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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Ranges, Albert

DATE:

04/02/85



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Witnesses:

Charles Peters

H.A.

Officer James Clinton  
6th Precinct

314

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Counsel, Brady & Minda

Filed 2 day of April 1885

Pleads McWhorter

THE PEOPLE

vs.

P

Albert Ranges

H.D.

Grand Larceny  
(From the person.)  
[Sections 528, 530, — Penal Code].  
degree

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

PETER B. O'NEAL,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

W. J. C. Berry

Foreman.

April 10/85

Acquitted

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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

*Albert Ranger*

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

*Albert Ranger*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said *Albert Ranger*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *twenty-sixth* day of *March*, - in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one promissory note for the payment of money of the kind known as United States Treasury notes, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied, for the payment of and of the value of two dollars, and two other promissory notes for the payment of money, of the kind known as United States Treasury notes, the same being then and there due and unsatisfied, for the payment of and of the value of one dollar each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Charles Peters*,  
on the person of *the said Charles Peters*,  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Charles Peters*,  
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.

*Randolph B. Martin*,

*District Attorney*

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

0205

BAILED,

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court No. 314 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles Peters  
vs.  
Muel Ranges

Offence Larceny from the person

Dated 27 Nov 1885

Magistrate  
John O'Reilly

Officer  
Clinton

Witnesses  
Officer  
Complainant, committed to the House of Detention on default of \$300 to appear

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

\$1000 to answer Criminal Sessions.  
Committed

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 10 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 27 Nov 1885 Samuel O'Reilly Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*Albert Ranges*

being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is h\_\_\_\_\_ right to make a statement in relation to the charge against h\_\_\_\_\_; that the statement is designed to enable h\_\_\_\_\_ if h\_\_\_\_\_ 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. *Albert Ranges*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *25 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *8 Borey 5 mos*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Vendor*

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 innocent of the charge*

*Albert Ranges*

Taken before me this

*27*

day of

*March 1885*

*James W. Kelly* Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

POLICE COURT, 1 DISTRICT.

James Clinton

of No. 611 Precinct Police Street, aged years,

occupation being duly sworn deposes and says,

that on the day of 188

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

the within Complainant. is a material witness against Albert Ranges Charles Peters

the within named defendant. That

said Peters has no place of abode in this City and prays

that said Peters give sure

surity for his appearance to

prosecute

James Clinton

Sworn to before me, this  
of 27 day  
1887

David W. H. Police Justice.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Police Court— / District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

Charles Peters

of No. House of Detention Street, aged 42 years,  
occupation Laborer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 26 day of March 1885 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, ~~and from his person~~ on the night time, the following property viz:

good and lawful money namely one  
bill of the denomination and value of  
Two dollars, Two bills of the denom-  
ination and value of One dollar  
each all of the value of Four  
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 Albert Ranges (now here)

That said defendant followed deponent  
out of store No. 15 Boney in said  
City and while in front of said  
Store said defendant came along side  
of deponent and took stole and  
carried away said money that was  
contained in the pocket of the  
jacket then and there worn by deponent  
and ran away That deponent pursued  
said defendant and had him  
arrested by Officer Clinton of the  
6th Precinct Police in the lodging house  
8 Boney in said City

Charles Peters  
mark

Sworn to before me, this 27 day  
of March 1885

Samuel W. McCall  
Police Justice

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Reid, Dennis

**DATE:**

04/28/85



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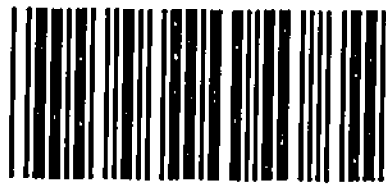
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Keeley, Charles

**DATE:**

04/28/85



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POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Counsel,

Filed day of

188

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*Chippulley*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*P*

*Dennis Reid and*

*P*

*Charles Keelley*

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

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

~~JOHN W. MARTINE~~

District Attorney.

*Dr May 16/80*

*Paul Price requested*

A True Bill.

*(Signed, G. G. G. G.)*

Foreman.

*Dennis Reid*  
*Charles Keelley*

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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

*Dennis Reid and  
Charles Hedley*

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

*Dennis Reid and Charles Hedley*

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

The said *Dennis Reid and Charles*

*Hedley*, each

late of the City and County of New York, on the *twenty 2nd* day of  
*April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty *four*, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon one

*Thomas Dunge*,  
in the peace of the people of the said State then and there being, feloniously did  
willfully and wrongfully make an assault: and the said *Dennis Reid*  
*and Charles Hedley*,

with a certain *ipso facto* which *being* the said

*Dennis Reid and Charles Hedley*

in *their* right hands then and there had and held, the same being then and there an  
*instrument and thing* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, *then*,  
the said *Thomas Dunge*, then and there feloniously  
did willfully and wrongfully strike, beat, *scold, cut*, bruise and wound,  
against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace  
of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Richard P. Martin*

*District Attorney*



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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

Police Court No. 435  
District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*William Burger*  
529 St 109th

*William Reid*

*Charles Moley*

*Offence Fel. assault.*

Dated April 25 1885

*James Reid*  
Magistrate

*219*  
Officer

*stair officer*  
Precinct

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

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

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

\$ 500 to answer

*James Reid*  
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

*William Reid* *Charles Moley*  
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 *Each* and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated April 25 1885 *John J. Roman* Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1885 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1885 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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Sec. 198—200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK,

*Dennis Reid*

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

Question What is your name?

Answer *Dennis Reid*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *Ireland*

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

Answer. *148 West 30<sup>th</sup> Street 1 year*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer  *Clerk*

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*

*Dennis Reid*

Taken before me this

*25*

day of *April*

*1887*

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, <sup>SS</sup>

*Charles Keelley*

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~~ <sup>me</sup>; that the statement is designed to enable ~~h~~ <sup>me</sup> if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against ~~h~~ <sup>me</sup> that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that ~~h~~ <sup>me</sup> waiver cannot be used against ~~h~~ <sup>me</sup> on the trial.

Question What is your name?

Answer *Charles Keelley*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *42 6<sup>th</sup> avenue 18 years*

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer *Plumber*

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*

*Chas Keelley*

Taken before me this

*25*

day of *April*

188*5*

Police Justice



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Thomas Dwyer

deposes and says, that on the 25 day of April 1885 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, \_\_\_\_\_

Dennis Reid and Charles Keeley, (both nowhere) said Dennis struck defendant a violent blow in the face with his clenched fist, then said Keeley took a pitchfork gave the same to said Reid who ~~subbed~~ <sup>substituted</sup> defendant in the left hand with said pitchfork held in his hand, said assault was committed by said defendants.

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

Thomas H. Sawyer  
man

*Police Justice.*

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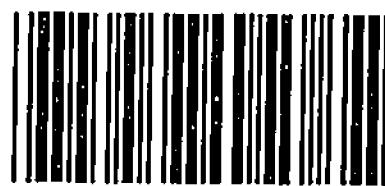
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Reilly, Philip

**DATE:**

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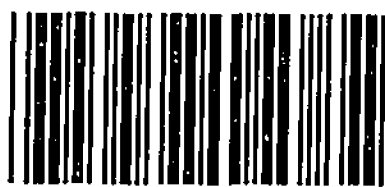
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DESCRIPTION:

O'Gorman, Michael

DATE:

04/29/85



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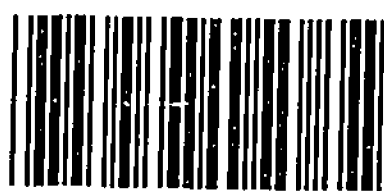
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Mitchell, Lawrence

**DATE:**

04/29/85



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POOR QUALITY  
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W. J. Weber  
Otto Weber  
J. Max

Abraham

No 284

Counsel,  
Filed  
Pleads  
1885  
J. J. Kelly (30)

Petit Larceny, and Receiving-Stolen Goods.  
(Sections 528, 532.)  
THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
Philip Reilly  
Michael O'Gorman  
Lawrence Mitchell  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

A True Bill.  
Foreman.

Hand guilty  
All House of Refuge  
No 1 + 3 House of Refuge

0221

Court of General Sessions of the Peace

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

against

*Philip Riddiford,  
Michael O'Farman,  
Lawrence Mitchell*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
*Philip Riddiford, Michael O'Farman  
and Lawrence Mitchell,*  
of the CRIME OF PETIT LARCENY, committed as follows:

The said *Philip Riddiford, Michael  
O'Farman and Lawrence Mitchell,* each  
late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid,  
on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty*five*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid,  
with force and arms,

*ninety yards of gingham, of the  
value of thirteen cents each yard,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Abraham  
S. Adinor*, then and there being found, then and there  
unlawfully 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.

*Charles W. Martin,  
District Attorney*



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District Police Court,  
New York, 188

The witness referred to in the  
annexed affidavit as "a  
keeper of a fruit stand  
at 77 Avenue A. whose name  
is to the deponent unknown"  
is Fabian Max of 102 Ridge  
St. He is a material  
witness as he saw the  
accused commit the larceny

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Testimony in the  
Case of  
P. Reilly, M. O'Connor  
& Mitchell

Filed April  
1863

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The People  
 Phillip Reilly  
 Michael O'Gorman  
 and Lawrence Mitchell  
 Indictment for petty larceny.  
 John Diefenbach sworn and  
 examined, testified I am a dry goods clerk  
 and live at 108 Ludlow St. My store is 75<sup>th</sup>  
 Avenue St. The goods were taken on the 24<sup>th</sup>  
 of April from the sidewalk; they were two pieces  
 of dress goods valued at \$1.25; they belonged  
 to my employer, Berliner Bros., but were  
 in my care and custody. I did not see  
 these boys take it and I do not know who  
 took it. Otto Weber sworn. I live at  
 19 Avenue St. and am a picture fitter.  
 I was in New York on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April and  
 saw these three boys that day passing 172<sup>nd</sup>  
 Seventh St. They had two pieces of goods in  
 a bag, rolls of dress goods as I under-  
 stand, and afterwards the gentleman who  
 left the stand claimed them. The store  
 of the complainant was at the corner of  
 Fifth St. and my father's house is in  
 Seventh St. two blocks and a half away.  
 The complainant identified the goods  
 after I explained to him how it looked. I  
 told him it had a sort of brown and blue  
 stripe. He said right off that the goods



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The People  
Phillip Reilly  
Michael O'Horman  
and Lawrence Mitchell  
Indictment for petty larceny

John Diefenbraches sworn and examined, testified I am a dry goods clerk and live at 108 Ludlow St. My store is 75th Avenue St. The goods were taken on the 24th of April from the sidewalk; they were two pieces of dress goods valued at \$1.25. They belonged to my employer, Berliner Bros., but were in my care and custody. I did not see these boys take it and I do not know who took it. Otto Weber sworn. I live at 19 Avenue A and am a picture fitter. I was in New York on the 24th of April and saw these three boys that day passing 172 Seventh St. They had two pieces of goods in a bag, rolls of dress goods as I understood, and afterwards the gentleman who left the stand claimed them. The store of the complainant was at the corner of Fifth St. and my father's house is in Seventh St. two blocks and a half away. The complainant identified the goods after I explained to him how it looked. I told him it had a sort of brown and blue stripe. He said right off that the goods

Part I  
Court of General Sessions  
Before Judge Corning  
Friday, May 1st 1885

were his which were on the sidewalk. It looked very suspicious the way that the three boys passed the door. There was two men in front of the express wagon and these two fellows were at the dash board. They had hold of the dash board following the wagon. When they got down between Avenue B & C the two largest took off the goods and the small boy, and they went into the hall in a liquor store. I suppose they wanted to take the stuff because the milk came up. A man came out of the liquor store and told them to get out. What did they do when they were told to get out? They got out and went down as far as Seventh St. and Avenue D. They walked along Avenue D to Fifth St. and then went down to Lewis St. They walked along Lewis St. to Fourth St. and there is where I missed them. I could not find them any more after that. So I was going home. I met this gentleman who was on the stand here in the corner of Avenue B. I thought as soon as he was down there that the coats must have belonged to him and I asked him about it. You did not see where these boys got those bundles of goods? No sir. I don't know where they had



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 They got out and went down as far as  
 Seventh St. and Avenue D. They walked  
 along Avenue D to Fifth St. and then went  
 down to Lewis St. they walked along Lewis  
 St. to Ninth St. and there is where I missed  
 them. I could not find them any more  
 after that. So I was going home. I met this  
 gentleman who was on the stand here  
 on the corner of Avenue B. I thought as  
 soon as he was down there that the coats  
 must have belonged to him and I  
 asked him about it. You did not see  
 anywhere these boys got those bundles of  
 goods? No sir. I don't know where they had



taken it from. All you saw you say, was  
these three boys in possession of two rolls of  
goods? Yes sir, of these goods. And where  
they got the goods from you do not know?  
No sir, I do not know. And you say the  
complainant did not see the goods? He  
has not seen the goods to my knowledge.  
That is all I know about it.

Ferdinand Voss, sworn and examined.  
testified. What precinct do you belong to officer?  
The Eleventh Precinct. Did you arrest these  
boys? I did, sir. On what day? On the  
21st of April I was standing at the corner  
of Lewis and Third Sts. and I saw these  
three boys coming down Third St. turning  
into Lewis St. acting very suspiciously.  
One of them having a box under his arm.  
Knowing them to be out nights and hard  
cases. What do you know about the  
transaction? I seen them going into a store  
in Lewis St. and I thought I would wait  
till they had come out. While I was standing  
there for two minutes, along came Mr. Weber  
and Mr. Diefenbacher. I saw these three young  
fellows were taller than the other, coming  
down the street. They came up from  
the back door. I saw them about two minutes  
before going into a store in Lewis St.

He was going to run right over I said, "Hold on" I went over to the store; there was about six of them. Mr. Weber pointed out this Reilly first. He says, "There is one of them; there is another, and there is the third of them." They are the ones that had the stuff. Was this in the presence of the prisoners? Yes sir. Did they hear it? The prisoners heard it. They were present when the accusation was made, were they not? Yes sir. And they were within you might say hearing distance? Yes sir. How near were they? Two or three feet. I guess I have got a witness there that seen them take it. What did you do? I arrested them. Was so examined. You did not see anything of these thefts? No sir. I did not. Who is the man that pointed them out to you as he passed? Max Weber. I did not see them take them, but I saw the stuff in their possession. I asked Max was called and sworn but not examined. The prisoners pleaded guilty to petty larceny and they were sent to the House of Refuge.



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154 W. 34 St.

April 28 - 1886

Dear Mr. Cowing:

The sister of this little boy Mitchell, lived with me for three years, and I know his parents to be of upright character. His mother comes personally to me for this favor and begs me to inform you that it is his first offence and owing to the influence of older boys. Under the circumstances I need hardly ask you to be lenient in your judgment. You cannot be other than just.

I have the honor to be your friend  
Mrs. Geo. S. Norton



Court  
of  
General Sessions

*John Dieffenbacher*  
*against*  
*Philip Kelly*

PENAL CODE, § 532

**Report of The New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.**

ELBRIDGE T. GERRY.

*President, &c.,*

100 East 23d Street.

NEW YORK CITY.

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Court  
General Session  
John Riesenbacher  
against  
Philip Reilly

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY  
TO CHILDREN.

100 EAST 23 STREET,

New York, 30 April 1885

CASE NO. 18072 OFFICER  
DATE OF ARREST 24 April 1885  
CHARGE Petit Larceny of Dry Goods  
from 75 Avenue A  
AGE OF CHILD Fifteen years  
RELIGION Catholic  
FATHER Matthew, coal worker, sober  
and industrious  
MOTHER Bridget, also sober and decent  
RESIDENCE 165 Avenue C, top floor front

AN INVESTIGATION BY THE SOCIETY SHEWS THAT

Philip Reilly is a bad,  
lazy, disobedient lad, who has been  
arrested once before "on suspicion", but  
discharged; — and that his parents  
are worthy people, who wish boy  
in any Catholic Institution, if  
possible

All which is respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. Terry

President.

To  
The District Attorney

Part  
of  
General Session

John Diefenbacher  
against  
Michael Gorman

NEW YORK  
PENAL CODE, § 532

Report of The New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.

ELBRIDGE T. GERRY.

President, &c.,

100 East 23d Street,

New York City.

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Court  
General Sessions

John Diefenbacher  
against  
Michael McCormack

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY  
TO CHILDREN.

100 EAST 23 STREET,

New York, 30 April 1885

CASE NO. 18072 OFFICER D. Voss 11<sup>th</sup> Precinct  
DATE OF ARREST 24 April 1885  
CHARGE Petit Larceny of Dry Goods from  
75 Avenue A  
AGE OF CHILD Sixteen years  
RELIGION Catholic  
FATHER Dead  
MOTHER Dead  
RESIDENCE 709 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street Boys' Lodging House  
AN INVESTIGATION BY THE SOCIETY SHEWS THAT

Michael has been in  
the Catholic Protectory for destitution;  
has not been arrested before, and  
apparently has nothing against  
him up to present. See references

All which is respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. Perry  
President.

To The District Attorney.

Court  
of

General Sessions

John Wiefenbach

against

Lawrence S. Fitch

Deft. Lawrence S. Fitch  
New York  
PENAL CODE, § 322.

Report of The New York Society  
for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Children.

ELBRIDGE T. GERRY.

President, etc.

100 East 23d Street.

NEW YORK CITY.

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Court  
General Sessions  
John Wiefenbacher  
against  
Lawrence Mitchell

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY  
TO CHILDREN.

100 EAST 23 STREET,

New York, 30 April 1885

CASE NO. 18072 OFFICER J. Voss 11<sup>th</sup> Prec.  
DATE OF ARREST 24 April 1885  
CHARGE Petit Larceny of Long Ears from  
No 45 Avenue A  
AGE OF CHILD Fifteen years  
RELIGION Catholic  
FATHER John, waiter in Fifth Ave. Hotel.  
many years, a decent man.  
MOTHER Ellen, slightly affected in head  
from confinement.  
RESIDENCE 244 West 30<sup>th</sup> St, a short time.

AN INVESTIGATION BY THE SOCIETY SHEWS THAT

Lawrence Mitchell is a  
rather wild boy, who has been arrested  
once before "on suspicion", but discharged  
- and that his parents are respectable  
apparently.

All which is respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. Terry

President.

To The District Attorney.



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Police Court 32 438 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

John Stefenbacher  
108 Ludlow St

1 Philip Reilly

2 Michael Gorman

3 Lawrence Mitchell

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Offence Larceny

Dated April 24 1885

Magistrate

Officer

11 Precinct

Witnesses John Stefenbacher

No. 108 Ludlow Street

John Stefenbacher

No. 179 Avenue A Street

Dec. de ruy

No. 100 E 23rd St

\$ 300 to answer

Co. E. S. Ward

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

Philip Reilly, Michael Gorman and Lawrence Mitchell 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 April 24 1885 Police Justice.

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

Dated 1885 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 1885 Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, { ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Lawrence Mitchell*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *15*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *248 West 125th St -*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Musical work*

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 a trial by jury*

*Lawrence Mitchell*

Taken before me this *24*

day of *April*

*Police Justice.*

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Sec. 198-200.

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY {  
OF NEW YORK { ss

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

Question What is your name?

Answer Michael Gorman

Question. How old are you?

Answer 66

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. New York

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

Answer. 709 East 11th St - about a year

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer. Umbrella maker

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

Answer. I am not guilty - and demand a trial by jury

Michael O Gorman

Taken before me this

day of

June 1885

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

1920 District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer *Philip Reilly*

Question. How old are you?

Answer *11*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer *New York*

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

Answer *165 Avenue C - Seven years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer *None*

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

Answer *I am not guilty - and demand a trial by jury*

*Philip Reilly*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Otto Weber*

aged *22* years, occupation *picture frame* of No.

*19 Avenue A* Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *John Diefenbacher*

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

knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this *24*

day of *April* 188*5*

*Chas. Weber.*

*P. J. [Signature]*  
Police Justice.

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## District Police Court.

Affidavit—Larceny.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ssJohn Diefenbacher  
of No. 108 Ludlow Street, New York

being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 24 day of April 1885

at the store No 95 Avenue A, 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:

two pieces of gingham goods  
each piece containing about ~~for~~ <sup>four</sup>  
forty five yards, of the value of twelve  
and a half cents, the whole property  
being of the value of eleven dollars  
and twenty five cents.

Sworn to before me this

day of

the property of Berlina Brothers, and being  
at that time in the care and custody  
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 Philip Reilly, Michael Gorman  
and Lawrence Mitchell (now here) from the

fact that deponent was informed by  
Otto Weber that he saw the said Philip  
Reilly, Michael Gorman and Lawrence  
Mitchell in possession of the said property,  
acting suspiciously, and that deponent  
was also informed by one a keeper of  
a fruit stand at 233 Avenue A whose  
name is to deponent unknown. That

Forsee Justice

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he saw the said Philip Reilly Michael  
Gorman and Lawrence Mitchell take  
the said property away from the front  
of the store where it was displayed for  
sale

Sworn to before me this  
24 day of April 1885

*J. P. Duff*

Police Justice

*John Dufenbacher*

District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT—Larceny.

Dated

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Magistrate.

Officer.

WITNESSES:

DISPOSITION

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

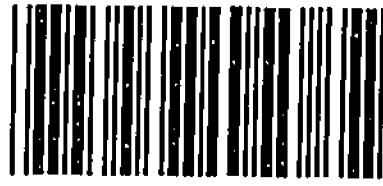
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DESCRIPTION:

Reilly, Thomas

DATE:

04/24/85



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Witnesses:

Off Mahoney  
Nicola Pagliuca

No 220 ✓

Counsel,  
Filed *11th* day of *April* 188*5*  
Pleads *guilty*

THE PEOPLE  
*It is not P*  
*Thomas Reilly*  
Grand Larceny in the *3rd* degree.  
(MONEY)  
(Sec. 538 and 537, Penal Code.)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
*Pr May 4th* District Attorney.  
*pleads guilty*  
A True Bill. *Pen bond*  
*May 4th*  
*Mar 4th To Mary*  
Foreman

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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

*Thomas Biddy*

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

*Thomas Biddy* of the crime of GRAND LARCENY IN THE *second* DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *Thomas Biddy*.

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid, on the *eighteenth* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in the *day* time of the same day, ~~promissory note for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of twenty dollars, and of the value of twenty dollars~~; *one* promissory note for the payment of money, being then and there due and unsatisfied (and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes), of the denomination of ten dollars, and of the value of ten dollars; *three* 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 the denomination of five dollars, and of the value of five dollars *each*; *nine* 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 the denomination of two dollars, and of the value of two dollars *each*; *eighteen* 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 the denomination of one dollar, and of the value of one dollar *each*; ~~one~~ promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of twenty dollars; *one* promissory note for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of ten dollars; *three* promissory notes for the payment of money (and of the kind known as bank notes), being then and there due and unsatisfied, of the value of five dollars *each*; *divers* coins, of a number, kind and denomination to the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of the value of

*eighteen dollars, and one hundred and thirty of the value of one dollar,*

of the proper moneys, goods, chattels, and personal property of one *Nicola Baglione* on the person of the said *Nicola Baglione*, then and there being found, from the person of the said *Nicola Baglione*, 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*District Attorney.*

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

Police Court 1 District 409

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Needer J. Pollock  
59 West 11th St.  
James Kelly

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3  
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APR 20 1885

Offence Larceny from the person

Dated April 19 1885

20 Kelly Magistrate.

Ensigne McHenry Officer.

Witnesses James J. Daniels' Precinct.

No. 53 Mulberry Street.

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

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

\$ 1000 to answer Criminal Sessions.

\_\_\_\_\_

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 10 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 Apr 19 1885

Samuel O'Reilly Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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

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

Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Thomas Reddy*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *32 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *N. Y.*

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

Answer. *100 Mott St 18 mos*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Bricklayer*

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*

*Thomas Reddy*

Taken before me this

day of

*Sept 19*  
188*5*

*Sandy W. Kelly*  
Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Dominico Denedi*

aged *25* years, occupation *Barber* of No.

*53 Mulberry*

Street, being duly sworn deposes and,

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of *Nicola Pagliuca*

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

Sworn to before me, this

*19*

day of

*april*

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at

*Dominico X Denedi*

*mark*

*Samuel O'Reilly*

Police Justice.

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Police Court— / District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

Nicola Pagliuca

of No. 59 Mulberry Street, aged 31 years,  
occupation Laborer being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 18 day of April 1885 at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
and person of deponent, in the day time, the following property viz:

good and lawful money consisting of divers  
bills of divers denominations and silver  
coin all of the value of Eighteen dollars  
contained in a pocket book

the property of deponent

and that this deponent  
has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by Thomas Reilly (now here).

That deponent is informed by Dominico  
Demedi that he saw said defendant  
take a pocket book from the pocket  
of the pantaloons then and there worn by  
deponent while he said deponent  
was asleep in premises No 59 Mulberry  
Street in said City and he said defendant  
then and there ran away with said property

his  
Nicola + Pagliuca  
mark

Sworn to before me, this 19 day  
of April, 1885

Samuel W. Reilly Police Justice.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Robinson, James

DATE:

04/07/85



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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

1763

**DESCRIPTION:**

Houston, Christopher

**DATE:**

04/07/85



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Witness:  
Officer Valiant

In this case Robinson  
was pleads guilty.  
There is no evidence &  
now that Robinson recited  
his perjuries, or contradicted  
by the test. On the  
contrary the landlady says  
he knew Robinson only.  
and has dealings with them  
alone. I also commenced his  
exchange  
where I have been well  
served. Aest does not

James O. Drury  
(II)  
Day of Trial,  
Counsel,  
Filed 7 day of April 1885  
Pleads  
Guilty

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
James Robinson  
vs.  
Christopher Houston  
Keeping a Bawdy House.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
JOHN McKEN

12 Apr 14/85 District Attorney.  
Not pleads guilty  
A True Bill. *See Ode m...  
M... O...*

Foreman.  
12 Apr 14/85  
Not tried by C or his car  
relief

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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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

*James Robinson and  
Christopher Stanton*

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

*Robinson and Christopher Stanton*

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

The said *James Robinson and Christopher*

*Stanton, each*

late of the *Ninth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *sixteenth* day of *March*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *five*, and on divers other days and times as well before as afterwards, to the day of the taking this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, a certain common house of ill fame, unlawfully and wickedly did keep and maintain; and in the said house divers evil-disposed persons, as well men as women, and common prostitutes, on the days and times aforesaid, as well 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 *James Robinson and Christopher*

*Stanton* ~~and said, domestic and immoral~~ on the days and times aforesaid, there did commit whoredom and fornication, whereby divers unlawful assemblies, ~~immoral, and immoral~~ disturbances and lewd offences 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 *James Robinson and Christopher*

*Stanton*

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

The said *James Robinson and Christopher*

*Stanton, each*

late of the *Ninth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the *sixteenth* day of *March*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *five*, and on divers other days and times between the said



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day and the day of the taking of this inquisition, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, unlawfully did maintain a certain common, ill-governed house, and in ~~the~~ said house, for ~~their~~ 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 willfully 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, 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 willfully 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 annoyance 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 ~~James Robinson and~~

~~Christopher Houston~~

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

The said ~~James Robinson and~~

~~Christopher Houston, each~~

late of the ~~North~~ Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, afterwards, to wit: on the ~~fourth~~ day of ~~March~~, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty ~~five~~, 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 ~~their~~ 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 ~~the~~ 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~~ <sup>committing lewd, obscene and immoral offenses,</sup> misbehaving themselves, unlawfully and wilfully, did permit, and yet continues to permit, by which 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.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE.

JOHN McKEON,

District Attorney.

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BAILED.

No. 1, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 2, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 3, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

No. 4, by \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

Police Court District 32  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
*John Wallace*  
9 West.  
*James Robinson*  
*Christopher Houston*  
MAR 28 1885  
Office Keeping a Disorderly House  
Dated March 26 1885  
Magistrate.  
*Bluffly*  
Officer.  
*Bluffly*  
Precinct.  
*Carl Capelanti*  
Witnesses  
*John Robinson*  
*James Wallace*  
*Charles Shepard*  
No. 34 Cornhill Street,  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,  
\$ 1000 to answer *85* and  
*Co*

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

Dated *March 26* 1885 *Bluffly* Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK

District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Christopher Houston*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *21 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *108 Thompson Street, of nearly one year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Butler*

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 trial at Court of General Sessions*  
*Christopher Houston*

Taken before me this

day of

March

1885

at

City of New York

Police Justice.



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

2nd District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

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

Answer.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

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

Answer.

I am not guilty and demand trial of court of General Sessions  
James Robinson  
mark

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.

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*W* Police Court—*2* District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

*John Valiant*  
vs.

*John Doe*

AFFIDAVIT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Dated *March 23* 188*5*

*Happy* Justice.  
*Capt J. S. O'Connell* Officer.

*9* Precinct.

WITNESSES :

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Sec. 322, Penal Code.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

age 34 of Police Officer of Precinct 9, in said City, being duly sworn says,  
that at the premises known as Number 54 Carmine Street,  
in the City and County of New York, on the 16 day of March 1885, and on divers  
other days and times, between that day and the day of making this complaint

James Robinson and Christopher Houston  
did unlawfully keep and maintain and yet continue to keep and maintain a Disorderly  
House 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

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

Sworn to before me, this 23 day }  
of March 1885 }

J. J. Duffy  
Police Justice.

John Valiant



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Police Court— District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

WARRANT—Keeping Disorderly House, &c.

Dated 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 188

This Warrant may be executed on Sunday or at  
night.

*W. Duff*  
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

Police Justice.

The within named

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Sec. 151.

Police Court— 2 — District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
 OF NEW YORK, } <sup>ss</sup> *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 *John Valicant*

of No. *Police Officer 9 Recruit* Street, that on the *16* day of *March* 188*5*, at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *James Robinson Christopher Huston* did keep and maintain at the premises known as Number *54 Carmine*

Street, in said City, a *Disorderly House* 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 *and act in a lewd libidinous lascivious manner* 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, 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.

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

*James Robinson Christopher Huston* and all vile, disorderly and improper persons found upon the premises occupied by said *James Robinson Christopher Huston* and forthwith bring them before me, at the *32* 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 *23* day of *March* 188*5*

*P. J. Duffy* POLICE JUSTICE.

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DESCRIPTION:

Rodmann, Charles

DATE:

04/29/85



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No. 286  
Counsel,  
Filed  
Pleads  
day of  
1885  
M. J. Kelly & Co.

[Sections 224 and 228, Penal Code].  
Robbery,  
degree.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

P

Charles Rodmann

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

Pr May 5/85 District Attorney.  
Gruel & acquittal

A True Bill.

(M. J. Kelly)

Foreman.

POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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Witnesses:

*L. Feldman*

Counsel,

Filed

Pleads,

*29* day of *April* 188*5*

*McKibbin & Co.*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Charles F. ...*

[Sections 224 and 225, Penal Code].  
Robbery,  
degree.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

*I r May 5/85 District Attorney.*  
*Grid + acquitted*

A True Bill.

*(May 5/85)*

Foreman.



POOR QUALITY  
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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

Charles Rodmann

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

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

The said

Charles Rodmann,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*Twenty fifth* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *day*/time of the said day, at the Ward, City  
and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one *Christian Eldameth*  
in the peace of the said People, then and there being, feloniously did make an assault, and

*Twenty four* promissory notes for  
the payment of money of the kind  
known as United States Treasury notes  
the same being then and there due and  
unsatisfied, for the payment of and  
of the value of two dollars each, and  
*Twenty nine* other promissory notes  
for the payment of money of the kind  
known as United States Treasury notes,  
the same being then and there due  
and unsatisfied for the payment of  
and of the value of one dollar each,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Christian Eldameth*  
from the person of the said *Christian Eldameth* against the will,  
and by violence to the person of the said *Christian Eldameth*,  
then and there violently and feloniously did rob, steal, take and carry away, and the  
said *Charles Rodmann*, in order to  
accomplish the robbery aforesaid, in  
manner and form aforesaid, did then  
and there violently and feloniously  
inflict grievous bodily harm and injury  
upon the said *Christian Eldameth*;  
against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of  
the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

Randolph B. Martine,

District Attorney



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

Police Court - 4th District

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Christian Alden  
335 107 St.  
Charles Rodman  
Robbery

APR 27 1888

Offence

Dated April 26 1888

Orlich  
Magistrate.  
Charles Rodman  
Precinct 6

Witnesses

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

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

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

\$ 1000 to answer Sessions.

Term

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 Charles Rodman

guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of 10 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 April 26 1888 Samuel C. Bell Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

*Charles Rodman* being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is his right to make a statement in relation to the charge against him; that the statement is designed to enable him to 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 not guilty. I met the complainant in Pearl Street where he was working and I said I was going around to my room to change my clothes and the complainant came along with me to my room and we drank some beer in the room and we were talking about some work I had done for him some time ago and we got into an altercation and the complainant threw a glass at me and we clattered and fell together on the floor and that is how the complainant received his wounds and I moved the complainant out of the room three or four times.

*C. Rodman*

day of

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Taken before me this

Samuel C. H. Police Justice.



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Police Court

First District.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss

Christian Feldmeth  
 of No. 545 1/2 South Avenue Street, Aged 51 Years  
 Occupation Farmer being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the  
 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 1885, at the 6<sup>th</sup> Ward of the City of New York,  
 in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away from the person of de-  
 ponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will, the following property, viz:

Good and lawful money of the United  
 States consisting of Bank Bills in denominations  
 of single dollar bills and two dollar bills  
 altogether of the amount and value of Forty  
 Nine Dollars

~~At the said place~~

the property of

Christian Feldmeth

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

Charles Rodman (now here) from the  
 fact that the said defendant, came to a  
 building no 478 Pearl Street, where deponent was  
 working at about the hour of four o'clock  
 and thirty minutes P.M. on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April  
 and invited deponent  
 to come with him to his defendant's room no 92  
 Chatham Street, deponent knowing the defendant  
 went with the defendant to his defendant's room,  
 and immediately after deponent entered the  
 defendant's room the defendant struck deponent  
 twice, once on the head and once on the left eye with  
 some blunt instrument, <sup>by which he</sup> knocking deponent  
 down, and while deponent was lying down on

Sworn to before me this

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Police Justice



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the floor, the said defendant caught deponent by the throat, and deponent shouted loudly for the Police, and the said defendant put his knee on deponent's throat, and forcibly abstracted the aforesaid money from the inside vest pocket of deponent, worn by deponent as a portion of deponent's bodily clothing wherefore deponent charges the said defendant with feloniously taking stealing and carrying away from the person of deponent by force and violence, without his consent and against his will the aforesaid money

I sworn to before me  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1885  
J. H. Feltbrecht  
Sanit K. R. P. Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated 1885  
Police Justice.  
I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated 1885  
Police Justice.  
There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1885  
Police Justice.

Police Court, District, \_\_\_\_\_

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
on the complaint of

vs.

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

Offence—ROBBERY.

Dated 1885 \_\_\_\_\_

Magistrate. \_\_\_\_\_

Officer. \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk. \_\_\_\_\_

Witnesses, \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to answer General Sessions.

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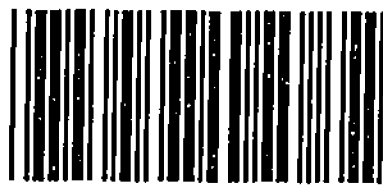
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Rollins, Joseph

**DATE:**

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Witnesses :

John Curry

No. 81  
Counsel  
Filed (davit) 1885  
Pleads: *McKully 13*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*B*  
*Joseph Rollins*  
*H. D.*  
Grand Larceny (degree)  
[Sections 528, 530. — Penal Code.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
PETER B. OENNEY,  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
*(Signed: Curry)*  
Foreman.  
*Dec 22 1885*  
*Wm W. Garmon*  
*United Larceny Jury*  
*Elmer R. Papie 27 1885*



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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

*Joseph Rollins*

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

*Joseph Rollins*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said *Joseph Rollins*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*21st* day of *April*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *month* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms,

~~one~~ Promissory Note for the payment of money, the same being then and there  
due and unsatisfied, and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes, of the  
denomination of *two* dollars and of the value of *two* dollars,

~~two~~ Promissory Notes for the payment of money, the same being then and there  
due and unsatisfied, and of the kind known as United States Treasury Notes, of the  
denomination of *one* dollar, and of the value of *one* dollar each,

*three* coins of the United States, of  
a number, kind and denomination to  
the Grand Jury aforesaid unknown, of  
the value of *two* dollars,

and *one* pocket-book of the value  
of *one* dollar,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *John Curry*  
on the person of *the said John Curry*,  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *John Curry*,  
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.

*Charles D. Matine*,  
District Attorney

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*Dated* ..... 188 ..... *Police Justice.*

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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK ss

District Police Court.

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

Question What is your name?

Answer

Question How old are you?

Answer

Question Where were you born?

Answer

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

Answer

Question What is your business or profession?

Answer

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

Answer

*I am not guilty of the charge*

*Joseph Collins*

Taken before me this

day of

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Police Justice.



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Police Court

District

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County  
of New York, ss.:

of No. 116 1/2 West 57th Street, aged 38 years,  
occupation Stableman being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 5th day of April 1885 at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
And person of deponent, in the Night time, the following property viz:

A Pocketbook containing  
two dollars lawful money

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 Joseph Collins now present

That about ten o'clock on the night  
of said day deponent was in the  
store 109 West 57th Street and had  
occasion to go to the urinal therein  
that while deponent was in the  
urinal the defendant came in, and  
suddenly thrusting his hand into  
a pocket of deponent's trousers  
took therefrom the aforesaid  
property and went hurriedly away  
that deponent afterwards caused his  
arrest and fully identifies him as the person  
who committed the felony John Curry

Sworn to before me this  
day of April 1885

James Thompson  
Police Justice.

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POLICE COURT— DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

AFFIDAVIT.

Dated..... 188

Magistrate.

Officer.

Witness,.....

Disposition *Committed to*  
*the House of Detention*  
*in default of \$100 bail*

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STATE OF NEW YORK.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

ss:

POLICE COURT,

DISTRICT.

of No. The 22 Precinct Street, being duly sworn, deposes and says,

that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188

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

deponent says  
that John Curry <sup>nowhere</sup> who is a  
Material Witness for the people  
against one Joseph Rollins on  
the Complaint of Lucy Ann Pearson  
deponent further says that the  
Curry has no home or  
place of employment and he has  
reason to believe that if he is  
not here as a witness that he will  
not appear when required

John Darnody

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

of April 188

John Darnody  
Police Justice.



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*(Copy, made in 1944)  
 Original  
 of book & notes*

The counsel showed up to the jury.

Counsel: That is my case.

A. No sir.

Q. You never served one single month in prison?

A. That is more than I could say, but he never asked me.

Q. Wrong?

A. In other words, he charged his sentence thinking he was

wrong. I was discharged that afternoon.

Q. That was the conviction you?

A. You were discharged subsequently by the same police

A. No sir. I did not serve a day.

Q. You did not serve a day at that time?

A. Interfering with the detective.

Q. That is all I could hear that it was, it was that for

was a charge of disorderly conduct?

A. Police court when I was sentenced for the first month

by counsel. Q. The only charge that was laid against you in that

*Testimony in the  
 case of  
 Joseph Rollins  
 filed April 1944*

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The People Court of General Sessions, Part I.  
Joseph Rollins. Before Judge Corning.

Monday, April 20, 1885.

Indictment for grand-larceny in the first degree.

Asst. Dist. Atty. for the People.

Mr. Kellar, Counsel for the Defendant.

John Curry sworn and examined, testified.

Q. Where do you live, Mr. Curry.

A. I live the last place in West 5th Street, 116 1/2

Q. Were you in the store NO. 100 West 54th Street on the  
5th of April about ten o'clock at night?

A. Yes sir, about ten o'clock at night.

Q. Did you have in your pocket a pocket-book containing two  
dollars?

A. Yes sir, I had.

Q. Was it your money and your pocket-book?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You had occasion to go to the urinal and you went there?

A. Yes, I did sir.

Q. While you were there did you see the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Tell the gentlemen what this prisoner took from you?

A. I was in the act of drawing water and the prisoner, this  
man here, came behind me, close to me and said, "you have  
my watch," and he stuck his hand in my pocket and took out  
the pocket-book containing two dollars.

Q. What did he do after taking the pocket-book containing two  
dollars from your pocket?

A. He walked off, he walked away.

Q. Did you arrest him?

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A. The policeman arrested him.

Q. How long after he took the pocket-book was he arrested?

A. About a quarter of an hour.

Q. Are you positive that the party now on trial is the man that took the pocket-book?

A. Yes sir, according to his appearance, according to the look I got of him.

Q. Was it your pocket-book and money?

A. Yes sir.

Cross Examined.

Q. Now, Mr Garry you have been in the House of Detention?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Ever since the time you made the complaint against this young man?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now was it Officer Darmody caused the arrest?

A. No sir, it was he that arrested the prisoner.

Q. He arrested the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How is it the officer swears you are a man of no occupation and no home?

A. No occupation?

Q. Yes?

A. I have an occupation and home, that is where I lived last.

Q. Do you know why you were locked up in the House of Detention?

A. I was locked up in order to give evidence here against the prisoner.

Q. Were not you locked up on the officer's testimony that you had no home and no occupation?



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A. Yes, he thought I had no fixed home, I left my employment that evening, the 5th.

Q. This was on a Sunday?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Were you drunk that day?

A. I had a little drink taken.

Q. You were very drunk weren't you, as a matter among ourselves?

A. No sir.

Q. How many drinks had you that day?

A. I had about nine glasses of ale.

Q. Are you sure that is all?

A. That is all.

Q. Did you count them?

A. I know that is all I took, sir.

Q. Had you anything else besides beer?

A. No sir.

Q. Were you working that day?

A. I was, sir.

Q. What time did you start to drink?

A. I started to drink about twelve o'clock, noon.

Q. You were drinking up to ten o'clock at night?

A. Not all the time.

Q. You only had about nine glasses of beer?

A. That is all.

Q. Were you at any time under the influence of liquor?

A. I was, sir.

Q. You were?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is the place that you had been working at?

3 A. In 110 West 54th Street.

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Q. What is that?

A. A livery stable.

Q. A livery stable?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Were not you so drunk that you were standing up at six or seven o'clock half asleep?

A. No sir, I was not asleep.

Q. But you were very drunk standing up?

A. I was not very drunk, I had my senses about me - outwardly I might.

Q. Had you any drinks in this saloon where you went in to urinate?

A. No sir.

Q. How many people were in the saloon at this time?

A. Well, I could not say how many people there were in the saloon because I did not take any notice of them.

Q. You took no notice of them?

A. No sir.

Q. Would you say there was a dozen or half a dozen?

A. I should say there was some half dozen of people.

Q. Now this saloon of course the street door, that is the door on Third Avenue, is it not?

A. No, 54th Street.

Q. No. 100 West 54th Street, is not that on the corner of Sixth Avenue and 54th Street and the main entrance on Sixth Avenue, that being Sunday, the side door was locked.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you make any outcry?

A. No sir.

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John Dermody sworn and examined.

By Mr. Bedford. Q. What precinct officer, are you connected with?

A. The 22nd.

Q. Did you arrest the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Under what circumstances?

A. On the complaint of John Curry of stealing a pocket-book with two dollars in money.

Q. Did you get the pocket-book and the two dollars?

A. No sir, he had no money but \$1.10 on his person when he was searched in the Station House.

Q. Was the one dollar and ten cents which was found upon the person of the prisoner, claimed by the complainant as his money?

A. He did not claim it as his money.

Q. Do you know anything of your own knowledge as regards whether the prisoner stole this property?

A. No sir, I have no knowledge about it; he made the complaint.

By a Juror. Q. Did you find the money without the pocket-book?

A. No pocket-book, \$1.10.

By Counsel. Q. It was on your complaint that the witness Curry had no occupation and no residence that he was locked in the House of Detention?

A. He stated that he had no permanent residence and that he was out of employment at the time.

By Mr. Bedford. Q. Whenever a person happens to be so poor they cannot give bail for their appearance it is customary to lock them up in the House of Detention, is it not?

Objected to.



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The Court. It is no offence to be locked in the House of Detention  
The People put them there so as to have their testimony.

The Case for the Defence.

James Rollins sworn and examined, testified.  
by Counsel. Q. Mr. Rollins, you are the father of the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You are an undertaker in this city?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you been in business?

A. Well, I have been in that business now for twenty-five or  
thirty years.

Q. You have been undertaker for St. Luke's hospital for the  
last twenty years?

A. Yes sir, twenty-two years.

Q. Is your son living at home with you?

A. Always.

Q. How long has he been working for you?

A. Oh, he has been working since he knows how to drive a  
team of horses.

Q. How long, ten years?

A. About ten years steady.

Q. He has worked steadily with you.

A. O yes sir, took care of my business.

Q. On this Sunday, the time that this young man Curry lost  
two dollars, had he been working with you all day?

A. My son?

Q. Yes?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where had he been for you?

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A. He had been outside of Astoria, St. Michael's cemetery.

Q. What time did he get home?

A. He got home about six o'clock.

Q. You went bail for your son to the extent of a thousand dollars, Mr. Rollins?

A. Yes sir.

Gross Examined.

Q. You say he was working all day at the Astoria cemetery?

A. He drove a call with a funeral.

Q. Were you with him?

A. I was with him on the hearse.

Q. You were in the cemetery with him?

A. Yes sir.

Q. All day?

A. From we started in the afternoon.

Q. You arrived at the cemetery with him at what hour on Saturday?

A. Maybe it was near four.

Q. Saturday afternoon?

A. Yes sir.

Q. When did you return?

A. I did not return till a little after six.

Q. Six Saturday night?

A. A little after six o'clock.

Q. On what night, Sunday?

A. Sunday.

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A. No?

Q. Yes?

A. I was home at six o'clock in the evening.

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A No, but we left the cemetery to come home.

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A O no, no, I did not say four o'clock. We started at two from 31st Street Saturday, no Sunday I mean.

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A Yes sir.

Q What time did you return with your son from the Astoria cemetery Sunday afternoon?

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A I left him at the cemetery, I came on with the hearse and he came on with the parties.

Q What time did you leave your son at the cemetery?

A Along half past three or four, between that and four.

Q When did you next see him?

A I seen him having his supper along with me.

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A O well now, I cannot get at it exactly, I could not get the very minutes.

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By Counsel. Q. About what time.

No answer.

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A. For honesty I never seen him take a dollar or a cent from anybody.

Q. Has he ever been in any trouble before?

A. O, a little.

By Mr Bedford. Q. Has he not been arrested twice?

A. Yes sir.

Q. For what?

A. He got clear.

Q. Answer intelligently my questions, you are put there to prove good character.

A. Himself can tell that.

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A. He never was put up; he was arrested, he was never put up.

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A. Going on twenty-two.

Q. Always lived at home with your father?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you been working for him?

A. About twelve years.

Q. Have you ever been convicted of any offence at all?

A. No sir.

Q. Have you ever been brought into this court?

A. No sir.

Q. Never indicted for any offence?

A. No sir.

Q. Now, on the Sunday, the day that you were arrested, what had you been doing that day?

A. I went down and I called for my body in the morning, I came home and cleaned my harness and fixed my rig out to go out at one o'clock; we went at one o'clock, we got

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from the funeral house about two or a little after and went out to Astoria.

Q. Well, you got home from Astoria about what hour?

A. I got home in the stable and all, it must have been about half past six.

Q. You went out of your home after supper?

A. Yes sir, about a quarter to eight.

Q. Now were you in this place, 100 West 54th Street, in this urinal?

A. I was in it about ten minutes before; In the urinal?

Q. Yes?

A. No sir.

Q. Did you see the complainant there at Al, Curry?

A. No sir.

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A. No sir.

Q. Did you take any money from him?

A. No sir.

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Q. What became of that charge?

A. I was discharged in the Yorkville Police Court. This

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Q. It was a burglary?

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A. Detective Reilly came in one night, I was playing pool next door to me and he came in to arrest Mr Plunkett, I believe, or somebody in the place for stealing a worsted jacket off some man.

Q. You were charged with that?

A. Yes sir, of course I interfered with the detective, I did not know who he was.

Q. When were you arrested before that or since that?

A. Never; the last time I was arrested was for Kelly's twenty-threedollars.

Q. You swear to this jury you never was arrested four times beside this?

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. You were arrested being charged with stealing twenty three dollars is that it?

A. Yes sir.

Q. They found out who stole the money &

A. Yes sir, so they told me.

Q. You were discharged in the Police Court?

A. Yes sir.

Q. And your father refused to pay any blackmail or pay anybody a cent?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You were arrested for being intoxicated once?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was any charge of burglary ever laid against you?

A. I was arrested intoxicated in this place and the officer



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said, I told him that one of the boys robbed a house in 56th Street and they found out after I did not say no such thing.

Q. You were not arrested for burglary?

A. No sir, I was found in there drunk.

Q. You were taken as a witness?

A. Yes sir.

Q. That is three times, is it?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What was the other time?

A. There was a Jew came in one night, he lost a worsted jacket and accused Plunkett of taking it in the place, or accused somebody in the place, I could not tell who, I was playing a game of pool and Detective Reilly came in, I did not know who he was, I had enough liquor in me to interfere and Detective Reilly arrested me for interfering. He said that the man was a German or something, I did not get no say at all and the Judge sentenced me three months, I got out.

Q. He sentenced you three months?

A. Yes sir.

Q. For disorderly conduct?

A. Yes sir.

Q. The only time you were actually arrested for stealing was this charge of twenty-three dollars?

A. Yes sir.

By Mr Bedford. Q. What Judge was this that would not allow you to say anything at your trial in your defence?

A. He asked me to say a little.

Q. What Judge was it?

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A. That is more than I can say.

Q. Where was it?

A. It was in the Yorkville Police Court.

Q. Give me the month and the year.

A. That is more than I can do.

Q. Are you so careless as not to know where you were taken when you was arrested?

A. I did not go to the Island, I never was on the Island in my life; my father got me out.

Q. Where, from the Island?

A. No sir, the Yorkville Police Court, the Judge discharged me, Mr Plunkett got me out.

Q. And the judge would not permit you to give any explanation you tell that to this jury?

A. He asked me what I had to say, then this man came in the place, I did not know who he was; I says, put him out, I was intoxicated; he (the officer) arrested me because I said so much to the detective, I did not know the man was a detective.

Q. The judge gave you an opportunity to give your side of the case?

A. Yes sir, and then Detective Reilly swore because my father was not there Reilly made an affidavit that I was a hard character and that my father wanted me put away.

Q. The Judge heard your story after that?

A. Detective Reilly said something else and that is all I had to say.

Q. The judge came to the conclusion for the ends of justice, he would give you three months?

A. Yes sir.

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By Counsel. Q. The only charge that was laid against you in that Police Court when you were sentenced for the three months was a charge of disorderly conduct?

A. That is all I could hear what it was, it was just for interfering with the detective.

Q. You did not serve a day of that time?

A. No sir, I did not serve a day.

Q. You were discharged subsequently by the same Police Justice who committed you?

A. Yes sir, I was discharged that afternoon.

Q. In other words, he changed his sentence finding he was wrong?

A. That is more than I could say, but he discharged me.

Q. You never served one single hour in prison?

A. No sir.

Counsel. That is my case.

The Counsel summed up to the jury.

*The jury rendered a verdict  
of guilty.  
(Judge's charge on file)  
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Monday, April 20, 1885.

Indictment for grand larceny in the first degree.

Asst. Dist. Atty. for the People.

Mr. Kellar, Counsel for the Defendant.

John Curry sworn and examined, testified.

Q. Where do you live, Mr. Curry.

A. I live the last place in West 5th Street, 116 1/2

Q. Were you in the store NO. 100 West 54th Street on the 5th of April about ten o'clock at night?

A. Yes sir, about ten o'clock at night.

Q. Did you have in your pocket a pocket-book containing two dollars?

A. Yes sir, I had.

Q. Was it your money and your pocket-book?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You had occasion to go to the urinal and you went there?

A. Yes, I did sir.

Q. While you were there did you see the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Tell the gentlemen what this prisoner took from you?

A. I was in the act of drawing water and the prisoner, this man here, came behind me, close to me and said, "you have my watch," and he stuck his hand in my pocket and took out the pocket-book containing two dollars.

Q. What did he do after taking the pocket-book containing two dollars from your pocket?

A. He walked off, he walked away.

I Q. Did you arrest him?



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A. The policeman arrested him.

Q. How long after he took the pocket-book was he arrested?

A. About a quarter of an hour.

Q. Are you positive that the party now on trial is the man that took the pocket-book?

A. Yes sir, according to his appearance, according to the look I got of him.

Q. Was it your pocket-book and money?

A. Yes sir.

Cross Examined.

Q. Now, Mr. Curry you have been in the House of Detention?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Ever since the time you made the complaint against this young man?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now was it Officer Darmody caused the arrest?

A. No sir, it was he that arrested the prisoner.

Q. He arrested the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How is it the officer swears you are a man of no occupation and no home?

A. No occupation?

Q. Yes?

A. I have an occupation and home, that is where I lived last.

Q. Do you know why you were locked up in the House of Detention?

A. I was locked up in order to give evidence here against the prisoner.

Q. Were not you locked up on the officer's testimony that you had no home and no occupation?

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A. Yes, he thought I had no fixed home, I left my employment that evening, the 5th.

Q. This was on a Sunday?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Were you drunk that day?

A. I had a little drink taken.

Q. You were very drunk weren't you, as a matter among ourselves?

A. No sir.

Q. How many drinks had you that day?

A. I had about nine glasses of ale.

Q. Are you sure that is all?

A. That is all.

Q. Did you count them?

A. I know that is all I took, sir.

Q. Had you anything else besides beer?

A. No sir.

Q. Were you working that day?

A. I was, sir.

Q. What time did you start to drink?

A. I started to drunk about twelve o'clock, noon.

Q. You were drinking up to ten o'clock at night?

A. Not a ll the time.

Q. You only had about nine glasses of beer?

A. That is all.

Q. Were you at any time under the influence of liquor?

A. I was, sir.

Q. You were?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is the place that you had been working at?

3 A. In 110 West 54th Street.

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Q. What is that?

A. A livery stable.

Q. A livery stable?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Were not you so drunk that you were standing up at six or seven o'clock half asleep?

A. No sir, I was not asleep.

Q. But you were very drunk standing up?

A. I was not very drunk, I had my senses about me - outwardly I might.

Q. Had you any drinks in this saloon where you went in to urinate?

A. No sir.

Q. How many people were in the saloon at this time?

A. Well, I could not say how many people there were in the saloon because I did not take any notice of them.

Q. You took no notice of them?

A. No sir.

Q. Would you say there was a dozen or half a dozen?

A. I should say there was some half dozen of people.

Q. Now this saloon of course the street door, that is the door on Third Avenue, is it not?

A. No, 54th Street.

Q. No. 100 West 54th Street, is not that on the corner of Sixth Avenue and 54th Street and the main entrance on Sixth Avenue, that being Sunday, the side door was locked.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you make any outcry?

A. No sir.



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John Dermody sworn and examined.

By Mr. Bedford. Q. What precinct officer, are you connected with?

A. The 22nd.

Q. Did you arrest the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Under what circumstances?

A. On the complaint of John Curry of stealing a pocket-book with two dollars in money.

Q. Did you get the pocket-book and the two dollars?

A. No sir, he had no money but \$1.10 on his person when he was searched in the Station House.

Q. Was the one dollar and ten cents which was found upon the person of the prisoner, claimed by the complainant as his money?

A. He did not claim it as his money.

Q. Do you know anything of your own knowledge as regards whether the prisoner stole this property?

A. No sir, I have no knowledge about it; he made the complaint.

By a Juror. Q. Did you find the money without the pocket-book?

A. No pocket-book, \$1.10.

By Counsel. Q. It was on your complaint that the witness Curry had no occupation and no residence that he was locked in the House of Detention?

A. He stated that he had no permanent residence and that he was out of employment at the time.

By Mr. Bedford. Q. Whenever a person happens to be so poor they cannot give bail for their appearance it is customary to lock them up in the House of Detention, is it not?

Objected to.

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The Court. It is no offence to be locked in the House of Detention  
The People put them there so as to have their testimony.

The Case for the Defence.

James Rollins sworn and examined, testified.

By Counsel. Q. Mr. Rollins, you are the father of the prisoner?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You are an undertaker in this city?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you been in business?

A. Well, I have been in that business now for twenty-five or  
thirty years.

Q. You have been undertaker for St. Luke's hospital for the  
last twenty years?

A. Yes sir, twenty-two years.

Q. Is your son living at home with you?

A. Always.

Q. How long has he been working for you?

A. Oh, he has been working since he knows how to drive a  
team of horses.

Q. How long, ten years?

A. About ten years steady.

Q. He has worked steadily with you.

A. O yes sir, took care of my business.

Q. On this Sunday, the time that this young man Curry lost  
two dollars, had he been working with you all day?

A. My son?

Q. Yes?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where had he been for you?

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A. He had been outside of Astoria, St. Michael's cemetery.

Q. What time did he get home?

A. He got home about six o'clock.

Q. You went bail for your son to the extent of a thousand dollars, Mr. Rollins?

A. Yes sir.

Cross Examined.

Q. You say he was working all day at the Astoria cemetery?

A. He drove a call with a funeral.

Q. Were you with him?

A. I was with him on the hearse.

Q. You were in the cemetery with him?

A. Yes sir.

Q. All day?

A. From we started in the afternoon.

Q. You arrived at the cemetery with him at what hour on Saturday?

A. Maybe it was near four.

Q. Saturday afternoon?

A. Yes sir.

Q. When did you return?

A. I did not return till a little after six.

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A. Detective Reilly came in one night, I was playing pool next door to me and he came in to arrest Mr Plunkett, I believe, or somebody in the place for stealing a worsted jacket off some man.

Q. You were charged with that?

A. Yes sir, of course I interfered with the detective, I did not know who he was.

Q. When were you arrested before that or since that?

A. Never; the last time I was arrested was for Kelly's twenty-threemdollars.

Q. You swear to this jury you never was arrested four times beside this?

A. Yes sir.

By Counsel. Q. You were arrested being charged with stealing twenty three dollars is that it?

A. Yes sir.

Q. They found out who stole the money a

A. Yes sir, so they told me.

Q. You were discharged in the Police Court?

A. Yes sir.

Q. And your father refused to pay any blackmail or pay anybody a cent?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You were arrested for being intoxicated once?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was any charge of burglary ever laid against you?

A. I was arrested intoxicated in this place and the officer

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said I told him that one of the boys robbed a house in 56th Street and they found out after I did not say no such thing.

Q. You were not arrested for burglary?

A. No sir, I was found in there drunk.

Q. You were taken as a witness?

A. Yes sir.

Q. That is three times, is it?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What was the other time?

A. There was a Jew came in one night, he lost a worsted jacket and accused Plunkett of taking it in the place, or accused somebody in the place, I could not tell who, I was playing a game of pool and Detective Reilly came in, I did not know who he was, I had enough liquor in me to interfere and Detective Reilly arrested me for interfering. He said that the man was a German or something, I did not get no say at all and the Judge sentenced me three months, I got out.

Q. He sentenced you three months?

A. Yes sir.

Q. For disorderly conduct?

A. Yes sir.

Q. The only time you were actually arrested for stealing was this charge of twenty-three dollars?

A. Yes sir.

By Mr Bedford. Q. What Judge was this that would not allow you to say anything at your trial in your defence?

A. He asked me to say a little.

Q. What Judge was it?

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- A. That is more than I can say.
- Q. Where was it?
- A. It was in the Yorkville Police Court.
- Q. Give me the month and the year.
- A. That is more than I can do.
- Q. Are you so careless as not to know where you were taken when you was arrested?
- A. I did not go to the Island, I never was on the Island in my life; my father got me out.
- Q. Where, from the Island?
- A. No sir, the Yorkville Police Court, the Judge discharged me, Mr. Plunkett got me out.
- Q. And the judge would not permit you to give any explanation you tell that to this jury?
- A. He asked me what I had to say, then this man come in the place, I did not know who he was; I says, put him out, I was intoxicated; he (the officer) arrested me because I said so much to the detective, I did not know the man was a detective.
- Q. The judge gave you an opportunity to give your side of the case?
- A. Yes sir, and then Detective Reilly swore because my father was not there Reilly made an affidavit that I was a hard character and that my father wanted me put away.
- Q. The Judge heard your story after that?
- A. Detective Reilly said something else and that is all I had to say.
- Q. The judge came to the conclusion for the ends of justice, he would give you three months?
- A. Yes sir.



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By Counsel. Q. The only charge that was laid against you in that Police Court when y u were sentenced for the three months was a charge of disorderly conduct?

A. That is all I could hear what it was, it was just for interfering with the detective.

Q. You did not serve a day of that time?

A. No sir, I did not serve a day.

Q. You were discharged subsequently by the same Police Justice who committed you?

A. Yes sir, I was discharged that afternoon.

Q. In other words, he changed his sentence finding he was wrong?

A. That is more than I could say, but he discharged me.

Q. You never served one single hour in prison?

A. No sir.

Counsel. That is my case.

The Counsel summed up to the jury.

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The Judge's Charge.

Judge Cowing charged the jury as follows:

Gentlemen of the jury:

This defendant is <sup>with</sup> accused of committing the crime of grand larceny. He is charged with having stolen in the night time, two dollars from this complainant's person. The only question upon the undisputed evidence, it seems to me, is a question of identity. You have heard the complainant's statement. He positively identifies this defendant, and Defendant as positively denies his guilt. Now, gentlemen, you are to determine on the evidence which one of them is mistaken and which has told the truth. Upon this question of identity it is oath against oath. If you are satisfied the complainant has told the truth and that all the elements of the crime are made out by the evidence you ought to convict the Defendant; if you are satisfied the complainant is mistaken, you ought to acquit him; and under any circumstances you must give him the benefit of any fair and reasonable doubt arising upon the evidence and if you have such doubt you must acquit.

The case is with you.

Counsel for Defendant: I ask your Honor to charge that they may bring in a verdict of petty larceny.

The Court: Yes.

The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of grand larceny in the second degree.

The prisoner was remanded for sentence.

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The People

Court of General Sessions, Part I.

Joseph Rollins.

Before Judge Cowing.

April, 1885.

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Rosa, John

DATE:

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Off. 45. BW-45-45  
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Counsel, RTR 341  
Filed day of April 1885  
Pleads *Unlawfully* day 6/18.

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*John Rosen*  
County Court  
Alle 10/1885  
*B #1*

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

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
~~JOHN WATSON~~  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
*(Signed) [Signature]*  
Foreman  
Post III May 11/87.  
Indictment dismissed

*Geo di Luca*  
*Arminio Contreras*  
*Off. McManus*

\$300. Bail.  
*apl. 13" 02.14*

Bailed by  
*Jasquale Cordella*  
570 Pearl St

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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

John Rosa, whose real  
Christian name is the  
the Grand Jury indictment

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York by this indictment accuse  
John Rosa, whose real Christian name is  
the the Grand Jury indictment  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:  
The said John Rosa,

late of the City and County of New York, on the twenty ninth day of  
March, —, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty-nine, with force and arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon one

George D. Sica,  
in the peace of the people of the said State then and there being, feloniously did  
willfully and wrongfully make an assault: and the said

John Rosa  
with a certain stick — which the said

John Rosa  
in his right hand then and there had and held, the same being then and there a  
— stick — likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then,  
the said George D. Sica, — then and there feloniously  
did willfully and wrongfully strike, beat — bruise and wound,  
against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace  
of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

Randolph B. Martin,  
District Attorney



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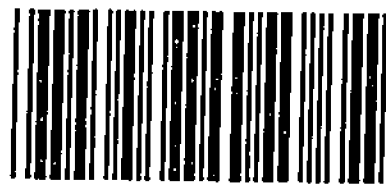
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No. 44

Counsel, *R. H. P.*  
Filed *10* day of *July* 188*8*  
Pleads *John July Aug 16/88*

Assault in the First Degree, etc.  
[Sections 217 and 218 Penal Code]

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*B*

*Louisa Rosa*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
PETER B. OLNEY,

District Attorney.

A TRUE BILL.

*Wm. H. Olney*  
*Post III May 11/87.*  
*Indictment dismissed*  
*Foreman.*

*Mich. 25*

Witnesses:

*Geo. di Luca*  
*Corrimo Contarino*  
*Off McManus*

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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

*Domina Rosa*

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

*Domina Rosa*

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

The said *Domina Rosa*,

late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Twenty-ninth* day of *March*, — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, with force of arms, at the City and County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *George D. Duce* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault and *injure* the said *George D. Duce* with a certain *knife*.

which the said *Domina Rosa*, in *her* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound

with intent *injure* the said *George D. Duce* thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

## SECOND COUNT:

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

*Domina Rosa*

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

The said *Domina Rosa*,

late of the City and County of New York, on the *Twenty-ninth* day of *March*, — in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of one *George D. Duce* in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully make an assault, and *injure* the said *George D. Duce*, with a certain *knife*.

which *she* the said *Domina Rosa* in *her* right hand then and there had and held, the same being an *instrument* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully beat, strike, stab, cut and wound against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

*Charles D. Martin,*  
District Attorney



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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Charles D. Jones  
44 William Street  
City of New York

1. Trenchard  
2.  
3.  
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Offence Felony

Dated April 15 1885

Magistrate.  
Charles M. Jones  
Precinct 6

Witnesses  
Bernard Barlow  
Street  
No. 1  
Charles M. Jones  
Street  
No. 1

Not a Precinct Officer

Defendant of \$300 to return

44 William Street  
City of New York

\$ 500 for 2 days

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the crime therein mentioned has been committed

*Luisa Rosa*

give such bail.

Dated Ansie 12 1885 Samuel C. Bull Police Justice.

88 3 *Samuel C. Bell* *Louisa Rose*

*Samuel O'Brien* Police Justice.

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

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK } ss.

District Police Court.

*Louisa Rosa*

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 see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h *er*  
that he 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.

*Louisa Rosa*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*36 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Italy*

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

Answer.

*39 Mulberry Street New York*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Housekeeper*

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*

*Louisa Rosa*  
*mark*

Taken before me this

day of

*April*  
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*Samuel J. Kelly*  
Police Justice.

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Police Court—First District.City and County { ss.:  
of New York,of No. 42 Mulberry Street, aged 37 years,occupation Laborer being duly sworndeposes and says, that on 29th day of March 1885 at the City of New

York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

Louisa Rosa (nowhere) did wilfully  
and maliciously cut and stab deponent  
on the right shoulder with the blade  
of a knife then and there held in her  
hands and said assault was committed

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or to do him grievous bodily harm; and without  
any justification on the part of the said assailant

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

Sworn to before me, this

of

April1885First dayGeorge Di LucaSamuel C. Reed

Police Justice.



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POLICE COURT— / DISTRICT.

RECOGNIZANCE TO TESTIFY.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on

the 3 day of April in the year of our Lord 188 5

Carmine Cantrano  
of No. 44 Mulberry Street, in the City of New York,

and George Melanico  
of No. 44 Mulberry Street, in the said City,

personally came before the undersigned, one of the Police Justices in and for the City of New York, and acknowledged themselves to owe to the PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, that is to say: the said

Cantrano  
the sum of Three Hundred Dollars,

and the said Melanico  
the sum of Three Hundred Dollars.

separately, of good and lawful money of the State of New York, to be levied and made of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, to the use of said People, if default shall be made in the condition following, viz:

The Condition of this Recognizance is such, That if the person first above recognized shall personally appear at the next COURT OF General SESSIONS of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, and then and there Testify and give such evidence, in behalf of the People of the State of New York, as he may know concerning an Offence or Felony said to have been lately committed in the City of New York aforesaid by

Louisa Rode

And do not depart thence without leave of the Court, then this Recognizance to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Taken and acknowledged before me, the }  
day and year first above written. }

Carmine X Cantrano  
Giuseppe Melanico

Samuel C. Reilly Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.  
OF NEW YORK, }

George Milanese

the within-named Bail, being duly sworn, says that he is a house holder in  
said City, and is worth Six Hundred Dollars,

over and above the amount of all his debts and liabilities; and that his property consists of

stock and fixtures of a saloon situated  
no 44 Mulberry Street and is of  
the value of \$1500 or thereabouts  
above all incumbrance

Giuseppe Milanese

Sessions.

New York

THE PEOPLE, &c.

Recognizance to Testify.

Carmine Lombardi

Magistrate

W A Kelly

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surety indemnified

by John J. McCall  
Off. Frankland

Chas.

Sworn before me, this  
day of  
April  
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David W. Kelly Police Justice.

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POLICE COURT— / DISTRICT.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

RECOGNIZANCE TO TESTIFY.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on

the Third day of April in the year of our Lord 188 5George Di Luca  
of No. 42 Mulberry Street, in the City of New York,and George Milanese  
of No. 42 Mulberry Street, in the said City,

personally came before the undersigned, one of the Police Justices in and for the City of New York, and acknowledged themselves to owe to the PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, that is to say: the said

Di Luca  
the sum of Three Hundred Dollars,and the said Milanese  
the sum of Three Hundred Dollars,

separately, of good and lawful money of the State of New York, to be levied and made of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, to the use of said People, if default shall be made in the condition following, viz:

The Condition of this Recognizance is such, That if the person first above recognized shall personally appear at the next COURT OF General SESSIONS of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, and then and there Testify and give such evidence in behalf of the People of the State of New York, as he may know concerning an Offence or Felony said to have been lately committed in the City of New York aforesaid byLouisa Rosa

And do not depart thence without leave of the Court, then this Recognizance to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Taken and acknowledged before me, the }  
day and year first above written. }George Di Luca  
George MilaneseSamuel V. Bell Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*George Melanico*

day of *Aug* 188*8*  
Sworn before me, this  
the within-named Bail, being duly sworn, says that he is a *free* holder in  
said City, and is worth *84* Hundred Dollars,  
over and above the amount of all his debts and liabilities; and that his property consists of  
*stock and fixtures of a saloon situated*  
*on 44 Mulberry Street and is of the*  
*value of \$1500 and above*  
*all incumbrance*

*Sam J. Wilbur*  
Police Justice.

*George Melanico*

Sessions.

New York

THE PEOPLE, &c.

Recognition to Testify.

vs.

*George Melanico*

*L O Reilly* Magistrate

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Surety identified

by *John M. Gill*  
*177 Franklin St.*  
*City*

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CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss.

POLICE COURT, 182 DISTRICT.

of 6th Precinct Police Charles Mc Manns  
occupation Police Officer Street, aged 28 years,  
that on the 2nd day of June being duly sworn deposes and says,

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, George De Luca 1885  
and Carmino Cantiano (both nowhere)  
are material witnesses in the annexed  
affidavit and deponent believes they  
will not appear as such witnesses  
wherefore deponent prays they may be  
held in secrecy for their appearance  
Charles B. Mc Manns

Sworn to before me, this  
of June 1885 day

Samuel W. Mc Manns  
Police Justice.

1st

District Police Court.

George De Luca

vs.

Louisa Rosa

STENOGRAPHER'S TRANSCRIPT.

April 22 1886

BEFORE HON.

Samuel J. Reilly

Police Justice.

James A. Lynn

Official Stenographer.

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STENOGRAPHER'S MINUTES.

*34* District Police Court.

THE PEOPLE, &c., IN COMPLAINT OF

*George Di Luca*

VS.

*Louisa Rosa*

BEFORE HON.

*Daniel J. Kelly*

POLICE JUSTICE,

*April 2<sup>d</sup> 1885*

APPEARANCES:

For the People,

*Inv. C. McGill Esq*

For the Defence,

*W. R. Racy*

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*George W. Smith*  
*Louisa Rosa*

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*James A. Lyon*

Official Stenographer.

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George Di Luca, the complaining witness  
being sworn testified as follows on

Cross Examination - by - W. Pacey

I went to the station house. I know officers  
Brodenick & Jamington. I went to her  
room & Officer Brodenick brought ~~her~~  
out another woman instead of this one.  
It is not so that the officer brought  
this woman out & that I said she was  
not the woman who stabbed me. This  
trouble occurred in Mulberry Street - she  
hit me ~~on the head~~ with a knife. I  
never had any quarrel with her before  
this. She deliberately cut me with a  
knife. It was at 3 o'clock in the  
morning. I was sober. I am certain  
this is the woman that stabbed me the  
defendant, nowhere.

Carminio Cautano being sworn testified  
as follows.

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I was with the complaining witness when he was looking for his friend. He went into the defendant's house to see his friend. He said "Good evening." The husband of this defendant asked him what he wanted and told him to get on. And he followed him out and struck him with a stick and this defendant stabbed him with a knife. I saw the knife in her hand.

Cross Examination by - ew. Racey

That was on Saturday night last after two o'clock A.M. - it was Sunday morning. He, defendant's husband, keeps a stall beer store I was with the complainant.

George W. Smith, a Police Officer of the 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct being duly sworn testified as follows.

Direct Examination by - ew. Racey  
(2)



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I saw this complainant at No. 39 Mulberry Street with Officer Farrington, who went there to make an arrest of somebody who had stabbed the complainant. I saw this defendant and her husband there, it was about 7 P.M. Officer Farrington asked him if this defendant was the woman who stabbed him and he said "No". She was then discharged. It was said in English. I can't speak Italian.

John Farrington being duly sworn says that he is a Police Officer attached to the 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct and was in the Station House when this complainant and another man came in there and told the sergeant he was stabbed in Mulberry St. He said it was done Saturday night. I went to 39 Mulberry St. with him at the sergeant's suggestion. I saw this defendant there and asked the complainant whether she was the person

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who cut him and he said "No." I got a little boy who was with him to ask him in Italian and he said "no" she was not the person who stabbed him. Then I told her to go in the house. There was no other woman brought on by me.

Louisa Rosa, the defendant being sworn says:

Direct Exam - by - Mr. Racey  
I live in 39 Mulberry St. I don't know the defendant & never had any trouble with him - I didn't stab him. Officer Farrington came to my house on Tuesday night & showed me this complaint and he said I was not the person.

Cross Exam - by - Mr. McGill  
My husband works in Brooklyn & has about a month.

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(over)

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The complaint recalled

By The Court

Q At the time this woman was called out did you tell the officer she was not the woman?

A The officer did not take her out, it was another woman - this woman ran away at the time.

Q If the officer had taken her out would you have recognized her at the time?

A Yes.

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The above is a correct copy of the evidence taken by me in above matter.

M. J. April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1885.

James A. Lyon

Stenographer

1<sup>st</sup> Dist. Police Court.



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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE, on the Complaint of

*George Diduca*

vs.

*Louisa Rosa*

Offense:

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

Affidavit of

*James H. Driscoll*

Subpoena Server.

Failure to Find Witness.

POOR QUALITY  
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Court of General Sessions.

Part Three

THE PEOPLE

INDICTMENT

vs.

For

Louisa Rosa

[Signature]

To

M

No.

Giuseppe Milanesi

42 or 44 Mulberry

Street.

The indictment against the above named defendant, for the appearance of Geo. di Luca & Carmine Contreras as a witness, at whose trial you are bound, has been placed upon the Calendar for trial at the Court of GENERAL SESSIONS of the Peace, at the ~~Sessions Building~~ adjoining the New Court House, in the Park of the said city, on                      the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

If the witness is not produced at that time, your bond will forfeited.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, ~~JOHN McKEON~~,

District Attorney.

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POOR QUALITY  
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G. Milanesi  
42 or 44 Mulberry  
St. New York  
N.Y.  
No such person there

York, ss:

W. D. Russell



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teral Sessions.

PEOPLE

vs.

Louisa Rosa

City and County of New York, ss:

sworn, deposes and says: I reside at No.

Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the

City and County of New York. On the 26 day of March 1887,

I called at No. 42 & 44 Mulberry Street

being duly  
the alleged residence of Giuseppe Milanesi the  
bondsman for George di Luca and Carmine Contrano  
the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena and was informed by the  
house keeper and several tenants that he  
had moved a long time ago but neither  
of them know where to or where he  
can be found. I also inquired for  
the said George di Luca and Carmine  
Contrano but could gain no information  
as to their present whereabouts.

Sworn to before me, this 3d day

of May 1887  
Rodolph L. Scharf

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY.

James H. Driscoll

Subpoena Server.

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**PART III.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY.  
 If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue  
 Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room  
 Door that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To George di Luca

of No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the 31 day of March instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against

Louisa Rosa

in a case of Felony, whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of March, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney***PART III.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY.  
 If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue  
 Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room  
 Door that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

**SUBPENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To Carmino Contrano

of No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the 31 day of March instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against

Louisa Rosa

in a case of Felony, whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of March, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney*

Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE on the Complaint of

George Di Luca

vs.

Louisa Rosa

Offense:

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

District Attorney.

Affidavit of

John W. Huntley

Subpoena Return

Failure to Find Witness.

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will immediately issue  
the Officer at the Court Room

FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

SUBPENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York

To George Di Luca

of No. 44 Mulberry Street,

Not Known there

SUBPENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York,

To Cornelia Cantrano in case of Geo Milanio

of No. House of detention Street,

Not Known there

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against

Louisa Rosa

in a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Witness, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of March, 1887, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney

PART III.

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY.

If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue

Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room Door that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

and that she does not know either of them or where they can be found. I also inquired for George Milanio the bondsman for both of the above named witnesses but could gain no information as to his present whereabouts.

Sworn to before me, this

25 day

of April

1887

Rudolph L. Schuyler

John G. Winter

Subpoena Server

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY

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SUBPENA

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York

To *George Di Luca*

of No. *44 Mulberry* Street,

*Not known there*

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you appear in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the *23<sup>rd</sup>* instant, at the hour of Eleven the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against

*Louisa Rosa*

a case of Felony, whereof he stands indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of one Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Witness, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *March*, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney

City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City of New York. On the *18* day of *March* 1887,

*No. 44 Mulberry Street*

*residence of George Di Luca & Carmine Cantrano*

*herein, to serve them with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by the keeper that neither of them live there*

*and that she does not know either of them or where they can be found. I also inquired for George Milano the bondsman for both of the above named witnesses but could gain no information as to his present whereabouts.*

Sworn to before me, this *25* day

of *April* 1887  
*Rudolph L. Schuyf*

*John P. Hunter*  
Subpoena Server

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY

THIRD STORY.  
will immediately issue  
the Officer at the Court Room  
FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.

If fill when served please send timely word to the District Attorney's office.  
If you know of more testimony than was produced before the Magistrate or if a fact which you think material was not there brought out, please state the same to the District Attorney or one of his assistants.  
State of New York,  
City and County of New York, ss.

being duly sworn, deposes and says he  
Subpoena, of which the within is a copy, upon  
1887, by on the day of



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Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*Rosa*

City of New York, ss:

and says: I reside at No.

*John W. Huntley*

being duly

*602 Tinton Avenue*

City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the

City of New York. On the *18* day of *March* 188*7*,

*No. 44 Mulberry Street*

*residence of George Diduca & Carmine Cantrano*

herein, to serve ~~them~~ with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by ~~the~~ *keeper* that neither of them live there

and that she does not know either of them or where they can be found. I also inquired for George Milanio the bondsman for both of the above named witnesses but could gain no information as to his present whereabouts.

Sworn to before me, this *25* day

*Rudolph L. Schuy*

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY

*John W. Huntley*  
Subpoena Server



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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The People, &c.

VS.

Louisa Rosa

OFFENCE

RANDOLPH B. MARSHALL  
District Attorney

Affidavit of  
Officer Farrington  
6th Precinct

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The People }  
 vs. }  
 Louisa Rosa }

City and County of New York f:-

John Farrington being  
 duly sworn (says:- That he is a Police  
 Officer attached to the 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct in the  
 City of New York. On the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
 March 1885 deponent was detailed ~~to~~  
 by the sergeant to go with George  
 Di Rucca who had lodged a  
 complaint at the Station House  
 against a woman for assault  
 at No. 39 Mulberry Street. I called  
 at 39 Mulberry Street in company  
 with the complainant and Officer Smith  
 of the 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct. I found Louisa  
 Rosa the defendant herein at that  
 address and asked <sup>the complainant</sup> if that was  
 the woman, she said George Di Rucca  
 the complainant, then said that  
 she was not the woman who had  
 assaulted him. We visited all  
 the rooms at 39 Mulberry Street  
 but the said George Di Rucca  
 would not identify any of the  
 women as the one who had

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assaulted him. The said George DiLucca then and there refused to make a complaint against any of the women at that address including the said Louisa Rosa the defendant herein. I then left him and returned to the Station House and reported to the Sergeant as above set forth.

Sworn to before me this }  
24 day of March 1887 } John Farrington  
Rudolph L. Scharf

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS,  
N. Y. CITY & COUNTY.

I am unable to find the records of the Court in which the said defendant was convicted and therefore it is impossible to secure the attendance of

a material and necessary witness for the People and without whose evidence a conviction cannot be had. I therefore respectfully recommend that the

defendant herein

be discharged on his own recognizance.

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District Attorney.



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Court of General Sessions.  
of the Peace for the City and  
County of New York.

The People  
against  
Michael Rose

Assault.

Sir:

Please take notice, that upon the Indictment, Complaint, and all the papers and proceedings herein, a motion will be made by the defendant at the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the City and County of New York, before Hon. Henry C. Gilderleeve on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1887, at 11 o'clock A.M., or, as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard, for the discharge of the defendant above named, upon the ground of a failure of the people to prosecute, and for such other and further relief as to the Court may seem just.

Dated New York May 7<sup>th</sup> 1887.

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Robert H. Raey.  
Counsel for Defendant  
No. 25 Chambers Str  
N.Y. City

To the  
Hon. Randolph B. Martine.  
District Atty  
City and County of New York.

Court of General Sessions  
of the Recorder

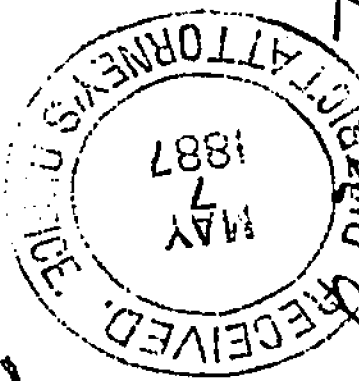
The People vs

— agst —

Michael Rose

Copy of Motion.

Robert H. Raey.  
Counsel for Defd.



*W. J. Davis*

To Hon. R. B. Martine.  
District Attorney  
City County of New York.

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Court of General Sessions  
of the Peace, for the City & County  
of New York.

The People &c  
against  
Lodisa Rose

Assault.

Sir:

Please take notice, that upon  
the Indictment, Complaint and  
all the papers and proceedings  
herein, a motion will be made  
by the defendant at the Court of  
General Sessions of the Peace for  
the City and County of New York,  
before Hon. Henry D. Gildersleeve,  
on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1887, at  
11 o'clock, A.M.; or, as soon  
thereafter as Counsel can be  
heard; for the discharge of the  
defendant above named, upon  
the ground of a failure of the  
people to prosecute, and for  
such other and further relief  
as to the Court may seem  
just.

Dated New York May 7<sup>th</sup> 1887.



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Robert H. Racey,  
Deft's Counsel  
No. 25 Chambers Str.  
N. Y. City.

To the  
Hon. Randolph B. Martine  
District Attorney  
City and County of New York.

Court of General Session

— of the Peace. —

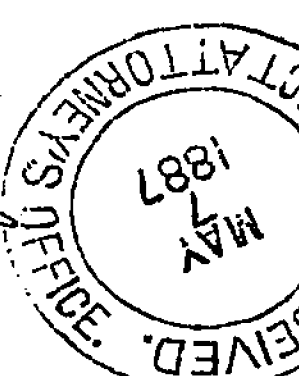
The People vs

— agst. —

Louisa Rose

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Judge of Motion.

Robert H. Racey  
Counsel for Defndt



To the  
Hon R. B. Martine  
District Attorney  
City & County of New York

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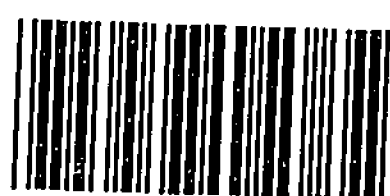
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Rothkamp, John

**DATE:**

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Cahill, Thomas

**DATE:**

04/07/85



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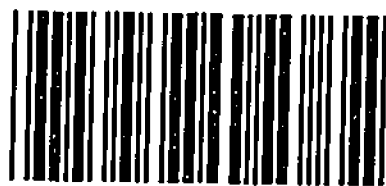
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**DESCRIPTION:**

Stephens, Charles

**DATE:**

04/07/85



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Witnesses:-

Off Gilken  
Wm H Glauke

Bail \$300. Each.  
Apr 9 1883. Gladly

And from the  
Courtroom of this  
Case. I had no contact  
can be had against  
deponents Cahill and  
St. Stephens and need a  
Morton McCann and a  
James and of the  
Innocence.

Robert Brand  
My 19th 1892  
Residence on Hudson  
Post 1892

No. 22.

Counsel, Meek  
Filed 7 1883  
Plays Wm H Glauke

THE PEOPLE  
John Rothkamp  
Thomas Cahill  
Charles W Stephens  
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.

Dr. Apr 14/16 - District Attorney.  
Not tried & convicted Area 3.  
A True Bill.  
Less: 20.

Wm H Glauke  
Foreman.  
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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

*John Boddeamy,  
Charles W. Stephens and  
Thomas Collett*

The Grand Jury of the City and County of New York, by this indictment, accuse  
*John Boddeamy, Charles W. Stephens  
and Thomas Collett*  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *John Boddeamy, Charles W.  
Stephens and Thomas Collett*  
late of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*thirty-first* day of *March*, in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, with force of arms, at the City and  
County aforesaid, in and upon the body of one *William D. Boland*,  
in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did make an assault  
and *in* the said *William D. Boland*  
with a certain *knife* which the said *John Boddeamy,  
Charles W. Stephens and  
Thomas Collett*,  
in *their* right hands then and there had and held, the same being a deadly and  
dangerous weapon, wilfully and feloniously did beat, strike, stab, cut and wound

with intent *in* the said *William D. Boland*,  
thereby then and there feloniously and wilfully to kill, against the form of the statute  
in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of  
New York and their dignity.

## SECOND COUNT:

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*John Boddeamy, Charles W. Stephens  
and Thomas Collett*  
of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *John Boddeamy, Charles W.  
Stephens and Thomas Collett*, each  
late of the City and County of New York, on the *thirty-first* day of  
*March*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and  
eighty-*five*, at the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in  
and upon the body of one *William D. Boland*  
in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously did wilfully and  
wrongfully make an assault, and *in* the said *William D.  
Boland*  
with a certain *knife*, which the said *John  
Boddeamy, Charles W. Stephens and  
Thomas Collett*  
in *their* right hand then and there had and held, the same being a  
*instrument* likely to produce grievous bodily harm, then and  
there feloniously did wilfully and wrongfully beat, strike, stab, cut and wound  
against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the  
peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.



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## THIRD COUNT—

And the Grand Jury aforesaid, by this indictment, further accuse the said  
*John Roddick, Charles W. Stephens and Thomas Cahill*  
 of the CRIME OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said *John Roddick, Charles W. Stephens and Thomas Cahill*, each  
 late of the City County of New York, on the *31st* day of *March*,  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*five*, at  
 the City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon the body of one  
*William M. Blauvelt*  
 in the peace of the said People then and there being, feloniously, did wilfully and  
 wrongfully make an assault, and *in* the said *William M. Blauvelt*,

in and upon the *head and neck* of *him* the  
 said *William M. Blauvelt* did then and there  
 feloniously, wilfully and wrongfully strike, beat, *stab, cut*,  
 bruise and wound, and did thereby then and there feloniously, wilfully and wrongfully  
 inflict upon *him* the said *William M. Blauvelt*,  
 grievous bodily harm, to the great damage of the said *William M. Blauvelt*,  
 against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace  
 of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

**RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,**  
**PETER B. OLNEY,**  
 District Attorney

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The Society of the New York Hospital,

HOUSE of RELIEF, 160 Chambers St.

New York, *March 24* 1883

This is to certify that *Wm. A.*  
*Blank* is suffering under  
6 stab wounds "viz" scalp 4  
cheek 1 neck 1 and is under  
my treatment at Chambers  
St Hospital.

*Geo A Thayer*  
*Operating Surgeon.*

POOR QUALITY  
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**PART III.**

THE COURT ROOM IS IN THE THIRD STORY.

If this Subpoena is disobeyed, an attachment will immediately issue.  
Bring this Subpoena with you, and give it to the Officer at the Court Room  
Door that your attendance may be known.

[SEE OTHER SIDE FOR OTHER DIRECTIONS.]

701 Park Ave Bklyn. E.D.

**SUBPOENA**

FOR A WITNESS TO ATTEND THE

Court of General Sessions of the Peace.

The People of the State of New York

To *Wm. H. Plank*

of No. *79 Eldridge* Street,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That all business and excuses ceasing, you *appear* in your proper person, before the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the City and County of New York at the County Court House, in the Park of the said City, on the day of *March* instant, at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day, to testify the truth and give evidence in our behalf against

*Thos. Cahill & al*  
in a case of Felony, whereof *he stands* indicted. And this you are not to omit, under the penalty of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

WITNESS, Hon. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder of our said City, at the City Hall in our said City, the first Monday of *March*, in the year of our Lord 1887.

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, *District Attorney*



POOR QUALITY  
ORIGINALS

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BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

No. 2, by

Residence

No. 3, by

Residence

No. 4, by

Residence

Police Court 3 District.

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THE PEOPLE, &c,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

McClung H. Blank  
701 Ave. Live. 3rd Fl.  
109 E. 1st St. New York

1 John Postlethwaite  
2 Marcus Cahill  
3 Charles Stephens  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8 Charles Stephens

Offence Fel. assault

Dated

April 1

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Magistrate

Officer

Witnesses

No. 1

Residence

No. 2

Residence

No. 3

Residence

No. 4

Residence

No. 5

Residence

Charles Stephens

Charles Stephens

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Charles Stephens

Charles Stephens

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named John Postlethwaite 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 each and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York, until he give such bail.

Dated April 1 188 5 John Homan Police Justice.

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

Dated April 1 188 5 John Homan Police Justice.

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

Dated April 1 188 5 John Homan Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, } ss*Thomas Cahill*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer. *Thomas Cahill*

Question. How old are you?

Answer. *28 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. *New York*

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

Answer. *433 Hudson Street 4 years*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. *Wink dealer*

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

Answer. *I am not guilty I was with Rathkamp and Stephens to get the complainant arrested for (stealing) bottles, the complainant took a knife from his pocket and went for Stevens. Then Rathkamp took the knife from him. I did not strike the complainant.*

*Thomas Cahill*

Taken before me this

day of *April*

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*John J. Brennan* Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200.

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District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, { ss*Charles Stephens*

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*Charles Stephens*

Question. How old are you?

Answer

*24 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New Orleans*

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

Answer.

*638 Greenwich Street 1 month*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Shoe dealer*

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 the complainant took a knife from his pocket and went for me, Rattkamp took the knife away from him I held him until Rattkamp took the knife, I did not strike the complainant*

*Charles B Stephens*

Taken before me this

day of April

1885

*John J. Worman*

Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200.

CITY AND COUNTY  
OF NEW YORK, ss

3rd District Police Court.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

John Rath Kauff

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

26 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New York

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

Answer.

115 Prince Street since last July

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

Ironman

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. The complainant stole 48 Cents worth of bottles from me, I went to his house to get paid for my bottles, the complainant took the knife from his pocket, to assault Charles Stephens, who was with me, and who had informed me of the larceny. I took the knife from the complainant he then went for me the knife was not open

Taken before me this

day of March

1885

John Rath Kauff  
Police Justice

John Rath Kauff

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Police Court—32<sup>nd</sup> District.City and County }  
of New York, } ss.:William Blauof No. 49 E 11<sup>th</sup> St Street, aged 26 years,occupation Iron dealer being duly sworndeposes and says, that on the 31 day of March 1885 at the City of New York, in the County of New York,

he was violently and feloniously ASSAULTED and BEATEN by

John Rothkamp, Thomas Cahill  
and Charles Stephens (all now here)  
that said Stephens held deponent  
when said Rothkamp cut and stabbed  
deponent in the head in the face  
and in the neck, with a knife he  
held in his hand  
that at that time said Cahill  
struck deponent one blow in the  
face with his fist.

with the felonious intent to take the life of deponent, or to do him grievous bodily harm; and without  
 any justification on the part of the said assailant

Wherefore this deponent prays that he said assailant may be ~~apprehended~~ bound to answer  
 for the above assault, etc., and be dealt with according to law.

Sworn to before me, this 1 day  
 of April 1885.

W. H. Blau

John Horner Police Justice.

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**BOX:**

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Ryan, Johanna

**DATE:**

04/08/85



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ORIGINALS

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Witnesses:

Off. Risbrough

No 35

*Fullerton*

Counsel,

Filed

1885

Pleeds

*Myself (19)*

THE PEOPLE

vs.

*P*

*Johanna Ryan*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
PETER B. OLNEY,

District Attorney.

Grand Larceny 1st degree  
(From the person.)  
[Sections 528, 530, — Penal Code].

A True Bill.

*Hayes, Caring*

Foreman.

*Am. Press and Phila  
in April 20<sup>th</sup> 4. J.B.*

*May 1<sup>st</sup> 1885 and 1886  
G.D.*

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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

*Johnna Ruger*

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

*Johnna Ruger*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said *Johnna Ruger*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*thirty-first* day of *March*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one pocket-book of the value of one  
dollar, and four promissory notes  
for the payment of money of the  
kind known as United States Treasury  
notes, the same being then and there  
due and unsatisfied for the payment  
of and of the value of one dollar each,  
of the proper moneys,*

~~the~~ goods, chattels and personal property of one *Edward W. Bidronagh*  
on the person of *the said Edward W. Bidronagh*,  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Edward W. Bidronagh*,  
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.

*Randolph S. Hartline,*  
*District Attorney*

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Police Court / District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Edward M. Lubbock  
259 W 44th St  
n 237, Riverway  
1 Valencia Bryant  
Office Larceny from  
the person

Dated 1885

30 Reilly Magistrate.  
John Shields Officer.  
6 Precinct.

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

Witnesses  
No. Officer  
237 Riverway  
No. Street.  
No. Street.  
No. Street.  
\$ 500 to answer Sessions.

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 She be held to answer the same and She 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 She  
give such bail.

Dated 1885 Samuel C. Reilly Police Justice.

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

Dated 188 Police Justice.

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

Dated 188 Police Justice.



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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

*Johanna Ryan* 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. see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against h. *Er*  
that he 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.

*Johanna Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*26 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*Ireland*

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

Answer.

*no 6 Bayard St 2 mo*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*I work at feathers*

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*

Taken before me this

day of

*April*

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*Edward J. Kelly* Police Justice.

*Johanna Ryan*

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

John Shields  
aged 28 years, occupation Police Officer of No

611/2 Precinct Police Street, being duly sworn deposes and

says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Edward M. Henry F. Lusbrugh

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

Sworn to before me, this 1  
day of Apr 1888

John Shields

Samuel O'Reilly  
Police Justice.

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Police Court—First District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

City and County } ss.:  
of New York, }Edward M. Rusbrough  
of No. 259 W 24<sup>th</sup> St Richard Williams on 16 Street, aged 39 years,  
occupation Saloonman being duly sworndeposes and says, that on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 1885 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
and person  
of deponent, in the night time, the following property viz:A pocket-book of the value of Fifty cents  
containing good and lawful money  
namely four bills of the denomination  
and value of one dollar each all  
of the value of Four dollars and  
fifty cents\$4 <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

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 Johanna Ryan (now here)  
that said defendant induced deponent  
to take <sup>her to</sup> a saloon in Canal Street  
where they drank together and  
remained in said saloon about  
20 minutes, where said defendant  
accompanied him out of said place  
and they walked along together <sup>and</sup>  
said defendant immediately without  
saying a word to deponent ran  
away that officer John Shields came  
up to deponent and asked him if  
he had lost anything and said  
deponent missed the said property  
that was contained in the pocket

Sworn to before me this

day

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Police Justice.



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of the accused then and there named by  
deponent that said officer pursued  
said defendant and he is informed  
by said officer that he saw said  
defendant throw away said pocket-  
book containing said money in a hall-  
way in Elizabeth Street in said City

Sown to before me Edward H. Ritzbrugh  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1885  
James C. Kelly Police Justice

It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been  
committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty thereof, I order that he be held to answer the same and he be admitted to bail in the sum of  
Hundred Dollars and be committed to the Warden and Keeper of the City Prison  
of the City of New York, until he give such bail.  
Dated 1885 Police Justice.

I have admitted the above named  
to bail to answer by the undertaking hereto annexed.  
Dated 1885 Police Justice.

There being no sufficient cause to believe the within named  
guilty of the offence mentioned, I order he to be discharged.  
Dated 1885 Police Justice.

Police Court,	District,
THE PEOPLE, &c., on the complaint of	
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Offence—LARCENY.	
Dated	1885
Magistrate.	
Officer.	
Clerk.	
Witnesses,	
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
No.	Street,
\$	to answer Sessions.

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General Sullivan

The People's  
Co.

John A. Ryan

Notice of  
Motion

THOS. J. SULLIVAN,  
COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
NO. 73 CENTRE STREET, N. Y.

See *Ward*

*Ward*

To The Court.

Ch. Clk

Dist. Ct. Office

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General Sessions of the Peace  
for the City & Co of New York

The People }  
vs  
Johanna Ryan }

To Randolph B Martine Esq  
Please take Notice

one That I shall  
move this Honorable Court Part  
on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of  
May 1885. at the hour of 11 A. M.  
for the discharge from custody  
of the above defendant Johanna  
Ryan, now in the City Prison  
under an indictment for Larceny —

Jured  
Thos Sullivan  
Atty for deft  
13 Centre St  
N.Y.

To  
Hon Randolph B Martine  
District Atty.



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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

Thomas Ryan

Several attempts  
have been made to  
get the complainant  
but without success  
he resides in Philadelphia  
See affidavits with  
the Papers - The  
Defendant is a  
notorious offender  
known as "Fau che  
Douglass" - convicted  
before by Judge H. C. C.

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## Court of General Sessions.

THE PEOPLE  
 Edward W. Aubrough  
 vs.  
 Johanna Ryan } Larceny from Person

City and County of New York, ss.:

John W. Huntley being duly sworn, deposes and says: I reside at No. 602. Clinton Ave. bet. 150 & 151 Street, in the City of New York. I am a subpoena server in the office of the District Attorney of the City and County of New York. On the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 1883, I called at 54 and 56 North St

the alleged place of business of the complainant herein, to serve him with the annexed subpoena, and was informed by two Salesmen employed at the above place that he resides in Philadelphia and that he comes to this city about once in the month and that I have made every effort and have been unable to serve him

Sworn to before me, this 21 day }  
 May, 1883

John W. Huntley  
 Notary Public  
 N.Y.C.

John W. Huntley  
 Subpoena Server.

General Sessions  
N.Y. County

The People vs.

vs.  
John P. Papp

Notar  
Motion.

See  
TAC J SULLIVAN  
000  
NO. 7600  
NEW YORK, N.Y.

—  
Cowan

To John Cowan  
Chas. L. H.  
District Office  
Chambers St.

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General Sessions of the Peace  
City & Co. of N.Y.

The People vs }  
vs  
Johanna Ryan

Hon. Rauld B. Martine

Please take notice, that  
I shall move this honorable  
Court "Part one" on Friday the  
29<sup>th</sup> day of May 1885 at the hour  
of 11. A.M. of that day for the discharge  
from Custody of Johanna Ryan  
now confined in the City Prison  
under a charge of Grand Larceny -

Yours &c

Thomas Sullivan

Att'y for deft. Ryan.

73 Centre St N.Y.

To  
Hon. Rauld B. Martine  
Dist. Atty.  
N.Y. City & Co.

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LAW OFFICE OF  
ROBERT MAZET,  
237 BROADWAY.

New York, May 20 1885

Thos J. Sullivan Esq

Dear Sir:

In answer to your inquiries of this date I beg to say that I notified Mr. E. W. Risbrough at various times that the case of the People vs Johnnie Ryan would be called for trial, and in answer thereto I was informed by letter from Mr. Risbrough that he has been confined by sickness to his home in Philadelphia and has been unable to attend to his business, and that he had a child seriously ill with scarlet fever and would be unable to leave his home for some time to come. Mr. Risbrough is now permanently located in Philadelphia, and I am unable to state when he will be able to attend the trial of said Ryan.

He has further stated to me

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LAW OFFICE OF  
ROBERT MAZET,  
237 BROADWAY.

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New York,

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that he had sustained no material  
injury at the hands of said Ryan,  
and had no desire to prosecute  
her any further than he has  
already done

Yours respectfully,

Robert Mazet



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District Attorney's Office.

PEOPLE

vs.

I want to know  
something about this  
Case - why can't  
we get the Confess  
Counsel

Reply to me

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Ryan, John

DATE:

04/15/85



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No. 133

Counsel,

Filed day of

1885

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THE PEOPLE

vs.

John E. Ryan

Grand Larceny, 1<sup>st</sup> degree  
[From the person.]  
[Sections 528, 530, — Penal Code.]

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,

PETER B. O'NEIL,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Foreman

April 20<sup>th</sup>

Heard & Gray

S. P. 3 yrs.

Witnesses:

John Frankowski

Ed. Cosgrove



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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

*John Bugar*

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

*John Bugar*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said *John Bugar*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*fourteenth* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty-*five*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one pocket watch of the value of twenty*  
*five cents, and three tickets, papers*  
*and writings, each entitling the holder*  
*thereof to a passage upon the railway*  
*car of the New York, West Shore and*  
*Buffalo Railroad Company, from the*  
*City of Jersey City in the State of*  
*New Jersey to Albany in the State of*  
*New York, of the value of six dollars*  
*each,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Francis Brandenbury*  
on the person of *the said Francis Brandenbury*  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Francis Brandenbury*  
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.

*Randolph B. Martin,*  
*District Attorney.*

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

Police Court-1 District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Francis Franklonsky  
Castle Garden  
John Ryan  
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APR 15 1885  
RECEIVED

Offence Larceny from the person

Dated April 15 1885

D. O. Reilly Magistrate.

Boogrove Officer.

Precinct.

Witnesses  
Frederic Boogrove

No. 106 Precinct Police Street.

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

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

\$ 1000 to answer Sessions.

Committed

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 10 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 Apr 15 1885 Samuel O. Reilly Police Justice.

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

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

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

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

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Sec. 198-200

District Police Court.

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

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

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

*John Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*New York*

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

Answer.

*13 Morris St. 3 mos*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Baker*

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

Answer.

*I am not guilty*

*John Ryan*

Taken before me this

day of

*Feb 15*  
*1885*

*Samuel M. Kelly* Police Justice.



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Police Court— / District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

Francis Frankowsky

of No. Castle Garden

Street, aged 25 years,

occupation Laborer

being duly sworn

deposes and says, that on the 14 day of April 1885 at the City of New

York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
and person of deponent, in the nighttime, the following property viz:

Three printed tickets good for one passage  
each on the West Shore Railroad from  
New Jersey City to Albion New York  
of the value of Eighteen dollars and  
tickets being in and one pocket  
book of the value of Twenty five cents  
which contained said property

the property of deponent

and that this deponent

has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property was feloniously taken, stolen,  
and carried away by John Ryan (now free)

That deponent was coming out of the gate  
at Castle Garden in said City when  
said Ryan came to him and pushed  
him and said you had better go  
that way and immediately said  
Ryan put his hand in the pocket  
of the pantaloons <sup>then and there worn by deponent</sup> containing said  
property and took stole and carried  
away the same That deponent pursued  
said Ryan and he said Ryan  
was caught by Officer Coogrove  
while in the act of running away  
Embarked

Francis <sup>his</sup> Frankowsky  
markSworn to before me, this 15 day  
of April 1885

Samuel O. Kelly Police Justice.

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**FOLDER:**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Ryan, John

**DATE:**

04/28/85



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Witnesses:

Frank Smith  
Off Birmingham

No 257

Counsel, *Lawyer*  
Filed *28* day of *April* 188*5*

Pleads, *Ans. Verdict*

vs. THE PEOPLE  
vs. *U. S. Marshal*  
*pro se*  
*John Ryan*

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
District Attorney.  
Pleads *Verdict*

A True Bill.

*(Ray, Dancy)*  
Foreman  
State of Missouri

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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

*John Rugg*

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

*John Rugg*

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

The said *John Rugg*,

late of the *Fifteenth* Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the *Twenty-fifth* day of *April*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*seven*, with force and arms, about the hour of *Twelve* o'clock in the *night* time of the same day, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, the dwelling house of one

*Mariano Agia*

there situate, feloniously and burglariously did break into and enter, there being then and there some human being, to wit: *the said Mariano Agia*,

within the said dwelling house, with intent to commit some crime therein, to wit: the goods, chattels and personal property of the said *Mariano Agia*,

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

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

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SECOND COUNT—

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

John R. Ryan  
of the CRIME OF ~~GRAND~~ LARCENY IN THE ~~SECOND~~ DEGREE, committed as follows:

The said John R. Ryan,

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

one promissory note for the pay-  
ment of money to the said  
known as United States Treasury  
notes, the same being then and  
there due and unpaid, for  
the payment of and of the value  
of one dollar, and divers coins, of a  
number, kind and denomination  
to the Grand Jury aforesaid  
unknown, of the value of seventy  
cents,

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one Mariano Pignatelli,

in the dwelling house of the said Mariano Pignatelli,

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

Charles J. Mathis

District Attorney

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Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Marion H. Hays  
2 Lafayette Place  
New York City

BAILED,

No. 1, by

Residence

Street.

No. 2, by

Residence

Street.

No. 3, by

Residence

Street.

No. 4, by

Residence

Street.

Dated

April 26 188

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

30, District Police Court.

John Ryan being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge: and being informed that it is his 6 right to make a statement in relation to the charge against him; that the statement is designed to enable him if he see fit to answer the charge and explain the facts alleged against him that he is at liberty to waive making a statement, and that his waiver cannot be used against him on the trial.

Question. What is your name?

Answer. John Ryan

Question. How old are you?

Answer. 16 years

Question. Where were you born?

Answer. United States Jersey City

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

Answer. No Home.

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer. Printing

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. Innocence of the Charge  
John Ryan

Taken before me this

day of

1888

John Ryan  
Police Justice.

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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 52 years, occupation Watchman of No.

Lafayette Place Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Morrison Latier

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

Sworn to before me, this 26<sup>th</sup>

day of April 1887

John H. Moore  
Police Justice.

Frank R. Smith

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Police Court—5th District.

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

of No. 2 Lafayette place Street, aged 19 years,  
occupation Shoe Maker being duly sworn.

deposes and says, that the premises No 2 Lafayette Place Street,  
in the City and County aforesaid, the said being a Home for Boys well known  
as father Springgale's house in the 15th Ward  
and which was occupied by deponent as a sleeping room  
and in which there was at the time a human being, by name Mariana Gaia

were BURGLARIOUSLY entered by means of forcibly breaking an  
iron bar attached to the front basement  
window in said premises and then  
opening the window and going through said  
window to deponent's room on the 5th floor  
on the 25th day of April 1885 in the night time, and the  
following property feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away, viz:

Good and lawful money of the United  
States consisting of a bank note or bill  
of the denomination and value of One  
dollar and marked with the  
value of seventy cents and being  
in all together of the value of

One Dollar and  
Seventy cents.

the property of Deponent.

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

John Ryan (now here)

for the reasons following, to wit:

That on said night said  
window was securely closed and said  
premises were locked and deponent  
is informed by Frank Smith of 2  
Lafayette place a night watchman that  
he is the night watchman of said  
premises and that on said night he  
found said Ryan concealed under  
deponent's bed in deponent's room



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and found him with the said property in his possession; Defendant therefore charges said Ryan with having broken into said premises and with having taken therefrom and carried away the said property.

Given to be fore me of  
this 26th day of April 1881 Mariano Garcia

John Horman

Deputy Justice

Police Court District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

vs.

Burglary

Dated 1881

Magistrate.

Officer.

Clerk.

Witnesses:

Committed in default of \$ Bail.

Bailed by

No. Street.

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BOX:

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FOLDER:

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DESCRIPTION:

Ryan, Michael

DATE:

04/02/85



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Witnesses: *Marcelo Ruiz*  
*43 Exchange St.*  
*Opposite John L. Carter*  
*St. Paul, Minn.*

*307*  
Counsel, *J. M. Gill*  
Filed *2* day of *April* 188*5*  
Pleads *Not guilty*

THE PEOPLE  
vs.  
*P*  
*Michael Ryan*  
Grand Larceny 1<sup>st</sup> degree  
(From the person.)  
[Sections 528, 580, 34 Penal Code].  
(attorney)

RANDOLPH B. MARTINE,  
~~PETER B. O'NEIL~~  
District Attorney.

A True Bill.  
*M. J. C. Berry*  
Foreman.

*April 15/85*  
*April 17/85*  
*Speed & Co. reported.*  
*April 15/85*  
*April 20/85*  
*Sentenced to serve pen. det.*



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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

*Michael Ryan*

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

*Michael Ryan of the Crime of Attempting to commit*  
of the CRIME OF GRAND LARCENY in the *first* degree, committed as follows:

The said *Michael Ryan*,

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York aforesaid, on the  
*twenty - eighth* day of *March*, - - in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and eighty- *five*, in the *night* time of the said day, at the Ward, City and  
County aforesaid, with force and arms,

*one watch of the value of five dollars, and*  
*one chain of the value of one dollar,*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one *Marcus Bing*,  
on the person of *the said Marcus Bing*,  
then and there being found, from the person of the said *Marcus Bing*,  
then and there feloniously did <sup>attempt to</sup> 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.

*Randolph B. Martin*

*District Attorney*

Court of General Sessions

In the matter of  
The People

- vs -

Michael Ryan

Aff'ts on motion to suspend  
Sentence

John Finckel

Counsel for Prisoner

14 Franklin Street

New York City

To His Honor Judge Cowing

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In the Matter of the  
People.

vs.

Michael Ryan

City of New York  
County of New York. J. Jeremiah  
Sullivan of said City being duly sworn  
makes oath, that he is a Citizen of  
the State of New York. As has resided  
in the City of New York for the past  
25 (Twenty-five) years. That he has  
kept a grocery store in No 134  
Mott Street in the City of New York  
for the past 7 (Seven) years. As has  
known the said Michael Ryan for  
the said period of time and knows the  
said Ryan to have been during  
all that time to be a good honest  
hardworking boy, the only support  
of a widowed mother. That deponent  
has frequently heard the neighbors  
speak of said Michael Ryan as  
an honest and truthful boy.  
And deponent further avers that  
if the boy has committed the offense  
charged against him, it is his first  
offense and deponent knows of



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his own knowledge that during the period of his acquaintance with said Ryan, (Seven years) the said Ryan living in the neighborhood during this period, he the said Ryan has never been arrested for any crime or charged with any offense, and that the present charge is the only one ever preferred against the prisoner. Deponent further says that he is in no relation by consanguinity or otherwise with the prisoner.

Sworn to before me  
 this 17th day of April 1885 } Jeremiah Sullivan  
 Notary Public } 134 Mott St.  
 N.Y.C.

City and County of New York, J. James  
 A. Dahl, of said City, being duly  
 sworn, says that he is a  
 citizen of the State of New York,  
 and has resided in this City  
 for the past 23 (Twenty-three) years.  
 That he has been engaged in the  
 Confectionery and Cigar business  
 at No 170 Mulberry Street in the  
 City of New York, <sup>for the past 24 years</sup> and that he has  
 been acquainted with Michael  
 Ryan, the prisoner for the past three  
 years, and knows the said Ryan  
 to be a good honest boy, a hard  
 worker, and one who did not travel  
 with boys of bad character, on  
 the contrary that the said Ryan  
 is spoken of among the neighbors  
 as a truthful and honest young  
 man. That the said Ryan has  
 frequently assisted deponent  
 in the evening, when he came  
 home from his work, in the  
 management of deponent's store,  
 and deponent has frequently  
 entrusted ~~deponent~~ the prisoner  
 with the collection of sums of  
 money ranging from twenty-five



fifty dollars and deponent has always received the exact amount collected by the prisoner. That deponent is so impressed with the prisoners honesty, that should this honorable Court, allow the prisoner to depart he will at once give him employment on his store, notwithstanding the charge now standing against the prisoner. And deponent believes and avers that if the said Michael Ryan, committed the offense charged against him, it is his first offense, and deponent knows of his own knowledge, that (deponent) defendant has never been arrested before, during deponents acquaintance with him, nor has he ever been charged with any crime whatever. That deponent is not related to the prisoner by consanguinity or otherwise.

Sworn to before me

this 7th day of April 1885

J. D. Welch

Notary Public

N.Y.C.

James A. Dahl  
170 Mulberry St.



City & County of New York Thomas Kennedy of said City being duly sworn says that he is a citizen of the State of New York and has resided in the City of New York for the past 15 (Fifteen) years. That deponent has resided in the premises No 134 Mott Street for the past Three years and is a bricklayer by trade and has been in the employ of John J. Peter Esq. a master builder of No. 405 Pearl Street in the City of New York, for the past ten years.

That deponent is acquainted with Michael Ryan the prisoner and has known him for the past 6 yrs. (Six years) and knows him to be a good honest boy and has frequently heard the neighbors speak of him as such. That deponent knows that during the period of his acquaintance with the said Ryan he has never been arrested or charged with any offense whatever, the said deponent and the said Ryan living in the same neighborhood.

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for the aforesaid period (six years) And  
deponent avers that if the said Ryan  
committed the offence charged against  
him, it is first offence. And  
deponent further says that he knows  
the prisoner to be the only support  
of a widowed mother and a good  
and dutiful son.

Sworn to before me

This 17<sup>th</sup> day of Apr. 1885

Thomas Kennedy

G. D. H. H. H.

Notary Public

Wm. H. H.



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City and County of New York "P. Charles  
W. Beiser being duly sworn makes  
oath that he is a citizen of the State  
of New York, and is engaged in the  
hair business, in Number 16  
Pell Street in the City of New York  
and has been in the said business  
for the past eight years. That he  
is acquainted with the prisoner Michael  
Ryan, and has known him for the  
past seven or eight years during  
which time the said Michael Ryan  
has been in deponents employ. That  
deponent has known the said  
Michael Ryan to be an industrious  
and honest boy. That deponent has  
frequently intrusted the said  
prisoner with sums of money ranging  
from five to fifty dollars and has  
always found him honest and trust-  
worthy. That deponent knows of  
his own knowledge that the said  
Michael Ryan has never been arrested  
before prior to the present time and  
that he is spoken of among his  
fellow workmen as a good honest  
young man. That deponent avers  
that of the said Michael Ryan



is guilty of the charge preferred against him. The deponent says that it is Michael Ryan's first offense and deponent is so impressed with the said Michael Ryan's honesty that should this honorable Court extend its clemency to the said prisoner and suspend sentence on him, he is willing to at once take him back into his employ. notwithstanding the charge now preferred against him and of which he has been found guilty.

Therefore deponent prays that this honorable Court may extend its utmost clemency to the said Michael Ryan and suspend sentence on him and will so pray.

And deponent further says that should his prayer be granted he will take a personal interest in the said Michael Ryan and see to it that he will walk in the path of honesty and rectitude in the future.

Sworn to before me  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1885

Notary Public

Chas W. Reiser

Repell at ny city

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

Police Court 1 District 307 31  
THE PEOPLE, &c.,  
ON THE COMPLAINT OF  
Maurice Long  
43 Eldridge St.  
Michael Ryan  
Offence Larceny from  
the person (Attempt)  
Dated Mch 29 1885  
Jno O'Reilly Magistrate.  
Jno Cottrell Officer.  
6 Precinct.  
Witnesses  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
\$ 500 to answer Criminal Sessions.  
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It appearing to me by the within depositions and statements that the crime therein mentioned has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe the within named defendant

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 Mch 29 1885 Samuel O'Reilly Police Justice.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 \_\_\_\_\_ Police Justice.

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Sec. 198-200

CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

District Police Court.

*Michael Ryan* 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 h. 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.

*Michael Ryan*

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

*18 years*

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

*U S*

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

Answer.

*134 Mott St*

*1 year*

Question. What is your business or profession?

Answer.

*Labaw*

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*  
*M Ryan*

Taken before me this

*29*

day of

*Nov*

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*Sandy J. O'Reilly* Police Justice.



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CITY AND COUNTY }  
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

aged 31 years, occupation John Cottrell  
Police Officer of No.

171 6" Princh Police Street, being duly sworn deposes and  
says, that he has heard read the foregoing affidavit of Marcus Ping  
and that the facts stated therein on information of deponent are true of deponents' own  
knowledge.

Sworn to before me, this 29  
day of Mch 1885 } John. Cottrell

Samy O'Reilly  
Police Justice.

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Police Court—101 District.

Affidavit—Larceny.

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

Marcus Ping  
of No 43 Eldridge Street, aged 30 years,  
occupation Laborer being duly sworn

deposes, and says, that on the 28 day of March 1885 at the City of New  
York, in the County of New York, <sup>attempted to be</sup> was feloniously taken, stolen and carried away from the possession  
of deponent, in the night time, the following property viz:

One silver Watch with nickel plated  
chain attached of the value of  
Six 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 Michael Ryan (now here)

that deponent felt something touch  
the pocket of the vest. Him and three  
men by him and where said property  
was contained and deponent was then  
and there examined by officer Cottrell  
that he saw said Ryan <sup>take</sup> put  
his hand in the pocket of the vest  
where said property was contained  
and was in the act of taking the  
same when said officer caught  
him.

Marcus Ping

Sworn to before me, this 29 day of March, 1885

Samuel W. Russell Police Justice.

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# Prison Association of New York,

CHARTERED 1846.

Theodore W. Dwight L. L. D. President.  
 Charlton T. Lewis, Chairman Executive Committee.  
 Cornelius B. Gold, Treasurer.  
 Eugene Smith, Secretary.  
 Wm. M. F. Round, Corresponding Secretary.  
 Stephen Cutter, General Agent.

Office of Corresponding Secretary,  
 65 BIBLE HOUSE,

The people  
 of  
 Michael Ryan

New York, April 20<sup>th</sup> 1885

The undersigned became interested in this prison on his first visit <sup>at the Tombs</sup> about April 1<sup>st</sup> and having known quite intimately C W Beiser his employer and after an interview with him & learning all the circumstances of Michael Ryan's case, was satisfied it was a case in which the Court could extend its clemency and by suspending judgment save him from the danger of a life of crime.

Mr Beiser who has employed him for several years will take him back into it and have him under his special care, giving the prison a rare opportunity to live honestly and keep out of the company in which he was caught.

Therefore if the Court should suspend judgment and let him go back to work, we have great hopes he will be an honest man.

With great respect  
 Stephen Cutter  
 Gen'l Agent



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Testimony in case  
of  
Michael Ryan

filed  
April  
1885.

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The People Court of General Sessions. Part I  
Michael Ryan Before Judge Cowing. April 15<sup>th</sup> 1883  
Indictment for grand larceny in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree.  
Marcus Ping sworn. I live 37 Eldridge  
St. and was here on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March. I had  
a silver watch in my vest pocket valued  
at about five or six dollars; it belonged to me.  
Somebody attempted to take it from me  
on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March, but I could not say who.  
Somebody tried to pull my watch and at  
the same time the officer said to Michael  
Ryan, "Take your hand out of that man's  
pocket." Do you identify this man as the  
man whom the officer said, "Take your  
hand out?" I could not say, I was looking  
at the fire. I felt somebody pull at the  
watch. I slapped my hand at the pocket  
and found it halfway out, and the  
officer said to the prisoner, "Take your hand  
out of that man's pocket." The officer arrest-  
ed him. Cross Examined. The officer  
grabbed hold of the prisoner, a good many  
people were around. My attention was not  
first called to the prisoner by the officer, but  
my attention was first attracted by the  
jerk at my watch and then I looked  
around. This was about 6.15 or 6.20 in  
the evening on Broadway in this city. The

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prisoner tried to run away and the officer grabbed him and struck him. John Cottrell sworn I am an officer of the Sixth Precinct and arrested the prisoner. On the night of the 28<sup>th</sup> of last month the complainant was standing two doors below Walker St. on the east side of Broadway looking at the fire on the West side of Broadway and the prisoner stood to the right of the complainant and he had his hand in that position (showing) and he had hold of the chain and lifted it from the man's pocket. He had it half way up out of his pocket. When I grabbed his hand I thought he had the watch. I went to see him about the watch and I grabbed his hand and at the same time the complainant grabbed his watch. I said, "I have been following you for twenty minutes," and the other two ran away. I made a jump for the other two. I am positive that the prisoner is the man who had his hand in the complainant's pocket.

Cross Examined. I have seen the prisoner before. I do not know anything wrong about him, but I saw him in company with two pickpockets. That is how I came to



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follow him in company with an officer of the Fourteenth precinct. I had been standing in the door and the officer of the 14<sup>th</sup> precinct in the front, so as to capture them. We had followed them through the crowd previous. I did not strike the prisoner, but I struck his companion, Gaffney, a notorious pickpocket. I brought the prisoner to the station house; he made no explanation whatever. When I made a grab for the other people, he started to go away. I turned round and struck him for fear he would get away from me.

Charles W. Beizer, sworn and examined for the defence, testified: I am a manufacturer of curled hair; my place of business is 16 Pell St. I have known the prisoner seven or eight years; he has been in my employ about that length of time. He is perfectly honest as far as I am concerned. He was not in my employ at the time of his arrest owing to some little difficulty between him and the foreman. He has been out of my employ about three weeks or a month. I never heard anybody say anything about the defendant's honesty. I never heard it questioned.

Michael Ryan, sworn and examined.  
 testified. I live 134 Mott st. My business  
 is curled hair. I formerly worked for the gentleman  
 who was last on the stand seven or eight years.  
 I have never been arrested before on any charge.  
 I earned six or seven dollars a week, which I  
 gave to my mother, who is a widow. I remember  
 the night of the 28<sup>th</sup> of March when I was arrested.  
 I left home at six o'clock. I heard the engine run-  
 ning and went down to see the fire. I stayed  
 there. I had nobody with me. I heard the tes-  
 timony of the officers that I had two pickpockets  
 with me, but I was alone. I was standing  
 right by the gutter looking at the fire. He  
 grabbed me all of a sudden by the collar and  
 officer Cottrell gave me a punch in the face.  
 I did not have my hand in the complain-  
 ant's coat and did not try to steal his watch.  
 Cross Examined. There was a whole crowd  
 alongside of me when I was looking at the  
 fire. I was not doing anything with my arm.  
 The officer who states that he caught me  
 in the act of attempting to pick his  
 pocket says what is untrue.  
 The jury rendered a verdict of  
 guilty.