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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Roberts, William

**DATE:**

01/31/89



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Blake & Sullivan

2973.

Witnesses,

off J McCall  
Co

Counsel,

Filed

188

day of Jan 9  
Pleads, Not Guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs  
William Roberts  
alias  
Morris Rohland

[Section 508, Penal Code.]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

72 Feb 6 1889  
Plead convicted, as charged.

A TRUE BILL.

*John R. Fellows*  
Foreman.

*John R. Fellows*

Says Ch is, that  
of a confessor  
Quinnell etc  
his record with  
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STATE OF NEW YORK.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT— 3<sup>d</sup> DISTRICT.

*John McCauley*  
of the *Central Office Police* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and  
says that on the *25* day of *January* 188*9*  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *Deponent*

Arrested *William Roberts (number)*  
at the hour of six thirty P.M. on  
the above night at the *Eleventh*  
*Beut Road Station* at *1<sup>st</sup> Street* *City* *1<sup>st</sup> Ward*  
and found in his possession  
and concealed upon his person  
a ~~gun~~ "jimmy" *one steel bit lock (see*  
*show)* *implements adapted and*  
*commonly used for the commission*  
*of Burglary" and his deponent*  
*charges the said defendant with*  
*the intent to use the same for all*  
*of which is in violation of section 508*  
*of the Penal Code of the State of New York*  
*shown before me*  
*this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889*

*John McCauley*  
*J. J. Murphy*  
*Police Judge*

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Sec. 198-200.

3 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. William Roberts

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 22 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. Rivington Ave Court House New York

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Agent

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 do not know they are  
Burglary's instrument as they were  
reported in paper and etc

William Roberts

Taken before me this

29

day of January 1888

[Signature]  
Police Justice.

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

*Alf...*

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 Jan 29 188 9 *J. G. Duffy* 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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*Handwritten notes:*  
No. 1, 2, 3, 4  
L. b. ...  
by ...

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Police Court---3 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John G. Hawley*  
vs.  
*William Roberts*

*Offence*  
*Barrenness*  
*Barrenness*

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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.

Dated *Jan 29* 1889

*W. S. ...* Magistrate.

*M. C. ...* Officer.

*...* Precinct.

Witnesses *Stephen O'Brien*

No. *Public Office* Street.

*...*

No. *...* Street.

No. *Richard ...* Street.

No. *...* Street.

\$ *...* to answer

*...* Keeper to be  
subject to being  
committed



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DETECTIVE BUREAU

Police Department of the City of New York

No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,

NEW YORK,

July 8 1889

Frederick Smith  
Reverend  
D. L.

I herewith submit the following report in reference to Wm. Roberts, alias Morris Rolland, alias Mr. Robinson (who was tried & convicted before you on Wednesday last), in reference to his testimony as to residence, whereabouts on day of arrest.

At North East Corner of Grand & 3rd, which is a Lager Beer Saloon, neither the Proprietor or Bartender know any man named John Wilbur, nor can the bartender remember any such occurrence as described by defendant, when two men stood at the bar and one gave the other a parcel or package to take down town - after having several drinks together. His place of business is adjacent to the Lager Brewery of Geo. Busch and Geo. Ringler and his

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Police Department of the City of New York

No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,

NEW YORK,

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Patrons are principally Brewery hands, and think, if any strange men were in his place of business on that day, that he could remember it. Also made inquiry at North East corner of 92<sup>nd</sup> St + 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, with like result, no such man as John Wilbur being known to the Proprietor or bartender of this Lager Beer Saloon.

In regard to defendant's testimony that his right name was Wm Roberts and that he lived with his parents at No 57 or 59 Rivington St. I beg to state that I visited the locality and ascertained there was no "No 57" on the said Street and at No 59 Rivington St which is occupied by a very respectable family named Ehrlingers who have resided in the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward of this City the last 30 years - Mrs Ehrlingers informs me that no family but her own has occupied said premises during the last 10 years, <sup>positively, none</sup> by the name of Roberts.

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NEW YORK, ..... 188

On Exhibiting defendant's picture to Mrs  
Ehlinger she recognized him as a  
man who occupied a furnished room  
in her house under the name of  
Robinson, and who she ordered out  
of her premises on Jan'y 21 last,  
four days previous to his arrest.  
Showing conclusively that he did not  
live at 59 Rivington St when arrested.  
Mrs Ehlinger states that he was in  
her premises about 2 weeks and  
during that time her housekeeper (who  
also identifies defendant's picture) com-  
plained to Mrs Ehlinger that she  
found defendant in the Dining Room  
down stairs, when he had no business,  
his room being on top floor of building  
that he had come into the Dining Room  
without knocking and all of the  
silverware was exposed on the  
Buffet. A few days after Mr Laury  
another gentleman residing in the house  
came to Mrs Ehlinger and informed her

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Police Department of the City of New York

No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,

NEW YORK,

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That he had seen defendant in his  
stocking feet, rummaging through the  
upper part of dwelling, when it was  
supposed there was no one upstairs,  
and Mrs. Ehrlich Thompson ordered him  
out of her house.

No 2 1/2 Roosevelt St is a small  
building about 8 feet wide and is  
at present occupied  
as a Sugar Store. The proprietor who  
has only been there about one  
month does not know of any  
such man as John Wilkes. The  
premises were formerly occupied by  
Jerry alias Juggy McCauley, a  
Masked Burglar who had picture #778  
at home the Regum Gallery, and who  
was sent to the State Prison for 20  
years for being implicated in the Mask  
Burglaries at Astoria L. I. some years ago,  
and was a ringleader for the most  
desperate thieves in this country.

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Police Department of the City of New York

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NEW YORK, ..... 188

The defendant has been a thief  
from childhood, having been in  
the House of Refuge, Penitentiary B.C.,  
State Prison and Kings Co Penitentiary

Very Respectfully  
Signed  
D. W. Hayes

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

William Roberts  
otherwise called  
Morris Adland

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

Indictment accuse William Roberts, otherwise  
called Morris Adland

of the crime of *possessing dangerous instruments*,  
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 ~~fourteenth~~ day of ~~October~~, in  
the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ~~eighty nine~~,

before the Honorable *Henry A. Moore*, *County Judge of the said County of Kings*, *James Savage* and  
*William Shepley*, *Justices of the Peace of the said County of Kings*,  
and Justice of the said Court, the said *William Roberts, other-  
wise called Morris Adland*,  
by the name and description of *Morris Adland*

was in due form of law convicted of *robbery*

to wit: *robbery in the said degree*  
upon a certain indictment then and there in the said Court depending against him  
the said *William Roberts, otherwise called Morris Adland* by the

name and description of *Morris Adland*  
as aforesaid,

for that *he*  
then *of the said City of Kings*



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And Thereupon, upon the conviction aforesaid, it was considered

by the said Court of ~~General~~ <sup>County of Kings,</sup> Sessions of the ~~Peace~~, and ordered and adjudged that

the said ~~William Roberts, otherwise called Morris Roddand~~

by the name and description of ~~Morris Roddand~~ <sup>as aforesaid,</sup>

for the ~~felony and larceny~~ <sup>felony and larceny</sup> aforesaid whereof

~~he~~ was so convicted as aforesaid, be imprisoned in the ~~Penitentiary~~

~~Kings of the said County of Kings,~~ at hard labor for

the term of ~~three years and six months~~

as by the record thereof doth more fully and at large appear.

And the said ~~William Roberts, otherwise called~~

~~Morris Roddand,~~ late of the \_\_\_\_\_

City of New York, in the

County of New York aforesaid, having been so as aforesaid convicted of the

~~said felony and larceny~~ in

manner aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the ~~twenty~~ day of

~~January,~~ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

and ~~eighty nine~~ at the \_\_\_\_\_ City and County aforesaid, with force

and arms, ~~did unlawfully~~ have in his pos-

session in the night time of the said

day a certain ~~ride road,~~ and a certain

~~rod and implement~~ adapted, designed

and commonly used for the commission

of ~~larceny and larceny,~~ commonly

called a ~~giminy,~~ under circumstances

evincing an intent to use and employ

the same in the commission of some

crime to the ~~Grand Jury~~ aforesaid

~~unknown,~~ against the form of the

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

John C. Bellows  
District Attorney

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Statute in and case made and  
repealed, and against the peace  
of the People of the State of New  
York, and their dignity

John P. Fellows  
District Attorney

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Ross, Alexander

**DATE:**

01/23/89



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Witnesses:

*Henry F. Brown*

*W. D. McPherson*  
Counsel,  
*279 Broadway*  
Filed *23* day of *Jan* 188*9*  
Pleads, *Chryquith*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*349 Mt. St. P*  
*Alexander Ross*  
Grand Larceny *Second degree.*  
[Sections 528, 587 Penal Code].

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
*District Attorney.*

A TRUE BILL.

*Thos Woodley*  
Foreman.

*Part III January 31/89*  
*Pleads Guilty.*  
*State Reformatory, Elmira*

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Police Court 2 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

of No. 220 Dr. 24 Street, aged 37 years,  
occupation gateman elevated R.R. being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

Good and lawful money of  
the united states. Consisting of  
Gold coin of different denominations  
to the amount and of the value of  
three hundred and forty 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 Alexander Rose (nick name)  
from the fact that at the hour of  
7 o'clock A.M. said date deponent went  
to work leaving said sum of money  
in his trunk in deponent's bed room  
which is the front hall bed room on  
the top of said premises. and when  
deponent returned at the hour of 7  
o'clock P.M. same day deponent discovered  
that said sum of money had been  
taken stolen and carried away from  
said trunk.  
Deponent is informed by James Mooney  
of No 220 Dr 24<sup>th</sup> St. the gentleman  
that deponent boards <sup>with</sup> that at about the

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hour of 12 O'clock In said date the said defendant who had previously boarded in said premises came and rang the door bell and requested him Money to allow him the said defendant to go up stairs and lie down in the room occupied by two of defendants boarders who this defendant had roomed with. which he Money did. the said defendant then went up stairs in said premises and remained for about one hour when he left.

Deponent further says that the said defendant has since admitted and Confessed in open Court in the presence and hearing of deponent and Officer John Carey that he did feloniously take and carry away said sum of money wherefore deponent prays the said defendant may be held and dealt with according to law

Sworn to before me  
this 1st day of Jan 1889

Dated 1/17/1889

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

Wm. H. Brown  
Police Justice

Dated 1889

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

Police Justice

Dated 1889

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

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

Police Court, District, Offence—LARCENY. THE PEOPLE, &c., on the complaint of vs. 1 2 3 4 Dated 1889 Magistrate. Officer. Clerk. Witnesses, No. Street, No. Street, No. Street, to answer Sessions.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 48 years, occupation James Mooney  
Hammer maker of No.

220. W. 24<sup>th</sup> Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Henry L. Brown

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

Sworn to before me, this 16  
day of July 1887 } James Mooney

J. M. O'Rourke  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Alexander Ross*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*28 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ireland*

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

Answer.

*349. St 17th St*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Patrol.*

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.*  
*Alexander Ross*

Taken before me this

day of *June* 188*9*

*W. J. ...*  
Police Justice.

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

*Alfred Sant*

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 *Jan 16* 188 *9* *J. M. Platt* Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named.....

to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.

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

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named.....

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

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

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Police Court--- 2-86 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Henry T. Brown  
220 West 24<sup>th</sup> St  
Alex Ross

1.....  
2.....  
3.....  
4.....

Office  
Henry T. Brown

BAILED,

No. 1, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 2, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 3, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 4, by .....

Residence ..... Street

Dated Jan 16 1889  
Patterson Magistrate.

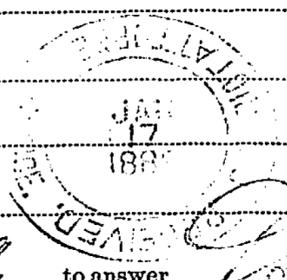
Carey & Lygan Officer.  
16 Precinct.

Witnesses James Momey  
No. 220 W. 24<sup>th</sup> Street.

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

\$ 1000. to answer



Comel 90.2

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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Alexander Russ

Mr. Jerome

Dept will plead  
guilty He desires  
to be sent to the  
reformatory. Mr.  
Linn his counsel  
will see your Govt  
character heretofore  
Please see to it that  
he goes to Clinica  
Juryoff

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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

Alexander Ross

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

Alexander Ross

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

The said

Alexander Ross

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

divers gold coins of the United States of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown of the value of three hundred and forty dollars

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Henry F. Brown

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

John R. Fellows,  
District Attorney.

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Rossi, Nicolo

**DATE:**

01/15/89



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Witnesses:

Francisco M. McNeil

It appearing by the within affidavits that it is impossible to secure the attendance of Nicola Rossi a material and necessary witness for the People and without whose evidence a conviction cannot be had. I therefore respectfully recommend that the defendant herein Nicola Rossi be discharged on his own recognizance.

John R. Fellows  
District Attorney.

N. Y. Term. 31st 1889

John R. Fellows  
District Attorney.

for Francisco M. McNeil  
attk

Counsel,

Filed 15 day of May 1889  
Pleads, Guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Nicola Rossi

Grand Larceny - second degree  
[Sections 528, 537, 539 Penal Code].

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

John R. Fellows  
Foreman.

Jeff Deuch for hat  
John R. Fellows on his  
of May 15 1889

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16<sup>th</sup> District Police Court

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

carpenter  
No. Ogden Avenue

Francis H. McNeil, 35 years,  
Street, Highbridge

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 1888

in the rear of deponent's residence \_\_\_\_\_ City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, on the day time

the following property, viz.: One cooking stove of the value  
Thirty 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 Nicolo Rossi, now here, from  
the fact that deponent saw said Rossi in  
the act of taking, stealing and carrying away said  
property.

Francis H. McNeil

Sworn before me this

*[Signature]*  
1888  
Police Justice

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Sec. 198-200.

6' District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Nicolo Rossi

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. Nicolo Rossi

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 26 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Italy

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

Answer. 145 St. Sullivan Boulevard; 1 year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Junk Dealer

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

Answer. I am not guilty

Nicolo <sup>his</sup> Rossi  
X  
Mark

Taken before me this

day of December 1888

[Signature]

Police Justice.

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

Rossi  
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 December 20 1888 [Signature] Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Police Court--- 6<sup>2012</sup> District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Francis M. McNeil  
Cedar Ave  
Niagara Bridge  
1 Nicola Ross

Offence: *Jarvis*  
*Felony*

BAILED,

No. 1, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 2, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 3, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

No. 4, by .....

Residence ..... Street.

Dated *December 30<sup>th</sup>* 188*8*

*Waldo* Magistrate.

*Schuster* Officer.

*33* Precinct.

Witnesses .....

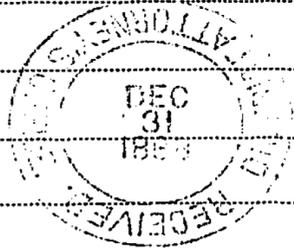
No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

\$ *700* to answer *G.S.*

*Am g. 2*



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DIRECTIONS.

The Grand Jury Rooms are in the third story of the large brown stone building in Chambers Street, near the New Court House in the Park.  
When you arrive at the witness room, hand this Subpoena to the officer or clerk at the desk.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPOENA FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE GRAND JURY OF THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People of the State of New York.

To *Francis N. Muns*  
of No. *High Bridge* Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, at the Grand Jury Room, in the third story of the Sessions Building adjoining the New Court House in the Park, in the City of New York, on the *24* day of *July* instant, at the hour of 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and to give evidence before the GRAND JURY, touching a certain complaint then and there pending against

*Nicolo Rossi*

And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.  
WITNESS, Hon FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder at the City Hall, in our said City the first Monday of *July* in the year of our Lord 188*7*  
JOHN R. FELLOWS, District Attorney.

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Nicola Rossi

City and County of New York, ss:

Henry Schorske being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am a Police Officer attached to the 33rd Precinct, in the City of New York. On the 23rd day of January 1889, I called at Ogden Avenue High Bridge, (Chatham's Buildings) the alleged residence of Francis McNeil the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by his wife that said McNeil was now at work in New Jersey, and she did not know when he would return to New York. She said McNeil had resided at said premises for a very short time previous to ~~the~~ the commission of the crime charged to defendant.

Sworn to before me, this 24 day

of January 1889

William J. [Signature]

Henry Schorske

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**Court of General Sessions.**

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of

*Francis G. McNeill*  
vs.  
*Nicola Rossi*

vs.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

Affidavit of Police Officer

*Henry Bohorak*  
Precinct.

**Failure to Find Witness.**

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When you arrive at the witness room, hand this Subpoena to the officer or clerk at the desk.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPOENA FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE GRAND JURY OF THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People of the State of New York.

To Francis A. McNeil  
of No. High Bridge Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, at the Grand Jury Room, in the third story of the Sessions Building adjoining the New Court House in the Park, in the City of New York, on the day of ~~January~~ instant, at the hour of 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and to give evidence before the GRAND JURY, touching a certain complaint then and there pending against

Nicola Rossi

And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder at the City Hall, in our said City the first Monday of ~~January~~ in the year of our Lord 1886/

JOHN R. FELLOWS, District Attorney.

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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Nicola Rossi

City and County of New York, ss:

John W. Huntley being duly sworn, deposes and says: I reside at No. 149th St. & Prospect Ave. Street, in the City of New York. I am a <sup>clerk</sup> Subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 19th day of Jan. 1889, I called at Ogden Avenue, High Bridge, Chatham's Buildings, the alleged residence of Francis McNeil the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by his wife that said McNeil had left said premises, and had gone to New Jersey. She did not know where he would return to New York. I had served said McNeil personally with a subpoena on January 5th, <sup>and</sup> but he did not appear.

Sworn to before me, this 24 day of Jan. 1889

Just. H. Driscoll

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS, N. Y. C.

John W. Huntley Subpoena Server.

0403

**Court of General Sessions.**

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of

*Thomas H. Moffatt*

vs.

*Michael Rossi*

Offence: *Assault*

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

*District Attorney.*

Affidavit of:

*John W. Dunbar*  
*Clerk*

*Subpoena Served.*

**Failure to Find Witness.**

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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*

*Nicolo Rossi*

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

*Nicolo Rossi*

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

The said

*Nicolo Rossi*

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

*one stove of the value  
of thirty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Francis N. McNeil*

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

*Nicolo Rossi*

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

The said

*Nicolo Rossi*

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 stove of the value of  
thirty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Francis H. McNeil*

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

*Francis H. McNeil*

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

*Nicolo Rossi*

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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Ruckert, Max

**DATE:**

01/23/89



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Witnesses:

Frank A. Anderson

W. B. Moore

Counsel,

Filed

23 day of May 1889

Pleas, *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Max Ruckert

ATTEMPTING SUICIDE.  
(Section 174, Penal Code).

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. B. Moore  
Foreman.

May 23 1889

Frank A. Anderson  
Max Ruckert

0408

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 4 DISTRICT.

Frank A. Anderson

of No. 58 Dey Street, Greenpoint, L.I., aged 35 years,

occupation Collector being duly sworn deposes and says,

that on the 12 day of January 1889

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

Mr. Rickett (now here) did feloniously attempt suicide that said Rickett did willfully jump into the river at the foot of East 3rd Street at about 9 o'clock P.M. of the above date with intent to take his own life

F. A. Anderson

Sworn to before me, this

of 12 1889 day

*[Signature]*

Police Justice,

0409

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Max Ruesch* 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. *Max Ruesch*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *25 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *No Home*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Waiter*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty*

*Max Ruesch*

Taken before me this *17*  
day of *April* 188*9*  
*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

0410

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 Alfredson

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 700 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 January 9 188 W. A. Hall 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.

04111

#232  
Police Court--- 4 71 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James Anderson  
5<sup>th</sup> Dupont St  
Green Point  
Anderson

Attorney  
Anderson  
Offence

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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.

Dated January 12 1889

Wilde Magistrate.  
Meraban Officer.  
2 Precinct.

Witnesses .....  
No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

No. .... Street.

\$ 100 to answer



*[Handwritten signature]*

0412

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

*against*

*Max Rudart*

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

*Max Rudart*

of the CRIME OF ATTEMPTING SUICIDE, committed as follows:

The said *Max Rudart*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*Twenty* day of *January* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, at the City and County aforesaid,  
with intent to take *his* own life, did feloniously *cast and throw*  
*himself* into the waters there  
known as the East River, and  
with the same intent aforesaid  
did then and there feloniously  
*sink and submerge his body*  
in the waters aforesaid.

the same being an act dangerous to human life, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Rush, Ellen

**DATE:**

01/24/89



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J. R.

Witnesses:  
John Harris  
of the Courtroom 2P

Counsel,  
Filed, 24<sup>th</sup> day of Jan'y 1889  
Pleads, Acquity

THE PEOPLE,  
vs.  
Ellen Bush

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS.  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
Thos J Woodruff  
Foreman.  
Part III January 28<sup>th</sup> 89.  
Tried and Acquitted

0415

Police Court, 1<sup>st</sup> District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 23 Church Street, aged 65 years,

occupation Expressman being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889, at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Ellen Rush (maiden name) did knowingly receive into her custody, she well knowing at the time the same to have been stolen, a tub of butter valued at three dollars, the property of Chauncey A. Harris and in the care and custody of deponent, for the reasons following, to wit: on the said date deponent missed the said tub from a wagon of which he was in charge, and is informed by Officer Patrick Cozgrove, lieutenant that he Cozgrove found the said tub in a bed room of the premises of this defendant, and the said defendant admitted to him Cozgrove to having bought the said tub from Thomas Hickey and John Gearity - who are now under arrest for having stolen the said tub for three dollars. The said Officer further informs deponent that he was informed that the said Hickey & Gearity were seen going into the premises adjoining that of the defendant Rush, on the to the roof of the same and descend into deponent's premises with the said butter in their possession. The said Hickey and Gearity admit to having sold the said tub for three dollars to the defendant Rush. John Norris

Sworn to & depone me  
This 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889

John Norris  
John Norris

0416

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 17 years, occupation Labourer of No. 20 Pector Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John Morris and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 10 day of January 1889 } John Gearity

J. M. [Signature]  
Police Justice.

0417

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Thomas Shickey*

aged 17 years, occupation Labourer of No.

26 Washington Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John Morris

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

Sworn to before me, this 10  
day of January 1888

*Thomas Shickey*

*J. M. ...*

Police Justice.

0418

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Patrick H. Casgrove*  
aged 30 years, occupation Police officer of No. 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct Street, being duly sworn deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of John Morris and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 10 day of January 1889 by Patrick H. Casgrove  
J. Morris  
Police Justice.

0419

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Ellen Rush*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Ellen Rush*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *45 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *53 West St. 5 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Housekeeper*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*

*Ellen Rush*  
*mark*

Taken before me this

*19*

day of *January*

188*9*

Police Justice.

0420

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

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

Dated July 10 1889 J. H. M. P. D. Police Justice.

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

Dated July 10<sup>th</sup> 1889 J. H. M. P. D. Police Justice.

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

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

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Police Court--- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John Norris*  
123 Church  
*Ellen Rush*

*Receivd*  
Office  
*Staten good*

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BAILED

No. 1, by *Matthew Stripp*  
Residence *43 Liberty* Street.

No. 2, by  
Residence Street.

No. 3, by  
Residence Street.

No. 4, by  
Residence Street.

Dated *January 10* 1889

*Ford* Magistrate.  
*Casgrove* Officer.  
*2* Precinct.

Witnesses *Call the officer*  
No. *off* Street.

*James Hickey*  
& *John Gandy*  
No. Street.

*Held for the coming of*  
No. Street.

\$ *500* to answer.

*Paulson*

0422

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Eden Bush*

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

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

The said *Eden Bush*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *nineteenth* day of *January* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *nine*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one lot of books of the value of twelve dollars,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Thomas A. Harris,* *and Thomas Sidney, John Hearty, and*

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

*Thomas A. Harris,*

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

*Eden Bush*

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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Rush, John W.

**DATE:**

01/29/89



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Dwyer, Daniel J.

**DATE:**

01/29/89



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Bowman, William

**DATE:**

01/29/89



3204

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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3441 R. G. G. G. G.  
Counsel, *By* *of* *1889*  
Filed *for* *Indictment*  
Pleads, *Indictment*

THE PEOPLE  
vs. *John W. Bush*  
*Daniel J. Dwyer*  
*William Bonman*  
Grand Larceny  
[Sections 528, 530, Penal Code].

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.  
*John R. Fellows*  
*1889*  
A TRUE BILL.  
*John R. Fellows*  
Foreman.

*John R. Fellows*  
*Indictment*  
*1889*  
*John R. Fellows*  
*Indictment*  
*1889*

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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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3441  
Counsel,  
Filed  
Pleads,  
1889

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
John W. Rush  
Daniel J. Dwyer  
William Bonman

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.  
A TRUE BILL.  
Geo. B. Bowler

Foreman,  
in case of Dwyer  
Wm. J. Dwyer  
1889

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Police Court District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

of No. 329 W 32<sup>e</sup> Street, aged 32 years,  
occupation Hardware merchant being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1888 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the night time, the following property viz:

Good and lawful money of the United States to the amount and value of one hundred and sixty six dollars and notes representing ten hundred and seventy dollars. Together of the value of eleven hundred and eighty three dollars.

(\$1183.00)  
the property of deponent, and deponent's father, Hiram J. Jelliff, and in deponent's care and custody.

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by John Rush and David Dwyer (both now here) and William Bowman. Not get arrested. From the fact that on Tuesday Morning, December 18<sup>th</sup> 1888, deponent discovered that said property was missing from his place of business at no 277 9th Avenue. Deponent notified the police of his loss. When Detectives Conroy and Logan of the 16<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police arrested the said defendant Rush, who is employed by deponent, and who had a key of deponent's place of business in his possession. on suspicion of having

of  
Sworn to before me this  
1888  
day

Police Justice

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Committed said Laracey  
when he the said defendant Rush  
admitted and confessed to said Detectives  
in deppments presence. that the defen dunt  
Dwyer. introduced him to the said William  
Brownan not yet arrested. in order that he  
Brownan might plunder deppments stre.  
and that he Rush gave Brownan the key  
of deppments stre to the said Brownan on the  
night of the 19<sup>th</sup> of December. and that he  
Brownan returned the key to him Rush on  
following morning and that he Brownan  
told him Rush. that he had robbed deppments  
stre. deppment is informed by Detective John  
Carey that the defendant Dwyer admitted  
to him in the presence of Detective Perry  
Leyman. that he did introduce Rush to  
Brownan.

Wherefore deppment charges the said John V. Rush  
and Daniel Dwyer. (arr here) and the said William  
Brownan not yet arrested. with being traitors and acting  
in concert with each other and feloniously taking  
stealing and carrying away said property

Sworn to before me  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Dec 1888

I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed  
Dated 1888  
Magistrate

gilty 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  
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

Police Court, District, \_\_\_\_\_  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of \_\_\_\_\_  
1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888  
Magistrate \_\_\_\_\_  
Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk \_\_\_\_\_  
Witnesses, \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street, \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street, \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street, \_\_\_\_\_  
to answer \_\_\_\_\_ Sessions.

0430

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Carey*  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, occupation *Police Officer* of No. \_\_\_\_\_

*16th Street* Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Hiram L. Kilgiff*

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

Sworn to before me, this *21* day of *June* 188*8* *John Carey*

*G. Mansford*  
Police Justice.

0431

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John Rush*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *17 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *43 St. Dr., 19th St. 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Clerk*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*  
*John Rush*

Taken before me this

day of *Dec* 188*8*

*G. W. M. [Signature]*

Police Justice.

0432

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

District Police Court.

*Daniel J. Meyer*

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.

*Daniel J. Meyer*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*27 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*422 or 26 St. Meyer*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Truck driver*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty*

*Daniel J. Meyer*

Taken before me this

day of

188

Police Justice.

0433

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

POLICE COURT, 2 DISTRICT.

John Carey

of 16th Precinct Police, aged years,

occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says

that on the 18th day of December 1888

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

John W. Bush and Daniel Dwyer (both now here) on suspicion of Grand Larceny.

Deponent further says that he has not sufficient evidence now in court to make a complaint, and prays that the said Bush and Dwyer may be held a reasonable time to enable deponent to secure further evidence.

John Carey

Sworn to before me, this

of 18th day

1888

J. M. [Signature]

Police Justice.

0434

Police Court-- 2 District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John W. Bush*  
*Daniel Dwyer*

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated *Dec 28* 188*8*

*Ford* Magistrate.

*Carey and Logan* Officers.

Witness, .....

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*Case for Ex Dec 21<sup>st</sup>*  
*2:30 P.M.*

Disposition, .....

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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

*John Rush*

*Daniel Brown*

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

Dated *Dec 26* 188 *8* *[Signature]* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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\$2000. Bail each  
for Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 2:30 P.M.

The Justice presiding  
at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dist Police  
Court in my absence  
will please hear and  
determine the within case  
of *Henry Ford*

BAILLED, *Police Justice*

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 2, by *Gustav Weis*  
Residence *455 West 40<sup>th</sup>* Street.

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

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

3442 11996  
Police Court--- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*William J. Kelly*  
*John Bush*  
*Daniel J. Brown*  
*Wm. Brown*  
Offence *felony*

Dated *Dec 21* 188*8*

*Ford* Magistrate.

*Curry* Officer.

*16* Precinct.

Witnesses *John Curry*

No. *10th Street* Street.

*Parish* Street.

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

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

\$ *2000* to answer

*Curry*



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**FIVE THIEVES IN ONE HAUL.**

The Kearney & Foot Co., dealers in files at No. 101 Chambers Street, have for some time missed goods from their shelves that had not been sold. The goods that thus mysteriously disappeared were always of the most valuable and most readily convertible into cash. Concluding that a thief was at work, the firm hired Pinkerton's detectives to catch

**Kearney & Foot Co.,**

MANUFACTURERS OF

WORKS AT  
PATERSON, N.J.

him. Still, the stock kept disappearing, but the detectives failed to find out how. Then the firm went to Inspector Byrnes. The Inspector told off five of his men, Detectives Reilly, Kiernan, Lewis, Creed, and Titus, with orders to report where the leak was.

Last night, when the officers were watching the store, hidden from sight, they saw five strangers go in, stay a quarter of an hour, and came out loaded with packages. They arrested them and found that the packages contained files worth nearly \$500. At headquarters, where they were locked up, the five were recognized as professional thieves, most of them ex-convicts. They all claim to be peddlers, and the arrest furnishes a clew perhaps to the mystery of the cheapness of some of the tools sold from street-stands. Their names are John Gable, Peter Dalton, James Roberts, Joseph Meyer, and James McMahon. They are all young men.

The outside thieves were assisted by John W. Rush, a clerk in the place, aged sixteen years, who has been aiding to rob his employers for the last three months. He has made a confession. Altogether about \$1,200 worth of files were stolen, and Rush was paid about \$250 for his share. In his confession Rush said that the gang proposed to rob the safe, and that he was to be "knocked on the head" while the work was being done, to avert suspicion.

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Kearney & Foot Co.,

MANUFACTURERS OF FILES AND RASPS WORKS AT  
PATERSON, N.J.  
U.S.A.

FILES AND RASPS

JAMES D. FOOT, G.  
PRES. & TREAS.  
JAMES KEARNEY,  
VICE PRES. & GEN. MGR.  
SANDFORD D. FOOT,  
SECT.

OFFICE, 101 CHAMBERS ST.,  
NEW YORK

Feb. 2, 1889

Messrs. Hiram Jelliff & Son,  
277 9th Ave.,

Gentlemen:—From enclosed clipping you will see that we can sympathize with you in your experience with John W. Rush. In our case ~~prosecution~~ <sup>sentence</sup> was withheld subject to his good behavior and we are interested to know what was done in your case. If agreeable kindly advise and oblige

yours respect'y,

Dictated to

J. D. Foot

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**Kearney & Foot Co.,**  
MANUFACTURERS OF FILES AND RASPS. WORKS AT PATERSON, N.J. U.S.A.

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ESTABLISHED 1854.

OFFICE OF  
HIRAM JELLIFF & SON,  
277 NINTH AVENUE,  
Bet. 20th and 27th Sts.  
Hardware Headquarters.

New York Feby 4/89.  
Hon. Randolph B. Martine  
Dear Sir.

I  
not, presuming, would be glad  
to call your attention, to enclosed  
note, addressed to me, also clip  
ping accompanying same, bear  
ing some resemblance, materially on  
our case against John Rush  
et al., this would seem to con  
vey the idea that this same  
John Rush was not so in  
nocent, simple, a youth, as one  
might at first suppose and  
would not profit by his previous  
experience.

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Hoping this may not have  
been presumptuous, but, think-  
ing perhaps we should ac-  
quaint you of these facts in  
the case we are

Yours Respectfully  
Edward J. Bliss, Jr.

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ESTABLISHED 1854.

OFFICE OF  
HIRAM JELLIFF & SON,  
277 NINTH AVENUE,  
Bet. 26th and 27th Sts.  
Hardware Headquarters.

New York Jan 17/89.  
Hon. John R. Bellows.  
Dist. Ct. City N. Y.  
Dear Sir,

I write you, to beg leave to be excused from appearing before the Board Jan. tomorrow A. M. according to appointment, as my Father has been taken seriously ill, and if I am obliged to come tomorrow would have to close up my business; for we have only a green clerk who came to us on Wednesday and who cannot take charge not being acquainted

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with goods or prices. Our bus-  
iness being Retail, we only em-  
ploy one clerk outside of our  
selves to do our business.  
Therefore if reasonable and  
possible I would beg leave to  
leave your case postponed for  
another week, waiting your  
decision, I am

Yours Respectfully  
Howard L. Bell  
No. 329 W. 32 St  
Store 277-9<sup>th</sup> Ave

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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 W. Buda, David J. Dinger and William Bowman*

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by

this indictment, accuse *John W. Buda, David J. Dinger and William Bowman* of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE FIRST DEGREE,

committed as follows :

The said *John W. Buda, David J. Dinger and William Bowman*, all late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*eight*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *night* 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 *one hundred and sixty six* 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 *one hundred and sixty six* dollars; divers United States Silver Certificates of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of *one hundred and sixty six* dollars; divers United States Gold Certificates of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of *one hundred and sixty six* dollars; divers coins of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of *sixty six dollars*, and *divers promissory notes for the payment of money, then and there due and unsatisfied (a more particular description thereof is to be found in the indictment returned for the payment of and of the value of ten hundred and seventy dollars,* of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *William J. Dinger* then and there being found,

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS, District Attorney.

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Ryan, John C.

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Counsel, *A. H. B.*  
Filed, *9 day of Aug* 188*9*,  
Pleads, *to wit & truly so*

Forgery in the Second Degree.  
(Sections 511 and 521, Pennl Code.)

THE PEOPLE,  
vs.

*John C. Ryan*

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.  
*7th & Arch Sts. Phila.*  
*42 Arch St. 1889*  
*Tried & acquitted*  
A True Bill.

*Wm. J. Worby*

Foreman.

Witnesses:

*Cooper Protzman*  
*Officer J. J. Caffrey 13rd*

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

The People vs. }

vs.  
John C. Ryan }

John T. Buff, being  
duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am a police officer attached  
to the 23rd Precinct of this City.  
I arrested the above-named De-  
fendant, charged with forgery, on  
Dec. 27th 1888, on complaint of  
Caspar Protzman.

The said complainant has since  
died. I saw him as he lay in his  
coffin. The exact date of his  
death I cannot recall, but to the  
best of my knowledge, it was about  
six weeks ago.

Sworn to before me  
this 21st day of Mar. 1889.

John T. Buff

W. H. Von Gerckler  
Notary Public  
N. J. Co

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

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The People )

vs. )

John Ryan. )

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BEFORE THE HONORABLE RUFUS B. COWING.

~~Admitted~~ Tried March 11th, 1889, before the Hon. Rufus B. Cowing and a Jury. Indicted for Robbery in the First degree.

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Indictment filed

*January 11, 1889.*

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Appearances.

Assistant District Attorney Forster for the People.

Messrs. Purdy & McLaughlan for the Defense.

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William E. Mitchell, the complainant, testified that, about five minutes past 12, on the morning of the second day of January, 1889, he was on his way home. He was going up the

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stairway of the Second Avenue Elevated Railway, when he saw two men on the last landing, who were acting as if they were drunk. They were staggering around, and he tried to get past them. A friend who was with him did get past them. As he, the complainant, tried to pass them, one of the men seized him by one arm, and the other man seized him by the other arm, and held him back against the railing. The prisoner at the bar was one of these two men. The ~~other~~ <sup>third</sup> man, ~~the other~~ <sup>who escaped</sup>, struck his, the complainant's friend, when his friend tried to help him. He, the complainant, ran after the two men <sup>who had hold of him,</sup> and cried out for the police. When the defendant at the bar got to the foot of the stairs, he stepped around and stood in front of a liquor store. The defendant's companion ran across the square, and was captured by a police officer who brought him back. Then his, the complainant's friend, Mr. Egan, pointed out the prisoner to the officer as one of the two men who had committed the robbery, and the officer arrested the defendant.

In the struggle on the stairs, while he was held by the defendant and his companion, his scarf and scarf pin were stolen.

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Under cross-examination, the complainant testified that

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the man who was with the defendant was named Smith, and he had since been tried. The defendant seized him by the left arm and Smith by the right arm. It was Smith that grabbed his scarf pin. There were three men altogether, but one escaped. He, the complainant, had been that evening to the Sickles Building, at No. 95 Nassau street, to see the janitor, who was a friend of his. They did not send out for beer, but they had two drink's of whiskey. He, the complainant, stayed until about 11 o'clock, and walked slowly up Park Row and met his friend Eagan. They had a cigar together, and walked up to Chatham Square. Before he went to the Sickles Building, he visited his brother-in-law, in 114th street, and had one drink there. He was not under the influence of liquor. His pin was worth about \$25, and he bought it in the fall of 1888, and paid a friend \$18, for it. He did not know what it cost originally, but he valued it at \$25.                   \*\*\*\*\*

Officer George P. Baker testified that he was an officer of the Fourth Precinct. At about five minutes past twelve, on the morning of January 2nd, he was standing about sixty feet from the corner of Oliver street and Chatham Square, on the New Bowery. He heard a cry of "stop thief" and "police!" He looked in the direction of the elevated station, and saw

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two men running from the stairs of the station towards the middle of the square. He ran after them and they seperated, one going in the direction of Mott street, and the other in the direction of Doyer street. He followed the one that ran in the latter direction and caught him. He knocked him down there, because, if he had got into the small streets <sup>there,</sup> he might have got away. He took the prisoner back to where the complainant was, and met Officer Conovan, who was in citizen's clothes. He gave Smith into the charge of Officer Conovan, and ran down towards the elevated station. There Mr. Eagan, the complainant's friend, pointed out Ryan as one of the men who had robbed his friend. Ryan said nothing. He, the witness, ~~and~~ and Officer Conovan took Smith and Ryan to the Station House. There the complainant and Mr. Eagan positively identified both Ryan and Smith. Neither Ryan nor Smith made any reply.

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For the defense, John Ryan testified that he was a painter by trade. He was twenty two years old. He had never been charged with any crime before. He worked for his father, who lived at No. 15 City Hall Place. He felt sick on New Years' day and stayed in bed. At 6o'clock, his mother ~~woke~~ <sup>woke</sup> him up, and asked him if he would have some supper.

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After supper he went to the theatre. He left the theatre at half-past eleven o'clock, and walked down the left hand side of the Bowery. At Chatham Square and Oliver street, he saw a crowd. He stopped and looked on. Some body pointed out a man and said "there is one of them". The man ran past him, Ryan, and stumbled at his feet. The officer made a grab at him, but the man jumped up and ran into the crowd and got away. Then the officer caught hold of him, Ryan, and took him to the Station House. In the Station House, he gave the name of Ryan because his father was well known.

His real name was Matthew Carsey. He did not rob the complainant, and knew nothing of the robbery until he was identified by the complainant as one of the robbers.

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Under cross-examination, the defendant testified that he had been to the London Theatre. He did not know Smith. He did not ask the officer why he was arrested, because he was so much surprised.

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Caroline Carsey the defendant's mother corroborated the defendant as to his being asleep at home until 6 o'clock.

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The People

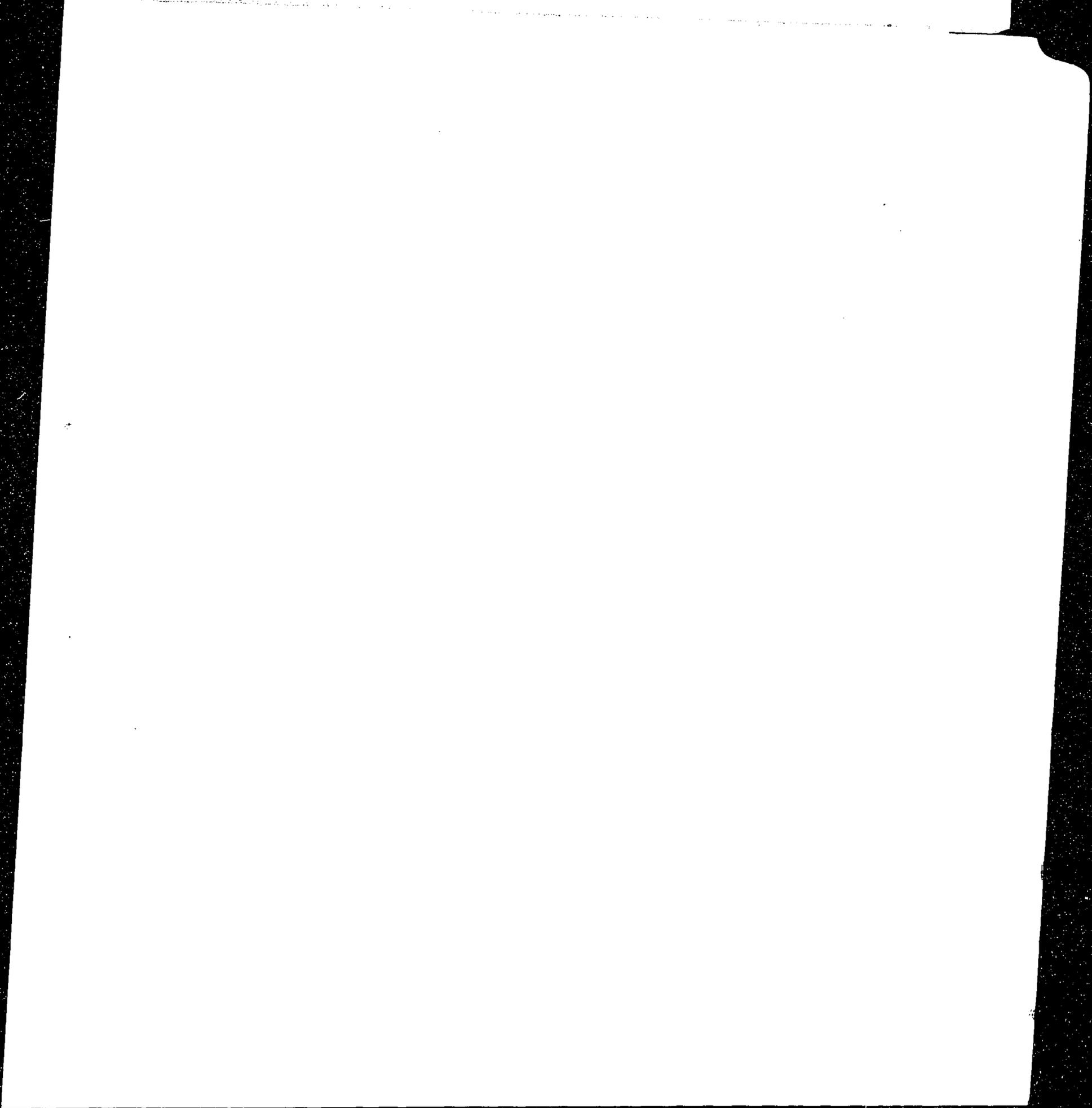
vs

John Ryan

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Fred. May. 11<sup>th</sup> 89

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U-21-68-2510.  
No. *AC 229* New York, *Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 1888*  
**First National Bank,**  
Pay to the order of *Bar N. - on order*  
*Fifteen* Dollars.  
*\$15. 75/100*  
*William A. Butler*



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 843 H<sup>th</sup> W<sup>th</sup>

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U-21-'88.-2500.

No. *M C 225* New York, *Dec 21st 1888*

*N.Y.* First National Bank,

Pay to the order of *Carson* on order

*Fifteen* Dollars.

*\$15.00*

*William A. Butler*

United States of America, }  
 State of New York. } ss.

On the *twenty fourth* day of *December* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight at the request of **THE FIFTH AVENUE BANK OF NEW YORK** of the City of New York, I, **JAMES H. ROBERTSON**, a Notary Public duly commissioned and sworn, dwelling in the City of New York, did present the original ~~NOTE~~ <sup>check</sup> hereunto annexed as the *First National Bank* in said City, and demanded payment thereof, which was refused; Whereupon, I, the said Notary, at the request aforesaid did **Protest**, and by these presents do publicly and solemnly **Protest**, as well against the ~~Maker~~ <sup>drawer</sup> and Endorsers of the said, ~~NOTE~~ <sup>check</sup> as against all others whom it doth or may concern, for exchange, re-exchange, and all costs, damages and interest, already incurred, and to be hereafter incurred, for want of payment of the same.

Thus Done and Protested, in the City of New York, aforesaid, in the presence of John Doe and Richard Roe, witnesses.

IN TESTIMONIUM VERITATIS.

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*James H. Robertson*  
 Notary Public.

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**Protest.**

ON

*William A. Butler*

FOR

**The Fifth Avenue Bank of New-York**  
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

*Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - 1888.*

JAMES H. ROBERTSON,  
NOTARY PUBLIC.  
130 BROADWAY, N. Y.

T. S. VAN VOLKENBURGH,  
COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
130 BROADWAY, N. Y.

FEES, \$ 1.37  
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STATE OF NEW YORK, }  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } SS. POLICE COURT—H<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

Caspar Protzman  
of No. 843 - H<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street, being duly sworn, deposes and  
says that on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 1888  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

John C. Ryan, now here, did feloniously make, forge and utter the annexed false, forged and fraudulent instrument in writing purporting to be a check on the "First National Bank" for the sum of fifteen dollars and seventy five cents, and did write and forge to and upon said instrument the name of "William S. Butler," with the intent to cheat and defraud.

That said defendant then and there presented said check to deponent and asked deponent to cash the same, and stated and represented to deponent that he had received said check from his employer for work and labor performed by him. That deponent believing said statement and representation thereupon gave said defendant the sum of fifteen <sup>75</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars in exchange for said check.

That thereafter deponent was informed by Walter K. Hunt, here present, that said check was worthless and of no value whatever, said Hunt being Book-keeper of said Bank,

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And said Hunt further informs  
deponent that the signature "William  
A. Butler", attached to said check  
as the drawer thereof, is not  
the signature of W. A. Butler  
who is a depositor in said Bank,  
but is a forgery.

Sworn to before me this } Corroborated Proffer  
29<sup>th</sup> day of December 1888

J. M. Platterson Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

AFRIDA VIT.

vs.

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

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Walter K. Hunt

aged 30 years, occupation Boat-Keper of No.

2 Wall Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Casper Protzman

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

Sworn to before me, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 1888 W. K. Hunt

J. M. Patterson  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

H District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John C. Ryan* 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 C. Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*43 years of age*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ireland*

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

Answer.

*1333 Third Ave. 18 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Paper & Flags*

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. I got the  
check from Hugh McLeanack*

*John C. Ryan*

Taken before me this

*29*

day of *November* 188*8*

*J. M. Sullivan*

Police Justice

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Fifteen 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 Dec. 29 1888 & J. M. [Signature] 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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Police Court --- District # 2009

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Casper Protopianu*  
843 vs. *4th Ave*  
*John C. Ryan*

Office *J. M. Gray*

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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.

Dated *December 29<sup>th</sup>* 188 *8*

*Patterson* Magistrate.  
*Copp* Officer.  
*23* Precinct.

Witnesses *Walter K. Hunt*  
No. *2 Wall* Street.  
*Wm a. Butler*  
No. *Ed. Adamson* Street.  
*89 Greenwich*

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
\$ *1500.* to answer *G.S.*  
*Come*

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NOTICE.—In issuing this transcript of record, the Health Department of the City of New York does not certify to the truth of the record transcribed. The seal of the Board of Health attests only the correctness of the transcript, and no inquiry as to the facts reported has been provided for by law.

New York, March 21 1889

A Transcript from the Records of the Deaths Reported to the Health Department of the City of New York.

County of New York.

STATE OF NEW YORK.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH, IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

No. of Certificate

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- 1. Full Name of Deceased, (Write legibly and spell correctly. (If an infant not named, give parental names.) Casper P. Fetzmann
- 2. Age, 44 years, 8 months, 4 days. Color (Race, if other than the white.)
- 3. Single, Married, Widower or Widowed. (Cross out the words not required in this line.) Widower 4. Occupation, Restaurateur
- 5. Birthplace, (State or Country.) Germany (How long in the United States, if of foreign birth.) 20 years
- 6. How long Resident in this City. 20 years
- 7. Father's Birthplace, (State or Country.) Germany Father's Name, Casper P. Fetzmann
- 8. Mother's Birthplace, (State or Country.) " Mother's Name, Eva
- 9. Place of Death, (Please state name of Institution.) No. 343-24 Ave Street, 19<sup>th</sup> Ward.
- 10. Residence before admission into the Institution, (Name of Street and Number of House.) Princes St, 162 E 53<sup>rd</sup>

Should be Certified by the head of the family or other responsible friend.

Should be Certified by the Physician.

11. I Hereby Certify, that I attended deceased from July 17 1889 to Jan 17 1889 that I last saw him alive on the 24 day of Jan 1889, that he died on the 28 day of Jan 1889, about 3<sup>30</sup> o'clock, A. M. or P. M., and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the Cause of his death was as hereunder written :

	(Write opposite such cause; if unknown, it should be so stated.) Duration of Disease in				The duration of each disease when given, is reckoned from its commencement until death.
	Years	Months	Days	Hours	
Chief and Determining } * <u>Dysentery</u>			<u>18</u>		
Consecutive and Contributing } <u>Pneumonia catarrhalis</u>			<u>6</u>		

Sanitary observations, Pressure on lung pulmonary

Witness my hand this 28 day of Jan 1889

Place of Burial, Lutheran (Signature,) R. S. L. D. Effenberg M. D.  
Date of Burial, Jan 30 89  
Undertaker, John J. ... 436-1 Ave Residence, 322 E 48<sup>th</sup>

\* By first floor is meant the floor immediately above or on a level with the grade of the street adjoining; the basement floor is below the level of the adjoining street.

A True Copy.

C. G. ...  
Chief Clerk.

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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 R. Buzan

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

John R. Buzan

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

The said John R. Buzan,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
Xxxth day of December, in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-xxx, with force and arms, at the City and
County aforesaid, feloniously did forge, and cause and procure to be forged, and willingly
act and assist in the forging a certain instrument and writing, to wit: an
order for the payment of money
of the kind called bank checks,
which said forged bank check
is as follows, that is to say:

No. New York Dec 21st 1888
First National Bank,
Pay to the order of Buzan or order
Fifteen 1/100 Dollars.
\$15.75/100 William A. Butler

with intent to defraud, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and
against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

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SECOND COUNT:—

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

John R. Pugh

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

The said John R. Pugh,

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, did feloniously utter, dispose of and put off as true, a certain forged instrument and writing, *to wit:*

*an order for the payment of money*  
*of the kind called bank checks,*

which said forged bank check  
is as follows, that is to say:

*No. New York, Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 1888*  
*The First National Bank,*  
*Pay to the order of Bearer or order,*  
*\$ fifteen <sup>45</sup>/<sub>100</sub> ————— Dollars,*  
*\$15. <sup>45</sup>/<sub>100</sub> William A. Butler,*

with intent to defraud, the the said John R. Pugh  
then and there well knowing the same to be  
forged, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace  
of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Ryan, John

**DATE:**

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Police Court— 3 District.

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

of No. 20 Forsyth Street, aged 37 years,  
occupation clothing dealer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No. 20 Forsyth Street, Ward  
in the City and County aforesaid the said being a four story brick  
building the Basement of Stone  
and which was occupied by deponent as a Clothing Store  
~~and in which there was at the time a person being, by name~~

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening the lock  
in the door leading to said basement then forcibly  
breaking a hole in the side of the door

on the 31 day of December 1888 in the evening time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

five suits of Clothing of the Value  
of nine dollars

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

John Ryan (now here)

for the reasons following, to wit: Deponent in the Evening of  
the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December 1888 at the hour  
of 8 o'clock nearly locked the pass  
described door leading to said Store  
and the above described property was in  
said Store at that time deponent is informed  
by James J. Turner of the 11<sup>th</sup> Precinct  
Police that at the house of about 4<sup>th</sup>  
o'clock in the morning of the 31<sup>st</sup> day of

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December 1888 he saw said defendant  
coming from the direction of defendant's premises  
with a bundle in his possession and when  
he said defendant saw said officer he  
dropped said bundle and ran away  
that he said officer pursued said defendant  
and caught him, and then picked up  
the bundle thrown away by said  
defendant, which contained five pairs  
of clothing, defendant fully identifies  
said clothing as the property stolen  
from defendant

Wm. <sup>his</sup> Binolini  
Wm. ~~Wm.~~

Given to before me this }  
21<sup>st</sup> day of Decr 1888 }  
John J. ~~Wm.~~ <sup>Police Justice</sup>

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 1888 Police Justice.  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated 1888 Police Justice.  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1888 Police Justice.

Police Court, District, \_\_\_\_\_  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of  
vs.  
1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Offence—BURGLARY.  
Dated 1888 \_\_\_\_\_  
Magistrate.  
Officer.  
Clerk.  
Witness, \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to answer General Sessions.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

James J. Turner

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

111th Street Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Rayman Binstein

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

Sworn to before me, this 31

day of December 1888

James J. Durwin

John J. [Signature]  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

*3rd* District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Ryan* 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 Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *234 Pearl Street 8 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Printer*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*

*John Ryan*

Taken before me this

*27*  
day of *August* 188*8*

*Arthur J. ...*  
Police Justice.

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

*Deputy*

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 *Dec 21* 188 *8*

*[Signature]* Police Justice.

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

Dated..... 188

..... Police Justice.

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

Dated..... 188

..... Police Justice.

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Police Court--- 3 15 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Heyman Binstein*  
*20 Roosevelt St*  
*John Ryan*

*Offence*  
*Carrying*

Dated *Dec 31* 188*8*

*Gorman* Magistrate.

*James Turner* Officer.

*11* Precinct.

Witnesses *Carroll*

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

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

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

\$ *1500* to answer *G.S.*

*Call*

*Burg 3*  
*P.R.*  
*Rear*

BAILED,

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_

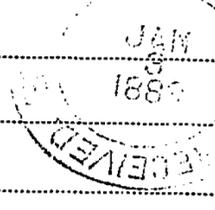
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.



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**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*John Ryan*

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

*John Ryan*

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

The said

*John Ryan*

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

*Hyman Bernstein*

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

*Hyman Bernstein*

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

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SECOND COUNT—

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

*John Ryan*  
of the CRIME OF *Petit* LARCENY

committed as follows:

The said

*John Ryan*

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

*five coats of the value of  
one dollar each,  
five vests of the value of  
fifty cents each, and  
five pair of trousers of  
the value of one dollar  
each pair*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Hyman Bernstein*  
in the *store* of the said *Hyman Bernstein*

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

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THIRD COUNT—

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

*John Ryan*

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

The said

*John Ryan*

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

*Five coats of the value of one dollar each, five vests of the value of fifty cents each, and five pair of trousers of the value of one dollar each pair*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Hyman Bernstein*

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

*Hyman Bernstein*

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

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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Ryan, John

**DATE:**

01/30/89



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Bail on Appeal fixed  
at three thousand (\$3000)  
Dolan - see order in case  
Jan 3, 1889  
Witness:

John Platt

363 J. Mahan

Counsel,  
Filed 30 day of Jan'y 1889  
Pleads, Chittenden

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

THE PEOPLE

25 Woodman St.  
880 Franklin P

John Ryan

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Wm T. B. B. B.

Foreman.

Part II February 13/89

Filed and corrected  
Feb 17 1889

P.P. 10 yrs. R.B.M.

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LAW OFFICE OF  
ROGER FOSTER,  
EVENING POST BUILDING,  
206 & 208 BROADWAY.

People  
-vs-  
Ryan

Asst. 1<sup>st</sup> Reg.  
New York. February 4 1889

Dear Sir:

In the above case  
please subpoena as witnesses  
Mr Brown an employee of Geo.  
Munn 27 Vandewater St. and  
one Dargahus whose address  
I will try and furnish early  
tomorrow morning.

Truly Yours

Roger Foster  
Per B.  
Atty. for Platt.

Assistant District Attorney Jerome  
New York.

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Arrest

Part 3 for Feby 13<sup>th</sup>

Subpoena also

F. Berger,

27 Vanderwater St.;

John K. Platt,

27 Vanderwater St.

The officer named  
on the papers as  
making the arrest.

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District Attorney's Office.

Part III  
Wednesday Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

PEOPLE

vs.

John Ryan

All subpoenas  
and Cornwell Notices  
issued Friday Feb  
8<sup>th</sup> for Feb 13<sup>th</sup>.

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Court of General Sessions

The People  
vs.  
John Ryan

John Platt, 13 Cooper Place, Brooklyn  
I am a foreman in the printing es-  
tablishment of George Munroe, 17  
to 27 Vandewater Street. On the 2<sup>d</sup> of  
January, 1889, I left my said place of  
business at ten o'clock in the evening  
about fifteen feet from the main door  
of the said building, at the junction  
of Rose and Adams Streets, I met the  
defendant standing in the door of  
~~another entrance to said building~~  
<sup>the adjoining</sup>  
Upon recognizing him, I greeted  
him in a friendly manner, and  
he asked me, whether I would re-  
instate him or bar him out of  
employment forever in our es-  
tablishment. I had discharged the  
defendant from my department  
on the 27<sup>th</sup> of December, 1888, for  
neglecting his work and being drunk.  
When he put the above question to  
me, I told him, that I could not

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re-instate him, and that he had to  
blame himself for it. We walked  
together for about sixty feet across  
~~the~~ <sup>Rose</sup> ~~Street~~ <sup>and up Duane Street</sup>  
when he suddenly placed  
himself in front of me and fired  
one pistol shot at me. The ball did  
not hit me. He immediately cocked  
the revolver again and snapped  
it in my face, but it did not  
go off. Thereupon I ran away from  
him, he pursuing me, snapping  
the revolver again behind me,  
but it did not go off. Fearing  
that a ball might enter my body  
at any moment, I halted and  
begged him not to shoot, but at  
the same moment he fired a  
ball at me. It passed me neck  
and I felt the heat of it. I again  
begged him not to shoot, but he  
replied: "I'll kill you, you son-  
of-a-bitch! Give me my job back!"  
He snapped the revolver several  
times again, until I grappled him  
by both arms, after which I held  
him, until a police officer came  
to my rescue and arrested the  
defendant. The revolver was taken

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from the defendant by the officer  
The captain examined the revolver  
at the station house. Two of its  
chambers were emptied, and five  
were loaded.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

THE PEOPLE, &c.

vs.

John Ryan

BRIEF OF FACTS.

For the District Attorney.

Dated

January 15 1888

Edward G. ...

Deputy Assistant.

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PEOPLE

vs.

*John Ryan*

*Trial Witnesses:*

*John Platt*

*Munroe's Printing  
Establishment*

*#7 to 27 Vandewater*

*Officer Weidenmayer*

*4th Regiment*

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

Part III.

-----: :  
The People of the State of New York, : Before Hon. Ran-  
 : dolph B. Martine,  
 against :  
 J O H N R Y A N . : and a Jury.  
 :  
-----: :

Indictment filed January 30th 1889 .  
Indicted for Assault in the 1st degree.

N e w Y o r k , February 13th 1889.

APPEARANCES: For the People, Asst. Dist. Atty. Jerome.

For the Defendant Mr. James J. Walsh.

JOHN PLATT, a witness for the People, sworn, testified:

I am a printer by trade and am employed as a fore-  
man in the printing establishment of George Munro at  
No. 17 Vandewater Street in this city . For three years  
previous to December 1888 the defendant John Ryan was em-  
ployed under me in that printing house . He was em-  
ployed as a press feeder . On the morning of the 27th  
of December I came into the shop to go to work; the de-  
fendant was at work, having his sleeves rolled up; I  
called him and told him that I did not want him any more  
because he had stayed away from work and got intoxicated.

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He then asked me if he was laid off for good and I told him he would find that out when I sent for him; he then said "You son of a bitch I will fix you for this, I will see you alone". He then left the establishment. I did not see the defendant again until the evening of January 2nd at 10 o'clock at night. On that evening I left the printing house at a little before ten and was walking towards the Brooklyn Bridge on my way home; at the corner of Rose and Duane Street the defendant approached me I said "Good evening John"; he said "John, are you going to bar me out altogether?"; I told him that I had not barred him out that he had barred himself out, that he would go away and stay away and get intoxicated and that he was keeping good men out of positions; that I could not put up with him. He then said something about having to support somebody which I did not understand, and any how I told him it was his own fault, that I had to get another man in his place and I had done so; then he said "Then there is no show" and I told him "no" and he said "Take that you son of a bitch" and the flash of a revolver passed by my right eye.

Q. How close was he standing to you? A. Facing each other; we were walking sideways! he on the right and I on the left and when I said "No" he turned around and the flash passed by my right eye. He held the revolver in his right hand.

Q. What did you do? A. I was stunned; I lost consciousness for a moment and I then heard the revolver click.

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Q . How many times did you hear it click ? A. Twice .  
I took the opportunity then to run and I started and ran  
towards Park Row; the defendant pursued me; while he was  
running after me I heard the clicking of the revol-  
ver --I heard it click as many as three times . After I  
had run about two hundred and fifty feet I turned around  
and begged him not to shoot "I said to him "Dont John, dont  
put it away you might shoot me with that ball". I did  
not hear him say anything . The revolver went off once  
I could not tell exactly which way it was pointed. When  
I turned around and asked him not to shoot the revolver .  
went off and I could fell the heat of the ball go by  
my neck . I heard him say "You son of a bitch I will  
kill you". When the officer came up to arrest him he  
said "You son of a bitch I will have your! life yet ". I  
made a charge against him in the station house .

CROSS EXAMINATION:

A young man named Bergen stood nearby when I dis-  
charged the defendant on the 27th of December .

Q. Was it your intention to discharge the defendant for  
good on the 27th of December ? A. I dont really know  
whether I did ~~not~~ or not; it would dep end upon his behavior

Q. Has not this defenadant on other occasions waited for  
you outside of Munro's place when he had ben laid off ?

A. He approached me twice .

Q. From the a ppearance and manner of the defendant  
on the 27th of Dec ember when he made the threat in the  
shop did you think he meant to carry it out ?

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A. Well, I did not take much stock in what he did say .

Q. When the first shot was fired how far away from the defendant were you ? A. I was touching him. I did not see where the pistol was aimed at any time; all I know is that the shots passed close to my face .

Q. At the time you saw the pistol aimed it did not go off ? A. When I saw the pistol in his hand he was pulling the hammer up and it would not go off that was right before the officer came .

FRANK BERGEN, a witness for the People, sworn, testified

I am employed in George Munro's printing house in Vandewater Street in this city . On the 27th of December last I was working there; I remember on that day seeing Mr. Platt and the defendant in conversation in the printing house. I heard Ryan saying "You son of a bitch you are no good" and something about I will see-- I did not hear the full sentence. Then Ryan went away.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

Q? You owe your place in that establishment to Mr.

Platt ? A. No sir; I owe it to a young man who recommended me to Mr. Platt .

Q. Mr. Platt employs you ? A. Yes sir; he is the foreman .

Q. And he can discharge you if he pleases ? A. Certainly .

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FREDERICK WEDEMYER, a witness for the People, sworn,  
testified:

I am an officer of Police in this city . On the evening of the 2nd of January in Duane Street near Park Row at about ten o'clock I arrested the defendant . When I came along Mr. Platt had hold of Ryan's hand; in that hand Ryan held the pistol. I took the pistol off of the defendant and took him to the station house . I identify the pistol which is shown me as the pistol which I took from the defendant . I did not examine the pistol . I heard two shots that night before I came upon the scene . The shots were about two minutes apart . I had no conversation with the defendant .

D E F E N C E .

JOHN RYAN, the defendant, sworn, testified:

I live at No. 80 Madison Street in this city . I was employed in George Munro's printing house for three years previous to this occurrence . I have been in the printing business ever since I was a boy .

Q. You heard what Mr. Platt said about your making a threat on the 27th of December ? A. I did not make that threat .

Q. Did you threaten you would fix him ? A. No sir .  
On the morning of the 27th of December I went to work.  
The assitant<sup>S</sup> foreman told me not to go to work and I went over and asked Mr. Platt<sup>A</sup> what was the matter that I could

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not go to work and he said "I laid you off"; I said "For how long?"; he said "I will send for you when I want you". I said "You allowed me to go away and put a substitute in my place"; he said "That is enough I dont want any more from you"; and I said to him "You son of a bitch you are no good".

Q. Did you make a threat to fix him or to see him alone?

A. No sir . I next saw Mr. Platt on the ~~10th~~ <sup>9th</sup> of January at about ten o'clock in the evening. I knew I could see him at that hour as he was working nights; I went there for the purp-~~ose~~ of asking him to put me back to work.

Q..You fired two shots and snapped the revolver o nce  
did you not ? A. Yes sir . I did not snap it two or three times as he says . I did not aim any of the shots at Mr. Platt. I fired one shot in the air and one in the ground.

Q. Did you intend to kill that man ? A. No sir .

Q. Did you intend to hu rt him ? A. No sir .

Q. Did you intend athat any of the bullets shoud take effect in his body ? A. No sir .

Q. Did you not have plenty of opportunity to shoot him if you wanted any of those shots to go into his body ?

A. Yes sir; he was walking right alongside of me and I could not help missing him .

Q. What was your intention ? A. My intention was to frighten him .

Q. Had you frightened him before ? A. Yes sir. Last summer he laid me off and I met him at the door one day

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and I said yo him "Mr. Platt are you going to take me back" and he said he did not know; I said "If you dont take me back I wont go to the Union for you like all the rest". They had brought charges against Mr. Platt in the Union.

Q. And that action on your part had the efect of getting you back at that time ? A. Yes sir .

Q. You thought if you went down this time you could get back ? A. Ye s sir; I thought I could do the same thing .

Q. Did you make use of any such words as Mr. Platt ha s testified to on the night of the shooting ?

A. No sir .

CROSS EXAMINATION:

I bought this pistol,from a boy on last fourth of July. I had not been carrying the pistol right along. I had it in my house and on the night before New Years I put it into my pocket to go out and blow off the New Year with it . I kept it in my pocket from that time on not thinking anything about it . It is a small pistol . I drank considerable on New Years day making calls but I was quite so er when I met Mr. Platt on the night of the 2nd of January . On the 2nd of January I was talking with a man named Philip Donohue about Platt and I told him that Platt was no good . . I have never been in State Prison or the Penitentiary; I was on the Island at one time for ten days for being drunk . The

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time I went to frighten the complainant in the summer I did not have any pistol with me. Before I fired the shots to scare him I told him that I had a mother and some little sisters to take care of and he said he did not give a damn for me or my family--and with that I took the revolver from my pocket and fired one shot in the ground. When he ran I ran after him to see if he would not put me back to work. I told the clerk in the Police Court that Platt hit me. That was a lie.

PHILIP DONOHUE, a witness for the Defendant, sworn,

testified:

I have been subpoenaed here by the District Attorney.

Q. Did you have any agreement with the defendant that he would shoot Platt? A. No sir.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

I was with Ryan on the 2nd of January. We had some drinks together and we conversed about Mr. Platt.

MICHAEL J. COFFEY, a witness for the defendant, sworn,

testified:

I am a printer and have been such for seventeen or eighteen years. I have known Mr. Platt for about three years. His reputation for truth and veracity is bad.

Q. Would you believe him under oath? A. No sir.

CROSS EXAMINATION:

I have heard Mr. VanRiper, and Mr. Brown and Mr. McKirvey speak about Mr. Platt's character for truth

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and vera city . They said it was bad . They were employed in Munro's at the same time I was .

R E B U T T A L .

JOHN PLATT, recalled:-

Mr. VanRiper spoken of by the last witness is sick. Mr. McKirvey and Mr. Brown are here .

JOHN P. BROWN , and James MCKIRVEY, testified that they never said to Mr. Coffey that the character of Platt for turth and veracity was bad or that they would not believe him under oath.

~~GEORGE MUNRO, a member of the publishing company of Munro~~  
and Company testified to the good character of Platt and that he had always found him truthful while in his employ . He would believe him under oath .

The Jury returned a verdict of GUILTY of Assault in the First Degree .

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Indictment filed Jan. 30-1889

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS  
Part III.

THE PEOPLE &c.

against

JOHN RYAN.

Abstract of testimony on  
trial New York, February  
13th 1889.

W. H. RAY

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N.Y. Supreme Court.

The People vs

vs

John Ryan.

To John R. Fellows Esq., District Attorney.

Please take notice that I will move on the annexed affidavit and on all the proceedings had in this action and on the minutes of the trial herein, which said minutes are now in your possession, at the Chamber of the Supreme Court at the Court House in the City of New York at 10.30 a.m. of the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May 1889, that the defendant John Ryan be admitted to bail pending appeal.

Dated May 28<sup>th</sup> 1889,

James J. Dowling

Counsel for defendant

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New York Supreme Court,

The People vs

vs

John Ryan,

City County and State of New York s.

James J. Walsh being duly sworn says that he is the counsel for the defendant in the above named criminal action. That said defendant John Ryan was indicted for the crime of assault in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree said indictment being duly presented in the Court of General Sessions of the City of New York. On the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889 defendant was tried and convicted under said indictment and sentenced to the State Prison for a period of ten years. That thereafter and on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1889 defendant filed a notice of appeal from said judgment of conviction. That upon the minutes of the trial herein and on the affidavits of the defendant President Justice Van Brunt of the Supreme Court on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1889 granted the statutory certificate that in his opinion there was reasonable <sup>doubt</sup> ~~ground~~ that the judgment should stand and on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 1889 a certified copy of said certificate was filed with the Sheriff of the County of New York and said certificate was also filed with the notice of appeal ~~with~~ <sup>with</sup> the Clerk of the Court of General Sessions - said certificate stays the execution pending the appeal. Defendant is now actually confined in the City Prison and the appeal herein cannot be heard until the October Term. Defendant asks that defendant be admitted to bail pending said appeal and further asks that

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bail be fixed at <sup>no</sup> less than fifteen hundred dollars as all of said defendants friends and acquaintances are poor people and defendant will find it very difficult to furnish bail in sum much in excess of fifteen hundred dollars.

Sworn to before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 1889

James Swales

H. J. Marston

Notary Public

N.Y.C.

N.Y. Supreme Court

The People vs

vs

John Ryan.

Notice of motions and affidavits in application to admit to bail pending appeal.

James Swales  
Counsel for def<sup>s</sup>  
No 25 Chambers St  
N.Y. City

Due and timely served upon notice and affidavits in being admitted. <sup>Filed General 28<sup>th</sup> May</sup>

Wm. C. Fellows  
Sergeant  
N.Y.C.

N. Y. Supreme Court.

The People vs

against

John Ryan.

Affidavit and notice of  
motion to admit to bail pen-  
ding appeal.

James J. Hines  
Counsel for deft

No 25 Chambers St.  
N. Y. City.

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At a Special Term of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, held in and for the City and County of New York in the Court House of said County on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May 1889.

Present. Edward Patterson

Justice.

The People of the State of New York  
against  
John Ryan.

On reading and filing the affidavit of James Swales, herein and also the minutes of the trial of this criminal action and on hearing James J. Swales Esq Counsel for defendant in favor of the motion to admit the defendant to bail pending appeal to the General Term of the Supreme Court, and John A. Fellows Esq not opposing for the people.

It is Ordered, that said defendant John Ryan be admitted to bail in the sum of three hundred dollars pending his appeal from a judgment of conviction of assault in the first degree, had at the Court of General Sessions on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889, to the General Term of this Supreme Court.

New York June 3 1889

Arthur M. C.

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N. Y. Supreme Court.

The People & c

against

John Ryan.

Order admitting defendant  
to bail pending appeal.

James J. Walsh,  
Counsel for defn.  
No 25 Chambers St.  
N. Y. City.

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LAW OFFICE OF  
ROGER FOSTER: People on Complaint of Platt  
EVENING POST BUILDING, —vs—  
206 & 208 BROADWAY, Ryan.

New York, January 4th, 1889

Dear Sir:--

Mr. George Munro, the well known publisher, has retained me to assist, so far as you will allow, in the prosecution of John Ryan for an assault with intent to kill, committed with a loaded revolver upon John K. Platt on the evening of January 2nd, 1889. The criminal had been discharged by Platt from Mr. Munro's employ; and the assault was committed for purposes of revenge and was accompanied by threats to kill. Two shots were fired at Platt and several ineffectual attempts to shoot were made but frustrated by the snapping of the revolver. Ryan was committed without bail to be held for the Grand Jury by a Magistrate in the Tombs Police Court on the morning of January 3rd, 1889.

You would oblige me by notice of any proceedings that will be or need to be taken in the matter. If any further proceedings will take place in a Police Court, I shall be glad of an authorization to appear on behalf of the people. I will gladly furnish you with any information or aid you in the matter as far as in my power. Hoping that the trial will reach a speedy determination, I remain

truly yours

Hon. John R. Fellows,  
District Attorney,  
New York.

*Mr. W. C. Case.*

*Keep Mr. Foster advised of each step in this case  
J. P. Williams*

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Police Court— District.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No. 17 to 27 Vandewater Street Manhattan

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on Wednesday the 2nd day of January

in the year 188 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by John Ryan

(now here) who wilfully and maliciously discharged the contents of two barrels of a loaded revolver at the body of deponent

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 3rd day of January 1889

John Platt  
John Platt POLICE JUSTICE.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Ryan* 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 Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *24 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York.*

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

Answer. *80 Madison St. 2 months.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Printer*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*

*John Ryan*

Taken before me this

day of *January* 188*9*

*J. B. McDonald*

Police Justice.

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

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

Dated Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> 1889 G. Henry ... Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Police Court--- District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John Platt*  
*27 Broadway*  
1. *John Ryan*  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_

*Ed. [unclear]*  
Clerk

BAILED,

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

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

Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Dated *Jan 3rd* 1889

*John* Magistrate.

*Widmeyer* Officer

*4* Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to answer

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*Officer*  
*Roger Foster*  
*20 [unclear] [unclear]*  
*notify without fail*  
RECEIVED  
JAN 3 1889  
*Widmeyer*  
*Spec. [unclear]*

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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 Ryan*

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

*John Ryan*

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

The said

*John Ryan*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *second* day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~nine~~<sup>nine</sup>, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *John Platt* 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 Platt* a certain pistol then and there loaded and charged with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *John Ryan* in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did then and there shoot off and discharge, with intent *him* the said *John Platt* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill,, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT—

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

The said

*John Ryan*

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 *John Platt* 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

*John Platt* a certain pistol then and there charged and loaded with gunpowder and one leaden bullet, which the said *John Ryan*

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

3204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Ryan, John

**DATE:**

01/31/89



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Witnesses:

John Ryan  
off. Mat. J. McCooly

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Counsel, 31  
Filed day of January  
Pleads, Not Guilty 1889

Grand Larceny Second degree  
[Sections 528, 58, 572 Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE

vs.  
John Ryan

John Ryan

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL

John B. Woolley  
Foreman

Part III February 1894  
Pleads Petit Larceny.  
Ben H. Mos.  
P.B.M.

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Police Court

5 District.

Affidavit-Larceny.

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

of No. 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue 165 Street, aged 38 years,  
occupation Widow being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1889 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:

Two earrings and one diamond brooch  
three gold chains and two trinkets altogether  
of the value of 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 John Ryan (now seen) from

the fact that the deponent was in the employ of deponent and about the 1st of January, that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1889 deponent lost said said property and was subsequently informed by the deponent that he had stolen a portion of said property to wit - the diamonds, that he directed her to a pawn office where she recovered said diamonds and that the deponent stated he had received no ticket - from said Pawn Broker

Anna Ryan

Sworn to before me, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 1889  
[Signature] Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *40 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *MS.*

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

Answer. *nowhere*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Labourer*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*  
*John Ryan*

Taken before me this

day of

1888

Police Justice.

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

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 19 188 A. J. Smith Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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#391  
Police Court--- District. 139

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John Ryan*  
107 Ave. B. 165 St  
*John Ryan*

*John Ryan*  
Offence  
*John Ryan*

1  
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3  
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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.

Dated *Jan 23* 188*9*

*White* Magistrate.

*McCauley* Officer.

*33* Precinct.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

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

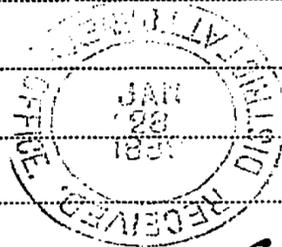
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No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

\$ *1000* to answer *l.s.*

*By Dan. 25/9.30*

*Cum*



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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 Ryan*

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

accuse

*John Ryan*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed

as follows:

The said

*John Ryan*

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

*two earrings of the value of two dollars each, one brooch of the value of fifty dollars, three chains of the value of ten dollars each, and two trinkets of the value of five dollars each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Anna Ryan*

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

*John R. Bellows*  
*District Attorney*

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SECOND COUNT—

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

*John Ryan*

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

The said

*John Ryan*

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,

*two earrings of the value of ten dollars each, one brooch of the value of fifty dollars, three chains of the value of two dollars each, and two trinkets of the value of five dollars each*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Anna Ryan*

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

*Anna Ryan*

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

*John Ryan*

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.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.