: Perrin H. Sumner.
: ----- x

Hon. Dolaney Nicoll,
District Attorney.

Sir:-

Please to take notice that on the within affidavit and on all the proceedings herein I will move the Court at Part One of the General Sessions at 11 o'clock on the 28th day of January 1892 for an order discharging said Sumner on his personal bond and for such other and further relief as to the Court then and there may seem just.

Purdy & McManus,
Attys. for defendants,
280 Broadway,
N. Y. City.

POOR QUALITY
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NEW YORK COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

----- x
: The People etc. :
: against :
: Perrin H. Sumner. :
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City and County of New York, ss:-

AMBROSE H. PURDY being duly sworn deposes and says:

That he is the attorney for the above entitled defendant;
that the indictment herein was found on ^{or dock} the ^{first} day of
Feb. 1891 that the defendant has always been ready
for trial and that no adjournment has ever been asked of
said trial.

That the defendant Sumner, is on bail in the sum of Two
thousand dollars; that he has indemnified his surety of said
bail bond, by assigning to him a certain mortgage owned by
said Sumner; that owing to said assignment, said Sumner is
unable to foreclose the same, or to collect the interest
thereon, and deponent is informed and believes, that said
Sumner is himself amply responsible for the sum mentioned in
said bail bond.

That deponent is familiar with the facts and the law in
this case, and deponent believes that if the case is ever
brought to trial, that no conviction can be had thereon.

Deponent therefore asks that the said Sumner be discharg-
ed on his personal bond, which said bond deponent hereby ten-

ders to the Court
Sworn to before me this)
27th day of January 1892.)

Robert W. H. Purdy
Notary Public for the County of New York.
New York County.

POOR QUALITY
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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People etc.

against

Perrin H. Sumner.

AFFIDAVIT and NOTICE of

MOTION.

Purdy & McManus,

Attys. for defendant,

280 Broadway,

N. Y. C.



POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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No. 2.

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TO THE CHIEF CLERK.

~~Please send me the Papers in the Case of~~
~~PEOPLE~~

vs.

Reverend H. Sumner
Judge Fitzgerald
wishes you to
endorse on the
Indictment that
you ask the
Court to discharge
Prisoners on his
word. *District Attorney.*

G. L. H.

Hon. De Long

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

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Book 3

RECEIVED

New York No

1880

from Gale & Co

Fifty

¹⁰⁰Dollars

an amount of Leaf Tobacco to be
delivered to me today.

\$ 5000

Gale & Co
Per

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ANDROSE H. PURDY.

P. A. McMANUS.

PURDY & McMANUS,
COUNSELORS AT LAW,
280 BROADWAY,
Room 85, STEWART BUILDING.

NEW YORK, Jan 26th 1891

Dear Mr. Wight,

The reason is
the summer. I when
we spoke the A.M.
to the Society. This
you kindly prepare
this reply, and let
this be sent. It is
when do reply the
A.M. I call in with
the S. But am at
the moment greatly
pressed for time

Yours truly
A.H. Purdy

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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

Samuel H. Sumner

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse *Samuel H. Sumner* of a Felony—

of the CRIME OF

committed as follows:

The said *Samuel H. Sumner*,

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

did feloniously offer and promise to give to one Rudolph B. Salfer, who was then and there a person about to be called as a witness upon a certain inquisition then and there in due form of law depending and pending before Ferdinand Serry Kravine, one of the Coronors of the said City and County, and a juror of the said County, in due form of law summoned, empanelled and sworn by the said Ferdinand Serry Kravine, Coroner as aforesaid to inquire who a certain man whose name is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, who had then lately before suddenly died in the said City under circumstances as to afford a reasonable ground to suspect that his death

had been occasioned by the act of another
by criminal means, or had committed
suicide, was, and when, where and by what
means he came to his death, and into the
circumstances attending his death, a wife,
to wit: a sum of money of great value, the
particular amount and value thereof being
to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown,
upon an understanding and agreement
that the testimony of the said Ruthbert
B. Dabney as such witness, upon the said
inquisition, should be thereby influenced,
to wit: upon the understanding and agreement
that the said Ruthbert B. Dabney, by
reason and in consideration of such bribe
and the offer and promise thereof as aforesaid,
should and would falsely testify as such
witness before the said Ferdinand Sengrave,
Foreman as aforesaid, and the said jury so
summoned, empanelled and sworn as aforesaid,
upon the said inquisition, among other
things, in substance and to the effect following
that is to say: that he knew the man as
to whose identity, and the time, place and
manner of whose death the said inquisition
was being held, to be George W. Edgar,
and the body of the said man to be the body
of the said George W. Edgar, that he had
known George W. Edgar, and had seen him
in the latter part of the month of January

in the year aforesaid, and that at that
time the said George W. Edger appeared to
him to be very low spirited; whereas in
truth and in fact he the said Rudolph A.
Edger did not know the said man to
be George W. Edger, and did not know
the handwriting of the said man to be the handwriting
of the said George W. Edger, and he had
not known George W. Edger, and had not
seen him in the latter part of the month of
January in the year aforesaid, or at any
time; all of which the said Gerrit W. Sumner
knew and there well knew; 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.

Deane W. Hill,

Attorney.