

A I will plead to grand larceny.

THE COURT: I understand the other charge is eliminated. Now, Judge Tobin, is the defendant ready for sentence?

A Yes sir; I am ready.

Q Having pleaded Guilty to the charge of grand larceny, Mr. Van Nixon, and having announced you are ready for the sentence of the Court, have you any legal reason to show why the judgment and sentence of the Court should not at this time be pronounced upon you?

A No sir.

THE COURT: Have you any statement to make, Judge Tobin?

MR. TOBIN: Well, in the meantime, before that, I would like to have Mr. Van Nixon make a statement. I can ask him a few questions. It might simplify matters.

QUESTIONS BY MR. TOBIN:

Q How old are you, Mr. Van Nixon?

A Thirty-eight.

Q Where were you born?

A I was born in Topsain Sound, North Carolina.

Q What relatives, if any, have you, living?

A I have a mother.

Q Where is she? A. She is at Topsain Sound; also a sister and one brother.

Q Where does your sister reside? A. Topsain.

Q And your brother? A. Wilmington, N.C.

Q Are you a married man? A. Yes sir; I am.

Q Have you any children? A. Yes sir; I have two.

Q How old are they? A. One is two years old the 23d of this coming May.