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FOLDER:

2687

DESCRIPTION:

Smith, James

DATE:

10/21/87



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0299

Witnesses:

Geo. Hicks

John O'Connor

Counsel, *[Signature]*
Filed, *21* day of *Oct*, 188*7*
Pleads, *Chyquidley*

Grand Larceny, second degree
(FROM THE PERSON)
[Sections 528, 531 Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE

vs.

19.
Edwards
James Smith

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

For District Attorney.

Read with *[Signature]*

A True Bill.

[Signature]
Foreman.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0300

Police Court— District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, } ss.

of No. 122 Cape Street, George Milk, aged 64 years, occupation Machinist, being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 9 day of October 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of the person of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

One silver watch of the value of about twenty five dollars

the property of Deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by James Smith (now present)

to wit:— That at the time mentioned, while deponent was in the menagerie in Central Park, in said City, with the above described property in his possession on his person, he felt a tug at the pocket in which said property was kept, and deponent in the act of taking his hand from said pocket. That immediately thereafter deponent missed said property. That deponent is now informed by Alva Wignard, that he Wignard

Sworn to before me, this 1887

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY
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0301

at the time mentioned found said
watches in the possession of De-
fendant & saw Defendant allow
said watches to fall from his
hands.

George Wilkes

Sworn to before me
this 7th Day of October 1887

Wm. H. [unclear]
Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0302

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 58 years, occupation Bookbinder of No. 311 East 13th Street, being duly sworn deposes and

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

Sworn to before me, this 10 day of March 1888

Otto Wigan

Henry Hoffman
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0303

Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

James Smith 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.

James Smith

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

19 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer,

N.Y.

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

Answer.

At Eldridge Street, one month

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer,

Riddler

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.

Not guilty.

James Smith

James Smith
1 taken before me
at New York
this 1st day of
1918

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0304

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

234 ~~104~~ 1664
 Police Court District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

George M. Kelly
1272 Canal St.
New York City

2 _____
 3 _____
 4 _____

Dated *Oct-10* 188

Thomas Magistrate
Lawrence Officer
 Precinct _____

Witnesses _____

No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____

No. _____ Street _____

\$ _____ to answer

100 *100*
 RECEIVED OCT 13 1887 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Q. M.

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of *100* Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated *Oct-10* 188 *Henry Lawrence* 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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0305

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
against
James Smith

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

James Smith —

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

The said *James Smith,*

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *ninth* day of *October,* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven*, at the City and County aforesaid, in the

year time of the same day, with force and arms, *one watch*
of the value of twenty five
dollars,

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one *Figoras Wilder,* —
on the person of the said *Figoras Wilder,* then and there being
found, from the person of the said *Figoras Wilder,* 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.

Richard W. ...
District Attorney.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0306

Witnesses:

Geo. Wilko

Officer O'Connor

Counsel,

Filed, *21* day of *Oct*, 188*7*

Pleads, *Charged*

Grand Larceny, second degree
(FROM THE PERSON)
[Sections 628, 581 Penal Code].

THE PEOPLE

vs.

19.
Edwards
James Smith

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

For District Attorney.

Head *quid* *Edwards*

A True Bill.

J. C. Mues
Foreman.

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DESCRIPTION:

Smith, John

DATE:

10/14/87



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0300

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Witnesses:

Pietro Brasco

Officer Say

I recommend
since the parties
have made friends
the discharge of a
bonds bail & a
suspension of bonds
Andrew Ed of 2 accore
D A D A

Counsel,

Filed 14 day of 1888
Pleas Chryzethy

THE PEOPLE

vs.

John Smith

Assault in the Second Degree.
(Section 218, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

Dec 5 1888
Apr 16 1888

A True Bill.

Ordered to N. D. Court of
Cyber and Criminal for trial
transferred to Court of General
Sessions for trial Oct 14 1888

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0309

Court of General Sessions:

People vs }
John Smith }

I, am the complainant
in the above case, and desire to
withdraw the complaint as we
have become friends again.

Dated 21st April 1878.

J. Pitts
Complainant

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0310

TO THE CHIEF CLERK.

PLEASE SEND ME THE PAPERS IN THE CASE OF

PEOPLE

vs.

John Smith

Account

July 1915

[Signature]
District Attorney.

Part One

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0311

Cities & Counties }
of New York } ss.

Max Meyers being duly
sworn deposes and says = I am a
clerk in the office of Steckler Bros
and that Mr Alfred Steckler is
actually engaged in the trial of an
action in the City Court. Mr A.
Steckler being the only gentleman
in the office to try the case of
John Smith = his brothers Chas^{ed}
Louis Steckler being in Florida.
that ~~such~~ the case in the City Court
will take the rest of the day.
Mr Steckler will try the case of
John Smith on Monday next.

Sworn to before me
this 19th day of Feb, 1888 } Max Meyers.
John B. Drummond
Notary Public
N Y Co

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0312

Police Court _____ District _____

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

of No. 39 Muffery Street, aged 34 years,
occupation laborer

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that
on the 25 day of June 1887 at the City of New York,
in the County of New York,

he was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by John Smith
and his wife who struck upon

several violent blows on the head
and arms with a wooden stick which he then
held in his hand
without any justification on the part of the said assailant

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

Sworn to before me, this 25 day of June 1887 } Pietro Biases
A. White }
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0313

Sec. 198-206.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

District Police Court.

John Smith 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

188

Police Justice.

I am not guilty -
John Smith

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0314

BAILED

No. 1, by *James Washburn*
Residence *39 West* Street.

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____ Street.

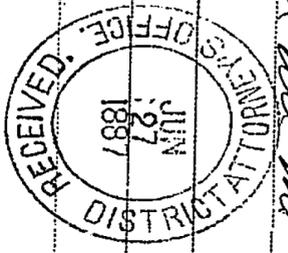
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Police Court
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Smith
James Washburn
Offence *Assault*

Dated *June 20* 188

John Smith
Magistrate
Officer.



Witnesses
Call the officers
No. _____ Street.
No. _____ Street.
No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.
to answer *Call the officers*

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

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

Dated *June 20* 188 *A. J. White* Police Justice.

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

Dated *June 20* 188 *A. J. White* 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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0315

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
against
John Smith

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

John Smith

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

The said *John Smith,*

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

Pietro Bianco,

in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make an assault; and the said *John Smith,*

with a certain *knife* which *he* the said

John Smith

in *his* right hand then and there had and held, the same being then and there a *weapon* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, *he*, the said *Pietro Bianco,* then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, *bruise* and wound, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

Richard B. Smith
District Attorney.

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Smith, John

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DESCRIPTION:

Connors, John

DATE:

10/18/87



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Will
1/21/21
Line left 2 days' notice

Counsel,
Filed, 17 day of Oct 1887
Pleads, Not guilty

Grand Larceny, second degree
(FROM THE PERSON)
[Sections 528, 581 and 550, Penal Code.]

THE PEOPLE

M. W. vs.
John Smith

John Connor

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
Attorney at Law,
District Attorney.

Dec 5th 1887
New York
A True Bill.
and not engaged.

Foreman.

W. E. Smith
W. E. Smith

Witnesses:
Patrick Smith 1037-2nd
Officer McGuire
Saad Meucke 455 West 13
Officer Swicol

James Winston,
Mutual Life Ins. Co. Pres.
Man. Libby,
N.Y. + 54 St.
Johnston
Johnston
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POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0319

Commissioner's Office
Police Department
of the City of New York
310 Mulberry St.

New York, Nov 24th 1887

Hon. Randolph Brastine.

Dear Judge.

Several ^{influential} citizens of New Jersey who feel sure of the innocence of John Connor, charged with pocket-picking, request me to ask you to have Mr. Parody to no longer delay this case which is to be brought up before Judge Cowing to-morrow-Friday.

These citizens - some former employers of Connor - believe in his entire innocence and that his story is true - this from the fact that they know his honesty under many opportunities when he could have been dishonest without integrity.

Yours sincerely
Wm. W. Porter

**POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL**

0320

People

no

Richard Lamm

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0321



J. P. Coleman, Commissioner

Department of Street Cleaning,
City of New York.

31 & 32 Park Row

New York, 18th Nov 1887

For: Randolph B. Martine
Sardin:

I beg to
acknowledge herewith
a letter addressed
to me by the Rev. J. M. Flynn
of Morristown N. J.
Dr. Belcher called
while I was out and
left the letter. Mr. Flynn
pleasantly gave me
the enclosed telegram
which I have enclosed

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Department of Street Cleaning,
City of New York,
31 & 32 Park Row.

J. S. Coleman, Commissioner

New York, 188

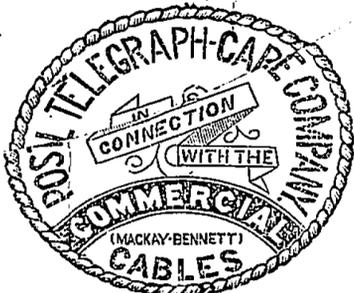
My dear Mr. Flynn
As Mr. Flynn
takes so much
interest in Patrick
Connell, I am
gladified that
there is some
mistake, and
ask you to give
the matter careful
consideration

Very truly yours,
J. S. Coleman

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Form 2



TELEGRAM.

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This is an UNREPEATED MESSAGE, and is delivered by request of the sender under the conditions stated above.

ALBERT B. CHANDLER, Pres't & Gen'l Manager
HENRY ROSENER, Vice-President.

EDWARD C. PLATT, Treasurer.
GEORGE W. WILLIAMSON, Sec'y and Auditor.

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Dated Nov 21 1887 Morristown N.J. Rec'd at MAIN OFFICE, 187 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

To Jas S Coleman No 1887

That name father Flynn sent
you should be Connors not
Connell My mistake.

M J Lowe mgr

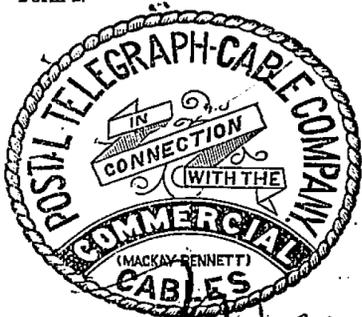
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NUMBER	SENT BY	RE'D BY	CHECK
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Dated Harrisburg Pa 14 Rec'd at MAIN OFFICE, 187 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

To James Coleman 188

31 + 32 Park Row NY
Patrick Connell Charge packet picking
Joseph M Flynn

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Morristown N. J.

Nov. 16, 1887

Dear Mr. Coleman,

The brewer, Dr. Melcher,
has his sympathies enlisted in saving
an honest servant of his in the past four
years. He will tell you all about
the matter; and I beg of you to bring
your influence to bear to protect this
innocent man, and save him from
the stigma of a criminal.

Yours very sincerely,

Joseph M. Flynn
Rector

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DEPARTMENT OF
STREET CLEANING

St. Michael's Dec 5/87

Dear Sir:

Young Cronos, about whom Father Flynn wrote you some days ago has not yet been tried. Dr. Hebelacher and a number of witnesses besides myself, have attended the Court of General Sessions for three days. Cronos parents are poor and the witnesses who go for the purpose of trying to save him from conviction, not only lose their time but pay their own expenses.

The case was set down for trial this morning and all were on hand but the case was not called. The matter is in the hands of Ass. District Fitzgerald and

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he can move it whenever he
sees fit. It has been set down
again for trial on the 7th inst.
Wednesday, and all the witnesses
will be on hand. No case is
now on, and probably none will
be on Wednesday morning -
Will you please see Mr.
Fitzgerald and persuade him to
call Omoro case the first on
Wednesday? He can do it if he
will.

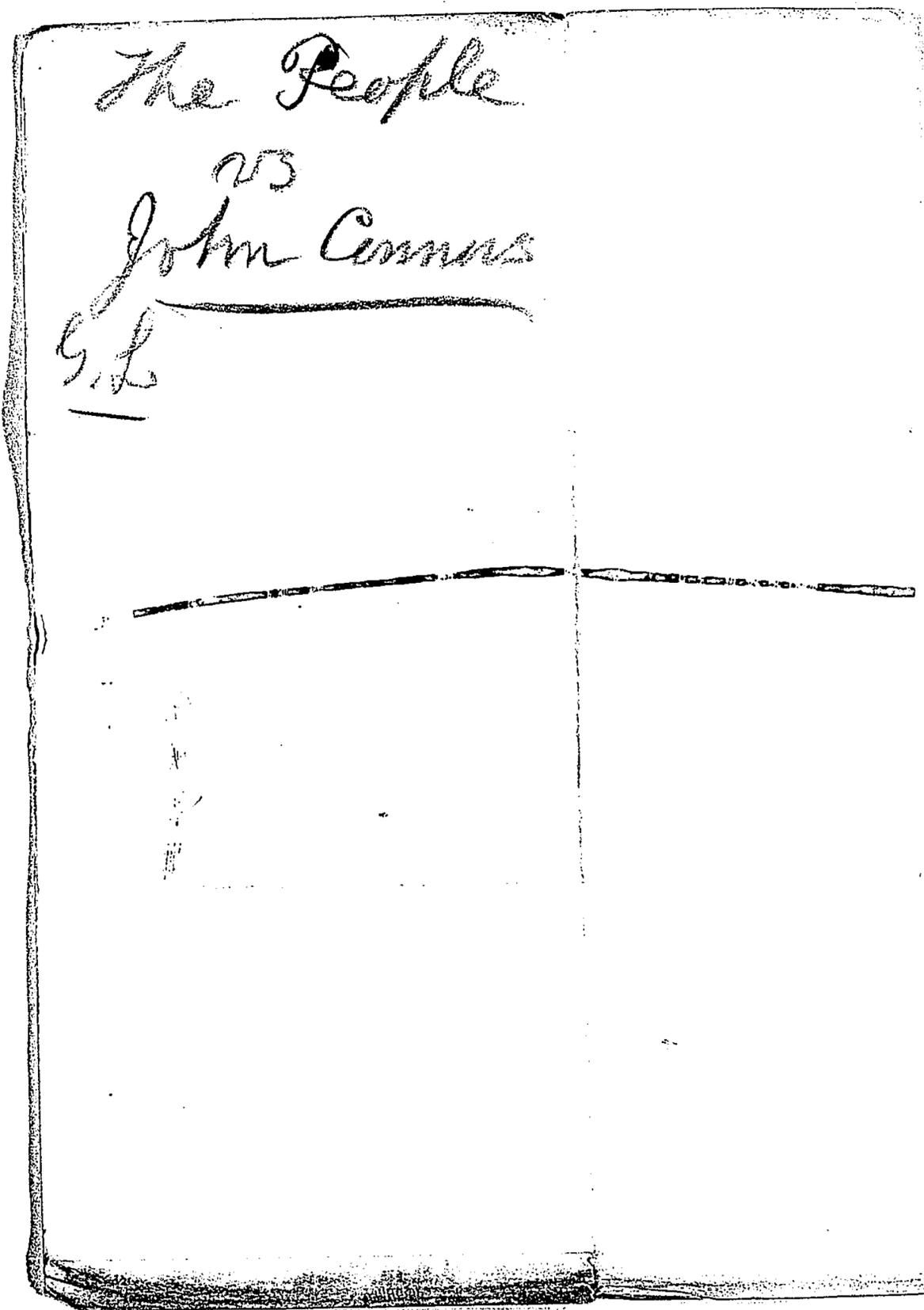
It's rank injustice to ask
all these witnesses to go so far, so
often, at their own expense -

I am sure you can aid us
if you will, and I sincerely hope
you will -

Yours truly,
G. H. Wood
James Hollman

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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0329

Police Court _____ District _____ Affidavit - Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss.

of No. 1037 Second Avenue Street, aged 24 years,
occupation Carver being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 8th day of October 1887 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession ^{and} Person of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz :

A Silver Watch of the value of about "five dollars"

the property of deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by John Smith and John Connors acting in collusion and both now present that about half past four o'clock P.M. on said day deponent was standing among a crowd of persons in the "Manager's Building" Central Park, and the first named defendant was standing close beside deponent. That one George Pullman then informed deponent that Smith had taken the watch. Deponent finding that the watch was stolen, took hold of Smith. That deponent was thereafter informed by one Fred Mencke that he saw the defendant Connors have the watch in his hands, and saw him drop it close by where he Mencke stood.

J. P. Smith

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 1887
W. W. M. M.
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0330

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

George Pullman

aged 23 years, occupation Waiter of No.

242 East 30th Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Daniel Smith

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of October 1887

Wm. H. ...
Police Justice

George Pullman

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Fred Meucke

aged 44 years, occupation Sea faring of No.

453 West 13th Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Daniel Smith

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

Sworn to before me, this

day of October 1887

Wm. H. ...
Police Justice

Fred Meucke

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0331

Sec. 198—200.

4 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } SS

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *John Smith*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *21 Years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York City*

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

Answer. *218 East 20 Street*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Gold Refiner*

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 charges*
John Smith

Taken before me this

day of *October* 188*8*

John J. ...

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0332

Sec. 198-200.

H District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. John Connors

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 22 Years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. State of New Jersey

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

Answer. 78 West 43 Street

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Croom

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
John Connors

Taken before me this

day of February 1888

William J. ...

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0333

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

231
 1668
 Police Court
 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Michael Smith
 1037 St. Paul
John Smith
 2
John Connors
 3
 4
 Offence *Money from Pension*

Dated *October 10* 188

Murray Magistrate.
James T. McGuire Officer.

Witnesses
George Guelman
 No. *1110* *Coal St*
 Street

Paul Baker
 No. *1110* *Coal St*
 Street

Paul Baker
 No. *455* *W 138 St*
 Street
 \$ *3-500*
 District

Exp Oct 12 9 1/2 W
(Conn)

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 Smith & John Connors

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

Dated *Oct 10* 188 *Murray* Police Justice.

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

Dated *Oct 12th* 188 *Murray* 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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0334

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

John Smith and John Remors

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

John Smith and John Remors

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

The said

John Smith and John Remors, both

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

eight day of *October*, in the year of our Lord

one thousand eight hundred and eighty *seven*, at the City and County aforesaid, in the

day time of the same day, with force and arms, *one watch*

of the value of five dollars,

of the goods, chattels, and personal property of one

on the person of the said

found, from the person of the said

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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

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SECOND COUNT—

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

John Ramers —

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

The said *John Ramers*,

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

one watch
to the value of five dollars,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Esther Smith, and*
one John Smith, and —

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

unlawfully and unjustly, did feloniously receive and have; the said
John Ramers —

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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Smith, William

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Reilly, Maggie

DATE:

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H. C. A

Counsel, _____
Filed, 27 day of Oct 1887
Pleads, *Not Guilty*

Grand Larceny, *2d* degree
[Sections 528, 531, 550, Penal Code.]
THE PEOPLE
vs.
1. *Wm Smith*
and
2. *Maggie Reilly*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.
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Not Guilty
A True Bill. J. P. H. y. v.
J. C. M. S.
Foreman.
Indict. also on Mr
J. D. A. y. v.
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Witnesses:
Jos W Underdunk
Officer Gargas

*We are the father of
Mrs Case & not the
of the Va. Court of
the signed out William
Smith that the defendant
Reilly, was not implicated
in the larceny, I am of
that no conviction can be had
the opinion that such
for the commission of the
Crime has been satisfied
that the defendant Reilly should
be discharged in his own acquittal
and the case should be
dismissed.*

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Police Court— 2nd District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County of New York, ss.

Joseph W Underdunk of No. 683 Broadway Street, aged 31 years, occupation Clerk being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 22 day of October 1889 at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

One Roll of Cloth of the value of fifty or more dollars

the property of in transit and in charge of deponent as a clerk of the United States Express Company

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 Smith and Maggie Kelly, (both now here) from the fact that deponent was unloading said property and placing the same upon the sidewalk, deponent's attention was called that some person was carrying away said property. Deponent perceived said two defendants and caused their arrest with the property in their possession.

J W Underdunk

Sworn before me this 23 day of October 1889 John J. ... Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

William Smith 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 Smith

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 37 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. I have no place of residence.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Carriage

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 took the property but the defendant Maggie Reilly had nothing to do with the delivery

William Smith
mark

Taken before me this 25
day of Oct 1887
John W. Maclean
Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

2 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name.

Answer. Maggie Reilly

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 28 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. 23 2nd Street 2 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. I am a prostitute

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

Answer. I am not guilty I don't know the man arrested, he spoke to me to take a walk with him, and I was arrested

Maggie Reilly
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Taken before me this 23
day of October 1887
John J. ... Police Justice.

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BAILED,
 No. 1, by John A. Pelt
 Residence 111 West 40 Street.
 No. 2, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.
 No. 3, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.
 No. 4, by _____
 Residence _____ Street.

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 District. 1932

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Joseph W. Hutterback
 683 1/2 Broadway
 1 William Smith
 2 Magor's Alley
 3
 4
 Offence Larceny

Dated Oct 23 1889

John Pelt Magistrate.
Sam Gilgor Officer.
 15- Precinct.

Witnesses Admiral
Wm. Smiding
 No. of office _____ Street.
 No. 816 Street.

No. _____ Street.
 \$ 1500 to answer
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 DISTRICT OFFICE

John A. Pelt
Sam

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

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

Dated Oct 23 1889 John Pelt 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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VI.

STATE OF NEW YORK.
Executive Chamber,
ALBANY.

October 1, 1890.

Sir:

Application for Executive clemency having been made on behalf of William Smith,----- who was convicted of Rec. stolen goods in the county of New York ----and sentenced Oct. 31, 1887, to imprisonment in the Sing Sing Prison ----- for the term of four years,----- I am directed by the Governor respectfully to request that, in pursuance of Section 695 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, you will forward to him a concise statement of the facts of the case, together with your opinion of the merits of the application.

It is particularly requested that each letter of inquiry from the Executive Chamber should be separately answered.

Very respectfully yours,

J. S. Williams.

Private Secretary.

Hon. John R. Fellows,

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

*William Smith and
Maggie Piddif*

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

William Smith and Maggie Piddif

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

The said *William Smith and Maggie Piddif*, both —

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

one roll of cloth of the

value of fifty dollars.

of the goods, chattels and personal property of ~~one~~ a corporation called

The United States Express Company —

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

Maggie Reilly —

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

The said *Maggie Reilly*

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,

*one roll of cash of the value
of fifty dollars.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of ~~one~~ a corporation called
The United States Express Company
by one William Smith, and
by ~~certain~~ *other* persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before
feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said ~~corporation~~.

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

Maggie Reilly —

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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Solomon, Nathan

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Counsel,
Filed 11 day of Dec. 1887
Pleads *Chazardly*

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS
[Section 550, Pennl Code]

THE PEOPLE

vs.

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Nathan Solomon
(3 cases)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

J. C. M. B.
Foreman.
Alv. & Brice deitch
on mo of *Stacey*
Dec 11/87

Witnesses:
Leadore Brewer
Mr. Cantor

Officer Cato
For the reasons stated
in accompanying report
of Dep. Asst. Dist. Atty. Bundy
is recommended that, with
implicitment be dismissed,
that bail be discharged.
Dec. 6, 1887
Randolph B. Martine
Dist. Atty.

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-----X
The People &c.

vs.

Nathan Solomon
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This defendant stands charged in three indictments with receiving stolen goods.

It appears from the affidavit of Isidor Brower, that he, Brower, being a boy fifteen years old, and in the employ of S.H.H. Penton, a jeweler in John Street; that on three occasions the defendant purchased property of this boy, - a gold watch, a silver watch and a gold watch case. It appeared that the defendant paid six dollars for the gold watch, and that it was valued at twenty dollars; that for the silver watch the defendant paid one dollar and fifty cents, and for the watch case defendant paid six dollars. It does not appear in the affidavit that the witness informed the defendant that the goods were stolen but as a matter of fact, they were stolen from the witness' employer. We must infer a guilty knowledge, if it can be inferred, from the circumstances. It appeared that the defendant asked the witness if he, the witness, had anything to sell. It appeared that the witness had told the defendant where he worked; and it appeared that the transactions were upon the street and in the defendant's house.

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While these circumstances are suspicious, they - are hardly, in my judgment, sufficient to warrant a conviction.

The boy, an admitted thief, is wholly without corroboration. In addition to being without corroboration, his own employer testifies that he is not a truthful boy, and that when employed by his present employer, he lied to him regarding his address.

Strictly speaking, the boy is not an accomplice in the crime of receiving stolen goods - he being the thief - but the line between the thief and the receiver is so shadowy that it would appear safer to have corroboration before conviction should be had on the evidence of the thief .

The defendant presents witnesses as to his previous good character, in addition to that, the complainant himself, presents an application, among the papers, for the dismissal of the indictment, urging clemency on the ground that he thinks that the defendant is not of sound mind, and that also, defendant has been of assistance to him in recovering the property, and that all the property has been recovered.

In view of all the facts and circumstances, and the improbability of a conviction of the defendant on the evidence, I believe that the ends of justice will be subserved by dismissing this indictment.

Very respectfully,

*To Hon. P. B. Martine,
District Attorney.*

A. H. Ruddy.

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Mr. Peepes

vs

William Solomon

REPORT.

For the District Attorney.

Wm. B. Peepes
Dec 6 1887

Dated *Dec 2*, 1887

Wm. B. Peepes
Assistant.

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Police Court, / District.

City and County }
of New York, } ss.

Sidney Brown

of No. 113 Orchard Street, aged 15 years,

occupation Jeweller being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 19th day of September 1887, at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, Nathan Solomon

and Max Adler (both now here)

did buy from this deponent a

quantity of stolen property, to wit:

one gold watch, one silver watch,

and one gold watch-case, they

well knowing the same to have

been stolen for the reasons

following to wit: on or about

the 1st day of September the said

Solomon met the defendant deponent

in John Street and told him that

any articles of jewelry which he

deponent would get he Solomon

would buy the same from him, at

the same time producing a large roll

of bills. On the 16th day of September

the said Solomon met deponent

on Orchard Street and asked him

(deponent) if he had anything

to sell. Deponent said he had a

gold watch and defendant brought

deponent into a room on Pearl

Street. Deponent was driving out of

the said room by said Solomon's

Proctor and the said Solomon

followed deponent to the street,

and there gave deponent six

dollars for said gold watch, it being

valued (as deponent is informed by

Samuel H. Penton) as worth by dollars.

The said Solomon told deponent to

get some more stuff and he

would buy it. On the 13th Inst de-

ponent sold said Solomon a ladies

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Silver watch, receiving one and 5/100 dollars for the same. Deponent is impressed by further says that on the 17th day of September he was met on Orchard Street by the said Solomon and said Adler, who forth with asked the defendant if he had anything to sell. Deponent said he had a gold watch-case. The said Adler took the watch-case and said to said Solomon "give him six dollars for it" which the said Solomon did.

Wherefore deponent charges the said defendants with feloniously receiving the said stolen property they well knowing the same to have been stolen.

Sworn to before me, Isidor Berman
This 23rd day of September 1888

Isidor Berman
Police Justice

Dated 1888 Police Justice

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

Dated 1888 Police Justice

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

Dated 1888 Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of New York, until he give such bail.

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

Police Court-- District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

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Offence,

Dated

1888

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

No.

Street,

\$ to answer

Sessions.

Q Where were you born?
A Romania

Q How long have you been here?
A 54 years

Q Where is your father?
A Romania

Q How did you come here with?
A my brother

Q Where do you live?
A 113 Orchard Street

Q How long have you lived there?
A 3 months

Q Who do you work for?
A Mr Denton

Q How long did you work there?
A 3 or 4 weeks

Q So at the time you were in the
employ of Mr Denton you lived
at 113 Orchard Street?

Yes Sir

Q In whose employ were you
before that?

A Newman & Gilder 136 John Street

Q How long were you there?
A 2 weeks

Q When did you go in his employ
A 2 weeks before I went to work
for Mr Denton

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Q Why were you discharged there?
A I was not discharged, I went away
I had a hunch I didn't like the
trade. ^{My} I was going away
Q How long have you been arrested
before?

A No one ever in my life
Q Who are you living with?
A Meyer Schwartz at 113 Orchard Street
Q When was the first time you
met Schwartz?

A The first time I saw him was
when I was working for Mr Newman
Q Did you speak to him there?
A Yes

Q When was the first time you met
him after you left Mr Newman
A On the street
Q And that was the first time you
spoke to him?

A Yes
Q And did you go out with him?
A No

Q He came up to you?
A Yes

Q What did he say?
A He asked me if I had any thing to
sell.

Q What street did the scene in?
A In Orchard Street between
Broome ^{and} Hellaway

e.

Q When was the next time you
saw him?

A In Delawarey street corner of Orchard
Garden?

A Saturday

Q Did you speak to him?

A Yes sir

Q What did he say to you then?

A I said the second time I don't
got anything either?

Q How you see him after that?

A Yes sir every night crossing up
Grand Street

Q How you use to wait for him?

A Yes sir I used to play on the
street where he passed.

Q How you speak to him then?

A Yes sir

Q How you tell him where you were
watching?

A Yes sir he asked me where I was
working ^{Mr} I told him I worked
at Newman's ^{Mr} I left there ^{and}
now I'm working for Mr Puckton

Q How come down to the night
in question how you related
all the conversation you had
with him?

A Yes sir

Q That was all the conversation
that ever took place between you?

Ayes si

Q When was the next time you
met him after that?

A The next time he asked me
again and he took out a lot of
bills from his pocket and I told
him I was going to bring him
something tomorrow.

Q Tomorrow came did you see
him?

Ayes si

Q Where did you see him?

A Corner of Delaney and Orchard
streets?

Q Did you meet him accidentally
and he was playing where he
passes and he came up to me.

Q What did you say to him?

A He called me and I came up
to him and I said yes I got
something today.

Q What did you buy?

A I had a watch.

Q Did he buy that?

Ayes si

Q Paid you for it?

Ayes si

Q It was a broken watch wasn't
it?

Ayes si

Q Did you mean to swear that it

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was not?
A The bezel was only crooked
if it was broken? it was padded
A nose it was not padded.

[Handwritten signature]

John Nickerson being duly sworn
deposes and says
of where daym reside &
to 157 Canal Street
of what is your age
last years

of what is your business?

A Auctioneer

Q How for how many years have
you been in business in this
city?

A 2 years

Q Do you know the defendant?

A Yes Sir

Q How long have you known him
last years?

Q How you know others that know him
last years?

Q How you have heard him spoken of
repeatedly?

A Yes Sir

Q How would you trust him?
A From what I know of him, his
character and reputation is good &
has trusted him goods as high
as 20 or 3 hundred dollars. And he
always paid them.

Q How you know him to be an
honest and respectable hard
working boy?

A Yes Sir

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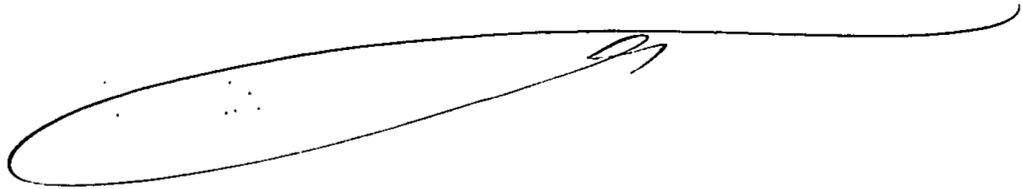
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Joseph Schenck being duly
sworn deposed ^{that} says
that he does reside
at 21 Catherine Street
of what is your business?
Auctioneer
How long have you been in business?
A day or so
Do you know this defendant
person
Cressie
Do you know after that know
him?
Cressie
What is his reputation for
honesty & fair dealing
A No good I will trust him with
anything

[Signature]

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Demond Mogen being duly
known deposed and says
Q where do you reside?
A 117 1/2 Grand Street
Q what is your age?
A 33 years
Q what is your business?
A merchant
Q do you know this deponent?
A yes sir
Q do you know others that know
him?
A yes sir
Q what is the deponent's character
and reputation as to honesty
and dealings?
A I have always known him to be
perfectly honest, I have trusted
him as much as 250 dollars
worth of jewelry to be always
returned it or the money



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Charles Smith being duly sworn
deposes, and says:

I know the defendant Solomon?

Answer:

I know how long have you known him?

A For 9 years

Q Now you mean attests that know
him?

Answer:

Q Now from your acquaintance with
him is his character ^{and} reputation
for honesty good or bad?

A It is good I would not hesitate
to trust him with the key of
my safe

Q You have heard him spoken of
as being an honest man
Answer: by every body that
knows him by the neigh-
borhood

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Samuel A. H. Panton being
duly sworn deposes ^{and says}
If you were the employer of the
boy?

Answer:

If ^{and} what is the character of the
boy Osadore Brauer for truth
and veracity as you have found
it

Answer: I have had no occasion to find
him in any respects?

If ^{and} you had discovered ^{that}
the address he gave you was
true?

Answer:

If ^{and} he lied to you about that?

Answer:

If ^{and} when he came into your employ
he gave you the address where
he lived at 463 East 52

Answer:

If ^{and} you discovered that that address
was untrue?

Answer:

If ^{and} in place of living there he lived
somewhere else.

Answer:

If ^{and} from that circumstance as well as
others you have reason to doubt
his veracity?

Answer: Most undoubtedly Sir.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK } ss

Nathan Solomon 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

Nathan Solomon

Question. How old are you?

Answer

32 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

Germany

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

Answer.

139 Adams Street, 1 year

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

Jewelry

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.
Nathan Solomon*

Taken before me this

day of *September* 188*8*

Police Justice.

[Signature]

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss

Max Adler 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 Max Adler

Question. How old are you?

Answer 22 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer Germany

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

Answer 211-5th Street, 1 year

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, all I know is that I was coming home from work. I met Mr Solomon talking to this boy and saw said Solomon buy the said watch case from the complainant.
Max Adler

Taken before me this

23

day of March 1889

[Signature]
Police Justice.

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Matthias Adler being duly sworn deposes and says

I am a tailor at 114 Canal Street the defendant Adler is my own his character for honesty is good he was never in any trouble before, he works at miners theatre and he was never arrested before.

Sworn to before me } Matthias
this 26th day of Sept 1884 } Adler

J. Millburn
Justice

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Jacob Hertzberg being duly
sworn deposes and says

I am in the grocery
business at 106 Allen Street
over 9 years. I know Ades over
9 years. His character for honesty
is good and he has never been
for anything and he bears a
good reputation and I know other
people who know him and
will testify to his good character

Sworn to before me
this 26th day of Sept 1877

Jacob Hertzberg

J. H. H. H.

Peace Justice

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Maurice Adler being duly
sworn deposes and says
I am the wife of the
defendant I am married to
him 2 years; he works on the
stage at Murray's Theatre I never
knew him to be in any trouble
before. He has always been a
hard working man and was
never arrested since I know him

Sworn to before me
this 26th day of September 1924

M. Adler

J. M. Smith

Notary Public

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BAILLED

No. 1, by Dennard Mason
 Residence 476 Broadway Street

No. 2, by _____
 Residence _____ Street

No. 3, by _____
 Residence _____ Street

No. 4, by _____
 Residence _____ Street

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 Police Court--
 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 OF THE COMPLAINANT OR

James J. Conroy
 110 Delphoid
Thomas Johnson
Marcel Laine

Dated Sept 23 188

Wilbur Magistrate.

Stiles Officer.

172 Precinct.

Witnesses James J. Conroy

No. 381 Macallen Ave. Street.

Guarantied by bonds

No. 100 Street.

No. 101 Street.

to answer



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Sept 30

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

Defendant Nathan Solomon
 guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 100 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 23 188 Wilbur Police Justice.

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

Dated Oct 15 188 W. J. Conway Police Justice.

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

Dated Sept 26 188 J. M. Smith Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0370

Sec. 192.

District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before James Kilbert a Police Justice of the City of New York, charging Nathan Salomon Defendant with the offence of Receiving Stolen Goods

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

We, Nathan Salomon Defendant of No. 139

Orford Street; by occupation a Jeweler

and Bernard Magau of No. 476 Grand

Street, by occupation a Merchant Surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that

the above named Nathan Salomon Defendant

shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the 1st District Police Court in the City of New York,

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

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 13^d Nathan Salomon

day of September 1887 Bernard Magau

J. Kilbert
P. C. JUSTICE.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0371

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Sworn to before me, this
12th
day of
April
188
Police Justice.

Bernard Mager
Free

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

A house and lot of land situated at 479 1/2 Grand Street New York worth Seventeen thousand dollars clear of all debts and encumbrances

Bernard Mager

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

Taken the day of 188

Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0372

BAILLED

No. 1, by Bernard Mason
 Residence 476 Grand Street

No. 2, by _____
 Residence _____

No. 3, by _____
 Residence _____

No. 4, by _____
 Residence _____

Residence _____
 Street _____

#194-1434 14
 1617
 Police Court--
 District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James J. Conroy
110 Bedford
Mar. 10/18

Dated Sept 23 188
 Offence Securing Money

Wills
 Officer

Witnesses James W. L. Foster
371 Madison Ave.
Street

Manuel Lombardi
100 E. 25 St.
Street

No. 1008
 Street W. St.
 to answer

Sept 23
Sept 27
Sept 29

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

Defendant Matthew Solomon
 guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 100 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 23 188 A. Wilbuth Police Justice.

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

Dated Oct 15 188 W. J. Conway Police Justice.

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

Dated Sept 26 188 J. M. ... Police Justice.

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,
VERSUS

Nathan Salmonow

Receiving Stolen Goods

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself. and for the further reason that I have made inquiries as to his (the defendant's) former character and found it to be good. I am also of the opinion that the defendant is demented he having been an inmate of a Lunatic Asylum, it being hereditary; his mother at present being confined in the Lunatic asylum on Ward's Blackwells Island. this is also his first offense, and he has rendered a great deal of assistance in telling who the ~~robbers~~ ^{thief} was thereby being the means of restoring the property and bringing the true culprit to justice. and further that the profit which he made on the articles was very small. he also has a wife & 4 children and are very poor.

J. H. Pulos

In presence of Charles Smith

POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL

0374

N.Y. General Sessions

*The People vs
John
William Salomon*

Recy. Peter Goods

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0375

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Nathan Solomon

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

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

The said *Nathan Solomon,*

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

one watch of the value of ten dollars,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Samuel H. H. Benton*, by *one Victor Brower* and by — certain *other* persons to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, then lately before feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the said

Samuel H. Benton —

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

Nathan Solomon —

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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0376

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Nathan S. Damon

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

Nathan S. Damon

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

The said *Nathan S. Damon,*

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

one watch of the value of twenty

dollars,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Samuel H. H. Benton, Jr. and Victor Brewer, and*

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

H. H. Benton,

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

Nathan S. Damon,

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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0377

Handwritten initials

Counsel,
Filed 11 day of July, 1887
Pleads, *Arguilla*

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS
[Section 550, Penal Code].

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Nathan Solomon
(3 cases)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

J. C. M. S.
Foreman.
Geo. V. Bair dechd pro
Mr. W. H. Macintyre
Dec 7/87

Witnesses:

Adore Prover

Mr Penton

Officer Cat

For the reasons stated in accompanying report of Dep. Asst. Dist. Atty. Purdy I recommend that within indictment be dismissed & bail discharged Dec 6. 1887
Randolph B. Martine
Dist. Atty.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0378

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

Nathan Sdomon

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

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

The said *Nathan Sdomon,*

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

one watch case of the value of twenty dollars,

[Large handwritten flourish]

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Samuel H. H. Benton, by one Bridget Brennan*

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

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

Nathan Sdomon —

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.

0379

BOX:

281

FOLDER:

2687

DESCRIPTION:

Specht, Gustav

DATE:

10/28/87



2687

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0300

362
A.P.

Counsel,
Filed *20th* day of *Oct* 188*7*
Pleads *Not Guilty*

THE PEOPLE

vs.
16. 1st day of
Member
Gustav Specht

Odd days

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
Oct 21 Pr-Ad
District Attorney.

Pr va 3/83
Pleas guilty
A True Bill.

J. C. Mues
Foreman.

S. H. Mues

Assault in the Second Degree.
(Resisting Arrest.)
(Section 218, Penal Code.)

Witnesses:

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0381

Sec. 198-200,

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Gustav Speck 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. Gustav Speck

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 17 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. U.S.

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

Answer. 157 Attorney St - 1 1/2 months

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Scumber

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 explanation?

Answer. I did not know what I was doing at the time

Gustav Speck

Taken before me this

27

day of

Sept

188

John Patterson

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0302

BAILIED,

No. 1, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____

No. 2, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____

No. 3, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____

No. 4, by _____
 Residence _____ Street _____

#364
 Police Court District.
 1930

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
 vs.
 Gustave Beck
 13 Street
 13 Street
 Offence Assaulting a
 Officer

Dated Oct 29 1887

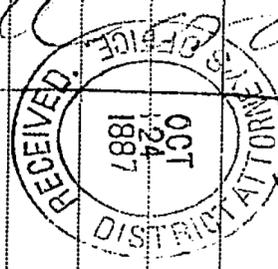
Magistrate
 Mattern
 Beck
 13
 Precinct.

Witnesses
 Cook Shuck
 No. 157
 157
 Street.

No. _____
 Street.

No. _____
 Street.

\$ _____
 to answer _____
 Street.



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

Gustave Beck

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of \$100 Hundred Dollars, and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated Oct 27 1887 M. Mattern Police Justice.

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

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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0383

Police Court— District.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss,

Casper Boek

of No. *19* *Prescott Place* Street, aged *32* years,

occupation *Police* being duly sworn, deposes and says, that

on the *19* day of *September* 188*7* at the City of New York,

in the County of New York,

he was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by *Gustave Specht*, now
here, who threw bricks at deponent,
striking deponent on the back and
ribs while deponent was arresting a
prisoner for burglary. That deponent
was so beaten

without any justification on the part of the said assailant.

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

Sworn to before me, this *27* day of *October* 188*7* } *Casper Boek*

J. M. Patterson Police Justice.

**POOR QUALITY
ORIGINAL**

0384

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
against

Augustus S. Credit

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

Augustus S. Credit —

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

The said *Augustus S. Credit*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the
nineteenth day of *September*, in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-~~seven~~, at the City and County
aforesaid, with force and arms feloniously made an assault in and upon one

Roscoe Bada —

then and there being a *patrolman* of the Municipal Police of the City of
New York, and as such *patrolman* being then and there engaged in the lawful

apprehension of one *James Kingsley*
for disorderly conduct —

and the said *Augustus S. Credit* —

him, the said *Roscoe Bada* —

then and there feloniously did beat, strike, wound and otherwise illtreat, with intent
then and there and thereby to prevent and resist the lawful *apprehension*
of *the said James Kingsley*, as aforesaid,
against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace
of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

0385

BOX:

281

FOLDER:

2687

DESCRIPTION:

Spinnetto, Vittorio

DATE:

10/12/87



2687

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0386

#144

Counsel, _____
Filed, 12 day of _____ 1887
Pleads, _____

Grand Larceny second degree
[Sections 528, 581 Penal Code.]
THE PEOPLE vs. Vittorio Spinnetto
vs. John ... R

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

R. B. Martine
Foreman.
Pleas guilty.
S. J. ...

Witnesses:
Jacob Kesburgh
92 Wick St
Officer Geo Leonard

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0387

Police Court H District,

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County }
of New York, } ss.

of No. 92 Willett Street, aged 21 years,
occupation peddler being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 3 day of October 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 valise containing plated jewelry, silk & cotton handkerchiefs, stockings &c collectively of the value of thirty five dollars

the property of deponent

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by Victorio Spinetta who mesur from the fact that deponent saw the defendant do take steal and carry away the valise from a room in the "Hudson River & Grand Central R.R. Depot" where deponent had laid it down while he went to purchase a ticket. Deponent further says that one Sam Glick afterwards found the valise in the defendant's possession as he Glick informs this deponent

Jacob Wassbergh

Subscribed before me, this 5 day of October 1887
John W. ...
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0300

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Sam Glick

aged *16* years, occupation *Declarer* of No.

92 Willett

Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of

Jacob Piesburgh

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

Sworn to before me, this

5

day of *October* 188

Lewis Glick

H. M. Brown

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0389

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.

H District Police Court.

Victorio Spinetta 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. Victorio Spinetta

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 25 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. Italy

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

Answer. 20 Bowery

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. None

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

Victorio Spinetta
mark

Taken before me this

[Signature]
1887

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0390

BAILED,

No. 1, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____
Street _____

Police Court District.

2261 # 144 1887

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Offence *Carney felony*

Dated *October 5* 1887

Murray Magistrate.

John Bernick Officer.

Ed. But Precinct.

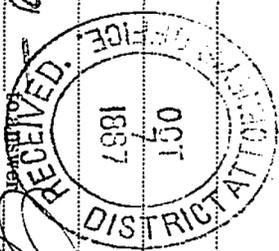
Witnesses *Sam Clark*

No. *92* *Willett* Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. *577* Street.



Ormy

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

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

Dated *October 5* 1887 *Henry Murray* Police Justice.

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

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.

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0391

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
against

Victorio Simeone

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

Victorio Simeone

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

The said *Victorio Simeone*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *21st* day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

one value of the value of ten dollars, fifty handkerchiefs of the value of fifty cents each, fifty other handkerchiefs of the value of twenty cents each, twenty pairs of stockings of the value of forty cents each pair, and divers articles of jewelry of a number and description to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of twenty dollars,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *John Simeone*,

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.

Richard A. Smeathie
District Attorney.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

2687

DESCRIPTION:

Spratt, Francis

DATE:

10/13/87



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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0393

Witnesses:

Alfred Lewis

Counsel,

Filed, *13* day of *Oct* 188*7*

Pleads, *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Francis Spratt

Section - 218 - Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

Oct 14 1887 District Attorney

Dec 4 1887

A True Bill

Foreman

dec 16 1887

POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

0394

Witnesses:

Officer Lovitt

Counsel,

Filed, 13 day of Oct 1887

Pleads, Not Guilty

THE PEOPLE

vs.

B
Francis Spratt

Assault, second degree
[Section - 218 - Penal Code]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE

Chgo-14 P130 DP
Dec 9 1887
District Attorney

A True Bill

Foreman

Handwritten signatures and notes, including 'A True Bill' and 'Foreman'.

The People
vs.

Francis Spratt

Indictment for assault in the second degree.

Patrick Devitt, sworn and examined.

Court of General Sessions - Part I
Before Judge Gilderdeere
Tuesday, May 15, 1888

I am a police officer and was in that position on the second of August 1887. It was my duty off. I saw the defendant on that day. I was on car No 7 of the Grand street line to go on duty at 5.30 in the evening; the defendant who was driving a truck ran into this cross town car, and the driver of the car wanted me to lock him up; he was going through Centre st. at the time. I said there was no necessity for me to lock him up, "you can report him up to the office, he could not help it I do not think." The defendant would not give the driver of the car his number. I told him I was a police officer and pulled out my shield; he hit me with the butt end of a whip and the right leg went under the wheel. I got hold of the horses and he galloped the horses two or three blocks on a full gallop; it was an express wagon and it hit the rear part of the car. I went after the defendant and told him I was an officer I asked him for his number and he said, "you be damned." I showed him my shield before I asked him for his number. I was

in citizen's clothes. I went to step up on the wagon and the defendant struck me over the left wrist and struck me again on the right cheek with the butt of the whip. I fell and I held on to the truck and my leg got under the wheel. The defendant did not stop his truck, he was driving all the while I know James Haley, he was present at that time. I arrested the defendant. I was taken to the hospital in an ambulance and got the wound in the leg stitched up. I was laid up nine weeks. Cross Examined I have been a police officer fifteen years and attached to the precinct I am in about eight years. The name of the driver of the horse car is James Haley. I saw him on the car going back and forward about eight months. I was riding on the rear platform of the car. I wore a plaid suit of spring clothes. I had my shield in the right vest pocket; the car was going eastward over through Duane St. The rear hind wheel of his truck collided with the car; the car was going slowly. I do not believe the defendant was driving fast; the car stopped after the defendant's truck collided with it. The name on the truck was "Lawshe, New York and Newark Express; the sign was conspicuous on the wagon.

You could not see the number on the wagon, it was covered over by the canvass, but the proprietor's name was clearly indicated. I thought it was my duty to get the number of the truck as the driver requested me, and as I might be called as a witness. I did not take hold of the reins of the horses until after I was struck and run over. I held on to the bridle. I drew my revolver on the defendant after I got struck the first time. I did not strike him with the butt end of it. I did not bring the defendant in a bruised condition into the station house I was afraid of him, the man was trying to kill me, and I think it was an exhibition of common sense to draw it under the circumstances. I made a charge of felonious assault ~~against~~ the defendant at the station house. I got up on the truck after the horses had stopped running; it was then that I pulled the pistol.

James K. Healey sworn. I am a car driver; on the 2nd of August 1884 I was driving a car. I saw the assault made by the defendant upon Officer Devitt. The defendant was going up Centre St. walking and I had just passed him when the tail of his truck struck the rear guard of my car. Officer Devitt was on the tail end and I stopped and requested him to arrest the man

because I had been run into previously by one of their trucks, and knowing it was a Jersey truck I could not possibly recover any damages from them. The officer followed the defendant and requested him to stop until I would get the number. I could not possibly see the number. Finally he did stop at Reade St. and the officer showed him his shield and requested him to wait till I would take his number, which he refused to do. He said to the officer when he showed him his shield, "What the hell do I care for that?" and he struck him one blow across the cheek and another one across the hand, and started up the horses and partly threw Devitt down, and the forewheel of the truck ran up on his ankle. Then the defendant started to get across Centre street over to City hall place when Devitt grabbed the horses by the head; the defendant got down and commenced beating him repeatedly on the hand with the butt end of the whip. It was then that Devitt drew the pistol and requested him to stop striking or he would shoot; the defendant got up on the truck and started to go away on a gallop. The officer grabbed the bridle of the horses and was thrown off his feet and was carried two blocks hanging on to the bridle of the horses, his feet off the ground. He ran down Park street, it

was there he was brought to a final halt and was arrested. Cross Examined. The officer and I have not talked together as to what testimony I we should give in the case. The address was in small letters in the first three panels of the truck. The defendant got down off the truck and struck the officer after running over his leg; it was then that the officer tried to arrest him and he got down and beat him repeatedly over the hands with a whip. The Newark address on the wagon was Lombardy st. and the New York address was Pearl st. I do not recollect that in words the officer told the defendant that he was a policeman.

Francis Spratt, sworn and examined
I reside at 72 Jefferson st. Newark. I reside with my parents. I believe my father is in Court I have lived in Newark six or seven years. I drive an express wagon for Lawshe & Co; they have an express from Newark to New York I have been in their employ a little over four years. I was in New York on the 2nd of August last. I first saw the complainant when he took the horses by the head and stopped them; it was a little after five o'clock in the afternoon. I asked the man when he took hold of the horse's head what he was doing that for? He told me he

would show me. I had a lot of bundles in the wagon and some of them were very valuable. I did not know but he might reach in and take some of them out. I had a short whip with no lash on it. I struck him on the knuckles. I wanted to get on the seat and he made another grab and stopped the horses. Again I got down and shoved him away; he made to hit me in the face but he did not quite reach up. I hit him on the shoulder, and the next thing I knew he had a revolver. I asked him what was the matter? He said, "I am an officer." I said, if you had said that before you would have saved all this trouble. That was the first time he said he was an officer; he was not dressed in officer's uniform; he had on a dark drab suit. He did not produce any shield that I saw. The most of the packages I had were new harness. I did not know that my wagon had collided with the car; there was no jar to bring it to my knowledge. The officer drew a revolver and pointed it at my head, but up to that time he had not disclosed to me the fact that he was an officer; he did not say at any time that he desired to arrest me. Some

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of the bystanders said it was an outrage the way the officer acted. After he disclosed the fact that he was an officer I made no resistance whatever. At this time I had an affection of the eye, and after he struck me on the head with the butt of a revolver the pain went into my eyes and the pain continued for six weeks after; the pain in the eye was aggravated after the assault by the officer and I had to have a glass eye put in its stead. I now wear a glass eye. The photograph now shown me is a photograph of the truck which I have been driving for two years. No 12 is on the right hand corner of the truck. I have never been arrested before for anything. I worked for E. Simon Bros. before I worked for the express man. Cross Examined My eye sight has been slightly impaired for the last five years I had my eyes treated in New York by a physician. The policeman was the only man who took hold of my horses that day; he told me to stop and I told him to let go; he would not do it. I shoved him away; he let go. I went to get back in the wagon; he took hold of the horses again. I struck him on the shoulder with my hand. I did not have my whip at that time. I meant to chuck it back in the wagon

but the whip must have fell on the street, for I did not see it any more. He let go, and we made a pass for each other, and the next thing I knew he had a pistol at my ear neither one of us hit. I made a pass with my hand; there was quite a crowd around; he drew his pistol right alongside of me. I told him he ought to put it where it would do him some good. The officer struck me on the back of the head. I told him if he had not been an officer it would be the sorriest striking he ever made. I meant by that I would have struck him hard.

Edgar Wonderhill, sworn and examined. I live at 170 West Seventy Sixth St. and my business is wholesale hardware; the firm is Wonderhill, Clinch & Co 94 Chamber St I have known the defendant three or four years, and I have always known him to be upright, respectable and gentlemanly.

Thomas A Campbell sworn. I am a grocer at 1622 Third Ave. and have known the defendant from childhood. I have never known him to be in any kind of an altercation.

Lewis H. Lawshe sworn. I own the express wagon, and live in Newark; the defendant has been in my employ about three years; he has always been a sober, steady, good workman. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of assault in the third degree with a commendation to

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Testimony in the
card of
Francis Spatt
filed Oct. 1887.

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The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.

New York, 188

This is to certify that
~~Patrick~~ Patrick Devill 38 years
old Municipal Police man
of 169 Franklin St. was
brought by the Ambulance
from the 4th Dist.
Station house on the
evening of Aug 2nd 1887
suffering with a severe
lacerated contused wound of
the leg for which he
has been under treatment
here at the Hospital
since that time.

P. T. Kimball M.D.

Ambulance Surgeon

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Police Court— 1st District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

of No. Patrick Devitt 38 years,
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn, deposes and says, that
on the 2nd day of August 1889 at the City of New York,
in the County of New York,

He was violently ASSAULTED and BEATEN by Francis Shvatt
Now he has two black blows on the left forearm
and once on the head with the butt end of a
whip the defendant held in his hands knocking
deponent down and causing one of the wheels of an
express wagon defendant was driving to roll
across deponents right leg cutting and wounding said leg
without any justification on the part of the said assailant

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

Sworn to before me, this 29th
day of August 1889

Patrick Devitt

[Signature]

Police Justice.

[Signature]

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Sec. 192.

J. M. [Signature] District Police Court.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

An information having been laid before Henry Muay a Police Justice of the City of New York, charging Francis Spratt Defendant with the offence of Passing on

Patrick Davis

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

We, Francis Spratt Defendant of No. 10 Jefferson Street; by occupation a truck driver and Thomas A. Campbell of No. 171 East 90th

Street, by occupation a grocer surety, hereby jointly and severally undertake that the above named Francis Spratt Defendant shall personally appear before the said Justice, at the 10 District Police Court in the City of New York during the said examination, or that we will pay to the People of the State of New York the sum of Twenty Hundred Dollars.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this 3rd day of August 1887.
[Signature] Police Justice.
Francis Spratt
Thomas A. Campbell

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

Thomas A Campbell

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

Situated and known as Plot No 46 on Morris Avenue 225 feet north of Columbia Ave 24 feet and worth five thousand dollars

Thomas A Campbell

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Undertaking to appear during the Examination.

Taken the day of 188

Justice.

John A. [Signature]
Police Justice
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Sworn to before me, this

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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

POLICE COURT, 1st DISTRICT.

James F. Buckley
of No. 14th Precinct - Street, aged
occupation Police Officer being duly sworn deposes and says
that on the 2nd day of August 188

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

An officer of the 14th Precinct
was struck and injured by the
wheel of a truck driven and
in charge of Francis Spratt
now present. That deponent
is informed by the injured officer
that his injuries was caused by
the carelessness of the defendant
whom he charges with ~~causing~~ ^{inflicting} the
cuts and bruises and so disabling
said Davitt from appearing in Court to prosecute
James F. Buckley

Sworn to before me, this 3rd day of August 188
[Signature]
Police Justice

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Police Court, *1st* District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

James P. Buckley

vs.

Francis Pratt

Remand to be

Dated *August 3* 188*7*

Murray Magistrate.

Buckley Officer.

Witness,

Disposition *1000 - Bail*

for Examination -
Return

Affidavit of James P. Buckley

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss

Francis Spratt

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 *Francis Spratt*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *12 Jefferson St Newark NJ 5 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer *Driver*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty I struck the complainant on the hand because he caught hold my horse by the head he was in citizens dress and I did not know he was an officer*

Francis Spratt

Taken before me this

day of *March* 188*8*

Wm. J. ...

Police Justice.

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Police Court - 1st - 1389 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Patrick Dennis
Francis Shurtz

Offence - Assault

BAILER
No. 1, by *Samuel S. Campbell*
Residence *1622 3rd Ave*

No. 2, by _____
Residence _____

No. 3, by _____
Residence _____

No. 4, by _____
Residence _____

Dated *August 29th* 188

William Magistrate.

David Officer.

Witness *James Healy* Precinct *4*

No. *91 Henry* Street.

No. _____ Street.

No. *200* Street.

David to answer

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

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

Dated *August 29th* 188 *Samuel S. Campbell* Police Justice.

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

Dated *August 29th* 188 *Samuel S. Campbell* 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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BAILER

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

1622 3rd Ave
Street

Street

Street

Street

Police Court-- 1st District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Patrick Smith
4th Street
Francis Stewart

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Offence

Assault

Dated

Aug 29 1887

Magistrate

Officer

4 Precinct

Witnesses

No.

James Healy
Street

No.

Street

No.

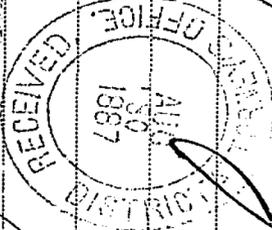
Street

No.

Street

No.

Street



to answer
Daillet

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

Defendant
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of \$1000 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 1887
Levy Brown Police Justice.

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

Dated August 29 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.

We the undersigned know Francis Spratt a driver for Lawshe's Express of Newark N.J. We believe him to be an honest, sober and peaceable man, and don't think he would use unjust measures in defending his rights.

Names	Address.
Underhill, Clark & Co.	94 Chambers St.
Toppin & Fox	96 Chambers St.
Geo B. Curtis	96 Chambers St.
The Union Natl. Bk. of N.Y.	99 " "
J. M. Carty & Co.	97 " "
Zweckert & Co.	85 " "
Burger & Baumgard	105 Chambers St.
W. G. Shot & Co.	27 Nassau St.
Saddler & Co.	49 Murray St. N.Y. City
R. Luquet & Co.	67 Murray St. N.Y. 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 Spratt

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

Francis Spratt

of the CRIME of *Assault in the second degree,*

committed as follows:

The said *Francis Spratt,*

late of the *First* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *second* day of *August*, 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 Patrick Deitt, then and there being, unlawfully and feloniously did make an assault, and then the said Patrick Deitt, with a certain riding handle which he the said Francis Spratt in his right hand then and there had and held, in and upon arm and head of him the said Patrick Deitt, then and there feloniously did unlawfully and feloniously strike, beat and wound; and the said Francis Spratt, a certain wagon, drawn by a certain horse, then and there being driven by him the said Francis Spratt, to, at against and upon

The said Patrick Deirt, then and there
 willfully and wrongfully did feloniously
 force and drive, and him the said
 Patrick Deirt, with the horse and the
 wagon aforesaid, so forced and driven
 as aforesaid, then and there feloniously
 did willfully and wrongfully strike,
 knock down and run over, whereby
 one of the wheels of said wagon was then
 and there forced and driven over and
 across the right leg of the said Patrick
 Deirt. In the said Francis, Esq.,
 by the means aforesaid, then and there
 willfully and wrongfully feloniously
 inflicted grievous bodily harm upon
 the said Patrick Deirt. 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

Richard W. ...

District Attorney.