

**Case No. 16,125.** UNITED STATES v. READ.  
[2 Cranch, C. C. 159.]<sup>1</sup>

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Dec. Term, 1818.

LARCENY OF BANK-NOTES—RESTORATION TO OWNERS.

The court will not order stolen bank-notes to be restored to the person from whom they were stolen, they having been received bona fide by innocent persons in the way of business.

Indictment [against Betty Read] for stealing bank-notes, the property of Mr. Nottingham. Some of the notes, which were identified, had been passed to sundry persons, who received them innocently and bona fide in the way of business. Verdict, "Guilty."

THE COURT (THRUSTON, Circuit Judge, absent) refused to order such notes to be given up to Mr. Nottingham.

<sup>1</sup> [Reported by Hon. William Cranch, Chief Judge.]