

In the District Court of the United States in & for  
the Louisiana District, being a District Court having cognizance of all crimes  
and offences cognizable under the authority of the United States in a circuit  
Court of the United States. Before the Honourable Benjamin Augustine  
Hall, Judge of the said Court: - October Term, in the year of our Lord one  
thousand, eight hundred, & nineteen. The Grand Jurors of the United  
States of America, within and for the District aforesaid, upon their oaths, do  
present, that John DeFarge, Peter Morel, Robert Hunter, Charles Dickinson, Louis Rivet,  
Gervin Conchal, John McGeer, Louis Phillip, John Treckhart, John Foudins, Epamin  
Tompkins, Anne Tillet, Thomas Thompson, Lawrence Pagan, Joseph Vallert  
Jean Reynor, Julien Seddoner, & William McBlure

late of the United States, Mariners, with force & arms, upon the high seas,  
out of the Jurisdiction of any particular State and within the Jurisdiction of  
this Court, on the seventh & ninth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one  
thousand eight hundred and nineteen, did, piratically & feloniously, seize on,  
board, break and enter a certain schooner called the Pelomena, then & there being  
a schooner of certain persons (to the Jurors aforesaid unknown) and then & there  
piratically & feloniously, did, make an assault on and upon certain persons,  
being mariners, subjects of the King of Spain, whose names to the Jurors of said  
are unknown, in the same schooner, in the peace of God, and of the said United  
States of America, then & there being, and then & there, piratically & feloniously,  
did, put the aforesaid persons, mariners of the same schooner, in the schooner  
aforesaid then being, in corporal fear & danger of their lives, then & there, in the  
schooner aforesaid, upon the high seas aforesaid, out of the Jurisdiction of any  
particular State and within the Jurisdiction of this Court, as aforesaid; and  
piratically & feloniously, did, then & there, steal, take and carry away the said  
schooner Pelomena of the value of Five thousand & fifty Dollars lawful money

money of the United States <sup>and</sup> ~~together with the cargo of the said schooner~~  
Bilgomer consisting of 618 Barrels of Flour, 33 barrels of Lard, 38 Boxes raisins,  
& Barrels of beef and six barrels of white peas, of the value of three thousand  
dollars of the like lawful money of the United States of America; and sold  
Silver coin of the value of three thousand Dollars, of the like lawful money  
of the <sup>said</sup> United States of America, the Bonds & Chattels of certain persons, (to the  
Jurors aforesaid unknown) then & there, upon the high seas aforesaid, and out  
of the Jurisdiction of any particular State & within the Jurisdiction of this  
Court, being found in the aforesaid schooner, in custody & possession of the  
said mariners in the said schooner, from the said Mariners of the same schooner,  
and from their custody & possession, then & there, upon the high seas aforesaid,  
out of the Jurisdiction of any particular State, and within the Jurisdiction  
of this Court, as aforesaid: And so the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths

aforesaid, do say, that the said John Desforge. Peter Morel. Robert Johnson.  
Charles Dickinson. Louis Pierre. Gerwin Conchal. John M. Lee. Louis  
Phillip. John Tickhart. John Cousins. Ephraim Tompkins.  
Isaac Tillet. ~~Thomas Thompson~~ Lawrence Pugas. Joseph  
Vallent. Juan Raynor. Julien Seddoner. & William M. Flour

~~with force and arms as aforesaid, on the high seas~~  
aforesaid, out of the Jurisdiction of any particular State & within the Jurisdiction  
of this Court as aforesaid, on the said twenty ninth day of August, in the year of  
our Lord One thousand eight hundred & nineteen, in manner & form aforesaid, did,  
piratically & feloniously commit the crime of Piracy as defined by the Law of Nations,  
against the peace & dignity of the said United States of America, & the form of the  
Statute of the United States in such case made & provided. And the Jurors aforesaid  
upon their oaths aforesaid do further present that the aforesaid Louisiana District is  
the District into which the said offenders were brought after the commission of the  
said offence.

John Pick  
Attorney of the United States  
for the Louisiana District