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UNITES STATES V. JOHN.

Case No. 15,479.

[4 Cranch, C. C. 336.]¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Oct. Term, 1833.

LARCENY-THEFT OF POCKET-BOOK.

A conviction for stealing a pocket-book is a conviction of stealing all that it contained, at the time of the theft, belonging to the same owner.

Indictment for stealing a five-dollar banknote. The prisoner [the negro John] had been convicted, at this term, of stealing a pocket-book valued at ten cents, and sentenced. The bank-note was in that pocket-book, at the time it was stolen, and belonged to the same man, Francis Gray. The verdict, in this case, was taken, subject to the opinion of the court, on the question whether the former conviction of the prisoner, for stealing the pocket-book, is a bar to this prosecution, all matters, or points of law, reserved.

THE COURT (nem. con.) rendered judgment for the prisoner.

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