

Jefferson County Circuit Court  
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Merseal, George

vs

Hoffman, Alois

Malicious Prosecution

Defendant accused

Plaintiff breaking a window  
and a door belonging to  
defendant; Seeks damages  
\$500.

State of Missouri }  
County of Jefferson } ss

In the Circuit Court  
of Jefferson County  
January Term 1887.

George Wersel, plaintiff  
of  
Alois Hoffman, defendant.

Plaintiff states that the  
said defendant, maliciously  
contriving to injure, damage  
& annoy plaintiff, did on  
December 2, 1886 swear to & file  
an information <sup>for misdemeanor</sup> before F. C.  
Gollman a justice of the peace  
of Valle Township in said  
County, falsely charging that  
this plaintiff did on November  
29, 1886 unlawfully, wilfully  
& maliciously break, destroy &  
injure a certain window &  
door of a store house the property  
of Alois Hoffman in said County,  
& defendant did sue out a  
warrant for the arrest of  
plaintiff, & thereupon such  
warrant was issued by said

justice by virtue thereof  
plaintiff was arrested &  
deprived of his liberty &  
compelled to give bail for  
his appearance & trial before  
said justice, & on December  
23, 1886 plaintiff was duly  
tried by said justice upon  
said charge & the evidence  
being by said justice considered,  
the plaintiff was of said charge  
acquitted.

That said prosecution was  
malicious & did cause to plaintiff  
great annoyance & expense &  
mortification of mind whereby  
he has been damaged in the  
premises in the sum of Five  
hundred dollars for which  
he asks judgment.

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Att. for plaintiff

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To Heron Court  
George Meade  
of  
Olio Hoffman  
Petition.

Filed Dec. 24 1884  
C. H. Norton  
Clerk

THE STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.  
County of Jefferson.

The State of Missouri,

To the Sheriff of Jefferson County---Greeting:

We command you, that you summon.

*Alois Hoffman*

if found in your County, to be and appear before the Honorable Judge of our Circuit Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the town of Hillsboro, within and for the County of Jefferson, on the *second* Monday of *January* next, then and there to answer unto

*George Merseal*

upon *his* original petition, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed and accompanies this writ, and have you then there this writ.

Witness, C. THO. HORINE, Clerk of our said Circuit Court, with the seal thereof hereunto affixed, at office in Hillsboro, this *23<sup>rd</sup>* day of *December* A. D., 18*86*,

*C. Tho. Horine*, Clerk Circuit Court.

No 12. 6308

to Jan'y 9, 1887,

Charles Merrell

no Nauvoo.

Alvin Hoffman

Original

filed Dec. 27 1886

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State of Missouri  
County of Jefferson

George Mersel Off } In Circuit Court  
vs } To January Term  
Alvin Hoffman Defd } A.D. 1887

### Malicious Prosecution

Now comes Alvin Hoffman above named  
defendant and moves the Court to require  
George Mersel the plaintiff to give  
Security for costs in this case. for the  
following reasons to wit,

(1) The plaintiff is unable to pay the  
costs of suit.

(2<sup>nd</sup>) The plaintiff is so unwell as  
to endanger the officers of the Court  
with respect to their legal demands.

Alvin Hoffman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1887

D. B. Veazey

Chancellor

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Arched Jan 18/87  
D. D. Heagy  
C. H. C.