

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

Morris Lang

As complainant in the above case, I beg to recommend the defendant to such leniency and clemency as the Court and District Attorney may see fit to show; but I expressly assert that my reasons for so doing are not controlled by any advantage to myself. The defendant came to me in a destitute condition, bringing excellent references, and being a graduate of the Adelphi University. I engaged him as a teacher, and preliminarily thereto I bought the clothing for him which he is charged with stealing, the idea being to have him pay therefor out of his earnings as a teacher. Instead of continuing with me, he left my employ and acting upon the mistaken assumption that his failure to pay for the clothes I had given him, constituted larceny I made the charge in question. He is a married man of previous good character and I therefore desire to withdraw the charge.

Paul Hyle.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0923

Police Court

3rd District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County  
of New York, } ss.

of No. 42, State Street, Paul Kyle  
occupation Proprietor of an Institute, aged 38 years,

deposes and says that on the 30th day of Oct being duly sworn

at the City of New York  
the said property was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of the deponent, in the night time, the following property viz

One Suit of clothes three white  
Shirts two sets of underwear six collars  
One hat one pair of cuffs one neck tie  
together of the value of thirty five  
dollars

the property of Dependent

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

Morris Lang (nowhere)  
from the fact that the defendant who  
employed by Dependent as a teacher  
in the Kyle Institute at Flushing and  
Dependent missed said property from a  
room in said Institute and Dependent  
subsequently found the defendant in premises  
No 331 Forsyth with said property here shown  
in Court in the defendant's possession which  
Dependent identified as the property taken  
stolen and carried away as aforesaid

Paul Kyle.

Sworn to before me this  
18th day of

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0924

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

3 District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Morris Lang*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *23 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Switzerland*

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

Answer. *33 Grey St 3 weeks*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Chacha*

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*  
*Morris Lang*

Taken before me this

day of

1891

John R. ...  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0925

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

Police Court

District

THE PEOPLE, vs.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Paul H. Hyle  
47 West 11th Street  
Morrisburg, N.Y.

Offence

Date

Oct 31 1891

John T. Ryan  
Magistrate

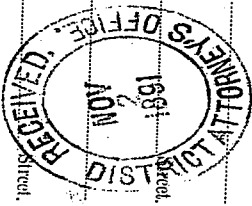
Officer

11 Precinct

Witnesses

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

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



No. 500 Street \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1891 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

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

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

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



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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Morris Lang*

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

of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY IN THE  
as follows:

The said

*Morris Lang*  
*Morris Lang*  
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *thirtieth*  
day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety-*one*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one coat of the value of twelve  
dollars, one vest of the value of  
six dollars, one pair of trousers  
of the value of seven dollars, five  
shirts of the value of one dollar each,  
two pair of drawers of the value of  
one dollar each pair, six collars  
of the value of fifteen cents each, one  
hat of the value of two dollars, two cuffs of  
the value of ten cents each, and one necktie  
of the value of fifty cents*  
of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Paul Kyle* —

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.

SECOND COUNT—

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

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

The said

*Morris Lang*

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,

*the same goods, chattels and personal property, described in the first count of this indictment*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

*Paul Kyle*

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

*Paul Kyle*

unlawfully and unjustly did feloniously receive and have; the said

*Morris Lang*  
~~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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

0928

**BOX:**

457

**FOLDER:**

4204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Lasky, Isaac

**DATE:**

11/23/91



4204

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0929

Witnesses:

Indy

Deputy

Parker

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Walt

Counsel,

Filed

day of Nov 1891

Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Isaac Laskey

Grand Larceny, Second Degree.  
[Sections 528, 58, Penal Code.]

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

(Signature)

Foreman.

Nov 24/91

Heads of Jury

24, 4, Nov 24, 1891

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0930

3rd  
Police Court—

District,

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.  
of New York,

of No. 57 Norfolk Street, aged 32 years,  
occupation Married Woman being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that on the 16 day of Nov 18 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 gold Chain and  
Locker and gold and silver  
Money of the United States to 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 Isaac Lasky (now here)

from the fact that the defendant was  
a boarder in deponent's house and on  
said date deponent left the apartment to  
go to the store and left the defendant  
in said apartment and about half an  
hour afterwards when deponent returned  
to her deponent's apartment the defendant  
had left said apartment and deponent  
immediately missed said property from  
underneath a pillow in a bed in said  
apartment and deponent further says  
that the defendant admitted and confessed  
to deponent in the presence of Officer William  
Morris of the 11th Precinct Police that he defendant  
had stolen said property and returned said property  
in Newark New Jersey  
Rosie Finkel

Sworn to before me this 16 day of Nov 1891

Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0931

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 36 years, occupation Police Officer of No. 11 Francis Police Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Rosie Enkel and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponent's own knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 1st day of Nov 1890.

1890.

William J. Brown

John A. Ryan  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0932

Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK,

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am guilty*  
*Isaac Lasky*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0933

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

Police Court

District

3rd 1440

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John C. Milled

Charles L. Lantz

Lawrence J. Lantz

Dated

Nov 18 1891

Magistrate

John M. Milled

Witnesses

Call the Officer



No. 1000 Street

John M. Milled

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 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Nov 18 1891 John M. Milled Police Justice.

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

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

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

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



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0934

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK.

523

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
against

*Isaac Lasky*

THE GRAND JURY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this  
indictment, accuse

*Isaac Lasky*

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

The said

*Isaac Lasky*

late of the City of New York in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *16th* day of  
*November* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*one*  
at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *day* time of said day,  
divers promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of  
the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury  
*#7.50* aforesaid unknown, for the payment of and of the value of *Seven*

dollars; divers other promissory notes for the payment of money, being then and there due and un-  
satisfied (and of the kind known as Bank Notes), of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, for the payment of and of the value of *Seven*

dollars; divers United States Silver Certificates, of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, of the value of *Seven*

dollars; divers United States Gold Certificates, of a number and denomination to the Grand Jury  
aforesaid unknown, of the value of *Seven*

dollars; divers coins of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of  
the value of *Seven dollars and fifty*

*cents, one chain of the value of*  
*fourteen dollars, and one locket*  
*of the value of fourteen dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Rosie Hemkel*  
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.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

0935

**BOX:**

457

**FOLDER:**

4204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Leonard, Elizabeth

**DATE:**

11/02/91



4204

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0936

Witnesses:

It appears to me  
and from the  
statements of the  
affair that the  
insurance has  
been abated  
and I recommend  
a suspension of  
sentence  
Wm Linn  
Dec 17/91  
C.A. 1010 atty

Counsel, *James H. Linn*  
Filed, *Dec 17/91*  
day of *Dec* 1891

Pleas *Guilty*  
*Read paper commission. 25*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Elizabeth Leonard*

KEEPING A HOUSE OF ILL-FAME, ETC.  
(Sections 822 and 885, Penal Code.)

*De Lancey Nicoll,*

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*James H. Linn*

Foreman.

*Guilty*

*Sent suspended.*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0937

Respectfully  
submitted  
Attorney J.B. Smith

Lomb Prison  
Nov. 27/91

Judge Smith  
Lomb Court - City

Dear Sir -

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of  
Oct. I was tried before  
you on a charge of keeping  
a disorderly house, and I  
fined \$25.00 - This amount  
I was wholly unable to  
repay and you very kindly  
on the 6<sup>th</sup> of this month  
remitted my fine, and I  
was released from the  
Island - but still I am  
held here in the Lomb -

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me if I could give him twelve dollars, that he might obtain a lithograph of the proceedings in Court, & he could get me released from here - But it is not in my power to obtain the necessary twelve dollars for him.

I must ask your pardon for intruding at such length upon your valuable time, but at the same time trust you will exert yourself in behalf of a poor friendless and innocent woman.

Thanking you for past kindnesses and anxiously awaiting your decision in this matter, I am, dear Sir,  
Yours Very Respt. Elizabeth Leonard

As I told you in a previous letter, I kept that house some twelve years and no charge has ever been made against me until now.

I am 54 years old, in very poor health, am wholly without money and without friends, and beg of you to look into the matter and let me know why I am still held here.

I have sold the furniture of the house and given it up entirely, and as soon as I am released from here, I think I can induce friends in London to send me my passage that I may go home for treatment in the London Hospital.

Some few days ago, a lawyer told

At a Court of Special Sessions of the Peace,  
holden in and for the City and County of New York,  
at the Halls of Justice of the said City, on *Tu* day  
the *2<sup>nd</sup>* day of *October* in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety - *ONE*

Present :

The Honorables

and

*Solow B. Smith*  
*James J. Stillbreth*  
*Charles Welder*

Police Justices of the City of New York,

Justices  
of the  
said Court.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK

vs.

On conviction by the oath of a credible  
witness of the MISDEMEANOR of *Keeping*  
*and maintaining a house of*  
*assignation 138 Madungal*  
*Street.*

*Elizabeth Leonard*

committed in said City *29 August 1891*

after having duly elected to be tried by said Court, and after having been duly arraigned  
and duly charged upon the said Misdemeanor, and having duly answered the same.

Whereupon it is ORDERED and ADJUDGED by the Court, that the said

*Elizabeth Leonard*

for the MISDEMEANOR aforesaid, whereof She is convicted, pay a fine of  
*Two hundred and fifty* Dollars. And it is further ordered that he stand committed  
to the custody of the Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until  
the said fine be paid, but not exceeding *Two hundred and fifty* days.

A TRUE EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES

*John F. Carroll* Clerk.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0940

New York Special Sessions of the Peace.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK

vs.

*Elizabeth Leonard*  
*2 October*

1891

CITY PRISON.

FINED \$250

Imprisonment not to exceed 250 days.

The fine of \$250.00

this day remitted

(Signed) James F. Hendon

Nov 4, 1891. Deputy Clerk

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

0941

2 DISTRICT POLICE COURT.

THE PEOPLE,  
ON COMPLAINT OF

*Matilda Klein*

Examination had

*August 17* 188*9*

Before

*Edward Hogan* Police Justice.

I, *W. L. Ormby* Stenographer of the 2 District Police

Court, do hereby certify that the within testimony in the above case is a true and correct copy of  
the original Stenographer's notes of the testimony of *Matilda Klein*

*Mary B. Voorhees, E. B. Clayton, Edward Klein, David Marshall*  
as taken by me on the above examination before said Justice. *et al*

Dated

*Aug 17*

188*9*.

*W. L. Ormby*  
Stenographer.

*E. Hogan*  
Police Justice.



POLICE COURT,  
SECOND DISTRICT,  
W. L. GRIMSBY, JR.  
CLERK.

The People  
Michael J. Cooney  
vs  
Elizabeth Leonard.

Examination Before Justice Hogan  
Aug 17 1891

For defendant. Mr. Barnett

Mathilda Klein being duly examined by  
The Court deposes and says: I live  
at 140 Macdougall Street. I keep  
a furnished room house for gentlemen  
and their wives. I have lived  
there six years. I know the house  
138 Macdougall Street. It is  
kept by defendant.

Q What have you known of that  
house since August 10?

A There is fighting the whole day  
and night; women leaning out  
of the windows morning and night  
calling men in and out the

whole day.

2 Do you know what they  
call men for?

A Yes. They make the price out  
by the door, and they motion  
in men from the sidewalk. They  
call men. I see men go in  
and the same men come out.

2 Fighting and bad language

A Yes: bad language. I could  
not hear what was said be-  
tween the walls.

2 What did you hear coming  
from that house or any part  
of that house?

A Just the same language as the  
others "you fuck for money"  
and words of that kind. They  
quarrel between themselves and  
call one another bad names, right  
from the window, into the yard.  
I can plainly hear from my  
house.

2 What were the women doing from  
the front window that you

mentioned?

A I have heard these women calling and beckoning to men.

Q Do you know for what they were calling?

A I hear these women soliciting from 9 to 10, 11 o'clock at night from the front windows what they said I could not determine from my premises. I have heard conversations between women of this house and men from the street when they arranged the price - 50 cents - a dollar I could hear.

The Court Can you identify any of these women as inmates of the House?

A - I identify Maria Perry.

Cross examined by Mr Barnett I am 30 years old. I have often made complaint before.

Q When did you make complaint to the officer?

A Yes Sir

Q When?

A A couple of weeks ago.

Q You have lived there six years?

A Five years and six months

Q Where did you make your complaint?

A To the Officer - Officer Cooney.

Q When?

A A year ago.

Q Where did you make the complaint?

A To the Police Captain at the Station House

Q When was that do you say?

A Last year

Q Did you go to the Station House?

A No Sir; my husband did

Q Did you make any complaint to the Police Officer?

A My husband went last week and a month, three weeks - four weeks ago - often. There was a row there; great noise fighting - I made every time

complaint to the office  
2 Do you know who the landlord  
of that house is?

A Yes, I hear Mr Green

2 where did you hear that?

A From my husband & Mr Craig

2 Did you ever see Mr Green?

A No Sir.

2 Is it you or your husband  
makes this complaint?

A Me.

2 Do you keep No 140 or does  
your husband?

A Me.

2 What does your husband do?

A He does nothing. He is not  
able to work do business.

2 Did you ever make complaint  
about No 142

A No Sir

2 You don't know anything  
about that house?

A No Sir I have never complained  
of it

5- 2 or the corner house?

A No Sir

Q Or against the <sup>house opposite the</sup> Legner store?

A No Sir

Q Do you know anything about  
the house directly opposite to  
you on the other side?

A No Sir

Q Never made complaint against  
any?

A No; they don't bother me

Q Do you know who occupies  
the front apartment of this  
house?

A The defendant

Q Do you know whether she  
does or not?

A I was never in to see her  
in so I do not know

Q You saw these people that

A They made arrangements  
with men

Q Point out one that made  
arrangements with men there

A This is one

Livingston, Rosie O'Brien,  
and Kate Strivey, and  
Marie Perry.

2 She went out.

A She went out and engaged  
men on the street.

2 Did anybody tell you to  
come and make this  
confession?

A Myself - I could not  
stand it any longer.

2 This last woman Marie  
Perry did you ever see her  
before in the house?

A I never saw her before.

2 Did you not see her working  
there?

A No Sir never.

Baldwin

Mr Mary Worke being duly  
sworn deposes and says - I  
live at 144 Macdougall Street,  
I have my family living with

Q Do you know the premises  
134 Macdonald Street?

A Yes Sir.

Q Do you know who keeps  
the place?

A Yes Sir: Mr Leonard

Q Tell what you know about  
that house - any noise or  
confusion there?

A Yes Sir: there is a great  
deal of noise and confusion

Q Tell what you have heard

A I see them making motions  
to men in the street. I saw  
them taking hold of men in the  
street and rushing them up  
from the stoop into the house many  
times. They

Q Motion to men?

A Yes Sir.

Q Where did they talk?

A From the stoop: from the  
second story window. - when  
I have come out I have  
seen them in the windows



Making motions to men on the  
Street. I have seen men go  
up in the house. One night  
I counted 27 different vessels  
for drinking liquor go across  
the way. I could not  
sleep for the noise made

Exon Examined by Mr Barnett.

Q Did you make complaint  
against this man house?

A No Sir.

Q Did you hear any noise at  
140?

A No Sir.

Q Do you know who lives at  
140?

A Mr Klein. I only see men  
going in there - gentlemen and  
women.

Q How do you know that these  
men who go in Mr Leonard's  
house are not gentlemen who  
remain there?

Q A Their conversation and their

actions on the street. I do not know who belongs in there. I see women take hold of men on the street and take them in

Q You do not know that some of these people lodge there?

A I presume they do.

Q You do not know the character of the men there?

A No. I say it is disgraceful to the neighborhood.

Q That is your opinion?

A And the opinion of the neighborhood.

Q Who are the neighbors?

A They are here.

Q Do you know anything about the house No 140?

A No Sir.

Q about 142?

A No Sir.

Q Do you know Martin Levy?

10 A No Sir.

George F. Clayton being duly sworn and examined as a witness for the People deposes and says: I live at 133 Macdougall Street. I know the house at 133 Macdougall St. Mrs Leonard the Defendant keeps it.

Q What do I know of this place since August 10?

A I know it is open all night - night and day - a great deal of fighting - a great deal of soliciting

Q Soliciting for what?

A To make money

Q In what way?

A On the street and sidewalk

Q For what purpose?

A I suppose it must be for family matters.

Q For prostitution

Q - They say "Come and take a piece" "Do you want a piece?"

Q What is what they said?

A Yes Sir.

Q Where is it said?

A Most of these girls are on the sidewalk mostly all night.

Q Did you see anything going on from the house or stoop?

A From the stoop that is all.

Q Whom did you see doing that - any of these women?

A Yes.

Q Which of them?

A Three or four; I do not know their names.

Witness pointed out the defendants, Livingson, Morse, O'Brien, and Strivz.

Q Have you heard any noise or fighting coming from that house?

A I am on the opposite side - I hear howls and crying.

Q What time of the day or night?

12 A From 1 to 3 - and 11 or

12. or 2 or 3 o'clock  
2 In the morning  
A Yes Sir.

Person examined

2 Who asked you to come to  
court?

A Nobody

2 You came of your own accord?

A Because I have complained  
to the Captain.

2 Did you tell anybody you  
saw it was too bad?

A No Sir.

2 Where do you live?

A The second floor of No 133  
the middle of the block  
between Third and Fourth  
streets.

2 Do you know the Lounge next  
door to the Signor Stone 127

A I do

2 Do you know 129?

A Yes

13 2 What kind of a house is

that?

A a hotel

Q Do you know (31)?

A Yes

Q What kind of a house is that?

A Pretty bad.

Q About 134 - you do not know that these people there have work?

A No I do not - except what I see. They do not seem to be working or doing anything - they are up all night and day

By the court

Q Doing what?

A Calling in men

By Mr. Barnett

Q Don't any of the men live in the house?

A There may be

Q You saw men go in and out?

A They may be customers. I do not know whether they live there.

14 Q Do you say that some of the

men also went in and out  
were strangers

A Yes.

Q Don't you see some of the  
men who go in and out,  
come out every day?

A Never specially

Q How do you get your information?

A Because I see.

Q All you see is people coming  
in and out?

A I did not watch them.

Edward Klein being very nervous  
and examined by the court  
repeated and says: I live at  
140 Macdonough Street. I think  
the house is kept by my wife.

Q State all you know of the  
house 138 Macdonough St or far  
as the name or anything of the name  
that you know

15 A I know that these people living

in that house for the past  
five years. It has been a  
noisy house.

2 What do you know of the  
deed about the 10th day of  
August and meet her.

A. Meet that time I have  
heard numerous quarrels and  
bad language - a shot fired  
from the house came into the  
yard, from West into our  
yard next door.

2 Did you see anything going  
on from the front of the  
house or from the window  
or stoop?

A. Yes. A week ago there was  
a quarrel in the house and there  
was a great deal of noise  
and confusion and a woman  
went to the door then & looking  
out after person. This  
caused a crowd of children  
and women - about 200?

16 Cron Examined —



Q Do you know Mr Green?

A No.

Q How long have you known Mrs Leonard?

A Between 5 and 6 years

Q How long has she lived there?

A I cannot tell

Q She lived there when you moved there?

A No

Q What do you do for a living?

A Nothing - I am out

Q Do you know anything about the character of 127?

A Very good people.

Q Do you know 128?

A Not much. It has no good reputation

Q Do you know 131?

A It is bad.

Q 142?

A ~~very~~ bad. Pretty good.

Q Did you ever try to hire

17 13 & Macdonald st.?

A No; never.

Q Did you not tell this woman and her husband that you were going to try and get that house?

A No never

Q - That you would leave the house and leave her out of there?

A Never -

Sarah Marshall being duly sworn and examined as a witness for the people deposes and says:- I live at 140 Macdougall Street I have lived there since the middle of June

Q What do you know about the premises 134 Macdougall St;

A Since the 10<sup>th</sup> day of August.

Q I know it to be a very noisy place

Q What does the noise consist of?

A - all kinds of foul talk

A frequent disorder; loud talk.  
Q What part of the premises do you occupy?

A Second story back

Q What part of the house do you hear the noise from

A I hear it from the back; from the top floor and the second, and elsewhere.

Q Could you distinguish from the noise?

A No sir. I do not know what place it came from. I know it came from the house.

Q Talking badly?

A Very bad. - vile talk; the worst kind. -

Q When did you hear that?

A More particularly at night. Saturday and Monday it was terrible - all day Sunday.

Cross examined

Q You are at the back - you don't see the front?

18 A I did not see the front

Q What part of the house is  
Mrs Leonard?

A I do not know. The noise  
there is terrible

Q Did Mr Klein the Plaintiff in  
this case ask you to come  
here?

A Yes Sir.

Q How about this place 148, 21

A Very quiet

John Thompson being only sworn and  
examined as a witness for the  
Jury deposes and says: I  
am an officer of the 11<sup>th</sup>

Q What do you have you at  
night?

A Macdougall Street.

Q Do you know the place 198  
Macdougall St. N.Y.

A Yes Sir

Q What do you know of it

19 since August 10?

A I know it is a house let for furnished rooms. I see women go out and come in with men. I see them go out with cans, and come in with men.

Q What did you see them do?

A They won't do anything when I am there.

Q You are in uniform?

A I am in uniform: yes sir.

Q Do you know the character of these women?

A Prostitutes have been taken from there time and time again.

Q Give the names of those you know?

A Stoney, Minnie Lumberton, Rose O'Brien, Mamie Clark, M. Ryan, Mamie Perry.

Q Do you know them to be common prostitutes?

A Yes sir.

Q Did you see them soliciting men?

A W: I do not see them soliciting  
they go out and come in with  
men. I notice strange men  
who go in there?

Q Do you know anything about  
noise or quarrelling.

A There is enough noise there.

Cross examined

Q How long have you had that  
place?

A Two years.

Q You know Mr. Leonard?

A Yes.

Q Have you ever arrested her  
before?

A No sir.

Q As far as you know she  
has not been arrested?

A Not to my knowledge.

Q You say you have seen these  
guys who come there come  
in the house?

A Yes sir.

Q Q Do you know the men

who came there;

A No

Q Do you know whether they live in the house?

A I see one there I recognize - I see him going in and out there

Q Do you know whether there are any other men except that one?

A Not that I know of.

Q Who go in there - not with women?

A I do not know I paid no attention

Q Did you arrest anybody in that house?

A Yes two years ago;

Q Never since?

A I locked up one.

Q Know that house?

A Yes

By the Court

Q Do you know the character of these ~~men~~ men?

A No sir. I never met these  
men

By Mr. Barnett

2 Did you not see them coming  
in and going out to business?

A Coming in there with lunch  
baskets.

2 Did you see them going  
to work?

A No sir

2 Did you not see them on the  
way to work and coming  
home from work?

A No.

2 How long did you say you were  
in that precinct?

A Two years

2 As far as you know the  
women, you do not know  
anything wrong of the women

A Not in the house no  
I see them going in with  
men.

2 You do not know

23 A I know them to be prostitutes,



who do not work.

2 You do not know whether each of these women has a husband or not?

A No I do not.

2 You have never seen them solicit men?

A No. - They see me coming.

2 You are not in citizens there?

A No.

2 Where do you live at Bakers  
9th Ward.

2 How do you go home?

A Through Pleasure Street.

By a Judge Callahan

2 Do you know John Lawton  
here?

A No: nothing about him.

Andrew Van Sleet being very sworn  
Apostate and says - I am an  
Officer of the 15th Precinct  
I have been there 14 months. I know

the house 138 Macdonald  
St.

Q Tell what you know of the  
place since August 10

A Fast people live there. They  
are hustling there at  
night

Q What do you mean by  
"hustling"

A Soliciting about Fourth St

Q Soliciting whom?

A Men

Q What for?

A For immoral purposes I suppose.

Q Whom do you know of the  
people under arrest here who  
have done this hustling or  
soliciting?

A Marie Perry, Mary Collins,  
Jennie Morse, Kitty Striver  
Minnie Livingston

Q What do you know about  
them

25- A They are drinking there on  
Fourth street some and time

Agam.

Q Do you know the premises 131  
Macdougall St?

A Yes.

Q Do you know who occupies  
it?

A Mr. Leonard the defendant

Q Do you know what is the  
character of the house?

A It is a furnished room  
house inhabited by prostitutes.

Q Have you seen anything going  
on there since the 10th of  
August?

A I have not seen anything  
take place while I was  
around there. I know of  
them soliciting men for that  
purpose.

Q Did you see that done?

A Yes Sir; but I could not  
get near enough to make  
an arrest at the time.

Q Where was that done?

26 A Macdougall St. on 4th or 9th

Q Did you see anything going on in the house or on the stoop?

A On the stoop and in Macdonald Street.

Q Whom did you see moving that?

A Mamma Livingston, Roogie O'Brien, Jennie Moore, Vallie Collins

Q Do you know anything about the men?

A I could not say anything about the men.

Cross Examined

Q Which women wheeled men?

A These four

Q Where were you?

A On the other side of the street

Q Did you hear what they said?

A No: I did not hear what they said

2 How do you know they were soliciting

A Because I look on

2 What do they do?

A They are talking to different men as they come along the street

2 You do not know whether the men live in the house?

A No.

2 How do you know any of these women live there?

A Because I know they live there - they give their residence there

2 You never arrested them there?

A No Sir

2 No one of the women?

A No Sir

2 Never in the house before

A I was in there once last June.

2 For what purposes?

2 & A - Looking for thieves.

Q When?

A Last June

Q For what purpose?

A Looking for information about  
them.

Q What facts on them you do  
not know anything about

A No.

Q You could not hear what  
was said?

A Not from the other side  
of the street.

Q Have you ever taken pains  
to watch that house?

A Not more than any other  
house I pass there.

Q Have you ever seen them  
going with lunch baskets?

A Yes.

Q How long have you known  
Mr Leonard?

A Three or four years.

Q Did you see her do anything  
wrong?

29 Q - No Sir

- Q Did you hear her do anything wrong?
- A No Sir I never was in the house but once.
- Q All you know is you have seen these women on the sidewalk and going in with gentlemen?
- A They have solicited on the stoop they are living in the house. I have looked women up for soliciting from the stoop. I have already told you of these four women soliciting from the stoop and taking men in there.
- Q You never saw Mrs Leonard doing that?
- A I don't say I did?

Michael J. Cooney being duly sworn  
and examined as a witness  
in the before and  
says I am an officer of the

15th Precinct. I know the  
house 134 Macdougall St.

Q What do you know of it  
about August 10?

A Only a disorderly house - the  
resort of prostitutes and thieves

Q What prostitutes and thieves do  
you know that frequent the  
house?

A One girl that I had occasion  
to go there for some <sup>in July</sup> time ago.  
These women Minnie Livingston,  
Kitty Strivey, Rose O'Brien,  
Minnie Clark, Nellie Collins.  
I see these people there day  
and night - in Macdougall  
st & 3d street soliciting. Some  
of them have been repeatedly  
arrested for that offense.

Q Do you know that

A Yes sir; I pass there a  
great deal. I hear noise from  
the house

Q When that occurred did you  
make an arrest?



- A Wm: I had no right to  
 Q How many times have you  
 been to this house  
 A Twice.  
 Q When were those times?  
 A On the night of the raid  
 and about a month ago. I  
 had occasion to go. Women  
 who solicited were brought in  
 from the office of the procurator.  
 Q Did you see anything wrong?  
 A Not while I was present  
 Q Anything more did you see?  
 A Drinking beer  
 Q How do you know?  
 A I have got eyes to see.  
 Q Have you ever smelt the  
 breath of these people?  
 A Wm: I never saw them  
 do anything in the house because  
 I was not present.  
 Mr Barnett: I move that the  
 defendant be discharged  
 as there is no evidence  
 that his house at 114 Macdougall

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street was kept for the  
purpose of prostitution.

Defendant led to receive  
£1000 per.

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Sec. 151.

Police Court— District.

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

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Mathilda Klein  
of No. 140 Mac Dougal Street, that on the 10 day of August  
1897, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Elizabeth Leonard  
did keep and maintain at the premises known as Number 138 Mac Dougal  
Street, in said City, a House of Prostitution  
and there unlawfully procure and permit as well men as women of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation  
to visit, frequent and come together for unlawful sexual intercourse, and for the purpose of prostitution, and there  
unlawfully and wilfully did permit said men and women of evil name and fame there to be and remain drinking,  
fighting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves whereby the peace, comfort, and decency  
of persons inhabiting and residing in the neighborhood and there passing is habitually disturbed in violation of the  
statute in such case made and provided.

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, in the name of the People of the State of New York, to Command you, the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the body of the said  
Elizabeth Leonard  
and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises occupied by said Elizabeth Leonard  
and forthwith bring them before me, at the 2 DISTRICT POLICE  
COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police  
Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 14th day of August 1897  
Elizabeth Leonard  
POLICE JUSTICE.

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Police Court—2 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

1 vs.

WARRANT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Date 188

Magistrate

Officer.

Precinct.

The Defendant \_\_\_\_\_  
taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer  
the within charge, pursuant to the command con-  
tained in this Warrant.

Officer.  
Dated August 14 1891

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

[Signature]  
Police Justice.

having been brought before me under this Warrant, is committed for examination to the  
WARDEN and KEEPER of the City Prison of the City of New York.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 188

The within named

Police Justice.

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Sec. 323, Penal Code.

2<sup>nd</sup> District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK.

*Mattilda Klein*  
of No *140 Mac Dougal* Street, in said City, being duly sworn says  
that at the premises known as Number *138 Mac Dougal* Street,  
in the City and County of New York, on the *10* day of *August* 189*1*, and on divers  
other days and times, between that day and the day of making this complaint

*Elizabeth Leonard*  
did unlawfully keep and maintain and yet continue to keep and maintain a *House of*  
*Prostitution* and did then, and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully procure  
and permit as well men as women of evil name and fame and of dishonest conversation to visit, frequent and come  
together for unlawful sexual intercourse, and for the purpose of prostitution and lewdness, and then and on the said  
other days and times, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and yet continues to permit said men and women of evil  
name and fame there to be and remain drinking, ~~dancing~~, fighting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving  
themselves, whereby the peace, comfort and decency of persons inhabiting and residing in the neighborhood, and  
there passing is habitually disturbed, in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

Deponent therefore prays, that the said *Elizabeth Leonard*  
and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises occupied by said  
*Elizabeth Leonard*  
may be apprehended and dealt with as the law in such cases made and provided may direct.

Sworn to before me, this

day of

*14<sup>th</sup>*  
*August* 189*1*

*M. H. Stein*  
Police Justice.

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Police Court— *2* District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*Mathilda Klein*  
vs.

*Elizabeth Leonard*

AFFIDAVIT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

*Ex August 17<sup>th</sup>*  
*10 A.M.*

*\$500.00 bail*

*S.D.*

Dated *August 15* 188*9*

*Hofman* Justice.

*Covney* Officer.

*15<sup>th</sup>* Precinct.

WITNESSES :

*Mrs Voorhies*

*144 MacDougal Street*

*Charlotte Helque*

*127 MacDougal*

*Sarah Marshall*

*140 MacDougal*



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Elizabeth Leonard*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*53 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*England*

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

Answer.

*138 MacDougal Street 11 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Keep a Furnished Room House*

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*  
*Elizabeth Leonard*

Taken before me this  
day of *January*

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Police Justice.

*[Signature]*

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BAILED,  
No. 1, by Michael Syner  
Residence 149 W 16<sup>th</sup> St.  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court--- 2<sup>nd</sup> District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Michael Syner  
140<sup>th</sup> Madison St.  
Long Island City

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

Offence Receiv[ing]  
Stolen Property

Dated

August 15 1891

St. John Magistrate.

Officer

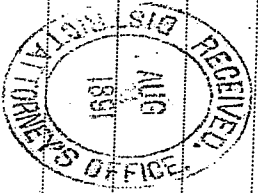
1<sup>st</sup> Precinct

Witnesses

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

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

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



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

\$ 1000 to answer 31

Bailed

and appearing to answer the within deposition 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 17 1891 St. John Police Justice.

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

Dated August 17 1891 St. John Police Justice.

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

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



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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

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OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*Elizabeth Leonard*

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

*Elizabeth Leonard*

(Sec. 322,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING AND MAINTAINING A COMMON BAWDY HOUSE AND HOUSE OF ILL-FAME, committed as follows:

The said

*Elizabeth Leonard*

late of the *fifteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *tenth* day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*one*, and on divers other days and times, as well before as afterwards, to the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain common bawdy house and house of ill-fame, unlawfully and wickedly did keep and maintain; and in said house divers ill-disposed persons, as well men as women, and common prostitutes, on the days and times aforesaid, as well as in the night as in the day, there unlawfully and wickedly did receive and entertain; and in which said house the said evil-disposed persons and common prostitutes, by the consent and procurement of the said

*Elizabeth Leonard*

on the days and times aforesaid, there did commit whoredom and fornication; whereby divers unlawful assemblies, disturbances and lewd offenses on the days and times aforesaid, as well in the night as in the day, were there committed and perpetrated; to the great damage and common nuisance of all the good people of the said State there inhabiting and residing, in manifest destruction and subversion of and against good morals and good manners, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT—

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

*Elizabeth Leonard*

(Sec. 385,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF MAINTAINING A PUBLIC NUISANCE, committed as follows:

The said

*Elizabeth Leonard*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *tenth* day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

ninety— *one* —, and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, unlawfully did keep and maintain a certain common, ill-governed house, and in *her* said house for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, as well men as women, of evil name and fame and dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together then and on said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on said other days and times there to be and remain, tippling, drinking, gaming, cursing, swearing, quarreling, making great noises and otherwise misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and suffer, to the great annoyance, injury and danger of the comfort and repose of a great number of persons, good citizens of our said State there residing, and passing and repassing, to the common nuisance of the said citizens, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

**THIRD COUNT:**

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

*Elizabeth Leonard*

(Sec. 322,  
Penal Code.) of the CRIME OF KEEPING A DISORDERLY HOUSE, committed as follows:

The said

*Elizabeth Leonard*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *tenth* day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety- *one* and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, unlawfully did keep a certain ill-governed and disorderly house, the same being a place of public resort, and in the said house and place of public resort, for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons, as well men as women, of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together, then and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in *her* said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on the said other days and times, there to be and remain, drinking, tippling, gambling, rioting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit, and yet continues to permit, by reason whereof the peace, comfort and decency of the neighborhood around and about the said house were, and yet are habitually disturbed, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

4204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Lewis, Monte

**DATE:**

11/11/91



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Witnesses:

Upon an examination of this case  
I am informed by the complainant  
that the chattel mortgage which is  
the basis of the indictment has been  
sworn and that upon a further  
examination of the case there is no  
doubt that the defendant did not intend  
to defraud, the name given of the  
being his stage name, and that the  
renewal of the mortgage of the  
indictment

Nov 20. 91

Patton J. J. J.

Counsel,

Filed

day of

1891.

Pleas,

THE PEOPLE,

vs.

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Monte Lewis  
alias John Francis

Depositing of mortgaged property

Section 571, Penal Code

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

(H. H. H.)

Mr. O. W. H. H. H.

Foreman.

Mr. H. H. H.

Mr. H. H. H.

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**Mortgage on Goods and Chattels.**

**To all to whom these Presents shall come; KNOW YE**

THAT I, *John Francis* of Number *304 W 21 Street* in the City of *County and State of New York*

party of the first part, for securing the payment of the money hereinafter mentioned, and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to me duly paid by LUDWIG BAUMANN, of Nos. 508, 510, 512 and 514 Eighth Ave., in the City, County and State of New York, party of the second part, at or before the enrolling and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said party of the second part all those certain goods, wares and merchandise, consisting of the following articles; to wit:

- One (1) Comforter One (1) 3 piee Chamber suit
- One (1) Cherry Chamber suit Eight (8) yards straw Matting
- One (1) 2/6 Cotton Mattress One (1) 2/6 Ercelair Mattress
- One (1) Meyer Spring One (1) slat Spring
- Four (4) Maple chairs One Maple Rucker
- One (1) # 66 Reine Range One pair of Pillows
- One (1) pair chick Pillows Two (2) Comforters
- Two (2) cornforters One (1) Extensor Table
- One (1) cot Twenty (20) yards Ingrain Carpet
- Fourteen (14) yards Oil cloth
- One (1) Hair cloth parlor suit

and now or soon to be, in possession of the said party of the first part at his residence as aforesaid and being the same recently purchased of the said LUDWIG BAUMANN. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and singular the goods and chattels above bargained and sold, or intended so to be unto the said party of the second part, forever. AND I, the said party of the first part, all and singular of the said goods and chattels above bargained and sold unto the said party of the second part, against myself, the said party of the first part and against all and every person or persons whomsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend:

UPON CONDITION, that if I, the said party of the first part shall and do well and truly pay unto the said party of the second part, without demand or notice, at his office, Numbers 503, 510, 512 and 514 Eighth Avenue aforesaid, the sum of

*Two hundred and fifty four 28/100* dollars, payable as follows,  
*Thirty eight* dollars on signing these presents

and *Five* dollars payable thereafter... on *Wednesday 7*  
*each and every week next following the date*  
*of these presents and commencing October 22 1890*

then these presents shall be void. AND I, the said party of the first part, do covenant and agree to and with the said party of the second part, that in case default shall be made in the payment of the said sum above mentioned, or any part thereof, or if either or any of the installments thereof, or in case any attempt shall be made to remove or secrete or sell or dispose of the said goods, or any part thereof, from said house without the written consent of the said LUDWIG BAUMANN and payable at once without demand, and if not so paid then it shall and may be lawful for, and I, the said party of the first part, do hereby authorize and empower the said party of the second part, his agent or attorney, with the aid and assistance of any person or persons whomsoever, to enter my said dwelling house, store or other premises, and such other place or places as the said goods or chattels are or may be placed, and take and carry away the said goods and chattels; and to sell and dispose of the same at public or private sale for the best price they can obtain: and out of the money arising therefrom to retain and pay any and all sums due on the above goods and chattels, and all charges touching the same, rendering the overplus (if any) unto me. AND I, the said party of the first part, do further covenant and agree to and with the said party of the second part, that he, his agent or attorney, with the aid and assistance of any persons whatever may at any time, whether any installments may be due or not, enter my said house or said premises where said property may be stored and take away the said goods and chattels, and convert the same to his own use and benefit, anything in this mortgage to the contrary notwithstanding, in which latter case, however, he shall return to me all moneys paid on said goods, less a reasonable amount for cartage, and wear and tear and damage to the same. AND until default be made in the payment of the said sum of money, or any or either of the said installments, or until any attempt be made to remove, secrete, sell or dispose of said goods, or until said party of the second part shall elect to take and remove said goods as above provided for I am to remain and continue in the quite and peaceable possession of the said goods and chattels, and the full and free enjoyment of the same. It is mutually agreed between the parties to these presents, that the same shall be binding on themselves and their legal representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the said party of the first part, have hereunto set my hand and seal, the *15* day of *October* one thousand eight hundred and ninety

Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of

*Louis Ungermuech* { *John Francis* (L. S.)

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*John Francis*  
of No. *304 W 21 st.*  
In the City *New York*  
To

LUDWIG BAUMANN.

Dated *Oct 16<sup>th</sup>* 189*0*  
Filed *Oct 21<sup>st</sup>* 189*0*

MORTGAGE.

*Copy*

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ORIGINAL

0988

New York General Sessions.

PEOPLE ON MY COMPLAINT,  
VERSUS

Monte Lewis  
alias John Francis

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.

Since making the complaint in above case I have satisfied myself that there was no intent to defraud, the name given by defendant being his stage-name, and the chattel mortgage having been paid and satisfied.

In presence of

Eugene C. Jones

John P. Parsons

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Police Court 2<sup>d</sup> District.

City and County  
of New York.

ss.

of No. 510-514 Eighth Avenue New York City, aged about \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
occupation furniture dealer, being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1890, at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, Monte Lewis executed and

delivered to deponent a chattel mortgage  
a copy of which is hereto annexed, that  
the said Lewis executed and delivered the  
said mortgage under the assumed and  
fictitious name of John Francis; that he  
also goes under the assumed and fictitious  
name of — McCoy; that thereafter, in the  
City of New York aforesaid, the said Lewis, having  
theretofore executed said mortgage upon the  
personal property therein mentioned, sold  
and disposed of said property, upon which  
the mortgage aforesaid was at the time  
a lien, with intent thereby to defraud the  
mortgagee, this deponent, that said property  
at the time of the execution and delivery  
of said mortgage were at 304 West 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
in the City of New York, and remained there  
till disposed of by said Lewis, that no part  
of the sum mentioned in said mortgage  
except \$38 has been paid, and the balance  
thereof remains due; that deponent has  
demanded of said Lewis the whereabouts  
of said property, but the said Lewis has  
declined and refused to make the  
same known; that deponent charges the  
said Lewis with having (after having  
theretofore executed a mortgage thereon)  
secreted or disposed of said property  
mentioned in said mortgage upon which  
the mortgage aforesaid was at the time  
a lien with intent thereby to defraud  
deponent within section 1571 of the  
Penal Code, and prays for a warrant  
for his arrest.

Subscribed and sworn to before me Aug. 24, 1891.  
Police Justice  
[Signature]  
[Signature]



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Police Court. 2<sup>d</sup> District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York.

of No. 238 Ninth Avenue, N.Y. City, Eugene Shepard, aged 43 years,  
occupation collector for Ludwig Baumann being duly sworn, deposes and says,  
that on the 189 day of 189, at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, he is acquainted with Monte

Lewis, who on or about October 15, 1890 under  
the assumed and fictitious name of John Francis  
executed the chattel mortgage, a copy of  
which is hereto annexed, upon the goods and  
personal property therein described to  
Ludwig Baumann; that on August 22, 1891  
at Coney Island, in the State of New York,  
deponent, on behalf of said Baumann, demanded  
of said Lewis the said personal property mentioned  
in said mortgage, and asked him where  
it was, and said Lewis said that on or  
about November 1, 1890, he had sold the  
said goods to a man <sup>residing</sup> in Jersey City Heights,  
N. J., but he did not know his name or  
address.

Subscribed and sworn

to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1891.

Eugene Shefrance

J. A. Farr

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 192-200.

✓ District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Monte Lewis*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *20 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Hurca New York State*

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

Answer. *W 29<sup>th</sup> Street one day*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Performer*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty and  
demand an examination  
Monte Lewis*

Taken before me this  
day of *November* 1891

Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 151.

Police Court.....2 District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*In the name of the People of the State of New York ; To the Sheriff of the County  
of New York, or to any Marshal or Policeman of the City of New York, GREETING :*

Whereas, Complaint in writing, and upon oath, has been made before the undersigned, one of the Police  
Justices for the City of New York, by Ludwig Bauman  
of No. 510 and 514 Eighth Street, that on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October  
1890 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

Monte Lewis

Charged with Larceny (Misdemeanor)  
Violation Section 574  
Penal Code

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

These are Therefore, in the name of the PEOPLE of the State of New York, to command you the said  
Sheriff, Marshals and Policemen, and each and every of you, to apprehend the said Defendant and bring him  
forthwith before me, at the 2<sup>nd</sup> DISTRICT POLICE COURT, in the said City, or in case of my absence  
or inability to act, before the nearest or most accessible Police Justice in this City, to answer the said charge, and to  
be dealt with according to law.

Dated at the City of New York, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 1890

[Signature]  
POLICE JUSTICE.

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2432 P.M. 20. M. H. & Ador 86 Yes 28. H. H. 62 7 Avenue

The within named

having been brought before me under this Warrant, is committed for examination to the  
WARDEN and KEEPER of the City Prison of the City of New York.

Dated ..... 188

Police Justice.

POLICE COURT 2 DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Sending Bauman

Monte Lewis

Warrant-General.

Dated August 24 1891

Morgan Magistrate.

Mord Officer.

The Defendant, Monte Lewis  
taken, and brought before the Magistrate, to answer  
the within charge, pursuant to the command con-  
tained in this Warrant.

Alphonso Mord Officer.

Dated August 25 1891

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

Police Justice.

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Ex Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1891

BAILED,  
No. 1, by John Sweeney  
Residence 364 N 4<sup>th</sup> St  
No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

District.

1891

Arthur J. Sweeney  
506 6<sup>th</sup> St  
1<sup>st</sup> District  
Offence  
1<sup>st</sup> District

Dated Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 1891

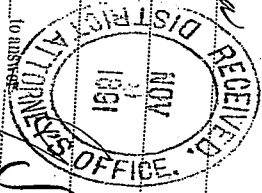
Stephan Magistrate.  
Deas Bird Officer.

Witnesses  
Eugene Phosphate  
238 9<sup>th</sup> Ave

No. 238  
Street.

No. 238  
Street.

No. 500  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

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 Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 1891 Stephan Police Justice.

I have admitted the above-named \_\_\_\_\_  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named \_\_\_\_\_  
guilty of the offence within mentioned. I order he to be discharged.  
Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Monte Davis  
otherwise called  
John Francis

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this  
indictment accuse Monte Davis otherwise called

John Francis —  
of the crime of fraudulently disposing of mortgaged  
property. —

committed as follows:

Heretofore, to wit: on the 15th day of October, 1890,  
the said Monte Davis, otherwise called John  
Francis, in and by the name of John Francis,  
did duly make, execute and deliver, at the City  
and County of New York, a certain mortgage of  
personal property, wherein and whereby he did  
grant, bargain and sell unto one Ludwig Baumann,  
for a good and sufficient consideration, certain  
personal property, therein described as follows, to  
wit: all those certain goods, wares and merchandise,  
consisting of the following articles, to wit: one (1)  
couch or sofa one (1) office chamber sink — one (1)  
chamber chamber sink toilet (1) garden stool  
matting one (1) 1/6 cotton mattress one (1) 1/6 excelsior  
mattress one (1) mangle drying one (1) flat spring  
box (1) mangle chairs one mangle rocker one (1)  
# 66 same range one pair of pillows one (1) pair

which contains two (2) centimeters two (2) con-  
centers one (1) extension table one (1) cor. bracket  
(2) yards again larger than (14) yards  
oil cloth one (1) main cloth paper six in. upon  
condition that if the said Monte Davis  
otherwise called John Francis should and did  
well and truly pay into the said Ludwig  
Baumann, without demand or notice at his  
office, numbers 508, 510, 512 and 514 Fifth Avenue  
in the said city, the sum of two hundred and  
eighty two  $\frac{1}{100}$  dollars, payable as follows: thirty  
eight dollars on signing of the said mortgage, and  
five dollars payable thereafter on Wednesday of  
each and every week next following the date  
thereof and commencing October 22nd 1890, then  
the said mortgage should be void; which said  
mortgage was at the time of the commission  
of the crime and misdemeanors hereinbefore  
alleged, a lien upon the said personal property.  
And afterwards, to wit: on the 1st day  
of November, 1890, the said Monte Davis,  
otherwise called John Francis, having so  
executed the said mortgage of personal property,  
and the said mortgage then being a lien upon  
property, at the city and county aforesaid,  
the said personal property unlawfully and fraudulently  
sell and dispose of the said personal property,  
with intent thereby to defraud the said  
Ludwig Baumann, such mortgage  
as aforesaid; against the form of the

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and the said mortgage then being a lien upon  
property, at the City and County aforesaid,  
the said personal said unlawfully and fraudulently  
sell and dispose of the said personal property,  
with intent thereby to defraud the said  
Gudwig Baumann, such mortgage  
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

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Liss, Joseph

**DATE:**

11/04/91



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

4204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Goldberg, Adolph

**DATE:**

11/04/91



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Witnesses:

I, Mrs. Ann Goldstein  
after due and care-  
ful consideration  
of the Complaint do  
not now object to  
the same being  
read to the jury.  
I, Mrs. Goldstein  
do hereby certify  
that the above  
is a true and correct  
copy of the  
original as the same  
was presented to  
me by the Grand  
Jurors of the  
County of New York  
in the City of New  
York on the 1st day  
of May, 1934.  
Ann Goldstein  
Attorney

Counsel,

Filed

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Pleas,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

I

Joseph Liss

I

Adolph Goldberg

De LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

Part 3. Mass. Conting  
Part 3. Not 73/91  
V. 1. Dep. discharged on his  
verdict recognizing same  
Foreman.  
Part 3. Not 18/91  
V. 2. Pleas Guilty  
sp 2  
11/11/13  
Phi 1 20/91

[Section 503, Code Code]  
Burglar's Book

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Police Court 1- District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York.

Detective Surgt.

occupation Police officer

that on the 27 day of October 1891, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he saw Joseph Leiss and Adolph

Charles Jacobs

Street, aged 30 years,

being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the 27 day of October 1891, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, he saw Joseph Leiss and Adolph

Goldberg (now present) walking and talking together in Madison Street near Jackson Street in said City.

Deponent says that he followed them through divers streets about one hour and he saw them go in the hallway of premises No 361 Madison Street where they remained about five minutes, and came out together and stood on the street corner conversing together - that said defendants again entered said premises and remained there about five minutes and when they came out deponent in company with officers Lang & Mc Manus took them in custody.

Deponent says that he found upon the possession of said Goldberg nine keys, five keys nowhere shown are skeleton keys and said Leiss had a large canvas bag wrapped up in a newspaper.

Deponent says that the above described are implements designed and commonly used for the commission of the offence of burglary and he charges said defendants with acting in concert with each other to wit having said unlawful instruments in their possession with intent to use the same in violation of Section 508 of the Penal Code.

Charles Jacobs

Sworn to before me  
this 29 day of October 1891

Do I certify  
Police Justice

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Adolph Goldberg*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*36 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Russia Poland*

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

Answer.

*78 Stanton St Three weeks*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Tailor*

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

Answer.

*I am guilty Adolph Goldberg*

Taken before me this

day of OCTOBER.

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*Leif G. Smith*  
Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINAL

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Sec. 193-209.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty*  
*Joseph Luss*

Taken before me this

day of

OCTOBER,

1891,

Police Justice.

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ORIGINAL

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

Police Court

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District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles Jacobs

Joseph Davis

Adolph Greiderberg

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Offence Carrying  
burglars' implements

Dated Oct 29 1891

A. O. Kelly Magistrate

James J. McDonald Officer

C. A. Precinct

Witnesses Henry J. Long

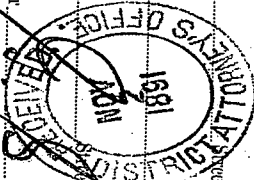
Edw. B. McManus

Central Office

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

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

\$ 1000 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 Defendants

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

Dated Oct 29 1891 A. O. Kelly Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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ORIGINAL

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(523)

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

*Joseph D. Dora and  
Addison F. Dora*

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

indictment, accuse *Joseph D. Dora and  
Addison F. Dora* —

of the crime of *intentionally possessing  
instruments of fraud and forgery*  
committed as follows:

The said *Joseph D. Dora and  
Addison F. Dora, both* —

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*twenty-sixth* day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and ninety — *one*, — at the City and County aforesaid,  
*did intentionally have in their possession,*  
*under circumstances evincing an intent to*  
*use and employ the same in the commission*  
*of some crime to the Grand Jury aforesaid*



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understand, certain facts, facts, facts and  
implements adapted, designed and commonly  
used for the commission of larceny and  
larceny, to wit: a gun, a knife, and five  
instruments of the kind known as pocket  
knives: 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.

Deputy Clerk,

~~Deputy Clerk~~ Attorney

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**BOX:**  
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**FOLDER:**  
4204

**DESCRIPTION:**

Lods, Louise

**DATE:**  
11/16/91



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Witnesses:

Counsel, *172*  
Filed, *16* day of *July* 189*7*  
Pleads,

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*B*

*Louise Lods*

*July 17/97*  
Sent to the Court of Special  
Sessions for trial, by request  
of Counsel for Defendant.

KEEPING A HOUSE OF ILL-FAME, ETC.  
(Sections 822 and 885, Penal Code.)

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

District Attorney

A TRUE BILL.

*(Signature)*

Foreman.

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

AGAINST

*Louise Lods*

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

*Louise Lods*

(Sec. 322,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING AND MAINTAINING A COMMON BAWDY HOUSE AND HOUSE OF ILL-FAME, committed as follows:

The said

*Louise Lods*

late of the *fifteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-seventh* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-*one*, and on divers other days and times, as well before as afterwards, to the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain common bawdy house and house of ill-fame, unlawfully and wickedly did keep and maintain; and in said house divers ill-disposed persons, as well men as women, and common prostitutes, on the days and times aforesaid, as well as in the night as in the day, there unlawfully and wickedly did receive and entertain; and in which said house the said evil-disposed persons and common prostitutes, by the consent and procurement of the said

*Louise Lods*

on the days and times aforesaid, there did commit whoredom and fornication; whereby divers unlawful assemblies, disturbances and lewd offenses on the days and times aforesaid, as well in the night as in the day, were there committed and perpetrated; to the great damage and common nuisance of all the good people of the said State there inhabiting and residing, in manifest destruction and subversion of and against good morals and good manners, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

SECOND COUNT—

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

*Louise Lods*

(Sec. 325,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF MAINTAINING A PUBLIC NUISANCE, committed as follows:

The said

*Louise Lods*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *twenty-seventh* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

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ninety- *one*, and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, unlawfully did keep and maintain a certain common, ill-governed house, and in *her* said house for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons whose names are to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, as well men as women, of evil name and fame and dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together then and on said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on said other days and times there to be and remain, tippling, drinking, gaming, cursing, swearing, quarreling, making great noises and otherwise misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit and suffer, to the great annoyance, injury and danger of the comfort and repose of a great number of persons, good citizens of our said State there residing, and passing and repassing, to the common nuisance of the said citizens, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

THIRD COUNT:

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

*Louise Lods*

(Sec. 322,  
Penal Code.)

of the CRIME OF KEEPING A DISORDERLY HOUSE, committed as follows:

The said

*Louise Lods*

late of the Ward, City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *twenty-seventh* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety- *one* and on divers other days and times between the said day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, unlawfully did keep a certain ill-governed and disorderly house, the same being a place of public resort, and in the said house and place of public resort, for *her* own lucre and gain, certain persons, as well men as women, of evil name and fame, and of dishonest conversation, to frequent and come together, then and on the said other days and times, there unlawfully and wilfully did cause and procure, and the said men and women in *her* said house, at unlawful times, as well in the night as in the day, then and on the said other days and times, there to be and remain, drinking, tippling, gambling, rioting, disturbing the peace, whoring and misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully did permit, and yet continues to permit, by reason whereof the peace, comfort and decency of the neighborhood around and about the said house were, and yet are habitually disturbed, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

DE LANCEY NICOLL,

*District Attorney.*

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Lyons, Harry

**DATE:**

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Witnesses:

The defendant in this case has heretofore had an excellent character for honesty & industry. In a moment of great temptation he committed this crime for the purpose of getting necessities for his sick mother & his wife, who was in a delicate condition. The complaint asks the Court for leniency for the defendant. Under all these circumstances, I recommend that, if defendant's plea of guilty be entered, the Court extend to him such leniency as these circumstances will permit.

Dec 3, 1891.

V. M. Davis  
Court,

A TRUE BILL.

(Signed) *Alfred H. [unclear]*

DE LANCEY NICOLL,  
District Attorney.

Forgery in the Second Degree.  
[Sections 511 and 521, Penal Code.]

THE PEOPLE

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Chas.  
1438 Broadway, New York

Harry Lyons

Counsel,

Filed

day of

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Pleas,

Foreman.

Dec 2 - Dec. 3, 1891.

Reads Sentence

Sentence suspended  
RBM,

In the Matter of  
The People }  
                  <sup>agst</sup>  
Harry Lyons }

I Ralph Victor, depose and say  
that I have known Harry Lyons  
for some years, and have known  
him always to be an honest, straight-  
forward, industrious young man,  
and know from personal knowledge  
that he has helped to support his  
Orphaned Mother. That from  
associating with him, and from  
Business transactions, that he  
has always been straightforward  
in his dealings and sayings to  
me.

Worn before me this } Ralph Victor  
27<sup>th</sup> day of November 1891 }  
J. H. [Signature]  
Comptroller

R. Victor, Business Address

Before

No 94 St. 6<sup>th</sup> St.

Bklyn

Residence 250 E. 5<sup>th</sup> St. N.Y. City



In the Matter of  
The People  
vs.  
Harry Lyons

I, David Mandel, of the  
250 E. 51<sup>st</sup> St. N.Y. City, depose and say  
that I have known the above Harry  
Lyons, for a good many years and  
have always known him to be an  
Honest, Capable, and industrious young  
man. And know that he has  
helped to support his Paralyzed  
Mother, has always been a dutiful  
son, and know that if His Honor  
The Judge, will be merciful to  
him, that in very short time  
he will be able to show to all  
concerned, that he will again  
be Honest and straight forward,  
and lead a good honest career.

Worn before me  
November 7<sup>th</sup> 1891  
M. J. Stein  
Com. of Deeds  
N.Y.C.

David Mandel

In the Matter of  
The People  
vs.  
Harry Lyons

I, David Mandel, of the  
250 E. 51<sup>st</sup> N.Y. City, depose and say  
that I have known the above Harry  
Lyons, for a good many years, and  
have always known him to be an  
honest, capable, and industrious young  
man. And know that he has  
helped to support his Paralyzed  
Mother, and has always been a dutiful  
son, and know that if His Honor  
The Judge, will be merciful to  
him, that in very short time  
he will be able to show to all  
concerned, that he will again  
be honest and straight forward,  
and lead a good honest career.

Worn before me  
& sworn, 24<sup>th</sup> 1891

David Mandel

N. J. Stein  
Com. of Deeds  
N.Y.C.

The Court of General Sessions  
held in and for the City and County of New York

The People

Harry Lyons

City and County of New York

I Morris Huebsch residing and  
carrying on business at 2010 Third Avenue  
this City, being duly sworn according to law  
do hereby say that I have known  
Harry Lyons for about one year and have  
known his family for about two years and  
a half. Have always known Harry Lyons  
to have been honest and a hard working  
boy, and to my best belief have never  
known him to have been in any previous  
trouble. Knowing his wife being about  
to become a mother, and his mother  
being in a helpless condition on account  
of a paralytic stroke some years ago, I would  
also state that his wife is in needy  
circumstances, financially, so thinking it would  
be a mercy for his wife, owing to the  
above circumstances, to pray that you may  
suspend sentence in this case.

Morris Huebsch

The Court of General Sessions Held in and  
for the City and County of N.Y.

The People

Harry Lyons

City and County of New York

I Simon Rappaport residing at 107  
East 112 St doing business #480 Bway this  
City I have known Harry Lyons 5 yrs have  
always known him to be upright and honest  
belonging to a very respectable family. I would  
sincerely ask that the Court would show  
him mercy on account of the conditions  
of his wife <sup>who</sup> ~~which~~ at present is in a very  
delicate condition... also he being part  
support of his Widowed Mother

Yours very Truly

Simon Rappaport

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MANUFACTURERS OF  
SILK, MACKINTOSH, GOSSAMER  
AND  
VULCANIZED CLOTHING.  
DRESS SHIELDS AND BUSTLES  
IN GREAT VARIETY.

MAIN OFFICE,  
85 BEACH STREET,  
BOSTON, MASS.

NEW YORK OFFICE  
OF THE  
COLUMBIA RUBBER CO.,  
49 LISPENARD STREET.

L. NUSSBAUM,  
NEW YORK MANAGER.

*New York, November 25 1891*

To the Court of General Sessions, held in and  
for the city and county of New York.  
This is to certify that I have known  
Harry Lyons for the past 15 years. I have  
always found him to be an honest and  
industrious young man  
having been personally acquainted  
with his family for the past 20 years  
I have always found them to be honest  
and industrious people  
his father who has been dead about 15  
years, left him and his brothers the main  
support of their mother, who is an invalid,  
and is in a helpless condition, and furthermore  
knowing of his wife being in a delicate condition  
and this being his first offence, I hereby  
pray that the Honorable Judge will  
have mercy on him

Yours very truly  
L. Nussbaum

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Factory:  
282 EAST HOUSTON ST.,

OFFICE OF  
**M. B. OCHS & SONS,**  
58 WALKER STREET,

New York, Nov. 25. 1891

To whom it may concern.

This is to certify  
that I know Harry Lyons  
for the last (6) six years &  
know nothing against his  
character, excepting of this charge  
which I learned to my sorrow from  
his Brother, previous to this have  
never heard a complaint against  
him - & trust that leniency shown  
him by your Honor will benefit him  
& his family who I know to be  
respectable family.

Truly yours

David Ochs

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NEUHAUS BROS.,  
Bakers and Confectioners,  
979 Second Avenue.

New York. No 275 1881

To Judge of George Jackson  
This is to certify that I have  
known Mr. Harry Lyons for some  
years and have always known  
him to be an honest young man  
that he has helped to support his  
paralyzed mother and was sorry  
to hear of the trouble he has gotten  
and known any mercy shown  
him will be appreciated by him  
self and friends & family. Hoping  
that your Honor will be merciful  
to him. we remain respt

Neuhaus Bros

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J. Langenzer,  
Dealer and Importer in  
Seed, Leaf and Havana Tobaccos,  
976 Second Avenue.  
Bet 51st and 52nd Sts.

New York, Sep 25<sup>th</sup> 1891

To whom it may Concern.

This is to certify that I  
have known Mr Harry Lyons, for  
some time, have always known  
him to be an honest, industrious  
Young Man, and know that he, with  
the ~~financial~~ assistance of his  
brothers, has helped to support  
a Paralyzed Mother, who has  
been in that condition for the  
least 5 Years. Was very sorry to  
hear of the misfortune that he  
has got into, but know that if  
an opportunity is given him, will  
surely redeem himself, and give  
back to his Family and himself, a  
good, Honorable man.

Respy  
J. William Langenzer



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Harry Lyons  
Nov/91

Court of General Sessions  
in and for the City & County of New York

The People vs

Mary Lyons

I, Philip Schulang the complainant  
in the above criminal proceeding  
do hereby desire with the permission  
of the Court to withdraw the charge  
I made against him & I do so for  
the following reasons:

The defendant is a young man,  
has a wife who at the present time  
is in a delicate condition with child,  
and this is the first time the defendant  
has been arrested or charged with the  
commission of any crime whatever.

Restitution to the amount of  
the money I lost has been made  
by the friend of defendant for the  
sake of defendant's wife & family.

I honestly believe that in the  
future if the Court will permit the  
defendant to be discharged, he will be  
come an upright & dutiful citizen

of the community  
Witness my hand & seal this 1st day of  
Philip Schulang

Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
held in & for the City & County of New York

The People vs. Harry Lyons

City & County of New York ss  
I, Harry Lyons  
being duly sworn according to  
law do depose & say:

I am 28 years of age  
and before my arrest resided at  
1436 - Broadway, Brooklyn New  
York.

I am a married man  
having been married 11 months.  
I was never before ar-  
rested for any crime.

The chief motive which  
causes me to commit the crime  
which I am charged with because  
I was supporting an invalid  
mother, my wife is in a delicate  
condition and I want to have  
my home comfortable as I had  
been married only 11 months and  
most of the money which I took

from Mr Schuyler want for those  
two papers. Besides supporting  
my house.

I did intend to return the  
money to the complainant Mr  
Schuyler but I was ~~arranged~~ <sup>arranged</sup>  
did not have the time to do it.

I solemnly swear that if I  
am given an opportunity to be re-elected  
specimen to go to work I will  
become an honest & upright man  
and never for the People of the  
State of New York any cause to  
complain of my future conduct  
I swear me this  
1 day of December 1891 } Henry Lyman  
Remond. Remond

Commissioner of Deeds  
and for the City and  
County of NEW YORK.

from Mr Schuyler want for these  
two papers. besides supporting  
my house.

I did intend to return the  
money to the complainant Mr  
Schuyler but I was arrested and  
did not have the time to do it.

I solemnly swear that if I  
am given an opportunity to be released  
from the committee to go to work I will  
become an honest & upright man  
and never give the People of the  
State of New York any cause to  
complain of my future conduct.

Done before me this  
1 day of December 1841  
Alfred S. Durant

Henry Lyone

Commissioner of Deeds  
and for the City and  
County of NEW YORK.

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STATE OF NEW YORK,  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.:

.....being duly  
sworn, says that he resides at No. ....Street, in the City of  
New York ; that he is .....years of age ; that on the .....day of .....  
189 , at Number .....in the City of  
New York, he served the within .....on .....  
the .....by leaving a copy thereof with.....  
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Sworn to before me this  
day of .....189 }

*J. H. General Sessions*

*The People vs*

against

*Harry Lyons*

Defendant.

*Alfredant*

HOWE & HUMMEL,

Attorneys for Defendant.

87 & 89 Centre St., New York City.

Due and timely service of copy of the within  
hereby admitted

this day of .....189

Attorney.

To.....

Police Court / District.

City and County } ss.  
of New York.

of No. 18 Prince

occupation of

that on the 13th day of

York, in the County of New York,

Philip Shulman  
Street, aged 32 years,

being duly sworn, deposes and says,

That on the 13th day of October 1891, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, Harry Lyons (nowhere) did make and forge, utter and counterfeit a certain check, for the sum of Forty dollars payable to the order of "myself" and purporting to be signed by the defendant and endorsed by defendant on the Bowery Bank, for the reasons following to wit, That on the 13th day of November 1891, Defendant sent a messenger to the Bowery Bank to get his pass book and checks, and when said messenger returned with said pass book and checks, defendant said said messenger that he wanted him a check of Forty dollars in the postage and that he would take out said check for 40 dollars and place it on top of the said postage and that he defendant wanted see about it; That the said messenger then made known the said facts to defendant, and defendant immediately examined the said check and found said check missing and found no entry of such check in his check book or on the books of his account, and defendant caused said defendant to be arrested, and he admitted and confessed to defendant, in the presence of Jeremiah Murphy, a detective of police headquarters, that he did make and forge and utter counterfeit defendant's name to said check and received the money.

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therefore had appropriated the same  
to his own use, and that he destroyed the  
said check; Dependent is further informed  
by Jeremiah Murphy, that when he  
presented said defendant he took  
him to the Bowery Bank, and in the  
presence of himself and the president  
of said bank, he admitted and confessed  
he had forged uttered, counterfeited  
the name of defendant to the said  
check and received the said money  
and appropriated the same to his  
own use. and dependent therefore  
charges said defendant with forgery

Sworn before me by,  
this 13th day of November

J. Schlarup

Do J. C. R. H. W.  
Police Justice

Police Court, District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

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Offense

Dated 189

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses,

No. Street.

No. Street.

No. Street.

to answer Sessions.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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aged 36 years, occupation Detective of No. Jeremiah J. Murphy

300 Mulberry Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

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

Sworn to before me, this 13 day of November 1891 Jeremiah J. Murphy

J. C. Bull  
Police Justice

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Taken before me this

day of

November 1898

Police Justice.

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

Police Court---  
District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

2 .....  
3 .....  
4 .....  
Offence

Date: Nov 13 1891

Magistrate

James M. Murphy  
Precinct

Witness  
No. 1, by James M. Murphy  
Street

RECEIVED  
NOV 13 1891  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE  
No. Street

No. Street  
\$2000 to answer

Court

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

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Twenty 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 November 13 1891 James M. Murphy Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Harry Lyons*

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

*Harry Lyons*

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

The said *Harry Lyons*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *fourteenth* day of *October*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety- *one*, at the City and County aforesaid, with intent to defraud, feloniously did forge a certain instrument and writing, which said forged instrument and writing is as follows, that is to say: *Importance to be a Trade Invoice drawn by one Philip Schulman upon a certain Institution here known as the Bowery Bank, bearing date the day and year aforesaid and directing the said Trade to pay to the order of himself the said Philip Schulman, the sum of forty dollars, a more particular description of which said forged instrument is to be found among aforesaid instrument and cannot now be given. The same having been destroyed by the act and procurement of the said Harry Lyons, the reason whereof the same is not set forth in this indictment.*

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

*De Sancy Mide,*  
*Attorney*

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