

bricks into his house.

Ordered referred to the Marshal.

Postoffice Money Orders.
Case of A.P.Berger and James Burket.

In the case of A.P.Berger and James Burket arrested on the charge of obtaining goods and money by means of stolen United States money orders, a report, as hereunder, was submitted and the Secretary informed the Board that inquiry had been made by Mr. Harry B. Wolf, Counsel for Berger and Burket, as to the proposed disposition of goods and money now in the custody of the department and taken from the accused at the time of the arrest, over and above the total of the amounts claimed by those said to have been victimized in Baltimore City:

R e p o r t :

"Baltimore, Md., June 12th., 1912.

Thomas F. Farnan, Marshal,

Sir:-

Regarding the arrest of A.P.Berger and James Burket, I have to report that the two men were arrested by Detectives Brennan and Pohler about 7:45 p.m., June 8th. They were suspected of having obtained a fob, valued at \$17 and \$83. in money from George Walter, jeweler, 24 W.Lexington street, by means of a stolen money order which had been filled out to the sum of \$100. One of the men James Burket, was positively identified by James H. Culp, a clerk at Walter's jewelry store, as the man who passed the Post Office Money Order on him, receiving the fob and \$83. in money therefor. Nicholas Johnson, colored, a porter in the jewelry store, also identified Burket as being in the store and having the above transaction. Mr.Culp said that Burket when at the store represented himself as A.P. Berger, to whom the M.O. was made payable, and that he exhibited a card bearing that name. He further observed that the man had changed hats, and on the assumption that they were operating in conjunction with each other both were searched by Detectives Hogan and Pohler.

From A.P.Berger, the following was taken. U.S.Currency to the amount of \$660.20, diamond ring, gold filled watch and chain, three Post Office M.O. numbered 8368,8369 and 8371, pocketbook, memorandum book, knife, tie clasp and bunch of keys. Against the money taken from Berger, who was identified, the following claims were filed:

Hotel Remmert, through Allen Cleveland, attorney....\$100.
Hotel Emerson, through James Riley, manager..... 100.
C.J.Dunn & Co., through Allen S.Barnes, employee,
a walrus hand bag, calued \$20. and \$10. in currency.

James Burket had in his possession the following: U.S. Currency to the amount of \$191. watch fob and chain, gold watch and chain, knife and pencil, memorandum book and keys. Against this George Walter, 24 W.Lexington st., has filed claim for \$83 in money and watch fob to the value of \$17.

Both men were arraigned before Justice Supplee, Central District, June 9th., but inasmuch as the U.S.Authorities charged them with the larceny of the Money Orders the Magistrate would not entertain the State charge and delivered them to the Federal representatives. A.P.Berger was given a hearing at 10 o'clock this a.m., before Commissioner Bond and held in default of \$8,000 bail for the action of the U.S.Grand Jury. Burket will be given a hearing at 10:30 a.m., July 13th., and both