

UNITED STATES v. BOWEN.

{2 Cranch, C. C. 133.}¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia. April Term, 1817.

LARCENY—GOODS AND CHATTELS—BANKNOTES.

Banknotes are not goods and chattels, nor money, and stealing them is no offence at common law.

{Cited in U. S. v. Carnot, Case No. 14,726.}

Indictment, at common law {against Henry Bowen, a negro}, for stealing a banknote. Verdict, guilty.

Judgment arrested; THE COURT (THRUSTON, Circuit Judge, absent) being of opinion that it was no offence at common law to steal a banknote.

¹ [Reported by Hon. William Cranch, Chief Judge.]

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