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DESCRIPTION:

Hart, Francis X.

DATE:

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## STATE OF NEW YORK.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

## AN INQUISITION,

Taken at the *Cross Office*  
 No. 67 *West Row* Street, in the *4* Ward of the City of  
 New York, in the County of New York, this *27* day of *August*  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *87* before  
 JOHN R. NUGENT, Coroner,  
 of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the Body of *Mrs. Deutch*

*now lying dead at*  
*Upon the Oaths and Affirmations of*  
*me* good and lawful men of the State of New York, duly chosen and  
 sworn, or affirmed, and charged to inquire, on behalf of said people, how and in what manner  
 the said *Mrs. Deutch* came to her death, do upon  
 their Oath and Affirmations, say: That the said *Mrs. Deutch*

*came to her death by*  
*Belladonna poison administered by*  
*mistake at her residence 325 E 58 St*  
*on July 28-1887. and we find the*  
*said poison was compounded by*  
*druggist Francis C Hart of 57 E 12 Ave*  
*and we exonerate Francis C Hart*  
*from all blame*

In Witness Whereof, We, the said Jurors, as well as the CORONER, have to this Inquisition,  
 set our hands and seals, on the day and place aforesaid.

## JURORS.

*W. S. Sidmore 178 Broadway NY Alfred L. Calver 219 E 109 St*  
*James Shea 75 Nassau H. Walker 65 Pike St*  
*Alvan R. Severin 198 Chrytie M. F. Flynn 12 Danvers*  
*Joe. Buchanan 165 Village L. F. Little 1320 3rd Ave*  
*Edw. W. Thomson Fordham*  
*S. D. Websterbrook 253 Bowery*

CORONER, &amp;c. &amp;c.

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## TESTIMONY.

Clara Deutsch, being sworn says  
 Anna Deutsch now living at  
 325 E 58 St is my Mother she  
 has been sick for a few weeks  
 with Rheumatism and was  
 attended by Dr Hamilton Williams  
 of Greenpoint who prescribe the  
 following medicines a mixture to be  
 taken internally, the direction being  
 $\frac{1}{8}$  part four times a day - in a  
 little water and signed Hamilton  
 Williams, and also a liniment  
 the form of mixture numbered  
 on an additional label  
 no- 86901-7-16- the prescription  
 for the liniment is dated June  
 14-1887- signed by Hamilton Williams  
 and numbered-56634-... recognizing  
 the bottle marked-86901- as the  
 bottle from which I gave my  
 Mother two table spoon full in  
 a little water on July 25-1887  
 about 4:30 - PM - after giving her  
 the medicine she said it was like  
 fire inside she made it too strong  
 she wafted once across the floor  
 and then dropped on the sofa  
 and went into convulsions.  
 After she got convulsions we sent  
 to find out what the medicine  
 was - she remained in that  
 condition until she died at  
 5.36 AM July 29-1887

Clara Deutsch

Sworn to before me,

this

day of

Aug 1887

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## Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY. / 9

Isaac Deutsch's wife was  
 inside at 325 East 58 St  
 Theresa Deutsch now by me  
 dead in our home 325-58 St  
 is my Mother. she has been sick  
 for some time on and off with  
 Rheumatism, and for two  
 weeks past has been attended  
 by Dr. Hamilton Williams of  
 138 Huron St. - Grand Rapids.  
~~she~~ My sister told me she had  
 given her two spoonfuls of a  
 mixture which had been  
 prepared by Mr. Hart a  
 druggist at 57 St & 2 Ave  
 on July 28. 1887 shortly  
 after 4 pm after which  
 she was taken violently  
 delirious we had four or  
 five physicians they tried the  
 stomach pump and Emetics  
 but without avail. she died  
 July 29- 1887 about 5 am  
 in great agony.

Isaac Deutsch

Taken before me  
 this 30 day of

Aug 1887

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Albert Sautod being sworn says  
 Decided at 329 E 58 St on July  
 28- about 130 pm. I left my  
 Mother's house in company with  
 Dr Hamilton Williams of  
 188 Huron St Green Point  
 who had been attending my  
 Mother for two weeks past  
 for Rheumatism. We went  
 to a drug store Trip by  
 Francis A Hart at 57 St  
 and Second Ave. I brought  
 with me a bottle which had  
 contained Medicine which my  
 Mother had been taking internally  
 for some time, but had been  
 emptied. It had on a Label  
 with the directions for use-  
 which said one right part to be  
 taken four times a day when  
 we got to the drug store I sat  
 on a chair while the Doctor  
 was ~~talking~~ talking to Mr  
 Hart. and it appears to me  
 Dr Williams was writing some  
 thing while I was sitting on  
 the chair

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TESTIMONY.

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Then Dr Williams lost some soda  
 maker and invited me to  
 have some. We then left  
 together and Dr Williams lost  
 the car and I went home  
 Mr Hart said he would send  
 the medicine home which he  
 did some fifteen minutes  
 after. I then left the house  
 - because my sister gave my  
 Mother two table spoon full  
 of the medicine a little after  
 four pm. after which she was  
 taken violently sick. From  
 11 five physicians were called  
 but could do nothing for  
 her she died July 24th - about  
 5 AM. 1887

(Recall.) I did not read Mr Hart  
 any footle. Mr Hart sent  
 a physician on his own account  
 when he heard of my Mother  
 taking the poison.  
 Albert Decker

Taken before me  
 this 27 day of

Aug 1887

CORONER.

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## Coroner's Office,

## TESTIMONY.

Morris Block M.D. being sworn says:  
 I reside at 337 E 58th St a physician.  
 I know the deceased Mr Deutch.  
 I was called by a gentleman Mr. [unclear]  
 on July 28-1887 to come to Mr  
 Deutch's home <sup>where</sup> said the  
 lady was sick. I went there  
 and found Mr Deutch in  
 convulsions and unconscious.  
 I asked what was the matter  
 and some one told me she  
 had taken two spoon full  
 of medicine and had got  
 sick. We had to hold her  
 after awhile I asked where  
 was the medicine and some  
 one told me Mr. [unclear] had  
 gone to the drug shop and when  
 he came back he said it  
 was liniment. I went to the  
 drug shop to get some thing  
 and to make sure of it.  
 Belladonna and the clerk told  
 me Dr. Greenough was there  
 with emetics. We tried every  
 thing in our power we  
 injected Morphine

Taken before me  
 this            day of

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

For her in her head  
 Mustard plaster, I mean  
 Dr. Grunough and myself  
 we worked together after a  
 time Dr. Weiner was called  
 in and he said what we  
 did was all right and  
 told us to try the stomach  
 pump we used it without  
 effect we made suppositories  
 of Brandy then Dr.  
 Schoen was called in  
 and Dr. Ordover Dr. Schoen  
 advised us to try Croton Oil  
 as a purge she got seven or  
 eight drops but it did  
 not work she got in more  
 of a stupor. Dr. Weiner said  
 it was no use to use Croton  
 Oil after 11 o'clock I told  
 the people as far as we  
 know and we did not remove  
 her and there was no chance  
 of her being safe she was in  
 deep comatose and the rattling  
 in the throat became worse  
 we left after 12 o'clock  
 I dropped in and she

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 this            day of

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TESTIMONY.

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was in deep coma she  
died about 4 PM my  
friend. That is all I know I  
attended her once in my office  
before but I would not  
have known her  
to this day

Taken before me  
this 24 day of

Dec 2 1887

CORONER.



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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

14

Hamilton Thuman MD being sworn says  
 I am 130 Huron St Brooklyn  
 am a Physician I know the deceased  
 Theresa Deutch I attended her  
 I last saw her alive on July  
 28 - about 2. PM. she appeared  
 to be convalescing very well  
 from Chronic Rheumatism of  
 joints. I had been treated for  
 from the 14<sup>th</sup> I was called  
 to attend the deceased on  
 the 14<sup>th</sup> of July and I found  
 her suffering or already started  
 and on the first day I saw  
 her I prescribed a bottle  
 of Liquid medicine for internal  
 use. and in my memory serves  
 me it was <sup>prescribed</sup> tabloid one eighth  
 part four times a day  
 explaining then that the bottle  
 of Liquid medicine was only  
 a preliminary to the regular  
 treatment I believe the second  
 day after I wrote the permanent  
 prescription - having our alleged  
 the bottle of Liquid use.  
 has had already served  
 its purpose

Taken before me  
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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

I asked the family of deceased  
to get the medicine prepared  
at Mr. Norheim as 59503 Ave  
for the reason that he has  
made up similar prescriptions  
to my satisfaction. The prescriptions  
for the liquid medicine was  
written there and also the a  
box of pills and also a  
bottle of medicine and a  
pot of paste of and a  
bottle of medicine for  
internal use some time  
after the family requested  
me to rewrite or give copies  
of prescriptions so that the  
prescriptions could be  
put in to the hands of  
Mr Hart. the druggist.  
I acceded to the request  
of the family and rewrote  
the prescriptions of the three  
medicines these were placed  
on Mr Hart's medicine books  
the external prescription was  
not put in as no one  
was there on the prescriptions  
books ~~at that time~~ Hart, ~~at~~  
of me

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TESTIMONY.

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or in his hands a prescription  
 for internal use. I was  
~~called in~~ a letter was written  
 to me and I had no time  
 to answer it. On the 28<sup>th</sup> July  
 I went again I saw the lady  
 again that was my last  
 visit. I got there about  
 2 o'clock and was asked  
 my opinion and I said the  
 lady was improving I was  
 asked if it was desirable  
 to take her to the sea I  
 said yes I said if there  
 was any change in the medicine  
 I should go on continuing as  
 you are doing one of the  
 family spoke of a symptom  
 that had made it appear  
 I was asked will you then  
 write a prescription I replied  
 yes I will call to the drug  
 store and make a change  
 on the face of the prescription  
 which he had. explaining at  
 the same time that I proposed  
 to take that course so  
 as not to increase the number

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 this            day of

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TESTIMONY.

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of article which she was using  
 I got to the drug store of  
 Mr Hart at 1077. I saw  
 Mr Deutch accompanied  
 me and brought what  
 he considered to be the  
 empty packages that  
 contained the medicines  
 he brought a bottle for  
 the lumbar. I went in  
 and asked Mr Hart for  
 Mr Deutch prescriber &  
 let me see if he was  
 ready to the book he had  
 to get one of the empties  
 to get the number Mr  
 Deutch handed him the  
 bottle he had brought  
 with him and Mr Hart  
 said this is not my bottle  
 I must have a bottle of  
 a bottle of my medicine  
 I wrote on the bottle and  
 said this is the bottle of  
 Aquia medicine that was  
 made at my house this  
 is not our bottle

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 this            day of

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TESTIMONY.

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Has both direct eye  
 as I believe or was when  
 Mr Dutch produced the  
 pill for all. Then Mr Har  
 turned over the book and  
 was brought face to face  
 with my prescription. The  
 only prescription he had  
 from me and I said to  
 him that is the prescrip-  
 tion made up. I refused  
 by the pills paste and  
 Liniment. but I want to  
 add another Barbadoe  
 Aloes 24 grains. That was  
 all and Mr Dutch and  
 myself had some soda  
 water and glass that evening  
 received this telegram.  
 { Come quick Mother both }  
 { Liniment internally by }  
 { Mustate July 28 }  
 The following morning I was  
 over and she was dead  
 when Mr Dutch and myself  
 was in the drug store I  
 asked to look at the prescrip-  
 tion and the prescription book

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## Coroner's Office.

## TESTIMONY.

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was opened and I read it  
 accurately and added in  
 the prescription book the  
 extract of Barbadoe all  
 and I acted as apothecary  
 and was a practicing  
 physician. and was cutting  
 the lady. I saw Deulof  
 hand to Mr Hart the  
 bottle and they Dr Hart  
 said to Deulof I cannot  
 put this up it was made  
 for 59 <sup>Dr</sup> Hart. I  
 do not know if he returns  
 the bottle to Deulof.  
 My impression is that at no  
 time did I have the bottle  
 in my hand I wrote on  
 the bottle and gave what  
 it was. and I made the  
 day not say that is the  
 summing bottle. I did not  
 say that is all right these  
 people used to deal on  
 59 <sup>Dr</sup> Hart. Dr Hart did  
 not say I cannot put up  
 the prescription I did not  
 say give me a piece of

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TESTIMONY.

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paper and I will make you  
 a prescription out. I did  
 not. Did you have then  
 hand you a piece of  
 paper which I placed on  
 the prescription book. (no) was  
 in my recollection) did you  
 point to the entry in the  
 book? Yes I said did you  
 ask ~~that~~ how he would  
 make it up? Yes) did he  
 not reply to you he would  
 refer to his book for the  
 exact proportions. (no)  
 do you remember saying to Mr  
 Hart. I remember that you  
 said said at the time he  
 made up the prescription  
 he had no Eucal oil  
 (I made some remark of that  
 kind) did you say to Hart  
 you make it up like this  
 pointing to the prescription  
 in Hart's book? I presume so,  
 did you say to him: You is  
 in this bottle it will  
 save the people the trouble  
 of going to the doctor? I did not

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this day of

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TESTIMONY.

Do you say at the time (if the prescription had not been made up) it was not made up) the prescription for ~~the~~ medicine was one I gave and had made up and I directed all three medicines to be made up. The directions were one eighth part ~~to be taken~~ four times a day in a little water. This label in its present condition

was not on the bottle when taken to Mr Hart - The lower part of the label was on the bottle after complying with my prescription he pasted the over label on top of the lower one. The prescription in Harts is two ounces of compound Mustard. originally prescription dated Aug 16-1887 was given by me to be made up at Mr Harts store on the prescription I had written the words imminent poison use as directed.

Taken before me

this day of

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when I was back on the 28-  
 July. I gave the direction as  
 before. I told him to make  
 that up. in the original  
 prescription. ~~I put the words~~  
~~poison. I cannot~~  
~~say if I~~ Will you swear that  
 on your original prescription  
 that the words ~~poison~~ ~~sum~~  
 were written. (I think it probable  
 that there was)

Hamilton Williams M.D.

130 Brown St. N.Y.

Taken before me  
 this - day of

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Jacob Ischner M.D. being sworn says: I  
 reside at 120 E 55 St. am a  
 Physician I did not know the deceased  
 but was called in on July 28-  
 about 8 pm. one of the sons  
 for a stomach pump in forming  
 me his mother had been poisoned  
 by a dose of Belladonna  
 owing to circumstances my own  
 family affairs Mr S. Edg  
 did not assist me at the  
 time to call but merely  
 assisted me to lend him my  
 stomach pump for the  
 use of the physician  
 who were attending her I  
 administered and gave him  
 the pump about a half  
 hour later the same Mr  
 Edg. called again  
 requesting me to come as  
 person which I did  
 found the deceased in  
 her in a comatose  
 dilated pupils & dilated  
 pulse hot red skin

Taken before me  
 this            day of

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Pupils dilated in allude  
 found Dr Morris Block  
 I was informed and  
 believed it to be case  
 of Belladonna poison  
 upon inquiry what had  
 been done to relieve the  
 patient or being too late  
 to apply the pump with  
 any expectation of benefit  
 as I understood  $4\frac{1}{2}$  hours  
 had elapsed. I deemed it  
 advisable to administer  
 and await the result of  
 the administration of Croton oil  
 The oil was administered  
 but without the slightest  
 beneficial result. In about  
 an hour after the patient  
 died in with a distressing  
 breathing - heavy & laborous -  
 and all appearances of  
 rapid dissolution  
 I made no inquiry concerning  
 the bottle and left convinced  
 there was no hope that she  
 would be kept from

Taken before me  
 this      day of

Jacob T. Schuler

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Charles H. Greenough M.D. being sworn says: I reside at 307 E. 57<sup>th</sup> St. I am a practicing Physician of City of New York and graduated at Bellevue Hospital Medical College in 1872. On Thursday July 28/87 at 5.45 PM I was called to attend a Mrs Deutsch of 325 E. 58<sup>th</sup> St. I went there and found the patient in a semi-conscious condition - was informed such condition was produced by medicine taken through mistake said medicine being a liniment intended for external use and had been given internally. Soon after my arrival Dr. Block of 58<sup>th</sup> St. came in and informed me he had previously visited the case and was then absent (at my arrival) investigating the character of the medicine taken. On being so informed I gave him the priority in charge. We immediately gave emetics and stimulants and also used the stomach pump. We called as consultants the following gentlemen Drs. Weiner, Lechner, and O'Dwyer. We gave careful attention to the patient till 10.30 PM then finding her rapidly sinking and impossible to save her life, with the consent of the family I left.

Taken before me

this 19 day of August 1887

C. H. Greenough, M.D.

CORONER.

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TESTIMONY.

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William O'Meara M. D., being duly sworn, says:  
I have made an examination of the body of  
Theresa Deutch now lying dead at  
325 E 58th and from such examination  
and history of the case, as per testimony, I am of opinion the cause of  
death is

Narcotic poisoning  
by belladonna & chloroform  
intended for external use

William O'Meara M. D.

Sworn to before me,  
this 20 day of

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CORONER.

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MEMORANDA.

AGE	PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	DATE When Reported
<i>66</i> Years — Months — Days	<i>Austria</i> <i>Hung</i>	<i>325 E 58 St</i>	<i>July 29/87</i>

*Sampter & Matzek,*  
*Corset Makers at Law,*  
320 & 322 Broadway,  
Rooms 35, 36 and 37.  
*11 Broadway, New York.*  
TELEPHONE NASSAU 473.

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*J. R. N.*  
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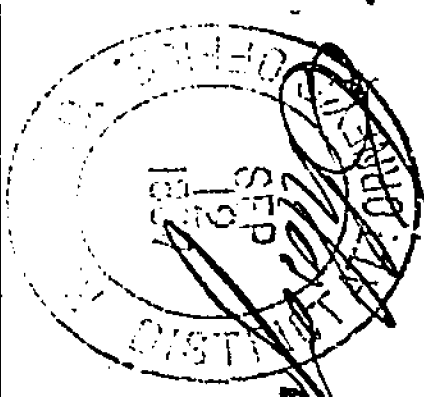
AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

*Phoebe Mitchell*  
*New York*

whereby it is found that she came to  
her death by

*James J. Donovan*  
*by J. J. Donovan*  
*and J. J. Donovan*



Inquest taken on the *22 day*

*John R. Nugent, Coroner.*



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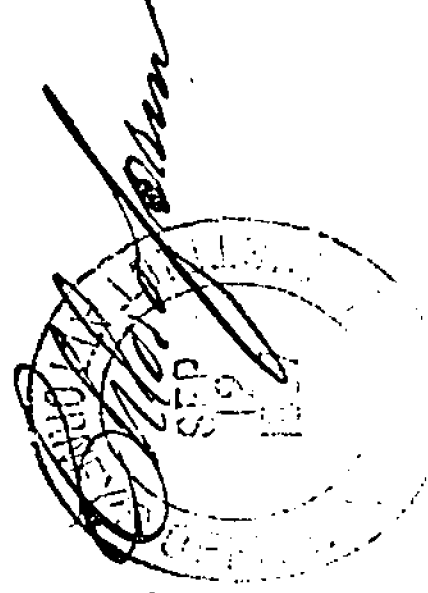
AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

*Theresa Rutch*  
*New York*

whereby it is found that she came to  
her death by

*Narcotic Poisoning*  
*by Cellulose*  
*and*



Inquest taken on the 22 day

1887 before

JOHN R. NUGENT, Coroner.

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W.C.

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Sampter & Platsch.

Counsellors at Law.

320 & 322 BROADWAY.

Rooms 35.36 and 37.

Richard M. Sampter  
H. Harley Platsch.

New York.

TELEPHONE NASSAU 473.

AGE	Months - days	PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	DATE When Reported
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MEMORANDUM

*Albany*

325 65 85 July 29/87

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P E O P L E : Indicted September 21, 1887.  
                  : Manslaughter.  
          against : Section 193 Penal Code.  
FRANCIS X. HART :  
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The defendant in this case was a druggist. It appears that some medicine had been made by him from a prescription of the physician attending the deceased. There is a great conflict of evidence as to whether the death was caused by the mistake of the family in administering the wrong medicine, or by the negligence of the druggist in compounding the prescription. The coroner's physician who performed the autopsy is dead; and it would therefore be a difficult and practically impossible task to prove the actual cause of death. It would be idle to place defendant on trial as no conviction could be had on the evidence accessible to the District Attorney.

I therefore recommend the discharge of the defendant on his own recognizance.

Dated New York, ~~November~~ *December 1<sup>st</sup>* 1896.

*John J. Hennessy*

Deputy Assistant.

*I approve of the above recommendation.*  
*Dec. 4. 1896.*

*Yermon M. Davis,*  
*Asst*

*I approve of the above recommendation.*  
*Dec 11/96.*

*Yermon M. Davis,*  
*District Attorney,*

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N. Y. General Sessions -

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK

*against*

Francis X. Hart

Report.

JOHN R. FELLOWS,  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY,

No. 32 CHAMBERS ST.,

NEW YORK CITY.



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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Francis X. Hart

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

Francis X. Hart

of the CRIME of *Manslaughter*, —

committed as follows:

The said Francis X. Hart,

late of the Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York afore-

said, on the *twenty-fifth* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord

one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,

in and upon one *Theresa Dautsch*, then  
and there being, unlawfully and feloniously  
did make an assault; and the said  
Francis X. Hart, a large quantity of a  
certain deadly poison called *strychnine*,  
and a large quantity of a certain other  
deadly poison called *belladonna*, unlawfully  
and feloniously did then and there give  
and administer unto the said Theresa  
Dautsch (the said Francis X. Hart  
then and there well knowing the said  
*strychnine* and *belladonna* to be deadly  
poisons), and cause and procure the said  
Theresa Dautsch to take and swallow down into  
her body; and the said Theresa Dautsch,  
the said *strychnine* and *belladonna*, so  
given and administered unto her by the

said Francis X. Stark, as aforesaid, did  
 then and there take and swallow down  
 into her body; by reason and by means  
 of which said taking and swallowing  
 down the said poison and take-  
 down into her body, as aforesaid, she  
 the said Theresa DeLorain, then and  
 there became and was mortally sick  
 and endangered in her body, by which  
 said mortal sickness and danger she  
 the said Theresa DeLorain, from the  
 said twenty eighth day of July, in the  
 year aforesaid, until the twenty ninth  
 day of July, in the same year aforesaid,  
 at the City and County aforesaid, did  
 languish, and languishing did die,  
 on which said twenty ninth day of  
 July, in the year aforesaid, she the said  
 Theresa DeLorain, at the City and County  
 aforesaid, by the said mortal sickness  
 and danger, as as aforesaid occurred,  
 died. And so the Grand Jury aforesaid, do  
 say: That the said Francis X. Stark, then,  
 the said Theresa DeLorain, in manner  
 and form, and by the means aforesaid,  
 willfully and feloniously did kill and  
 slay, 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,

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and *John D. [unclear]*

*John D. [unclear]*

District Attorney.



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DESCRIPTION:

Hart, William

DATE:

09/13/87



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Witnesses:

*John H. Burke*

Counsel,

Filed, *13* day of *Sept.*, 188*7*

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*William Hart*

*W. H. Martin*  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Grand Larceny *Second degree*  
[Sections 528, 531 *Am. St. C.* Penal Code].

A True Bill.

*Wm. C. DeForest*

Foreman.

*Wm. C. DeForest*  
*Reads guilty*  
*Reads guilty*

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Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York,

of No. 50 West 112<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 29 years,  
occupation Builder being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 12 day of August 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

A quantity of New Lead Pipe  
of the Value of Forty Dollars—

the property of

Deponent and Peter J. Waters

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 William F. Hark (now here)

from the Jack that deponent. Missed  
a quantity of Lead Pipe from  
the New Buildings in West 136<sup>th</sup>  
Street North Side—Near Alexander  
Avenue. ~~and~~ That deponent is informed  
by Officer Van Orden that he  
arrested the said Hark and  
found in his possession a quantity  
of Lead Pipe which deponent fully  
identifies as a portion of the property  
taken stolen and carried away  
from deponent's possession and  
premises—

William F. Hark

Sworn to before me, this 13 day  
of August 1887  
William F. Hark  
Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 57 years, occupation Police Officer of No.

29th Avenue Police Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of William H. Hulse

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

Sworn to before me, this 13

day of August 1887

Henry L. Van Orden  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-209.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

*William Hart* 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 Hart*.

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *19 Years* -

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *At home* -

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Laborer*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty of the charge. I purchased the pipe from a two boys in a lot*

*William J. Hart*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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

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

Dated Aug 13 188 Police Justice.

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

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

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

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



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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

William H. Burk  
No. 113  
William C. Burk

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Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct

Witnesses

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

No.

Street.

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to answer

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street.

No. 2, by

Residence

Street.

No. 3, by

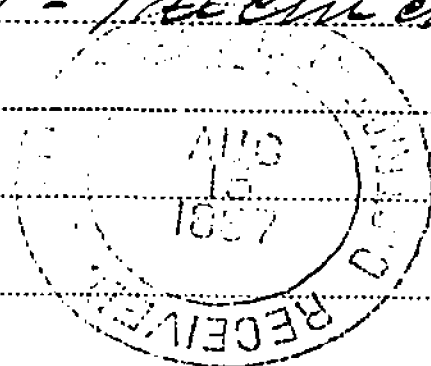
Residence

Street.

No. 4, by

Residence

Street.



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**Court of General Sessions of the Peace**

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

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

*William Hart*

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

*— William Hart —*

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

The said

*William Hart,*

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

*Three hundred pounds of lead  
pipe of the value of fifteen  
cents each pound,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *William E. Budge,*

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

— *William Hart* —

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

The said *William Hart*,

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,

*Three hundred pounds of lead  
pipe of the value of fifteen  
cents each pound,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *William E. Burdette*,

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

*William E. Burdette* —

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

*William Hart* —

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

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

**District Attorney.**



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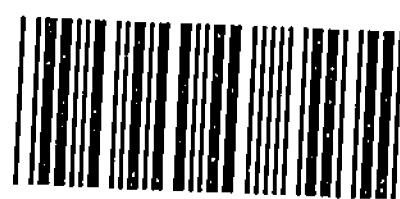
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DESCRIPTION:

Hartigan, John J.

DATE:

09/08/87



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Witnesses :

*T. Ehrlich*

*Off Gallagher W. J. Pans*

#29

Counsel,

Filed

day of

188

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*John T. Hartigan*  
*H.D.*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*District Attorney.*

Robbery, second degree.  
[Sections 224 and 229, Penal Code].

A True Bill.

*John T. De Forest*

Foreman.

*Sept 9/09*

*James J. Deering*

*S.P. 5220 27 m.*

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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT, 3 DISTRICT.

of No. the 10th Precinct Street, aged 29 years,  
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says  
that on the day of 188

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

Fredrick Charliah (now here)  
is a material witness for  
the people against John T.  
Hartigan charged with the  
Robbery of a Silver watch and  
chain. That deponent believes  
said Hartigan will not  
appear at the trial of said  
Charliah and therefore prays  
that he be committed to the  
House of Detention Owen Gallagher

Sworn to before me, this

of

ss.

day

Police Justice



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District Attorney's Office.  
City & County of  
New York.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1884

The attention of the District  
Attorney is respectfully called  
to the case of the People vs.

John J. Hartigan

The Complainant Frederick  
Chrlich <sup>states he</sup> has a wife and  
family dependant upon him  
and is now in the House  
of Detention - a speedy  
trial would oblige the  
Grand Jury

Wm J. De Forest  
Foreman

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Police Court District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, }

Frederick Ehrlich  
of No. 425 Palisade St. Jersey City, N.J. Street, Aged 42 Years  
Occupation. State Doctor being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the  
4 day of September 1887, at the 1st Ward of the City of New York,  
in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away from the person of de-  
ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

One silver watch and  
Chain attached, of the value in all  
of fifteen dollars (\$15)

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

John J. Hartigan  
Now here, about 8:30 A.M.  
in Hester street, near Chrystie  
The said watch was in the left  
pocket of Dependent's vest  
The Defendant struck Dependent  
a severe blow in the mouth  
and then took the property from  
Dependent's pocket and ran  
away and was arrested immediately  
arrested.

Frederick Ehrlich

Sworn to before me, this

1887

day of September 1887  
Police Justice

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

District Police Court.

*John T. Hartigan* being duly examined before the undersigned,  
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. *John T. Hartigan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *U. S.*

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

Answer. *280 Mulberry St*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Carpenter*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty*

*John T. Hartigan*

Taken before me this  
1887  
Police Justice.



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

*John J. Harliza*

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

*Dated* *Sept 4* 188

*Alon Blum* *Police Justice.*

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

*Dated* ..... 188

..... *Police Justice.*

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

*Dated* ..... 188

..... *Police Justice.*

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Police Court

1422 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Frederick Ehrlich  
John T. Hartigan

Offence Robbery

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

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Dated Sept 4 1887

Smith Magistrate.

Officer Gallagher

Precinct.

Witnesses Gallagher

No. 11 Precinct Street.

Gas Breckhoff

No. 20th Precinct Street.

Complainant to House

of Detention in default

No. 8100 Street.

\$1500 to answer

W. C. Allen

0160

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*John S. Hartigan*

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

*John S. Hartigan*

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

The said *John S. Hartigan*,

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

*one watch of the value of twelve dollars, and one chain of the value of three dollars,*

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

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

*Handwritten signature of District Attorney*

District Attorney.



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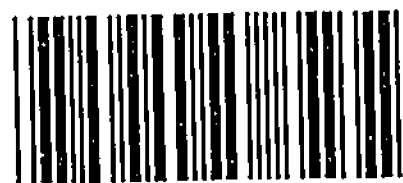
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DESCRIPTION:

Hayes, William

DATE:

09/12/87



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Witnesses:

*A. B. Gleason*

#48

*W. H. H.*

Counsel,

Filed

day of *Sept.* 1887

Pleads

*Verdict*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*William Hayes*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

*Oliver J. DeForest*

*Sept 23* Foreman

*Heard. Lucy Edger*

*S. P. L. H. H.*

*Indictment in the Third Degree*  
*Sections 498, 506, 528 & 531*

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Police Court—3 District.City and County }  
of New York, } ss.:of No. 2346 3<sup>d</sup> Avenue Street, aged 36 years,  
occupation Jewelry being duly sworn.deposes and says, that the premises No 2346 3<sup>d</sup> Avenue Street,  
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a Frame Building  
on the 12<sup>th</sup> Ward.and which was occupied by deponent as a Jewelry Store  
and in which there was at the time no human being, by namewere BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly pickering  
a large Plate Glass Window in  
the front of said premises at or about  
the hour of 2<sup>30</sup> A.M.on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1887 in the Night time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:Eighteen Walking Canes. with  
Silver and Gold filled heads—  
together to the Value of One hundred  
Dollars—the property of Deponent.and deponent further says, that he has great cause to believe, and does believe, that the aforesaid  
BURGLARY was committed and the aforesaid property taken, stolen, and carried away byWilliam Hayes (nowhere)

for the reasons following, to wit:

That at or about the hour  
of 9 o'clock P.M. on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1887 deponent secretly entered  
the said premises—That at  
or about the hour of 8 o'clock A.M.  
on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1887 deponent  
was informed by Frederick J. Mott. That  
at or about the hour of 2<sup>30</sup> A.M.  
on said date he saw the said Hayes



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in the doorway of said premises  
and on. upon said premises  
he discovered that the said window  
had been broken. That upon arresting  
the said Hayes, he found in his  
possession the same and two cane  
heads here shown - and that the said  
Hayes informed him where he  
the said Hayes had secreted the  
other fifteen canes in a doorway of  
East 127<sup>th</sup> Street - Defendant fully identifies  
the property found in the possession of the  
said Hayes and the doorway of premises  
on 210 East 127<sup>th</sup> Street as the property  
burglariously taken from said premises  
and from defendant's premises  
as aforesaid

Hernando L. Gleason

sworn before me  
this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1887

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Degree.

Burglary

Dated

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$ Bail.

Bailed by

No.

Street.

0165

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 27 years, occupation Police Officer of No.

29th Avenue Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Manuel Gerson

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

Sworn to before me, this 27

day of August 1887

[Signature]  
Police Justice.

Fred J. Mott

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name.

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Taken before me this

day of *August* 1887

*Police Justice.*



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

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

Dated Aug 27 188 W. H. H. H. Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Police Court

1369  
District

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Fernando Gleason*  
*2346 3 Ave*  
*William Hayes*

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*Officer*  
*August*

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence Street.

No. 2, by

Residence Street.

No. 3, by

Residence Street.

No. 4, by

Residence Street.

Dated

*August 27*

188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses

No.

No.

No.

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*Frederick Mott*  
*29*

Street.

Street.

Street.

to answer

*2500*  
*Chas*

0169

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 Hays*

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

*William Hays*

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

The said

*William Hays*

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

*Fernando R. Jefferson*

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

*Fernando R. Jefferson*

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



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SECOND COUNT—

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

— William Stanger —

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

The said *William Stanger,*

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,

*fifteen walking canes of the value*  
*of five dollars each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Fernando C. Pearson,*

in the *Store* of the said *Fernando C. Pearson,*

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

*William Stanger*

District Attorney.

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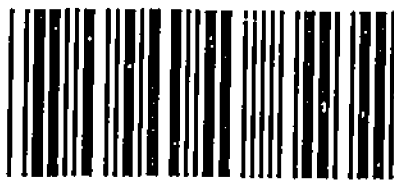
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DESCRIPTION:

Hearn, Henry

DATE:

09/12/87



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Witnesses:

Manuel Perez

# 57

Counsel,

Filed 12 day of Sept 1887

Pleads

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Henry J. Leary

[Sections 528 and 531 of the Penal Code].  
(MISAPPROPRIATION)  
Larceny, 2nd degree

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Chas. J. DeLoach

Foreman.

Sept 12, 1887

Wm. S. DeLoach

Pen on 12th



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Police Court—

District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }  
of New York, } ss.

of No. 160 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, aged 36 years,  
 occupation Express business being duly sworn  
 deposes and says, that on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July 1887 at the City of New  
 York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
 of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

Good and lawful money  
of the United States to the amount  
and of the value of twenty six & 50/100  
dollars (\$26.50)

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 Henry Hearn (now here)  
 from the fact that the said deponent  
 was employed by deponent as a driver  
 for one of deponent's express wagons and  
 deponent is informed by Mrs C. M. Lord  
 of No 205 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street that on the  
 above mentioned date she paid the deponent  
 the above mentioned sum of money on some  
 packages which he had delivered to her  
 C.O.D. And deponent further says that  
 the said deponent never turned said sum  
 of money over to him or accounted for it  
 in any way but did feloniously appropriate  
 said sum of money to his own use and  
 benefit with the intent to cheat and defraud  
Manuel Perez

Sworn to before me, this

29<sup>th</sup> day

Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 27 years, occupation *Keep house* of No. *Adelaide L. Lord*  
205, E. 124 Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of

*Maurice Perez*

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of

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*Adelaide L. Lord*

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Harry Hearn

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. Harry Hearn

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 28 years old

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Ireland

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

Answer. 121 1/2 St & 8th Avenue 3 Mos

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Express Driver

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

Answer.

I am guilty I was under the influence of liquor at the time

Harry Hearn

Taken before me this

29

day of

August 1938

Police Justice.



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

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

Dated

*Aug 29*

188

*[Signature]* Police Justice.

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

Dated

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*[Signature]* 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

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*[Signature]* Police Justice.

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Police Court 21 District. 1413

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Mmanuel Perez  
160 West 11th St  
Henry Heam

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Offence Arson  
1st degree

BAILED,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated Aug 29th 1887

Wm. H. W. W. W. Magistrate

John Valiant Officer.

Witnesses Mrs. C. W. Lord Precinct.

No. 205 E, 12th Street.

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

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

\$ 500 to answer \_\_\_\_\_

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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

*Henry Stearn*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse *Henry Stearn* of the CRIME OF *Grand* LARCENY, in the second degree, committed as follows:

The said *Henry Stearn*

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirtieth* day of *July*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~seven~~, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, being then and there the clerk and servant of *Manuel Perez*

and as such clerk and servant then and there having in his possession, custody and control certain moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of the said

*Manuel Perez*, the true owner thereof, to wit: *The sum of Twenty*

*six dollars and fifty cents*  
*in money, lawful money of*  
*the United States, and of the*  
*value of Twenty six dollars*  
*and fifty cents,*

the said *Henry Stearn*, afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, did feloniously appropriate the said *sum of money*

to his own use, with intent to deprive and defraud the said

*Manuel Perez* of the same, and of the use and benefit thereof; and the same moneys, goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Manuel Perez*

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

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.



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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Heissenbutter, Herman

DATE:

09/21/87



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Witnesses:

Off. Geo J. Malloy 26<sup>th</sup> Dec

Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed, 2nd day of Sept. 1887  
Pleads, \_\_\_\_\_

THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Herman Hieszenbutter

Prisoner

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

ATTEMPTING SUICIDE.  
[Section 174, Penal Code].

A True Bill.

Clas F. De Forest

Deputy Foreman.

Off. Hearn, Guilty

30 Pen 30 days.

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

POLICE COURT, 5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT.

George J. Malloy  
of the 26<sup>th</sup> Precinct Police Street, aged 29 years,  
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says  
that on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887  
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Herman Heisenbuttel  
(now here) did with intent to take his own  
life, unlawfully, feloniously and intentionally,  
shoot himself with a revolving pistol  
loaded with powder and leaden balls  
one of the balls from said pistol striking  
him said Herman Heisenbuttel in the  
right temple - That said act committed  
by said Herman Heisenbuttel was dangerous  
to his life, and was in violation of the statute  
in such case made & provided -

George J. Malloy

Sworn to before me, this 14<sup>th</sup> day  
of September 1887

*[Signature]*  
Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.



District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Hermann Heisenbutter* 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. *Hermann Heisenbutter*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Germany*

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

Answer. *319 W 67<sup>th</sup> St. 2 months*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Bau-tender*

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 have nothing to say*

*Hermann Heisenbutter*

Taken before me this

*14*

day of

*September*

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*J. J. White*  
Police Justice.

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

Herman Heisembuttler  
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 September 14 1887

[Signature] Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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Police Court-- District. 1490

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George J. Mallon  
26<sup>th</sup> Precinct.  
Herman Heintz

Office Attorney at Law

BAILED,  
No. 1, by  
Residence Street.

No. 2, by  
Residence Street,

No. 3, by  
Residence Street.

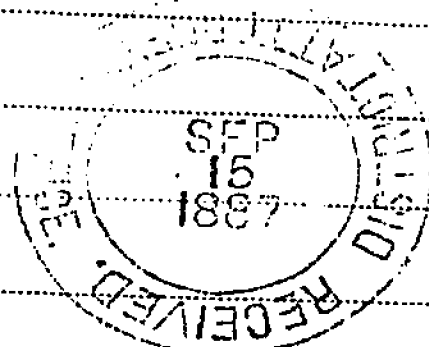
No. 4, by  
Residence Street.

Dated September 14 1887  
White Magistrate.  
George J. Mallon, Officer.  
26<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

Witnesses No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.  
\$500 to answer



Signature



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99<sup>th</sup> Street-Hospital

New York, Sep 13 '87  
To Judge of Harlem Court;  
Hermann Weisenbutter  
is able to appear  
before you for  
examination

Respectfully

Robert S. MacLean  
House Surgeon

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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

*Herman Weissendutter*

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

*- Herman Weissendutter -*

of the CRIME of ATTEMPTING SUICIDE, committed as follows:

The said *Herman Weissendutter,*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the

*- ninth -* day of *September,* in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven*, at the City and County aforesaid  
with intent to take *his* own life, did feloniously *shoot at and*  
*discharge, to, at, and against himself*  
*a certain pistol then and there*  
*charged and loaded with*  
*gunpowder and lead, which he*  
*then and there had and held in*  
*his hand.*

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

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**

**District Attorney.**

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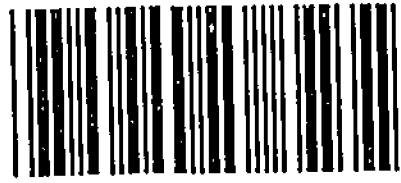
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DESCRIPTION:

Hellmer, Adam

DATE:

09/16/87



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Witnesses

Philip Ochauer

George Dierling

Counsel,

Filed, 16 day of Sept 1887

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

Section — 183 — Penal Code]

Murder in the First Degree

Admitted

Adam Hellmer

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Wm. De Forest

Oct 12/87 Foreman.

Shades of Mans. 1 day  
S. P. Five years 6 mos

For the reasons stated  
in the annexed report  
of dep. Asst. Dist. Atty.  
Parker. I recommended  
if deft. will plead to  
manslaughter 1st degree  
that the plea be accepted  
Oct 7/87 Randolph B. Martine  
Dist. Atty.

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The people

vs.

HOMICIDE  
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Adam Helmer  
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George Vierling, being duly sworn deposes and says:  
I am forty years of age. I was born in Baden in Germany.  
I came to this country in 1868, and my trade is that of  
a cooper. From 1876 to 1879 I worked for Henry Clausen &  
Sons, Brewers, after leaving Clausen's in 1879, I worked in  
Winter's brewery in this city, for two years, until the  
strike in 1881, then I left there and went to Joseph  
Doelger's brewery in 54th Street, I worked there for  
about a year and then went to Gietz' cooper shop in 64th  
Street. I was there for about a year and a half. From  
there I went to Wallace's ale brewery, where I stayed for  
two years and a half. I then worked for about fourteen  
days in Gietz's again, and then went to Henry Clausen's  
brewery, where I have ever since worked.

I have known the deceased herein, Henry Emer, since  
about 1870. He was a good workman at the cooper trade,  
and during his formanship in Clausen's Brewery, he always  
performed his duty with impartiality, having the interest  
of his employers alone at heart, both in his reproof and  
praise of those over whom he was stationed.

I have known the defendant herein, Adam Helmer, ever  
since my return to Clausen's Brewery, which was about two

and a half years ago. He was a reserved man, sullen and taciturn.. He was in the employ of Henry Clausen & Sons, when I last returned there, In 1884, and Emer had been foreman there during my last employment, from 1876 to 1879. He left there at the same time I did, and came back a little before I did, when he was again made foreman. When Emer came back, Helmer was in the employ of Clausen. Helmer had a very good opinion of his own abilities as a cooper, and considered Emer as an interloper, and himself as better entitled to the position of foreman than Emer, He was, on this account, jealous of Emer. I have never heard him say anything to this effect but his action always showed that he was anxious to assume the position and authority of foreman at every opportunity. If for any cause Emer was away Helmer would tell him as soon as he returned of the slightest irregularity on the part of every workman in the shop, and on one occasion he scolded a fellow-workman for talking to an applicant, who came into the shop for work, and ordered the applicant out.

The circumstances of the homicide in detail, are these:- Emer told Helmer at about five o'clock on the 30th day of July, being Saturday, that he was discharged.

The reason for this discharge, as I understand it was thought Helmer that Emer was taking too much upon himself in giving orders to the men and assuming the duties of foreman. Emer so expressed himself to me and and two others named



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Hoffman and one Jenisch. He also said that if the workmen would sign a petition for Helmer's discharge he would present it to Henry Muller, the head foreman. Such petition was signed by everybody in the shop except one man who had been there only two days, and to whom it was not presented, for the reason, as Emer said, that being there so short a time he could not be acquainted with the merits of the case. I was informed by Emer subsequently that said petition had been given to Muller, and that he, Emer, had been authorized by Muller to discharge Helmer on the following Saturday, this being, I believe, Tuesday.

As soon as Emer had informed Helmer that he was discharged, that statement being made to him close by Helmer's bench, Helmer, who held an iron cooper's hammer in his right hand, said nothing except words in German which are in English equivalent to the expression: "what, you rascal", and struck him a vigorous blow upon the left side of his head with said hammer. The iron hammer then flew out of his hand, handle and all. As the first stroke was completed, Emer stood stock still, and lapsed a little backward as though beginning to fall, meanwhile, and before he could fall, Helmer turned around to his bench, which was behind him within easy reach, and took therefrom a wooden mallet, with which he struck Emer twice, first, once upon the top of the head and second, over the left eye. Then Emer was falling, but he was caught by one Buddelman. e Schaney caught Helmer and held him. I went for a police officer and brought in officer

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who took Helmer into custody.

Helmer was not generally liked in the shop. Most people let him alone, and he went his own way saying very little to anybody.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

against

*Adam Belmer*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY,  
No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,  
NEW YORK CITY.

*Belmer*



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The People of the State of New York,  
TO *the Presiding Police Justice at the 4<sup>th</sup> District Police Court* Esquire, one of the Police  
Justices of the City of New York, and to JOHN SPARKS, Esquire, Clerk of our Court of General  
Sessions of the Peace, holden in and for the City and County of New York, and to *the*  
*Clerk of 4<sup>th</sup> District Police Court*

GREETING:

CERTIORARI  
TO CERTIFY CAUSE OF  
DETENTION.

We Command you, That you certify fully and at large to  
our Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a *Special Term*  
thereof, to be holden at the New County Court  
House, in Chambers Street, in the said City of New York, on the *15<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *September* 18*87*, at *10<sup>o</sup>* o'clock in the forenoon, the  
day and cause of the imprisonment of

*Adam Hillman*  
by you detained; as is said, by whatsoever name the said

*Adam Hillman*  
shall be called or charged; and have you then this writ.

Witness, Honorable ~~NOAH DAVIS~~, presiding Justice of our Supreme Court of the First  
Judicial Department, at the City Hall, in said City of New York, the *14* day of *September*,  
18*87*.

BY THE COURT.

WILLIAM F. HOWE  
and  
ABRAHAM H. HUMMEL. } Attorneys for Relator.

*James A. Dwyer*  
Clerk.

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Supreme Court, New York.

IN re THE IMPRISONMENT OF

*Adam Heller*

Writ of Certiorari.

I HEREBY ALLOW THE WITHIN WRIT.

Dated this *14* day of *Sept* 18 *87*

*W. D. Patterson*

Justice of the Supreme Court,  
holding Special Term thereof.

HOWE & HUMMEL,

Attorneys for Relator.

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Dr. D. H. WIESNER,  
212, EAST 40TH STREET,  
Office Hours 10 to 12 A. M.  
1 to 5 P. M. NEW YORK.

R

July 30 1887.

It is impossible for Mr.  
Ever to appear in Court.  
He has a fractured  
skull and so must  
remain quietly at  
home in bed.

D. H. Wiesner M.D.



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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

POLICE COURT, 24 DISTRICT.

of No. 23 Specimen Street, aged 31 years,  
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says  
that on the 31st day of July 1887

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, the arrested  
Adam Helmer now present  
charged by one Henry Emer with  
have struck him Emer upon his  
head with a hammer that in  
deponents presence the injured  
man identified the defendants as  
the person who did so strike and  
injure him. That the injuries so  
inflicted are of such a serious nature  
as disables Emer from appearing to testify.  
Deponent asks that the defendants be dealt with  
as the law directs James Maloney

Sworn to before me, this

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day

Police Justice.

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Police Court, 24 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James Maloney

vs.

Adam Helmer

AFFIDAVIT

Dated

July 31 1887

Murray Magistrate.

Maloney Officer.

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Witness,

Disposition

Committed  
to Asylum  
for the  
Insane

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# STATE OF NEW YORK.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, SS.

## AN INQUISITION,

Taken at the ~~house of~~ *Coroner's Office*  
 No. 67 *Park Row Street* in the *4* Ward of the City of  
 New York, in the County of New York, this *31* day of *August*  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *87*  
*John R. Nugent* Coroner,  
 of the City and County aforesaid, on view of the Body of *Henry Emer*  
 lying dead at

*Five* good and lawful men of the State of New York, duly chosen and  
 sworn, or affirmed and charged to inquire, on behalf of said people, how and in what manner the said  
*Henry Emer* came to his death, do  
 upon their Oaths and Affirmations, say: That the said *Henry Emer*

came to his death by  
*Injuries received by being struck on the*  
*Head with a hammer and Mallet*  
*in the hands of Adam Hellmer*  
*at Henry Claussius Brewery*  
*309 to 315 East 44 St on July 30/87*

In Witness Whereof, We, the said Jurors, as well as the CORONER, have to this Inquisition  
 set our hands and seals, on the day and place aforesaid.

### JURORS.

*C. J. Phillips 202 E 34 St*

*Hermain Viesner 210 E 34 St*

*Dust. Trosier 226 E 34 St*

*A. F. Beier 902 E 34 St*

*F. Bursky 208 East 34 St*

*Patrick Meehan 555 10 Ave*

*Daniel Gillespie 557 10 Ave*

*Francis Conlon 353 E 34 St*

*John McGinn 344 E 34 St*

*John R. Nugent*

CORONER, T. S.



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Coroner's Office

TESTIMONY.

Officer James Maloney 23 years  
 being sworn says on the day  
 in question I was on foot at  
 H 7 St near where a man  
 came to me and said I was  
 wanted as Claudius Bremer  
 in H 7 St. I then went  
 I went there and went  
 upstairs to the cooperage  
 and was informed by one of  
 the workmen that the prisoner  
 Adam Helmer had shot  
 the fireman with the  
 Harmon. I asked where the  
 fireman was and they  
 pointed him out to me he  
 was sitting by a pail of  
 water bathing his head  
 holding a cloth to his  
 head. I asked him who  
 shot him and he pointed  
 out the prisoner to me.  
 I asked him if he wanted to  
 make a confession and  
 he said yes. I then went  
 to Helmer and told him  
 to put on his coat and  
 arrested him and

Taken before me  
 at New York City  
 on the 1st day of  
 December 1884

Robert J. Miller

Taken before me  
 this day of

James Maloney  
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CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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bring him to the station  
House. I explained the  
witnesses of the occurrence

James Maloney

Person to be sworn  
before 1st day of September 1887

James Maloney

John J. Maloney

Taken before me

this 21 day of

Aug. 1887

J. R. Nugent CORONER.

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Coroner's Office

TESTIMONY.

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Philip Schinner being sworn says  
 1974. I am  
 employed as a cooper I know  
 the deceased Harry Emer  
 I know him two years he  
 was my foreman I was  
 present when he received  
 his injuries on Saturday July  
 30-1887 at 5:50 pm. Emer  
 came to Adam Helms  
 printing place and said  
 Adam do not open another  
 barrel. He was about opening  
 another barrel when he  
 told him not to do so  
 the foreman told him to  
 clean up his bench. He  
 only meant for him to clean  
 up his bench and pack  
 up his tools and stop work  
 The prisoner asked why  
 should he stop the foreman  
 told him there was two  
 men down stairs and then  
 the prisoner struck the  
 deceased with the hammer  
 and made some remarks

Taken before me

this

day of

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CORONER.

Witnessed by me  
 at the City of St. Paul, Minn. 1887

Notary Public



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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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and hit him at the same  
time. He dropped the Hammer  
and went to his bench  
to get another piece of  
tool, and then I got hold  
of him (the prisoner) and he  
then grabbed for a mallet  
and struck the deceased  
~~and struck once more twice~~  
more with the mallet  
the freeman became senseless  
and I held on to the  
prisoner until I got more  
help the prisoner was  
trying to get hold of  
a knife but I prevented  
it. The freeman did  
not attempt to strike the  
prisoner. He laid the  
prisoner on the floor and  
then sent for an officer  
who arrested him.

Philip Swann

Taken before me

this

day of

Aug. 1887

CORONER.

Witnessed by me  
J. W. Swann  
J. W. Swann

James W. Swann  
J. W. Swann

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

Guido Katzmayer M.D. being sworn says:  
 I am 166 E 54 St and  
 I know the deceased Henry  
 Emer and attended him.  
 When I was called to see  
 the deceased on July 31-1887  
 I found him lying in bed  
 suffering from fracture of skull  
 and concussion of the brain  
 and several contusions located  
 on the top of the head.  
 He complained of violent  
 headache and vomited  
 frequently. I probed the  
 wound and found a  
 depressed fracture the first  
 few weeks the symptoms  
 were better which induced  
 me in having hopes of his  
 recovery on the 1st day  
 after the injury his temperature  
 began to rise and paralysis  
 general and symptoms of  
 meningitis came on these  
 symptoms increased and  
 I told his wife Mr Emer  
 that the only chance was  
 repairing

Taken before me

this

day of

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CORONER.

Taken before me  
 this 1st day of September 1887

Officially  
 Witnessed

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Coroner's Office

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TESTIMONY.

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 After telling her I asked if  
 she was satisfied and she  
 said she was. Since at  
 the time was suffering and  
 I asked him, said he was  
 satisfied so I made  
 arrangements to make the  
 operation the next day.  
 But unfortunately he  
 died that day. The fracture  
 was in the middle of the  
 upper border of the left  
 parietal bone. I was  
 present at the post mortem  
 and it verified my diagnosis.  
 I believe his death was due  
 to a blow. (By Counsel)  
 did you attend the deceased  
 the night of his injury? No.  
 the day after. I wanted  
 to perform the operation the  
 day after. He died twenty days  
 after the injury. I stated  
 that within the last few  
 days of his illness the paralysis  
 was the cause of Bronchial  
 Pneumonia - that is in  
 the last few days

Taken before me

this

day of

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CORONER.

Witnessed by the undersigned  
 the 14th day of September 1887

Noted for the  
 Coroner's Office



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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

it was not in consequence  
of the Bronchial trouble  
that made me postpone  
the operation.  
A. H. H. H.

Witnessed before me  
this 14th day of September 1887

David W. H. H.  
Justice

Taken before me

this

day of

Aug. 1887

J. R. H. H.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

George Birling being sworn says  
 1884 - I am  
 employed as Cooper at  
 Henry Clausen Brewing &  
 Bottling - Henry Clausen was  
 present when he received  
 his injuries. on July 30, 1887  
 Clausen was speaking to Mr  
 Helmer I was standing in  
 my place and Helmer had  
 an Iron hammer in his  
 hand and struck Clausen  
 with it. The prisoner  
 said (paraphrasing) then the  
 Iron hammer flew out  
 of his hand and he  
 went to his bench and  
 took the wooden mallet  
 and struck him twice  
 after he struck him with  
 the hammer ~~more~~ it  
 seemed so quiet that you  
 could not count very  
 the next man to the prisoner  
 was Phillip Chinise. He  
 took hold of the prisoner  
 he did not have hold  
 of him when he struck

Taken before me

this

day of

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CORONER.

I am the Clerk of the Court  
 and I have read the above  
 statement of the witness

Noted before me

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

the deceased. I went for  
the police and the prisoner  
was arrested the fireman  
did not make an assault  
on the prisoner. I saw the  
prisoner strike the fireman  
with the iron hammer and  
then the hammer fell out  
of his hand he then got  
a wooden mallet and  
struck him twice I could see  
they were given in rapid  
succession. one two three  
and did not take a minute  
it took about four seconds  
I was present from which  
witness said it took about  
four seconds

George Van Ling

Witness to be signed and  
sworn to before me  
this 1st day of September 1887

Samuel W. McNeill

Notary Public

Taken before me  
this

day of

Aug. 1887

CORONER.



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## TESTIMONY.

William Mayhew, M. D., being duly sworn, says:  
 I have made an examination of the body of  
 Henry Emer 833-1 Ave and from such examination  
 and history of the case, as per testimony, I am of opinion the cause of  
 death is

General paralysis  
 due to depressed fracture  
 of skull, caused by the blow of  
 a hammer at 309-15-2  
 47th July 30 1887  
 William O'Malley  
 M. D.

On Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup> 1887, about 5 p.m.,  
 I made an autopsy of the body of Henry  
 Emer, at 833 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, in presence of Dr  
 Kasperowicz, his medical attendant, Mr.  
 Mooney, Mr. Helms & his assistant.

The only mark of injury was on the head over  
 the left parietal bone which was found fractured  
 and depressed. On opening the skull, the mem-  
 branes of the brain showed evidence of inflame-  
 mation, especially over the left hemisphere  
 and a portion of the inner table of skull, cir-  
 cular in shape, two inches in diameter,  
 & traversed by a fracture about one six-  
 teenth of an inch wide, had made a correspond-  
 ing depression in the brain substance. Consider-  
 able serous fluid was found on the left lateral  
 surface. Otherwise, excepting some congestion,  
 the brain was in a fair condition.

Death was due to hemiplegia terminating  
 in general paralysis, resulting from fracture of  
 skull.

Sworn to before me,

this

21<sup>st</sup>

day of

Aug. 1887

Jno R. Nugent

CORONER.

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MEMORANDA.

AGE	PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	Date When Reported
39 Years 11 Months - Days	Germany	833 1 Ave	Aug 21/87

J. R. N.

Sp. 861

Ind. Quab.

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AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Heinrich Schmitz

whereby it is found that he came to death by

Inquest taken on the day

of 1887 before

JOHN R. NUGENT, Coroner.

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AGE	PLACE OF NATIVITY	WHERE FOUND	Date When Reported
39 Years 11 Months - Days	Lawrence	833 10th	Aug 21/07

MEMORANDA.

Nothing more to be said  
320 8th May

J. R. N.

No. 861

Ind. Quas.

1887

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Allen

whereby it is found that he came to  
his death by

Inquest taken on the day  
of 188 before

JOHN R. NUGENT, Coroner.

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TESTIMONY.

Lizzi Emer, being sworn says Henry  
Emer now lying dead in our home  
823 1 Ave is my husband he was  
in good health untill July 30. 87  
when he was struck on the head  
with a hammer in the hands  
of Adam Helmer who was his  
employ but who had been discharged  
by him. he was attended by Dr  
Hatzemuir of 51 St 166. and died  
at 615 AM Aug 21- 1887  
Lizzi Emer

Sworn to before me  
the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887

Police Justice

Sworn to before me,

this

day of

Aug. 1887

John R. Nugent

CORONER.

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**Coroner's Office,**

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } SS.

*Adam Helmer* being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge, and being informed that he was at liberty to answer or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz. :

Question—What is your name?

Answer—

*Adam Helmer*

Question—How old are you?

Answer—

*45 Years*

Question—Where were you born?

Answer—

*Germany*

Question—Where do you live?

Answer—

*1116 - 1 Ave*

Question—What is your occupation?

Answer—

*Cooper*

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

*By the advice of my Council I reserve what I have to say for a future tribunal*

*Adam Helmer.*

*Taken before me this 15  
day of September 1887  
James C. Sullivan Police Justice*

Taken before me, this *23* day of *August* 188*7*

*Wm. T. Nugent*

CORONER.

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MEMORANDUM.

AGE. 39 Years. 11 Months. Days. PLACE OF NATIVITY. Germany 833. WHERE FOUND. 1 Ave DATE. When Reported. Aug 2/87

3rd Dec. No 861 1887  
HOMICIDE.

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Henry Carter

whereby it is found that he came to  
his Death by the hands of

Adam Helmer.

Sept 14. 9 1/2. A.M.

Inquest taken on the 31 day  
of August 1887  
before

John P. Huggins  
Coroner.  
Deceased

Deceased

Date of death August 21/87



MEMORANDUM.

AGE.	PLAGE OF NATIVITY.	WHERE FOUND.	DATE. When Reported.
39 1/2 Years 11 Months 7 Days.	Germany 833. 1 Ave.		Aug 21/87

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No 861  
3rd Quar. 1887  
HOMICIDE.

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Henry Emerson

whereby it is found that he came to  
his Death by the hands of

Adam Heller

Sep 14. 9 1/2 A.M.

Inquest taken on the 31 day  
of August 1887

before  
John P. H. Coroner.

Committed

Build

Discharged

Date of death August 21/87



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Police Court-- 4 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Adam Helmer

Office Helmer  
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Dated Sept- 15 1887

Do Reilly Magistrate.

Maloney Officer.

23 Precinct.

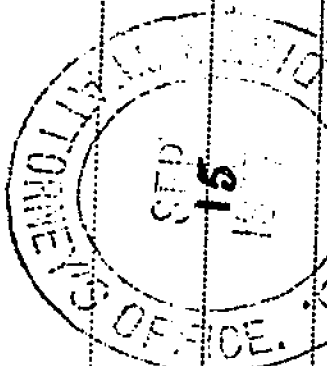
Witnesses

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

Samuel Helmer & Son



BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street.

No. 2, by

Residence

Street,

No. 3, by

Residence

Street.

No. 4, by

Residence

Street.

Dated 1887 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 1887 Police Justice.

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

Dated Sept- 15 1887 Police Justice.

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail as be legally discharged.

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 Adam Helmer



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**Grand Jury Room.**

PEOPLE

vs.

*Adam Hellmer*

*Murder*

*Papers sent to*

*Mr. Martin*

*Oct. 5/87*

*May*

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New York 6/8 1864

Dear Mr. Henry Van Meter

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ing und in einem Shop nur  
 Arbeit zu finden.  
 Und es ging so, daß ich endlich  
 daß für mich einen Kaufmann  
 und ein wenig mehr als 1000  
 n. Markensumme für mich das  
 der kleine Handel, das von dem  
 Berg daselbst mußte und das  
 in der Zeit aufstellt und es  
 sind mit den besten Waren  
 zu finden und es ist mit  
 Geldern das Geschäft zu machen  
 möglich

Diebstahl man sich selbst

Georg. H. H. H.  
 Dr. H. H. H.  
 Herrmann. H. H.  
 Dr. H. H. H.  
 Dr. H. H. H.



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Henry Badmann







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*New York,*.....188

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*New York*, ..... 188

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1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the general principles of the theory of the structure of the atom. It is shown that the structure of the atom is determined by the laws of quantum mechanics, and that the structure of the atom is determined by the laws of quantum mechanics.

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The undersigned feel induced in a shop-meeting to resolve to bring charges against Adam Hellmer, and specify in their complaint as follows:

I. Adam Hellmer takes liberties or rights that belong only to a foreman.

II. On Monday, the 25th of October, a cooper called for work when our foreman H. Emer, was absent, and after the said cooper talked eight or ten minutes, Hellmer called him names and overwhelmed him with terms of reproach, and used such language towards John Schaney, with whom he was talking, that everybody in the shop was ashamed and mortified at the impression that the applicant for work in the shop received of its character.

The undersigned hereby declare that they recognize but one foreman of coopers, and he is Mr. Emer, and further urge (verlangen) that the said Adam Hellmer be discharged on the Saturday of this week, or we will be forced to take such further steps as we would like to avoid in the interests of the firm.

George Vierling  
Paul Jaenisch  
Franz Koegler  
Herman Roemer  
Charles Hoffman  
Philip Schanne  
Mathias Kunssman  
Henry Buddleman.



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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Adam Hellmer

Manslaughter 1<sup>st</sup>

Let this plead  
in Part 1 on  
7<sup>th</sup> inst. to Man-  
slaughter in 1<sup>st</sup> degree  
Oct 5/87 R.B.M.,  
To Mr Parker

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The People of the State of New York,

TO *Jo* Esquire, one of the Police  
Justices of the City of New York, and to JOHN SPARKS, Esquire, Clerk of our Court of General  
Sessions of the Peace, holden in and for the City and County of New York, and to *Randolph*  
*B. Martineau Esq District Attorney*

GREETING:

We Command you, That you certify fully and at large to

CERTIORARI  
TO CERTIFY CAUSE OF  
DETENTION.

our Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a *Special Term*

thereof, to be holden at the New County Court  
House, in Chambers Street, in the said City of New York, on the *14th*  
day of *September* 1887, at *10 1/2* o'clock in the forenoon, the  
day and cause of the imprisonment of

*Adam Heller*  
by you detained; as is said, by whatsoever name the said

shall be called or charged; and have you then this writ.

*Charles H. Van Buren*  
Witness, Honorable *Noah Davis*, presiding Justice of our Supreme Court of the First  
Judicial Department, at the City Hall, in said City of New York, the *15th* day of *September*  
1887

BY THE COURT.

WILLIAM F. HOWE  
and  
ABRAHAM H. HUMMEL. } Attorneys for Relator.

*James H. Smith*  
Clerk.

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Adam Hellerer applicant  
Henry Emer

Arrested July 31  
by H. Chambers Prisoner 309  
-31- E 47th on July 30  
Injuries rec'd at 5:50 P.M.  
He is 40 days after injury

By the facts of the arrest & its cir-  
cumstances - Schime, Earl-  
ing

How far did he go to his bench  
for hammer? Was he drunk?  
Was he discharged by Emer? &  
why?

Must see Schime &  
Dunlop.

Supreme Court, New York.

IN RE THE IMPRISONMENT OF

Adam Hellerer

Writ of Certiorari.

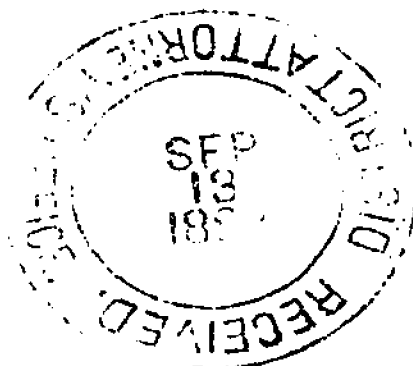
I HEREBY ALLOW THE WRIT.

Dated this 13th day of Sept 1884.

*[Signature]*

Justice of the Supreme Court,  
holding Special Term thereof.

HOWE & HUMMEL,  
Attorneys for Relator.





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Grand Jury Room.

PEOPLE

vs.

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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

John J. Hallinan

Murder

Outfitted a trip  
Schuman & Drilling  
have me 25th at  
3 PM

o. J. Hall

G. J. Hall

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The People

vs.

Adam Hellmer

Murder in the  
first degree.

-----X-----  
The above-named defendant was, upon the 16th of September ult., indicted for the crime of murder in the first degree. Reference of the case was made to me for the purpose of ascertaining whether the acceptance of a plea of manslaughter would be advisable.

I have exhaustively examined all the witnesses in the case, as well those examined before the Coroner as others outside the record, fellow-workmen with defendant and deceased. The circumstances attending and surrounding the homicide, as related by all such witnesses, are as follows:

The deceased, Henry Emer, was the foreman in the cooper shop attached to the brewery of Henry Clausen & Sons, in this City. He had been employed by said firm in the capacity mentioned for many years, and had borne an exceptionally good character for ability at his calling, and fairness and impartiality among the men whom it was his duty to supervise and direct.

Hellmer, the defendant, had been for some six years in the employ of the same firm as a cooper, being for part of that time under the direction of the deceased. He was a sober man, and a capable and industrious workman, but morose, taciturn, sullen and but little liked by his



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comrades in the shop.

The witnesses throw very little light upon the relations of deceased and defendant prior to the assault which terminated in Emer's death. Some of them speak of Hellmer as having been jealous of deceased, and as believing himself better entitled than Emer to the foremanship of the shop, but the testimony in this regard is indefinite and slight, and when pressed to a conclusion, amounts to nothing more than a belief.

The dislike towards the defendant above-mentioned, arose not merely from his moroseness and reserve, but from <sup>allied</sup> disposition on his part, during Emer's absence from the shop-room, to assume the powers of foreman in directing the workmen, and making himself a monitor to report their shortcomings. One incident of this character brought about a shop meeting, at which a petition for the discharge of the defendant, addressed to the head-foreman of the brewery, was framed, signed by all the workmen save one, (who had been in the shop only two days, and <sup>was</sup> therefore ignorant of the merits of the case) and then, at the request of said workmen, presented by deceased to said head-foreman, who authorized Hellmer's discharge on the following Saturday. Hellmer was not present at the shop meeting, but was not excluded therefrom. It was not private, and it was discussed for a whole day immediately before it was held. It is, therefore, the supposition of the witnesses examined that he either knew or suspected a movement for his discharge, but none of them can fur -

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nish any grounds for this belief other than the freedom with which the contemplated meeting was discussed. One witness, the head-foreman, above alluded to, observed unusual loitering on the part of defendant on the afternoon of his discharge, but no expression of his was heard indicating any knowledge of what was in store for him.

At a few minutes before five on the afternoon of Saturday the 30th of July ult., the deceased approached defendant, who was then standing at his, (defendant's) bench, and informed him that he need not continue working any longer, and that he was discharged. Defendant held in his hand an iron hammer, the implement of his trade, and immediately cried out to deceased: "what, you scoundrel!" raised the hammer, and struck him a blow upon the head therewith. The hammer flew from his grasp. He immediately turned to his bench, which was within reach behind him, and taking a wooden mallet therefrom, struck deceased twice therewith upon the head. Defendant then endeavored to reach other tools upon the bench, but was stopped by the surrounding workmen, who seized him, and removed the tools. Defendant was kept in custody until an officer, who had been sent for, arrived. To the foreman, who came upon the scene at this moment, he declared "that if he was arrested he could defend himself; and that he was a citizen." No other statements were made by him throughout the entire affair.

Deceased lived thereafter for 22 days, dying upon the 21st of August.

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The whole transaction of the assault is declared by all the witnesses to have been of very brief duration. One of the witnesses, timed by a watch, swore before the Coroner, that it took not over four seconds, and he repeated that opinion to me. All agree, too, that the defendant broke into a sudden paroxysm of rage. There is no testimony pointing to intent, premeditation or deliberation.

I am clear that under all these circumstances a conviction of murder in the first degree would be impossible of procurement; nor do I think there is sufficient in the facts on which to predicate even a prima facie case of intent for murder in the second degree.

I believe, however, that the case is a clear one of manslaughter in the first degree. The assault was committed in the heat of passion, and in a cruel and unusual manner, and, if it were clearly established that the commission of a felony in the shape of intentional violence to the person killed, were sufficient to bring the deed within the definition of Section 183 of the Penal Code, the character of the assault and of the weapon used in this case, would make it one of murder in the first degree.

As that point has not, however, been definitively settled, I am of opinion that the acceptance of a plea of manslaughter in the first degree herein, is advisable.

Dated, October 5th, 1887.

Yours respectfully,

*W.D. Barker*



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

against

*Adam Neeled*

*Report*

*Oct 3/72*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

DISTRICT ATTORNEY,

No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,  
NEW YORK CITY.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Adam Hellner

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

— Adam Hellner —  
of the CRIME of Murder in the First Degree —

committed as follows:

The said

Adam Hellner,

late ~~of the~~ ~~Ward~~ of the City of New York, in the County of New York afore-  
said, on the thirtieth day of July in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, at the ~~Ward~~ City and County aforesaid,

with force and arms, in and upon one  
Henry Emer in the peace of the said  
People then and there being, wilfully, fel-  
oniously, and of his malice aforethought,  
did make an assault, and he the said  
Adam Hellner, him, the said Henry  
Emer, with a certain hammer and also  
with a certain mallet which he the  
said Adam Hellner in his right hand then  
and there had and held, in and upon the  
head of him, the said Henry Emer then  
and there wilfully, feloniously and of  
his malice aforethought did strike, beat, ~~wound~~  
and fracture, giving unto him, the said  
Henry Emer then and there with the

hammer and also with the mallet aforesaid in and upon the head of him the said Henry Emer one mortal wound and fracture of the breadth of four inches and of the ~~length~~ <sup>width</sup> of six inches, of which said mortal wound and fracture the said Henry Emer at the City and County aforesaid from the day first aforesaid, in the year aforesaid until the twentyfirst day of August in the same year aforesaid, did languish and languishing did live, and on which said twenty first day of August in the year aforesaid, he, the said Henry Emer at the City and County aforesaid, of the said mortal wound and fracture did die.

And so the Grand Jury aforesaid do say, That the said Adam Hellmer, him, the said Henry Emer, in the manner and form and by the means aforesaid, wilfully, feloniously and of his malice aforethought, did kill, and murder, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Charles J. McNamee*

District Attorney.