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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

VanDyke, Lyttleton

**DATE:**

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Aldrich, Lawrence

**DATE:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Jackson, Walter

**DATE:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Styler, Charles

**DATE:**

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Witnesses:

*Ernie W. Loney*

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*I have examined  
into this case &  
recommened that -  
the defendant be  
recommited to the  
House of Refuge  
McPherson  
Sep 19/13*

Counsel,

Filed 17 day of August 1893

*W Pleads Not Guilty (18)*

THE PEOPLE

*vs.*

*Sydney Van Dyke  
Samuel Aldrich  
Walter Jackson  
Charles S. Tyler*

Burglary in the Third Degree.  
[Section 498, Code]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

*(over)*

A TRUE BILL.

*R. J. Cross* Foreman.

*Ernie W. Loney  
McPherson  
Sep 19/13*

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Police Court—<sup>5th</sup> District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

<sup>Oswin W Lowry</sup>  
of the House of Refuge, Randall's Island <sup>Street</sup> aged 41 years,  
occupation <sup>known as the</sup> Superintendent of Randall's Island House of Refuge being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that the premises <sup>known as the</sup> North Shop on said Island <sup>Street</sup> 12th Ward  
in the City and County aforesaid the said being a work shop and Prison at  
the House of Refuge  
and which was occupied by ~~deposant~~ as a work shop  
~~which was occupied by deposant as a work shop~~

was BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly <sup>tearing off the wire</sup>  
Screens from two windows on the 1st floor of said  
premises and then forcibly opening and raising said  
windows

on the <sup>6th</sup> day of <sup>attempted to be</sup> August 1883 in the day time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away viz:

A quantity of Mechanics Tools to the amount  
and of the value of one hundred dollars and  
more

the property of the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile delinquents of the City of New York,  
and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe and does believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed <sup>attempted to be</sup> on the aforesaid property taken, stolen and carried away by  
Littleton Tarr Dyke, Lawrence Aldrich, Walter Jackson,  
and Charles Styler (all now here)

for the reasons following, to wit: That on Saturday evening about 4 o'clock  
the 5th day of August 1883 said premises were securely locked  
and fastened and the key of said premises turned into  
the office of said Institution, That on Sunday the 6th deponent  
discovered that the said premises had been feloniously entered  
as described aforesaid. That on Monday the 7th day of August  
of said year deponent was informed by Louis Sheldon  
now here that he saw said defendants forcibly enter  
said premises on said Sunday with intent to commit

said Larceny described aforesaid and that they did  
while in said Work Shop entered a bin a fire under  
the Carpenter Shop Bench with a quantity of old  
Paper.

Dependent from the facts set forth and the information  
given by said Louis Sheldon charges the said defendants  
with Burglariously entering said premises with intent  
to commit a felony and he therefore asks that they  
be held to answer and deal with according to law

Old Henry  
Jury

Sworn to before me this  
9<sup>th</sup> day of August 1893  
M. J. Wilder  
Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been  
committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Twenty Dollars and he 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 hereunto 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	
ss.	
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Dated	1888
Magistrate.	
Officer.	
Clerk.	
Witnesses,	
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
\$	to answer General Sessions.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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*Louis Sheldon*

aged 1<sup>st</sup> years, ~~occupation~~ *an inmate of the House of Refuge* of No. *the House of Refuge, Randall Island* Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Samuel W. Lowry* and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this

day of

*August* *9<sup>th</sup>* 189 *3*

*Louis Sheldon*

*Marshall*

Police Justice.



Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

*Littleton Van Dyke* 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. *Littleton Van Dyke*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *16 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York State*

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

Answer. *House of Refuge, 3 years.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *I work in the Stocking Shop*

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

Answer. *I went into the building with Walter Jackson he broke off the wire screen from the window.*

*Littleton Van Dyke*

Taken before me this

day of

*April 1893*

Police Justice.

Sec. 198—200.

5 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Lawrence Aldrich*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *15 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *House of Refuge, 2 years.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *I work in the Stocking Shop*

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 did not have anything to do with breaking  
into the shop. Lawrence Aldrich*

Taken before me this

day of

*August 1893*

Police Justice.

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

Walter Jackson 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. Walter Jackson

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 15 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York (Brooklyn)

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

Answer. House of Refuge, about 2 years.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. I work in the Stocking Shop

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  
Walter Jackson

Taken before me this

day of

August 1898

Police Justice.

Sec. 198-200.

J District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Charles Styler* 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.

*Charles Styler*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*16 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Brooklyn*

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

Answer.

*House of Refuge, 10 months.*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*I work in the stocking shop*

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

Answer.

*I ~~was~~ went into the shop with the others after they broke in*

*Charles Styler*

Taken before me this

day of

*August 1893*

Police Justice.

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

Police Court--- 5th District. 844

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George W. Murray  
418 1/2 Avenue C  
Littleton, Pa. (1893)  
Lawrence Steadell (18)  
Travis Jackson (18)  
Leander Taylor  
Offence Burglary & Attempted Larceny

Dated August 9th 1893

Leander Taylor Magistrate

Richard Hawker Officer

29th Precinct

Witnesses Louis Duane

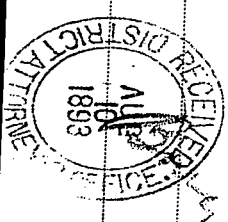
Thomas Stewart

Peter Lewis

Robert Lewis all of

Attorney of Refuse Randall  
defendant since 1893

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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 Defendants

guilty thereof, I order that They be held to answer the same and They be admitted to bail in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, each and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until They give such bail.  
Dated August 9th 1893 W. A. [Signature] Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named \_\_\_\_\_  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Lytleton Van Dyke,  
Lawrence Aldrich, Walter  
Jackson and Charles Styler*

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

*Lytleton Van Dyke, Lawrence Aldrich,  
Walter Jackson and Charles Styler*

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

The said

*Lytleton Van Dyke, Lawrence Aldrich,  
Walter Jackson and Charles Styler, both*

late of the 12th Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the

*sixth* day of *August*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three* in the *day* time of the same day, at the

Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain building there situate, to wit, the *shop* of

*one a corporation called the Society for  
the Reformation of Juvenile  
Delinquents in the City of New York*

there situate, 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

*corporation* - in the said *shop*

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.

*De Lancey Nicoll,  
District Attorney*

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

4843

**DESCRIPTION:**

Vetter, Ernst

**DATE:**

08/08/93



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Witnesses:

Officer Bishop

Counsel,

W. L. H.

Filed,

8 day of August 1893

Pleads,

W. L. H.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Ernest Vetter

(1 case)

CONCEALED WEAPON.  
(Section 410, Pennl Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

On motion of District Attorney

defendant discharged upon

his verbal recognizance

A TRUE BILL.

R. D. C. W. S. Foreman.

all term Sept 19/93 - S. J. O. H. H.

He left in the case from what  
I have learned of this case after  
careful examination was an  
imposed foot of two men who  
perpetrated an outrageous crime.  
The mayor was an abolitionist  
Hunt and the Court lawfully carried  
out the statement on the floor  
of the court. He should be  
discharged on his own recognizance  
Oct 27/93. He then to have  
a satisfactory



Witnesses:

Officer Bishop

Counsel,

Filed, 8 day of August 1893

Pleads,

Not guilty

THE PEOPLE

CONCEALED WEAPON.  
(Section 410, Penal Code.)

vs.

Ernest Vetter

(1 case)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,  
District Attorney,  
On Motion of District Attorney  
Defendant discharged upon  
his verbal recognizance.  
A TRUE BILL.

R. D. COTTON Foreman.

All term Sept 9/93 - S. C. 1400

He left in this case more what  
I have learned of this case after  
careful examination and an  
imminent test of his men who  
perpetrated an outrageous crime.  
The major was an abolitionist  
Kings and he sent lawfully Camp  
of the statement on Benjamen  
Burdett (men) He should be  
discharged on his own recognizance  
Oct 20/93 the other 10 (Kings)  
Burdett

Police Court—6<sup>th</sup> District.

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

Eliza Trietsch  
of No. 1009 Cottages - Woodlawn St. West 100th Street, aged 34 years,  
occupation Day work being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that the premises No. 1009 Side Southern Boulevard - 1<sup>st</sup> floor South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street,  
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a two story frame

Building  
and which was occupied by deponent's Marie Costello -  
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name Marie Costello

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly opening the  
back door leading into the kitchen of said  
premises and entering therein with intent  
to commit a crime

on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1893 in the day time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

One pair of Diamond earrings of the value  
of ninety dollars and one diamond ring of  
the value of fifty dollars - and gold and  
lawful money to the amount and value  
of five dollars - together and in all of  
the value of one hundred & forty - five dollars

the property of Marie Costello <sup>her husband</sup> Thomas Costello -  
and deponent further says, <sup>that she was informed</sup> that she has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away by  
Thomas Better (now here) and two persons unknown  
to deponent and now yet arrested

for the reasons following, to wit: That on said day deponent's  
attention was called to a commotion in the  
premises of Marie Costello and as then was  
she saw Thomas Better standing along side  
of a tree in front of Marie Costello's premises -  
that when deponent saw Marie Costello  
she informed deponent that the above  
described property had been feloniously taken  
stolen and carried away from her possession

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by the two unknown persons - that defendant  
then & there caused the arrest of Ernest  
Vetter and he then and there admitted  
and confessed that he was in company  
with the two unknown persons - and was  
watching on the outside of said premises  
while said crime was being committed  
by the two unknown persons - defendant  
therefore prays that the same Ernest  
Vetter may be dealt with as the law  
dictates -

Summons before me this *Elisa Kutsch*  
26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1893  
*E. D. Sumner*  
Police Justice

Police Court \_\_\_\_\_ District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Burglary \_\_\_\_\_ Degree.

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

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Bail.

Bailed by \_\_\_\_\_

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

Sec. 198-200.

6th District Police Court. 1893

City and County of New York, ss:

*Ernest Vetter* 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. *Ernest Vetter.*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *133 Suffolk St. 11 years -*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Upholster*

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

Answer. *I was in company for a short time with the two other persons on the 21st day of July 1893 in front of Mrs Costello's house.*

*Ernest Vetter.*

Taken before me this

day of

*Aug*

1893

*26th*

Police Justice.

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

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

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles Buetach  
1900 1/2 St. W. St. John  
South 100th St.  
Hansen, better

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

Offence... Burglary

Dated July 26<sup>th</sup> 1893

Ammon - Magistrate.

Andrew J. Bishop - Officer.

34<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

Witness: Said Officer  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. Edward R. W. Lottrell Street.

167<sup>th</sup> St. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave

Travis Cottrell -  
No. 1000 1/2 St. W. St. John

1000 1/2 St. W. St. John

Conc. 1/2  
1/2

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 defendants

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Five thousand Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison, of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated July 26<sup>th</sup> 1893 W. C. Sinnigh Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

T. FLOOD,  
PLASTERER,  
1012 E. 162d Street.

NEW YORK, *July 24* 1893.

This is to certify that:  
Mrs <sup>Is</sup> Thos. Costello is still  
in a critical condition  
and will be unable to leave  
her bed for some time to  
come

Respectfully

H. Ettinger M.D.

2150 5th av.

CITY AND COUNTY,  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

POLICE COURT, 6<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

*Ambrose J. Bishop*

of No. *the 34<sup>th</sup>* Precinct Police Street, aged *28* years,  
occupation *Police Officer* being duly sworn deposes and says  
that on the *21<sup>st</sup>* day of *July* 18*93*  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York *Ernest Better*

(now here) was in company with two other  
persons unknown to deponent. That deponent  
was informed and truly believes that the same  
unknown persons did force an entrance into premises  
situated on the East side of the Southern Boulevard 1<sup>st</sup>  
House south of Home Street & that the same Ernest Better  
was watching on the outside of said premises so  
Burglariously entered - and the same unknown persons  
did steal & carry away property to the value of one  
hundred & fifty dollars - from the person of Maria Costello  
That said Maria Costello is unable to appear in

Police Justice

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\$4500 Ex July 26/93 8:30 A.M.  
Remanded.

Court from the result of check to her system  
deponents therefore pray that the same Court  
Vetter may be held and detained until such time  
as Mrs Costello can appear in Court

Sum before me this  
24<sup>th</sup> day of July 1893 } Ambrose T. Bishop  
C. E. Dunning  
Police Justice

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

THE PEOPLE, & C.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Ambrose T. Bishop  
vs.  
Carroll better

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated July 22<sup>nd</sup> 1893

Dunning - Magistrate.

Bishop 34<sup>th</sup> Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,



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

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Charles Vietach*  
*Monty St. W. St. W.*  
*William C. C. C.*  
*Anna Letten*

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

Offence: *Burglary*

Dated *July 26<sup>th</sup> 1893*

*Armin - Magistrate*

*Charles J. Donahoe - Officer*

*34<sup>th</sup> Precinct*

Witness: *Said Officer*

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

No. *Charles R. Westendell* Street.

*167<sup>th</sup> St. St. W. St. W.*

*Marie Coetzell*

*1000<sup>th</sup> St. W. St. W.*

*1000<sup>th</sup> St. W. St. W.*

*Case 1893*

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 *defendants*

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

Dated *July 26<sup>th</sup> 1893* *G. E. Simms* Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Ernest Vetter*

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

*Ernest Vetter*

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

The said

*Ernest Vetter*

late of the *43rd* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*twenty-first* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and ninety-*three* in the *day* time of the same day, at the  
Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one

*Thomas Costello*

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there a  
human being within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the  
goods, chattels and personal property of the said

*Thomas Costello*

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

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

SECOND COUNT—

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

*Ernest Vetter*  
of the CRIME OF *Grand* LARCENY in the second degree, committed as follows:

The said *Ernest Vetter*

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

*one pair of earrings of the value  
of ninety dollars, one finger ring of  
the value of fifty dollars and the  
sum of five dollars in money,  
lawful money of the United States  
of America, and of the value of  
five dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

in the dwelling house of the said

*Thomas Costello*  
*Thomas Costello*

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

*De Laurence Nicoll*  
*District Attorney*

**Witnesses:**

Oliver Trickett  
Officer Bishop

The officer says that he was informed of the crime by <sup>his</sup> ~~him~~ self.

The debt is a half-vested fellow who was the innocent tool of two men, who committed the crime charged on them. He has a good reputation and in no way asked the part of a criminal.

I have carefully inquired into  
this matter believing, that the  
true Criminals, would be ac-  
cused and that the dist. Atty.  
be used against them as a  
subterfuge ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> ~~the purpose~~ that  
these slaves to be no  
present hope of their capture  
and upon the endorsement of the  
offices in the Case of this State  
I recommend Dept's dis-  
miss upon his own responsibility  
Oct 20 1896 Stephen J. Ware  
Dist Atty

**Counsel,**

Filed

8 day of August 1893

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# THE PEOPLE

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Ernst Letter

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DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

DE LANCEY NICOLL,  
District Attorney,  
Dartmouth College,  
Discharged on his verbal  
recommendance.

**A TRUE BILL.**

*Foreman.*

off. 6/17/93. 5 To 1000

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 6<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

Sworn to before me, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day  
of July 1893

*W. B. Dinnick*  
Police Justice.

*Ambrose J. Bishop*  
of ~~the~~ the 34<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police ~~Station~~, aged 28 years,  
occupation *Police Officer* being duly sworn deposes and says  
that on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1893  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York *knows better*  
(now here) did feloniously and with  
intent to use the same carry  
concealed upon his person a dagger  
(here shown) the carrying of said  
dagger concealed upon his person being  
in violation of Section 410 of the Penal  
Code of the State of New York, and the  
said defendant admits & confessed that he  
did have said dagger concealed on his person  
*Ambrose J. Bishop*

Sec. 198-200.

6th

1882

District Police Court.

City and County of New York, ss:

*Ernst Vetter* 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. *Ernst Vetter*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *18 years -*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *133 Suffolk St. 1 1/2 years -*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Upholsterer*

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

Answer. *I am guilty of the charge*

*Ernst Vetter.*

Taken before me this

day of

26th

1893

Police Justice.

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

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

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles J. Bishop

vs.  
Samuel Better

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Offence Carrying -  
Concealed Weapons

Dated July 26<sup>th</sup> 1893

Simms - Magistrate.

Andrew J. Bishop Officer.

34<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

Witnesses Charles R. Westcott

No. 167<sup>th</sup> St. & 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.

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

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

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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 defendants

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

Dated July 26<sup>th</sup> 1893. C. E. Simms Jr. Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.