



On Board the Retribution Hulk  
Woolwich 28<sup>th</sup> June 1813

Sir,

In the latter end of last week I saw Mr. Charles Friend, he informed me that he had used his utmost endeavours to accomplish the business I promised should be done with Taverner, and has had several meetings with him on the subject, and I am sorry to say has never been able to do any thing with him, indeed I fear he has been put up to it, and seems to fight very shy - had I have been at my liberty, he would not have been so cautious, and I am sure I could have accomplished it - However as the prospect of ever accomplishing it appears very doubtful; and as there is a ship in all probability will be in readiness for the Bay in three or four weeks at most, and if there can nothing be done for me so as I may obtain my liberty, I would by all means <sup>wish</sup> to go

to the Bay in the first ship, and not remain any longer in this situation, I believe the most abominable place on Earth —

I have also to pray of you as a particular favor, that Interest might be made with Lord Sidmouth, to permit Mrs. Chrisford to go to the Bay also, as we have no child or any other incumbrance, and I am informed that His Lordship is rather favorable for Women's going with their Husbands than otherwise. —

My friend is to see Taverner in two or three weeks again on the subject, but I fear it will be to no effect, however what can be done in the business, will be done. —

and remaining longer in suspense waiting for another ship is certainly what I do not wish, and as I have used all the endeavours I can, or was in my power

to accomplish the object of your wish  
I hope you will do me the Justice to  
believe it was not my fault that it  
failed - and that you will use  
your good offices in procuring Mr. Crispin  
to go with me in the same ship, or by  
the first that goes after. I will thank  
you for a Reply -

I am Sir,

Yr. Obedt. Mble Servt.

Wm. Crispin





*Wm. Wood*  
— *Freshfield Esq.*  
*Solicitor for the*  
*Bank of England*  
*London*



*Wm. Wood*  
*Born*

*28 June 1813*



Mr. Christy.

We received your Letter & we believe  
Mr. Freed has used his utmost endeavor  
to detect the Person you mention  
but he informs us he suspects him  
& will not deal with him at  
present. An application should  
be made by your Wife to the Secretary  
of State for leave to go with you  
if we are informed a Ship with  
female convicts will sail in about  
a week.

H. T. M.

30 June 1813

Wm. Christy  
Retribution Hall  
Woodwick



30 June 1843

Bank

To Wm. Christford

F25/2/2



On Board the General Hewitt, off  
North Fleet - bound to New South  
Wales - 6<sup>th</sup> August 1813.

Gentlemen,

We have been led to be lieve  
that the Bank in their Bounty and goodness  
has been so kind to afford some little allowance  
of Money to those who have been so very  
unfortunate as to be Transported at their instance  
if this is the Case we whose names are to  
this letter signed are now on Board to make  
a long disheartning Voyage without a penny  
it would be most thankfully received if sent  
to us on Board the Ship - We are Gentlemen  
your obedient Humble Servants -

Geo: Barnes - Hyems  
Wm Christford - 2<sup>d</sup>  
James Williams D<sup>r</sup>  
Robert Johnstone

Xenophon Baskin D<sup>r</sup>  
George Russel D<sup>r</sup>



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Messrs Kay, Freshfield & Winter  
Solicitors to the Bank  
of England  
London

in  
D. Jones  
(Circular stamp)

Bank  
6 Aug. 1873

F25/2/3

F25/2/2



Retribution Hulk, Woolwich 16<sup>th</sup> July 1813.

Sir,

You may recollect that I was tried at Reading in Berkshire at the suit of the Bank of England for having forged Notes found upon me, to which I pleaded guilty and Received sentence of Transportation for fourteen years - and am at present detained on Board this Hulk - The purport of this letter is to pray that you would have <sup>the</sup> goodness to endeavour to have me sent to the Bay in the ship that is now in readiness for sailing which will take in the convicts in the course of eight days, and going in her would be of the greatest importance to me in my present unhappy situation, being here with out One single Shilling, and no hopes of any assistance whatever - and application from you would be immediately attended to. -  
I Humbly beg your forgiveness for this liberty

I am Sir,

Your Obt. Servant

James Williams  
is the name Indicted in  
or now John King -

P.S. your answer will be  
be thankfully received.

12 o'clock  
Jy 17

Freshfield Esq  
Solicitor for the  
Bank of England  
London

10 July 1878

Bank  
of  
England  
London



Savage Hospital Ship, Woolwich

July 30<sup>th</sup> 1843

My Lord,

In addition to the several Disclosures which I have been instrumental in bringing about for the public Good, I have the honour and Satisfaction of informing your Lordship that I have (after many strenuous Importunities) at length prevailed on a Person confidant here to a general Development of the nefarious Practices of various Persons in Birmingham, in forging and vending immense Quantities of Bank of England Notes of all descriptions. He is doubtless more acquainted with the Particulars of this extreme injurious Traffic than any other who has ever come forward on similar Occasions for from what I can collect, those who have preceded him, have only in general pointed out one or two who have been in that way, whereas this Man knows many of them and can point out the method of - bringing them to Justice. This poor Man is 60 years of Age, has had an ulcered Leg for many years. He was convicted of having passed 2 of these Notes. He was for 7 years previous to the time of passing them in the Employ of Messrs Webster and Crompton, Wire Manufacturers in Birmingham, who on his Trial gave him the best of Characters for Honesty, Sobriety and Industry during that Period. He was a Gardener and went to his Labour very early in the morning and had

for many years been in the Practice of watching the Movements of many  
of these illicit Manufacturers particularly the notorious Bradbury,  
having lived in the adjoining House to Bradbury for 6 years. He  
knows several Houses where the Notes were, and he has little doubt  
they continue to be manufactured, for want of proper means of detecting  
the Makers. The mode adopted by the Police or the Officers under it, at  
present, not answering the desired End. As the Officers have often been seen  
in the Company both of the Manufacturers and Vendors of the Articles,  
where they must have had the Opportunities of apprehending them if  
they wished so to do. But it is presumed, my Lord, that as these Manufactures  
are naturally very generous to avoid detection in so dangerous a Trade.  
Bribery is too prevalent between them and the Officers. This Man  
my Lord, now seems determined, from what I have, from time to time  
for then 2 years past, said to him, to disclose to a great Extent; and  
I hope benefit to the Public. It appears my Lord that Henshaw and  
Radley were two of the principal Makers. The Prisoner had his of  
them. Henshaw is now at Warwick Prison for Trial, but Radley is  
supposed to be at large. The Prisoner, my Lord, knows one who has  
carried on the business upwards of 16 years, has made a fortune of  
it, but still continues to carry it on.

He also, my Lord, well knows one who was



Bradburn's Partner and who now is in the habit of going to and from  
Birmingham and London with great Quantities of these Notes in the  
Wholesale Way and who has his regular Dealers for them.

I hope your Lordship, will on such an Occasion pardon me for  
the Liberty I take in so long intruding on your Lordship's valuable  
time and with due deference to your Lordship's far superior judgment,  
I think the foregoing Circumstances are worth the attention of the  
Solicitor to the Bank under your Lordship's directions,

I have the Honour to subscribe myself  
with the most profound respect  
your Lordship's most ob<sup>l</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>

Thos. White

To the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Lord Viscount Sidmouth  
Treasury Whitehall  
London

Whitehall 3.<sup>d</sup> August  
1813.

Sir,

I am directed by Lord  
Sidmouth to transmit to you  
the enclosed <sup>letter</sup> from Thos. White  
dated on board the Savage Hospital  
Ship Woolwich 30. July 1813. - on the  
subject of disclosures which have  
been made to him respecting the  
manufacture of forged Bank of  
England Notes - and I am to desire  
you will return the said letter  
to me with your opinion,  
whether there is any reason to  
suppose that Forgeries are carried  
on to the extent therein stated.

Yrs. K<sup>th</sup>ly C<sup>th</sup>

and



and with any other observations  
you may judge proper to make  
on the contents of the said letter.

I am

Sir,

Your most obedient  
Humble servant

J. Beckwith

20 July 1864  
Bank  
Jm Beckett Esq.



F25/2/6b

To  
2  
Jr. Wray Esq.

J. Beckett - Solicitor to the Bank of  
England -



Sir

In the absence of Mr. Kaye your Letter of Yesterday was opened & we return its enclosure

We have the honor to state for the information of Lord Sidmouth, that we have no doubt Forgeries are carried on to the extent stated, but we have the satisfaction to add that the number of Offences of that description as connected with the Bank, as well as their Magnitude have decreased in the proportion of more than one half.

The person alluded to in Thomas White's Letter may have the means of discovering the names of all the persons engaged in this nefarious traffick and it is probable that we are already in possession of each of those names, but the means of detecting them are not possessed by any individual least of all by a Unit who could not receive the smallest indulgence without exciting the suspicions of his former associates, in stating the difficulty however we trust it will not be supposed that we are the less attentive to the important public duty cast upon us, on the contrary we avail of whatever information we can obtain and from

whatever quarter, although great caution is necessary  
even in the mode of receiving it, that the Informant  
may not be known to have communicated with us  
if Lord Sidmouth approves our doing so we shall  
feel it our duty to pursue the inquiry which  
the enclosed letter suggests.

We have the honor to be

Sr

Yrs. &c. &c.

R. R. P. K.

MS. B. 14 Aug. 1813

Hadley one of the persons named by White  
is in custody & will be tried at Warwick

J. Pickett Esq  
per P. K.



4 Aug 1873

Bank

To W Beckett Esq.

F25/2/7

Mr Burke & presents his compliments to  
Messrs Kaye Southwell & Kaye and begs  
leave to acquaint them that Lord  
Litchfield has no objection to their  
pursuing the enquiries suggested in  
the Letter of White onboard the Surge  
Hospital Ship Woodwich.

Yours truly

12 August 1853.



To Messrs Messrs Messrs

Banks

12 Aug 1873  
Bank  
for Messrs Messrs

Mr,

I have sent a proper Person on board the  
Savage Aspidal Ship at Woolwich to make inquiry  
into the Circumstances stated in Thos White's Letter to  
Lord Sidmouth of the 30th ult<sup>o</sup>, & I find on inquiry  
that the Criminal he refers to is James Partnam  
who was committed to Leicester Jail in 1841 for  
uttering forged Bank Notes, but upon his pleading  
guilty to an Indictment preferred against him  
for having forged Bank Notes in his Possession,  
<sup>no case was offered on</sup>  
the Capital charge, ~~was not gone into~~. I have no  
doubt this Man was acquainted with & had  
dealings with some very mischievous Fabricators  
of & Dealers in forged Bank Notes, but all or  
most of his Connections have since been detected



& convicted. If that were not the case, I am convinced he w<sup>d</sup> be of no utility either to the public or the Bank if he were at large. The probability is he w<sup>d</sup> immediately enter upon the same criminal pursuits again as led to his late conviction. -  
~~present situation.~~ I cannot therefore recommend his being set at liberty. -

I beg leave to state to you, for the information of Lord Sidmouth, that Thomas Whitaker, Thos. Hadley & John Henshally were convicted at Warwick <sup>before N. J. LeBlanc</sup> on Tuesday last for having counterfeited Bank Tokens, & were sentenced to 14 Years Transportation. - They ~~were~~ <sup>had all been</sup> ~~all~~ engaged in the fabrication & circulation of forged Bank Notes, & an indictment was preferred against Henshally for Forgery, but upon his pleading guilty to an indictment for having forged Bank Notes.

in his Popishism, the Capital charge was <sup>The Criminal</sup> waived <sup>was not</sup> ~~all~~ <sup>to the Bank</sup> ~~as a consequence~~  
these offenders had been long known ~~as forgers of~~  
~~of forged notes & coins~~, & great exertions have  
been made to detect & bring them to Justice, this  
having been at length accomplished, it is of  
great importance to the public that their  
sentence sh<sup>d</sup> be carried into execution as  
promptly as possible, as so long as they remain in  
this country they will by means of their wives,  
or other agents continue to carry on their  
<sup>which I have reason to believe they are actually doing at this</sup>  
criminal traffic. I therefore submit the propriety  
of their being sent <sup>away</sup> ~~sent~~ by the ship now about to  
sail with convicts for New South Wales.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yr. m. ob. Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Joseph Kaye  
New Bank Buildings  
21 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1813

John Archibald Esq



Baruk  
To John Beechell Esq<sup>r</sup>

F25/2/9.20

James Bartram says he was allowed to  
Plead Guilty to the 14th Offence at Leicester Assizes  
April 1844. that he well knew all the principal  
Dealers in and Makers of forged Bank Notes and  
had known them many Years before he was induced  
to buy any of them. that up to the period of  
his conviction he had a very good Character and  
submits that if he had a Pardon and was allowed  
to return to Birmingham he is certain he should  
find no difficulty in getting into the confidence  
of the Manufacturers there and would be able  
to give the Bank such private Information as  
would enable us to detect them whenever they  
might set up their Manufactory. -

Mem. James Bartram is above 60 Years of Age  
and has a bad leg therefore will not be  
sent abroad. and he certainly did not  
the time of his conviction know several  
of the Dealers in Birmingham.

J. W.



Statement of  
James Bartram  
on board the *Savage*  
Convict Hospital Ship  
at Woolwich  
14 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1813—  
JLW

(108)

I have just been inform<sup>d</sup> of  
a man that Deals largely in  
Foreign Bank Notes - his Name  
is Thurman he lives at Birm<sup>on</sup>  
in a street Near the horse fair  
but the Name of it I could not learn  
the person that told me, a Invoice  
here -

I am Sir your Most  
Obedient Slave <sup>as</sup> Serv<sup>nt</sup>

<sup>th</sup> B.W.  
Newgate May 24 -



24 May 1813  
Bank  
from Richd Wheeler

M<sup>r</sup> Westwood

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I hope you will pardon my troubling  
you with this a Liberty I truly hope  
will be overlooking in my unfortunate  
situation (and in my truly distress<sup>d</sup> case  
for which I anxiously pressed for being  
committed an error I am now suffering  
for with my poor dear six helpless children  
who is all unable to do any thing  
towards a Living and my husband  
of a Bad state of health I humbly  
sollicit your <sup>kind</sup> Benevolence and hope that  
my long Confinement of 14 years Imprison<sup>ment</sup>  
will be taken into consideration and that  
during my Confinement in this dismal  
Asylum you will be so kind as to contribute  
a sum thing towards support of my family  
as my present Imbecility and Disfigure<sup>ment</sup>



is very Great .. I do Earnestly hope in  
a little time I may be able to be  
of some service to the Company -  
if Possible I can with a just foundation  
I will I acknowledge the injustness  
of my crime and hope I shall obtain  
Pardon from you and the Almighty I hope  
will Pardon me also having offended against  
the Laws of my country .. Blame me  
I never was before <sup>ever</sup> Arraigned at the Bar  
of Justice and never did an Action  
to Disgrace my self or family But so much  
to the Company my Greivous Ambition was  
to gain a Livelihood for self and family By  
Honest Industry the other enforced trouble  
Pursue me - I thus state to you my  
Great Distress and hope you will not  
forget me in my wretched and  
unhappy confinement It will not be  
the Others Christings that the Ship will

go to the May if I am to participate  
of your kind Benevolence to assist  
My Dear Children I shall be <sup>ever</sup> bound  
to pray

and am Most Sir  
with Dear contrition  
Yr Verberate to remain  
Henrietta Gregory

At  
Bawgth 26 Sept 1813



William Manning Esq.  
Governor of the  
Bank of England

F25/2/2.1

Monmouth Street

Newgate Ch<sup>m</sup> St<sup>h</sup>  
(1013)

Worthy Gentleman

You will both I hope pardon  
me troubling you with this I  
having wrote to Mr Manning  
the Governor stating to  
the Gentleman my distress-  
situation, with my family  
of 4 children leaving six  
of them to support in my  
trouble not having received  
any answer to my Application  
I would esteem it a very  
particular favour if you  
<sup>will</sup> be so kind as to remind



Mr Manning... as possible  
The Multiplicity of Business  
may have averted to prevent  
the favour of an answer  
which I truly hope will prove  
a favourable one in consideration  
of my great distress. I have  
referred in my letter the  
particulars of my Situation

A Gentleman I beg leave to  
apologise troubling you knowing  
that you are the Gentleman  
who pay the Money  
which I sensibly hope my  
case will be duly considered

That Before I was in trouble  
and sentenced for 14 years  
was very great - But being  
Deprived of Liberty I am not  
able to Announce my trouble  
in addition to the former

when Mr Manning will do  
me the favour of an answer  
which I hope will be a favour  
and in compliance to my  
Humble and Submissive Request  
I shall ever be in study bound  
to pray for the Party -  
concerned } I am Genl Sir

With the greatest Respect  
Yrs truly unhappy  
Prisoner  
Annitha Gregory.

Shops<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield & Key  
No  
Princes Street  
Leeds

8 Oct. 1873  
Bank  
for the  
Princes



Dear Gentlemen

Your goodness with I hope I send  
My Informing you that we have yesterday  
had the overhull for the ship and  
do expect to leave here either to Morrow  
or on Friday Morning and we are  
all (Disin) By Mr Newman that  
what Applications we have to make  
to loose no time therefor <sup>hurry</sup> Gentlemen  
that in consideration of My Large  
and truly unfortunate family that you  
will consider My Disturb<sup>d</sup> Situation.  
Before I go away as I have many  
little Articles in pledge at the Pawn  
Bookers. which I should be glad—

to embrace the opportunity of getting them  
to Day or to Morrow Christmas Day  
no Business will be done. I am  
permitted to take 5 Children with me  
out of 6 Children which I have  
I am Gentlemen with the most  
Grateful thanks to you for all  
past favours - and sincerely wish  
you will not forget me in my  
situation

I am Dear Gentlemen

with every Dear Respect

Y<sup>rs</sup> Grateful & Obedt Servt

Henrich Gregory

Newgate 22 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1713.

Five Pounds

23 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1713.

Mr. J. F. & Co.  
Princes Street  
Chesham

Bank  
of  
England  
London



Most Hon<sup>d</sup> Gentlemen

I must humbly beg your pardon  
for troubling you with my distress being  
truly thankful for the favour & already  
conferred on me I sincerely hope I am  
not too intruding on your Indulgence  
by asking the favour if you will  
be so kind as to contribute to the  
(Distress<sup>d</sup> family some <sup>thing</sup> more what you  
may think proper to Enable me to get  
a few necessary Articles for my five  
small children I am so unfortunately  
as to be obliged to take with me however  
my unpleasant situation is like them  
so many thousand Miles and they  
are already very sickly which require  
many little things not allowed by the  
Ship, I hope I may be pardoned

Acting My case to You and hope You  
Gentlemen will duly consider My Situation  
at the same time I hope not  
to offend - -

I Remain Dear Sir

Yours Obedient

With Due Respect

Yrs Very Obedient Servant

Henrich Gregory.

P. Rosenberg

London I like

Lower water Gate

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1714 (Signed)

Henrich Gregory



Clock

Sherriff & Key

Prinsep Street

No 1 Chopside

for  
man to be given

Drum 75

Liberty 1814

Mr. Smith  
Mr. Davies

Stewart & Rogers  
Petition

NT



Mr Smith begs leave to acquaint Mr.  
Kaye, that he has shewn Henrietta  
Gregory's letter to Mr. Dorrien and  
Mr. Smith, and they have agreed to  
give her Five pounds in addition to  
the like sum ordered by the Com<sup>ee</sup> for  
Law Suits on the 29<sup>th</sup> Ultimo - making  
it up Ten pounds. -

Bank: 7 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1814

Joseph Kaye Esq.

Bank

18th Aug 1844  
Bank  
per W Smith Esq.  
Recd of Messrs Gordon

F25/2/16

Sir

felons side renegate  
friday evening

I return you many thanks for the 5 L  
which you sent me and have to inform you that  
I am fully committed to day to this place and  
beg that you will have the goodness to send me a  
one pound note as it will enable me to pay my  
fee please to enclose the same in a letter and  
direct -- Mr Richard Walker felons side ~~negate~~  
renegate post paid and then I will never write to  
you again and you may depend that your name shall  
never be mentioned by me to any one whatever



Copy of Letter  
from Rich<sup>d</sup> Walker

M<sup>r</sup> J. Canlip

Warehouse man

Little St Thomas Apostles

No 3

F25/2/17

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Sir

Felons Side Newgate Sep<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1813-

I entreat my wretched situation may plead in extenuation of the liberty State in addressing you to humbly ~~ask~~ solicit your opinion whether the Bank will approve any application made to the Secretary of State for mitigation of punishment, my reason for this submission is that a friend imagines he possesses some interest which might serve me, but I declined his proffer'd assistance until assured I was not acting with any disrespect towards the Bank, whose humanity to my Wife claims my gratitude, and whose mercy would if extended towards me prove my salvation. Believe me Sir if the most sincere contrition merits pardon I am bold to say I might expect it, and suffer me to add the assurance previously made of necessity being the cause of my entering into such atrocious My Family

Mr Westwood



will I humbly hope be a powerful consideration in your  
determination I claim your pity and beg leave to assure  
my future life shall vindicate the just sense of the  
mercy shewn to

Sir

Your most Obedt.  
Humble Servant  
Richard Walker.

Mr. Westwood.

Bank  
for R. Walker

F25/2/18

Hon<sup>r</sup> Sir

Felons, Side Newgate

Oct<sup>r</sup> 2 - 25<sup>th</sup> 1813 -

I humbly entreat your pardon for continuing the trouble you but hope my unfortunate situation will in a small degree plead my excuse, it is rumoured some convicts are to go to morrow, and if your goodness would extend so far as to prevent my being one of the number my obligations will be greatly increased.

If you could really be convinced of the treatment I have received, I flatter myself it would be considered some small extenuation of my offence .. an offence nothing short of absolute necessity could have compelled me to be guilty of. relying on your humanity only

I remain Hon<sup>r</sup> Sir

Your most Obedt<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

R Walker



Westwood Esq<sup>r</sup>

Edmund Bevington  
Oct 2 25. - 1813.

Edmund Bevington

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

With feelings the most painful  
I presume to address you, and entreat  
your belief that nothing short of illness  
and poverty could induce me to take  
this liberty. but circumstanced as I  
am, am wholly unable to do the least  
thing towards my family's support,  
and among strangers who are pressing  
for their rent, with the most profound  
gratitude for your former benevolence  
I remain with respect

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

Yours Much obliged

Humble Servant

Mary Walker

Nov<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>  
1813

17 Nov: 1868

Bank

for Mary Walker



Art Westwood

At Buckle Hall, I understand she means to make

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir,

I had hoped my continued illness  
would have <sup>not</sup> caused me to continue to  
address you. but truly unfortunate, have  
in addition to deplore that of three of my  
children <sup>illness</sup> with heartfelt gratitude for past  
past favors, humbly entreat your relief  
that is the last time I dare presume  
to address you which nothing short of  
necessity could compel me now to do.

With great respect I remain

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir,

Nov<sup>r</sup> 20  
1813.

Yours Much Obligated  
Grateful Servant  
Mary Walker

Mrs Wistwood

from Mary Walker

Bank



Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I have taken the liberty to acquaint you  
that Mrs Dale's name stands <sup>th</sup> 69 on the list  
at Hicks Hall I understand she means to take  
her trial and am certain no pains will be  
spared to mortify and in all one. as I have  
acted according to your directions throughout  
the business, I beg leave to request your  
further instructions, being myself wholly  
unacquainted with proceedings of this nature  
and wholly unprovided should any expence  
attend it. If it goes to trial I imagine  
it will be necessary to request the attendance  
of Mr Abrahams who promised to come  
forward & state the expence as he witness'd  
it. From Mr Dale's known Character I am convinced  
should I be deficient, she will heartily call  
waiting respectfully your commands  
remain Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir  
Your Much Oblig'd Ser<sup>t</sup>  
Jas Waller

<sup>th</sup>  
30 Nov  
1813

your ever  
Humble Servant.  
" 21/11

Mr. Westwood

from Mr. Walker  
Dear Sir

Bank

Honored Sir

Fellows Side Newgate  
Du<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1813-

Fully sensible of the great liberty I take in  
addressing you I trust the unfortunate cause will  
plead my pardon. I am concerned to inform you  
my wife has been confined to her Bed these ten days  
with Rheumatic Gout. which has deprived her of the  
use of all her limbs and now lies in the greatest  
state of wretchedness and unable to procure the  
necessaries her state requires, under these afflictions  
humbly intreat your benevolent representation of  
her case hoping (tho without claim) that charity  
will prompt so opulent a Body to relieve the  
afflictions herein mentioned, with the most  
profound gratitude for favors already received  
I remain Honored Sir your most Obedient Humble  
& Unfortunate Servant

Richard Walker

Mr Westwood



Mr Westwood  
Solicitor  
Bank Buildings  
near the Bank

Received of Mr Westwood  
the sum of £100  
on 18th Dec 1813  
for his account

10 O'CLOCK  
18 DE 20  
1813

Richd. Walker

F25/2/23

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I am informed that it is your desire I should write a letter before I received the 5 pounds which the generosity and humanity of the governors and directors of the Bank have bestowed upon me. I beg leave to state through the medium of my sons, & the unfortunate, impossibility of my acceding to your desire as I am incapable of making the smallest use of either of my hands and that I am totally deprived of the use of all my limbs. My son would have brought this himself but having an uncertain situation in the docks I am fearful if he omits one days attendance he might be discharged the next with great respect and gratitude I remain.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. 1813.

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir your Obedient  
Humble Servant.  
Mary Walker

C. Mr., Westwood

of my to all  
from



Sir.

Retribution Heath Woolwich  
Jan 9 27<sup>th</sup> - 1814.

With the greatest reluctance I communicate to you my wretched situation, and what renders it still more wretched. Mr. W. has not the power to assist me in the least way. having been confined to her Bed these last eight weeks and upwards with the Rheumatic Gout. under such melancholy suffering I trust your goodness will pardon the liberty I have taken: and allow me a single to procure a few newspapers this place and the severe season of the Year requires. I am now in possession of such circumstances that would render the Bk. the greatest service. and had I my liberty could I am sure be acted on immediately. relying on your generous Ans<sup>r</sup>.

I remain Sir

with the Greatest Gratitude

Yours most. ob<sup>t</sup>.

and very Able Ser<sup>t</sup>.

Richard Walker.

7 O'CLOCK

Mr. Westwood  
Messrs. Hey & Co. Solicitors to the  
Bank of England  
Bank Buildings  
London.

SWITCH  
1814

1814  
JAN 28

27 Jan 9 1814  
Bank  
per Rick's Water

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I hope you will Pardon  
the liberty I take in acquainting  
you that I have just received a  
letter from my unfortunate husband  
on board the Hulk written in the  
most afflictive terms and earnestly  
requesting me to cause another  
Petition to be presented on his behalf  
for which reason I take the liberty  
of troubling you for your Opinion  
on its utility with Gratitude and Respect  
I Remain Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir your Obedient  
Humble Servant

M. Walker



Bank -

for Mrs Walker

Mr Westwood

Sir

I entreat your pardon for the great liberty I take in addressing you, and troubling you with the present state of my Family's situation. My own, your goodness has placed within reach of every necessity, yet how can I benefit by such indulgence, accompanied as it is by the recollection of my Childrens wants. for these last two days Bread has been their sole support and that they are now without your unmerited kindness emboldens me to solicit your attention to them and supplicate your assistance and, believe me Sir, nothing short of actual necessity could compel me thus to intrude. With the most profound gratitude and respect I remain Sir,  
Your much obliged  
Obedient Servant  
Mary Walther

May 8<sup>th</sup>  
1813

Thomas Glover Esq<sup>r</sup>

10 May 1813  
Bank  
for Mr. Locke



Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

Some Weeks past you were kind enough to say  
you would present any Petition in my Husband's behalf  
which should come to your hands, but the Doubts you  
expressed concerning its success and my severe illness  
prevented my taking advantage of your extreme  
goodness, but I cannot acquit myself of negligence  
without enclosing a part of a letter which he desired  
you might be made acquainted with. After this three  
Weeks confinement, deprived of administering the smallest  
relief to his necessities, I have just heard he is gone  
on board the Somersetshire, for New South Wales, with  
a Shilling in his pocket, or (rather beyond those words in  
the Banks. You Sir will I certain commiserate my  
feelings and if I cannot procure the means of going to  
Gravesend to take perhaps an ever lasting farewell I  
shall be the most wretched of beings. Miss & Went &  
have patiently endured but shrink from the thought of  
never seeing him again. What I dare not solicit your  
humanity will I humbly hope suggest, and may the  
obligations will be doubled if Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir.

March 10<sup>th</sup> 1714  
Your obliged and Obedient Servant  
M<sup>y</sup> Waker -

Bank

10 March 1896

for Mrs. M. D. H.

James Watson

I will not disturb you. remember Mary. God is above all the  
world and knows all things. you must know. Spontaneous-  
ly alias C. C. - r. is dead. he departed this life ~~propr~~ soul. on  
last day last in our Hospital Ship. which lays close along side of our Ship  
he certainly was greatly indebted to me but very cruelly and very  
ingrately repaid me. I trust forgive him. I hope God will also  
forgive him. there is one of my great enemies gone before me. he  
has been at the Hospital Ship some time before I came down here  
what is rather singular. <sup>Henry Dale</sup> my other great enemy, although you  
know I never gave reason for him so to be. went over to the  
Hospital Ship. the way the other died. with the rest and being other  
ways. I'll therefore you see they were prevented. doing me further  
mischief together being well matched for such wicked purposes. I  
sincerely thank God for all his mercies. although ill. I make no



following request and informations I flatter myself will  
be equally attended to as I have not the least doubt if so they  
will accomplish the design wished for. Viz. I am on the word  
of a man, and by all that's good and sacred in possession  
of three Persons, who was at liberty to morrow I could  
act on the next day. One, has been selling for many  
years, and is worth some thousands, whom I can deal  
with at any time. the others also. I repeat to you again  
what I now write is no subterfuge, but real facts, surely my  
V<sup>r</sup> Charles W - d should be seen properly, and informed of it  
he can do all if he thinks fit. all observe the remainder of my  
life should be to their interest, and my own employ. let  
me hear from you the moment you receive this but be careful  
how you write. its impossible for me to send any old things

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir,

The condescending attention I have  
I have so repeatedly experienced induces me  
to hope you will pardon the further liberty  
I take of soliciting your interest. - Having obtained  
permission for myself and Family to follow their  
Father to New South Wales, in a Ship expected  
shortly to sail, I presume through your means  
to solicit the Humane, and generous consideration  
of the Gentlemen of the Bank; without whose  
assistance I shall be unable to avail myself  
of the privilege intended towards me; my  
Family being destitute of common necessities. -  
I entreat your belief, Sir, that necessity alone  
could compel me to intrude after the obligations  
conferr'd, and for which my lasting gratitude is

Due, and with Humility beg your consideration  
of the Family for whom I plead, and that this  
last entreaty will fix their Fate, and I presume  
to hope satisfactorily to the feelings of those  
Gentlemen whose benevolence shall rescue  
them from Poverty, and restore them to a Parent.  
I beg leave to assure you Sir that the remembrance  
of your kindness can never be obliterated.

and remain with great respect

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir,

Yours Obliged

Humble Servant

Mary Walker

Sep<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>  
10/14

N<sup>o</sup> 5 White Cross Street



Bank

for Mr. W. Walker

5 Sep. 1814.

5th Sept. 1814

Mary Walker.

F25/2/29

M<sup>r</sup>. Westwood

W. Harper

Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup> 1793

Sir

In my present unhappy situation I make bold humbly to request the favour of your kind interference in my behalf to the Governors and Directors of the Bank of England who I formally had the honour to serve and shall be happy to give up the Engraver and every information that lay's in my power in mitigation of my punishment and what light I may be enabled to throw respecting bad Notes I hope will be satisfactory to the Governors & Directors of the Bank. It is also my intention to apply by my Solicitor to the Court of Directors, but it is my opinion that your kind interference would greatly benefit my situation. I wish with every reliance on your goodness that you will lay this before the Honble Court of Directors.

I remain W. Harper  
an unhappy  
Prisoner  
of Debt

W. J. H. Harpur  
Bath place  
Stommerton

21.

N<sup>o</sup> 2 Near Ringland Turnpike

21d. 4d.  
Bank  
from J. H. Harpur  
to Mr. Harpur



Mr. Harper  
Sir

Saturday Mon<sup>g</sup>  
Sept<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1813

In my present situation it cannot be supposed that my recollection can be so clear as it otherwise would be I have humbly to request the favour of your laying this before the Governors and Directors of the Bank stating that if I give up the Engraver 3 or 4 Principles and 14 others which will lead to a discovery of the principal makers in England also coiners. If the Governors and Directors would kindly extend mercy towards me so far as to mitigate my sentence to Transportation for Life would be all I should require of their Goodness. I have not the least doubt but I can give the Governors & Directors such information as I hope will surpass their expectations.

Mr. Harper  
Sir

A miserable prisoner  
Thomas Fogg

W. J. L. Harper  
Bath Place

25

N. 3.  
Near Kingsland  
Turnpike

25th May 1831  
Bank  
of  
the  
River  
to the Master

Mr. Price takes this Opportunity of  
troubling Mr. Westwood with a Petition  
from that unfortunate Young Man  
Thomas Fops trusting that Mr W.  
will lay it before the directors on the  
morrow or next day of sitting

20 St. John Lane  
13<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1813.



13 Oct 1813

Bank

Res v. Fops

For Mr. Paine

M<sup>r</sup> Westwood

To The Governor and Company of the  
Bank of England. —

The Humble Petition of Thomas  
Tope a Prisoner in his Majesty's Goal of  
Newgate under Sentence of Death.

Most Humbly Sheweth —

That Your Petitioner stood charged at  
the last Session at the Old Bailey with two  
Indictments — The one for feloniously  
making and Forging divers false forged  
and counterfeited Notes purporting to be  
Notes of the said Governor and Company for  
the Payment of £1 each with intent to defraud  
the said Governor and Company. — The  
second for the Minor offence. —

That Your Petitioner expressed his wish  
through his Solicitor to plead Guilty to the  
second Indictment which was rejected, and  
he was tried and found Guilty on the first  
only. —

That Your Petitioner conscious alike of  
his Guilt in the Second and of his innocence  
in the first, has been tried and found guilty  
on that one of which he is innocent on the  
evidence of Accomplices one of whom is the  
very party alone amenable for the Action  
for the Action for which Your Petitioner is  
doomed to suffer Death, and he too a very



old offender against the privileges of Your  
Honorable Company.

Your Petitioner must in this instance with  
submission demonstrate on the impropriety  
of blending the Evidence adducible on one  
Indictment with the other, as in the present  
case no doubt can remain but that the Jury  
were misled by the corroboration in the  
circumstances relating alone to the second  
Indictment on which Your Petitioner  
would have pleaded Guilty.

That Your Petitioner considering how  
futile it might prove to endeavour to  
stern the Opinion of Your honorable  
Body must however reluctantly submit  
and content himself with a knowledge  
that he is not Guilty of the actual Forgery.

Yielding therefore to his Sentence Your  
Petitioner is induced though his knowledge  
of the lenity each individual having strayed  
from the path of rectitude has experienced  
from the humanity of the corporate Body,  
and anxious to make such retribution  
as is within his power humbly craves  
that the prayer of this his petition may  
be attended to, and in return proffer  
the only boon in his power.

Your Petitioner has this day presented  
a petition to His Royal Highness the Prince



Praying for a mitigation of sentence, therein  
praying to be transported for Life if the  
reasons therein assigned are of sufficient  
import to claim the Royal Law, not in the  
least impugning the Verdict of the Jury  
or of you my Prosecutors —

Your Petitioner feeling that he has been  
guilty of an Offence not immediately —  
cognizable under the Indictment on which  
he was tried has ventured a remark thereon  
and whether the same be attended with  
the success expected, as a tribute for those  
offences of which he has been guilty, as the  
only Attonement he has the power of making,  
to develop all he knows in relation to the  
frauds practiced on Your honorable Body  
which will involve nineteen different  
persons; some of whom have accumulated  
large sums, and are but little if at all  
suspected and will readily render such  
information to any person appointed to —  
review the same —

Your Petitioner therefore  
most humbly implures Your  
Honorable Body to receive the  
detailed Account of the Approvers  
upon the Trial, and then judge  
whether it is probable that he

would have so far committed  
himself to two persons who by  
their own Account had known  
him so short a time! And if  
probability were not in unison  
therewith to give your petitioner  
all the benefit of such deliberation.  
And should his Petition to His  
Royal Highness the Prince  
Regent be referred to you for  
your sanction, to reflect on the  
awful situation of your petitioner  
and consider that banishment  
for Life will fully atone for  
the deviation he has made  
and report favorably thereon;  
as by that means Justice will  
be appeased, The delinquent  
punished, and community  
at large benefited!

Relying therefore on your  
humanity in a review of  
his Case Your petitioner trusts  
that through the Medium of  
his Solicitor he may be informed  
the result of your determination  
to whom he has imparted



the leading Circumstances referred  
to and through whom all that  
can benefit your Honorable  
Body may be known - And  
should Mercy be extended to  
your petitioners / the dupes  
of designing Men / he wiles  
as -

In Duty Bound ever  
pray &c.

Thomas Foff



Petition of  
Thomas Toss  
Under Sentence of  
Death  
For Forgery.

Read in  
Comm. <sup>20</sup> Oct. 1813  
rejected.

2<sup>d</sup> Charge

Chelmsford Nov: 3: 1813

Gentleman, I hope and trust you will  
pardon me for troubling you with this,  
But as I have not heard from <sup>you</sup> since the  
tryall of Thomas Forst, for Forgery, I have  
taken the liberty; and by the advice of  
Mr Rolfe of Billiracay, hoping that you will  
do by me as I understand you have by others  
I intended to have been <sup>in</sup> London some time  
back but have been prevented by sickness  
almost ever since; The expences and losing  
the sale of my Horse by being debarred of  
selling him at the time makes it more than  
I am able to bear,

Gent<sup>m</sup> You will I hope consider  
that I was the principle person in the business  
who first detected him. M<sup>r</sup> Fish was the  
Gent<sup>m</sup> who outpaned me

I remain

Yours very M<sup>t</sup> J<sup>m</sup> M<sup>t</sup>  
old Barrack Lane  
Chelmsford

WILLIAMSON  
29  
Messrs. Raper & Freshfield  
Solicitors  
Bank of England  
London

3 Nov  
Bank of England  
For Mr. John Freshfield  
1857



Newgate Cells  
Nov 13. 1813

W. H. Wood

Sir

I am very much surprised  
to hear that you never saw the papers till Monday  
last. Before my trial I requested Mr. Price to solicit  
the Bank Directors to let me plead guilty which  
Mr. Price informed me the Directors <sup>refused</sup>. The first such  
I was in the Cells I made the papers out with the  
intention of having them laid before the Directors  
in hopes of mitigation of punishment. I am sorry to  
hear was totally neglected. Sir be assured though I  
purchased the Press it was not for myself the plate  
was Engraved for the same party that the press was  
bought for I was only employed to print at 7d. a Line  
Sir, I think the crime I have been guilty of my papers  
will stand for the capital tomorrow is court day with the  
Directors if you will have the goodness to say this before  
the Court. I will esteem it as a favour. Sir Your unhappy  
Prisoner  
Thos. Jeffs.

W. Watwood  
Bank Solicitor

for the 4th



3 Nov. 1873

Newgate Cells  
Nov. 25. 1813

J. Foss's respects to Mr  
Ray and requests the favour to know that if information  
is given to the Bank for the benefit of the company  
and society in general I shall be happy to know if  
the Directors of the Bank will give a free pardon  
to two witnesses absolutely necessary for the conviction  
of others implicated in the Note trade be so obliging  
as to favour me with an answer in writing, by bearer  
If the above pardon is granted I will engage that  
every communication is made

Yr Yours very  
Humble Servant  
Thos Foss



J. Ray Esq.

of 46 up

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1873.

London 8 Nov 1813

We ~~much~~ ~~more~~ ~~recede~~ your letter  
are send you enclosed a £2 Note  
for your loss of time in attending  
the trial of Thomas Poff, you cannot  
expect the Bank to compensate you  
for the loss you may have sustained  
in not selling your Horse  
We are &c.

W<sup>m</sup> John Malt  
25 Barrack Lane  
Chelsea

5 Nov 1873

Bank

Recd v. Thos. Fop  
To Mr. John Malt.

25/11/73



Newgate April 20<sup>th</sup> 1813

Gentlemen

Elizabeth Jones unfortunately convicted during the present Old Bailey sessions, a poor widow, with three Children dependent on her for their daily support and having disposed of every thing she possessed to discharge the various expence of her confinement, destitute of every hope of pardon & of any means to procure further support for herself & her unhappy offspring it is her most ardent wish to be sent out of the Country as soon as possible. In the meantime she most humbly implores your humane attention for some pecuniary aid which may enable her to satisfy the wants of nature till that period of her departure shall arrive - for such a favor your humble petitioners will ever bear the most lively sense of gratitude for so distinguishing a favor while she begs for mission to remain

With every degree of respect

most gratefully Gentlemen

Y<sup>r</sup> Obedt. Serv<sup>t</sup>  
E Jones

Rayd. Freshford Esq<sup>r</sup>

To  
Mr. H. Freshwood Esqrs.

F25/2/38

20 Apr 1813  
John G. Jones

Mont<sup>ly</sup> Li

You will I hope pardon the  
Liberty I take in writing to you But  
having the Intention for 14 years I am  
truly very much Disturb'd and would  
be Very much Oblige to you if you will  
take it into Consideration to Assist me as  
I have no Friends or Relations only  
only a Mother and not in her power  
to render me the least Assistance whatever  
as the Clothes I had when taken I have  
been oblig'd to part with and as the  
Ship is Expected to go very shortly it will  
be very Exceptional whatever you will  
please Permit to me.

I am with Duty Mont<sup>ly</sup> Li

Newgate <sup>22<sup>th</sup></sup>  
Apr 20 1714

Yr Very Obedt Serv<sup>t</sup>  
James Smith



Westwood Esq

Bank

Bank  
Finland Smiths

F25/2/39

Gentlemen

nothing but the greatest Distress  
would have ~~induced~~ urged me to write  
to you, but at the same time  
knowing of your Kindness to others  
who have been unfortunately  
placed in my Situation, and at the  
same time having three  
~~unfor~~ fatherless children to  
look to without any means of  
Support. I am induced to write to  
you in this way - for the purpose  
of ~~beseech~~ beseeching you to grant me  
some assistance during the short  
time I may remain here.

E Jones

Your Kindness in so doing  
will never be effaced from the Mind of the poor

Bank  
Mr. Eliza Jones

Mr. Thayer  
Freshfield

Reputed

F25/2/40



Elizabeth Jones

Your Letter has been laid before  
the Messrs / Directors of The Bank who  
decline to make you any Allowance.  
A T H

8 May 1813

Elizabeth Jones  
Folios Side  
Newgate

P May 10/13  
Bank  
To Eliz<sup>h</sup> Jones

F25/2

Newgate  
June 15<sup>th</sup> 1813.

Hon<sup>d</sup> Gentleman

I most humbly request your —  
indulgence of this fresh prayer of your kind favor in my  
behalf, on the expected departure of a ship for New South  
Wales with those women sentenced to transportation, unaided  
by friends and sinking with the miseries threatening my  
three helpless infants, I implore the bounty of the worthy  
Directors of the Bank for some little assistance towards my  
unhappy outfit; and, though my added error has hitherto  
excluded me from their usual charity, perhaps your  
tenderness may induce you, in consideration of my



distresses and that from better circumstances I did not on  
the former occasion make any solicitation, to afford  
me an allowance at this melancholy crisis.

I am, Sirs,

Your most respectful and very  
Humble Servant,

Elizabeth Jones

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Kaye Freshfield & Kaye

15 June 1813

Bank

For Eliz<sup>th</sup> Jones

F25/2/42b

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Kaye Freshfield & Kaye

Chas<sup>r</sup> Jones

Newgate  
May 10. 1813

Sirs

Your very indulgent favour in  
laying before the Governors and Directors  
of the Bank of England my application  
for their usual bounty is felt by me with  
the utmost sentiment of respect; and in  
humbly transmitting to your Disposal  
the respectful statement of my unhappy  
condition you will please kindly to  
make every allowance for the necessary  
importunities of a miserable sufferer.

I am, Sirs,

Your most humble and  
anxious petitioner

Eliza Jones

Mrs Kaye Freshfield & Kaye



Bank  
for Eliz<sup>th</sup> Jones.

F25/2/43

To The Most worthy The Governors and  
Directors of the Bank of England,

The petition of Elizabeth Jones  
under sentence of transportation  
for fourteen years.

Most Humbly sheweth

That your petitioner  
with added grief and extreme humility  
submits that she suffers the most lamentable  
affliction from having three fatherless children  
to whom in her present situation of inability  
to support herself she is unable to afford any  
assistance and who are therefore dependant  
on the casual and uncertain charity of Others.  
This melancholy consideration induced her  
to apply for your accustomed benevolence of a  
weekly allowance; and she therefore humbly  
craves your pardon of repeating a request  
to which she is stimulated by her crying  
wants

Your humble petitioner, benevolent



Sirs most gratefully acknowledges your ready inclination to abate the painful situation in which she was placed by Having unfortunately accompanied a woman who was in the act of passing a forged note; and as she hopes it may be made apparent to you that she was not at the times in the habit of circulating such notes, it may please you in your tender mercy to allow her case to meet reversal, and that being so painfully circumstanced, in regard to her infant children some further degree of your humane favor may be granted her. Not being united in connexion with those who make a pursuit of uttering bad notes, she is unable to render service by disclosure and which she would not otherwise forbear,

Your petitioner humbly solicits most worthy Sirs Your humane mitigation of her weighty and distressing troubles, for which she will earnestly study to prove herself not entirely undeserving,

And Your petitioner as in Duty bound will ever pray &c

Eliz<sup>th</sup> Jones



New York 25 June

Honble Gentlemen

Jane Smith presents her duty  
and hopes that the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen  
will take it into consideration and  
make an advance to assist me  
to get a few things about me  
being so much distressed and finding  
that Mrs Elizabeth Jones has ruined  
money yesterday from you I wish  
it extremely hard as I was totally led  
away and was innocent in the business  
I only lived servant one month with  
her and to be drawn in and now  
I am under the necessity to be obliged to  
leave my Country for 14 years is very  
distressing and to have it in such a  
very distressing manner I shall be  
obliged to do what I have a little of your

much assistance as Mrs Jones has not  
given me one helping I am convicted  
for the same offence and to suffer the  
same as she does. a hard case is  
therefore my trouble is not to be dismis-  
sion having had no assistance from any  
one but my poor old Mother  
that gets her bread by any hard  
labour — we go away on Monday  
and truly hope my Application will  
be look into with an eye of pity &  
compassion as my distress is beyond  
Description

that many ones  
know in the  
Prison

I am Hon<sup>ee</sup> Father  
with every due respect  
Yr<sup>ee</sup> very Oth<sup>ee</sup> Hum<sup>ee</sup> Serv<sup>ee</sup>

Jane Smith

Thos<sup>d</sup> Vay & Freshfield

Prinsep Street

Cheshire

James Jones  
James Smith

James Smith  
James Smith

28 June 1813



Guernsey

Now perceiving I have taken the  
Liberty to send to you for the Money  
Ie. minding safe for the Hands of  
the Bankers, if agreeable to you will  
thank you to send to Day for the  
Bills or in what manner you think  
proper.

I am Guernsey

Yrs Very Obedt Servt

New York 14 Apr<sup>ce</sup>

Marshall Benson

Pa 131

14 April 1813  
Bank  
Jm H. Kearson

F25/2/46

Musgrave April 14 1843

Question

I have taken the Liberty to send  
to you for the money that is due  
and if you please to return the  
same to the Bank will be thankfully  
acknowledged

Most Obedtly Servt

Leithair Watson

Recd 15/



14 April 1818

Bank

J<sup>r</sup> Cath. Watson

Leeds

March 9<sup>th</sup>

Messrs. Thos. & Co.

Pewgth June 24

Most Honble Gentleman

With Humble Submission I  
return you my sincere thanks  
for all favours you have conferred  
on me and my children. Mr Newman  
has this afternoon been round to inform  
me to prepare for the ship on Monday  
and my hope Gentleman hope you  
will consider to contribute something  
more to get a few things for my  
children and self as the wife will  
be some months that will be -  
Daguerre and necessary and may  
every blessing attend you  
this being the last  
Application I shall  
trouble you for hope you  
will come along with my request  
Yours &c Gentleman  
Wm Newman  
Catherine Wilson

Miss Mary & Louisa

Princess Street

Chesham

Alannah Moore



Newgate 24 June

Wm. Le. Gutterman

This is no doubt the last Application

I shall be under the necessity to write  
to you having this afternoon got our  
final order from Mr. Newman  
to prepare for the Ship on Monday  
Therefore Wm. Gutterman you will  
dewly consider our Situation of  
Being Banished from our Native  
Land for 14 Years I tenderly return your  
Thanks for all favours I have had  
at your Hands and that you will  
contribute some thing to relieve me &  
My Childs comfortable I am Wm. Gutterman  
this is my last application and I wish every  
hope not trouble you any more.  
Wm. Gutterman

21st June 1883

Bank

for  
Cath. Watson and  
Hannah Harrison

F25/2/48

Chappel Yard Newgate 9<sup>th</sup> June 1815

Sir

Having no Friend but Two  
Sisters at a great distance  
in penurious circumstances  
to stand as a mediator  
for me in my behalf  
have most humbly to pray  
you will of your goodness  
& humanity be pleased.  
Recommend the petition on.  
The Bearer hereof will shew  
you & you by so doing will  
add one more great favour  
to him who is in deep  
distress having nothing but  
the allowance to subsist on  
& is with the greatest respect  
Your humble Petitioner  
Chas<sup>r</sup> D<sup>r</sup> Cooper



9 June 1823  
Bank  
fr. Jas. Cooper

Mr. Westwood  
at Messrs. Freshfield  
& Key - Solicrs  
Leakbury

F25/2/49

To the Governor & Compt<sup>rs</sup> of the Bank &c

Honored Gentlemen

The humble Petition of Charles  
James Cooper -

Sheweth

That he is now with the utmost  
contrition, Justly suffering ~~suffering~~ the sentence  
of the Law, being truly sensible of the enormity  
of his Offence, that he is in his fifty third year  
of his age, and hath a Wife and two infant  
Children in the greatest distress, the oldest not  
more than Five years of age, notwithstanding  
the Justice of his sentence, he cannot divest  
himself of the Feelings of a Husband, and a  
Father, that the distress of ~~the~~ my Wife and  
Children are more painful to him than his own  
sufferings, they being innocent, and he guilty -  
that before his unfortunate confinement -  
he used to pay, Eight shillings per week for his  
Eldest Child's support, that he has nothing but the  
Gaol Allowance, that his Wife cannot at  
present get Bread for herself and Two small  
Children, he therefore most humbly prays and  
emplores, you will of your Goodness and ~~humanity~~  
humanity be pleased to assist her with to  
enable her to subsist until she can be relieved  
by the Parrish, praying humbly that you will  
of your liberality and Charity -

consider the Deep distress of his Wife  
and Family, and he and Family will  
as in duty Bound ever pray &c. &c.

Chas. Jas. Cooper

Middle Yard }  
Newgate — }  
5<sup>th</sup> July 1813.)

W<sup>th</sup> your Petitioners Wife  
will wait on you for An Answer  
she resides at n<sup>o</sup> 1 Smiths Court opposite  
S.<sup>t</sup> Andrews Church Holborn —

To the Governor & Company of the Bank of  
England by the favour of Messrs Freshfield  
Winter and Keys Solicitors —



To the Honorable the Governors &c.  
of the Bank of England —  
To the care of Messrs  
Freshfield Winter and  
Key-Solitors  
Loathbury —

3 July 1873  
Bank  
for Charles Cooper

Charles Cooper

Prison of Newgate  
May 4<sup>th</sup> 1813

Gentlemen

I hope you will pardon

the liberty taken in addressing—  
you; I am sorry to say that  
my wife and 4 children are in  
great distress: even want the  
necessaries of life—I need not  
inform you that I was convicted  
last Session at the Suit of the  
Crown—and sentenced 14 years  
Transportation—I have been  
informed that some allowance

his made & the wife & family  
of persons in my situation  
I therefore most <sup>earnestly</sup> implore  
your Interference in <sup>my</sup> behalf  
of my wife and Infant Children  
who are really distressed your  
kind compliance - will very  
much oblige & relieve your  
distressed & truly Unfortunate  
Wife  
Edward D. Bell



Messrs Kay & Co  
Solicitors  
for the Bank

Bank  
for Mr. de la

10th June 1851

Mr. Hardy's compliments to Mr. Westwood  
& acquaints him that Mr. Newman has  
received the order for the immediate  
removal of the female convicts, &  
which he thinks will take place  
to morrow or Tuesday.

Newgate  
Friday Nov.

Elizabeth Jones  
Mary Roberts

June 1813  
Bank

For Mr Hardy

Mr Westwood.



F25/2/52



Gentlemen,

State side of Newgate 13 Sept. 1813

Upwards of Twelve months ago I wrote to you from hence, that George Barnes, and Richard Walker, were trafficking with forged notes, purporting to be the notes of the Bank of England; on which occasion you sent Mr Lee to me, to whom I gave such information, as led to a detection of the tricks of those Men, and to the Men themselves. For Barnes was apprehended the 21 October last and on the 31 he was fully committed; in march following he was tried at Kingstone, and on his own confession found guilty, sentenced to fourteen years imprisonment ~~under~~ transportation and on the 10 April was sent off to Woolwich. On the 21 May after, Walker was committed to this Goal, tried in June, pleaded guilty, and also sentenced to fourteen years transportation. Nevertheless, he still remains <sup>here</sup>; owing to himself and his Mistresses (Mary Glover) being now found useful in their information against others implicated in forgeries on the Bank, and thereupon, you Gentlemen maintain them, and their Children.

It is understood by mankind, that whenever communication is made to the Bank of effectual tendency, remuneration follows; consequently I flatter myself that I will not be forgotten for those I have made, more particularly, as they have been correct, and also advantageous.

There is a circumstance now upon the tapis, of the utmost

importance to the Bank, attaching to Toss, one of your printers now here, in which I could render my service of vast importance, it aims at the very vitals of your company, and likely to be of more serious injury to your concerns than all the circumstances that ever yet occurred to it. The sequel I am not as yet in full possession, but I shall be by and by, unless he gets removed too soon from this side of the Goad. I beg leave to tell you that it would be advisable not to try this Man the ensuing session, and thereby I shall be able to reach at the whole, which you will find to be of the very greatest advantage to the affairs of the Bank.

I have the honour to be.

Gentlemen

Yours  
most obedient

and most humble servant

P. S. When Mr Lee called on me last Summer, the keeper of this Goad was present to hear me, this is not right, as private information should be privately received; otherwise, my life would be in danger in this place.

Davenport Sedley

The Governors and Company  
of the Bank of England

*Bank*  
*for* *Davenport Sedley.*

F2512/53



April 14<sup>th</sup> 1814

Please to Pardon me for writing to you I am  
The Person that you came to at Horsemonger Goal last  
Oct. Sessions that was Fin'd Twelvemonths for Base Coin  
According to your Request I wrote to you Two Letters  
But Never Saw you nor Heard from you The Reason is  
Unknown to me for I'm Sure that you the Truth and the  
Man Name Springate I gave you Account of in London  
Has Been a Prisoner here since I have Been here half my time  
And should it Please you to Give me my Liberty I should be  
Happy to Oblige you with any thing that Lays in my Power  
Which few men are Better Acquainted With People of that  
Description than I am and M<sup>r</sup> Vritchard N<sup>o</sup> 31 Essex St  
Strand Over Looker of the Printing Business who first came  
To me Concerning Some Lists of the Ladies with Indecent  
Cuts in them and who Required to know who was the  
Printer of them I could soon Inform him who the Printer  
Was of them and Good Sir I think it very Unkind for a man  
To Give you the Information that I Did and not Recieve  
The Smallest Favour for it Therefore if it Pleases you  
To Give me my Liberty you may Depend on my word that  
I will do Every thing that Lays in my Power to serve you  
Surrey Goal  
Borough London

Yours Most  
Humble Servt  
James Charlesworth

14 April 1814

Bank

Mr Jas. Harcourt

Mr J. Harcourt  
Solicitor to the Bank of England  
Freshfield Row  
Near New Bank Buildings  
London



F25/2/54

Sunday - 6 June 1812

Edward Millson at Messrs. F. & S.  
Medena No. 3. Spread Eagle Court Finch  
Lane Canhill —



Mr James 18  
Secretary of the

Agent<sup>r</sup>

Shaple Lane, 9<sup>th</sup> March  
1813

Herewith I send the memorial of Mr. Eden?  
Millson, respecting the hardship of whose case I  
cannot say more than is therein express'd -  
The letter from your Solicitors contain'd an  
insinuation that Mr. Millson was not apprehended  
without just cause - but a hint has been given to  
ground any such opinion, and independent of his  
affidavit to the contrary, I am most perfectly satisfied  
that there is not the least foundation for it -

An earlier application would have been made  
had I not been waiting the result of another action  
nearly similar to the present case, in which a very  
learned Solicitor differ'd in opinion with Mr. Abbott  
and thought that the action could be supported -

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen  
with great respect  
your most obed<sup>t</sup> &c

J. Owen & Pomerall.

To the Geo<sup>r</sup> & Co  
of the Bank of England

F25/2/56



To the Governors and Directors of the Bank  
of England

The Humble Memorial of Edward Millson  
Book keeper to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Medina, Brothers, Spread  
Eagle Court, Cornhill London

Sheweth that your Memorialist was on the Evening of Saturday  
the sixth day of June One thousand Eight hundred and twelve  
taken from his Lodgings by Thomas Glover Marsden an  
Inspector of Bank notes upon a false accusation of having  
passed a forged note purporting to be a Bank of England  
note for Five pounds to Mr Thompson a Keeper of a Wind  
Tunnel n<sup>o</sup> 101 Tetten Lane and conveyed to the Police Office in  
Marlborough Street from whence he was committed by Mr  
Conant to the New Prison Clerkenwell nearly at midnight and  
that night was confined in a very small close room and  
almost suffocated.

That on the following morning (Sunday the seventh of  
June) your Memorialist was put in Irons and continued  
in Irons confined with the other prisoners until the Evening  
of Tuesday the ninth of June when the Irons were taken off  
at the intercession and in the presence of Ferdinand de  
Medina Esq<sup>r</sup> with Mr Hage the Solicitor of the Bank.

That your Memorialist was taken handcuffed with  
a man and a woman to the Office in Marlborough Street  
on Wednesday Morning the tenth day of June when he  
was put into a cell with the felons until about one  
o'clock when your Memorialist was brought before  
Mr Conant by whom your Memorialist was informed  
that as there was no Evidence against him he was  
discharged on Payment of the fees— Mr Medina attended  
at the same time and immediately paid the fees.

That your Memorialist has been informed that his  
apprehension and committal to prison were on the  
application and at the request of persons in the employ  
of the Bank of England and on your Memorialists



Solicitor applying to Mr. Thompson for satisfaction for the said false imprisonment he received a letter from your Solicitors dated the nineteenth day of June One Thousand Eight hundred and twelve in which they stated that your Memorialist was apprehended at the instance of one of the Inspectors of the Bank and that they would accept of any process against Mr. Thompson

That your Memorialist's Solicitor has since consulted with Mr. G. Abbott the Counsel who has advised that although he is perfectly satisfied of your Memorialist's innocence and that Thompson and the Inspector were under a mistake he could not advise an action against Thompson as the Imprisonment was the act of the Justice

That your Memorialist is therefore without any legal redress or means of procuring or obtaining any compensation or satisfaction for the said imprisonment and disgrace consequent upon it

That your Memorialist has been employed as Clerk in a Merchants Counting House in good credit and reputation (and without the smallest imputation having ever before been cast on his Character) for upwards of Twenty seven years having been Six years with William De la Cour Esq. and Company Crutched Traders Eighteen years in the Counting House of J. Motteux Esq. and Company and the remainder of the time with his present employers and your Memorialist can (if required) give a reference as to his Character and Connections to other respectable persons in London.

That your Memorialist in order further to prove his innocence of the charge brought against him has made an affidavit of which the following is a copy and has no objection to submit to any further examination

" Edward Millson Clerk to Messrs. Medina Brothers —  
" of Spread Eagle Court Cornhill London Exchange Brokers —  
" Maketh oath and Saith that he never was possessed of or  
" negotiated or had any knowledge of the forged note —  
" purporting to be a note of the Governor and Company of the

"Bank of England for five pounds on suspicion of the forgery  
"of which he was in the month of June last confined in  
"Blekenwell Prison on the oath of William Thompson And this  
"deponent further saith that he never in the course of his Life  
"was possessed of or negotiated any forged Note or Notes or  
"was ever concerned with any person or persons who did

Edw.<sup>d</sup> Millson "

"Sworn at the Justice Room

"Guildhall this 10.<sup>th</sup> day of

"December 1812

before me

Samuel Birch

clerk "

That your Memorialist being as before mentioned without  
any legal redress against the said Mr. Thompson for the injury  
he sustained and the imprisonment he suffered humbly  
hopes that your Honorable Board will take his case into  
your consideration especially as your Solicitors have stated  
and admitted that the proceedings were commenced and  
that your Memorialist was apprehended by and at the  
instance of a person in your immediate employ and  
he trusts that your honors will order an adequate  
compensation to be made to him for the imprisonment  
he wrongfully suffered and to enable him to pay the  
expences he has incurred in his endeavours to obtain  
redress against the said William Thompson for the injuries  
he has sustained, your Memorialist having only a small  
Salary which is barely sufficient for the support of  
himself and his family.

Edw.<sup>d</sup> Millson

12<sup>th</sup> April 1813



6 May 1813

Memorial of  
Edward Millon.

Forwards, Sir,  
Yours

To the Governors and Directors of the Bank  
of England.

The Humble Memorial of Edward  
Millson Book keeper to Messrs Medina, Brothers  
Spread Eagle Court, Cornhill, London.

Sheweth that your Memorialist was on the Evening  
of Saturday the sixth day of June One thousand Eight  
hundred and twelve taken from his lodgings by Thomas  
Glover Marsden an Inspector of Bank notes upon a false  
accusation of having passed a note purporting to be a  
Bank of England note for Five pounds to Mr. Thompson  
a Keeper of a Wine Vault at 101 Fetter Lane and  
conveyed to the police Office in Marlborough Street from  
whence he was committed by Mr. Conant to the New  
Prison Clerkenwell nearly at Midnight and that night  
was confined in a very small close Room and almost  
Suffocated

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of June) your Memorialist was put in Irons and continued  
in Irons confined with the other prisoners until the  
Evening of Tuesday the ninth of June when the Irons were  
taken off at the intercession and in the presence of  
Ferdinand de Medina Esq. with Mr. Hays the Solicitor  
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with a man and a woman to the Office in Marlborough  
Street on Wednesday Morning the tenth day of June where  
he was put into a Cell with the felons until about One  
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Conant by whom your Memorialist was informed that  
as there was no Evidence against him he was discharged  
on payment of the fees — Mr. Medina attended at the  
same time and immediately paid the fees.

That your Memorialist has been informed that his



apprehension and committal to prison were on the application and at the request of persons in the employ of the Bank of England and on your Memorialists Solicitor applying to Mr Thompson for satisfaction for the said false imprisonment he received a Letter from your Solicitors dated the nineteenth day of June One thousand Eight hundred and Twelve in which they stated that your Memorialist was apprehended at the instance of one of the Inspectors of the Bank and that they would accept of any process against Mr Thompson—

That your Memorialists Solicitor has since consulted with Mr. C. Abbott the Counsel who has advised that although he is perfectly satisfied of your Memorialists innocence and that Thompson and the Inspector were under a mistake he could not advise an action against Thompson as the Imprisonment was the act of the Justice—

That your Memorialist is therefore without any legal redress or means of procuring or obtaining any compensation or satisfaction for the said imprisonment and disgrace consequent upon it.

That your Memorialist has been employed as Clerk in a Merchants Counting House in good credit and reputation (and without the smallest imputation having ever before been cast on his character) for upwards of Twenty seven years having been six years with William de la Cour Esq<sup>r</sup> and Company Grutched Friars Eighteen years in the Counting House of J. Motteux Esq<sup>r</sup> and Company and the remainder of the time with his present employers— and your Memorialist can (if required) give a reference as to his character and connections to other respectable persons in London.

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"of Spread Eagle Court Cornhill London Exchange Brokers



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" negotiated or had any knowledge of the forged note  
" purporting to be a note of the Governor and Company  
" of the Bank of England for five pounds on suspicion  
" of the forgery of which he was in the month of June  
" last confined in Clerkenwell prison on the oath of  
" William Thompson - And this deponent further saith  
" that he never in the course of his life was possessed of  
" or negotiated any forged note or notes or was ever  
" concerned with any person or persons who did

" Sworn at the Justice Room  
" Guildhall London this 10.<sup>th</sup>  
" day of December 1812  
before me

Edw.<sup>d</sup> Millson

Samuel Birch  
Clerk

That your Memorialist being as before mentioned  
without any legal redress against the said Mr. Thompson  
for the injury he sustained and the imprisonment he  
suffered humbly hopes that your Honorable Board will  
take his case into your consideration especially as your  
Solicitors have stated and admitted that the proceedings  
were commenced and that your Memorialist was  
apprehended by and at the instance of a person in your  
immediate employ and he trusts that your honors will  
order an adequate compensation to be made to him  
for the imprisonment he wrongfully suffered and to  
enable him to pay the expences he has incurred in his  
endeavours to obtain redress against the said William  
Thompson for the injuries he has sustained, your  
Memorialist having only a small salary which is  
barely sufficient for the support of himself and his family.

Edw.<sup>d</sup> Millson,  
9<sup>th</sup> April 1813.

1813.  
Copy Memorial of  
Mr. Edwin Wilson.



Sir,

The Gov<sup>t</sup> & Directors of the Bank have directed us to acquaint you that they have taken the Memorial of Edward Milmon into their consideration and fully considered all the circumstances which led to and attended his apprehension upon a charge for uttering a forged Bank Note and they are of opinion that he is not entitled to claim any compensation in respect thereof & they therefore decline to comply with his Application, We are &c

N. F. & R

WMB

8 May 1835

Mrs J. Pownall  
Staple Inn



May 1813

Bank

To Mr. Jos. Pownall

F25/2/159

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

The humble Memorial of Edward Millson  
late Book-keeper to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Medina Brothers, Spread Eagle  
Court Cornhill London.

Sheweth

That your Memorialist was in the year 1812  
apprehended on suspicion of uttering a forged Bank Note and  
committed and discharged in manner in the Memorial  
hereto annexed mentioned under which your Memorialist  
did not obtain any relief.

That your Memorialist continued in the employ of  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Medina until the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 1813 and was then  
discharged on account of the house not having further employment  
for him, and since that time has not had any permanent  
engagement although Mess<sup>rs</sup> Medina have always been ready  
and willing to give him the character of a faithful and honest  
Clerk during the four years he remained in their Counting House.

That your Memorialist has frequently been degraded  
when walking in the Streets by being pointed at by persons who  
were confined in the New Prison during the four days he was  
detained there under a commitment from the Police Office in  
Marlborough Street granted on the information of a youth who  
was mistaken in the evidence he gave on that occasion, which  
he did not venture to confirm subsequently before the Magistrate  
and which Statement your Memorialist has on Oath.



solemnly denied to be true - Mr. (now Mr Justice) Abbott  
was also clearly of opinion that the charge was unfounded

Your Memorialist incurred an expence of Eight pounds  
seven shillings viz: £5.9- to his Solicitor and £2.18-  
for expences during his confinement in prison and for fees &c.

Your Memorialist again intrcats the attention of the  
Directors to his case, and trusts that ~~they~~ will direct some  
compensation to be made to him for the imprisonment he  
suffered the expences he incurred, and the insults he  
occasionally received whilst walking in the public Streets, all  
arising from the above charge made against him for an offence  
of which he was innocent, and which he has always been  
ready to confirm in anyway the Directors should think fit to  
appoint for that purpose -

Edw<sup>d</sup> Millson,  
12. Curator Street  
July 8<sup>th</sup> 1812.



8 July 1878  
Memorial of  
Edward Milton.

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F25/2/60

Goldsmithfield Prison <sup>12</sup> May 1813

Sir

In conformity with your request I resume my pen for the purpose of communicating to you my knowledge relative to Forgers on the Bank, which I can be the means of detecting by going to Birmingham (Viz) the Engraver, Printer, Paper Manufacturer &c. If the Bank therefore wish this assurance realized, I prescribe the following plan to go to Birmingham accompanied by Joseph Becket head Turnkey to Mr. Addins in my own way of business, to apply to the parties alluded to who will readily serve me with what the Bank wishes me to purchase, for the said Joseph Becket to be in waiting at the time I pay for the goods ordered at that time to make his seizure of the persons concerned. This I consent to do on the broad scale of humanity being most decidedly of opinion its the only branch of Forgery on the Bank of England in Birmingham (the detection of which is not at all improbable from the amt. of Notes daily executing), that it might save hundreds from falling Victims to the Gallows & actuated with a desire to serve community as well as restore myself to the sweets of liberty I am ready and willing



to fall into the measures here laid down, Conditionally that I am  
not again taken to any public Office for farther examination as it  
would defeat my plans in Bragg<sup>m</sup>. moreover that on the partys in  
Br<sup>m</sup> allowed to having taken their respective Trials, that I shall  
be at liberty to transport myself to any part of the World -  
Engl<sup>d</sup> Ireland Scot<sup>d</sup> & Wales excepted - for the term to be hereafter  
agreed upon. & for the Bank to Furnish me with the means so to  
do. allowing me \$ Mo to arrange my Affairs in prior to my  
leaving England - your kind consideration as soon as  
convenient to lay before the Committee or whom you please  
will greatly - Obedt<sup>ly</sup> Son

Wm. D. Dale

Wm. D. Dale

P.S.

My Motion for wishing Mr Joseph Beckit to accompany me is I am  
acquainted with him & Mr Attkins has every confidence in his  
discharging faithfully any power the Bk. may invest him  
with -



12 May 1813  
Henry Dale.

Mr. Metherwood

*[Signature]*

F25/2/61

Most Noble Gent

Pardon the intrusion of an unfortunate and unhappy Woman, who with two uneducated Children have been reduced by one fatal Act of a Wretched Husband and Father, to the deepest distress, permit me most humbly to Inform you, I am the Wife of Henry Dale, now a Convict on board the Somersetshire, waiting a conveyance to New South Wales -

A humble Conviction of your humanity so often extended to others placed in distressed Situations equal to my own, induced by a wish to support and Educate my now Fatherless Children, emboldens me to hope you will consider me as deserving your distinguished Consideration, and humanely induce you to afford me pecuniary Aid, to assist me in the purchase of a Mangle, or to place me in some way whereby I may be enabled to support myself and Children -

Permit me Most Noble Gent to inform you, that the little I once possessed have long since been sacrificed

in contributing to the support of my unhappy  
Husband and Children - or I should not have presumed  
to make this appeal to your humanity. Praying  
your early answer, permit me to subscribe myself  
Most Humble Gent with the highest sense of Gratitude  
Your most Obedt

Humble Servant

Ann Dale

23 Tower Street

Westminster Road

17<sup>th</sup> April 1814



To  
The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gov<sup>rs</sup> Company  
of the Bank of  
England.



Wm. Dole  
per Wm. Dole

Wm. L.

May 18 1813

Be with all that Diffidence which a  
Man in any situation must feel at Writing  
to the very Body that I have Injured, for his  
favour in this my fallen Condition, But it is  
the boast of an Englishman, Tho a Criminal  
that in the humane Administration of the Law  
of this my native Country, he the fallen Victim  
Draws upon his head the just sentence of the  
Law for the Crime he has committed is still  
Worth the indulgence of appealing to the feeling  
Bosom of his Countrymen for that Mercy he  
in some Measure may Consider himself entitled  
to —

And as a Being truly Unfortunate I Beg with  
all Humility, Not Wishing in the smallest  
Manner to be, by you Considered as Criminal  
nor for any Commutation in my just sentence  
for I was sensible I was Doing Wrong many of

the Wisest & Best of Men have been <sup>too</sup> prone  
to Commit errors Which at other times  
they would <sup>feel</sup> themselves Incapable of —

But Sir, I fear I am trespassing upon  
your time & <sup>shall</sup> duly Weigh'd in my Mind  
my situation and that of my unprotected  
family It is the humble Prayer of my Wife  
and Self on the behalf of my Children that  
they may be Allowed to Accompany me Even  
to the place of my Destination, for we ~~are~~  
each have but a miserable existence at present  
I hope to go the earliest Moment and if to go  
in the same Ship with them I should feel  
unexpressible happiness which I am inform'd  
is not unusual by your humane interference  
And should my Conduct in future when transplanted  
upon a foreign Earth entitle me to favour or  
Indulgence from the Governor or Superiours  
I plead over me Myself and Family for such



Mercifull Grant will ever in Gratitude  
Feel ourselves Bound to pray for such  
a Mark of your Goodness I further Beg  
to Subscribe myself

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

your very Humble Ser<sup>t</sup>

John Dyer

Mr Brothford

Solicitor to the Bank  
of England

10 May 1873  
Bank  
of England

Having perused the enclosed and fully weighed every  
circumstance in relation thereto I scruple not to give my opinion in  
favor of the girl whose Parents I know to be honest & industrious people  
having one of their Daughters in my service —

Charlotte Clarke  
King Street Lower Street Kingston N.Y.

April <sup>27</sup> 1813



To

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Geo<sup>l</sup> & Compt<sup>r</sup>

Bank of England.

F25/2/64a

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Company of  
the Bank of England. This Petition is most  
humbly dedicated by the Parents of Sarah Fell,  
now confined in Clerkenwell New Prison, charged  
with having been concerned in uttering Forged Notes  
in Company with " — Roberts and Thomas Jones,  
at Mr Penn's, Cheesemonger, City Road, and was taken  
into custody with the above named Persons, at the  
Blacking Regs, North Street, City Road. —

Your Petitioners humbly entreateth your  
attention in behalf of our unfortunate Daughter,  
whose innocence on this occasion, can be clearly  
proved, by the Persons in charge, who declare her  
to be entirely ignorant of the Transaction, and as  
she has always led an Honest, sober life, this  
being the first time of accusation, of which she  
is perfectly innocent, we humbly entreat your  
pardon.

<sup>Thine</sup>  
Chas<sup>r</sup> X Fell

Anne X Fell  
<sup>Mother</sup>

April 27<sup>th</sup> 1813.



27 April 1813

Petition from Chas.  
& Anne Fell, parents  
of Sarah Fell.

postponed



Sir

The Convincing proofs I have had of your  
Humanity and Philanthropy, to alleviate the misfortunes  
of the oppressed, has induced me now to take the liberty  
of addressing you upon the present unhappy and  
melancholy event. as you are in possession of the  
Circumstances relative to my apprehension and  
Confinement I shall not enter into a long and  
laboured defence, but can assure you I have been  
the Dupe of others who now laugh at my Credulity  
it is the most earnest wish of my unfortunate  
Wife as well as myself that She should  
accompany me to New South Wales. I am now Sir  
Destitute both of Money and Friends, Permit me  
most earnestly to solicit your favour and goodness  
to use your interference with the Govrs and Co<sup>s</sup> of  
the Bank of England and thereby obtain permission  
for my Wife to accompany me, and afford me some  
small pecuniary aid which will greatly oblige  
Rebubation Halk

Yours Respectfully  
John Hopgood

Novr 26<sup>th</sup> 1813

Westwood Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Solicitor

To The Bank of England

Bank  
for John Westwood

The Humble Petition of  
Mary Hopgood

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Sheweth

That your humble Petitioner  
as had permission to go out with her  
unfortunate Husband to Botany  
Bay - I have most humbly to crave  
Your Honors will grant me some  
Relief having a Child also to look  
after, and have been obliged to make  
away with all my things for my-  
self and Husband support during  
is imprisonment and any trouble  
will ever be acknowledged with  
Gratitude for which I shall ever be  
in duty bound to pray.

Westwood Esq<sup>r</sup>

S<sup>r</sup> S<sup>r</sup> S<sup>r</sup>

Jan<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1814



Mr William  
W. Smith

Westwood Esq

4-8-8

Bank  
Peterson & Son  
New York

125/2166

London 25 Nov 1813

Henry Russell

We have laid your Petition  
before the Gov<sup>rs</sup> & Directors of the  
Bank, who decline interfering in  
your case further than they have done

We are  
Yrs &c  
K F & K

Henry Russell  
Retribution Bank  
Woolwich

100 100 100 100 100  
Bank

To Henry Russell

F25/2/67



(1 Year) Wm. Worsley Clerk

# Case of Henry Russell

The King on the Prosecution of the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Company of  
the Bank of England ag<sup>t</sup> Henry Russell Tried upon  
Two Indictments held at Oxford on the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of March  
in the year of our Lord 1809

Gentlemen

Pardon the liberty I take in addressing you  
upon the present unhappy and melancholy event; as you  
are in possession of the peculiar nature of the Case  
and likewise the Defence I made on the Day of my Trial  
when Baron Graham presided at the Court, I shall not  
presume to enter into the merits, or demands of the Case,  
but bow with due submission to the Sentence which  
has been passed upon me most solemnly do I declare that  
I was grossly deceived and imposed upon with regard to the  
Notes, which has brought down such disgrace upon my Family,  
and misery upon my unoffending head I Received the notes  
in question from one Thomas Langley for a Debt due to me  
at that period conceiving that the Notes were Lawful  
Tendency of Great Britain thus innocently did I become the Victim

of the above named Thomas Langley who has since been  
Executed for Forgery, It is the proudest moment of my life  
amidst the difficulties which surround me, to make known  
to you Gentlemen that the Earl of Abingdon Lord Spencer  
Former Esq Member of Parliament and some of the first  
Nobility in the Kingdom have kindly interested  
themselves in my behalf Permit me at the same time  
to represent that I have already endured nearly Five years  
solitary Imprisonment during which Period my sufferings  
have been Great both in mind and Body, and my health  
is in consequence much impaired for these reasons as well as  
in Consideration of my General Good Character and for  
the sake of my Afflicted Wife and Family most earnestly  
do I implore Gentlemen that you will extend unto Me  
your favour and Goodness and thereby obtain His Majesty's  
Most Gracious Pardon, or such mitigation of Sentence as  
in your Profound Wisdom you may deem meet - and  
should it not be in your power to Comply with this  
my most earnest request and Intreaty permit Me to solicit  
the favour that you Gentlemen with your known humanity  
will render Me some small assistance previous to my  
leaving England and as in duty Bound I shall ever pray



I Have the Honour to be  
Gentlemen  
Your Most Obedt  
Humble Servt  
Henry Russell

Retribution Hulk  
Woodwick Kent  
Nov<sup>r</sup> 23 1853



24 Nov 1813 Henry Russell  
To

the Gorts and Company  
of the Bank of England  
£ 2.8

the Case of  
Henry Russell

Sir Your goodness will I trust pardon the liberty I take in  
addressing you, but the unhappy situation I am placed in, and  
the deep distress my Family, and respective Relatives are involved in  
will I trust plead an excuse for my so doing. Permission has been  
granted by My Lord Sidmouth for My Wife and Son to accompany  
me to New South Wales, since my Conviction my sufferings  
have been great, and are likely to be rendered still greater, unless  
relieved in some measure by the humane interference of the  
Governors, and Company of the Bank of England. I cannot finish  
this Sir written under the pressure of many and harassing  
Concerns, without begging You will accept My best Thanks  
and Gratitude for saving my life which it was in Your  
Power to deprive me of. and most earnestly do I implore that  
You will with Your known humanity recommend me as  
deserving some small pecuniary assistance from the Governor & Co  
of the Bank of England previous to my leaving my native Country  
as I am destitute both of Money and Friends, and as in duty Bound  
I shall ever Pray. &c.

I am Sir  
With the profoundest Respect  
Your most Obedt  
Humble Servt  
Charles Garnes.

Rehibition Hulk  
Woolwich  
Nov 23-1813

23 Nov 1873

17m

Bank

Chas. James

Westwood Esq<sup>r</sup>

Solicitor

To The Bank of England

M<sup>r</sup> Kaye Esq

authorised to  
advise him & etc.



On Board the Vebulations Bath  
Shierness July 10<sup>th</sup> 1814

How Sir,

I beg the liberty of this  
Letter Imploing your Humane Attention  
in A Case so truly Lamentable,

As I am Labouring under the most excruciating  
agony of Mind, attended with the several  
Necessities Mentioned by my late Conviction  
and Sentence, Induces me to Solicit  
your Assistance in Causing to be Returned  
the Money that was taken from me  
and Eliza Pearson on the evening of  
our Apprehension, I Beg Pardon for  
attempting to recover the Money which  
was taken from Eliza Pearson, since Wright

as it is far from my Intention. But  
as we are as One, you will excuse me.  
And as we must inevitably, leave this  
Country very shortly, A little Money  
will be of an Infinite Service to One  
or both of us, therefore I beg you will  
be pleased to Remitt to me on Board  
this Hulk, or to Eliz<sup>th</sup> Pearson at  
Newgate, that Part of the Money which  
was taken from us, and not Returned.  
Therefore I will give an Account of the  
Money that was <sup>taken</sup> from us and what we  
Received, which is as follows, Viz. from  
Eliz<sup>th</sup> Pearson  $\text{£. s.}$  3, 3, - and from myself  
 $\text{£. s.}$  2, 14, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ , with  $\frac{3}{16}$  from our Lodgings  
which amounts to  $\text{£. s.}$  5, 8, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and all

*L. S. D* *L. S. D*  
we Received was, 10 L<sup>rs</sup> 6<sup>s</sup> Thysfore 3<sup>d</sup> 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>  
Remains, Wherfore Should you be pleased  
to Cause the Above sum to be Returned  
as I have Above Directed, you will  
Hon<sup>ble</sup> Sir for ever Oblige Your Most

Obedient Servant

John Pearson



SHILLING  
1511  
Westwood Esq  
No 5, New Bank Buildings  
near the Royal Exchange LONDON

Shew  
for John Pearson  
to Lady M

F25/2/70

New Prison Clerkenwell

Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> 1846

Dear Sir

I hope you will pardon the liberty taken in writing you — I am sorry that I should be in such company that I was in when at your House on Monday last — believe me Mr Morey I can lay my hand on my Breast and call God to witness that I never in my life uttered or attempted to utter a Counterfeit Bank token in my life. knowing it to be so: — I have been in Respectable Business at Hales Green

in Shropshire as a Manufacturer  
of Nails & Gun Barrels and have  
transacted Business with Respectable  
Houses in London - prior to my  
Bankruptcy - and I have a wife  
& family now Resident at  
Hales Owen - - I hope you  
will have the Goodness if you  
attend at worship Street tomorrow  
that you will speak favorable  
for me - - and I believe if  
you will please Recollect  
Mr Morey - that I was not at  
your House on Monday Morning  
when the 15<sup>th</sup> pence was offered  
for payment - I am sorry to  
say Mr M that <sup>I</sup> much distressed  
will thank you to ask -



Mr Fordham I send me  
T. 11/4 he as got belonging done  
my respects to your wife and  
please accept the same  
from fir yours Respectfully  
J Birch

Friday morning

Mr Morey  
Admiral Benbow  
Golden Lane

Mr D. Hunt  
& Mr Morey

Done

17th April 1711



25<sup>th</sup>  
Charlsea Prison Oct<sup>r</sup> 1813

Sir

From the Gentlemen who were here on Saturday  
Evening you have I doubt not heard of the circumstances  
under which I received what I supposed to be a 5<sup>th</sup>  
Note - The insults I have received and still receive in  
consequence of having noticed it in my former Letter  
to M<sup>r</sup> F. must be intended to be known & compel me  
to enquire if there be any mode in which they can  
be terminated - May not the gift of such a half Note  
be construed an utterance or can nothing be done  
with those who have them in their possession for what  
purpose is best known to themselves - Imprisoned  
without my usual means of subsistence reduced  
to the scanty Pittance earned by writing for the  
Basketmen & having an aged impoverished and  
dying Father to care for beside my own home  
I really build what I thought as a kind Providence  
would relieve these necessities at home and enable me  
to render more comfortable the last days of a  
Dying Parent under such circumstances the loss  
of Six shillings though but small sum in the  
course of wealth was much to me & for anything  
could be done to end such practices it would contribute  
to the peace of Sir & Mr Lord

Sir - if you receive this please to Williamstown  
Direct for one at N<sup>o</sup> 44 Gee Street as there is a  
probability it will not reach me  
I have signed the Note & I should



Bank

For Wm. Holland

Wm. Holland Esq  
Buckingham Palace  
London



F25/2/72

London

I would be very happy to see you if  
convenient to yourself on the Receipt  
of this. Have something to communicate which  
you will find useful - and ought to know  
Immediately - I am, Sir, Yours

Yrs most Obedt

Thos A. Fox

J. M. Skinner

Newgate

Monday Morning -

Mr. Westwood  
5. New Bank Buildings  
Cornhill





Newgate April 29

Honoured Sir

I hope you Will Excuse the Liberty

I take in troubling you With this I have Been  
so Unfortunate as to be in Newgate on the Account  
of the Bank Business Honoured Sir I have -  
Four Small Children and no one to Main tain  
them But my selfe or my Husband has  
Left me and is Gawn to Sea I Was tryed in  
February Sessions and I have been Obliged to  
Part With all my Cloaths and every thing that  
I had to Support my selfe and Children But  
I hope that God Will Punish the Wicked  
man that Brought me in to it and I Shall  
be Ever Greatfull if you Should be so kind  
to think of me in My Distress and My Children  
if it is Ever so Small a trifle I Shall Be Very  
Thankfull I hope you Will Excuse the Liberty  
that I have taken in troubling you With this and  
if you should think of me I should be induty  
Bound to Pray for you from your Humble  
Petitioner Mary England

Two pence  
Unpaid

M<sup>r</sup> Westwood

No 5 New Bank Buildings

10/6 per M<sup>r</sup> Westwood

8 o'clock  
AP. 29  
1814 M<sup>th</sup>

John Brown  
Mansfield

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Honored Sir

I hope you will Excuse the

Liberty I take in troubling you with this

But it is through true Necessity that I  
do it I have five Children and my  
husband has only thirty shillings per Week  
and it is out of my Power to Maintain More  
than two of it Lays in your Power to Do any  
thing for me I should Be thankfull to you  
as this money is Not sufficient to Maintain me in  
a Prison and two Children as the Place is very  
Expensive to Live in if it Lays in your Power  
to Do this I shall Be ever Greatfull to you from  
your Very humble Petitioner and Obedient Servant

Mary Bearitt

I should be Very Much Obliged to  
Mr Fox if He will Let me have  
the Pocket Book he took  
from me.

Newgate May 17 1814



M<sup>r</sup> Westhead  
New Bank Buildings

No 5

Mrs Mary Beant

Beant

Navigate May 17 1814

Honored Sir

I hope you will excuse the liberty I  
take in troubling you with this But my  
Husband is Left this Place to go Abroad  
and now he has Left this Place I have Nothing  
to depend on. But the Goal Allowance which is very  
Little as When his friends Came to him I showed  
What he had But Now he is Left I have Nothing  
to depend if it lay in your Power to assist me  
I shall be ever thankfull if it lay in your Power  
to. This a favourable Anne will oblige you  
Very humble Servant

Elegabeth Wright



Mr Westwood  
New Bank Buildings

No 5

Mr Wm. H. Wright

Bank

17 May 1871



Information

Thomas Porter

Newgate 12<sup>th</sup> June 1819.

Richard Turner about 25 years old, 5 feet 7 or 8, stout  
make, good looking - wears a brown coat & waistcoat  
wears no braces. - frequents the Band & Apple in Gornell  
Street, also the White Public House in the same Street.  
lives with Mrs Cary who some time since resided at  
10 of Bear Tree Street. - Turner sells forged notes  
& he is resorted to by the low Irish to whom he  
will sell a single £1 note. - Turner occasionally  
forges notes himself, he uttered a £5 note at Manchester  
Hos Pannbrokers in Skinner St. in payment for Silver  
Spoons.

James Smith about 21 or 22 years old, fair complexion  
good looking, red hair, about 5 feet 6 inches high,  
wears a black coat & grey pantaloons dresses well.  
has the Crown & Sceptre Ball yard Golden Lane  
is a large Dealer, goes to Birmingham himself,  
supplied Henry Dart & now supplies Jas Dart -  
Smith has taken up the Connexions of Crowther  
& Tavenor.

A smart young man about 22 or 23 who is the brother  
of Mr. Shubbs capitally convicted at the last Session

uttered forged notes, he was in company with Edward  
Shibbs who he was apprehended - is known by  
the Appellation of "Harlequin Billy" wears his hair  
curled at the sides of his Face, usually dresses in  
a brown frock coat with a velvet collar of the  
same colour - Lives somewhere in Threditch - He  
passed a forged £1 note at the same Grocers Shop  
in Holborn where Mr. Arnold did - Gave an address  
in John Street.

Dick Brewin a stout good looking young Man  
generally accompanies Harlequin Billy

David Austin utters a great many forged notes, he  
is about 25 years old, about 5 feet 6 - generally  
wears a fustian shooting jacket - frequents the  
Mitre & Hand & Apple.

Mr. Pater says that he bought his notes of Jerry  
& Joe Dark who have told him that Mr. Smith  
supplied them. That Crowther & Tavenor had their  
notes from Kitchena a blind Man who keeps a  
Public House near Stratford on Avon & who is

considered "one of the head partners" and gets the  
votes from the Manufacturers at Birmingham  
I employs a Boy for that purpose.



Information given  
by Phil. Porter.

F25/2/37

Ed Turner abt 25 yrs old  
stout male 5 feet 7 or 8. wears  
a brown coat & waistcoat and  
knives, frequents the Hand  
Sawyer & Mike Gowen  
St. Lucy, with Mrs Cary  
who did live in Main Street  
No. 9. - Sells - will sell  
one at a time -

Shubby is bro. to Harlequin  
Billy who was with him  
when apprehd

He is a smart young man  
wears his hair curled into  
the sides - about 22 or 23.  
wears a frock coat, brown  
velvet collar - lives in  
Shadish - He hopped  
a note at the same Shop  
(a Grocers) where his Amos  
died - gave an address in  
Dns Street

Sick Brewin a stout  
good look young man  
accomp. Harlequin Billy  
"Lap Smith abt 21 or 22  
Red haired sells - keeps the  
Crown & Reptile Bait yard  
Golden Lane, supplies Dart  
goes to Bown himself  
good looking abt 5' 8. black  
coat & grey pantaloons.

David Austin abt 25  
gentl wears a shooting jacket  
presents the Mistle & Head  
Lapfle

Richd. Turner passed a  
£5 note at a Pawnshop  
(Museum H<sup>o</sup> Remin. B)  
in payment for Silver Spoons



Tuesday 29 June 1819

Information received of Thomas Porter in  
Newgate. who says that the following Persons  
are engaged in Forged Bank Notes

John Asch

Ret'd from Transportation  
About made - 25 Years of Age.  
deals well & deals in forged  
Bank Notes. Often goes to  
haunt Gardner Market on  
Sat & Mornings & another  
man goes with him - His  
Wife also utters Notes - She  
is a good looking Woman  
about 25 Years of Age.

Wells

About 50 Years of Age  
About made - 5 feet 9 high  
is a Greenhouse in Shew  
in Marylebone.

Shribbs also is  
Hansgreen Billey

} Is an active utterer of  
Notes.

Smith  
also is Smithers

Uses the coach & Horses  
Charles St. Denny Lane.

Sarah Custon. An old Woman who was discharging some time since receives notes from Acost.

Richard Turner. Went to the fight with the light-man. On his return paid away notes at the Public houses of £2 & £5-

Richard Bruce. An Utterer - intimate with Smith.

John Thornton. Lives at Worcester - passes as a Mailster. Tall bony Man. 46 years of Age. He is a Maker of notes.

Tom Freeman. Is a Seller lives in a Street that comes into the City Road.

He is about 26 years old - short & stout - a good looking well dressed Man

Robert Salmon. A Green Grocer keeps a Horse & Cart

John Brown. About 40 - Stout Man - dark Complexion. was a Resurrection Man.

J. Glover.



Thomas Porter's  
Information.

F25/2/199



Ja.

Some time since I had an interview  
with Mr Glover of the Bank, respecting some  
Notes and at the same time gave ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> Gentleman  
some information, connected, ~~with~~ with - "Hopwood  
Paynes, Dale, &c &c" - I always received from  
Mr Glover very gentlemanly attention, and promised  
him, I should make it my study to give him "every  
information in my power," as my misfortunes  
had occasioned a long incarceration, and in such  
a neighbourhood, I had an opportunity of obtaining  
the first information, particularly ~~but~~ I had ~~found~~  
myself into the Society purposely, for such an  
<sup>purpose</sup> ~~purpose~~, and I have succeeded thus far - for  
the man, (Bourne) <sup>John</sup> Mr Glover as the particular  
Friend of Hopwoods, and the man who assists  
him in getting through several of the like things,  
before, is the man who can furnish me with  
as many spurious Notes, as any one ever wanted.  
- I also know the dangerous Engraver, and the  
Vendor - and I have two of them <sup>Notes</sup> now in my hand  
purposely to send you the Dates &c - I shall  
th. Date 29<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1853. }  
Yrs<sup>ly</sup> - W. W. Thomson.



and to return them immediately. "I borrowed them  
to show a friend, (as I told them,)"

- on this same subject I wrote Mr. Glean last  
week. but I was not then in such possession  
as I am now. I applied to him how I was  
to act. but not hearing from him I supposed  
he is absent from London - it is impossible for you  
to get to the Fountain Head, of this, but I am at  
this moment so circumstanced, as not to be able  
to do as I could wish, but I should like to know  
from you how you would have me act. - I beg  
permission of observing, that Mr. Foy, of Maline  
asked one of these principal Vendors (Haywards)  
"if he was not doing anything in the soft way -"  
of course Haywards, friend assured in the  
Egyptian - this I deny, for he is one of the principal  
"Camp sticks" from the unguarded way in which he  
addressed this mans friend, he has been shy -  
but now acts a little more confidently. I do not  
feel at all apprehensive of my <sup>not</sup> getting to the Spring but  
I must be allow the protection of the Bank and also  
hesitate not to say but the Governors will find this  
I suppose - (in time) a wonderful source of  
information, but if I were to mention this



persons they would be so impatient, and make a  
Captiv. whom all would be put aside —

I hope most sincerely you will excuse my wishing  
to take the liberty of addressing you, particularly, this  
in the slightest known, but trust the cause  
in which I have embarked will plead a common  
sufficiency. Given him who has the honor to  
remain with every consideration and respect

Your most obedient

John F. Schroeder

No 12 Fleet Lane

20th Oct. 1843

To  
Key Egg  
H. H. H.  
Bark

Mr.

Dear Sir, I write this in  
a handless spot, having no  
time to get into a private room  
and I must so excuse the time  
of returning the articles they  
most perfect — J. F. Schroeder  
to  
appearance —





26th Oct 1873

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Two Pylons  
Unpaid  
Elect M

Ray Esq  
L L L

Solicitor

Bank of England

Wm G. Chambers

Bank

26 Oct 1873

Mr. Johan Jorgensen  
Elect. Prisoner  
16. first floor

Bank of England Archive (F25/2)

No. 1  
32019.7 } Dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 1843.  
32048.5 }  
*signed Thomson.*

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*W. Jas. D. Bain*



Sir

Mr Jas D Bain has this  
moment called here & has  
addressed you & have enclosed  
to acquaint me that a friend of his  
Mr Jorgan Jorgensen W. 16 Fleet  
Street Fleet Prison has informed  
him that there is a person in  
that prison who sells forged  
Bank Notes & has you have enclosed  
a memorandum of two that  
Jorgensen <sup>has</sup> ~~has~~ <sup>has</sup> been sold - Mr Bain with  
whom I am perfectly unacquainted  
with informs me that he is a  
relation of a respectable Broker  
Mr Deroway <sup>Deroway</sup> & that he knows Mr. Harman  
upon whom he called but did  
not find him at home. If you  
think it advisable to attend to  
this business to night you will

find me at home & I think we  
can get some information from  
Mr Harman of Mr Bain who  
offers his services to be of any  
assistance to us

Yours sincerely  
W Mellich  
Prohopychshut

26<sup>th</sup> Oct 1843

You have enclosed Mr Jorgensen  
said - Mr Bain informed me  
that a sale for Heligoland was  
offered to any amount at about  
half price

26 Oct: 1813

Bank

fm W. Mellish Esq.

f25/2/81



My dear Sir

I am very much surprised that you have not used your utmost Exertions in bringing to light the villainy and the fraud practised upon the Bank of England. — My former communication was of the Importance that you ought particularly to have noticed it. — After to morrow it will be too late, for the paper, whose name, I know very well, is going off to morrow to circulate his paper, and if not prevented will do a great deal of mischief to the public.

Yours truly,  
J. Forgeman.

Thursday. 28. Oct: 1813.

J. D. Bain Esq.

2 Pearl's Place  
City Road.

Bank of England  
for Mr. J. D. Bain

28 Oct. 1873

F25/2/82

Sir,

Since I had the honor of communicating,  
with you this morning, I have thought proper  
to send you the name of the man I mentioned  
to you in writing so no mistakes may be  
committed & His Name is Boarum, and resides  
generally within the walls of this prison. — I  
again request you to keep my name out of the  
question, at least as long as I remain here, for  
in such case <sup>as</sup> <sup>the</sup> this <sub>n</sub> is rather a dangerous place.  
I also hope that as I have no interested views  
in what I have said, that you and the directors of  
the Bank will see the propriety of not returning my  
services with any thing which can be disagreeable to my



feelings. - I always looked upon forgeries committed  
on the Bank of England as a great crime, as to honest  
labours is often thus cheated of his wages and the  
tradesman of his just due, independent of the  
losses sustained by the Bank who can better afford it.  
In this case therefore I shall think myself amply  
rewarded if you will comply with my wishes, and  
I again shall communicate to you any thing that  
may be transacted respecting the forged notes in  
my presence. -

Your most obedient servant  
Jørgen Jørgensen.

Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> November 1813.

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1.04.1883  
Fleet St.

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Fleet St.

Mr. Kaye Freshfield Kaye  
New Bank Buildings.

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1 Nov. 1813

F25/2/83

16  
The person whose name I mentioned  
to you yesterday in my letter, returned,  
as I understood to town yesterday <sup>evening</sup> from  
his Expedition. — In the course of today  
or to morrow I shall be able to learn  
some more particulars, I will therefore  
have you to remain quiet a few days,  
and will you call upon me on Thursday  
about 1<sup>o</sup> clock I shall be able to give  
you further Information on the Subject, and  
give you the name of one or two persons  
who have seen the note, as well as myself.

Your obed. servant  
J. Fergerson

Tuesday, Nov. 11<sup>o</sup> clock

2 Nov 13



F25/2/84

Messrs Rye Freshfield  
& Rye  
New Bank Buildings

from Mr. J. J. J. J.  
Bank  
2 Nov. 1873

the King  
Thomas Barrett the Deputy Constable of Little Bolton says That on the  
Entwistle 4<sup>th</sup> day of December One thousand eight hundred and eleven he went with Joshua  
Lever in search of the Prisoner Ann Entwistle. That Witness proceeded to the House of  
Henry Entwistle in Edgworth the residence of the Prisoner's Father in Law and with  
whom the Prisoner then lived - That on entering the House of Henry Entwistle  
Witness saw no person answering the description of the Prisoner, when Witness  
went forward into a Back shop where Witness found the Prisoner at work and  
the Prisoner's Sister in Law - Witness then called Joshua Lever into the Workshop  
in order that he might point out to Witness the person who had paid the note  
to him - That the shop being dark Lever could not point out which of the two  
was the person that paid him the note, when Witness brought them both out  
of the workshop into the House where there was more light in order that  
Lever might be able to say who was the person that paid him the note - That  
Witness then asked Lever what he thought of the persons, he said he was sure that the Prisoner  
Ann Entwistle was one, but was not sure whether the other person was one or not but his  
Levers Wife could better identify her than he could, That Witness then took the Prisoner  
and her Sister in Law into custody and brought them both to his House where he lodged  
them both together in the attic story of his House which is used as a lock-up room -  
That after Levers Wife had seen the Sister in Law of the Prisoner she thought she  
was not one of the party that was present when the Note was paid her Husband  
but was quite certain the Prisoner was one, in consequence of which Witness handcuffed  
the Prisoner and locked a chain which was fast to the Bedside to the Handcuffs -  
That the Prisoner so remained in custody from the ~~evening~~ <sup>Monday</sup> evening until early on the  
Monday morning following (Witness being in the room where the Prisoner was  
confined so as that all was right on Monday morning) passing at twelve o'clock when  
the Prisoner and her Sister in Law were both in bed when she effected her escape  
thru' the Window into the back yard which is about Twenty one feet from the  
ground - That on the Saturday previous to her escape, Witness was having  
some conversation with the Prisoner about the note when she admitted she had  
had the Note from Martha Entwistle her Mother in Law and paid it to Joshua  
Lever but wished she had never had any thing to do with it and said if she could  
get off for that time she would never do any thing of the kind again - That  
Witness had two young Boys who slept in the same room where the Prisoner and

sister in Law was confined and one of the Boys (the eldest) as soon as it was light  
on the morning of the escape knocked at the Door as hard as he could in order to  
inform Witness that one of the Women was gone - That Witness then went up  
stairs as fast as he could and unlocked the Door and found that the Prisoner had  
effected her escape thro' the Window - That he then went into the Yard to see  
if he could discover any thing, when he found that the Prisoners stocking had  
caught upon one of the gudgeons which one of the Window shutts of the Window  
below hung upon and part of the stocking actually upon it - He then further  
examined the yard and he found a large quantity of blood spilled from which  
he traced the Prisoner to the Middingolead where she went over some pailing  
the pikes of which had been taken off in order to get into another Backyard.

That Witness after the escape made every possible search in the Country  
to take her again and had two Men also out on the same occasion to whom  
he offered Ten pounds as a reward ~~well~~ if they could apprehend the  
Prisoner, but never was able to meet with her but often heard where she  
had been.

Witness  
Thos. Rush to

Thos Barrow



Most Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I rely on your genuine goodness of Heart to pardon  
the great liberty I take in addressing you which nothing  
but my present melancholy situation should induce  
me to

I beg leave to say that we are almost in hourly  
expectation of sailing and being in the greatest distress  
having no one capable of giving me the smallest relief  
I do therefore most humbly intreat of you Sir to lay  
my melancholy case before the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen of the  
Bank in humble hope they will be pleased to offer  
me some assistance for which favor I shall ever be  
truly Grateful

Your kind compliance with much obliged  
most Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

Brazenbury      your Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Servant  
Deptford      Anne Amstwipell  
Jan 10 1845

Mr Wedgewood  
Inspectors or Investigators Office

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Bank of England

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For  
Ann Entwistle

F25/2/86



To the Honourable the  
Governors and Directors of the Bank of England

The Humble Petition of Ann Huntressell  
now on Board His Majestys Ship the  
Brossenberg and Sentence of being  
for fourteen years

Most Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner duly impressed with the highest  
Sense of Gratitude for the assistance She has already received  
and for which She now desires to return Her most sincere thanks  
and Humbly to intreat pardon for the liberty She again takes  
in intruding upon the Honourable Gentlemen

That your Petitioner begs leave to state the  
understanding it will be some time before we leave England  
and having no Person capable of giving Her the smallest relief  
She most Humbly implorers the Honourable Gentlemen to be graciously  
pleased to take Her long imprisonment in the Country and  
distressing situation into their Humane considerations and  
grant Her some further assistance a favor which will ever be  
most Gratefully remembered by Her

That your Petitioner would not have taken this  
liberty but being in the utmost distress for some trifling occasion  
for so long and dangerous a Voyage hoping appropriated what She has  
received to the benefit of Her poor Fatherless Children who are  
in the utmost distress She therefore Humbly hopes the  
Gentlemen will have pity on Her melancholy case

And your Petitioner as in Duty Bound  
will ever Obey

Ann Huntressell

Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1814



To the Attn<sup>de</sup>

Gentlemen of the Bank

F25/2/87

Most Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I most Humbly intrust you with pardon my taking  
the liberty of troubling you to present the enclosed  
for me to the Gentlemen of the Bank

I beg leave to return  
my most sincere thanks for the trouble you have  
before taken for me and with every sentiment of  
Respect and Gratitude subscribe myself


Your Obedt<sup>t</sup> M<sup>t</sup> Servant

Ann Auntwells

1 Boxcenberry  
Northfleet  
Feb<sup>y</sup> 9 1814





*Mr. J. G. Wood*  


Holborn Hill  
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*Inspectors or Investigators Office*

*post paid Bank of England*

*for Ann Astor*

*Bank*  
*9 Jan 1868*



To the Honourable the Governors and Directors of the  
Bank of England—

The Humble Petition of —  
Ann Auntwipell now a Prisoner  
on board His Majesty's Ship Boscawen  
under Sentence of Transportation  
for 14 years

Most Humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner is 27 years of Age and  
pleaded Guilty at the Assizes held at Lancaster in September  
1813 for uttering a forged five pound note on the Bank of England  
at Bolton in Lancashire for which she received the above  
named Sentence

That your Petitioner begs leave to say she  
has Two young Children Fatherless and who are in the greatest  
Distress and entirely destitute since the confinement of their  
unfortunate Mother

That your Petitioner with the utmost  
sorrow and Contrition for Her Misconduct in the ever to be  
lamented transaction most Humbly beseeches the Honourable  
Gentlemen to take Her melancholy situation into Humane  
consideration not having a Friend or Relative capable of  
giving Her the smallest assistance she therefore most earnestly  
intreats the Gentlemen will be Graciously pleased to offer  
Her some relief not having the means of procuring the smallest  
recap for so long a Voyage.

And your Petitioner is in Duty bound  
will ever pray

Ann Auntwipell

Ann Auntwipell



To the Attn<sup>ce</sup>

the Governors and Directors of the

Bank of England

Wm. Carter



Her  
Catherine ~~the~~  Name  
Mark

Most Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

Y<sup>rs</sup>

I take the liberty of informing you I was  
sent on board the Corvett Ship which is to convey  
me from my native Country I do therefore beg of  
you Sir to be good enough to name my distressing  
case before the Honourable Gentlemen of the  
Bank in hopes they will be good enough to afford  
me some relief not having the means of  
providing myself with common necessities  
for so long a voyage I beg leave to say we  
expect to sail the first wind I intrust if  
you Sir to comply with my request and  
with the highest Sense of Gratitude for the  
trouble you have already taken I respectfully  
beg leave to remain

your Obed<sup>t</sup> Servant

Goosenberry  
Delft  
Aug<sup>r</sup> 1814

Catherine Pain



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