

Sir
pardon me for again intruding on your
having before studied my circumstances
to you and I am at this time very
satisfied I shall feel my self for ever
thankfull to you if your Mercery and
Goodness will reach so far as to think
me worthy of the Support that from
your kind Consideration offenders on me
does receive for which Sir I shall be
forever. thankfull to you

I am Sir your Most
Obedt Hum^l Serv^t Ann Stacey

Sunday Juneth 30

Newat

Bank!

30 June 1718.

for the above

Mr. Charles Long.

No 2 Bank's Building

F25/5/1

Sir
Newgate Prison 6
I hope and trust that your Goodness
will pardon and excuse the liberty
I have again taken I Thot you a line
last week to beg of you to please to give
me the allowance that you have to others
Sir I gave you every information that
lay in my power I hope you will consider
my Case I know that I have offended
the laws of the Nation still I hope
to find that favour from your Mersey
Goodness as I am in such Distress
Sir if it is not too much troubling please
to drop me a line to say if I may
expect the favour that I beg of you
and when that I may expect to see you
and Sir by so doing I shall be in Duty
over. Thank full to you I have Sir Yours
Most Affly Hum^l Serv^t Ann Stoney

Bank
6 Feb 7/1818
for the Society

M^r Andrews

No 2 Broad Buildings

F25/5/2

FE. 26.
1718 NT

As dear Aunt's Loving

W^m M^r M^r M^r

the M^r M^r M^r

M^r M^r M^r

1718

F25/5/3

Sir
I hope and trust that your Goodness
will Excuse the Liberty I take to again
write to you but Sir I hope you will
Consider that my Case is very hard I have
not a friend in the World to help me to
manage these ~~and through my~~ ^{and through my} ~~affairs~~ ^{affairs} the
only person who has place and at this time it is
not in his power to help me and I have
great Distress I am Sir Consider my Case
for much I shall be for ever bound
in Duty to thank you I am Sir that
the Phoenix Ship is expected to come in
the next month and if my fate is to come
I have about Distress for such a purpose
may Sir Excuse this intrusion and I trust
to your kind Humanity that you
will be pleased to relieve me in this
my most unfortunate and Dependent

Believe me this is the last letter
that I have sent and if I was not
so trusting in man it would not be
true to say I have sent

your most obedt
and devoted Servt

Mary Ann Manning
Transport

Newgate Feb²³ 26

Dear Sir

I trust that you will pardon the liberty
I have taken I Address my self to you
as a most distressed woman: I have being
long ever since I came to London I have
respectfully applied for the the Summons that
is sometimes Conferrd upon offenders as
my self but have not received the least
kindness now Sir I am upon the point
of leaving the Country for 24 years
which might as well have being for my
life no one has ever applied to you in
a more distressed state I have neither
Friend Money nor Clothes Sir I hope
and trust that your Goodness will be
pleased to Allow me something before I
leave for which I shall be most humbly
Thankfully for if so Sir I shall be
glad to have it that I may have
a opportunity to lay it out before

i have this place paying Sir considering
my distress and think me a object
worthy of your relief for which
I shall be in Duty bound to pray

I am Sir

Your Most Obedt

Ann Stony

2 March 1818.
Bucks

to J. Harman Esq
from Ann Storry
Jeremia Harman Esq
Governor of the Bank
Broad Street

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Sir

Wingate

praying Excuse my Whitting on troubling
of you but I expect this Day to receive
the order for the Ship and I have
not a friend in the world to do any
service I hope and trust Sir that you
will consider my case and be pleased
to give me sum Assistance as I am
Sore of joining and I am in great
Distress and have nothing to send to
the Ship and I expect from the
Scurvy that we are to be on board
either on Thursday or Wednesday
and when I am there I have not
a friend that can do any thing
for me Sir whatever you will be
pleased to give me I shall be glad to
have the opportunity to pay it out
while I am here as I am most
afflicted in my poor Clatter

at. to at friends since the
i have Sonning to trouble you with
so many Letters this being the
Earths time that i have not i
think that perhaps they have not
all fell into your hands Sir
please to say to the Bearer
when i may expect to see you

I am Sir your Most Obedt
and Humble Servt

Ann Sonning

March 1848.

Bank,

per. Ann Stolly.

M^r Westwood

No 2 Bank Buildings

f25/5/5

1818
Newgate Mar 24

Gentlemen

I am sorry to trouble you but I
feel my self hurt that I cannot have any
allowance from the Bank of England as
well as my fellow prisoners —
I do assure you Gentlemen I am drawn
to the most pressing Distress I have made
away with all my clothes except what
I stand up in & going out of my Country
in that distress situation it hurts me
much I was in hopes to have received
something from your bounty that would
have enabled me to have got my things
as I might have appeared not quite
distressed in a foreign Country
I hope Gentlemen you will take my
deep Distress in to your consideration
& I shall be bound ^{most} ever to pray for
you
Your old Servant
Jann Story

Jeremiah Harman
Governor of the
Bank of England.

F25/5/6

By Authority
The Bank of England

Honoured Gentlemen May you will Excuse
My Liberty in troubling you, but being far
from my Native Country, and Destined for a
Climate where I do not know any person I am
Quite Destitute of friends, since my Confinement
I was Relieved I would have five Shillings
a week, from you Gentlemen of your Charity
Expecting it I pawned Every Article of my
Wearing Apparel known being ordered for a
Strange Country I have not as Much as a
to Wear I am Quite Distressed, and unhappy
in Mind as I do Not know what to do, but I
trust Gentlemen, you will take me Distressed
Situation into your humane Consideration
and bestow me a little of your benevolent
Charity in Order to Release me cloaths as I
trust to your humane kind and benevolent Charity
I hope you will not Delay answering this as I
Expect to go on board Friday or Saturday
and by you Gentlemen Considering my unhappy
Situation your Humble petitioner is in
Duty Bound to Pray Anne Harry

Mess^{rs} Gresham & Co
Solicitors to the Bank

Notice of Withdrawal

March

March 1818

1818/5/7

Joseph Rogers Esq
New Bank Buildings

Recd
from Mr Rogers
26 March 1780

f25/5/8

Sir

You will very much oblige
a Distressed woman if you will present
this to the Board of Directors of the Bank
as I am going to leave my Country
quite in Distress fully Expecting to have
the same allowance as my fellow
prisoners

You will
oblige your obt Servt
Newgate Mon 26
Ann Story

Newgate Novemb 29 - 1813

Honored Sir

with humble permission I
have taken the Liberty of writing
to you as I am in great distress & rely
only on your mercifull bounty having
know Friend to render me the smallest
Assistance it is now two months since I
Received any money

Sir I remain Your

Humble Servant
Margaret Shivers

Mr. Westward Esq

Bank Building

From
the Charge Office

NO. 55 ON
17 11

29 Dec 1813

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F25/5/8

to
I am sorry to the Dubliner but will
be thankful if you will please to
let me know the Sentiments Anson it
is something that makes me Dubliner
with I hope you will excuse for me for
time more so pray let me know

Yours Most Obedt
Humbt Servt Margaret Pioveo

6/5/500

Bank
for Mary Spiers

Mr Westwood



Sir

I trust that you will excuse my writing
but we expect to receive the order for the
ship on tomorrow the last Monday that
is received was from the 30 of June: I would
not be troubled with it in a short time
I will be very thankful if you
what your Goodness will be pleased to
give me on it with the off. I shall be
to me wanting to pay it out

I am Sir with Great Respects
thanking you Most
and Humbly Sir

Margaret Spence

Wentgate



M^r Westmore
No 2 Bank Buildings

Mr. Joseph Durrant

Bank

Nov. 18/8.

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Norfolk.

I have been very late in replying to
you on the interest upon your goodness
but I expect every moment
to receive the order for the ship
as Mr. Boscawen the Surgeon told
us yesterday that we should receive
the order as he says Sir I have not a
friend in the world to help me to one
penny and I am very independent of
to have my country but hope and trust
to your goodness as I mentioned in my last
the last morning that I received was from
the 30 of last Sir if convenient I hope
you will call upon me and what ever you
please to give me I should be glad to have
it out as I have not a friend to come
to me to do one thing for me after I
have this place I am Sir with
Great Respect & Affection your Most Obedt
Manservant & Spies

Back

March 1710

Mr. Margaret

Mr. Boscawen

No 2 South Building

P25/5/12

Sir

Newgate

I returned your most gratefull Thanks
for the kind Remembrance I have receivd from
you: I will be most infinitely delighted
to hear if you will present this Letter
for me Sir a Dear note with you and I
hope and trust that you will be pleas'd
to render me the Services that you can
I have not a friend in the world to
give me one penny which is due to
me and my Dear Children: I trust Sir
from the kindness that I have receivd
from you that you will do all you
can to be the means of my having a
little money for which I shall be for-
ever thankfull to you Sir pray excuse
me but if you please to say to the Treasurer
if she shall call upon you on Thursday
Afternoon or on Friday Morning or if you
will be pleas'd to call upon me
I have Sir your most Obedt
Margaret Spence

PS

Sir Don't think that we have
not received the order for Mr.
Bosman the Gunman has told
us that we are on board
on Sunday pray send what
you can for me

March 1818

Black,

Mr. John Margaret Hiner.
Westwood

No 2 Bank Buildings

1815/5

Hon^d Gentleman

Navigato

I trust that you will pardon and
Excuse the Liberty I have taken in return
my most gratefull thanks for the
kindness that has been conferred upon me
which has been a support for me and my
children others may I must have known
greater want not having a friend in the
world to help me Gentleman I am upon
the point of leaving the Country and am in
great want of a few things that induced me
to intrude upon your kind Consideration
hoping that you will be pleased to render
me some assistance now leaving the Country
and not having a friend to help me to
one penny makes it more hard for me
I trust that my Application will not
offend and whatever your Countessfull
goodness will be pleased to bestow upon me
will be received by me with my most
gratefull thanks and a everlasting acknowledgment
of your kindness we expect to be on board
of the Ship on Monday and should be

Post Office
happy if i possibly can to procure
a few things for my self and children
before i come from this place as i have
not a friend to come to the ship to me
Scotlanman i have entirely depending upon
your goodness for which i shall be in
dutty bound to pray

I am with great respects
your Most Obedt and
Hum^{ble} Serv^t Margaret Spruce

Wednesday
March 25

John Fear of
Margaret Fear

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The Treasurer and Comptroller
of the Bank of England

F25/5/14

Dear Sir

I most humbly presume your goodness
will pardon the liberty taken
now three months since my sister and
myself received sentence for fourteen
years which privilege you are good
to us I hope we shall ever feel
sensible of, and with the warmest
gratitude we return you our most
humble thanks we have experienced
the most severe distress since our
confinement and what has added
much to our trouble is the sudden
Death of our father and having
no friends whatever - we have
informed we are to go abroad and
have received notice to be in
Readiness next Wednesday

Thank!

24th Nov 1788

Attest of Catherine
Mortimer Clerk

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George Pitt Rivers

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F25/5/15

we most humbly solicit your
further consideration we shall

Forever Be in Duty
Bound to Pray

Catherine Brown

Louisa Thistle

Newgate

March 21 1818

Mr - Sir

Trusting to your goodness and my
very distressing circumstances I hope will
be appolized for the liberty I am taking
from being you I most humbly hope
the Gentlemen of the Bank will take
our case into consideration being
quite friends and we are to leave
here on Saturday morning, with your
Permission the Beaver waits an answer

We Remain with

Respect your Humble

Servants

Louisa Hemble

Catherine Brown

Yours
March 27
1818

27. Mar. 1748.

Bank,

Petition of *Louisa Kemble*
& *Catharine Brown*.

F25/5/16

Wm. George

Brown

The Humble Petition of Luigia Cambell Catharine

Humbly Employes the Humane Kindness of
the Governor and company of the Bank
and take in to consideration that the are
institute of Father or Mother or any friend
to give them the least assistance know being ordered
to leave our country on Friday or Saturday
we have no more time before we go to the Ship
begs have to Solicit your humane kindness and
helps through our present Distress that you will
bestow a little of your benevolent charity on us
both as we are in great Distress for cloaths or
any Sea Store, Gentlemen we both hope you will
Consider our Great distress and give us a little
of your benevolent charity and by so doing you
Humble Petitioners in duty bowes to pray
Luigia Cambell Catharine Barron

To the Governor and Company
of the Bank of
England

John
Mortimer
Esq
of
St James's
Place
London

F25/5/17

John Wad

Your Petition has been laid
before The Governor & Directors of
the Bank but they decline to
interfere

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12 March 1810

John Wad
Commander Celli
Admiral

12 March 1808

Bank
to John Ward

£25/5/8

Harriet Shelton,

I have laid your Letter of the 17th
Instant before the Gov^{rs} & Directors of the Bank
who have directed me to acquaint you that they still
remain of Opinion that consistent with their Duty to the
Public they cannot interfere in your behalf. —

J. W.

N. B. B.

19 March 1818.

Harriet Shelton
Newgate.

Bank
to Harriet Shelton

Feb 5/519

9. ¹⁰ Mr. Sir. My gentleman who presents to
you Mr. Manning's letter on my behalf,
has stated to me that there is no hope of
obtaining a change of my awful sentence of
death to transportation for life, as my character
is considered as particularly bad, and my case
very flagrant. Will you allow an unhappy
woman to state a few facts which I humbly
hope will induce you to take a more favourable
view of my case. Guilty as I am, and
deservingly involved in disgrace. I am not
guilty to that extent which is supposed.

I most solemnly declare that I never
lived in any house of ill fame kept
by my brother, or any one else, but the
one in Leigh Street, out of which I was ta-
ken, and in that ~~I~~ lived only after
it was opened up the house

five or six weeks, ~~the~~ ^{part of my time} ~~was~~ ^{was} employ-
ed in working at my business, in doing the
upholstery work of the house, which was
batter. It furnished by my brother, not so
much to be used, while in his possession, as
to let to some other person, and it was
not opened by him till the 2^d Dec^r last.

I further declare that I never was but in
one house of that description with Mary
and that not for any lewd purpose, but
in consequence of a violent quarrel between
~~Part~~ ^{Part} and my brother, and my only object was
to make a noise, & thus to expose the house
as a bad house - I confess that my motive
was not the good of the public, but a gratifying
a desire of revenge on the part of my brother,
whose advice I sincerely regret, that I followed.
For this I was held to Bail, and on the 6th Dec^r

last Lives surrendered by my bail W^r Cooper
Esq to S^r Holborn, who was acquitted and
the Common Sergeant recommended the indulti-
ment of Pass, which was done at this Hall

I do most solemnly declare, that I never had a
bad note to my knowledge in my possession, or
ever passed one knowing it to be forged, till
within the last four or five weeks before I
came to prison, (now about seven weeks since)
and as far as I can recollect nine notes only
have been uttered by me, and not the number
you supposed.

I am willing Sir to make every reparation in
my power to the offended laws of my country
by disclosing all I know as to the person
from whom the notes were procured, and by
exposing the means they were made.

These few remarks will I humbly trust
convince you, that I am not so abandoned

a character as you suppose, and that I am
not guilty to the extent I am charged as to
the notes.

Will you be so kind as to state this to
the gentlemen of the Law Committee, —
My life being concerned I hope will supply
an excuse for giving you so much trouble
I am Sir

Your most obedt and affected Son
Hannet Melton

Newgate
Apr 17. 1818

Key Exp

F25/5/20

Deane's Collection

17 March 1700

Bank
for Francis Kelton

th
20 March 1810

Newgate

Sir

I am unhappily placed
here for Trial for uttering a forged Ten pound
note in which I have been most villainously
entrapped into by your wife and friends
to call here I will give you information
of the Party as I understand they
are gone in the County either to pay
some or purchase some from the
Masters and I have every reason
to suppose the Person who misled
me sells them himself

I am

Y^r humble

Richd Radford

Middle Yard

I Westm. 1790
John
To the Bank of England
Cateaton

John
Atkins & Richard
Coopers

F25/5/22

Newgate January 20 1797

Sir

Enclosed I have the honor
to transmit a Letter intended for the
Governor and Company of the Bank of
England, which I have taken the liberty
to submit for your inspection and de-
cision as to the propriety of laying it
before them having no other Friend to
whom I can apply and throw myself
upon your goodness to cause the
same to be handed to them should
it meet your approbation.

I have the honor to remain
Sir

your obedient and very Humble Servant

Mary Swain

Richard Lloyd

To

Westwood Esq

Solicitor to the Bank of England

For Mr. Westwood

Bank

John Wilson

To the Governor and Company of the Bank of England

Gentlemen

From the distinguished con-
-descension and humanity so liberally dis-
-played to the unfortunate Prisoners confined
within these Walls suffering under your
protection, I have ventured thus to approach
you in the hope that my application will
not lessen a continuance of the favours
I have received since my conviction.

Be it known to you Gentlemen
that I am the Person who was tried on a
charge of Forgery at the last February Sessions
and was cast for death for the same, but
the Royal clemency has been most unex-
-pectedly extended to me, and for which I must
my former thanks to Almighty God will
ever manifest my sense of the crime,
and also a due contrition for so serious an
Offence as the One in question yet from the
peculiar circumstances relating thereto
the authentic particulars of which have
already been detailed, will I cherish a fond
hope must your attention and in
some degree entitle me to your favour.

consideration. I beg leave to Notice that I am the Mother
of Four young and helpless Children, who
have been deprived of my protection for
a long period through the unhappy dilemma
in which I am involved and which, on your
more mature investigation will prove, not
to have originated from any want of prudence
or from any real knowledge or real intention
to defraud by any means whatever, otherwise
than by the base design and illicit practices
of others and of which I was at that time
totally innocent.

With profound respect and
relying on your compassion

I remain
with feelings of the deepest affliction
your obedient and very humble Servant

Mary Swaine

Letter from
Mary Swaine
capitally convicted
in Feb 1817 for Forgery
Transfers in the
Mavy & Co's.

rejected

Bank
Petition of
Mary Swaine

pas 5/24

To The Solicitor For The
Bank of England

The Petition of John Hill a Prisoner in Newgate

Most humbly Sheweth

That Your Petitioner hath this
day [20 Feby 1010] pleaded at the Bar of the Sessions
House in the Old Bailey to the Minor Offence
That he has a Wife and 4 Children,, and
should the Governor and Company of the Bank
of England think proper to further extend
their Mercy towards him,, Your Petitioner will
give some Information what may Benefit
the Bank

That Your Petitioner Wherefore
submits this To your Consideration
If you should think proper To
Communicate the same

And your Petitioner will
as above stated then recd himself
on the Governor & Company of the
Bank of England,, to mitigate his
Punishment, from that of Transportation
before,, he Receives Sentence

John Hill

Petition of John Hill

F05/5/05

To The Honorable The Governor and
Company of The Bank of England

The humble Petition of John Hill a Prisoner in
Newgate

Most humbly Sheweth

That Your Petitioner is now
waiting to be Tried, (at your suit,) at the
ensuing Sessions held in the Old Bailey,
for having in his Possession, Forged Bank
of England Notes

That Your Petitioner sensible
of the Enormity of the Offence, as well as
the Ignominy awaiting him, If Prosecuted
to the full Extent, bows down with the
utmost humility, and states, that he
was driven by distress, for the Supplies
of a Wife and four small Children
to err from that Path of Rectitude which
he now deeply Laments

That Your Petitioner is
informed it has ever been a Study of
Your Honorable Board to Mingle

Mercy with Justice, so that a sinner
may live to atone for his past Offences
that as this is the First Time in his
Life he ever had to do with such a
Transaction

Your Petitioner therefore
Prays you will be pleased
to extend your Mercy towards
him by allowing him to
plead Guilty to the Minor
offence, and that you will in
your infinite Goodness refrain
from offering Evidence as to a
Part of the Charge which
affects his Life, so that by
Banishment from this Country
he may live to atone, and
amend the Remainder of his
Life in due Repentance in
hopes of Forgiveness hereafter

And as in duty bound
he will ever Pray
(John Hill)

From
Petition of John Hill

To

*The Governor and
Company of the
Bank of England*

The humble Petition

of

John Hill

*a Prisoner in Newgate
waiting to be tried*

F25/5/26

Sir,

They leave to send the Inclosed to you
and probably through your Interference with
the Bank Directors. As I can Benefit them
much by my Information, They may feel disposed
to speak to the Judge so as to Punish my Offence
by Imprisonment in the County. allowing you
to act as your judgement may seem meet,

I am

Sir

Respectfully

Your very humble

John Gile

Newgate 20 Feb 1710

20th Feb 1818

Bank,

for John Hill

Westwood Esq

F25/5/27

Gentlemen

I have forwarded a Petition
to you as Solicitors To the Bank of England
and have with the utmost respect to
Request you will be pleased to lay it
before The Governor and Company, at the
same time to solicit your Aid in furthering
the Prayer thereof

I am

Gentlemen

Yours most humble *ff*

John Hill

Newgate th 9 Feb'y 1810

F25/5/28

Left by Mr. Pigeon, the
Deputy in the Borough,
who will advise the Par.
to disclose his Annotations.
L

Mess^{rs} Kay & Freshfield
Solicitors

Corner of Cateaton Street,

4th St 18/18
Back,
for the Bill —

Mr. Alderbrook
Bridging

in haste

Yr^{ts}

for
Bridging

Bank 125/5/100



F25/5/29

Dear Sir

I most humbly beg your humanity will
excuse the liberty I take to intrust your
consideration of my most afflictive situation
I sometimes felt some hopes hearing of
your great mercy towards those who have
been allowed to plead guilty the last
sessions. I trust I feel most ^{considerable} the awful
situation I am now in and the justness
of my sentence when I was at the Bar
my life was then in your hands and
I now feel it more acutely. Let mercy
be blended with justice it is yet in your
power to save the life of an unhappy
sufferer which I most earnestly implore
of your ^{hon^{or}} sweet will to the hours of
Reflection when you can rest upon your
pillow

and commune with God & your self That you are the means of saving
that life which if taken from any
of God's creatures you have not power
to give a few days may hours will
determine this awful event I once
more humbly beg of you to save
my life there is time yet for your
consideration all depend upon you
and a all wise providence the just
and good God designs to say he will
pardon & receive the true penitent
whose sins are as innumerable as
the sands of the sea. His promises
are we shall live with him forever
Can you then ~~refuse~~ feel pleasure
in the death of a fellow mortal
Pardon me if from the impurity
of the manner if I have said too much

I once more implore your mercy
to spare my life which will
if I am allowed to live for it
be spent in the service of my
offended God and prayers that
you may experience every blessing
he is able to bestow

From the unfortunate
Charlotte Newman

Condemned Cell

Newgate Feb 2. 12. 1813

half past 11: O'clock at night

Charlotte Newman

I received your Letter but
cannot ~~over~~ interfere in your behalf - The
Governor & Directors of the Bank
have considered your Case & they also
decline to ~~over~~ interfere.

M Westwood
New Bank St
13 Feb 1818

Charlotte Newman
Condensed Letter
Newgate

13 Feb 1810.

Bank:

To Charlotte Norton

f25|5|30

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

The Humble Petition of John Morris a
Prisoner in his Majesty's Goal of Newgate charged with uttering
two several notes of the Governor and Company of the Bank
of England he well knowing the same to be false forged
and counterfeited. —

Most humbly Sheweth

That Your Petitioner is fully aware of
the dangerous situation in which he is placed by lending
himself to the arts of designing Men who have plunged
him into the abyss of ruin which now awaits him
and who through your Petitioner's means have been
apprehended and brought to Justice Your Petitioner
thereby having made the only atonement in his
power he humbly hopes and trusts that you will be
pleased to permit him to plead Guilty to an
Indictment for having forged notes in his possession
without lawful excuse whereby his life will be spared
but will subject him to the punishment of Transportation
for Fourteen years and which he trusts will be deemed
sufficient for the crime he has committed. —

And your Petitioner as in duty bound
will ever pray &c. —

John Morris

John Morris's
Petition
to the Governor & Company
of the Bank of England.

F25/S/31

Dec^r 21st 1818

Sir

I hope you will pardon the
liberty I take, in soliciting your Interest
on the behalf of my Wife, for a Passage
to my place of Exile, w^{ch} I do beg will
not be withheld, as she did all in her
power to apprehend and have w^m Dic-
tation, and which you are convinced of,
the only recompence that can be wished
is your kind interception in her behalf
w^{ch} will con be most gratefully acknowledged
by

Sir

Your M^o. W^m

Abel Smith

Wm. Morris

James Rooker Esq
Solicitor
to the
Bank of England

For Mr. Morris

Barth

21 Dec. 1818

1818/5/32

Verdgate, Dec^r 23rd 1818

Sir

From your general human feelings for the unfortunate emboldens me to solicit the favor of a Letter of Recommendation to Major General Macquarie Gov^r of New South Wales. If you think I am deserving of such indulgence, you may be assured that I am far from being Ad in Crimine, as I did not leave my Father's Home until June last, when I came up here in order to obtain a situation as a Clerk, but was ^{not} fortunate enough to succeed, and unfortunately was induced to commit the crime for w^{ch} I am about to suffer, for, w^{ch} I do acknowledge the Justice of my sentence, I cannot say but I feel hurt at w^{ch} I have got acquitted as he was the Man who is the cause of my being here, and from the knowledge of his transactions has sold 400 forged notes each day, to regular customers—

be Employed. These Carriers, Burn, Baker & Williams - and
the Baker I understand his still an active Man - had I
been admitted together with my Wife, as evidence against
Doe, the Jury must have found him guilty, as to be
hoped, that Doe will not be suffered to carry on his nefarious
Practices with impunity much longer, and bringing so
many unwary wretches, to this Place, enclosed I further
beg leave to enclose a Petition to Lord Sidmouth praying
a Passage for my wife with me to my Place of exile -
and I shall ever most gratefully acknowledge your goodness
If you will be pleased to enclose the said Petition to Lord
Sidmouth as it will then be Complied with, had I not
so short a time to stop here I should have given the Lords
some further information, as it is my wish to give them
all the information I possibly can for their great lenity
in not prosecuting me Capitally - and am

Sr

Your most Obedt
Ally Serv

John Morris
Prisoner in Newgate

If they leave to state, that I had no hand in the
 Election to the Court for a Trial as I was satisfied
 with being allowed to plead to the Minor Charge,
 you will be pleased to understand that Mr Brown
 Gov. was obliged to remove me from the South Side
 of this Prison to the School as my life was
 Threatned and they still declare If I go in the
 same Ship they will be my Death, such are my
 prospects, these Circumstances are all known, the
 Gov^r and how they mean to dispose of me I am
 not yet aware of,

Mr. Looker Esq.
Solicitor
Jc. Jc. Jc.

Bank of England
for John Morris

23^d Dec. 1878

F25/5/33

Honourable Gentlemen
I hope you will excuse the Liberty I am
taking in addressing those Lines to you
but as I am standing before you as a Criminal
and am Committed to newgate untill the
sessions and being entirely destitute of money
or friends induces me to supplicate your
humanity as I have had nothing since I have
been Committed but bread and water nor have
I any Prospect of recovery anything from any one
if you would have the goodness Gentlemen
to take my distressed Situation into Consideration
I should for ever Pray the smallest trifle
would be most gratefully Received by your most
willing and obedient Servant

Jane Williams

Aug 11-1760.

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1855/5/34

To The Honourable
gentlemen
of the Bank

11th Aug 1855

James Williams Esq

Attorney to the Bank

Honorable Gentlemen

Embolden to address you as I am on the
present subject by having mercy extended to me thro your
Humanity and Goodness, and now entreats your Charities
in the same Merciful and Benevolent manner having had
no Friend to assist me since I have been in Confinement
and nothing to subsist on but the Goal allowance I
hope you will take my Distressed situation in to your
Consideration and extend a little of that Charity that
is so kindly Distributed to some of my fellow Prisoners
the truth of my assertions can be proved by enquiring
at the Prison as my Distressed state is fully known

With Humble Respect I remain Honorable
Gentlemen your most Humble Servant
and Prisoner

Jane Williams

Transport Side Newgate
October 21st 1810

Gentlemen I desire by Post but being Destitute
of a Friend to deliver it and unable to Pay
a Messenger is the cause of the liberty

21 Oct. 1818

Lane Williams

For the Governor and Company
of the

Bank of England

22 Oct. -

At the Bank, Mr. Christmas to
give 5/- & to
report further as
to her situation
29 Oct.

Mr. Kaye authorizes
to pay her 5/- per
week during her
stay in Newgate.

IN

At the Bank of Lane Williams
Bank

21 Oct 1818

F25/5/35

As I hope you will excuse me sending
to you, - I just thought I had I left you
memory as Mr Westwood used to pay
me my money Every month & it
is now six weeks since I have recd
any But my fellow prisoners have
recd theirs regularly which induced
me to take the liberty to send to
you Sir

I remain

Yours Obedient
Christian Dawson

Newgate July 25

Mr Hooker

Bank Solicitor



F25/5/36

for Charles Brown
Bank

25th July 1836

Weymouth July the 16

Sir I hope you will be so kind
as to Excuse me troubling you but
being distressed both me and my child
through my confinement Embolders me
to Solicit you Sir if you would be graciously
pleased to take me into consideration
and bestow me a little of your benevolent
Charity ~~and~~ it would be the greatest
Charity Sir by you taking me into
your Humane Consideration and
by so doing your Humble Petitioner
is in Duty bound to Pray

Mary Anne Rice

Petition of Mary
Ann. Reed -

M^r Westwood Solicitor
84 Bank Buildings

F25/5/37

Petition of Mary Ann Reed

Bank
16 July 1880

Newgate June 22 1818.

Sir

I return you my most sincere and
Heartfelt thanks for your humanity and kind-
ness towards me in allowing me to plead guilty.
I am an unfortunate unhappy man, and you
had have it in your power to elevate my un-
happiness by shortening my sentence, as you
knowing me to be an innocent man seduced
by a false Wasted woman which taught
me my life a way for self gain. Do pray
think on my unfortunate situation. I am
fearful it will be my lot to live this coun-
try Round that be the case. I hope and trust
as you will put my Wife in a way to
follow me, and your petitioners will be in
Obedy bound ever to pray for you and yours

John Owens

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

Bank

Bank

Bank

Stagpole June 4. 1818

Mr Westwood

Sir

It is with the utmost deference
that I take this opportunity of writing to you, to request
your kind intercession in my behalf, and humbly hope that
you will have the kindness to allow me to plead to the
minor indictment of Having Forged Notes in my possession
for although I am charged with uttering them I trust
you will have compassion on my youth and by granting
me the above request, allow me an opportunity of making
amends for this unfortunate event, which I assure you is
the first error I ever committed and my former character
will bear the strictest investigation

I am Sir

Sir

With the greatest respect

Your most humble servant

Thomas Coutts

M. Westwood
Solicitor

F25/5/31

Wm. Westwood Esq
Solicitor

Bank

in the City

Richard Bennett ^{gate} sells new
sir write a few lines to you if you will
have the paper that i can give you good satisfaction
of two or three men which you have not got in
Coston which sells bank of England forged
notes besides employing three or four every
day to pass for them which they know are
forged and one of them particuler puts
a mark on them which he said to me
that mark made them pass all the better
beside he said there was not one in twenty
which does where that mark is but he
said all that he had he put that mark
on pituler and the other is men which
i know as been going on that game for ^{years} ~~years~~
while i have known them myself for five
months and i know they have been ~~selling~~
forge notes ever since i know them besides
i can give you pitular adress of several

others which they sel to and inwil give
you their names and adres ~~which~~ sells them
if you can take them they will do you
more good then twenty ~~seas~~ for they employ
so many in seling and passing it is hard to
tell you ibelieve there is several in this place
that is took that as been passing ~~for~~ for
one of ~~them~~ it is very seldom they go to
pas any themselves but they go with them
that passes ^{for} them and gives them to those
who passes them when they get out ^{for}
about home Samuel Bailey arel
Seller Thomas Turner a seller

Edward Dent those three are seller
of Bank of england Notes forged and
if you will send any body to me as a friend
inwil tell you more pituler about it
inwil tel you what publick houses they keep

F25/5/40



to the
Governor and Company
Bank of England
Cornhill

London
To the
Bank of England
Cornhill

8181788

Navigate April ^{the} 10

Sir I am very thankful to you and the
Gentlemen for all the favours you were
so kind as to bestow on me, in allowing
me to plead Guilty, as Bore me Life
to God and your Gentlemen, Sir I am ordered
to be ready to Embark on Monday Morning
by Mr Brown, Sir I am now very prepared
for my long and weary Voyage, as my
Unhappy Confinement distressed me, that I was
Obliged to part all my cloaths, and am quite
distressed, Sir I trust your humane kindness
will take my distressed Situation into consideration
and bestow a little of your Bountiful charity
on me, Sir I have only to day and tomorrow
to prepare and I hope you will be kind as to give
the bearer ^{by so} known Sir I remain your humble
Servt
Susanne Wilson

M^r Westwood & Son bank
Buildings

A. L.

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County 16 April 1861
The Bank of England

To The Honourable the Governor and
Directors of the Bank of England —

The humble Petition of Maria Wilkes a Prisoner
in his Majesty's Gaol of Newgate

Sheweth

That your Petitioner was at the last
September Sessions holden at the Old Bailey sentenced
together with her husband to be transported for fourteen
years she having pleaded guilty to an indictment for having
forged Notes of the Governor and Company of the Bank of
England in her possession
Your Petitioner respectfully takes leave to inform your
Honourable Court that she is in absolute want having no means
of support besides the Prison allowance. Your Petitioner without
attempting to palliate her guilt or to object to the justice of her
sentence humbly implores your Honourable Court to take into their
merciful consideration the only circumstance which can plead in
extenuation of her offence her extreme youth and the influence which
a beloved husband must possess over the mind of a young and affectionate
wife. Your Petitioner humbly but fervently entreats the Honourable
Directors to extend some trifling weekly allowance to a young and
helpless female sinking under the accumulated pressure of the severest
privations and mental sufferings.

And your Petitioner will ever pray &c.

Maria Wilkes

Portrait of
Maria Wilkes

F25/5/42

— Hooker Esq
John
Bank Buildings

De 1818
W. E. Hardy
Respectfully
Mr. Gilbert - money
Constitution & from
Wills -

F25/5/43

in

I beg leave to represent to you, that many ^{and others} ~~persons~~
Mannah Gilbert and Maria Wills who have pleaded guilty
to having possessed of forged Bank Notes, are in great distress,
& I think deserving of your attention.

I am, Sir
with great respect,
Your obliged servant
W. E. Hardy

— Hooker Esq

Newgate December ^{the} 26

Sir I trust you will be pleased to pardon the Liberty
I presume but being Distressed by my cons^{ment}
both my Children and me in the greatest
distress and Confined to my bed five weeks
with the Favour under Mr Soxe care
Sir I have one of my Children here in the
Prison and the second with my aged parents
at ~~N^o 28 Holborn~~ ^{38 Southampton Walk} in Great distress Sir I will
be leaving my Country in the Course of
six weeks both me and my Children quite
distressed as I was Obliged to Part my Eldest
to Support my Children Sir if you would
be Graciously pleased to bestow on me a little
of your benevolent Charity your Humble
Petitioner will be Ever bound to pray Sir I remain
your most Obedient Humble Serv^t

Mary Hartnell

Mr Crocker Bank Solicitor
New Bank Buildings

Atty of Mary Lambeth
Bandy

28th Dec. 1818
Mary Lambeth

For 2 Shillings
F25/5/14

28th Dec. 1818 Mary Hartnell

Bank of

Set^r of Mary Hartnell

has 2 children

(See Bank Buildings)

© Mr & Messrs Bank Buildings

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The
Governor & Company
Bank of England

At the Bank



M^r & Gilbert

F25/5/45

Honored Gentlemen

The distressed Situation in which I am at present Placed Emboldens me to take the liberty of again troubling you with an application to your Charitable and Benevolence not having a Friend but and Aged Mother who is a Widow with 3 younger Children and reduced to the greatest Distress without any assistance whatever but what proceeds from her Hands which are feeble and infirm and Humbly assuring you that Distress tempted me to the crime for which I stand convicted by offending the Laws of my Country and having your great Mercy extended to Me in so great a degree I now farther improve your Charity by having a little relief towards relieving my present necessities as I have parled with all my Goods since my long Confinement and having nothing but the Goal Allowance which can be certified by M^r Hardy at the Prison Honorable Gentlemen beg leave to

Subscribe Myself With Humble
Respect your Distressed Servant
and Prisoner

Trsd Side
Newgate December
the 2nd 1818

Hannah Gilbert

Has supported her in prison for 18 months & has supported her

Mary Pendleton

Honorable Gentlemen

Hoping you will Pardon the
liberty of troubling you in so repeated a Manner
but being reduced to the Greatest Distress and
having no Friend whatever to assist me and having
parted with all my Cloaths to support me since
my long Confinement and having a Mother who
being unable to support me and now reduced to
the Greatest Poverty thro my Imprisonment I now
beg leave to importune your Charitable and Benevolent
kindness to be Extended to me as you have Shown
your Mercy in so great a Degree and be pleased
to Allow me a little of that Relief which you have
so Humanely given to my fellow Prisoners who are
placed in the same Situation the truth of this may
be Certified by the trouble of enquiring at the
Prison I beg Leave Honorable Gentlement to
subscribe Myself your Humble and Distressed
Servant and Prisoner

Wid. lde. Newgate
December the 2nd 1812

Mary Pendleton

The Governor and Company
of the
Bank of England

the Bank



2 Dec. 1812

Had character

F25/5/46

W. Westwood

Newgate Prison 25th 1518

I John Riley do take the liberty in writing these few lines to inform
you of these People which ^{has} Said the head in London for having
These Bad votes and it is Supposed no less than Thousands
go thro their hands in a year as i been told since i came to
Newgate and the head man i know well a few more of the
Party and put you in the way of Ketching them with the
votes your Honor i have been 3 weeks in the Hospital and
I am not well now i have nothing to Support me but the
I get allowance and my wife is Starving in like manner
And i hope your Honor will take pity on me my wife
do not know what this letter is for; and if any thing can be done
for me i want no more than to Send me to the
Penitentiary and if i live for my time to be up i shall quit
the Country and never to be Seen in England no more
Be so good as to Send an answer by my wife if you send or
Come to the Prison i hope you will keep this business as Secret as
you can for if the Prisoners knew of this Business they would
Put an End to me if i dont put in the right way of Ketching
them in the fact i will want nothing done for me
No more from your Humble Servant

John Riley

Bank

for John. Ellis.

25 Feb 1889.

To Mr. Westwood
Solicitor of the Bank
of England

F25/5/47

Mr. Westwood
Collector of the
Bank.

Bank
Jan. 5 1818

28th Jan 1818.

Newgate 28th Jan 3

Honoured Sir

I hope that you will pardon the Liberty I have
taken of Writing these few Lines to you, hoping
that you will take my Distress Case into Consideration
at this present time being ^{under the sentence of} ~~under the sentence of~~ ^{being} transported for fourteen
Years for Offending to have a Bad one pound Note
with at this present time I lay in Great
Distress having a Wife and Child who have nothing
to Support them at this present time and having
made away with every thing that I had and live
in Great Distress with I hope that your honour
would be Pleased to take my Distress Case into
Consideration I shall be Ever in Duty Bound to
Pray for your Honour Goodness

A. M. Gool Newgate

Will. or Belcher

F25/5/48

Mr. J. C. C. C.
Bank Buildings

Bank
J. C. C. C.

26/9/17

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F25/5/49

Sir

I trust your goodness will pardon
me troubling you but being very
much distressed and in debt with
persons here I shall be happy
to see you the first opportunity
you can make it convenient

I am with Respect
Your Humble
Servant

Edwth Stukels

Norwiche
Sep. 26 1817

Newgate Jan 29 1818

Sir

with humble permission I
ask pardon for the Liberty I have
taken in addressing these few lines to you
but I am in great distress at present &
I have now friends to come to me &
our Father died suddenly since we
have been here & we have no person
to give us a Forthing & we are only
depending on your Mannful County

we remain Sir Your
Obedient & Humble Servants
Arthur & Emma Conner

Prison

1818

Naissa Kemble

for Clothing & some small things to the
Prison

Arthur & Emma Conner

Bank Building

Mr Westwood

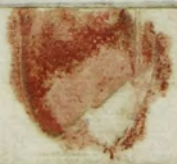
F25/5/50

Under the unpleasant Situation I am at
present placed in I am induced to write you
informing you - That I am only twenty years of Age
out of which I have been Eleven Years at Sea, during
which Time I have suffered many hardships - being
three times cast away & once taken Prisoner, by the French
and on board that Character that would bear the strictest
Enquiry Untill this unfortunate Affair.

Under such Circumstances
I most humbly Hope you will Suffer me in this present
Case to plead Guilty - a Priviledge granted to many
in Similar Circumstances - and which I trust, my Age,
and first Office - Connected with the Hardships I have undergone
at an Early period, will Entitle me to a Claim of your
Interference to Suffer me so to Do -

And I shall for Ever feel
Myself in Duty bound to Pray for you with the warmest
The Smith

1109gate
March 30
1810



Mr Westwood

at the High Court

Pushpolar & Coys

New Bank Building

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Bank of England
The London & Westminster Bank

F25/5/51

Progate March the 25

Honoured Sir

Write you these few lines
to Inform you we are ordered
to go on board Ship Either Friday
or Saturday and hopes your Honour
will be so good as to bestow a little of
your Charity on me and my Children
as it is the last time I will trouble your
Honour my Children are in great want
of Cloaths, and I hope you will
Consider the long Voyage I have to take
thru as the will want Sea Store Mary Gillis
also hopes your Honour will consider
her Distress and bestow her Trifle and
by so doing we both are in duty bound
to Pray Anne Sillistown and Mary Gillis

25th March 1843

Petition of
Anne Pilkington
& Mary Giller

Chas. Woodward & Co

100 Bank Buildings

F25/5/52

To The Governor and Company
of The Bank of England

The humble Petition of James Law a Prisoner in
Newgate awaiting Judgement,

Most humbly sheweth,

Your Petitioner was suffered
by your Honorable Board to plead Guilty
to an Offence, of uttering Notes purporting to be
Genuine Notes, of the Bank of England and
is now awaiting Sentence,

That Your Petitioner is now
only sixteen Years of Age and from his
Youth was Ignorant at the Time of the Enormity
of the Offence which he was led into, and
never before attempted to utter such a Thing

That from the Indiscretion
of your unhappy Petitioner, he is likely
to bring down the whole of his Afflicted Family
with Honor to Their Graves.

That Your Petitioner bows
down with the utmost humility and
Contrition, having violated the sanguinary
Laws of his Country, by a just and sincere
Repentance in some one of the Asylums

established for Refuge of Ignorant and
Destitute, he might be brought to a due
Sense of Religion, Taught a Trade and
in his more Ripen Years become an
upright Member of Society,

Your Petitioner therefore prays
your Honorable Board will
be pleased to Take into your
Humane Consideration, his
Tender Age, and by
extending your Mercy Towards
him, allow him to atone
for this Offence by an Infliction
of Punishment, tempered
with Mercy, That as he
advances in Life he may
by a strict adherence To a
virtuous Path, prove himself
not unworthy of any Lenity,
You may be pleased to
Intercede before Sentence is
passed in his behalf to be
extenuated Towards him

And as in duty bound,
Your Petitioner will
ever Pray for
James Law

Petⁿ from Jas.
Law.—

To
The Governor
and
Company of the
Bank
of
England

The humble Petition
of
James Law,

125/5/53

Bank

21 Nov. 1877

For Mary Anne York

45/9/903

Dec^r 5 1817

Sir I would fold myself
Extreamly oblige to you if
will pardon the Liberty Stake
in writing to you were I
not so Distrest in the manner
I am at present I should not
have Troubled you I have
Nothing to depend on but
your Merisfull County

I have not received any
Money since the 03rd of
September Last

Mary Ann York

Mr Westwood Esq
Bank of England

C 107

DECEMBER 5 1817

F25/5/55

Honoured Sir
I Most humbly
beg your pardon
for the liberty
I now take in writing
to you but as Mrs
Spens has reserved
her Money I think
it hard that I have
not as it is more
then 2 months
since I reserved
money and I shall
be in ever duty bound
to pray if you will
permit me mine
I am your Most
obedient and humble
servant Sarah
Thorne

The houses of Lord



My dear Sir
I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the
10th inst.

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10.5
10.10

Bank

13 Oct 60

Gen Sarah Howell

CW Westwood
at Messrs Kay & Co
Solicitors
Bank of England

F25/5/56

Honoured Sir

I am every way to be
so trouble some to night to you
again but leave me I am
in great Distress for I left
myself in Debt for I have been
very ill and so has my
child and Mrs. Spire has
not to me for what I owe her
for she says you have been
to her and told her you should
come to me the next day I hope
Honoured Sir you will fulfil
your promise as I am in
great Distress and my
sufferings has been more
all night than I need ever
deserving of but the Lord knows
the secrets of all hearts and I
hope and trust that he will lead
you to know that I am not guilty
I hope you will pardon me
in Distress and

is a great honour
that the power of correction
I hope Honoured Sir you
will think of me as much
as the rest as I am
most wanting of it

Westwood Esq
of England
Bank Solicitor
Bank Buildings

F25/5/57

From
The South Western
Coast
L. 100. 100.

Concise
postscript

Westwood

leg. in

Bank of England

ing

London

No 2

Notice from
the agent of the

Bank

Sir
I present an unfortunate female to
implore your kind assistance in this
time of my need, for having lost my
liberty for life and hearing it is the
custom of your company to assist
those connected of paying head notes
when they come then hunting I
take the liberty of soliciting the
same as I have not a friend in the
world and in great distress, and I
on board the Bernar your
Nomin Dept. of the
Kent
Mr. Watkinson

F25/5/58

Honoured Sir Dptford 30 march 1818

We hope you will excuse
the Liberty We take in Addressing you
in Respect of a little money that is allowed
by the Band We the undersigned infor-
-mulate Women is very Badley of for a
little money and will thank you Sir if
there is any allowance that your goodness
Will Allow it to us Poor Women as
most of us is Distitute of friends and no
money as We understand the Women from
newgate Received it and We are all in
Great Distrep and no money to Buy
any Sea Store by so doing you will oblige
your Much Petitioners

Alie Willaooka

Ann Dore

their marks Cathene Handcare +
Betty Wild +

Mr Westwood

No 3 Bank Buildings

Bank

London

F25/5/59

Anonymous Sir

Deptford 1 April 1812

We hope you will excuse
the Liberty We take in letting you know
that We are all very ill Distressed for want
of a few necessaries as there has 3 of us from
Lancaster Castle that has been upwards of
12 months in Prison and is very Badly
of for a little money We hope Sir you will
Consider our Distressed Situation as most
of us is destitute of friends Mr Capper was
on Board to day and said We must Apply
to you and you would relieve us, We are
Sir your Humble Servants

1 Alice Willcock
2 Betty Mealey
3 Catharine Wardner
4 Ann Lord

from Chester, 4 Betty Wild
from Littlefield Mary Norman
from Carlisle Mary Young

Mr Westwood Esq
No 2 Bank Buildings

London

Bank
Notice of Chap.
Willcock & Co. 1812

1 April 1812

F25/5/60

Ja

From the depths of misery and want with
humiliation for life before present humbly
to solicit your kind assistance, for having
heard from the Newgate transports
that your goodness is extended to the
unfortunate when they leave England and
having been in confinement so long it
is reduced me to great distress these
few lines I humbly submit to your
kind consideration and remain
your devoted
servants

North London Warwick S.D. Quaker
near the Manor Carters Mary Gay
she was tried by C. Stoth

on ~~Grand~~ ^{Hill} Mansie
Capt. James
Hunt
Sergeant Foster
Marshall
Major Phipps
Carleton

F25/5/61

Sir

I must thank your unfortunate females
to employ your kind assistance in their
time of great distress and having
been informed that you give the ^{most} comfort
when they leave their hunting gives me
confidence in asking the same of you
ever since I humbly submit to your
kind consideration and remain your
obedient servant

Worcester { Jane Taylor
on Board the ship { Thomas
Manus Septford Kent

Jane Taylor
Worcester

12 o'clock
AP. 2

2 April 1786

Jane Taylor
Manus Septford

W. M. Taylor
Bristol

London

No. 1

25/5/62

Deplford April 11th 1810

Honoured Sir

I hope you will excuse the liberty I take
in writing to you hoping you will have
the goodness to allow me the same privilege
as the Newgate prisoners and other Country
prisoners also as I am quite destitute
of money and friends as I have been confined
in newgate in Bristol 13 months

I remain your humble
Servant

Johana McCarty

Bristol

The Y mark
of J McCarty
10 April 1810

Went for me on Board
the Maria female
Convict Ship

Mr Westwood
no 2 Bank Building
London.

10 April 1851
Bank
for. Edmund Walling

F25/5/63

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Mr. J. C. C. C.
J. C. C. C.
J. C. C. C.

F25/5/64

Bank of England
J. C. C. C.
J. C. C. C.

London
Jefferson April 21 1818
Sir I have sorry to trouble you with this letter
but I did not know that I was leaving any
till to day and I hope that your goodness will
so kind as to serve me with the same
goodness as you did the rest with the most
money as I have left with out any
thing of the kind and I hope that you
will in away on to and I hope that you
will not delay any time as to sochant
in Dean sir I hope that you will be so good
as to let my Dean Gill come along with
me if there is not any thing against
her or not. But if she is good Dean
to God that I do not know any thing about
it for she kept it as a thing. I have seen
and read seven I told you I do Dean
was nothing but the trouble as you will
find in time as I remain your most
affectionate servant and servant
J. C. C. C.

No 3

Mr. Wood
Deputy
London

12 o'clock
AP. 25

For Mr. Wood
Deputy

Sir

I hope you will excuse the silence of
my writing again so soon but as the
ships sails on Friday the 25th and having
nothing provide^d for the Voyage which
may be long and being inform^d it is
been your goodness to give the prisoners
free passage gives me hopes I shall
not be one alone then few since I
humbly submit to your kind consider
ation and Remain your obedient servant

Sarah Tunner

on Board the Mania
Sept 25th 1765
Kent

P25/5/65

Kings Bench Nov: 6 1767

Mr Westwood Sir

I am informd that this
is say that my sons feet is to be divided
may the Lord Give him favour in your sight
on account of my being Obliged to surrender
to the Kings writs the work ^{you have} at mead but
I'll not out more the what you are in
possession of but I shall be out on Friday
and then I will Give my self up to the work
untill I have mead something out

Shave my son on I have under
your Obliged &c &c &c

Jas Armstrong

The Name of this is the boys mother

Mr Westwood

James
Armstrong

James

Thos. 1767

at the Bench of England

F25/5/66

29 Hatton garden
Dec^r 26-1817

Sir

In consequence of the enclosed
note I have to request the favour
of an order for Mr Harmer and
myself Mr H being at present in the
country

I am Sir your Wth

J. Moeing

for
J Harmer



Mr Westwood
Bank buildings

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Bank
Jas. W. W. W.

Sir I Should be Glad if
cane let your Clarke come
and see me. or if you
cannot. pray send word
this day. or I must see
some else. you will be paid
Ed - Thompson

~~Sir~~ the Prisoner cant be seen without
an order from Mr. Westwood
yours
Woffa Hall

House of Correction
Cold Bath fields
26 Dec - 1817

Mr Harmer

29 Hatton Garden

F25/5/68

To the Governor and Company of the Bank of England
The Humble Petition of Richard Twine a
Prisoner confined in the Gaol of Horsemonger Lane
in the County of Surrey.

Sheweth

That your Petitioner was apprehended and
Examined on Suspicion of uttering forged and
Counterfeited Notes, purporting to be Notes of the
Governor and Company of the Bank of England,
well knowing the same to be forged and
counterfeited against the Stat. And that your
Petitioner was finally committed for Trial on the
said Charge at the next Kingston ^{Assizes} to be holden in
and for the said County of Surrey.

That your Petitioner deeply laments his Crime
and is fully impressed with a due Sense of the Evil
Tendency of such Practices, knowing the great Loss
and Detriment sustained by the public at large
by such Practices.

That your Petitioner fully impressed with the
Justice of the awful Sentence that awaits him
if he is convicted upon the Capital part of the
said Charge, with the most unfeigned sorrow and
Contrition for his said Offence Humbly implors
you to exercise the Sword of Justice tempered
with Mercy and that you will be pleased to suffer
him to plead Guilty to the Minor Offence upon the
said Charge and grant him such other Mercy and
Favor as to you may seem meet and necessary

And your Petitioner as in-
Duty bound will ever Pray &c.

Richard Twine

Decr 11th 1838

11th Dec. 1818

The King
v
Richard Twine
in Horseman's
Lane Yard.
Petition

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To the Governor and Company of the Bank
of England.

The Humble Petition of Sarah
Cloves and Catherine Gorman

both Prisoners in his Majesty's Prison of
Horsemonger Lane in the County of Surrey.

Sheweth

That your Petitioners were apprehended
on Suspicion of Uttering forged and Counterfeited
Notes, purporting to be Promissory Notes of the
Governor and Company of the Bank of England
well knowing the same to be forged and
Counterfeited ag^t the Stat. And that your
Petitioners were afterwards examined and finally
committed to the said Gaol for Trial on the
said Charge at the next Kingston Assizes to
be holden in and for the said County.

That your Petitioners with Sorrow and
Contrition deeply lament their Crimes with a due
impression of the pernicious and dangerous
tendency of such practices to the great prejudice
of the Public in General, and are sensible of the
awful Sentence that awaits them Should
your Petitioners be convicted on the Capital
part of the said Charge.

That your Petitioners with the most
unfeigned Sorrow and Contrition Humbly
implore and Beseech you^r take Compassion
on their Sex and Situation and that you

will be pleased to allow your Petitioners
to plead Guilty to the Minor Offence and
grant them respectively such other ^{the said Charge} Mercy on
and favor as to you may seem meet pursuant
to the Directions and Provisions of the Stat.
in that Case made and provided And

Your Petitioners as in
Duty bound will ever pray
Y^r Obed^t Serv^{ts}

Dec^r 4th 1818.

4th Dec. 1818.

Box

Sarah Cloves and
Catherine Gorman.

Petition

F25/5/70

To the Governor and Company of the Bank of England
The Humble Petition of John Tayers a Prisoner
in His Majesty's Prison of Newmingtons Lane in the
County of Surrey.

Sheweth,

That your Petitioner was apprehended on or
about the 26th August last on Suspicion of uttering
2 forged and Counterfeited Promissory Notes of the
said Governor and Company of the Bank of England
knowing the same to be forged and Counterfeited
against the Stat^e and that after several Examinations
your Petitioner was finally examined and committed
to the said Jail to take his Trial for the said Offence
at the next Kingston Assizes to be holden for the
said County.

That your Petitioner deeply laments the
Commission of the said Offence and is sensible and
fully impressed of the pernicious and dangerous
tendency of such Practices as well as the great Life
and Reputation sustained by the Public at large.

That your Petitioner is fully impressed with a
due Sense of the Just and Equiv Sentence that
awaits him if your Petitioner is convicted of the
said Offence.

Your Petitioner therefore with most resigned
Penitence and Contrition for his said Offence
Humbly implores and beseeches You to
exercise the Lord of Justice tempered with
Mercy and that you will be pleased to suffer
your Petitioner to stand Guilty to the main
Offence upon the said Charge and grant
him such other Mercy and favor as to you
may seem meet. Substant to the Questions
and Provisions of the Statute in that Case
made and provided And your Petitioner
is in Duty bound will ever Pray &c.

John Tayers

4 September
1812

*Petition of
John Rogers.*

F25/5/71

To the Governor and Company of the Bank of
England.

The Humble Petition of Harriet Smith (concoined of
the Name of Elizabeth Smith) a Prisoner in his Majesty's
Prison of Newmenger Lane in the County of Surrey.

Sheweth

That your Petitioner was apprehended on or about
the 26th August last, on Suspicion of uttering three forged
and Counterfeited Promissory Notes, Purporting to be of the
said Governor and Company of the Bank of England
for £5 each. Answering the sum to be forged and
counterfeited against the Stat. And that after several
Examinations your Petitioner was finally examined
and committed to the said Gaol to take her Trial for
the said Offence at the next Assizes to be holden
for the said County.

That your Petitioner deeply laments the
Commission of the said Offence and is sensible and
fully impressed of the Pernicious and dangerous
Tendency of such Practices, as well as the great Loss
and Detriment sustained by the Public at Large
— That your Petitioner is fully impressed with a due
Sense of the Just and awful Sentence that awaits
your Petitioner if she is convicted of the said Offence.

Your Petitioner therefore with most
unfeigned Penitence and Contrition for
her said Offence Humbly implors and
beseeches You to exercise the Sword of
Justice temperate with Mercy And that
You will be pleased to suffer your Petitioner
to plead Guilty to the Offences charged upon
the said Charge and grant her such other
Mercy and Favor as to you may seem
meet. Pursuant to the Directions and
Provisions of the Statute in that Case made
and provided. And your Petitioner as
in Duty bound will ever Pray &c.

29th September
1818.

Witness to the Petitioner
Wm. Walter Keeper
County Gaol of Surrey
30th Sept 1818

The X Mark of the
said Harriet Smith

Petition of
Harriet Smith

F25/5/72

Gilespur St Counter 1 April 1818

Sir I Right too infor you that I am
in Confindment in Gilespur St for an
assort for week I shal be trid on
Term day I Can Give you Informashion
of persons that pass Bad notes of you
Will Cum too me When you Cum you
must Corl me on one Side and Speak too me
for haf it Should be none. What I sent
to you about I Should be Corld a voge
and I Should not be hable too give you
heavy informashion thare fore you must
not mension it too heavy Body for
haf you doo I shant be hable too doo
hit

Wm Grant

F 25/5

Mr Westwood

A. W. Hunt

Bank

1 June 1870

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To Mr Scutts & Mr Palmer August 26th 1820

Gentlemen

As in duty I am bound to
Pray for you for your most zealous and arduous undertakings
In my cause be pleased to accept these few ill written lines
Which I now write to you and I hope the Lord will strengthen
You In your undertakings which you have already began on my
Part and should you succeed with the Blessing of God for me
To be restored to society once more I should call myself one
Of the happiest beings on Earth with my Family as you know
From the information I have given you to understand I can
Now be as useful a Member for the Bank as ever they employed
And also for the Public good as the forged Note Markers

Signify they shall make their Fortunes as soon as the Notes
For his Majestys new reign shall get into circulation and the new
Silver as they are making great preparations for them in
Birmingham at this time and there is not the least doubt but
they will succeed in counterfeiting them as some of them have
For years to my knowledge. —————

Now Gentlemen as you have been pleased to undertake
That arduous task of restoring me again to my Family and as
I hope the Lord will prosper your undertakings and also your
Children as from your feeling for a poor fellow Prisoner and
My Family as I have no doubt you are Fathers of Families
Yourselves according to the generous feeling you have acted to me

On Board his Majesty's Ship Justicea Hulk Woolwich

I also humbly crave that for the sake
of my Family that you will do the
Best you can for me and I shall be
Ever bound to pay for You —

I am your Obedient and
Ever praying Humble Servant^{ns}
Thomas Simcox

9 M Scutts

End of the Albany Road
Old Kent Road
Surrey

F 25/5

Sir

August 5th 1820

In consequence of my Trial Approaching so near
if you will have the goodness to state at the Bank to know if you
can postpone my Trial and please to Bring me a note signed by
the Gentlemen to postpone it or else it will be impossible to get it done
I will discover to them immediately when the Note is that
makes the Notes and also the People that makes them

As they told Mr Stevens as Man in this Yard if he would give up
his connections with it they would give him his liberty

Now as to this Young Man James himself long time ago I can tell
tell you where he bought them and when they were made

I have seen him Purchase them of a Man named Thomas Ushbey
A Native of Birmingham At 30 a Score the Wholesale Price
This Man has them from his Clerk Eliza Smith at Birmingham
At Bordesly Street there is a Private room in her house with no ward to
it except by a Trap Door at the end of the Passage they have a ladder
by which they ascend up to this Room and then take the Ladder up after them
They Notes are signed in this Room and then put in large stone
Jars and then put under ground in the Garden at the Back of her house
I'll called for I'll have seen them several Times at Birmingham
I can prove it - if they will give me some of
As I am A Native of Near Birmingham this is all facts

There is also a Man at Solihull Lodge about 20 Miles
from Birmingham of the name of Bampton that Married
Booths Daughter ^{the} who Booth suffered at Stafford for forged
Notes a few Years Back and this All Bampton Family has
been in the Bell way for Years at this House there is a Room
similar to that I have discovered to you with skylights to it
In this Room there is the Plate Where the Notes are made
And then send to Birmingham to Mr Smiths to be signed
And this Thomas Ashbey Goes to Birmingham for these
he is living in London and selling the Notes at this time
and has for some Years

NP Please to copy this off before you go to Bank as I had no more Paper
There is Also a Great Many More men in that line
near Birmingham I know they formerly lived at Birmingham
but on fear of being detected at Birmingham removed from the town
To Handsworth of the name of Pies a Whole Family and
One Savage a Rope Making Trade and his Family have been in
that line for Years

All this This I can put the Bank in possession of if
they will postpone my Trial and give me time as the
Assizes are so near now Please to send me an answer as soon as you
can

To The Gov^r and Company of the —
Bank of England.

The humble Petition of William
Pensday, Mans Mercer & Taylor
late of Bodmin in the County
of Cornwall, —

Sheweth.

Your humble Petitioner humbly solicits
your indulgence for the immediate inspection
of his unfortunate conviction in the last . . .
Summer assizes for the County of Devon, —

... Your humble Petitioner unfortunately
was convicted for uttering forged notes of the
Bank of England obtained from M^r Arnold
of Plymouth Dock in the County of Devon
in exchange for two notes of hand to the amount
of twenty seven pounds odd Shilling, the bank
of England notes tendered to your humble . . .
Petitioner William Pensday was received by him
not knowing the said to be forged on the
Bank of England and passing them in the . . .
regular course of Business to a person of the name
of William Radmore of Plymouth Dock in the
County of Devon. —

Your humble Petitioner further solicits
your indulgence to state the whole of facts that
cause your humble petitioners ruin and also
his unfortunate Wife and four Children who by
the sentence of the Law is compelled to leave them
in the utmost distress, and greatly acknowledges
the indulgence of the Gov^r and Company of the
Bank to allow him to plead guilty of

... Your humble petitioner further speaks
the above William Arnold having been for
many years in the habit of vending, uttering

and selling to sundries of persons forged Bank of England notes and base coins of of His present Majesty King George the third in sundries of parts of his Majesty's Dominions to a great amount, having no other support and trapping the innocent and unguessed causing them to be thrown into a jail and causing their utter ruin and shame assisted also by bribery and perjury on my acts in particular. —

Your humble Petitioner further asserts the said William Arnold, was tried at Exeter for a quantity of cloaths wrongfully obtained the Witness against was prevented from appearing by the assistance of his money and a multiplicity of other Criminal transactions too numerous to insert. —

Your humble Petitioner in this numerous of suffering he has undergone and the distress and ruinous situation he is plunged into by his perjury Your humble Petitioner most humbly implores your humane and benevolent aid, allowed to the unfortunate persons in my unhappy situation. — You

Your humble Petitioner will not only thankfully receive the above mentioned stipulated aid but ever gratefully acknowledge the same and in duty bound shall ever pray. —

William Pendray

N.B

Gentlemen. — Your humble petitioner begs leave to mention the particulars relative to Mr Arnold was unfolded to him since his trial which information having left a deep impression on his unfortunate mind ever to be coupled with such a Character my acquaintance previous to my misfortune was near ten weeks at most. —

Woolwich, Justitia
Hulk. Octo 28th 1817

To 28 Oct 1677
The Gov.^r and Company
of the
Bank of England

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1844

W. Ray

In Pardon the liberty I have taken in separating my
letters but I thought most Probable the one I wish
to gether with Dunlop Has never sent the reason I now
ought to Inform you I have obtained 3 Four
Pound of England notes from a very Respectable
Gentleman in Liverpool since last Thursday
the reason I have now left in consequence of that
not being any suspicion to the Bankers Has not
been due to them a Paper Hammer W. Ray would
not advance him the thirteen shillings due to
Punches with and have got the Prom is of some
more from three others which I intend to tie by
Promissory Note next to Dunlop Has with
the Bank of England Archive (F25/5)

25 October 1817

Bank,



Mr James Morris

Mr Kay Freshfield & Kay
Seny Bank Buildings
London

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1818

Tuesday the 21 August

Giltsfur Street
Compter

The information of Timothy Lane, who states that
that he knows 5 Persons that goes to Birmingham
and brings up forged £5 and £1 Notes, and which
he has seen, — the following are their names

- 1 James Smith, dont know his residence, uses the
Coopers Arms Old Street road —

description A red haired slender Man 5 ft 5 in height abt 25 years
of Age, wears a long blue coat, blue Pantalons, yellow
Waistcoat, has seen this Man sell the Notes —

- 2 James Edwards, dont know his residence, uses the
same house, and sells Notes —

an A Man of the middle size, 5 ft 4 or 5 in height 33
or 34 Years of Age, wears a Black coat and sometimes
a snuff bold coat and large gold cravat to his Watch.

- 3 Garratt Dalton, dont know his residence, uses the
Dolphin Long Alley, and Golden Key, Newfields,
A spotted freckled Man, 5 ft 5 in height, long
face, thin made, about 40 years of Age, wears
a brown top coat, Dunsell had his Notes of
him —

- 4 David Crawley, an Irishman, dont know
what House he uses or his residence,
passes Notes and sells them — with Dunsells wife
an A Red faced plump Man, 5 ft 6 in height 24 or 25
years of Age, wears a brown coat, or Bottle green
and sometimes a fustian Jacket, which corded

Brushes — Gorseham a Jew now in the House of
5 Correction —
Along none known, short thick Person abt 5 ft 5 in
height, 35 or 36 Years of Age, sells very largely

Timothy Lanes

Information

2. Aug. 1818

F25/5/78

To the Honourable Governors and
Directors of the Bank of England

The humble Petitioners of William Henry Wilkes
late of Joyner St Tool, St Borough, but now
a Prisoner in his Majesty's Goal of Newgate
Sheweth

That your Petitioner is
under sentence of 14 years Transportation for
having unfortunately passed bad Notes and is now
in very distress'd Circumstances, your Petitioner
therefore humbly solicits your Honours will be
pleased to Consider his Situation and allow him the
One Pound Note the Officer took from him on his
Apprehension and if any small Allowance could be
granted to assist him, your Petitioner has a
Wife under the same Sentence in the said Goal
without Friends, and in the greatest Distress who also
Prays and hopes some Relief will be afforded on your
Honours Consideration and your Petitioners will
ever hope to be sensible and Penitent for their Offence
and acknowledge whatever Relief may be granted
with Gratitude — and your Petitioner be
ever bound to Pray

Oct 1st 1790

William Henry Wilkes
Maria Wilkes

The Petition
of
Will^m Henry Milnes
late of
Joyner St. Tooley St
Boro, Southwark.
Oct 1st 1810

625/5/79

Sir,

All the Prisoners against whom true Bills may be found by the Grand Jury for feloniously disposing of & putting away forged Bank of England Notes, or for feloniously having them in their possession, will be arraigned on Friday Morning next. — Two Bills, the one for the Capital, & the other for the Minor Offence, will be preferred against each of the Prisoners, except George Vellor, against whom an Indictment ^{for the Capital} ~~Offence~~ alone will be preferred.

Yrs obed^t
W.

A. B. B.

28th Oct 1818.

To Mr Brown

The Governor of Newgate

28th Oct. 1815
Banks
to Mr Brown

£25/5/80

