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J. H. Boyles, Chas A. Swift, W. N. Waldroup, Jas A. Carney, J. G. Timney, R. J. Shipway, John I. Johnson, J. B. Davis, all of whom answered to their names, except Aubrey Suarez and Chas A. Swift, and proof having been made to the satisfaction of the Court that the said Aubrey Suarez and Chas A. Swift have good and sufficient excuse for their non-attendance. It is ordered by the Court that they be and are excused. And the following of said persons so summoned to serve as Grand Jurors were then duly examined as to qualification by the Court and were then and there duly and legally empanelled, sworn and charged by the Court. J. H. Boyles, having been appointed and sworn by the Court as foreman of said Grand Jury: S. C. White, W. M. Gilmore, W. A. Junstall, J. M. Standard, E. L. Ard, Lewis Glendinning, Wm H. Harding, E. M. Richerson, W. N. Havard, G. W. Durant, W. N. Waldroup, Jas A. Carney, J. G. Timney, R. J. Shipway, John I. Johnson, J. B. Davis, And the said Grand Jury then retired under the charge of S. C. Byrne who had been duly appointed and sworn by the Court as Bailiff to said Grand Jury.

And the said Grand Jury among other indictments returned the following.

Indictment The State of Alabama } Circuit Court
Baldwin County } Spring Term, 1909.

1. The Grand Jury of said County charge that, before the finding of this Indictment, Maurice Stapleton being then the Town Marshall of the Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, and being charged with the collection of the street tax of said municipality, embezzled or fraudulently converted to his own use, money to about the amount of Sixteen Dollars (\$16.00) which sum of money was paid over to him and was in his possession by virtue of his said office.
2. And the said Grand Jury further charge that, before the finding of this Indictment, Maurice Stapleton being then Marshal of the Town or municipality of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, and being charged with the collection of certain taxes of said municipality, he did embezzle or fraudulently convert to his own use, money to about the amount of Sixteen Dollars (\$16.00), which sum of money was received by him and held in his possession by virtue of his said office or employment.
3. And said Grand Jury further charge that before the finding of this Indictment, Maurice Stapleton being then an officer or person charged with the collection of the Street tax or road tax for the city,

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town, or municipal corporation of Fairhope, in Baldwin County, Alabama, embezzled or fraudulently converted to his own use, money to about the amount of sixteen Dollars, (\$16.00), which sum of money was paid over to him and was in his possession by virtue of his said office.

4. And the Grand Jury of said County further charge that, before the finding of this indictment, Maurice Stapleton being and, acting as the Town Marshal of Fairhope, in Baldwin County, Alabama, the same being a municipality of the State of Alabama, having been regularly appointed to said office by the Mayor of said municipality, and confirmed by the Council thereof, and being regularly charged with the collection of the street tax or road tax of said Town or municipality, did embezzle or fraudulently convert to his own use, money to about the amount of sixteen Dollars, which sum of money came into his possession by virtue of his said office or appointment.

5. And the Grand Jury of said County further charge that, before the finding of this indictment, Maurice Stapleton feloniously took and carried away sixteen dollars, the property of the town of Fairhope, and with intent to steal the same, against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

James N. Granade
Solicitor of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

Prosecutor - A True Bill.

Endorsed No

J. H. Boyles, Foreman of the Grand Jury

Witnesses:

Sr. N. S. Greens, P. G. Albright, with Town Books & Receipts &c., Jas Bellanger, with Treas. Books &c. J. L. Homing, W. E. Sweet, O. K. Shenholme, J. A. Patterson
Filed in open Court 27th March 1909
W. G. Hall, Clerk.

Capias

The State of Alabama }
Baldwin County } To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama
An indictment having been found against Maurice Stapleton at the Spring Term, 1909, of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, for the offense of Embezzlement you are, therefore commanded forthwith to arrest the said defendant and commit him to jail, unless he give Bail to answer said indictment, and that you return this writ according to law

Dated this 27 day of March 1909.

W. Gagne Hall, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County

Executed July 17, 1909. By arresting the within named defendant and placing him in jail, J. A. Booth, Sheriff.