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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Abel, Christian

**DATE:**

10/27/90



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Witnesses:

Ludwig Lockman

Sept 27 Per

Counsel

Filed

day of

1880

Pleas

THE PEOPLE

41  
Harker  
427 6.1st  
vs.

Christian F. Abel

INJURY TO PROPERTY.  
[Section 654, Penal Code.]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Andrew Little

Part 2 - Oct 29/90

Pleas Guilty, Indemnity  
Foreman.

(Property less than \$50)

60 days Pen  
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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 5 DISTRICT.

Ludwig Jochum

of No. 1758, 2<sup>d</sup> Avenue, Street, aged 38 years,

occupation Barber

that on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1890being duly sworn deposes and says  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York

Christian L. Abel. (Now here)  
 did wilfully and maliciously break  
 and destroy a pane of french plate  
 glass in the window of said premises  
 of the value of one hundred dollars, the  
 property of deponent: by then and then  
 striking said pane of glass with a  
 stone which he the defendant then and  
 then threw from his hand at said  
 window, as deponent truly believes  
 from the fact that deponent is informed

Sworn to before me, this

1890

Police Justice

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by Officer Adam Lang. that he saw  
the defendant throw the stone from  
his the defendants hand which broke  
said pane of glass.  
Wherefore defendant prays the said  
defendant may be held and dealt  
with according to law.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of Oct (1891) } Ludwig Jochum

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Dated

189

Magistrate

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Adam Lang  
aged 27 years, occupation Police Officer of No. 27th Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Ludwig Jochum

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

16  
Oct 1887

Adam Lang

Wm. Mead

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK }*Christian L. Abel*

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.

*Christian L. Abel*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*41 years old*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Sweden*

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

Answer.

*427 E. 15th St. 5 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Burber.*

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*  
*Christian Frederick Abel*

Taken before me this  
day of *Dec*

189*0*

Police Justice.

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street

No. 2, by

Residence

Street

No. 3, by

Residence

Street

No. 4, by

Residence

Street

Police Court,

District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*William J. Schuchman*  
*Christian J. White*  
Offense *Muticians*  
*Mischief (felony)*

Dated,

*Oct-16*  
1890

Magistrate

*Meade*

Officer

Precinct

*27*

Witnesses

No.

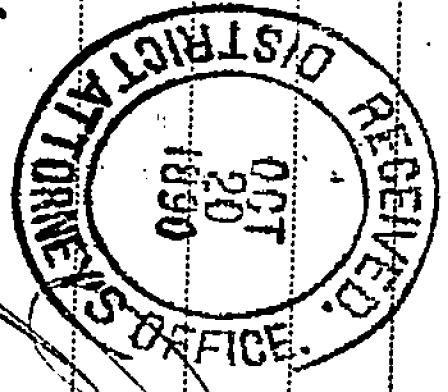
*Albion J. King*  
*27. Precinct-Police*

No.

*Street*

No.

*Street*



\$1000 to answer

*Cm*

*1000 54 Oct 17 - 2:30 pm.*

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

Dated, *Oct 17<sup>th</sup>* 1890 *W. Meade* Police Justice.

I have 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 offense within mentioned, I order h to be discharged.

Dated, 189 Police Justice.

## New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

Christian F. Abel

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself. The defendant has a good reputation among his neighbors, is an unmarried man and has a family of five children to support, he broke the plate glass while under the influence of liquor, & ascertain that he is a hard working man, and he having been confined nearly fifteen days, and his family ~~being~~ being the sufferer if he should receive further punishment, I respectfully ask the clemency of the Court & District Attorney and pray that the Indictment may be dismissed or the defendant be discharged on his own recognizance.

Dated New York, October 29<sup>th</sup> 1890.

Signed in presence of 3

Henry Morgenthau

Ludwig Johnson



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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

IN AND FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Christian T. Adel*

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

*— Christian T. Adel —*

of the CRIME OF UNLAWFULLY AND WILFULLY *destroying* —

PERSONAL PROPERTY OF ANOTHER, committed as follows:

The said *Christian T. Adel*.

late of the *Small* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *fifteenth* day of *October*, — in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *eighty*, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms, *a certain pane of*

*plate glass.*

of the value of *one hundred dollars*,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Ludwig Gochman*.

then and there being, then and there feloniously did unlawfully and wilfully *break*

*and destroy.*

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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Witnesses:

Ludwig Lockman

Mar 27 Per

Counsel

Filed

Pleas

47 277

Day of

1880

THE PEOPLE

41  
Franklin  
H27 1st vs.

Christian F. Abel

INJURY TO PROPERTY.  
[Section 654, Penal Code.]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Andrew Little

Feb 2 - Oct 29/90

Pleas Guilty, Indemnity  
Foreman.

(Property also transferred)

OO deep Pen

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Abrahamovitch, Morris W.

**DATE:**

10/14/90



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Bail fixed at  
\$1000 RBC

Witnesses:

*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

The within named deft  
testified upon the trial of  
Israel Kirsbaum is a  
witness for the People -  
Dec. 23/90 W. J. Jerome  
Deft. Prot.

The deft herein testified pursuant  
to an arrangement with me  
under which he was to be  
discharged in that event.  
I recommended his discharge  
upon his own recognizance -  
Dec 23/90 V. M. Davis  
Asst

*[Signature]*  
317 Bldg

Counsel,  
Filed *14* day of *Oct* 188*8*  
Pleads *Guilty*

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

*B #1*

Morris W. Abrahamovitch

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS.

District Attorney.

*Part 3 Dec 3/90*

A True Bill.

*[Signature]*

*Part 3 Dec 6/90 WJD*  
*Part 115 Dec. 23/90*  
*Defendant discharged on his own*  
*recog.*



GUGGENHEIMER & UNTERMYER,  
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW,  
Bank of America Building,  
No 46 WALL ST. COR. WILLIAM.  
UPTOWN OFFICE, 906 & 908 3rd AVE.

*New York*, October 22nd, 1890.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

PEOPLE vs. BIRNBAUM ET AL.

Vernon M. Davis, Esq.,  
Assistant District Attorney,

Dear Sir:-

In the case of the People against Birnbaum and Abramowitch:  
We beg leave to offer for your disposal, under the stipulation by  
which Abramowitch is to be a witness for the People, the following  
additional witnesses:

JOSEPH MEIS, 170 Rivington Street, who was in Block's store  
on Varrick Street when "Jim" the alleged thief came in with the  
shoes and asked Abramowitch where Birnbaum, the pedler, lived,  
stating that he, Jim had made a bargain with Birnbaum to sell the  
shoes.

MAURICE CASTNER, 132 Suffolk Street who went with Abramowitch  
to Birnbaum's house when he, Birnbaum, received the shoes from  
Jim, the alleged thief. He also accompanied Birnbaum to the Bank  
and saw him draw the money and pay it over to Jim for the shoes.

SARAH BLOCK, residing at 30 Varrick Street, who was ap-  
proached by Donahue after the arrest of Abramowitch, and who is  
prepared to testify that Donahue offered to state the truth and  
acquit Abramowitch if she would pay him Twenty Five Dollars.

JOSEPH BLOCK, 670 Washington Street, to whom Birnbaum came  
early on Monday morning after he had bought the shoes from Jim and  
brought in samples and offered to sell the shoes to Block, who  
made a bargain with Birnbaum to purchase four dozen at Three Dol-  
lars a dozen, and Birnbaum left the samples with Block, which he  
now has in his possession. On the same day Birnbaum was arrested.  
After he got out on bail, he came to Block and offered to pay the  
expenses if Block could induce Abramowitch to leave the City and  
go to Canada, and also offered Block Five Dollars if he could  
bring this about.

If we can be of any further assistance to you in this mat-  
ter, please address our Mr. Maurice Untermyer, who has the matter  
in charge. We would suggest that he be present at the trial if  
you think it advisable, in order to assist you in the production  
of witnesses offered by us for the people. Kindly advise us  
forthwith.

Yours truly, *Guggenheimer & Untermyer*

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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

*Morris W. Abrahamowitz*

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

*Morris W. Abrahamowitz*

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

The said

*Morris W. Abrahamowitz*

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

*Two hundred pairs of infants'*

*shoes of the value of forty five*

*pairs each pair,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Charles E. Knapp,*

*and one James Monahan, and*

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

*Charles E. Knapp*

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

*Morris W. Abrahamowitz*

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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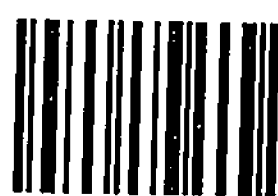
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Allen, Thomas

**DATE:**

10/28/90



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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Walters, William

**DATE:**

10/28/90



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Witnesses;

Fred Schaper  
Officer Ryan

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1890

Pleads,

28 Oct. 1890  
Not guilty 29

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THE PEOPLE

for Rooker, Leggett  
from N.Y. City  
known as Smith  
Thomas Allen

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Smith and  
from Cincinnati  
single Cincinnati  
William Walters

Grand Larceny Second degree  
[Sections 538, 539, 540, Penal Code]

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Moran Little

Part 2 - Nov. 2, 1890 Foreman.

Both Plead Guilty

Each  
Chas. R. P.

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Police Court—3rd District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

Frederick Schaefer  
of No House of Detention Street, aged 34 years,  
occupation Cabarer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 22 day of Dec 1897 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the night time, the following property, viz:

Good and lawful money of  
the United States of the value of  
Eighteen dollars

A silver watch and plated  
chain of the value of fifteen dollars

A rule of the value of three dollars

A passage ticket to Hamburg of  
the value of twenty six dollars

all of the aggregate amount and  
value of sixty two dollars

the property of deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by Thomas Allen and William Walter

(both now here) who acted in concert with each  
other, for the reasons following, to wit:

Deponent says, — at about 11 am  
of said date deponent met defendants in  
a shooting gallery, who became acquainted  
with deponent, and eliciting that deponent  
was a stranger in the city, accompanied  
deponent about the city showing him  
places of interest.

Deponent further says, — he was  
continually in the company of defend-  
ants and at about 6 PM, of said  
date deponent and defendants  
together entered a house, the

Sworn to before me, this  
18th day of  
Dec 1897  
Police Justice.



location of which is unknown to deponent where defendants sent a woman for beer, and of which beer deponent drank a glass.

Deponent further says - as soon as he had drunk said beer he became insensible, and when he recovered consciousness, found that he was on the street, but which street deponent is unable to aver.

Deponent further says - he then missed his money, watch and chain, a passport ticket to Hamburg, a rule, and a letter of credit representing one thousand dollars, all of which property deponent had in his possession when he was accompanied to said house, by defendants.

Deponent further says - he reported said occurrence to the 11<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police station, and defendants were arrested on October 23<sup>rd</sup> by Officer John Kenny #2 of the 11<sup>th</sup> Precinct, deponent having designated defendants to said Officer as they were walking on the Bowery, as being the two men in whose company he had been in the manner aforesaid and identified them as being said men on their arrest.

Deponent further says - said Officer found a rule in the possession of said defendant William Walter, which rule defendant identified as being a portion of the missing property, said rule bearing a mark known to deponent.

wherefore, deponent charges defendants, with the larceny of said property, while acting in concert with each other for the purpose of committing said larceny, and prays that defendants be dealt with as the law directs.

Sworn to before me  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1903

Friedrich Schaefer,

Police Officer

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*John Henry #2*  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, occupation *officer* of No. *115*  
*Que* Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Medwin Kaefer*  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *23*  
day of *Oct* 188*7* } *John Henry #2*

*Plg. Driffy*  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 193-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Thomas Allen*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*26 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*United States*

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

Answer.

*Bar River Quay, N. J. - 5 mos*

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.*  
*Thos Allen*

Taken before me this  
day of

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Police Justice.

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Sec. 193-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK }

*William Walter* 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.

*William Walter*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*United States*

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

Answer.

*Am 65 Bowry - 1 day*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Butcher*

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.*  
*Wm. Walter*

Taken before me this 2-3  
day of October  
1890

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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Police Court--- 3 --- District. 1618

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Frederick Schaffer*  
*Henry J. Schaffer*  
*Thomas Allen*  
*William Haller*

Offence: *Grand Larceny*

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street

No. 2, by

Residence

Street

No. 3, by

Residence

Street

No. 4, by

Residence

Street

Dated

*Oct 23 -*

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*Robert J. Magistrate*

Magistrate

*John Henry #2*

Officer

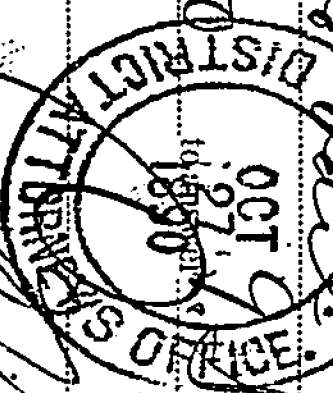
Witnesses

*David J. Officer*

*John James Regan*

*113 Ave C*

*Confession of guilt to the  
House of Representatives  
No. 10000 Ave C*



*Henry McLean 103 Broadway  
Agent John M. Schaffer 11-100 Ave C*

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 *ten* 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 *Oct 23* 18 *John J. Schaffer* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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District Attorney's Office,

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

16  
April 3 1894

CAPTAIN OR OFFICER IN COMMAND.

Dear Sir:

I desire to see Officer John  
Henry attached to your command in  
October 1890 in relation to the case of  
William Walter  
sentenced November 3/90 to Elmira Ref.  
years and \_\_\_\_\_ months imprisonment by  
Judge Cowing

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

Yours truly,

HENRY W. UNGER,

Deputy Assistant and Secretary to the District Attorney.



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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 9 — DISTRICT.

*John Kenny #2*  
 of No. *11<sup>th</sup> Precinct* Street, aged — years,  
 occupation *Officer* being duly sworn deposes and says,  
 that on the *23<sup>rd</sup>* day of *Oct* 188*9*

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he arrested  
*Thomas Allen and William Walter (both now*  
*here) on complaint of one Frederick Schaefer*  
*for Grand Larceny,*

Deposant says, said Frederick Schaefer  
 is a material witness for the People in said action.

Deposant further says, — that said  
 Frederick Schaefer is a stranger in this City  
 and has no permanent residence in this  
 city, and fearing that he will be unable to produce  
 him at time of trial, prays that he be committed to  
 the House of Detention in default of \$100. bail to testify,  
*John Kenny #2*

Sworn to before me, this

23

day

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

*Thomas Allen and  
William Walters.*

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

*Thomas Allen and William  
Walters*

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

The said

*Thomas Allen, and William  
Walters, both*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty second*  
day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety*,  
*\_\_\_\_\_*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one watch of the value of twelve  
dollars, one chain of the value of  
three dollars, one rule of the value  
of three dollars and fifty cents, the  
sum of eighteen dollars in money,  
lawful money of the United States and  
of the value of eighteen dollars, one  
passage ticket of the value of twenty-six dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Frederick Schafer*

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

*Thomas Allen and William Walters*

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

The said *Thomas Allen and William Walters*, both

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 watch of the value of twelve dollars, one chain of the value of three dollars, one rule of the value of three dollars and fifty cents, the sum of eighteen dollars in money, lawful money of the United States and of the value of eighteen dollars, and one passage ticket of the value of twenty-six dollars*  
of the goods, chattels and personal property of *Frederick Schafer*

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

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

*Allen and William Walters*

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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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Altieri, Gerardo

**DATE:**

10/31/90



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Mastriano, Vincenzo

**DATE:**

10/31/90



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Witnesses:

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Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

day of

1890

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Gerardo Altieri

Vincenzo Martignone

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*Amos Little*

Part 2 - Dec. 11, 1890. Foreman.

Fried and Acquitted

*Trying to property, etc.  
[Sec. 636, Penal Code, and  
Rev. Ordinances of 1889]*

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Sec. 192.

*5th*  
District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before *Maurice Hower* a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging *Vincenzo Mestriano* Defendant with  
the offence of *Malicious Mischief*

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

We,

*Vincenzo Mestriano*

Defendant of No.

*308*

and

*Earl 107*  
*Nicholas Conforti*

Street; by occupation a

*Blaster*

of No.

*233 E 114th*

Street, by occupation a

*Architect & Builder*

Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that

the above named

*Vincenzo Mestriano*

Defendant

shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the *5th* District Police Court in the City of New York,

during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of

*One*

*Thousand*  
Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this

*24*

day of

*August*

18*98*

*Vincenzo Mestriano*

*Nicholas Conforti*

POLICE JUSTICE.

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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Nicholas Conforti*

the within named Bail and Surety being duly sworn, says, that he is a resident and  
holder within the said County and State, and is worth *Twenty* Hundred Dollars,  
exclusive of property exempt from execution, and over and above the amount of all his debts and  
liabilities, and that his property consists of *four lots of ground*

*in Progress of building 118 Street 60 feet*  
*east of Madison Avenue in the City*  
*of New York of the value of Fifty thousand*  
*dollars mortgaged for thirty nine thousand*  
*dollars.*

*Nicholas Conforti*

Underlying to appear  
during the Examination.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Taken the *24* day of *Aug* 188*9*

Justice.

District Police Court.

day of

Sworn to before me, this

*August* 188*9*

District Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT,

5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

*Honorah Daly*  
 of No. *118 Street between 4<sup>th</sup> & Madison* Street, aged *61* years,  
 occupation *Widow* being duly sworn deposes and says,  
 that on the *23<sup>rd</sup>* day of *August* 18*90*

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *Vincento Mastriano*

(now here) did unlawfully set off a blast  
 in the rear of deponent's house without properly  
 covering said blast with heavy timbers ~~and~~  
 of Oak or Hickory placed over and around  
 each charge and securely fastened by  
 an Iron or Steel Chain and said timbers  
 were not held in their place by Five Hundred  
 pounds of Stone causing damage to the  
 said above described building to the amount  
 and value of about fifty dollars ~~to~~  
 the property of J. L. Chace the said blast

Sworn to before me, this

of

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Police Justice

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did undermine the foundation of said building and forced out two of the timbers underneath the floor of said building in violation of Section 636 of the Penal Code of the State of New York

Sworn to before me this  
 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1890

Wm. Daly

ccy of Conf. Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFRIDA VIT.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness:

Disposition,

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Vincenzo Mastrianni* 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. *Vincenzo Mastrianni*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *37 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Italy*

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

Answer. *308 East 107 St 6 Months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Plaster*

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*  
*Vincenzo Mastrianni*  
*Mark*

Taken before me this  
day of *Sept*  
189*9*

Police Justice



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Police Court...  
District...  
No. 1, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*  
No. 2, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*  
No. 3, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*  
No. 4, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*

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Police Court...  
District...  
No. 1, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*  
No. 2, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*  
No. 3, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*  
No. 4, by *Michaela Confetti*  
Residence *Cor 130 Sted 10 Ave*

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

Dated, *Aug 27* 1890 Police Justice.

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

Dated, *Aug 27* 1890 Police Justice.

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

Dated, *Aug 27* 1890 Police Justice.



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Sec. 192.

District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before Maurice J. Power a Police Justice  
of the City of New York, charging Gerardo Altieri Defendant with  
the offence of Malicious Mischief (Felony)

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

We, Gerardo Altieri Defendant of No. 347  
East 113<sup>th</sup> Street; by occupation a Mason  
and Nicola Corupanti of No. 333 East 114<sup>th</sup>  
Street, by occupation a Painter & Builder Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that  
the above named Gerardo Altieri Defendant  
shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the ✓ District Police Court in the City of New York,  
during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of ten  
Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 26

day of August 1980.

John J. Sweeney  
POLICE JUSTICE.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
NEW YORK, } ss.

day of

Sworn to before me, this

Police Justice.

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*Nichola Boniforti*

the within named Bail and Surety being duly sworn, says, that he is a resident and holder within the said County and State, and is worth *Twenty* Hundred Dollars, exclusive of property exempt from execution, and over and above the amount of all his debts and liabilities, and that his property consists of *four lots of ground in progress of building 118 St. 60 feet East of Madison Avenue in the City of New York of the value of Fifty thousand dollars mortgaged for thirty thousand dollars*

*Nicholas Boniforti*

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

Taken the day of 1888

Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,POLICE COURT, 5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

Honora Daly

of 118<sup>th</sup> St between 4<sup>th</sup> & Madison St, aged 61 years,occupation Widow being duly sworn deposes and says,that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 1880at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Gerardo Altieri

(now here) who did in conjunction with Vincenzo  
Matricano unlawfully and maliciously order  
said Matricano to fire off a blast without having  
any timbers of Oak or Hickory properly placed over  
and around each charge and without securely  
fastening said timbers with an Iron or Steel chain And  
said timbers were not held in their places by five hundred  
pounds of stone causing damage to the above described  
premises and <sup>also</sup> causing damage to said building  
of the amount and value of about fifty dollars  
the property of L. Chase the said blast did

Sworn to before me, this

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day

Police Justice



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undermine ~~said building~~ the foundation of said building and forced out two of the timbers underneath the floor of said building in violation of Section 636 of the Penal Code of the State of New York

Brought before me this  
26<sup>th</sup> day of Augt 1890  
my Confy

Barbara D. Kelly  
Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,

Disposition,



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Sec. 151.

Police Court 5th District.CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.In the name of the People of the State of New York; To the Sheriff of the County  
of New York, or to any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING:

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Isidoro Daly  
of 118 St between 4th & Madison street, that on the 23 day of August  
1890 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Giovanni Alteri did unlawfully in conjunction  
with Vincenzo Matrigno unlawfully and maliciously  
order said Matrigno to fire or shoot a blast  
with an iron pipe with a blast with heavy timbers  
causing damage of about the value of fifty dollars  
property of L Chase in violation of Section 636  
Penal Code of State of New York

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

These are Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant and bring him  
forthwith before me, at the 5 DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence  
or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to  
be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this

day of

26 Aug 1890  
W. J. O'Connell

POLICE JUSTICE.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Gerardo Altieri*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *32 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Italy*

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

Answer. *347 East 113 Street*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Mason.*

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*  
*Gerardo Altieri*

Taken before me this  
day of *Nov* 188*8*

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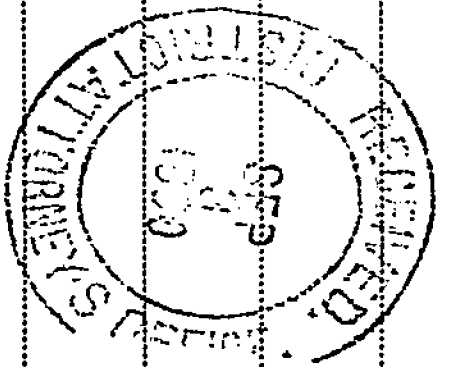
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No. 1, by Charles Constance  
Residence 60 East 11th St.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

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Police Court...  
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
John Mack Nally  
vs.  
Gerardo Altieri  
gentle violence  
with Unlawful Motive  
on 2nd Street at 31st St.  
Offense Malicious

Dated, Aug 29 1890  
John McKenna Magistrate  
Officer.

Witnesses  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
to answer Aug 29 Street 10th  
Paula



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 Three Hundred Dollars, \_\_\_\_\_ and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated, Aug 26 1890 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated, Aug 29 1890 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.



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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE,  
Of the City and County of New York.

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The People of the State of New York

Against

Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo

Mastriano.

-----X

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,  
by this indictment accuse Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo  
Mastriano of the crime of injuring the Property of  
another by the careless and negligent use of an explosive  
substance, committed as follows:

The said Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo Mastriano both  
late of the twelfth ward of the City of New York in the  
County of New York aforesaid, on the twenty-third day of  
August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and ninety, at the <sup>Ward</sup> City and County aforesaid, by the care-  
less and negligent use and management of a certain ex-  
plosive substance to the Grand Jury aforesaid, unknown ,  
did feloniously injure and occasion the injury of a  
certain building of one John L. Chase there situate, to  
the amount of the value of fifty dollars; 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 fur-



The said Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo Mastriano, both late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, being engaged in and having the management and control of the blasting of certain solid rock there by means of exploding and causing to be exploded a certain explosive substance to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, in holes and cavities bored therein and thereby ~~caused~~ splitting and rending the said rock into pieces and fragments, feloniously did carelessly and negligently use and manage and caused to be used and managed certain of the said explosive substance so used and employed in so blasting the said rock, to wit: feloniously did then and there carelessly and negligently explode and cause to be exploded in divers, to wit: four certain holes and cavities bored in the said rock, a great quantity of the said explosive substance, whereby a great portion of the said rock was then and there with great force and violence split and rent into pieces and fragments, and thrown and sent a great distance, without having first taken or caused to be taken any fit or proper measures whereby to prevent or avoid the injury to property by reason of such explosion; by means of which said explosion and by the force and violence thereof divers

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After scenes the said Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo

Pieces and fragments of the said rock were then and there thrown and sent with great force to, at and against a certain building of one John L. Chase there situate, and the said building thereby injured to the amount of the value of fifty dollars: And the said Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo Mastriano by such careless and negligent use and management of the said explosive substance did then and there feloniously injure and occasion the injury of the said building as aforesaid; against the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the Peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

- THIRD COUNT -

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment further accuse the said Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo Mastriano of the crime of violating an ordinance of the Common Council of the City of New York, committed as follows: The said Gerardo Altieri and Vincenzo Mastriano, both 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, being engaged in and having the management and control of the blasting of certain rock there, did unlawfully fire and cause and procure and suffer and permit to be fired a certain blast of divers, to wit: four charges, the said blast not being before it was so fired securely covered with six timbers of oak or hickory, not less than four inches thick, ten inches wide and ten feet long each,

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PHOTO SHOWS THE WAY WITH STEEL CHAINS TO BE USED IN THE  
BETWEEN THE CHAINS OF THE CITY ROCK ALSO SHOWN

Placed over and around each of the said charges, se -  
curely fastened together by an iron or steel chain with  
links not less than one inch in diameter, and such  
timbers held in place by at least five hundred Pounds  
of large stones piled on top of them, and did thereby  
then and there unlawfully offend against and violate a  
certain ordinance theretofore duly Passed by the Common  
Council of the said City and then and there in full  
force and operation throughout the said City, which said  
ordinance is as follows, that is to say: "In all cases  
of blasting rock or stones within the City of New York,  
each blast, before firing it, shall be secured with six  
timbers of oak or hickory not less than four inches  
thick, ten inches wide, and ten feet long each, to be  
Placed over and around each charge, and which said tim-  
bers shall be securely fastened together by an iron or  
steel chain, the links of which shall not be less than  
one inch in diameter, and which said timbers shall also  
be held in place by at least five hundred Pounds of  
large stones piled on top of them."

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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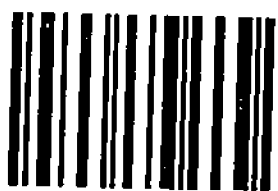
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Amsterdam, Morris

**DATE:**

10/17/90



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Romer, Samuel

**DATE:**

10/17/90



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Witnesses;

John R. Kunk

Officer Kunk

12 present

I concur in the state  
ment made by John R.  
Fellows Esq. then Dist Atty.  
on Dec 30 1890 &  
John Kunk and  
I recommend a cri-  
minal of this with  
in indictment  
May 13 1891

John M. Osborne  
Deputy

I concur in this  
recommendation  
J. Lancy Mearl  
Dist Atty

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

day of

1890

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Morris Amsterdam  
and  
Samuel Bromer

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

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

Off. Dist Atty. District Attorney.  
MD

A True Bill.

Andrew Little  
Part 2 - May 13 1892. Foreman.  
On motion of District  
Attorney, indictment as to  
both defendants dismissed

0585

Police Court— 3 District.City and County } ss.:  
of New York,Solomon Beckof No. 227 Rivington Street, aged 46 years,  
occupation cloak maker being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1897 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Morris Amsterdam and Samuel Weiner  
in the following manner to wit:—  
deponent was in his rooms on the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
floor of aforesaid premises. Defendants  
came in said rooms and struck  
deponent on the head with a loaded  
cane and a Bayonet causing painful  
wounds

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 23 dayof July 1897Solomon Beck

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

3 District Police Court.

Samuel Romer 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.

Samuel Romer

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

19 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Russia

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

Answer.

50 Suffolk St one year

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Clock maker

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

Answer.

I am not guilty

his  
Samuel + Romer  
mark

Taken before me this 2nd day of

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Horitz Amsterdam* 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. *Horitz Amsterdam*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *25 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Austria*

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

Answer. *145 Ridge St 3 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Sailor*

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*

*Amsterdam*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice

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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.

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

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

Dated July 23 1890

Police Justice.

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Solomon Beck  
227 22 Ringten  
1 Morris Astor  
2 Samuel Adams  
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Date July 23 1890  
Magistrate  
Officer  
Precinct  
Witness  
No. Street

No. Street  
No. Street  
No. Street

BAILED, Victor Stamer  
No. 1, by  
Residence 105 Delancey Street  
No. 2, by  
Residence  
No. 3, by  
Residence  
No. 4, by  
Residence

Samuel  
1000 Paul  
July 28/90  
Street

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

*Horitz Amsterdam*  
*And Daniel Rosner*

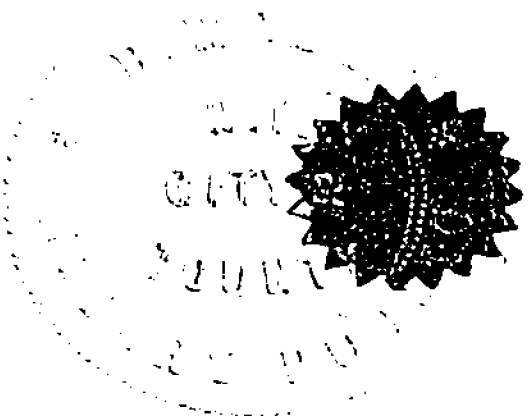
*As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself.*

*City and County of New York ss*  
*On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1890 before*  
*me personally came*

*Known to me to be the abovesaid*  
*Complainant who subscribed to above certificate*  
*described in & who executed the same*  
*and acknowledged to me that he*  
*executed the same and being duly*  
*sworn says that the statements therein*  
*are true*

*Salomon Geck*

*B. Geck*  
*Notary Public*  
*N. Y. City & Co.*



Dec 30 1890

In this case it  
was he found I think  
upon examination that  
the indictments should  
be dismissed. They

grew out of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>  
in labor organization,  
the Davis Anderson's  
familiar with the facts.

J. B. Davis  
D. A.

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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

*Morris Amsterdam*  
and *Samuel Romer*

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

*Morris Amsterdam* and *Samuel Romer*  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Morris Amsterdam* and *Samuel Romer*, both

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*twenty-third* day of *July* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and *ninety*, with force and arms, at the City and  
County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *Solomon Beck*  
in the Peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault  
and *him* the said *Solomon Beck*  
with a certain *loaded cane* and also with a certain *bayonet*

which the said *Morris Amsterdam* and *Samuel Romer*  
in *their* right hands then and there had and held, the same being *deadly* and  
dangerous weapons then and there wilfully and feloniously did strike, beat, cut, stab and  
wound,

with intent *him* the said *Solomon Beck*  
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

*Morris Amsterdam* and *Samuel Romer*  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Morris Amsterdam* and *Samuel Romer*, both

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 *Solomon Beck* in the peace of  
the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make  
another assault, and *him* the said

*Solomon Beck*  
with a certain *loaded cane* and also with a certain *bayonet*

which the said *Morris Amsterdam* and *Samuel Romer*  
in *their* right hands 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 strike, beat, cut, stab and wound, against the form of the statute in  
such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York,  
and their dignity.

*John R. Fellows,*  
District Attorney.

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THIRD COUNT—

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

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

The said

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 said  
in the peace of the said People then  
and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make another assault, and  
the said  
with a certain

which the said

in right hand then and there had and held, in and upon the  
of the said

then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, stab, cut, bruise and  
wound, and did then and there and by the means aforesaid, feloniously, wilfully and wrong-  
fully inflict grievous bodily harm upon the said

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:**

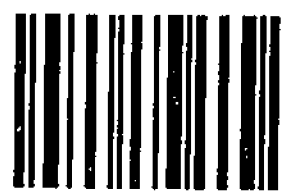
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Arenberg, Abraham

**DATE:**

10/29/90



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Police Court Main District.City and County  
of New York ss.of No. 58 Hester Street, aged 24 years,occupation Hatter being duly sworndeposes and says, that the premises No. 58 Hester Street, 10 Wardin the City and County aforesaid the said being a one story brickdwelling the basement ofand which was occupied by deponent as a hat factory and livingrooms and in which there was at the time a human being, by name Dolly Satonskywere BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breakingthe window and fasteningsof the same, on the front partof said premiseson the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1898 at the night and the

following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Dozen felt hats, ofthe value of eighteendollars \$18,the property of Joseph Satonsky

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 byAbraham Freenberg (nowhere)for the reasons following, to wit: at half pastseven o'clock on saidnight and date deponentlocked, bolted and closedeffectually said premisesand at about nine o'clockon said night and datedeponent heard saidwindow broken and said

Police Court, District.		Office—BURGLARY.	
THE PEOPLE, vs.,			
on the complaint of			
1	2	3	4
Dated, 188		Magistrate.	
Witness, _____		Officer. _____	
Clerk. _____			
No. _____	Street, _____	No. _____	Street, _____
No. _____	Street, _____	No. _____	Street, _____
to answer General Sessions.			



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*Am not guilty*  
*Abraham Rosenberg*  
*mark*

Taken before me this

day of

*2/11/1911*  
*Police Justice*

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court

District

THE PEOPLE, vs.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John J. ...*  
*35-100*

*John J. ...*  
*35-100*

Date

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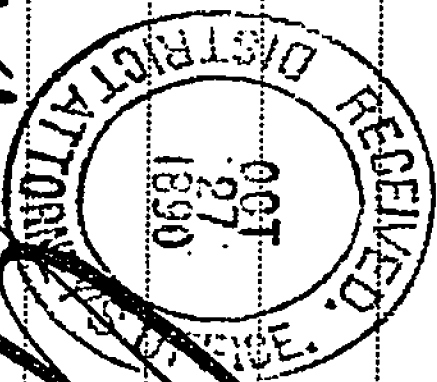
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It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 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 Oct 24 1890 *John J. ...* 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 offense within mentioned. I order h 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

*Abraham Arendberg*

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

*Abraham Arendberg*

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

The said *Abraham Arendberg*

late of the *Fourth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *Twenty* day of *October*, in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety*, with force and arms, about the  
hour of *nine* o'clock in the *night* time of the same day, at the Ward,  
City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one *Joseph T. Lonsdale*

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there  
some human being, to wit: *one Darryl T. Lonsdale*

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

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

— *Abraham Arentberg* —

of the CRIME OF  *Petit*  LARCENY —

committed as follows:

The said *Abraham Arentberg*

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,

*Twenty four hats of the value of*

*Twenty five cents each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Joseph Tatenberg* —

in the dwelling house of the said *Joseph Tatenberg* —

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.

## THIRD COUNT—

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

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

The said *Abraham Averbach*

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,

*Twenty four lots of the value of*

*seventy five cents each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Joseph S. Kinsley*

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

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

*Abraham Averbach*  
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:**

Armitage, William

**DATE:**

10/30/90



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Witnesses:

J. H. Lollard

Counsel

Filed

day of

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Pleas

34  
cigars  
166 1/2

THE PEOPLE

vs. Leonard

William Armitage

POLICY.

[S 344, Penal Code].

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Wm. Little

Part 2 May 592 Foreman.

Pleas Guilty

Fined \$100

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

Antonia

11/17  
13-25-50  
14-26-42  
15-50

of 150 Nassau Street, New York City, being duly sworn dep  
21 years of age, and is employed as Chief agent of the New York Society for the  
Suppression of Vice, that ~~he has just come to believe, is informed and verily does~~  
~~believe~~, that William Armitage here present

~~whose real name~~ unknown, but who can be identified by

did, at the City of        County  
of        and State of New York, on or about the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1880.

unlawfully use a room, table, establishment or apparatus for gambling purposes—and  
did engage as a dealer or writer ~~game-keeper~~ in a gambling or banking game, where money or  
property was dependent upon the result—and did sell, ~~and~~ offer to sell what is com-  
monly called a "lottery policy," and a certain writing, paper, or insurance, upon the drawing  
or drawn numbers of a certain lottery, hereto annexed, and did indorse and use a book or  
other document for the purpose of enabling others to sell or offer to sell lottery policies,  
writings, papers or documents in the nature of a bet, wager or insurance, upon the drawing  
or drawn numbers of a lottery, against the form of the statute of the State of New York  
in such case made and provided.

Deponent further says, ~~he has just come to believe, is informed and verily does~~  
~~believe~~ from personal observation and from statements made by persons in the  
presence and hearing of said Armitage

to deponent

that the said William Armitage

aforesaid, ~~now~~ did have in his possession, at in and upon  
certain premises occupied by him and situate and known as Number

166 1/2 Leonard street

in the City of New York and within

the County and State aforesaid, for the purpose of using the same as a means to commit a

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

Anthony Lountock

of 150 Nassau Street, New York City, being duly sworn deposes and says, he is more than 21 years of age, and is employed as Chief agent of the New York Society for the Suppression of Vice, that he ~~has just cause to believe, is informed and verily does believe~~, that William Armitage here present

~~whose real name~~ unknown, but who can be identified by

did, at the city of County of and State of New York, on or about the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1880, unlawfully use a room, table, establishment or apparatus for gambling purposes—and did engage as a dealer or writer ~~game-keeper~~ in a gambling or banking game, where money or property was dependent upon the result—and did sell, ~~and~~ offer to sell what is commonly called a "lottery policy," and a certain writing, paper, or insurance, upon the drawing or drawn numbers of a certain lottery, hereto annexed, and did indorse and use a book or other document for the purpose of enabling others to sell or offer to sell lottery policies, writings, papers or documents in the nature of a bet, wager or insurance, upon the drawing or drawn numbers of a lottery, against the form of the statute of the State of New York in such case made and provided.

Deponent further says, ~~he has just come to believe, is informed and verily does believe~~ from personal observation and from statements made by persons in the presence and hearing of said Armitage to deponent

that the said William Armitage aforesaid, ~~now~~ did have in his possession, at in and upon certain premises occupied by him and situate and known as Number 166 1/2 Leonard street in the city of New York and within the County and State aforesaid, for the purpose of using the same as a means to commit a



public offense, divers and sundry device, apparatus, tables, establishment and paraphernalia layouts, chips, deal boxes, cards, lottery tickets, lottery policies, writings, papers, books and documents for gambling purposes, in violation of the Provisions of Chapter IX of the Penal Code of the State of New York, wherefore deponent prays that warrants may be issued for the arrest of the persons named aforesaid, and to search for, seize and take possession of all of said unlawful matter, and that all be dealt with according to law.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1890.

Anthony Bourtock

*[Signature]* Police Justice.

CITY OF New York AND COUNTY OF New York ss.

John R. Collard of 41 Park Row

being further sworn deposes and says that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1890,

deponent visited the said premises, named aforesaid, and there saw the said

William Armitage aforesaid, and

had dealings and conversation with him as follows:

Deponent saw him writing and selling what are commonly called, lottery policies, Deponent said to him, give me 13. 25. 50 and 14. 26. 42 for twenty-five cents each.

The said Armitage, thereupon wrote and recorded the said play upon his manifold, and then took out the annexed paper from under his manifold book, and marked the characters on the first line over the numbers aforesaid, which numbers were written of manifold when he recorded the numbers upon his book. Deponent was present when the said Armitage was arrested, and saw the said manifold



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with deponents numbers recorded upon it.  
Deponent paid said Armitage its sum of fifty cents for the  
annexed paper, aforesaid  
subscribed and sworn to before me

this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1870

A. J. White } J. R. Colford  
Police Justice

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK ss.

District Police Court.

*William Armitage* 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. *William Armitage*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *34*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *England*

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

Answer. *166 1/2 Leonard*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Cigar*

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.*  
*Wm Armitage*  
*(hand disabled)*

Taken before me  
day of *July* 190*9*  
*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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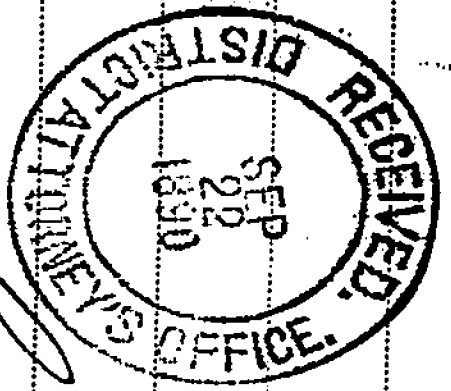
BAILED  
No. 1, by Memo Remy  
Residence 132 White Street.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Police Court... District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Anthony Courbot  
Alfred Amuaga  
Offence Robbery

Dated Sept 17 1898  
Magistrate.

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



No. 51111 Street.  
to answer Michael  
Selling

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

Dated Sept 17 1898. Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*William Armitage*

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

*William Armitage*  
of the CRIME OF SELLING WHAT IS COMMONLY CALLED A LOTTERY POLICY, committed as follows:

The said

*William Armitage*

late of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *seventeenth* day of *September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ~~eighty~~ *eighty* at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did sell to one

*John R. Ballard*

what is commonly called a Lottery Policy, the same being a certain paper, and writing, as follows, that is to say:

*B 4 17*

*13-25-50  
14-26-42 25 50*

(a more particular description of which said paper and writing so commonly called a Lottery Policy is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), 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

*William Armitage*

of the CRIME OF SELLING A PAPER, WRITING, AND DOCUMENT, IN THE NATURE OF A BET AND WAGER UPON THE DRAWING OF A LOTTERY, committed as follows:

The said

*William Armitage*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did sell to one

*John R. Ballard*



a certain paper, writing and document, in the nature of a bet and wager upon the drawing of a certain lottery, the same being a scheme for the distribution of property by chance among persons who had paid or agreed to pay a valuable consideration for such chance (a more particular description of which said lottery is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), which said paper, writing and document, is as follows, that is to say :

*B 417*  
 13-25-50  
 14 26-42 *9/25-50*

(a more particular description of which said paper, writing and document, is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

### THIRD COUNT.

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

*William Armitage*  
 of the CRIME OF SELLING A WRITING, PAPER, AND DOCUMENT IN THE NATURE OF AN INSURANCE UPON THE DRAWING OF A LOTTERY, committed as follows :

The said *William Armitage*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit : On the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did sell to one *John R. Ballard*

a certain paper, writing and document in the nature of an insurance upon the drawing of a certain lottery, the same being a scheme for the distribution of property by chance among certain persons who had paid or agreed to pay a valuable consideration for such chance (a more particular description of which said lottery is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), which said paper, writing and document is as follows, that is to say :

*B 417*  
 13-25-50 *9/25-50*  
 14 26-42

(a more particular description of which said paper, writing and document is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), 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.

### FOURTH COUNT.

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

*William Armitage*

of the CRIME OF SELLING A PAPER, WRITING AND DOCUMENT IN THE NATURE OF A BET AND WAGER UPON THE DRAWN NUMBERS OF A LOTTERY, committed as follows :

The said

*William Armitage*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did sell to one

*John R. Ballard*

a certain paper, writing and document in the nature of a bet and wager upon the drawn numbers of a certain lottery, the same being a scheme for the distribution of property by chance among persons who had paid or agreed to pay a valuable consideration for such chance (a more particular description of which said lottery is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), which said paper, writing and document is as follows, that is to say:

*B 4 17*

*13-25-50 P*  
*14 26 42 25 50*

(a more particular description of which said paper, writing and document is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), 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.

#### FIFTH COUNT.

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

*William Armitage*

of the CRIME OF SELLING A WRITING, PAPER AND DOCUMENT IN THE NATURE OF AN INSURANCE UPON THE DRAWN NUMBERS OF A LOTTERY, committed as follows:

The said

*William Armitage*

late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: On the day and in the year aforesaid, at the City and County aforesaid, feloniously did sell to one

*John R. Ballard*

a certain paper, writing and document in the nature of an insurance upon the drawn numbers of a certain lottery, the same being a scheme for the distribution of property by chance among certain persons who had paid or agreed to pay a valuable consideration for such chance (a more particular description of which said lottery is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), which said paper, writing and document is as follows, that is to say:

*B 4 17*  
*13-25-50 P*  
*14 26-42 25 50*

(a more particular description of which said paper, writing and document is to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, and cannot now be given), 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:**

Armstrong, George

**DATE:**

10/27/90



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Witnesses ;

J C McEachern

Rec'd Exh  
Cal. Sec  
Rec'd

7th

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1890

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

George D. Armstrong

Forgery in the Second Degree.

[Sections 511 and 521, Penal Code.]

(Endorsement, etc)

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Murder Little

Part 2 - Oct 30, 1890 Foreman.

Pleads Guilty

64th + 9 Mos.

7th



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Police Department of the City of New York,

Precinct No. One

New York, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> 1894

Arrested Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 1893. Geo. D. Armstrong & H. White.  
 Lawyer. 145 E 16<sup>th</sup> St. (Forgery)  
 Comp. James C. McEachern Lawyer. 141 B. way.  
 Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> 1893. Plead guilty at Gen. Ses. Sentenced  
 to 6 mos. & 9 months S.P. Recorder Smyth -

The above prisoner was charged while in the employ  
 of complainant with opening letters abstracting checks  
 from the same and forging the name of James C.  
 McEachern. to indorsements, also worthless checks,  
 on Nassau Nat-Bank, Chatham Nat-Bank  
 19<sup>th</sup> Ward. Nat-Bank and for a few several worth-  
 less checks in Cash New York. previous to this arrest  
 served 9, nine months in Crow Hill Penitentiary.

His wife appeared to be a very industrious woman  
 having 3, two children. She stated she worked hard  
 to support them her husband the prisoner, was a  
 great trouble to her always trying to take from  
 in place of contributing to her support. She  
 appeared to prefer his absence to company

Respectfully Submitted

James Gates  
 Deck First Precinct

Passed by C. O. L. Engr. 2

## Police Department of the City of New York,

Precinct No. ....

New York, ..... 18

\$15.00 Worthless check Harry Daly. 37 Wall St  
 " 15.00 " " Mr. Birmingham Butcher  
 106 Barclay St also  
 " 43.00 false representation  
 " 67.50 " " D. J. Phillips, 44 Eighth Ave  
 " 57.00 Rents Collected for James C. Lee. Cachum 171  
 Bway. and appropriated the same to his own use  
 " 38.00 David Barrangh, 68 E. Houston St. one suit  
 of clothes  
 East New York  
 \$15.00 Worthless check Martin Flage, Fulton & Weyershoff Ave  
 " " " " Fred. Herrensader, Barber, 148 Fulton Ave  
 " " " " Philip Herliok, Alabama & Liberty Ave  
 " 10.00 " " John Larner 170 Atlantic Ave

G. L. Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> 1887 G. D. Armstrong, Vermont & Liberty Ave  
 passing worthless checks. Discharged. J. Mc. Kenna  
 arrested and sentenced to 9 months Kings  
 County Penitentiary on 3 charges  
 worthless checks. Judge Mc. Kenna  
 term expired 29<sup>th</sup> of April 1890

Clinton Prison Dannemora N.Y.  
January 31<sup>st</sup> 1894.

Hon.

John R Fellows.

District Attorney, New York.

Dear Sir,

In response to a letter, Judge Joyce, the Pardon Clerk. writes me "that Recorder Smyth and the District Attorney were requested in December to report the facts in your case. but as yet have not done so."

Last December I wrote to Assistant District Attorney Lindoay, explaining my case, which briefly stated is "that I was sentenced by Recorder Smyth to six years, but that through error, or some cause, my commitment reads six years 9 months - I have again to express my thanks to Mr. Lindoay, who with great courtesy wrote me, to explain that it was against etiquette to tell, me in advance of forwarding his report to the Governor, what that report would be, and advised me to present my Petition at once to the Governor.

May I ask you to read my letters to Mr Lindoay, which more fully explain my case, and then forward your report to the Governor.

I can only repeat, my sentence was



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six years from the Judges lips - if the Clerk has the power to add 9 months - he has the same power to give me life, then what is the use of a Judge, District Attorney or Jury - I have no complaint to make of the Judges sentence, six years, but no Clerk has the right to tamper with that sentence, and to my detriment - but I desire to express to you, as emphatically as I can that all my efforts, are occasioned because I have the future employment, so as to support my self, wife and family as a problem before me.

The 6 years, 9 months sentence will expire, just before the legal summer vacation commences, at a time when I cannot secure employment as a Clerk in a law office -

You knew me, when I was of good repute, as the friend of <sup>the late</sup> Robert W Andrews. (Known as Bob. Andrews) of Bebe Dean & Donohue, and also afterwards, and know that my words can be taken as true; and I now plead with you for your good offices in this my time of need, not because I was once respectable; but that you with your great heart will keep even

a convict, if he wants to be able in the future to gain an honest living.

Will you also see Judge Smythe on the subject.

With greatest respect

Most sincerely yours

Geo D Armstrong



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James I. Hart,

No. 273

Dear Recorder -

I have written this  
 prisoner that we would  
 not express any opinion  
 till after an application  
 has been made for  
 his pardon, & that  
 probably you would not  
 either.

Will you kindly  
 send the letter to  
 Mr. Thayer after reading  
 it?

Yours  
 J. D. Sundray  
 Lagas heret Mr. Thayer

James J. Hart,  
Sergeant.

Clinton Prison.

Correspondence Department.

Pannemora, N. Y., Nov 23<sup>d</sup> 1893

Hon  
Asst Dist. Attorney Lindsay  
New York.

Dear Sir I wrote a lengthy but humble petition to Recorder Smyth on Oct 18/93. in which I stated that my sentence as given by him was 6 years, but that the Commitment through error read 6 years 9 mos. and praying him to let me know in any way he choose whether I made Petition to the Governor for clemency <sup>by</sup> the reduction of the term of my sentence to the original 6 years, his response to the Governor would be favorable or otherwise. I have not yet received a reply. - By this mail I write him to remind <sup>him</sup> of my letter. should his failure to answer be a result of pressure of business -

As you were the Prosecuting Officer against me, and treated me with so much consideration at my being sentenced - I feel that you will not think I am taking too great a liberty if I asked you to see my letter to Recorder Smyth, and in his hands. - and if the Recorder permits, write

me yourself. if I can hope for his Honor's favorable reply on my application to the Governor, and also what your own reply would be.

As one that in former days stood well in his profession, and in good society, I am very loth to bring myself in any way before either the Recorder, yourself, or the public, and only the genuine reasons stated in my letter to the Recorder prompt me to solicit the lessening of my sentence to the term imposed by the Recorder.

If you will so far keep, me, an unfortunate, though I may never be in a position to positively requite your favor. yet I shall always remember with gratitude your kindness.

Respectfully yours.

Geo D Armstrong

Prison No 1157.

James J. Hart,  
Sergeant.

Clinton Prison.

Correspondence Department.

Canamora, N. Y., Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 1893.

John D. Lindsay Esq  
Assistant District Attorney  
New York City

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, and am impelled to express my thanks, for its promptness—although the etiquette of your office prevented your giving me the intimation desired, yet your kindness of heart, and courtesy of a gentleman, was shown in your letter; especially as I was erroneously informed that you were the Prosecuting Attorney. With his gentlemanly courtesy at the trial, and your present kindness to a convict, who has not received any word from the outside world, except from his wife—I have nothing but the most grateful feelings towards the District Attorney's office and yourselves in particular. I have acted on your suggestion and today I forward my personal petition to the Governor, it has not the aid of any friends names—upon your office & upon the Recorder's reports I rely, and if they are



advice, I can only submit, and sewe my  
 sentence with humility, trusting that on my  
 release some avenue may be opened, in which  
 I can earn my daily bread in honesty -

Perhaps I may be asking too much, and  
 shall consider your silence as a proper answer  
 thereto; but if it is not so, after your  
 Report. has been forwarded to the Governor, I  
 should like to know that it has been done, and  
 if proper, the word - "favorable" - or - "unfavorable"  
 so that my expectations of success, may be either  
 killed or heightened - and end suspense,

With my sincere thanks, for your kindness

Truly yours

Geo D Armstrong

No 1157.

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

aged 35 years, occupation Barber of No. 323 N 38 Street, being duly sworn deposes and

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

Sworn to before me, this  
day of Oct 1888

Paul Westphal

H. K. K. K.  
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 50 years, occupation Coal of No. 11

11 Boulevard des Capucines Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Jamin C. M. Cacher

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

October 1889

John Golla  
Police Justice.



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Police Court,

1<sup>st</sup> District.City and County } ss.  
of New York,of No. 171 Broadway ~~Street~~, aged 28 years,occupation Lawyer being duly sworn, deposes and says,that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1870, at the City of NewYork, in the County of New York, one George D. Armstrong

(now here) did forge the name of Depment as an endorsement to a certain check drawn on the West Side Bank by Paul Westphal for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (said check being hereto attached) in the manner following to wit: that said Armstrong was in the employ of Depment as a clerk and had an opportunity to examine Depment's mail that at the time said Westphal was indebted to Depment in the above amount and has since ~~been~~ <sup>been</sup> informed that he mailed the check here shown to Depment and through the same was duly presented to his Bank and cashed.

Depment further says that he has been informed by John Galla of 130<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Boulevard that said Armstrong presented the check here shown asked him to give him the money for it and that he Galla did accommodate said Armstrong and paid over to him said amount of money. He Galla receiving the check and passed the same through his Bank and by that means received the value of it. Depment now says that the name written on the back



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of said check purporting to be his  
is a forgery and with no  
authority of deposit placed  
upon it, and from the circumstances  
deposit charges said Amstutz  
with having so written it and  
of appropriating the proceeds  
of the check to his own use and  
benefit, in a felonious manner.

J. G. C. C. C.

Sworn before me this  
9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1890

J. H. White

Police Justice

Dated 1888  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence within mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Police Justice.

Dated 1888  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Police Justice.

Dated 1888  
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.  
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

vs.

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Offence,

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

\$ to answer \$

Sessions

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty.  
and waive examination*

*Geo D. Armstrong*

Taken before me this

day of

1906

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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

*George D. Armstrong*

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

*George D. Armstrong*  
of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

*George D. Armstrong;*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *nineteenth*  
day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
~~eighty-ninth~~, at the City and County aforesaid, having in *his* custody a certain  
instrument and writing, *to wit: an order for the payment*  
*of money, of the kind called bank cheques*  
which said *bank cheque* is as follows, that is to say:

*New York, Aug 18<sup>th</sup> 1890*

*West Side Bank*

*Pay to the order of Jas C. McEachen*  
*Fifteen <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars*  
*\$15.<sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Paul Westphal*

the said

*George D. Armstrong*

afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year  
aforesaid, 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 forging on the  
*back* of the said *instrument and writing,*  
a certain instrument and writing commonly called an *endorsement* which said forged  
instrument and writing commonly called an *endorsement* is as follows, that is to say:

*J. C. McEachen*

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.



## SECOND COUNT—

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*George D. Armstrong*  
 of the CRIME OF FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said

*George D. Armstrong*  
 late of the City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the day and in the year aforesaid,  
 at the City and County aforesaid having in *his* possession a certain instrument  
 and writing, to wit: an order for the payment of  
 money, of the kind called bank cheques

which said bank cheque — is as follows, that is to say:

*New York, Aug 18th 1890*  
*West Side Bank*  
 Pay to the order of Jas. C. McEachen  
*Fifteen*<sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars  
*\$15.50*  
*Paul Westphal*

on the *back* of which said instrument ~~and writing~~ there was then and  
 there written a certain forged instrument and writing commonly called an *endorsement*  
 of the said last-mentioned ~~instrument and writing~~ which said forged  
 instrument and writing, commonly called an *endorsement* is as follows,  
 that is to say:

*J. C. McEachen*

with force and arms, the said forged *endorsement* then and there feloniously did  
 utter, dispose of and put off as true, with intent to defraud, *he* the said  
*George D. Armstrong* then and there well knowing the premises,  
 and that the said *endorsement* was 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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**BOX:**

411

**FOLDER:**

3808

**DESCRIPTION:**

Banozzo, Giuseppe

**DATE:**

10/16/90



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**BOX:**

411

**FOLDER:**

3808

**DESCRIPTION:**

Banozzo, Giuseppe

**DATE:**

10/16/90



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Witnesses:

Peter Mennan

Officer O'Connell

23 front

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1890

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

33 College Point  
Whitestown

Giuseppe Banazzo

Burglary in the THIRD DEGREE  
(Section 498, Penal Code.)

JOHN R. FELLOWS,

District Attorney.

Oct 27, 1890. Filed  
Oct 28, 1890. Filed

A True Bill.

Arthur Little

Foreman.

Part III. October 28, 90

True and convicted

with rec. to mercy comp.

S.P. 2 yrs

R.B.M.



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Police Court— District.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 806 Second Avenue Street, aged 25 years,

occupation Liquor dealer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that the premises No. 806 Second Avenue, 19 Ward

in the City and County aforesaid the said being a dwelling house the

store floor of which and which was occupied by deponent as a Liquor Store

and in which there was at the time <sup>no</sup> human being, by name

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breaking the wooden shutters in front of the rear window opening into said store and then breaking one pane of glass in said window and then inserted their hands and unfastened the latch or catch and then opened said window on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1889 in the night time, and the following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

A Quantity of Liquors and Cigars  
of the value of Twenty-five  
Hundred Dollars — (\$2500.<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>)

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

Christopher Barozzo  
for the reasons following, to wit: That at about the hour of 1 A.M. on the aforesaid day deponent found said window securely fastened and locked and at about the hour of 3 A.M. thereafter deponent was informed by Officer Joseph O'Donohue of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Precinct Police that he O'Donohue saw said defendant entering said window and found said defendant in said Liquor Store

Sworn to before me this  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1889

Wm. Mahon Police Justice

Peter Meenan

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

*the 23rd Precinct Police* Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Peter Meenan*

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

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_

*3*  
*October* 18*90* \_\_\_\_\_ *Joseph O'Donohue*

*A. J. McMahon*

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

4 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Giuseppe Barozzo* 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.

*Giuseppe Barozzo*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*33 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*France*

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

Answer.

*College Point and about 3 months*

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 did not know where*

*it was, it was 3 o'clock in the morning and I found the window open and went in to go to sleep.*

*Giuseppe Barozzo*

*Q*

Taken before me this  
day of *March* 188*9*  
*Michael J. [Signature]*

Police Justice.



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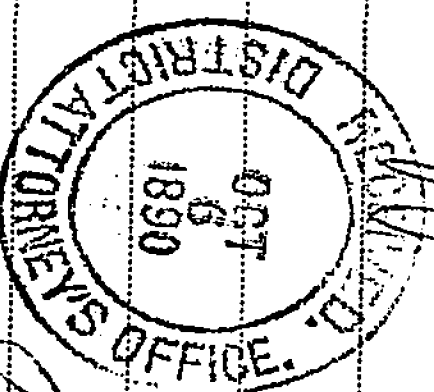
BAILED,  
No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court--- 4 District, 15/14

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Police Master  
806 2nd Ave.  
Joseph J. ...  
Offence Burglary

Dated October 3 1890  
M. McMahon Magistrate  
Officer  
23 Precinct

Witness  
No. 1, by ...  
Residence ... Street ...  
No. 2, by ...  
Residence ... Street ...  
No. 3, by ...  
Residence ... Street ...  
No. 4, by ...  
Residence ... Street ...



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

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Twenty 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 Oct 3 1890 W. McMahon 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.





man whatever.

J O S E P H O ' D O N O H U E , a witness for the People, sworn,  
testified:

I am a police officer attached to the Third Precinct. On the 3d. of October 1890 I arrested this defendant at about half past two o'clock in the morning. At that hour I was coming down Second Avenue and I noticed the defendant standing on 43d. Street. He had an overcoat on his arm. He was acting in a strange and suspicious manner, and I watched him. He disappeared after a time. I saw him coming out of No. 44, the northeast corner of 43d. Street and Third Avenue. I went across the street. I heard a noise in this liquor store. I didn't see the defendant at this time. He had disappeared. I stationed an officer in front of the store and I went around and got in through the rear window of this liquor store which had been broken open. When I got into the premises I found the defendant standing at the end of the bar in the act of going behind the bar. I asked the defendant what he was doing there, and he said he couldn't help it, that he had no work. I then aroused the proprietor of the place, and he came downstairs. I took the prisoner to the Police Station and afterwards to the Police Court.

CROSS-EXAMINATION:

I know as a fact that the front door of these premises was not open. I first saw the defendant standing on the corner of 43d. Street and Second Avenue with an overcoat on his arm. This saloon is on the northeast

corner of 43d. street and Second Avenue. I am positive that the front door of these premises was closed.

D E F E N C E:

G U I S S E P I B A N N O Z O, the defendant, sworn, testified:

I reside at College Point. I have been in this country about eleven months. I know that I am charged with breaking into these premises. I didn't do so. I cannot say how the thing happened; the only thing that I can remember is that I was under the influence of liquor and I can make no further explanation. I was in this store on the same afternoon, but I have no recollection of breaking into it. I had no burglar's tools in my possession.

CROSS-EXAMINATION:

- Q Why do you say that you would have to have burglar's tools if you broke in? A I have heard people talk about such things.
- Q Were you drunk when the policeman arrested you? A Yes, sir.
- X Q You are *sure of* what took place? A No, sir.
- Q You didn't break that window? A No, sir.
- Q You didn't open the shutters? A No, sir.

OFFICER O'DONOHUE, being recalled, repeated his former testimony.

The Jury returned a verdict of "guilty of burglary in the third degree".







# Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
against

*Giuseppe Danozzo*

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

*Giuseppe Danozzo*

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

The said

*Giuseppe Danozzo*

late of the *nineteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York  
aforesaid, on the *third* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty *ninety*, with force and arms, in the  
*night* time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the  
dwelling house of one *store of one Peter Meenan*

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 *Peter Meenan store*

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.

*John R. Fellows,*  
District Attorney

## SECOND COUNT—

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

of the CRIME OF

LARCENY

, committed as follows:

The said

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 time of said day, with force and arms,

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one

in the dwelling house of the said

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.

## THIRD-COUNT.

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

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

The said

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

of the goods, chattels and personal property of

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

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), 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.