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Sir,

We have the honor to recd a
wafer in the enclosed Letter and forward
it with ~~the~~ its inclosure to Capt^m Boyce
of the Ship William Pitt Transport
Ship now lying at Spithead, we beg
to hear from you as soon as you
have delivered it & are p

Yours
J. Lane
13th July 1805

Wm. Gresham J. Esq
Portsmouth

F25/1/117

13. July 1805

Bank

(in the name of)

to Mr. Greenham & Co.

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Sir,

We are directed by the Gov^l / Directors of the Bank of England to request you will lay out the enclosed Bank Note for £15 in such Articles as will in your judgement best contribute to promote the comfort of Miss Ann Macarthy (a Transport who will sail in your Ship) and her Child & in case you think it not necessary to lay out the whole you will please to give her the remainder on her arrival at Pottery Bay. We are informed she has conducted herself with great propriety since her conviction & we shall be obliged to you to afford her all the protection you can.

We will thank you to acknowledge the receipt & are &c

Yours Obedt Servant
13th July 1705

Capt^m Boyce

13. July 1805
Bank
(Ann Mc Carthy)
to Capt. Boyce

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tion of my Office though it is well known I have

Potsmouth 19th July 1825.

Gentlemen

I received your Favor of the
13th Instant with a letter inclosed for Captain
Boyce and a Bank Note of 15^{rs} for Ann
Macarthy which I have sent to Captⁿ
Boyce, and am for Mr. Greenham

Gentⁿ

Your very obed^t. Serv^t.

Andrew

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FORTSMOUTH

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Messrs Winter Kays
Buckwith & Southfield -
Solicitors
Switkins Lane
LONDON

19th July 1803
Bank
(Account Copy)
for Mr. Gresham

Gentlemen,

If the Contrition of an unfortunate Woman can have weight in my favour to induce you to have compassion on a misguided and deluded Female, mine is truly sincere. —

I have never pleaded in any way in extenuation of my Offence, though it is well known I have fallen a prey to delusive and false persons, being unacquainted with the dangerous tendency to Society or fatal Consequences of the Crime I now justly suffer for. —

I am now, through distress, reduced to the painful alternative of imploring your Benevolence for a small Relief — I am well aware of your Goodness towards the Unfortunate — I have no Friend to help me, through my misconduct. — Alas! but a few years ago I lived in honest and good repute, now lost to the world — through ignorance, — am I plunged into the lowest ebb of misery — pray have pity on me, and your Goodness shall not be mis-applied. — My Prayers, and my nine innocent Children shall join with me in Gratitude for your Benevolence extended to

your Humble Applicant,

Newgate, Oct 19, 1804

Sarah Whaley

Repos.

Newgate St
by P Paid



Walter and Page,

Bank of England

F25/1/120

Bank from Bank Money
19:1841

Honoured Gentlemen,

With Grateful Respect do I return you
my sincere Thanks for your Generous Relief
to me, and I hope you never will have occa-
sion to think me unworthy of your kind Be-
nefaction; through the inhumanity of my hus-
band have I involved myself in distress, but
my Contrition for my imprudence, my sor-
row for the Crime I committed has been
such that I trust you will ^{still} kindly Think on

The unfortunate Person, who im-
plores your Pity, and who humbly sub-
scribes herself

Your
Greatly Obliged Servant

Sarah Whitley

Newgate

Oct 29, 1804

10 o'clock
100.30
1804 FN

Messrs. Winter and Keys,

Bank of England.

29 South Street

Bank

18th Dec. 1791

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Oh most Honorable Gentlemen

Your Humanity and Goodness I humbly hope
will Please to Pardon the Liberty taking by me
to Return you my Sencear thanks for the
Benevolent kindness you have shewn me since
My Confinment for without your Generous aid
and Support I should have been reduced to
the greatest misery and want and it behoves
me ever to be mindful of the gracious bounty
I have received, and Gentlemen as I am so well
Convinced of your feelings for the distressed
saver of those who have been guilty of so
base a crime the heinousness of which indeed
I was not aware But I Pray Leave to Inform
you kind Gentlemen that we are going to sail
from here in a Day or two and as its not in my
Power to Procure me a little tea and Sugar
for the Surge has Embolden me to aske the favour
for a small trifle for that Purpos for there is
no more Aloud to tell we go to Sea and then
only half ounce Pr wick and quarter Pound
of Sugar for each Person

So Pray Gentlemen with your wanted
goodness take Compassion^{on} the Unhappy
mother who as Left mine Children forever
to Lament her Case Oh how great is my
trouble none is like to ^{mine} Leave so many innocent
Children never more to see them But I
hope god will Protect them from all Prad Compency
Yours for that as Ben my Pruen

Oh most Hon^d Gentlemen I hope your
goodness will Pleas to excuse this Liberty
taking By me and sirs I am in

Duty Bound forever to
Pray for your Kindness
while Life Remains

Sarah Whaley
on Board the William
Pitt Bound for Botney
Bay August the 5 1705

Aug 25 1805
Bank
from Sarah Whitey

Messrs
Winter and
Royal Bank of
England
FALMOUTH

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London 8 Aug 1805

Sir,

Sarah Whaley a Female Convict on Board
the William Pitt now at Falmouth outward
bound for New South Wales, has applied to the
Gov^r. & Directors of the Bank (the Prov^{ts})
for some small allowance to provide
some additional necessaries for her during
her Voyage. We enclose you a £5 Bank
Note which we request you will give to
the Captⁿ & direct him to lay it out for
her in such a manner as he shall think
most likely to contribute to her comfort

We are Sir

Y^{rs} 30th July 1805. No 5563

Put into the Post on date

WBM

Mr Jas. Tippet
Falmouth

Sept. 1875

Bank

Whisky

to Mr. E. J. C.

F25/123

Dear Sirs

Falm. 23^d Aug. 1805

Your favor sending me the inclosed note reached
this place in the Evening of the day that the
Convict Ship had sailed for Botany Bay -
of course too late by 8 or 10 hours - I
directed my Clerks to return the note as
I was that moment setting off for our
Apexis - but I find it was neglected -
however I now inclose it you & beg
the favor of one line of its receipt -

Can you recommend my eldest son
to a partnership in our line? He is a most
remarkably steady young man that
has been in the management of Mr. Visions Office
(the Solicitor of Excise) for upwards of 3 yrs past
I was admitted upwards of 4 yrs since, but
I must not look about to establish him in business
I shall be thankful if you co^d recommend him - I am
Mr. Hamilton of Wash. Lane knows him well - I am
Yours truly
James Tippet

1805
11.10.06
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11/10/06
Messrs. Winter Haye & Co.
Solicitors
St. Swithins Lane
London

Through change by the name of

Sept. 1875

Bank

Whitby

to W. E. P. L.

F25/123

Newgate,

Monday Evening
12th 1748

Hon. Gentlemen,

I hope it will not be thought impertinent in me, in imploring your Benevolence, or inquire those to whom you are kind; I have incurred your displeasure, have merited the punishment I receive, and am convinced that what I suffer is justly inflicted on me, but after the sentence I have received, the little I had is expended, and in hoping you will excuse the liberty, I may also, if it is but a small Relief, have reason to thank, with heartfelt Gratitude, my Generous Prosecutor, and endeavour, as I have hitherto done, while in this Country and also should I be sent abroad, to prove myself deserving (by a sincere atonement) of his Majesty's gracious Mercy, and your Charitable aid.

I would plead, in extenuation of this intrusion on your Charity, that in the unfortunate Place where I am confined your Generous Goodness soon transpires and having now no husband, who can ~~now~~ help me, through his misconduct, I am inclined to hope that if it is but the smallest sum, I may be a partaker of your Goodness.

Should this humble Request which I pray to God may not hurt those in the same Prison who consider themselves under the greatest Obligations I humbly subscribe myself

Your Distressed Humble Servant,

Ann Fols.
Through shame indicted by the name of
Ann Haynes.

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22 Oct 1804

Bank
from Ann Toss

Messrs.

Winter and Keys,

Bank of England.

Oct. 22, 1804.

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London
11/10/04

10/22/04

Gentlemen,

Warden the Liberty I take, I sent a Letter to you, acquainting you of my distress, imagining you might not have received my humble Application, I once more presume, though I hope without Offence, to intreat your Benevolence; I know I have been Guilty, the Laws of my Country have proved it to my disgrace, but Gentlemen am I more Guilty than my Companion implicated in the Offence for which we are both in Prison, I therefore most humbly intreat and with the greatest submission, hoping you will consider an Unfortunate Woman, subscribe myself

Your Distressed Humble Servant,
Ann Topp.

Newgate

Oct. 30, 1764

Messrs.

Winter and Boyer,

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~~Bank of England,~~

1st Bartholomew Lane

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ENGLAND
1730

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Hon. Gentlemen,

Pardon the Liberty I take, which distress
alone impels me, in thus humbly imploring in
your known Goodness a small Relief; the last
time I humbly address'd you, you were led to
believe that I did not stand in need of your Ge-
nerous assistance, but keen Necessity, once more has
stimulated me to humbly request a small relief
as in your Goodness may seem meet: I have
not any Friend in the world, or I would not
have supplicated this Great Favour, In pity then
Gentlemen, Good and Kind ^{as you are} to others, be graciously
pleas'd to grant me a trifle, sorry am I that I
should have incurred your great Displeasure and
daily, do I in secret deplore my past misconduct
I have no Friend to render me assistance, or I would
not dare to trespass on your Liberality, I have been
Guilty of a Great Fault, but I am truly sensible
and convinced of my error, and would wish were it
in my ~~state~~ power call back the Days of happi-

ness I enjoyed before I was guilty of a
crime which has brought on me such
great disgrace: Pray have compassion on
me, and in your willingness to do good
even to those who have offended. I most
sincerely intreat you to take into your
human consideration the distress of

Yours
Humble Petitioner

Ann Poff

Newgate,

Feb 14. 1805

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Bank

from
Aunt's

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Messrs.
Winter & Hayes,

Bank of England,

1071.
To Mr
Wm. G. P.
At
P. M. P.



Mr. G. P. of
Longland
P. M. P.

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* Mr Bly's Sir
I hope you will Pardon the
Rudity of Writing to you But
Real Necessity obliges me to
write to you Hoping your goodness
will Pardon me for the Love
of thee I have been here one year
and all my Clothes is gone for
I stand stand some Body has
so good to Tell Mrs Winters
and Read I got a great deal of
money for send I had it I would
not take god now in case I
if I did not no my wants you
and pity me I wrote to the them
and the sad I did not want
and I have not and a Body to
give me a single thing of it
if by your good intercession the
will give me a wife to by
me Tom Dea and sugar for I
stand stand we are a going
a Board in a short time
Mrs Winters has got a Husband
and Winters to help her I hear
by my self no friend in the
world of it if will But in
twice for me god will
Bless you and your Sir
your humble Servant
Tom Dea

Gentlemen,

In Expectation of being sent abroad
in a few days I humbly implore you to have Pity on
me, it is well known in the Prison that I am reduced
almost to poverty not having sufficient to pay for a
Bed to sleep on.

Pray then Sir have compassion on me
the smallest Trifle will be acceptable, and will be re-
ceived with Gratitude by an unfortunate, an unhappy
Woman, who with the Greatest Respect, in the deepest
Sorrow, subscribes herself
Hon. Sir,

Your

Most Respectful,

Thumble and Medicint
Servant,

Ann Trapp.

Newgate
July 9.

Tuesday 2 P.M.

Messrs. 
Winter and Hayes,
Bank of England.

July 6th 1795
Bank
from
Am. Kefs.



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of note, show you have on...

Prisk

Gentlemen

It is with the greatest Humility I venture to obtrude my Supplication—praying that your Compassion may be extended towards me for the Sake of my destitute and very distressed Infants, trusting that their unhappy Cause will aid their captives Mother by meeting, should benevolent Feelings, which have often been the Means of restoring the penitent Offender to a grateful Family.

My Sorrows, Gentlemen, under my Sentence are great, and I really deplore the fatal Error I have fallen into; fatal indeed to me—having deprived me of every Comfort of domestic Life; and left me with three helpless Children (the eldest being not above Five years), and an Increase in Expectancy—entirely friendless and fatherless, having never heard, nor received the least Assistance, from my Husband since my Confinement; and who will be truly Orphan, unless Gentlemen your Condescension and Humanity should alleviate my Condition—by interceding for some Mitigation of my dreadful Sentence—to be transported for the long and dreary Space of Fourteen Years.

Be assured, Gentlemen, that I shall ever most gratefully feel and acknowledge your great Goodness; and look upon you as the Instrument of the Mercy of Almighty God in raising me from the lowest Depth of Sorrow and Misery, to Joy, Comfort and Happiness; and ever most ardently pray that you may receive the due Reward of Compassion to the penitent and distressed.

I must humbly beg Leave to subscribe myself,
Gentlemen,

Sick-Ware;
Newgate;
Aug. 26, 1803

Your dutiful and devoted Servant,
Elizabeth ^{Prisk} Ware

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J. J. P. Beg Parson, Gentleman, for further intruding
to mention - that the threatening Expression, said to
have been uttered by me towards my Husband must
(with great Reverence and Humility, I signify it)
have arose thro' a Misunderstanding; as it was ever my
Advice for him to speak the Truth, when questioned,
on the greatest of all Considerations - W^{ch} That of
his Family -

1803
SEP 19
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My dear Sir

10 Messrs. Wintour & Co.
Bank of England

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Messrs. Wintour & Co.
Bank of England

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Necessity to make such an Abstrusion; and from the

Gentlemen

I very humbly beg Pardon for the Liberty I take in again intruding upon your Notice; but the Distress of myself & Children; & the Remorse & Anxiety I daily experience on Account of my sad Situation; will I trust, be considered as some Apology for so doing;

I only beg, Gentlemen, in this to be permitted to draw to your Recollection or Intercession that some pecuniary Aid would (on sending) be charitably bestowed upon me: I while I should acknowledge any, the smallest Donation with the dearest Impressions of Gratitude, my Feelings would likewise teach me ever to pray that the divine Protection may attend on those who might be instrumental under Providence, to soften my Affliction by interposing for some Mitigation of my unhappy Doom; before a Draught of Female Convicts should be sent from hence; which I am led to believe will shortly take Place.

I am most humbly rest. Gentlemen,

With the greatest Dependence,

Your devoted Servant

Her
Elizabeth F. Wear

Wrote

Newgate

Sept. 1803

Mess^{rs}. Winter & Ray

Black
1705

POST
Office

Mess^{rs} Wintour & Kay
Bank of England

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Wintour
Mess^{rs} Wintour & Kay
Bank of England

Bank

Sir

Having received your charitable
Donation, I catch this, the first Opportunity very humbly
to express my sincere Regret of having been under the
Necessity to make such an Obtrusion; and from this
Receipt of your Bounty am convinced that Justice only
was the Motive for prosecuting me; and being also
convinced of the Necessity that absolutely exists for the
Punishment of Offences against Society, I humbly submit
to my Country's Laws; trusting, under Providence, to the
Exertions of Humanity for an Amelioration of the cruel
Sentence they have pronounced against me: In the mean
Time, Sir, permit me to say, that the Comfort myself and
Children have derived from your Bounty, will ever impress
on my Mind Sentiments of real Gratitude by enforcing
a Duty of always praying for the Happiness and
Prosperity of my Honor.

28th Sept. 1803.

Elizabeth ^{Wife} x ^{Wife} Mearns
Mark



18th Nov 1773
John Bull & Co
No 1

POST
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Mr Kay

Bank of England

Bertham Lane

24th Nov 1773
John Bull & Co
from Mr Kay

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10 May 1805.

Hon. Gentlemen,

Extreme distress impels me to trespass on
your humanity. I would not dare to intrude on
your known liberality were I not bereft of apparel.
I hope my misconduct will be a warning to others not to
commit offences, which entail on them the sad appendages
of misery and want; for myself I can assure you that I
knew not the danger to which I have been exposed, acting
like a foolish Woman, ignorant of the crime, I have become
a victim to justice, yet now made sensible of my error,
I feel the sad effects of my duplicity and with Contrition
would endeavour to atone for the Fault I have been
guilty. As I have lost almost all my Cloaths, if you would
be so humane as to grant me a trifle, as in your Goodness
may seem me it will be received with Gratitude by her
who ought always to acknowledge your humanity, and
who subscribes herself
your obliged, distressed Servant
Mary Ann Jenkinson.

I have several duplicates of cloaths in pledge,
but have not money to take them out, or I
would not intrude on your Charity.

I should be happy to see Mr. Blifs, as I have
something to communicate to that Gentleman if
he would be so kind as to call.



Bank ^{May 1805}
from  Jenkins

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and Sons,
London - West.



NEWSPAPER



Hon. Gentlemen,

In the unfortunate situation in which I lamentably am placed, it would certainly behove me to inform you of any Circumstances that would tend to my advantage, and from the mercy I have received from his Most Gracious Majesty it would be a duty incumbent on me to acquaint you of any Person concerned in the nefarious practice, I through ignorance am the unoffending sufferer.

I would inform you, that having seen Mr Bishop, whose Civility to me I am ^{now} thankful, has requested information of me respecting the persons who circulate bad Notes, but I can assure you I never was concerned with any person, nor knew not that Mr Holt was a vender of bad Notes.

In the business I carried on as a Japanner,
Ann Adams who was changed her name
to Portucie, claimed an acquaintance, this
woman was intimate with a man of
the name of Whaley, whose conduct is well
known, and as I have reason to believe
that bad Notes are yet vended, though I
do not practice such nefarious practices
I will make it my study to apprize
you of any such proceedings.

Trusting that you will (from
the humanity you shew to Others
known to be Offenders) grant me a
small Relief to her, who with the
greatest humility subscribes herself

Your
Distressed Humble Servant
Newgate
May 20, 1805
Mary Ann Jenkinson.

Messrs
Winter and Kaye,
Swithins' Lane

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THE BANK OF ENGLAND

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Henry Perkinson
Bank
May 20th 1805

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Hon. Sirs,

W^m Brown

I trust the apprehension of Elizabeth Brown will not only tend to my advantage but be the means of developing the nefarious practice of issuing forged Notes, and proving to you Gentlemen my ignorance of the Transaction in which I have been innocently involved. I should indeed be happy to see some of the Gentlemen of the Bank, whereby I might endeavour to exonerate myself as to what knowledge I have had ^{of} the woman, who perhaps has been the cause of my misfortunes. — If I could be honoured with an interview it would confer a favour on

Newgate

June 17, 1805.

Your Distressed Servant
Mary Jenkinson

Messrs.

Wint & Hayes

29 Swinburn Lane.



Handwritten text: Messrs, Wint & Hayes, 29 Swinburn Lane.

1851/135

Sir

London 26th Aug' 1805

Were favoured with yours of the 23^d instant returning us
the £5 Bank note sent for the use of a Convict, which we are
sorry for the sake of the Unfortunate object to learn reached
you too late —

We should be very happy to render your Son any service
in our power, but at present we are not apprized of any Gentleman
of respectability who wants a Partner, and as your Son is a Stranger
to us we fear our recommendation would have little weight
As he has been so long in Mr Vivians Office we should think that
Gentleman's Successor will be desirous to secure his services. If
the Business of the Excise Board is now so very considerable
that it will enable the Solicitor to make ample provision for a
Partner or assistant Sol^r. — If your Son has been employed exclusively
in conducting Excise Prosecutions, his assistance must of course
be more valuable to the Sol^r for that Department than to any
other professional man —

Wearth W^m D^r J^r

If We will thank you for an account of your
Charges in the little matters in which we
have troubled you —

Geo Tippet Esq^r Sol^r Falmouth

26 Aug. 1815

Bank

of England

to Mr. Tippet

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My Lord,

We are directed by the Gov: &
Directors of the Bank to request the favour of
Your Lordship to direct that the ^{under men} ~~following~~
Female Convicts ^{detained in Newgate} ~~now~~ under sentence of
Transportation for Forgery upon the Bank may
be sent out in the ship now fitting out for
New South Wales.

We have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's M^t. O^b. Serv^t

Sw. Lane 21 June 1805

The Pitt Rivers ^{turn over} Lord Hawkebury

J. Neckett.

Sarah Wylie } Capitally
Ann Hayes ad. Top } convicted in April 1804
for using forged Bank notes

Mary Jenkins do - Capitally
- convicted in Jan'y 1805
for the same offence

The Punishment of these Offenders has been mitigated
to Imprisonment for Life
Ann Grace Carthy - convicted in Feb'y 1804 for
having forged Bank notes in her
Shop & sentenced to Transportation
for 14 Years.

21. June 1745

Bank

to Lord Hawkebury

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much obliged to you

Sarah Wylie }
Ann Haynes al. } Convicted April 1804 } Sentence
Ann Top. } } Mitigated
 } } to Transportation
Mary Seakison } Convicted Jan 4 1805 } for Life

Ann M^c.Carthy } Convicted Feb 9 1804 } Transportation
 } } for 14 Years

Bank
Cowart
Wms

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Sir,

As we are informed that you are the
owner of the Ship William Pitt now about
to proceed to Botany Bay, we shall be
much obliged to you to favor us with
a Letter of introduction to Capt. Boyce
to request he will be so good as to
attend to the wishes of the Bank of
England which will be communicated
to him by their Solicitors. The reason
of our making the application is that
several Federal Councils are going out
in the William Pitt for Supplies on the
Bank, and upon the Pet. of one of them
the Bank have ordered her a Sum of
Money to be ~~conveyed~~ laid out
for her in proper Necessaries and as
we think the best way of applying
the Money will be to send it to the
Captain with directions for him to lay

it out in such a manner as will be most
beneficial to the Woman during the Voyage
& in purchasing for her such things as
may be use to her when she arrives
at Botany Bay.

We are &c

John Lane

20 June 1808

P. D. Mehan Esq

20th June 1775

C. Smith

To P. C. Meston Esq

F25/1189

Hon. Gentlemen.

Your humanity I hope will excuse my trespassing on your known Commiseration, having had a Petition presented to the Right Hon. Lord Hawkesbury, in hope of a mitigation of my Sentence, humbly intreating your kind Recommendation. The length of Time I have been in Prison hath reduced me to great want, therefore I beg of you, having an infirm Husband, and four Children, with an aged Mother, in her 89th year; to whom did your Petitioner tend to render comfortable, considering Good Sirs that I was drawn into Error, be pleased to alleviate my keene Distress, which will ever be Gratefully acknowledged by

Hon. Gentlemen

Your Distressed Servant

Mary Prince

Newgate

May 6, 1807.

6th May 1707

For
Mary Prince

Ms. A. 1. 140

Messrs,

Winter and Hoyle,

(29) St. Swithin's Lane,

c)

Sir,

The application to which the enclosed Petition refers has already been submitted to the Directors of the Bank. The Convict ^{was} Indicted Capitally for the actual Forgery of Bank notes (having filled them up & subscribed the ~~superscribed~~ names of the Cashiers) but on account of some favourable Circumstances in his Case, we were directed, with the Concurrence of the Judges, to permit him to plead guilty to an Indictment for having the forged notes in his Possⁿ, knowing them to

be forged, & not to offer any Love or the Capital
Charge. - ~~The Pros^{rs} of the Directors~~
~~this session of the Bank were of opin^{on}~~
that the Prisoners Case did not call
for any fur^r extensivⁿ of favour or
indulgence, & that their Duty to the
public as Pros^{rs} required them
to withhold any fur^r interference on
his behalf. ~~we therefore presume Lord~~
Hawkesbury will not consider it a
Case to call for the reconsideration of
we have the honour to be,

Sr,
J. Beckett Esq
No. 1 Lane 30 May 1807

30 May 1807

The Bank

to Mr. Baskett

14/1/589

Newgate May 25th 1807

Messrs Winter & C^o

Gentlemen

I am very desirous to continue executing my office under all circumstances may meet your Approbation

If it is whatly expected such Persons as are under sentence of Transportation will be removed when among that unfortunate number my name may be comprised, with that view I now again solicit Your Aid,

Application is affect & undecisively to obtain a Conditional Pardon to Transport myself from this Country, rather than be sent to any of the Gallies or the respect for my dear wife & Children may in some measure justify for this Prayer to be granted, but a little Term is required

I have therefore Gentlemen most earnestly to solicit Your Endeavour to send orders for my being detained on this Place untill a Decision is given, which from your

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hence I am Creditably informed is sufficient

Yours truly Gentleman
You are sensible I am fully satisfied & have
wrongly led into this unreasonable affair,
and am persuaded you will in this instance
serve me & my family

Under the most obliged
most felt Obligations

I remain

With warmest respects

Gentleman

Your obedt Servt

James Clarkson

25 May 1807

Bank

for
James Jackson

to the order of

James Jackson

Thos Munnell & Co

Whitchell 29th May 1837

Gentlemen

I am directed by Lord Auckland
to transmit to You the within Petition of
James Clarkson a convict and offender
of Transportation for having forged Bank
Notes in his Prison; and I am to
request that You will submit the same
to the Governor and Directors of the Bank
of England for their consideration and
Opinion thereon.

I am
Yours

Most obedient
Invisible servant

J. Beckett.

Mrs Winter & Kaye

29 May 1707

The Bank

For
J. S. Deane & Co.

F25/1/43

Sir

Woolwich July 12th
1807

Pardon the Liberty I Take of
Addressing you - I have one favour
To beg of you. which is. That I may
have the Opportunity of Going To New
South wales or Botany bay - with the
first draft I hope you will undertake
for me. & your kind answer To this will
be thankfully received; I am Particularly
desirous of going out of the Country
To Prevent further Trouble - which might
Occur - I hope you will supply me with
a few shillings To Purchase me a small
Quantity of sea stores such as Tobacco
&c. as I am inform^d. The Gentlemen of the
Bank has been very generous. To Persons
before: sorry To inform you my friend
has not been To see me since I have
gon Over

Sir, been here - which I am in much
Trouble about. I ever desire to be
unfeignedly Thankfull for Preserving my
Life from so Shamefull & Synonymous
as Death as my Crime deserves. I fully
Acknowledge the Justice of my Sentence &
I hope in future to return & be at Peace
with all men. & A Usefull Member of Society
I shall be extremely Thankfull if you
be so Obliging as to assist me in my
Request: & shall be in duty bound

Pray for your Everlasting welfare -

I am Sir your most Obedt. Servant -
Serr^{ts} Simon Boutwell

Pray return an answer if agreeable to you
I am on board the Distribution Mault woolwich
Kent

12 July 1807
Bank

Genl. Bontell

Messrs Winter & Gray

Solicitors to the Bank

Swithins Lane
London

4/11/144
fas

IN LOSE
27-AP-07
London

Sir

Giltspur Street, Chancery
May 13. 1802

I arrived here last night from Chester

In my way to Portsmouth, I was convicted at
the last assizes at Chester for having in my Possession
one and two Pound Bank of England notes, I had
some conversation with Mr Ward Constable of Chester
Cattle about ten days previous to my removal
Respecting the one Pound note of the new
Curved Pattern that was hid in Liverpool and
offered to disclose who are the makers, on condition
of having liberty to transport my self and I please
they are Persons not in the least suspected
they make ~~them~~ the Papers and do all except the
Plate one is now in Lond on an ^{Iron printing with} other ^{notes} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{Bank} ^{of} ^{England}
and the other in Dublin, they make Irish notes as
well and will Surprize the Banks detectors, they are

me in every respect equal to those paid from the
Bank, it was my intention to write to you
from Chester but was persuaded by Mr Wood to
make the communication to him under Promise
that he would transmit it to you, and as I have
not heard any more respecting it I suppose Mr
Wood has not made it known to you or that
Directors of the Bank, believe I shall go from here
this afternoon to the place of my destination
if my Proposition meet your approbation
I can tell how to put the parties into your hands

I am Sir respectfully your
obedient humble Servant

Wm. Nuttall

W B I am now bound to another Person
and cannot think of concerning in this
Subject but alone - W B -

I'm given to understand

I before mentioned in a Letter to my Ward Constable of
the Castle Chester, that the one Pound Notes was his
in Liverpool, I mentioned the Place where they were hid
and who I supposed found them, ~~if the~~ the particulars of
that information, or my Letter has I suppose been laid before
you or the Directors of the Bank of England - if these
notes can be found, I can point out I conceive has the
Person I hid them from may be consulted, who is one of the
Masters and maid in London, I have got the original note
they were made from,

F25/1/145

30 May 1802
By the way
from the President

MAY 1802

London
8
W. H. H. H.
Bank of England
London

B

Newgate Oct^r 23^d 1777Gent^l

Understanding it to be the
 custom of the B^h of Eng^d - ^{a weekly sum} to allow unto
 persons who are unfortunately confined
 at their instance, I take the liberty of
 troubling you upon that score & inform
 you I have not receed any assistance since
 yesterday was a month when I reced $\frac{1}{2}$ Gua!

I therefore solicit your interference in
 my behalf being greatly distressed, by
 communicating the same to the person
 in whose province it is to attend to this
 matter which will be gratefully acknowledged
 by

Elix^h Dudley

23rd Oct. 1707
Bank
for English Money

mes^{rs} Winter & Hay

Bank of England

F25/1/146

Newgate Oct^r 24th 1807

Gent^l

Having been convicted last Session for
hav^g in my possession a forged £1 B^k of Eng^d Note and
being very much distressed & in want of the common
necessaries of life and unable from Age & infirmity to do
anything to assist myself, I am advised to apply to you
for some assistance to which I am given to understand
your humanity extends towards persons who are so unfortunate
as to be confined here at your instance without the means
of support. Any small sum your clemency shall direct
will be ever gratefully acknowledged by
Gent^l

Your unfortunate & Obs. Serv^t

Eliz^h Dudley

60 years of age
much pained
very distressed

Present Mr. Maule and Mr. Bowden
27th October 1807. Banks.
Mr. Kays is authorized to
pay Eliz^h Dudley 10/6 per week
until she is sent away from
Newgate. — J^{ms} Smith Secy.

To the Governour & Directas of the
Bank of England.

625/147

Wm. B. B.
John B. B.
Frank

The Bank
1700:00

Newgate Nov^r 21th 1807

Gent^l

Understanding you assist those who are
unfortunate enough to be here at your Suit without the
means of support I beg to represent to you that I am one
of those unfortunate persons, & have been confined here
since January last that I am very feeble & near 60
years of Age my friends quite tired of rendering me that
little assistance I first received from them & am in a very
wretched state I therefore solicit the extension of your
humanity towards one who will ever gratefully acknowledge
your liberality & am Gent^l

with very sense of Gratitude

Your very Humble Serv^t

²⁰¹ under
Sentence of Transportation
for 14 Years.

Mary Prince

25 Nov^r 1807. - Com^{rs} Laurence
Mary Prince to be allowed
1/2 a Guinea a Week during
her Confinement in Newgate.
& Order of Obend^{er} & Hartland Esq^r -

Wm Smith Secy

To the Governor & Directors
of the Bank of England

per Henry Jones

Bank

Nov 15/71

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Bottom Side of Murejete
February 4. 1807

Sir, I beg Pardon for this Liberty, being very
much distressed I was induced to beg your
assistance, in the year 1803, I kept the
Gentlemen at Horse-shoe Barrecks, I have
lost a bad two pound Note, which was
endorsed at the Bank, about a month
after I lost another, and knowing the Man
that gave it me, I immediately gave
information to Mr. Philip at the Bank
his Name was Blankard, he was
apprehended and brought to Court
and then made application to Mr. Philip
for the Value of my Notes, and my Expenses
as I attended by his Order the Examination
at Court that I have made several
applications to Mr. Philip but can get
no Answer, I therefore shall be most humbly

Obliged to you, to speak to the Directors
in my behalf. That I may receive
that remuneration they may think proper
under my present Circumstances. Your
Answer will ever be considered an Obligation

Yours most Obedt Servt
James Stickland

Wm. Winter Esq

Olaf says this man has
applied to me in several
instances he has been
to make

John Winter Esq
Chauncer & Co Bank
City

John Winter



1787

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To Mrs. But about 15

Dear Sir

I called Yesterday to see Mary Pullen
but could not see her without Mr. Gorman's
order — I have seen her this Morning
and find her to be in great Distress
her things pawned & one of her Daughters
with her arm in a sling from a fall on
the Day of her trial — She says she will
cause inj: to be made after Will^m Stone
and let me know —

Wednesday 1: Octo. 1844

Yours for Oppressed
J. H. [Signature]

1000 1800

Bank

Post Office

F25/1/150

Joseph Henry Esq

Gentell Man of the Bank

Hope your Goodness Will pardon the
Sincerity take in Addressing these few Lines
to you But your known Humaneity and
~~Thoughtful~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~Man~~ ~~in~~ ~~particular~~ ~~persons~~
inholdis mee An fortunate Woman to substitute
your Humane Assistances in the help of my
self Being on the verge of seven my Native
Country for ever Most Honourable Gentellman
if it tis your pleasure and my own perhaps that
I should goe I hope you Will humanely grant
mee A trip to Assist mee in My present
Rackid situation to eat a few hours
Which is Rackid for so long A voyage Being
instead of it I have bin obliged to part with
Every thing to sur vive my self and my constant
Children with this ten Months I have bin confined
with in these Gloome Walls a Gentellman
I hope these Miserable Sides Will have Wate
in Humane hearts like yours to Assist A unhappy
Widow Who has Disposed her self to the
Largest to halfe her Rackid children Who are
ourley in dread of being torn from forever
as I am too far advanced in years ever to
hope to get to the End of my voyage Much
I have to Return to thank on My Knees I humbly
beg you to grant my Request and I shall
think my self ever in Debt Bound to pray
for you Wile life shall last
your humble petitioner Mary Pullis

M^r Winter and Shay
Barbers

Fas 1/151

James
Henry Walker

September the 9th 1806

Newgate 8th October 1806

Gentlemen

I hope you will pardon a poor lost woman ~~the lady~~
 the takes in thus addressing you, to request your kind interference
 with the humane gentlemen of the Bank to make me some small
 allowance for my support & to purchase me some stores for
 my voyage - I understand a ship is about shortly to sail
 and I have no articles whatever to render me in the smallest
 degree comfortable as I have for several years been a widow
 and in distressed circumstances, and have two children whom
 I must now leave unprovided, and ^{who} must as well as myself
 already have been without the means of subsistence but
 for the liberality of one person - I therefore most humbly
 beg you will condescend to lay these particulars before
 the Honorable Directors whose accustomed benevolence will
 I trust be exercised towards me, as I have felt every
 possible conviction for my misconduct

Your most Obedient &
 unfortunate servant
 Sarah Pether

of the much to the Bank

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Mrs. Winter Kaye & Co.

50th Street Bank Swithins Lane
Lombard St.

Bank of England
Piccadilly

6 Dec 1806

so good as to let her in the inner
Sir if you could make it convenient
to call upon me I have something
to communicate to you if you could
get an opportunity to have me in
private which you can if you think
this worthy of your notice - what
I have to say is of no consequence
to myself tho much to the Bank

I am Sir

your humble Servant

Sep^r. 30th. 1807
House of Correction
God. bath fields.

J^o. Sly.

P.S I beg this may be kept a secret even
from the Keepers & not let it be known
to them I wrote to you.

30 Super 1007
Pounds
from Mr. [unclear]
To the Solicitor
of the Bank
Bank
of England.

F25/1/153
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no for them and sent to Southwell and was

Sir
I am sorry it has not been in my
power to send any further account
to you before this but I can now let
you know that there is a Letter sent
to Birmingham & I shall get the an-
swer to it & will send it to you.
I should esteem it a favour if you
would be so kind as to give the
Bearer a Line to the Governour to be
so good as to let her in the inner gate
to speak to me as tho' she is not my
wife she would have been had it not
have been for my Imprisonment & I
have several things to say to her about
my Business that I cannot say at the
Gate for every one to hear. There is a
number admitted by bribing the Turn
keys but that is out of my Power as

I have not a shilling to help myself
& the young woman has done all she can
for me I am Sir

your most humble

Oct. 14th 1807.

Servant

J^r. Sly

14 Oct 1807

Bank

W. Walker

from

Solicitor to the

Bank

St. Swithins Lane

F25/1/154

Remained

Sir trusting your Goodness will
pardon the Liberty I have taken in relating
the Situation of an Unfortunate Young
Man and family whose Circumstances after
Eight Months Confinement are left destitute
of Support and sorry to say my self under
Excommunications for fourteen years at the
Thoughts of the Wickedness of a Council Ship
and being Separated from my Wife and Dear
Children my heart is broken and Attribute
my Misfortune to being Ignorant of the fatal
Consequences of my Crime and being treacherous
Betrayed in hopes that something may be done to
assist an Unfortunate Victims I have sent to
the Banks of England and hope to be enabled to
be the Means of Bringing to justice those that
are the Ruin of Many and trust in god for
Mercy never to Offend the Laws of my
Country any more and trust that Philanthropy

to make me proud of I read what was I got
and goodness that as Manifested so Eminentlly that
Character that my Family is Ever bound to Bless
and with due Submission Subscribe my Self

Your most

Obedient and

Humble Servant

Honouring as Goal

April 1808

W L Stone



to state, that I am an unfortunate person who was

Woolwich Oct. 15th 1806

Messrs. Wintour & Paine

Gentlemen I have taken the
Liberty Troubling you bying the favour
to have the goodness to Interest for me to
have the trifling property returned to me
that was taken out of my Trunks at my
Lodgings by M^r. Blife after I was taken
into custody by him, which was a Brace
of pistols two silver cases, an one pocket
Book, M^r. Blife advise me I should have
Every thing safe back before I was
Conducted at Court. I have since made
Application for them to M^r. Blife on he
inform me that he is not Allowed to

Let me have them, I have gentlemen before
my Consuetion and since informed M.^r Slips of
Differend Shops what there has been forger Banks
Moats paid away an likewise the people that
pay them away which M.^r Slips has found to
be true I have likewise since I have been on
board the Hulks at this place found out by some
people that is heard for the same Office
Mine people in the Country that make
them for sale an likewise pay them away
I immediately acquainted M.^r Slips of the same
an likewise what these people were to
be found, therefore gentleman as I have
said easily thing to loose the Banks I
Hope you will have the Goodness to

Interested for me to have what trifling property
belong to me. As Cases so trifling will be a
great help to me in this Situation —

I beg to remain Your Most
Obedient and Very Humble Servant
Joseph Wodges

Mess^{rs} Wintet & Day
Smithens Lane
London.

F25|1|156

18 Oct
Bank
from
Jockh Parker

Woodward Sirs

To The Governour and Company of the Bank of England
Gentlemen

After begging pardon for the intrusion permit
me to state, that I am an unfortunate person who was
convicted at Hertford (I judge) in the month of March 1802.
of having Counterfeit Bank of England ^{Notes} in my possession
to the amount of one hundred and fifty pounds, for which
offence I was sentenced to be transported to New South Wales
for the term of fourteen years. - soon after conviction I
was removed to the Hulk on the River Thames where I have
since remained under order of transportation without the
least appearance of having my sentence put in abso-
lute execution, now Sirs as there has been ships
gone out with prisoners from hence and no notice has been
taken of me it seems cruel in a degree that I should
be so neglected, I have no desire to remain in England
I acknowledge that I have had such bad connections in
the line of circulating bad notes that I wish for a final
separation from, I am not at present warned, of being
one that is to depart the country in the present expedition
to Botany Bay, I therefore shall be left behind
yours
Woodward

Therefore Gentlemen I humbly beg you will exercise your
influence if I am not at present in the Arrangement that
may facilitate my being effectually transported agreeable
to the sentence I received, I know I am an useful man in
my present situation and that may have been the cause of
my remaining here so long, but when I propose you that I
wish to rid me of a conviction so superior to commerce
I propose my sanguine trust that you will promote my
speedy departure for Port Jackson.

I am Gentlemen with profound Respect

&c. &c. &c.

Your very Humble Servant

John Wood.

Dec 3rd 1805.

a Carpenter

on Board the *Prudentia*
Yth *Woolwich*

Port

Black
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1757

To The Governor and Company
of The Bank of England
London

With Speed

1757/11/22

14 Dec 1757

John Bull

Honour'd Sirs

th
Sept: 30. 1805. —

Trusting in the well known
benignity & humanity of your hearts, I
have presumed to become your Suppliant
I Hope that as your Philanthropy saved
me from an ignominious death, so will
it preserve me from an hungry one, I have
no friend to assist me & am in the extreme
need, & have no hope but in your
benevolence, which I trust you will
extend towards me, by supplying me
with a trifle to purchase a few stows
for the Passage to Botany Bay, should
you graciously condescend to comply

with my request Gratitude will engrave
the obligation so deep, that time will never
efface it from the memory of

Yours Most Obedient
Most Obliged and
Most Humble Servant

Thos. Young

Royal Admiral
Westwick

12d Black
Oct 1
1858

Messrs Winkfield & Page
Minchin Lane
Covent Hill
London

TWO PENNY
POST
Winkfield & Page

George Young
Banks
1858

F25/1/158

October 20th 1806.

Sir

I am an unfortunate Man under order of transportation
and now on board the presidential hulk Woolwich.
Some time ago I rec^d a letter from my friend in the
County of Cheshire containing a two pound Note
on the Bank of England, which note it changed
with a Mr Joy, the Chief Mate of the presidential and
he paid it away to a tradesman in London, that
person wrote the ^{Name} of Joy upon the Note when he rec^d
it from Mr Joy and when he tendered it in payment
it was disputed, whereupon he referred it to your
office where it was declared to be a counterfeit
and detain'd as such, the tradesman received a certificate
from your office which he transmitted to Mr Joy
and Mr Joy after Questioning me about the party who
rec^d the Note from gave me that certificate which
I forwarded by Post to my friend in the County, under
cover of a letter describing what had occur'd, and in
answer to said letter I received the inclosed which
I herewith send for your inspection and Consideration.
as I am most awkwardly situated respecting who is
to be at the loss of the two Pounds.

Mr Joy

who is my Officer as I before observed, has consented to
refer the Case to your consideration and to abide
by your decision who is the party that ought & is
according to legal decision, to be at the loss of
the two pounds, now Sir you are in possession of
all the party's names that the note can possibly
be traced to and if you will condescend to forward
your arbitration, and inclose the letters in it that
I have now sent for your satisfaction and inspection
you will much oblige your very respectfull
and most Obedt Servt

James Edwards

{ On board the President
Hulk. Woolwich - Kent

Mess^{rs} Winter & Hay
Inspectors Office
Bank of England
London

F25/1/159

2000
Bank
per Mr. [unclear]
ACTED
288
600

September the 26/807

Sir I beg your pardon for writen to you about
the notes of bankes of England I was taken in
scotland for them and sent to Jed bury and was
examined before Mister Henderson Mister Clever
the sherreff at Jed bury in scottland witch tha
did make me promise if I wad tell what way I got
thos notes I should be set free of them there ware a
thing that I never had on ly for so understood any
thing about ~~and~~ and I told them the time that I
got them and the men where I got them from and
told them all that lade in any power about them and
tha went of that patience to take them but I think
tha did not want to take them tha wanted to make
wage of yet or I am sure tha might ben got at that
time then I was taken from there to morpeth full
forthumberland and was try at Wexcable eyes
the 5 day of august 1806 and now if yet ples
re ~~propose~~ to do any thing for me now
will be very much oblige to you sir I have got
a wife and seven children all that I want in
this world is my health and liberty to go home gane
to work for my wife and family there shall
no body se me ever be scorned in any rich things
gane ~~and~~ I hope sir if you ples you will do som
thing for me wor: if you ples won yer confinement
is beter for a man then seven yerz is yet was the
first time that I ever sed won of thes notes or ther
shall never wan of them com in my hand gane
if I had my liberty if not I want to be sent
from her if you ples sir if you ~~to~~ ples
to send me priser Matthew Bell ~~prudent~~
prudent hulk woodrich

19 OCT 1828
LONDON

To the
Governor of the
Bank of England
London

26 Sep 1828
Bank
of
England

Pa 5/1/160



Mrs Nancy Manister
 Hemphill's Lane
 Stockport
 Cheshire



1851/1/61
 in

July 31st - 1808
Dear Wife and Children I Rec^d your letter on the 18th instant
With great joy to hear that God continues to Bless you with good
Health to work for bread for your selves and our little
Children that cannot help themselves which I trust
that hee will still keep you in the same for he has
promised to be a father to the fatherless and to plead the
Cause of the widow I have been taken with a very bad
fever but through the timely assistance of medicine and the
help of god I hope I shall get well in a little time I
got Bleeded and took a pulke & other medicines which
I trust put a stop to the Disorder I was very poorly
when I rec^d your letter but when I came to read that you
was in such good hopes of my pardon I was struck with
such an Ecstasy of joy that I had quite forgot my pain
so I knelt down to return my god thanks and then
Went to rest and had a pleasant sleep that night I am glad
you have put my son James to working lafet you have done
right in getting him hee promised mee the last time I saw
him that hee would be a good lad and I have not the least
Doubt but hee will fulfill his promise in being good to
his mother

With
you must Remember mee to Mr^e Lloyd and Mr^e [unclear] in
Maddeley -- and let them know I shall be ever bound
in Duty to pray for them as long as I live be Pides reward^{of}
and all other things that Ever falls in to my hands which^{the}
Will Ever be at there service and will if I get my
liberly seek out that Villan of a manerly that bring^{his}
me into this trouble that all their rogeary may be
found out - there is men here get pardoned
almost Every week there is 3 in the course
of last week and I have great faith in god that
through the mercaits of his son jesus Christ hee
Will restore^{me} to my liberly that I may be come
a useful member of ^{Christian} Society if it fails this time
it must not be Done a way with But Draft
for a while and then tried a gain people here
hav been Denied 3 times and get pardoned the 4
time but hope the will Do it now and should it be
my hapy lot to be restored to my Dear wife and Children
in whom I please all my worldly Delight I should be the
happiest man in the world for I Coude Implay my leasur
time in praising my god and teaching my Children

So to Do and Shewing them good Examples to go by Such as
I have not Done before which I lament to my sorrow
When I am in the greatest Grief I can ease my self with
the thought of my Children being united together in peace
and love with their tender mother which I hope is a Comfort
to you all I find a Deal of Comfort in reading the following
Solms the 86 and 139 the 142 and 149 and Dear John
I Desire you to read these to your mother and Brothers and
Sisters when you have leisure time and Do not neglect Church
or Chapel - as many as can go for that is the first thing to
do as to money as I get better I shall want some kind of medicine
to ease my self with that will cherish me and what I had
is nearly gone for I had 9/6 to lay out in a Suit and other thing
that I was like to pay for and then you know I could not have
much you may send me a small trifle if you can spare
any you know if it please god that my pardon comes
I shall want very little and I hope you will know be
fore you need to write So I conclude with my Dearest
Love to you and to all my dear Children and May
god rest his Blessing upon you and keep you in Safety
from all Evil Temptations unto your Lives end
your unfortunate W. Banister

If you think proper you may let Mr. Hillyer or Mr. Wardley look at this

June 12-1708
Dear Wife and Children this comes with my love
to you all. Hoping it will find you still in good health
I Reciev'd your letter on the 6 instant
With a light heart to hear that you was all in
good health and I trust in god this will find you
the same as to my health it alters Every Day
Some times better and some times worse But the
sore will be done for I trust hee will help me
in time I am sorry to hear of trade and other
things being so bad for I Dought you will not
Be able to get bread for my little children
But I hope that god will be with you and assist
you in all things I Desire you will not fail to
See Mr Lloyd and Mr Wadley and if the
Can get my pardon I will do any thing
that lies in my power for them and for the
good of my Country and Shall Ever be in Duty
Bound to pray for them unto my lives End
for if I had all the world in gold I would give
it all that I might be restored to my liberty
and be united with my wife and children
to work and indavoure to maintain my
children and bring them up in the love and
fear of god as I trust in god I Cant become
a good member of Society

F25/1/162

you wished to know how I was situated
I will just give you a sheet of it I am in
a Ship with a Boat 400 men all as low as
as Colours our Vitals is very bad in the
morning we have some Barley and water
Boils thin with out Salt and at noon some
Bread & Beef the Beef is such as you never
saw most of it is such as Dyes of it Self
and Cows that are in a Decline and the Best
we get is lean Bull, our Bread is a kind
of Bran and Barley ground together
just the Colour of - ganach and at night we
have some Barley Boils in the Broth that is
made of the Beef but nobody will Eat that
as it gives them the fluxes and kills men
Directly Every other Day we have a small
Lawane of Cheese to Dinner in Stead of Beef
But you can scarcely Cut it with a
We get our Breakfast at Six in the morning
and then we are taken a Shore in Boats and
work till noon and then — goes a gain at
one o'clock and work till Six our work is
hardly fit for horses and there is men over
us with Great Sticks and if we look off
our work they lay on us with out mercy

our legs is cheard to gether Day and night
and am a monght nothing but thieves and
murders and Robbers there is nothing
But Blasting and Swearing &c -

So you may be sure I cannot live
Long here I have not much time to spare
But what leasure time I have I Spend it
in prayer and I Desire you do the Same
for if I was with ^{you} a gain we could live
a happy life in this world and bring
our children up in the love of god which
I hope you will do your in Darvour

all at present from yours - Ever loving
Husband W^m Bonister

N.B. please to write as soon as you know
how things will be and let me know
how all my Children

Excuse my pen as I am hardly able to
write

8 Pion

*Mr John
Kenny Hanister
Hampstead Lane
Stockport
Cheshire*



Dear Sir Mr Lloyd Octal 14 7 - 1808
I beg you will Excuse mee taking the
Liberty of writing these few lines to you as it is with
an humble ~~and~~ and Sorrowful heart I write them
it is to Humbly intreat your good self that you will
Solisist the Bank of England to ~~lendon~~ my Distress
Condition and to Show some mercy on mee for the
Sake of my poor Distressed wife and Eight
Children which are Deprived of their tender
father and left to the mercy of the world
perhaps the greatest part of them will never
Remember having ~~seen~~ seen their father
and what must be their bringing up I cannot
tell but the rest of it will I Dout be hard for them
to be about from place to place I cannot tell where
and often touds of their fathers misfortune while
I may languish a few months more for them
and then go in Sorrow Down to the any greave
I think in my own breast that it lies in your
power to get my pardon and if I should meet
your approbation that your goodness will get
my liberty I shall Ever be in Duty Bound to pray
for you and will reward you as far as lies in my
power and will Ever Do what I can for my King
and Country to Do them good I Dwest be bound
to be put to Death with out any mercy if I Do
not find out mischief that Drowd mee in to this
Snare and Coult in a few months Discover the
whole gang of them that is paying some hundred
Every week but I will Do my in Davour to Do
any thing that lies in my power to make them
amend, all I Coult wish in this life is to be
Restored to my wife and Children that I might
live the rest of my Day in peace and Bring them
up in the love and fear of god and Repent my
Sincerely your Ever H^{ble} Servant
Wm. Banister



Mrs Nand
Banister
Hempshaw Lane
Stockport
Cheshire



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me to represent - and I shall be greatly
obliged if you will mention the
receipt of them when you write that
I may relieve the mind of the poor
woman from some degree of anxiety
lest I sh^d be so unfeeling as to be
silent - I am, Sir,

Your very obedient
h^{ble} serv^t

Roy

Stockport 12th } Nov 1798

for. Mays Esquire

12th Novr 1788
Bank
Care of Bannister
from Mr. Gasp. Stockport
with directions

Sir/

Rox v Bannister -

I take this opportunity of transmitting to you the forged notes found by me and my Clerk in the Garden of this Prisoner, as pointed out by him to me after his Conviction - I have been much teased by his poor unfortunate Widow to write to you on his behalf to point out the wretchedness of his situation - I enclose the Letters she has received from him, and addressed to me, which describe all that it would be necessary for me to represent - And I shall be greatly obliged if you will mention the receipt of them when you write that I may relieve the mind of the poor Woman from some degree of anxiety lest I sh^d. be so unfeeling as to be silent.

I am Sir,

Your very obed^t. humble serv^t.

Lloyd.

Stockport 12th Nov^r. 1808.

Jos. Haye Esquire -

Hon^{ble} Sir,

I trust the necessity of my present
unfortunate situation will apologize for the liberty I now
take in thus writing you.

If you'll recollect,
I transmitted a petition to you the 18th of last month,
addressed to the Hon^{ble} the Governor & directors of the
Bank of England, praying they would, in conse-
quence of certain facts therein stated, be pleased to grant
me a free pardon, ^{a mitigation of sentence} or allow me the privilege of
transporting myself beyond seas. And also begged
that an answer might be conveyed on. I sent me when
convenient,

To this petition you have never as yet been
pleased to grant me any answer. I therefore hereby
earnestly intreat of you to have the goodness to do
so as soon as you can. This from your well
known,

humanity & compassion to the distressed. I am led to
entertain the most flattering hopes of a speedy re-
lief from this my most miserable situation,
which, if this should be effected, I shall always look upon
it as the greatest of blessings, and as the highest obliga-
tion conferred upon

Hon^d Sir,

Ship Retribution
at Woolwich

18th March 1809

Your most obed^t humble Serv^t

William Barister

TWO PENCE
POST
LONDON

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The Secretary of the
Bank of England
London

F25/1166

Bank
from Mr. Baring
Messrs. Baring
Bank
Messrs. Baring

The Governours & Directors of the Bank having interposed
so far in your favour as to relieve you from the Capital
punishment to which your offence had subjected you, they
decline interfering further.

I am

Yrs &c

JR

Sol^r to the Bank

London 1 April 1809

W^m Bannister
a Convict on Board
The Retribution
Woolwich

F25/1167

1. April 1809

Bank

To Mr Bannister

a Convict Woolwich

Unto the Honourable, The
Governor & Directors of the
Bank of England,
The petition of William Bamister, present
prisoner on board of the Retribution Hulk at
Woolwich Humbly Sheweth,

That your petitioner had resided in the town
of Slough with his wife and children, during
the greatest part of his life.

That he has always maintained a good char-
acter, as can be well attested by the most respect-
able Gentlemen & principal inhabitants of that
town and neighbourhood, which attestations
can easily be produced.

That unfortunately he was very innocently
led in by a base & designing man of the name of
Archibald Murphy in the month of December
Eighteen hundred & seven years, who, in consequence
of a Mercantile transaction delivered or gave to
your petitioner a Two pound, and a One pound
Note, both of the Bank of England, which
two notes happened to be forged ones, but entirely
unknown to your petitioner untill after he had
disposed of them. He was taken into custody on the
above date, & was imprisoned untill the 11th of
April

held at Chester the 20th of April last. When,
by the advice of ignorant and designing persons,
and imagining it to be altogether unnecessary to
employ counsel in his behalf, not dreaming any
harm could accrue to him, from conscious inno-
-cence. did, although against himself, confess
and plead Guilty,

In consequence of which, sentence of trans-
-portation for fourteen years was immediately
passed ag^t. him. Which sentence, your hon^{rs}.
must be sensible, was by far too severe, and cruel,
as he has a wife & a large family of eight small
children, unable to assist one another, on account
of their tender age.

That your petitioner is very sensible, that it
was perfectly consistent with your honours duty and
interest, in detecting & punishing offenders, who have
the intention of defrauding the Bank. but
it will appear manifest from your petitioners long
and well attested good character that nothing could
possibly be farther from his thoughts, that he never
once conceived the least idea of doing so. That he
taken the precaution of employing able counsell
at the apices as he ought to have done. it would
have been fully shewn, that he was naturally of a
disposition wholly against transactions of such a
nature,

May

May it therefore please your
honours, to take this petition into
consideration, and grant a free
pardon, or if this should ap-
pear to the Governor & worthy di-
rectors of the Bank of England
to be too great an alleviation of his
sentence, to grant him per-
-mission or liberty to banish & trans-
-port himself from His Majesty's
dominions during such a
-ber of years, as shall be seen
proper. And in the mean
time, that your honours will be so
very condescending as to grant
an answer to be returned to this peti-
-tion. And your petitioner
shall ever pray &c.

William Bramster

Feb 18th 1809

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Two-Penny
POST
London

The Secretary
of the Bank of England
London

1809 N^o. 1
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1809
Bank
of
London

1809 N^o. 1

Retribution Hulk, Woolwich,
Jan^y 29th 1810.

Gentlemen

I most respectfully beg
leave to submit the enclosed Petition for
your approval; if it meets which I request
that you will have the goodness to lay
it before the Honorable Board to whom
it is addressed, and if it is not troubling
too far on your charitable goodness, I
should be for ever grateful if you would
favor me with a line by Post, intimating
how far I may hope for the completion
of my wishes therein contained;

I am, Gentlemen,
with the highest respect
Your most obed^t

humble Servant

John Bellairs.

Mess^{rs}. Winter and Fay..

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direction of his said husband who had sent a few into

7 1/2 Crock
620
1811

Mess^{rs}. Winter and Day

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Attorneys

Lombard Street,

London.

27 Jan 1810
Bank
for John Willairs

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Sir

Newgate Jan^y 25th 1810

The person of the name of Braham
or Abraham whom I mentioned to you
before was (as he states to me himself
nearly apprehended at a Shop in
Holborn in passing a 1^l note & had
at the time 32 in his possession. he
made his escape on acc^t of the Shop
man not being able to get an
Officer to take him into Custody.
I am at this time in the greatest
distress of mind as the Convicts are
now going off & I not knowing
whether I am to be so happy as
to go with my wife or not & Mr
Souter not being at home makes
me request of you to give me a
line in order to restore tranquillity
to the mind of your unhappy

Servant

J. S.

13 Jan 1770
Bank

for Mr. Kay
Solicitor
Tokenhouse yard,
Bank.

F25/1/170



To the Honorable the Governour and Directors of the Bank
of England.

The humble Petition of Elizabeth Ward,
under Sentence of Death in Newgate.

Most humbly sheweth.

That your Petitioner in the year
1788, Married for her husband, Thomas Ward, warden of the Bank of England, that under the
influence and direction of her said husband, she had sent a few into
Circulation previous to her discovery of their being Counterfeits; that on
such discovery your petitioners, overwhelmed with the deepest affliction, under
a just sense of the enormity of the Crime, remonstrated against the guilty
deed, and but too truly predicted the fatal consequences which immediately
followed — Her husband having fled from justice, your Petitioner
felt an innocent victim to the offended laws of her Country, and after
pleading guilty to her indictment she received sentence of the Honorable
Court of Sessions to New Southgate, as appears from the records of the
trials, at which she was tried, and which was immediately carried into
execution, leaving behind her two unprotected female infant children, and
a third, hanging at her breast, that shared the sufferings of its unhappy Mother.
Considering her existence to be for seven Years only she embraced the only
opportunity that might ever probably happen, to unfold in her longings some,
her long lost children, but having been delivered into the hands of justice,
the awful Sentence of the Law has been pronounced against her life.

Your Petitioner filled with sorrow and
contrition for the Crime, and oppressed with the weight of her sufferings,
implores your forgiveness, and under a grateful sense of justice forever
subsequent to her first trial and conviction, with the deepest humility
prays, gentlemen, that you will be pleased to take the circumstances
attending her very singular case, into your serious consideration, and,
on your superior wisdom, be pleased to address the sacred person of
His Majesty, the fountain of Mercy, on more to restore to society
and the embraces of her dear friends her children, a poor creature
who

who has been nearly seven years drinking the bitterest drop, from the
vials of human misery, for a Crime into which she became innocently
involved

Your humble Petitioner begs leave to assure the
Gentlemen of the Bank of England, that should His Majesty be
graciously pleased to grant the prayer of a Petition, signed by near fifty
of his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, and respectable householders,
that the Death of her late husband gives her an opportunity of embracing
an offer of marriage much to her advantage, with a person of the purest
morals, and very respectable connexions, who only waits for the favour of
your suffering petitioner, to make her happy in the management of
an extensive eating house

Under the above circumstances
your most humble petitioner prays you will be pleased to grant the
prayer of her Petition, the most grateful sense of which, will ever be
retained, and your Petitioner, with her Children, and probably Children's
Children, will, as in Duty bound, ever pray for their benefactors &c. &c.

Newgate, 25th Dec. 1809

The mark
Elizabeth Ware
of

To the honorable

The Governors and Directors

Of the Bank of England

23^d Decr 1809

The humble Petition of
Elizabeth Ware, under the
awful Sentence of Death, in
Newgate

To the honorable the Governour
and Directors of the Bank of
England

Cannot interfere

F25/1/171

4th Jan^y 1810
Bank v Ware
to Mrs Ware

Mr Ware's Petition has been submitted
to the Gov^r & Directors of the Bank
who cannot interfere on her behalf

4 Jan^y 1810

F25/1/172

To the Governor and Company
of the Bank of England

Humble Servant

Master Side my gate

With Due Respect I most humbly beg
Leave to address you respecting my present Situation about
fifteen months ago I was seized and convicted of having forged
Bank notes in my Possession for which I was sentenced to fourteen
years transportation since then I have bin confined in a gaole with
a wife and two Infant Children who are in the greatest Distress from
my long Confinement I am reduced to the utmost Distress
my friends to render me any assistance and I have a very bad
Wife with Gentleman I am without the means of securing
myself or Redeem to go off to Ballymore Bay by the first
Ship which will be in a few Days I have therefore
most fervently Solicit that you will Condescend to Consider
my Case and that you will humbly Contribute
Something towards my Relief so for as in you wisdom it may
be deemed Prudent

Your Humble Servant
your most Obedient
Humble Servant

James Gibson

Messrs Writter & Fry
Solicitors of the Governor
and Company of the Bank
of England

F25/1/173

you will be kind enough to forward
To The Governor and Company of the
Bank of England.

The Petition of Sarah Davis, a Convict
in His Majesty's Gaol of Newgate.

Most Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner was Indicted at the last Old
Bailey Session, for Uttering, as was alleged, in Company with
another, a £5. Bank of England Note, to which Indictment
She Pleaded Guilty, and was Sentenced to be Transported,
for the term of Fourteen Years.

That your Petitioner in her dreadful and much
distressed Situation has ventured, (but in the most humble
manner) to Solicit that Charitable Aid, which You have ever
been pleased to afford to such Unfortunates as Your unhappy
Petitioner; And She is the more emboldened to throw herself
upon Your Benevolence, not only from the Knowledge you
have of her truly pitiable Case, but from the circumstance
also, of her being absolutely driven to the most extreme
poverty, and importunate distress, and which alas would
have been truly indescribable, if Your Petitioner had not been
enabled in some measure to alleviate it, either by the Sale,
or Pledging of what little Wearing Apparel She had left—

Your Petitioner therefore most humbly
and ardently Implores your humane
Consideration

of her distresses, by condescending to
make her what allowance you may, in
your wisdom deem meet —

Norwich 30. Sept.
1841 —

And Your Petitioner as in
Duty bound will ever pray

To
The Governor and Company
of the Bank of England.

The Petition of Sarah Dasis a
Convict in His Majesty's Gaol
of Newgate, under Sentence of
Transportation for the term of
Fourteen Years. —

To be paid her
Weekly. —

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Gentlemen

I humbly beg pardon for
troubling you again, but hope and trust
you will be kind enough to forward
my Memorial, to the Secretary of State
that I may take my Departure from
within those Oceanic Walls, by the next
Ship for New South Wales, which I un-
derstand there is one now a fitting out
to receive Convicts on board, in August
I trust you will do every thing that lays
in your power for me, at the same time
excuse the Liberty I have here taken
by complying with the above request.

Newgate
July: 18
1820

You will much oblige an
unfortunate prisoner

Amelia Bellary



Messrs Wintle & Wye
Solicitors to the Bank
of England

Pa5/1/175

Jr. Amelia Rolton
Bank
10/2/1740

To the Hon^{ble} Gentlemen
of the Banks of England

The Humble petition
of Amelyas Ballaies humbly bow down to you
honoured Gentlemen praying your Goodness will
pardon the Liberty I take in thus Addressing you
having the ship is ready wick is to Convey me
and a maney more of my salour sufficed to a
farre Distant Country wick yeers me quite unhappyness
being very unprovided and my pore Child likewise
for so long a voiage most humbly bag your feeling
harts will relve me with a trifell to redem
my Cloths wick through my long Confinement
I have bin obliged to part with and having
no spends wick care vander me the smalest relff
I thus take the Liberty of Addressing you for
such Donattion as it may pluse you to bestow
will be thankfully Rec^d and as in Duty Bound
will ever pray the unperturvet
Amelyas Ballaies Transport Newgate

F25/1/176

Mrs Whinter
& Hether
Taken Hors Yard

Amelia Holburn

Gentlemen Janry 30 1741

I humbly beg permission to to state to you
that the ship which is to convey me and the
rest of my fellow suffors to a farre distant
Country is ready and am given to understand
that all are to be on board in ten Days most
humbly hope that as nothing can be done
to retrieve me from this miserable dwelling
that your feeling hearts will use your
inducers to send me a way in this ship
I may have to subscribe my self
most honored Gentlemen your
very humble servant
Amorai Baskiers

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F25/1/178

Moors & Winter
and Place
Taken Shows yard

30 Jan 1811
Bank
Sir Amos Bellamy

To the Right, Honorable
Governor and Company
of the Bank of England

The humble petition of Amelia Bellows
now under Sentence of Transportation
in Newgate,

Most Humbly Sheweth that
your petitioner most humbly craves
your Aid and Assistance in her behalf
in forwarding her to Sea, South, Wales
by the first Ship, knowing at this
time there is a Ship Laying at
Wormouth, to take out Convicts which
Induces, Your petitioner to crave your
assistance that your petitioner may
be sent out in this Ship, to Sea, South, of
Wales, to serve the Sentence of the
Law for which she is Convicted for

That your humble petitioner
feels a Contrition for her past Life and
humbly hopes your goodness will extend
in Interceding yourselves in my behalf
that I may be sent out in this Ship

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and thereby to serve my sentence
that I may become at the expiration
of my sentence, a useful member
of Society, which will be my whole
study by Honesty and Industry to
Regain my Reputation,

That your Humble petitioner
likewise solicits your interest for
getting a grant for my Child a girl
8 Years of age to go with me, having
no Protector but myself, I trust you
will be kind enough to use your
interest in my favour, --

By Complying with the above
Your Humble Petitioner will
be ever in Duty bound to pray

Amelia Bellary

Messrs Winter & Kaye

Solicitors to the Bank of England

Bank
Petition for A. Ballou



remitt a bill to redeem thron house and

Newgate 23^d October 1840.

Gentlemen,

I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude to you, not only for a former, but the present allowance of Seven Shillings per Week, you are so kindly pleas'd to make me, and which I have found of such essential service to myself and Children, that I should think myself blamable, indeed, were I not most gratefully to acknowledge such generosity, in the best manner I am able.

From the distressed state myself and Children were in, previously to your granting me the above allowance, I was of necessity, even for the common necessaries of life, oblig'd to Pawn or part with nearly the whole of my Wearing Apparel, which of myself, I shall never be able to redeem; I therefore have presum'd (but reluctantly) to state to you, that in consequence of having received Orders to hold myself in readiness to be sent off to New South Wales by the next Ship, which is expected very shortly to sail, and having experienced your liberality on a former (but lamentable) occasion, emboldens me to ask permission to be allow'd (and for the last time let my future fate be whatever it may) to again solicit, that you will with your usual humanity, be pleas'd to afford me such pecuniary assistance, as you have usually extend'd to such unfortunates as myself, on similar occasions.

I humbly beg leave to subscribe myself with a most grateful Heart,

Your most Obedient & very humble Servant

Elizabeth Ware

To
The Governor and Company
of the Bank of England.

F25/1179

To The Governor and Company
of the Bank of England.

13th Oct 18th
C. L. Stone

Honoured Gentlemen

humbly beg permission to state to
you that I am given to understand that
it is but a few day before I shall take
my departure from this Decoy Dwaling
and most humbly beg pardon for thus
addressing you being in extream Distract
for what few artickels with my Long
Confinement have bin oblig'd to please
most humbly pray as Mr Skute told
me that you had humanly offer'd to
remitt a trifell to redeem them hope and
trust what your feeling hearts will please
to bestow that I do not offend in asking
for it before I have the prison as it will
be impossible to get them when on board
with out being defrauded of a part of
the money and I will be ever Carefull
to Lay it to the least Advantage
and for such Goodness will as in Duty
bound for ever pray

And beg leave to subscribe
my self right honoured Gentlemen
your most obedient & very
humble servant Elizabeth
Ware

Mrs. Wintley & Key
Taken horse yard
Back of the Bank

Fas 11/180

Bank
Jm. Elg. & Lewis

Honored Gentlemen

we unfortunet suffers Elizabeth Ware
and Amelias Bellairs humbly bow down
to you Craving Pardon in the Liberty
we now take in troubling you but when
We had the hapyness of seeing you
yesterday we understood that Mr Suter
was pleas'd to give us the money your Goodness
waited upon Mr Suter this morning
in hopes from your Humanity that
he woud have let us have the money
to redeem our clothes which makes us
both vany unhapye as Mr Suter seem
to doubt wether you woud not be displeas'd
have your Goodness will not think we
take too grate Liberty in bagen you
will be pleas'd to send to Mr Suter
immedietly that we may Redeem our little
resepent as with out them our Cases
will be twonly Distressing to be put on
shore in a fering Country naked and
Distrust kind Gentlemen our time is
vany short ad tuesday next is the day
we expect to be put on board and hope
and trust to have your unces by the favor
which will much abivate the Sorrows of
the twonly unhapye Elizabeth Ware and Amelie
Bellairs

We have bin just told
to mr Suter and by his desire
we was to write to you emedly
as thare is not a momant to
loos at the same time we shoud
mr suter our Duplicats

Must Winter
and Fry
Taken hows Yard

9th Feb. 1811
Bank
for Old Ware
& Enolia Bellars

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Most Honoured Gentlemen
I must humbly bow down to
you bagen your human hearts will
pardon the liberty I take in thus
addressing you was desired by my
father to apply to you as he had
sat to all accounts with you and
that by ^{your} desire you would satel
some one to pay me a twisell weekly
wich I have had nothing about
a fortnight is now relapst and I
have recd nothing from any one
and being very friendly I have
taken the liberty of bagen a twisell
to support me whilst confin'd in
this melancholy dwelling and for
every retween kindness I have
recd may have to return my most
gratfull thanks and most humbly
bow down to you kind Gentlemen
praying for a continuance of your
kind benovence and ever well as
in duty bound constantly pray
and may have to subscribe my self
Right Honoured Sirs your
very Obedt humble
servant
John Ware
Salons side Newgate

March 25

25 March 1811

Bank

J^{rs} Eliz^h Ware

Mount Winton
and Lega

Token House
York

F25/1/182

Dear Sir

I humbly hope your goodness will pardon the
Liberty I take of writing as a month is now past since
I had very well hope your feeling hands had not mistaken
your kindness I would not take the liberty of writing but every
morning to part with those papers which I have been
pleas'd with and I trust by Law to return my most grateful
thanks for those papers I have already rec'd and shall ever
think my self in duty bound to do ever yours
in the mean time by Law to subscribe
my self your most obedient very humble
servant G. Wade

F25/1/183

Major Winter
and Hea

Toden Hows
yard

Bank
of E. Ware

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I presume you are acquainted with the circumstances that have brought me up for Warwick consequently, I have no occasion to take up your time in the relation.

As I see all my way and aim to bad Characters, I still possess and govern shall, the same principles I did at Warwick. And if you will condescend to call on me I will convince you of the same.

If I can be of any service to the Governors & Directors of the Bank / confidentially / I am very well acquainted with Robert, and he will trust me with any or all his accounts & concerns.

When you call upon me don't let any person know what you want with me.

Yours &c. &c.

October 1st 1710 }
Newgate - }

J. Bullen
+ *D. Bullen*

6. BLACK
1.00

Mr Joseph Knight
(Attorney at Law)
Tobacco house yard

1st Oct 1810
Bank
J^{ms} W^m W^m W^m

F25/1/184

Market

Sir I have perused your Affidavit
the Letter accompanying it & I will lay
them before the Gov^{rs} & Directors of the Bank

I cannot undertake to present your
Petition - as the prosecution had no Connection
whatsoever with the Bank concerns of the
Bank it would be improper in me to
interfere, I return the Petition inclosed

J K

17 Oct 1810

W^o B Kitchen
Preston

F25/1/185

17 Oct 1860

Bank

T. W. W. Hitchin.

At length my Father has returned my Petition signed by several very respectable persons and I do my self the honour to hand the same to you. Hill and Holme are Majesties residing on the spot of my Birth (the former is Brother to the Rowland Hill) — Dumber and Wether are very large Merchants at Dover — Daniel is a large Potter, and Whitmore a large Timber Merchant — the other Gentlemen who live in Town I presume you have a knowledge of — From such respectable recommendations I hope you will be please to present it and procure either my Pardon, or a Mitigation of sentence; in which case you will know how truly grateful I shall be, and in duty bound to ever pray for you — but if nothing else can be done, I shall consider myself particularly obliged if you will obtain me leave to transport my self to America or some other place which may be agreed upon. As you are acquainted with my Intention and Determination I shall leave my fate to your will and pleasure, being satisfied of your generosity and Humanity towards an unfortunate who has fallen a Victim to a set of designing Men. — I have sent you an Affidavit and a list of names, which I will any time you please confirm or call. and you may Depend that you shall find in me a Man of high Integrity and Honour in whatever I engage with you whether you render me any service or no.

Roberts

On reading the News Paper yesterday I found I want to R — he said what Taylor had said was perfectly right and that he might Implicate Mr Fletcher the Attorney and the Clerk in the Prison.

Falkland (as I said before) assisted him in his escape — and was afterwards with him in the Country, in order to procure Money to assist him off — R. was at Oxford about 9 Days previous to his being taken into Custody this time. —

FAS/1/186

I shall continue to give you every Information
relative to R - although he may not state everything
correct, in consequence of his having been once deceived.
— but if you want any particular question solved no
doubt but I can get him to do it.

I am Sir your most obedient

Humble Serv^t

J. J. Walker

Margate
Oct 13 - 1810

B. I shall consider myself particularly obliged
if you will present the Petition immediately, as there is
no certainty of the time when there will be a removal
of Transports from hence. If necessary I will give
Security for the fulfilment of any engagement I make with
you — or if you think proper to inquire into my Private
Character I will furnish you with persons of respectability &
repute &c. — My only fault is that of having been too
credulous in my connection with bad Men —
The Mr Kent my Prosecutor has said he will sign the Petⁿ
but he is at present at Cheltenham.

Mr. Hitchen

Joseph Kay's Esq^r

(S^r to the Bank of England)

Bank Buildings

William Hitchen formerly of Somers Town Merchant but
now a Prisoner in His Majesty's Gaol of Newgate Maketh
Oath and saith that the annexed is a true list of
persons who are in the constant habit of Counterfeiting
and circulating Notes of the Governor & Compt^y of the
Bank of England to a large amount. And this +
Deponent further saith he is heartily sorry and lamen-
greatly for having been connected with such Infamous
Characters and seeing the evil consequences which
will attend a continued association with such
diabolical Men, is fully determined and resolved
to absolute his ruinous connection with them. And
this Deponent further saith he will in future strictly
attend to the Interests of the Governors & Compt^y of the
Bank of England and use every effort in his power
to detect and bring to Justice all and every such
party, person, or persons as annexed whenever they
may transgress to the injury of the Governors & Compt^y
of the Bank to his knowledge as aforesaid. —
And this Deponent further saith from his great intimacy
and high confidence with the annexed deprecators
he has no doubt of being enabled to discover and
bring to Justice nearly the whole of them in a
short period after his enlargement — but in case
this Deponent should not be fortunate enough to
obtain his liberty, and is secured from leaving the
said Gaol of Newgate he this Deponent will then
furnish Mr Joseph Keys the Sol^r to the said
Governors & Compt^y of the Bank of England with
the address of the whole of the annexed persons and
as far as within his knowledge their plans and
dealings from time to time. And this Deponent
relying on the generosity of the Governors & Compt^y

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pledges himself to act in all things according to the wish and advice of the said Mr Joseph Kays who shall direct how and in what manner this Deponent shall proceed so as the annexed persons may the more speedily be brought to Justice.

Sworn before me

[Signature]

A Correct List of Persons who are in the constant habit of Counterfeiting and circulating Notes of the Governors and Comptrolers of the Bank of England as referred to in the Annexed Affidavit.

The names	Surnames	Surnames
Ellis -	Lee -	Jackson -
Hill -	Rock -	Adams -
Hall -	Pyper -	Rolls -
Dawson -	White -	Clecker -
Manley -	Le Roman -	Langley -
Allen -	Nelson -	Barreara -
Grayson -	George -	Brown -
Hough -	Watson -	Blacklin -
Schultz -	Scott -	Harle -
Donovon -	Donor -	Collins -
Bullock -	Brigora -	Jennings -
Kornor -	Seloman -	Thompson -
Harris -	Barkley -	Padan -
Shaw -	Walker -	Stendon -
Kownek -	Sealey -	Truman -
Smith -	Arbee -	Dale -
Chamberlain	Papclwith -	Bryant -
Roger -	Davey -	Powch -
Forbes -	Dean -	Sampson -
Taylor -	Whitehouse -	Mann -
Wells -	Booth -	Hell -
Hea -	Hite -	Low -
Oliver -	Phillips -	Hope -
Wash -	Patrick -	Geare -
Hayes -	Tracy -	Nephew -
Conlin -	Honshaw -	
Quig -	Smith -	
Cheesman -	Bradbury -	

Affidavit of
J^{ms} Fitcher

Muzgat ²⁰ 3 October 1810

Sir

The entire of the Money you
Were pleased to Give me is entirely
Expended and am Disturbed as I have
No friends in town not to Give me as much
as One Shilling therefore hopes your Honor
Will pleas. to Send me the Remaining part
Which is Two pounds Nineteen Shillings

Your Compliance will much Oblige your
Most Obedt. & Every Humble Servant
J. Davis

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30 Oct 1010
Bank
J^r. S. Davis

M^r. Hey Solicitor
of the Bank of
England

To the Honble Directors of the Bank of England

The Humble Petition of John Davis and John Douens now
Confin'd in Newgate for Six Months

Sheweth Your Petitioners were tried in September Sessions last past at the
Sessions House in Clerkenwell Green Before William Mainwaring
Esq; on a Charge of uttering one base Heller of the Similitude and Likeness
of the Dollars Issued by the Governor and Company of the Bank of England
Contrary to the Statute in that Case made and provided and having
Others of a Similair Kind found on their persons was found Guilty
Thereof and Sentanced as above

Your Petitioner bows down with Humble Submission to the Laws of this
Country and his Majestys Crown and Dignity that petitioner most
Humbly begs leave to observe that on their trial the Chairman William
Mainwaring Esq; ordered all the property taken from Petitioners to be
Returned to them that Petitioners would have asked Individually for
Each part of said property in Court were it not for the Implicit Confidence
the placed in the Solisitor for the prosecution who asented to the Order
Given in Court to petitioner by nodding his Head Petitioner took it for
Granted that Each and Every part of said property would be Returned
By said Solisitor after said trial was over but said Solisitor called on
Petitioners in Newgate and told them they must not Expect any more from him
than what he Received from the Constable who Originally took them into Custody
then said Solisitor paid your Petitioners six pounces ten Shillings deducting
Ten Shillings for two Dollars said to be uttered by Petitioners in Barnet being the
Metal said Solisitor Received leaving a Deficiency in some persons Wands of three
Pounces Eighteen Shillings and six pence taken at first from Petitioners and
A Pocket Book a silver pencil Case one Gault Breastpin and one new Silk
Handkerchief which Petitioners were prevented from asking for in Court in
Consequance of the aforesaid asent of said Solisitor

Your Petitioners therefore most Humbly Implore your Honours to be pleased
to take their Case into Consideration having no friends being reduced
to the utmost Distress and Obliged to endeavour to sustain nature
upon the prison allowance and Cause your Solicitor to force Said
Constable to bring forward as per Order of Court all Said remaining
Part of Said property Illegally detained from Petitioners or otherwise
your Honours Commiserate Petitioners Case and Grant them Such
Relief as in your Wisdom and Judgement Seems Meet and Petitioners
In Duty Bound will Ever pray

Your Petitioners Solmnly Declare
they raised in Victuals and Drunk
from said officer who first took them
into Custody but to the Value of
Five Shilling —

Petition of Downe
& Davis

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To the Hon^{ble}. Directors of the Bank of England

The humble Petition of John Davis and John Downes now
Confined in Newgate for Six months

Sheweth your Petitioners were tried in September Sessions last past at the
Sessions House in Clerkenwell Green Before William Maitland Esq^r. on a Charge of uttering one Base Dollar of the Similitude
and Likeness of the Dollars Issued by the Governor and Company
of the Bank of England contrary to the Statute in that Case made and
Revised and having others of a Similar Kind found on their Persons
Was found guilty thereof and Sentenced as above

Your Petitioners bow down with Humble Submission to the laws of their
Country and his Majestys Crown and Dignity that this is the
First offence Ever was laid to their Charge

That they now know the Magnitude of their offence and are Resolved
The Remaining part of their lives never to offend again but that
The Rectitude of their Conduct should in Some degree atone to
Society and the Injured laws of their Country

That your Petitioners Imprisonment has Reduced them to an Extreme of
Distress that they have no friends in England and all their Resources
are Spent

Therefore your petitioners most Humbly
Implores your Honours to Commiserate
their Miserable Situation and Grant them
Some Temporary Relief as in your Honours
Wisdom and Judgment seems meet and
Petitioners in Duty bound will Ever pray

John Davis
John Downes

Bank

Acct. of John Davis
& John Downes

Rejected

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500 5.7
1375 13 - 1746 7 2

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, possibly including a signature or name]

The Rt. Hon. the
Governor of the
Bank of
England.

15 May
Wants
J. M. P. P. P.

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No. 4 Fleet Market
May 15th 1811

Sir,
Yesterday sent a £1 Bank note, which was very much mutilated, to exchange at the Bank for another of the same value; but upon the return of the message he informed me, it was a forgery, that the Bank would not pay it, & produced a paper of which the following is a copy. (viz)

Investigators Office.

No. 3441 - dated 3 May 1811

Brought into the Bank the 14th day of May 1811

* * * Please to call between 9 and 3 o'clock

I confess I am very much surprised at this proceeding of the Bank towards those who, by their good faith of Bank Paper, should take the great quantities of notes of different denominations, which are issued from time to time; and the more so, at taking this note from an unfortunate Debtor, & stamping it as a forgery, thereby depriving me of the only means of recovering

H. Evans Printer,
The White Hart London.

recovering the amount from the person who paid it to me, who might not take the number of the note, but were it put again into his hands, might by some mark or conspicuity, recognise it, & enable him to know to whom he should return it, and by the same means it might be retraced from one to another, & in time, if forged, the delinquent might be discovered: for to suppose that every Farmer, Mechanic, Tradesman &c. should take the numbers of what small notes pass thro' his hands is as inconsistent, as that the Bank should usurp to itself a right to deprive me, of the possession of the only document, by which I am justified in making my claim on the person who paid me the note. Besides, the circumstance of your taking my note, and I must call it mine after having paid value for it, and placing your mark upon it, transfers the property to yourself, and for which I ought to be remunerated. So, I cannot conceive by what authority, right, or principle, any publick body of Men, have to seize upon the property of an individual, and retain that property without

without giving him an equivalent in return. Should ~~this~~ this plan be persisted in, it will prove, eventually, a dangerous instrument in the hands of those, who, by their good faith, have served to raise the Bank to that high credit it at present enjoys. However, I am so far from submitting to a tame surrender of my property, that unless I receive the note in question, or another note of the value of £1. I shall think myself justified in giving directions to my Solicitor to proceed against you in Trover for the same, and shall make this circumstance as publick as I can to prevent a similar occurrence happening again.

I am, with great respect

Truly
Your most obed^t serv^t
Jos. Palethorpe

The Rt. Hon. the
Governor of the
Bank of England.

Sir,

I am authorized by the Gov.^{ty} & Directors of the Bank to acknowledge the rec^t. of your Letter of the 15th inst, & to acquaint you that it is their Duty to retain the Possession of all forged Bank notes, ^{that come to the Bank in order} ~~that~~ ~~that~~ ~~means~~ to put a stop to the ^{furth^r} circulation of them. - If you require the production of the Note you refer to, for the purpose of enabling you to enforce Payment of the Amount from the Person you mention, upon application to the Bank a Clerk will be directed to attend with it, but it cannot be delivered up to you. - Upon reflection it must occur to you that ~~within~~

you ^{cannot} ~~on any other person~~ can have a property in a
forged Instrument, & if you should ^{think} ~~think~~
fit to bring an action against the Bank ^{for the purpose} ~~of you~~
~~state, it will be resisted,~~ & consequently cannot
be entitled to call for the debt ^{that is due} ~~of it~~ from the Bank,
~~whose obligation~~

I am, Sir,
Yr. mt. obedt. Servant.

New Bank Buildings,
17 May 1811

W. Joseph Paley,
No. 9 Fleet Street

17 May 1811

Bank

To Mr. Jos. Palethorpe

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INVESTIGATORS OFFICE.

£1 N^o 3441 dated 3 May 1800

BROUGHT into the BANK the 14 Day of May 1800

•• Please to call between 9 and 3 o'Clock.

Fleet Prison June 15th 11

Sir,

On the 11th ulto. I sent a £1 note, to the Bank, in a mutilated state, and, I received for answer, by the Messenger, that the same was a forgery, and, of course that the Bank would not pay it. I waited for some time in expectation of an answer to a letter which I had written to the Rt Hon^{ble} the Governor on the 13th of the said month, but, not hearing from him, I wrote twice to the Clerk of the Investigators' office, who sent me a verbal answer that I must write to the person who paid me the note in question, and, he must trace it to the person who paid him &c. to the intent, that should the bill be a forgery, the person who made it might be discovered. The Bank however thought fit to detain the note I sent (no 344), and my friend says he has no recollection of the note so far as relates to the knowledge of the person of whom he took it; and desired me to return the said note to him that he may by some means recognize the note to be the identical one sent by him; & as by the above reason of the Bank I am not permitted to do so, I have to inform you that if the
note

note be not given up by the Bank & a £1 note paid me
in lieu thereof I shall upon receipt of your answer
take out a summons against the Rt. Honble the Govern^r
to cause the restitution of my property to be made.

It is extremely hard that an unfortunate debtor should
be taken advantage of - I took the note in question
on the good faith of the Bank not on the good faith of
the man who paid it to me; for, had that ^{later} been the
case I might as well at once have taken a piece of
brown paper. I am extremely sorry, Sir, to trespass
upon your time, and, praying your speedy ans^r.
I beg to assure you that I am, with great respect

Sir,

Your most obedient

Joseph Palethorpe

(* to bring him before the Lord Mayor.)

To - Wint^r 1754
Sol^r. to the Bank



— Winter Exp^{ts}
 Sol^d. to the Bank
 of England St. Swithin's Lane,
 London.

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~~Mr. Peckham~~
 in

15 June 1811
 Bank

Sir,

If you or some other Gentleman
in whom you can place confidence
will call on me, I can be of service
and make some Discoveries Beneficial
to the Bank &c. with respect to passing
Notes &c. I should have called personally
but have been disappointed of settling my
Action, I am Sir with due respect



Your Obedt^t
M^t Serv^t
L. Cooper

Marshalsea Prison
15th Oct^r 1810

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Mr. Freshfield, Sol^r
~~Mr. Freshfield, Sol^r~~
Taken home yard



15 Oct 1810
Bank
Mr. G. Cooper

of any of the above ment^d persons, they all having
at different times pers^d him to purchase of them
and become one of their Trade.

Woct 1860

Bank

Inform: of Charles
Cooker

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Retribution Hallk. 7 Dec 1809

Dear Sir

It is a painful Subject which I have made bold to trouble you with a few Lines upon, trusting you will have the Kindness, to excuse the Liberty I have taken. The Circumstances of my Misfortune you are already acquainted with, therefore it needs no Comment here, allow me now to supplicate your kind Interference on my behalf, to enable me to procure the privilege to banish myself with my Family for life to America, where I have Friends who will be happy to receive me and them, until I shall be able to provide for them, by my own Industry which shall not be spared

Not doubting you will recollect having assured me and my wife that you would not overlook my desperate Situation, I have made bold thro' these means to remind you the Length of Time I have now been in

Confinement, experiencing the most severe
Hardships, and bereft full the Necessaries
of life - I earnestly hope you will use
your Interest with the "Gov^r" of the Bank of
England, to induce them to grant me this
indulgence, the completion of which will
restore me to the greatest benefit, at the
same time fulfill the Sentence of the Law
upwards of two years Confinement will
surely operate on their generosity and soft-
ten their Sentiments towards my Misfortune
to receive a Line from you acknowledg-
ing the Receipt of these few Lines will
confer on me a serious Obligation, and
which I remain Confident you will not
withhold, allow me Hon^d Sir

Wth subscribe myself

Your M^o Hum^d Serv^t

Tho^s Swarbrick

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Worthy Sir

Mr Lloyd

March 19 1810

I trust my unfortunate situation will aspligeize
 for my Woudness in Writing you knowing that it
 lies in your power to help me in my unfortunate
 Condition I trust in god that you of your goodness
 Will Speake to Mr Prescott in my behalf to Disire
 him to Give me a petishon for liberty to transport
 my self out of the Country for the space of my Sentence
 as I have a friend in america where I could live happy
 the rest of my life that god permits me to live
 Sir my situation here is bad but it is not my
 Punishment here that makes mee Repine it is
 the Loss of my poor wife and Children that I must
 look on my Distress with an Eye of pity I Beg for
 Christ sake and I hope you will not to remain in this
 Where I am in Danger of loosing Soul and Body
 I am amongst 500 of the worst of men and hear
 nothing but Blaspheming of Gods good name when I am
 offering up my prayers to god for my sins there is
 nothing but Cursing and Swearing all a round me
 and if I could get out of the Country I could in time
 Get my wife & Children to mee a gain and strive to
 bring them up in the love and fear of the lord
 that we might save our souls a live
 my Wife will wait on you with this letter
 and the lord grant I may find favour in your
 good resp and shall be in Duty Ever Bound
 to pray for you &c
 your humblest
 Wm Manister

Mistake

Nancy Banister

Hempshaw Lane
Stockport

Cheshire

PL. IN. AFTER
SIX O'CLOCK AT NIGHT.



825/1198

Dear Sir

London 26 May
518

I enclose you have the letters
I spoke to you about when in
Westminster Hall and am

Yours very obedt. Servt.

John

8 Norfolk St Strand



9.3 Clock
28+MY
1810 N111

J. W. Freshfield Esq^r

Kaye & Freshfield

Solic^r to the Bank of Eng^d

Tokenhouse Yard

Fas 11/199

26 May 1810
Bank
from Mr Kaye

Retribution Hulk, Woolwich
23rd March 1810

Sir / The general Character which you bear for
Humanity and benevolence encourages me to hope that
you will not only pardon my giving you this trouble, but
also comply with the request I am about respectfully to
make. Having as you will be pleased to recollect been
sentenced to the House of Transportation for having forged
Bank Notes in my profession, I have been since that
period (last July) confined on board this Ship, where
my sufferings are very great, both of Body and Mind.
As the nature of my Offence, for which I feel the
utmost contrition, admits not the least hope of any
mitigation of my afflicting sentence, and as I feel
I cannot possibly long survive the miseries pecuniary
to this horrid receptacle of the Guilty and the
unfortunate, my only wish is that I may be speedily
sent abroad, pursuant to the tenor of my sentence,
hoping that I may in that distant Clime by a Life
of Probitude and Industry obliterate the stigma I
have unhappily incurred, and in time retrieve that
fair

fair Character I once possessed in Society - I have heard
it rumoured that a Ship is actually taken up for the
purpose of conveying Prisoners to New South Wales, in
the course of the ensuing Summer - Should that be the
Fact, I most humbly entreat that you will in pity
to my present sufferings, be pleased to use your
Interest in the proper Channel, that it may be included
in the Number - Knowing the confidential nature of
your situation, as to the Concerns of the Bank of
England, and having no Friend to whom I can with
propriety apply, I have presumed to address you, and
earnestly hope that you will condescend to comply with
my prayer - As my anxiety on this head will continue
to increase commensurate with my protracted sufferings,
I have further to solicit the favour of a line in answer
to this Letter, addressed as above, intimating whether
I may hope for a compliance with my wishes,.

I beg leave to remain
with the greatest respect

Sir

Your most humble
but unhappy servant

John Bellairs..



23 March 1810

Bank
from Mr John Bellamy

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Bank of England
London

Delivered to the
Messrs

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MR 25
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Retribution Hulk, Woolwich
9th May 1810.

Sir I beg leave to express my heartfelt gratitude for your kind attention to my application, and for the hopes you give me of ultimate success in your favor of the 27th March - After the assurance therein contained, I should fear you would think me presumptuous in again requesting your interference in my behalf, did I not trust that the anxiety of mind so natural to one in my unhappy situation, would plead my excuse - As the time of the Ship's sailing for New South Wales, according to every report, is fast approaching, and knowing the multiplicity of similar applications which will no doubt be made at the Secretary of State's Office, I am fearful that mine may be overlooked, and therefore most respectfully beg that you will be so kind to take the necessary steps in order that my name may be included in the List which I am informed will be very shortly transmitted to the Captain of this Ship -

I have also, Sir, to intreat your indulgence on another point, in which without your kind assistance, I feel myself incompetent to proceed - I have been given to understand that in certain Cases bearing a similarity to mine, the Directors of the Bank have, with their characteristic humanity, generously bestowed on those persons, Consisted at their Instance, a small sum of Money towards so alleviating the miseries of their banishment, and to enable them to provide for their necessities on arriving at their place

of destination - I therefore with the greatest deference and submission, request that you will if such a practice is not unpardonable, plead with the Honorable Company, that this their Bounty may be extended to me - as I labor under great privations, and am unprovided with the smallest matter for my future comfort - I beg leave to repeat my apology for this trouble, and am, Sir, with the greatest respect

Your most obedient
and obliged humble servant
John Bellairs &c

J. B. Westwood Esq



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J. B. Westwood Esq:

Solicitor to the

Bank of England

London



By John Bellamy

Bank
of England

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On Board the Indian - Graveyard June 10th 1810

Gentlemen

In presuming the liberty of addressing you I can only appeal to your kindness trusting you will be pleased to pardon the same

The purpose of which is to acquaint you that I am on board this Ship bound for New South Wales in consequence of my conviction for uttering forged Bank of England Bills. I do not presume to offer any thing in vindication of my offence but with heartfelt sorrow and contrition bow down to the offended Laws of my Country, at the same time acknowledge the justice of my sentence, and humbly hope that if there is any acknowledgment made in consequence of my leaving the Country for the same, that you will have the goodness to remit the same to me or to Capt. Boulay of this Ship) and address the letter on receipt of this to Portsmouth or elsewhere — I remain

Gentlemen

Your Most Obedt.

and very humble Serv^t.

John Bellairs

Monday Co. S.

10 June 1870



GRAVESEND
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Messrs Messers & Coys
Messrs The General Post Office
Lombard St
London

18 June 1810

10 June 1810
Bank
Messrs Messers & Coys

Ms 11/202

Indian, Transport - Spithead

13th July 1810

Sir

I rely on your humanity and goodness for pardoning my ones now troubling you, to crave your kind interference in my behalf - Being now on the point of leaving my Native Country, probably never to return, and being destitute of Money, Clothes and every other necessary for my present or future Comfort, I have no hope but from your known goodness of heart of which I have had such repeated proofs - About 4 Weeks ago Sir, I took the Liberty of addressing you from on board the Retribution, respectfully entreatng you to submit to the Directors of the Bank, my humble request that they would be graciously pleas'd (as I understood had been done in former instances to persons convicted at their trial) to extend some little pecuniary relief to me, on my approaching departure, as the means whereby I might, with prudence and Industry make some provision for my future wants on arriving at my place of Destination - Not having been favour'd with an answer, I conceive it probable my Letter might not have come to hand - I now most humbly beg leave to solicit your Interest in my favor on that head, and hope it will not be thought a presumptuous or unprecedented request. I now Sir have to intreat your Charitable aid on another subject of the utmost importance to me in my unfortunate situation - At the time of my Conviction I was possess'd of a tolerable Stock of Clothes, which were consign'd to the care of a Mr. Nash,

Nash, to George Ford, Whitechapel. - On my removal
to this ship and subsequently I have repeatedly written
to him, requesting that he would convey them to me
without delay. A few days ago I received a decisive
answer from Mr. F. informing me, to my utter astonish-
ment "that my clothes were pledged, and if I wished
to have them, I might send the money for their
redemption." Dearest Sir, I have no friend to whom
I can apply to obtain my redress, therefore as I am
confident you are an enemy to oppression and injustice
of every kind, and that to your liberal mind, the
pleasure of doing a good action in favor of a dis-
tressed object like myself will be its own reward,
I most humbly implore that you will be pleased
to take such steps as your superior judgment
may dictate, to enforce the restoration of my
clothes which are of such important consequence
to me. We expect to sail in the course of 10 or
12 days, I therefore take the liberty of hoping
that you will with all convenient speed, do me
the above essential favor, for which as well as all
favors now received at your hands, I shall
ever feel the most grateful sentiments,

and am, Sir,
with the highest respect
Your most obedient
and very humble Servant

J. B. Westwood Esq^r

John Bellars.

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J. B. Westwood Esq.^r
Solicitor to the
Bank of England
London¹⁰

10 July 1810
Bank
of
England

10 July 1810

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Retribution, Galk Woolwich Oct 3

Sir in consequence of me writing to you this is to inform you
that I should much ^{right} to see you to have a little talk concerning
some questions that was asked me by Mr Christmas an
and some other friends in Bedford and as there is a ship
as I am informed to sail to see South Wales to take away
prisoners from England I thus inform that by coming
or sending any person you think well to speak to me
as a friend ^{soon} very it shall be for the good of many at
large I am your most Obedient humble St

Robert George



30 Oct 1810

Robt. George

12 O'CLOCK
NO. 5.
1510 NII

To Mr Henry Glaze

Bank of England

London

No
Notice of
Minutes

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St. Ivelen - Nov 8 1810

Sir I again take the opportunity to inform you that in
Consequence of the late War I was taken you as I expected
to have seen some of your people belonging to your
Conventions respecting my Confinement. Considering my
heavy sentence pass'd on me at Bedford the last of
last August for uttering or tendering Dow, a note as
knowing it to be a bad one tho' not it in payment
being intoxicated with liquor on my return from Scotland
on Friday the sixteenth of February all this I have had
the sentence pass'd on me according to law for the
term of fourteen years its in your power to
make an alteration respecting of that business
I own that I have done very little mischief that you
think I am deserving of what I have pass'd on me
I will bear it with the greatest patience that man
can do now Sir if you think well to endeavour to
me this favour I will open your eyes more than you
by any means can imagine I am thoroly convinced that
that uncharitable Conventions ought not to be continued
and by what I have to say to you that if you will
kindly bind your selves in a bond to liberate me from
the sentence pass'd on me I will satisfy you in every
respect to the best of my knowledge as with much
surprise every reader I am your most Obedient
humble St. Robert George

5 Nov 1710

Bank
fr. Rob. George



Sir
Mr Henry Hase

Bank of England

London

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Newgate July 2^d 1712

How Sir y^e humbly hope you will
not bee offend'd with ^{this} your unhappy
petitioner, has it is a wife & daughter
of a male who was condemn'd on the 13th
of July 1711 on a charge of uttering a one
pound spongiar Note my husband was
condemn'd with the same time for a
similar offence and sent to the
jails transportation and had been sent
away some months ago myself I was
rob'd the year of my Nativall life and
a bad state of health prevents mee from
being sent also but was left within
these walls with out a friend to assist
mee or commiserate my unhappy
Case with the same time with
Labouring under severall Complaints
Decord

incomprehensible by the proximity under those
circumstances together with extreme
Droughts hope you will consider me ^{an object}
of compassion and be humbly pleased
to extend that generosity to free as you
have formerly done to importunate in my
situation in what manner or as small
as shall meet your approbation will
be thankfully and gratefully received
by your ^{very} humble servant

Elizabeth Leach

Had I given wish to add it is not in
my power to inform you where those
Fictitious Notes come from nor if I
could I would readily do it for the
abolition of such & infamous practices
but my husband Nedra would tell
me where he had them from or
who made them

21 Sept. 1812
Bank

fm Elizth Leach

To The Governor and Company of the
Bank of England.

The Petition of Elizabeth Leach, a
Convict in His Majesty's Gaol of
^{under Sentence of Transportation}
Newgate for the term of her
Natural Life.

Most Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner, driven to the greatest
misery and absolute want, her Husband and Sister from
whom she derived some little support Barish'd, arriv'd
to a Twelve Months Imprisonment, and a very long
and continued illness, with neither friends or Relations
to render her the smallest assistance, again certifies
to humbly Implore your generous pity and Commiseration
of your Petitioner's truly deplorable Situation, that you
will be graciously pleas'd to grant her such temporary, or
other Relief, as to your humane Minds may seem
most Just—

And your humble Petitioner as
in Duty bound will ever pray
Elizabeth Leach

Newgate
21. July 1812

F25/1/207

To The Governor and
Company of the Bank
of England—

The Petition of Elizabeth
Leach a Quaker in His
Majesty's Goal of Newgate
under Sentence of Transportation
for the term of her Natural
Life

11th petition rejected
21st Aug. 1811.

10 April 1812

Gentlemen

Having been unfortunately led astray
by bad Company & having been convicted of a Crime
for which I sincerely repent & wishing to atone for my
past misconduct I am desirous of making a discovery
relative to the vendors of Forged Notes but in making
that discovery I do hope may I expect that you Gen-
tlemen will interest yourselves in getting my sentence
mitigated ^{procure} or my enlargement on my making myself a
voluntary Exile and by industry to endeavour to return
to a virtuous life and by so doing retrieve my lost
Character I may become once more a usefull member
in Society - I am Gentlemen with much Respect -

Horsemonger Lane -
Goal -
Your Obedient and very Humble
Servant -
To the Directors of the Bank of England W^m Nicks -

10th Sep^r 1811

fm Wm. Wicks
to The Bank

F25/1/208

Bank

Retribution Woolwich 13 Septem^r 1812

Sir's

I hope your goodness will forgive the liberty I now take in addressing you — I am an unfortunate man fallen a victim to the laws of my country — and cannot but acknowledge the justice of my Conviction — My sincere and unfeigned Contrition is the only atonement I can make, but I fear my crime is of such a magnitude that it cannot be pardoned, and as I have a poor distressed wife, and three Children, whom must in the event of my Banishment become a Burthen on my Parish, I humbly beg to solicit your aid and attention to my case

I hope Gentlemen it may not be inconsistent for me to intreat you will interfere for me that my wife and three healthy Children may be sent to New South Wales in the first Ship with me — it would not only render me happy, but relieve the Parish of a very heavy expence, and they would become useful to Government

You will I hope sympathise with me in this trying and unhappy case, and render me the necessary Assistance that may be in your power, to obtain the desired Object — And if you would be kind enough

Yours Humble Servant

to extend your charitable hands towards me, bearing me
a little pecuniary help, I should be ever bound to pray
for you — I am inform'd that a Ship is now lying
at Blackwall nearly ready to sail for that Colony, as such
I hope your worthy Gentlemen allow me to crave your
early attention to this my humble Letter, which would
ever be in my remembrance, and acknowledg'd with
gratitude — I should your Gentlemen be extremely glad
and my mind easy if you would condescend to favor me
with a reply — and remain respectfully

Yours most obed^t

Highly oblig'd Servant
John Smith

Mess^{rs} G. & J. H^o
(Solicitors)

Bank

London

F25/1/209

13th Oct. 1872
for
the month

Redeemtown Woolwich Kent 2nd Septem^r
1814

Mess^{rs} Kay & Co

Gentlemen

I take the liberty of writing to you on the subject of my deplorable condition which I hope you will be kind enough to excuse

I am Sir's fallen into this sink of iniquity, yet the punishment I cannot but acknowledge to be just, but the heart rending pains for the welfare of my poor dear family is a burthen my nature can scarcely support

I have a wife and three small children without every means of support - my property is consumed and nothing but poverty and distress stare them in the face

Believe me Sir this is a painful task, nor should I presume the liberty had you not extended your kindness already towards me and your philanthropy so universally known

I feel Gentlemen my crime to be of such a magnitude that it's not likely any thing should be done for me in this country, (notwithstanding I pledge this to be my only error) and as I am inform'd there is a draft shortly expected to be sent to New South Wales, I humbly intreat your influence to send me in the first ship, so that I

may by my Industry be enabled to send my Dear wife and
children a little Support, but while I am confined here
it is impossible, nor can I but feel a continual decay of
health and strength, this I hope may induce you to comply
with my humble Solicitation, and if you would be pleased
to let your charity reach me, so that I may be enabled
to purchase a few necessaries for this Voyage, and the immedia
wants of my poor suffering family be relieved, I should be
bound in all the ties of love and gratitude to pray for
you to the latest moment of my life

I'll not trespass longer but to beg you
will condescend to favour me with an answer to this my
humble Letter, which I shall ever hold gratefully in
remembrance

I am Gentlemen

very respectfully

Your most humble
and highly obliged Servant

Wm. Middleton

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Messrs. Lay & Co

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Solicitors

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2 Sept. 1812
Bank

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Newgate Dec: 3rd 1812

Honoured Sir

I hope you will excuse the Liberty
I have taken if you will be so kind to inform the
worthy Gentlemen of my Distressed situation having my
Husband taken from me and has left me without any
assistance with Two small Children and in the family
way now and have not one Friend in the World to give
me any Assistance hope your Goodness will Consider
my Distress as I am under the Sentence of Transportation
and expect to go away very shortly and owing to our
Misfortune we have made away with the whole of
our Cloathes I hope the Worthy Gentlemen will
take in Consideration the Distress of the Unfortunate
Wife of Thomas Stales who was found Guilty in November
for uttering at one Round forged Note and having
one in his Possession that was also forged the smallest
assistance the Gentlemen will Render I shall be for
ever Bound to pray for them as I never expect to see
my Husband any more.

your Humble Servant

Elizabeth Mossie

Dec. 5. 1712

Bank

for Eliz^h Morris

To the Honourable the
Directors of the Bank
of England

F25/1/211

The Subject of my wretched and
To Mess^{rs} Freshfield and Kay

the humble petition of Catharine Watson now in noigated
Morder Sentenced of transportation for the term of 14 years

Sheweth that your petitioner returns her most gratefull thanks
to the gentlemen of the Bank for the leniency shewed her
in admitting her to plead guilty to the minor offence of having
Forged Notes in her possession in October Sessions last past
At the Sessions House in the Old Bailey

That your petitioner has two Small Helpless Infant Children
Whom hitherto since her conviction, She endeavoured
to Support without craving any other assistance than
Her own Means, but that now all her own resources were
cut She most Humbly Implores that the gentlemen of the
Bank will take her distressed case into consideration
And grant her such pecuniary aid as in their wisdom
and judgement seems meet And petitioner in duty bound
Will ever pray &c

Led
Catharine Watson
W^{ch}



Messrs. Freshfield and May
Bank Solicitors
Bank Buildings
Lombury

John Watson

To be allowed
7/6 per Week
during her stay
in Newgate.

Exhibitors, Woolwich Road
11th February 1813.

Gentlemen,

I now assume the liberty of
addressing you, with this Letter on
the subject of my wretched and
most melancholy condition, which
liberty I trust the goodness of your
hearts will forgive;

It is now upwards of six
Months, since I most unfortunately
offended the Laws of my Country,
and was justly sentenced to fourteen
Years Transportation for the same;

The variety of miseries surround-
ing and pressing upon me, are more
than I can describe, my pen is un-
equal to the task of representing
the true Character of this horrible
place;

Messrs Kay & Co
Solrs
Bank

I am

In short my Life is truly wretched
and would be insupportable, but that
a gleam of hope from your benevolent
interference bears me up;

When I consider the goodness
and generosity of your hearts (susceptible
of the feelings of humanity) I cannot
but hope you will forgive this intrusion,
and intercede for me in any way your
wisdom may deem meet; Should you
condescend, and make application on
my behalf with the Governor, and the
Board of Directors of the Bank of England
towards relieving my poor distressed
Wife and Three Children, who are at
this time, labouring under the most
poignant feelings ^{of poverty} and distress, being
without protection, without support,
wounds me to the heart, but my
sorrow can avail none;

You Gentlemen are aware of
the unfortunate circumstance that led
me here, therefore I need not trouble
you with a detail of the event,

That I now presume to do is, to lay my
Sufferings before you, humbly supplicating
your kind Aid and Assistance towards re-
solving my distempers, - Should you further
intereste for me, and procure me a little
Money from the Bank, towards assisting
my poor distressed Wife and Children,
whom I am afraid I shall never see more,
when Crosted for New South Wales, which
I daily expect, I most humbly beg leave to
say that I shall bear the same in my
Memory to the latest moment of my Life,
and ever acknowledge the same with
utmost gratitude; -

I therefore humbly hope you will
condescend and give me a Line,

And have the honor to be

Gentleman -

Your most Obedt^h Serv^t

John Smith

References -

Mrs. Glover's
Bank.

whom I have no doubt
will satisfy you respecting me;



Messrs. Kay, French, Gold & Co.
Solicitors

Bank

Two Pypost.
Unpaid
Chelsea CO.

F25/1/213

J. P. Smith
Receiver



Retribution Woolwich 10. Feby 1813

Gentlemen

I trouble you with another letter, and doubt not but you will allow my very wretched and distressed case to be sufficient apology more especially when I inform you that my poor unhappy wife is hourly expecting to be put to Bed — her case as well as mine I assure you to be the most miserable, it is not in the power of my pen to describe it, nor can the heart of man conceive it, — those dire circumstances have given me the assurance of writing to you, humbly supplicating your sympathy

I have Gentlemen in my former letter acknowledged with sorrow the enormity of my Crime, which I shall repent to the last hour of my life — I have followed that imprudent step but only in the event for which I am suffering, and what little I had saved from my honest industry is now brought to nothing. In this very wretched state I almost daily expect to be removed to a Ship Board for New South Wales, and leave my Dear wife without the necessaries of life, not even the smallest comfort or supports, in her present dangerous state

May I therefore Gentlemen beseech you to lend your merciful ear to my prayer

and extends to me and my Dear Wife a little relief
which Heaven certainly will repay you

It is unnecessary for me to
trespass longer on you, therefore I beg leave to
subscribe myself with all possible Submission and
respect (Holding most gratefully in remembrance
your kind Condescension in the particular)

Gentlemen

Your most humble
and devoted Servant

W^m Middleton

P.S. My poor wife is now
a Burthen on the Parish of
Limehouse as also are my three
Dear Children

Retribution Woolwich St. Jan^{ry} 1813.

Sir

When I consider how universal your goodness and Philanthropy is known, I cannot but hope you will forgive the liberty I have presumed to take.

My case Sir I trust have not been aggravated by any thing perverse in me, I was conscious of my guilt, and not willing to put you to the expence and trouble of a prosecution, but pleaded guilty, and trust that you will thereby shew me a little lenity and mercy — I have prepared a petition address'd to the Right Hon^{ble} Lord Viscount Sidmouth setting forth my case, praying Clemency may be extended me, which Petition I humbly beg to send you herewith for the favor of your Signature and Support — In the event of my being sent to New South Wales — I shall leave an only Child 12 years of age without a friend — the very idea of which has induc'd me to become thus troublesome, trusting no other apology is necessary — You Sir, as an Husband — Parent — and friend, can have some idea of the state of my unhappy mind, therefore I hope you will not withhold your kindness from me but in mercy to my Dear Child condescend to promote the prayer of my petition to the utmost of your power, which I should ever hold gratefully in remembrance and acknowledge with thanks —

I am with every sentiment of respect and obedience

Sir,

Your most humble

& highly obliged Servant
John George Hearson

P.S. I had forgotten to refer
you Sir to John Lee's Esq^r
one of the investigators at the
Bank — that Gentleman has
known me and my Conduct some
time and I have no doubt his
testimony will be what you wish

William Manning Esq^r

William. Manning Esq^r

rejected

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10 Jan 1770
Bank
of Wm Manning Esq^r
King Street London

To the Right Honourable Lord,
Viscount Sidmouth Secretary of
State for the home department &c &c

The humble Petition of John
George Hearson and Hannah Hearson his Wife
under sentence of Transportation.

Sheweth,

That your Lordships petitioners were
indicted at the last October Sessions held at the Old Bailey for
having in their possession, forged Bank Notes, purporting to be
the property of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England
— To which indictment they pleaded guilty and were sentenced to
be transported during fourteen years, by Sir John Sylvester

That your Lordships petitioners
are most unfortunately fallen into the most miserable and
wretched of all conditions, whom with great humility begs
leave to bring the particulars of their case to your Lordships view
— That they were indicted, and arraigned for having in their
possession the said fabricated notes — That no other Bills
could be found — And that they were induced to plead guilty to
avoid the trouble and expence of a prosecution, trusting in
your Lordships humanity and goodness for mitigation of
punishment — Those things they pray may come under
your Lordships consideration, and render your petitioners worthy
your Lordships sympathy

Further your Lordships
petitioners begs leave to observe, that should their case be
thought improper to be relieved by an extension of the Royal
Mercy towards them, they pray your Lordship to send them
together in the first Ship for New South Wales, and that
their Daughter, 12 years of Age, their only surviving
offspring may be allowed to go with them, whom from
your petitioners Conviction is without every means of
maintainance — Support — and Protection — A
Child, an Orphan without a parent, a friend — property

and Education, must be wholly dependant on the bounty
of a generous public — What reflections for a parent
doom'd to perpetual Banishment? Horror not to be
described, nor scarcely endured, when considered how
very narrow is the thorny path of Virtue and morality,
It would be too presuming in your petitioners to expatiate
on this most unhappy business, therefore they with all
possible Reverence — Loyalty and obedience prostrate
themselves at your Lordships feet, praying most humbly
Your Lordship to commiserate their case.

May it therefore please your Lordships
to take this their humble Petition into your
humane consideration, and in your goodness
and mercy grant them such relief as in
your Lordships wisdom may be deem'd meet
and your Lordships Petitioners will most
humbly as in duty bound ever pray &c &c &c.

John George Hearson
Hannah Hearson

Petition Woolwich
the
16. January 1813.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord
Viscount Sidmouth Secretary
of State for the Home
Department &c &c

The humble Petition of
John George Hearson
and
Hannah Hearson
January 16th 1813.

f25/1a16

To the hon^{ble} Directors of the Bank of England
the humble petition of Hannah Pearson

Sheweth, your petitioners were indicted in Feb^r Sessions last past
for having some forged notes, in her possession purporting
to be those of the Governor and Company of the Bank of
England, to which Indictment your petitioners being truly
contritious and sensible of the truth of the Said Charge pleaded
guilty and was sentenced 14 years transportation,

Yours Petitioner most humbly begs leave to observe
that she fully admits her guilt and the goodness of her
Sentence, that the length of time she has been confined has
reduced her to Distress, what Money she had being
exhausted in the maintenance of her and her Daughters
In consequence of the usual goodness and Humanity of
the Gentlemen of the Bank to relieve the Distressed

Yours

Petitioner Implores that they might take her
Case into Consideration and grant her such
temporary relief as in their wisdom and
Judgement seems meet and petitioners in duty
bound will ever Pray &c. &c.

for
Hannah X Pearson
Mark

14th Feb^r 1813

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W. Pitt

9
Messrs Freshfield, Anderson & Co
Bank Solicitors
Bank Buildings
Leithway



John Pitt
Warrington

Rehibition Huth Woodcut Nov 24
1812

Cont^o.

It is with all deference entrusted on you
the following statement.

I have enclosed a Letter to
Ind Sidmouth a Letter, developing the
Making forged Bank of England Notes
a custom, carried on as common as any
Trade - in the most humble and obscure
place, in Birmingham -

I have also communitated
that the said notes, are bought, and pass
as are bad Shillings - at the following
different Pries - The best cost 12 s the poor
note - 8 s - the pound and 6 s -

Cox who keeps the Civil Street Coffee
House in the Strand - has for years been
in the habit of passing them to 200 3 l
amount every day -

If he was attended by
a person unknown to him in a decent
appearance - two or three Visits to Dinner
and changing Notes each time, would
lead to his detection, and when so done
a search Warrant no doubt would find

his Boards - I have this intelligence from
a person who has been connected with
him in the trade for years -

You will therefore Gentlemen
take such methods as may seem most
expedient to put a stop to the system
further particulars of other transactions
will be sent hereafter

Yours Gentl^y

Yrs very obt^d

most humble serv^t

Richard Andrews

You must be aware, the utmost caution
is necessary in respect to this information
and in respect to the party who gives
it, as the betraying it might cost him
his life.

A Nov 1012
Bank
from
Richard Andrews



To the Governor of the
Bank of England
London

pas 11218

NO. 2
1812

1812

Sir
I beg you'd deliver the enclosed
to one of the Governors of the Bank
as soon as possible

I am Sir
Y^r most Obedt
Hble Servt
R. Andrews

Rehibition
Woolwich Kent
Nov^r 4th 1812

NO. 2
1812

... in haste in preference I am Sir
... 16. 1812

12 o'clock
NO. 5

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Robert Best Esq
Secretary to the Bank
of England London

4 Nov 1812
Bank
for Dr. Anderson

UN 511

1812/11/19

Sept. 7. the 12th

Sir

13
if the Gentlemen of the Bank think
that they ^{can} make any use of the information I can
give them of the House of call for Paper that paper
is ⁱⁿ the notes and Dollars &c with the name of the
Person who sells them also his hours of attendance
at the said House I can also mention another
Person who I believe to be of Richmond Party
I know the street he lives but not the House or
Number Sir I hope if the Gentlemen of the Bank
think the aforesaid will be of service that they
will offer some conditions of pardon to me

I should not wish any Paper to be sent to me
as there is a doubt that I have informed already
therefore my life would be in danger I should
wish to write in Preference I am Sir
with Humble Respects
Very Humble
W. S. Wynnham

Westwood Esq^r &c

Bank of England
Birmingham

1818

For 1000

who is a ...

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I have received your Letter & shall be ready to receive any communication you may give on the subject but no promise can be made to you as the inducement for you to give the information

I am to

New York
12 Feb^y 1812

Mr. Livingston
Fulton Lane
New York

12 Feb. 1810

Bank

To Mr. Heningham

F25/1/221

Bank

Wednesday 19 Feb 1812.

Wednesday 19 Feb 1812.

Michael Lamb a Prisoner in New Prison Clerken
well says that he rec^d the Fleet Notes
from his wife's brother in law, Isaac
Noonan No 26 Charlotte St Curtain Road
who is a large dealer in Bank of England
Notes &c

Mrs Rogers lodges at a Green Grocers in Old St
a dealer.

James Wheeler Uses the horeover & Bear & Ragged
Staff White & St. always goes armed.

Lamb states that if he was at liberty
he could deal with all the Party.

Bank
Information of
Mr Lamb
Feb 7: 19th

F25/1 222

Wednesday 19 Feb 1812.

Geo^r Payce a Smith 39 Saffron Hill now a
Prisoner in Cold Bath Fields.

States that Burgin Lingerhead baker
Old St. is a dealer in Bank Notes &c.

A man who lives in Bridgewater Gardens
I think his sign is a Dealer. dont know
his name. And that several other Persons
he could deal with if he were at liberty.

Bank
Information of
Geo^e Payce -

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F25/1/222

