



To

The Governor and Company  
The Bank of England

The Humble Petition  
of David Sharpe a  
Prisoner in Newgate

Sheweth

That your Petitioner  
was convicted at the last Old Bailey Session  
of having a forged Note, purporting to be of  
the Governor and Company of the Bank  
of England, and was sentenced to be  
Transported Fourteen Years for the same

That your Petitioner  
having been informed that in many instances

you have made an allowance of a small  
sum of money to such as were considered not  
altogether unworthy of it, prior to their leaving  
their Native Land in order to furnish themselves  
with a few articles necessary to take during so long  
a Voyage, most humbly begs leave to inform you  
that his friends are utterly incapable of  
rendering him the smallest pecuniary assistance  
this compels him to solicit your benevolence  
not only in consideration of his distressed situation  
but also in account of his having become a dupe  
to more artful and designing <sup>persons who</sup> made him subservient  
to their advantage

Your Petitioner therefore  
most humbly Prays you to grant  
him the same allowance, as has  
been before given to others in a  
similar unfortunate situation  
And Your Petitioner as in  
duty bound will ever Pray  
David Sharp



Dated June 15. 1819

To  
The Governor & Company  
of  
The Bank of England

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The Humble Petitioner  
David Sharpe

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To the Governor & Directors of the Bank of England

The Humble Petition of John Murphy humbly sheweth  
that your petitioner was convicted at the present  
old Bayley Sessions for uttering Forged Notes being  
well aware of his offending the Laws of his Country  
Prays most humbly that you will take his dis-  
tressed Circumstances in your merciful Consideration  
being greatly Distressed and having no means of  
Relief Excepting your Benevolence Charity which  
you usually bestow on prisoners in a similar  
Situation having a long tedious Voyage to  
encounter and your petitioner will as his duty  
beyond far and pray

John Murphy

Recd  
Petition of John  
Murphy



To the Governor and Company of the  
Bank of England

The Humble Petition of Elizabeth  
Bamford, Rebecca Bamford  
Mary Bradney, Amelia Hine  
and Anne Dickins Sheweth.

That your Petitioners are  
on the Eve of going out to  
New South Wales, in the  
Wellington Convict Ship, that  
they were convicted, at Warwick  
Assizes in April 1818, and  
pleaded guilty to the minor  
offence of having forged notes  
in their possession for sale -  
that your poor Petitioning  
Prisoners were seven been  
months in Warwick Jail



and utterly destitute not  
having one farthing in  
the world. — under their  
deplorable circumstances  
they humbly hope the Gov<sup>r</sup> and  
Company of the Bank of  
England will take their  
case into consideration  
and order them to be  
paid the five Pounds each  
as they have been good  
enough to pay some of  
their fellow Prisoners under  
similar circumstances —  
and your Petitioners will be in



Duty even bound to Mary.

See x of Elizabeth Crawford.

See x of Rebecca Crawford.

See x of Mary Gray.

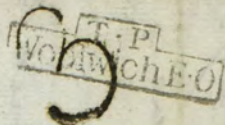
See x of Amelia Wines

See x of Anne Dickens

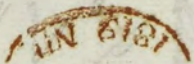
Lord Wellington Convict Ship  
Dover 21 - 1849

I do hereby Certify that  
the above named women  
are Prisoners under my  
Charge on Board the Lord  
Wellington Female Convict Ship  
and have during the time they  
have been on Board conducted  
themselves with propriety, and  
I do also Certify that they are in Extreme Poverty  
Edw. J. L. Surgeon  
and Superintendent





To  
The Governor  
and Company  
of the Bank  
of England



Per Mr. J. J. J.  
Essexford & Co.

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GRAND END

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To the Gov<sup>t</sup> and Company  
of the Bank of England  
of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May 1818

Respectfully  
Submitted

Respectfully  
Submitted

22 May 1818

To the Gov<sup>t</sup> and Company of the  
Company of the Bank of England  
Honble Gent<sup>s</sup>  
The Humble Petition of  
Sarah Sutton, a Prisoner  
for passing forged notes  
connected at Leicester.  
March. 1818 — Sheweth  
That your Petitioner pleaded  
guilty to the above offence  
and was sentenced to transportation  
for life — and humbly hopes  
that the most merciful  
Gov<sup>t</sup> and Company of  
the Bank of England will  
take her case into  
consideration and allow

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den. the same Privilege  
Granted to Eliza Hancock  
a fellow Prisoner & under  
under the same Circumstances  
for which your Petitioner  
wishes to be even heard.  
In prayer —

The + of Sarah Burton.

I do hereby Certify that  
the above Statement to  
be best of my knowledge  
is true & of Thomas Dwyer  
Superintendent



To The  
Honorable The Governor  
And  
Company of the Bank  
of England  
London



Wm. Sturges  
25<sup>th</sup> May 1819

To The  
Gentlemen of The Bank

Honored Gentlemen

Embalden to Address you by the  
Mercy Extended to Me from your Hands and Now Leaving  
My Country for a long term of years and reduced to the  
Greatest Poverty thro a Long Confinement Being Con-  
victed at the Warwick Assizes of March 1818 and Got the  
Awful Sentence of Death passed on Me when Being  
Conditionally Pardoned to Be tried in August the Same  
year and Being sentenced to Transportation for 14 Years  
with an Infant Child not 4 Years Old who looks up to  
Me for Support and Protection which I am now unable to  
give Her Not only this My long Confinement but by  
being Deprived of Her Father these 3 years Having left  
Me at Birmingham being unable to take them with Me  
thro Want of Clothing or Friends to Assist Me In Hope  
Honored Gentlemen you will take My Distressed Case  
into your Consideration and Extend your Charities to  
Me in some Degree as you Have to Most of My Fellow  
Prisoners Who have Unfortunately committed the same  
Crime which has Brought us to the Unhappy Situation in  
which We are placed and Should this Humble Request be  
Complied with your Humble Petitioner Would Be Ever Bound  
to Pray

Ann Dicken

On Board the Lord Wellington Gravesend  
May the 25<sup>th</sup> - 1819

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GRAVESEND  
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To The  
Honorable The Governor  
And  
Company of the Bank of  
England  
London

Wm. of Mary and Anne

25th May 1819

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To The  
Gentlemen of The Bank

Honored Gentlemen

In Hope you will pardon My thus venturing  
to Address you But Being in the Greatest Distress this a-  
And tedious Confinement of 18 Months Being Consigned  
At the Warwick Asizes in March 1818 During which  
Period I have Suffered the Greatest Want Having being  
Obliged to part with all My Wearing Apparel to support  
My selfe and Infant Child Not 3 years Old and Which I  
Am Obligated to Leave Behind (Altho Having an Order to  
take Her With Me) For Want of Means to Bring Her to Town  
She being Left to the Care of A Friend at Birmingham  
And Being Deprived of Any Assistance from Her Father  
Who has been Gone to New South Wales these 2 Years and  
Being in Hope of Going Free When Unfortunately Got into  
the Situation In Which I am now Placed Honored

In Hope you Will take My Unfortunate (Gentlemen  
Case into your Kind Consideration and Extend your  
Charity towards Me in some Degree as you Have so  
Mercifully Done towards the Remainder of My Fellow  
Prisoners Who With Myselfe Committed the same Crime and  
Also Pleaded Guilty to the Offence And your Humble Petition  
Will Be ever Bound to Pray Mary Ann Bradbury  
(On Board the Lord Wellington)  
(Gravesend May the 25<sup>th</sup> 1819)



An account of the sums paid to the undermentioned Convicts on board the Lord Wellington  
Botany Bay Ship the 19<sup>th</sup> May 1819.

Jane Williams	£ 5 s d	Jane Williams
Mary Ann Reed	5 "	Mary Ann Reed
Hannah Gilbert	5 "	Mary of Hannah Gilbert
Maria Wilks	5 "	Mary of Maria Wilks
Clarissa Ward Downes	5 "	Clarissa Downes
Mary Hartnett	5 "	Mary of Mary Hartnett
Elizabeth Brooks	5 "	Mary of Elizabeth Brooks
Elizabeth Wingfield	5 "	Mary of Elizabeth Wingfield
Elizabeth Smith	5 "	Mary of Elizabeth Smith
Sarah Clowes	5 "	Mary of Sarah Clowes
Catharine Gorman	5 "	Mary of Catharine Gorman
Mary Steele	5 "	Mary of Mary Steele
Letitia Wooddle	5 "	Mary of Letitia Wooddle
Mary Smith	5 "	Mary of Mary Smith
£ 70 0 0		

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L<sup>70</sup>

Paid to the convicts  
on board the Lord Wellington  
19<sup>th</sup> May 1819.

1952  
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1625  
15 Jul 1804



An account of the Sums paid to the undermentioned prisoners on board the Lord Wellington / Botany Bay Ship / 21<sup>st</sup> May 1819 -

	L	s	d	
Jane Wilson	5	"	"	Jane Wilson
Eliz <sup>h</sup> Moore	5	"	"	Elizabeth Moore
Eliz <sup>h</sup> Mitchell	5	"	"	Elizabeth Mitchell
Eliz <sup>h</sup> Berry	5	"	"	do + of Eliz. Berry
Mary McCormick	5	"	"	do + of Mary McCormick
+ Eliz <sup>h</sup> Hancock	5	"	"	Eliz Jane Hancock
Mary Heylin	5	"	"	do + of Mary Heylin
Ellen Saunders	5	"	"	do + of Ellen Saunders
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	£ 40. 0. 0			

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L. 40

Paid to the Convicts on  
board the Lord Wellington  
21<sup>st</sup> May 1819.



1614  
 To Workhouse Newbourn May the 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Solisiter and gentlemen  
 of the Bank of England

We petitioners Mary Steel and  
 Letitia Caudle are convicts who  
 got our time and sentence from Bank  
 of England's Act for having paid  
 greatly to our crime we are informed  
 that some of the Newgate prisoners that  
 are prisoners who get their time upon this  
 offer by applying to the Bank will  
 receive the sum of 5<sup>s</sup> per week as some  
 of them have received the same we hope  
 if it be given to one it will to all as  
 we stand greatly in need of it at this  
 present time there is several prisoners  
 here who have received 5<sup>s</sup> per week  
 since the time they were convicted but  
 we have never received the value of



At Newgate

Letitia Caudle

Mary Steel

London

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one halpenny we was told I lost much but  
one week is now 13 months since such is  
a long time to be in confinement  
without any assistance we therefore  
humbly beg your pardon for the liberty  
we have taken in troubling you with  
these few lines and I beg for answer  
we humbly beg leave to subscribe our  
Believe your most Obedient Servants

Mary Steel Littlehale



April the 19<sup>th</sup> 1814

Honored Sir

I humbly Beg your Pardon for taking  
this Liberty of troubling you But I am  
very much distressed thro' my Long  
Confinement I have Been Confined Ever  
since the 12 of october have not got one  
friend to assist me I have Been obliged  
to part with all my Close I have  
Nothing Left me Now But the Bare  
Gale clothes to Live on so the smolest  
Relief of your Kindness will Be gratefull  
Received By your Humble servant

Catharine Gorman

Flowermonger Lane

sent Catharine Gorman £2- 20. April  
1814 by order of Law Committee

19th April 1814

Catharine Gorman

Dear Madam

Bank

Mr. Bowdler

Secretary

To enquire what I can  
do for them

at the Bank

of England

London

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Catharine Gorman, now a Prisoner in  
Horsemonger Lane Goal.

It is uncertain when she leaves, it may be in  
a fortnight or three weeks. has conducted  
herself very well while in prison, is very poor,  
has no children, nor does she appear to have  
any friends.

<sup>th</sup>  
24 April 1819.



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

The Humble Petition of Elizabeth Smith,  
Sarah Clowes and Catherine Gorman —

Prisoners under Sentence of Transportation  
in the County Gaol of Surrey. Horsemonger Lane

Sheweth. That your Petitioners are deeply impressed  
with unfeigned Gratitude for the mercy shown  
them in the late proceedings so justly brought  
against them. And being in extreme indigence  
humbly Solicit Your Honours will in  
your humanity Condescend to allow  
your petitioners such Subsistence during  
their Continuation in this Gaol as in  
Your Wisdom may seem meet.

And Your Petitioners

as in grateful duty bound

Will ever Pray R R

Elizabeth <sup>her</sup> X Smith  
mark

Sarah <sup>her</sup> X Clowes  
mark

Catherine <sup>her</sup> X Gorman  
mark

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1819

Witness

J. MASON  
clerk of the County Gaol  
of Surrey

4<sup>th</sup> May 1819

Bank of

City of London

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Horsemenagar Lane. Jail  
20 Jan'y 1819

Honoured Sir

I am taking the liberty of writing you, which I hope you will pardon me for - as I am very much distressed, having no friend to assist me, or to look to me; they live to inform you of my distressful situation which I trust you will take into consideration. I was freed at the last August, a prize for letting George Banks of England, totter, at Gifford; - for which I pleaded guilty, and received sentence, for fourteen years transportation; I have been here since that time at hard labour in the Bridewell, and have had nothing but the Jail allowance for to subsist on Bread and Water, and scarcely any cloathing, as I had been under the necessity of making away with my cloaths for to support myself with, previous to my trial, and since then I have not had it in my power for to redeem any of them, as I have no friend to do any thing for me, or to give me a single farthing - so that I am in very great want of keepings, cloathing, as I am all in rags, also of something towards getting me a little more, victuals - as the Jail allowance is not sufficient for to support any one without, something else - and I have been so long without any other support, ever since the 6 of August, last. - so I hope you will have the goodness as look into, over

20 Jan. 1819

20 Jan'y 1819.

Respectfully

James McIlroy

Wife of James McIlroy

Horsemenagar Jail

Mr. Reeves  
Solicitor at the  
Banks

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where we was born I last month

my situation, and do something for me.

Honoured Sir I begg for to recomend myself to  
your generosity and goodness having no one for to  
speak for me, I trust you will not despise my  
humbl petition, but if you think proper and  
alleviate the distresses of a poor female prisoner  
who is now suffering for her faults and waiting  
for to live her Native Country - for the long  
period of fourteen years, at the early age of  
19 years - as I have only attained that age.

If this humbl letter will obtain your notice  
and you take the trouble of answering it, - you will  
obtain the constant prayer of a poor distressed  
transport. - If I have wrote you any thing  
amiss I hope you will forgive it, and attribute  
it to my Ignorance, - trusting on your  
goodness they live for to subscribe myself

Honoured Sir your ever  
Humbl and Obed<sup>t</sup> Transport  
Jean Wilson



My dear Kays H<sup>c</sup>

Gentlemen as soon as you return  
this let some person from you ~~or the~~ ~~the~~  
~~the~~ call on me as I have something  
to communicate of Importance I trust  
my Integrity in former service will Insure  
your attention to Gentlemen y<sup>t</sup> O<sup>b</sup> L<sup>o</sup>

James Hoon

Debtor Prison

White Cross Street

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I should be glad to see you before 11 O<sup>cl</sup>  
this Morn<sup>g</sup> if possible

29<sup>th</sup> March 1814

Bank

For Jan. 1814

Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> 1814 Freshfield, May

Lothbury

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An Account of the Number of Prisoners committed to the  
House of Correction, Gold Bath Fields, for Passing  
and Having Forged Notes in their possession during 1818

John Holmes

John Wood

Harriet Shelton

Wm Smith

Thos. Ransom

John Friday

Saml. Hindley

Wm Weller

John Stevens

10 James Law

Henry Scumbick

John Lewisley

Nannah Read ab Goldicot

James Shand

George Brownes.

Sarah Cronmeyer

Thos. Thomas

Edwin Adams

Catherine Byrne

20 John Thompson

George Chapman

Mary Shannon

Henry White

Charles Finney

Richd. Ralford

James Troy

James Butler

Mary Langley

Mary Shaw

30 Thomas Trimmer

Ann Wilson

Elizth Dorothy Neaves

Patrick Lane

Thos. Ward

Thos. Smith, ab Golding

Mary Chisholme

David Cooper

Wm Barber

Mary Thompson

40 Clarissa Ward Downs

George Turner

Thos. Davis

Alice Davis

Robt. Sarnell

Wm Brown

James Yeowell

John Jones

Wm Wray

Sarah Veral

50 George Vige

Wm Gieves

Benj. Williams

Joseph Turner

Benj. Willis

Mary Smith

Mary Hill

Winfield Lewis

Thos. Newman

Mr. Gracey  
60 George Bashmaw  
Edward Hay Edwards  
Ely Edwards  
Laurence Toole  
Ellen James  
John Quinn  
Thos Williams & Smith  
Edward Hay  
Jno Griffiths  
Niel Campbell  
70 Edward How  
Wm Byrne  
Jno Hewson  
Joseph Davis  
Alex. Henry Furmils  
Hannah Furmils  
Charles Hodges  
Henry May  
Ann Hayes  
Sarah Jones  
80 Mary Hartnet  
John Swan  
Ann Smith  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Broadrick  
Atkins Buck  
David Crowley  
Henry Townsend  
Jno Croft  
Wm. Lasper  
Susannah Leonard  
90 Edw Leonard  
Jno Carpenter  
James Close

Jno Dye  
Jno Williams  
George Page  
Henry Davis  
George Vellon  
Catherine Bateman  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Bowen  
100 Edward Went  
Jeremiah Koffet  
John Kingston  
Susannah Batchelor  
David Ottard  
Owen Rearden  
Richard Broadrick  
Hamilton Rop  
John Morris  
Ann Caroline Weston  
110 Jno Williams  
Wm King  
James Mullins  
Wm Suttler  
Wm Jones  
Jno Dye  
Wm Connor  
Wm Clarkson  
Wm Davis  
Joseph Stanley  
120 James Read  
James Adams  
Thos Lucas  
Thos Grosvenor  
James Knight  
Jno Robinson  
Ely Davis  
Thos Arnold



Inolgreen  
Edward Kent  
130 Wm. Clark  
Jno Jones  
Francis Barry  
Dorothy Neaves  
William Size  
Jno. Pritchard  
George Bartlett  
George Meakin  
Jno. Inan  
Elyza Henry

140 Wm. Weller  
Thos. Doogood  
James Neal  
Wm. Weller  
Jno. Eicknor  
Sarah Ward  
Mary Peniston  
Jno Knight  
Thos. Goodyear  
Benja. Goodyear

150 Hannah Polley  
Elyz. Winsfield  
Jno. Watson  
Sarah Wells  
James Turner  
Wm. Charkin  
Jno. Flood  
Wm. Guin  
Catherine Gamble  
James Wille

160 Jno Jones

Danl. Conway  
George Smith  
James Heatley  
Jno. Murphy  
Cornelius Leonard  
Jane Watson  
Jos. Longwood  
Jno. Bowness  
Jas. Lloyd

170 Danl. Rowland  
Jane Woodhead  
Mary Driscoll  
Jno. Driscoll  
Thos. Seenev  
Jno. Knight  
Ann Williams ab. Webb  
Elyz. W. Brooks  
Jno. Kinison  
Rich. Parker

180 Jane Taylor  
Jerem. Myer  
Mary Smith  
Peter Smith  
Wm. Smith  
Jno. Anderson  
Chas. Hanscomb  
Wm. Johnson  
Maria Wilks  
Wm. Wilks

190 Jane Dallas  
Sarah Glours  
192 Catherine Gorman

Jan. 1819

List of Prisoners committed  
to the Cold-Bathfields  
Prison for having forged  
Notes in their possession.

Mr. A. Kears  
Gods Old Bath  
Frieder Prison.

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To the Governor & Company  
of the Bank of England  
The Humble Petition of Mary Pendelton  
Most Respectfully Sheweth

That Your Petitioner Mary Pendelton was  
found guilty of passing forged Bank Notes  
and sentenced for Fourteen Years Transportation  
in September Sessions Eighteen Hundred  
and Eighteen Your Petitioner therefore  
throws herself at Your Honorable Gentlemen's  
feet in hopes You Honorable Gentlemen  
will Commiserate her Case and grant her  
that Allowance Your Honorable Gentlemen  
as Alloted to the Other Prisoners in the  
like Extremety which will be the means  
of Elevating her Present Distress  
as Your Petitioner as got now friends to  
Relieve her Except An Unhappy Mother  
And Your Petitioner in duty bound  
will pray

The Humble  
Petition of  
Mary Pendelton

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May 7<sup>th</sup> 1819

# To The Honorable Bank Of England

Honour'd Gentleman pardon the  
Liberty of address you I am a poor W<sup>d</sup>ow  
and Left 4 Helples Children Behind me I  
am sent out of my Country for 14 Eys for  
Having In my pocket Bank of England  
forged Notes and Never Having Had any  
Relief for this Nine Months I was tryed  
In July a J<sup>y</sup>es at Durham In the County  
of Bishopricke Hoping Honour'd Gentleman  
you Extend your your Charity By giving  
me a trifle as I am In the greatest Distress  
a Gown out of my Country With out one  
Shilling

Honour'd Gentleman  
I Shall In Duty  
Bound Ever pray  
Mary Smith



and Company

Bank of England

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Bank of England  
Mary Smith  
P<sup>r</sup>o<sup>p</sup>rietary  
of the Bank of England  
and Company

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✓  
Sir,

Thursday next 21<sup>st</sup> of May for  
The Court has appointed the Trials of  
the Prisoners charged with uttering <sup>or</sup> ~~of~~ having in  
possession forged Bank Notes knowing them to  
be forged; but ~~these~~ Prisoners John Robinson  
& W<sup>m</sup>. Brooks whose offences were committed within  
the City of London will not be tried before  
Tuesday.

Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Serv<sup>t</sup>.

J. Procter  
New Bank Build<sup>g</sup>  
28 April 1820

M<sup>r</sup>. Brown

Gov<sup>r</sup>. of Newgate



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28 April 1818

Bank

to Mr Brown

1818/8/25

✓  
Sir,

None of the Prisoners in your Custody  
charged with the offence of having uttered or  
offered forged Bank Notes knowing them to be  
forged will be arraigned at the Old Bailey  
the Grand Jury not having gone through all the Cases.  
to morrow. - ~~We shall give you notice for  
their information when they will be brought up  
to be arraigned.~~

We are Sir  
Your humble Servants  
Rays Freshfield & Rays  
New Bank Build.  
14<sup>th</sup> April 1825.

W. Brown.  
Gov<sup>r</sup> of Newgate



14 April 1819

Bank

to Mr Brown.

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(Copy)

Sir,

The King v.

Chas. Kops - Eliza Mac Bride  
 Eliza Smith - Mary Robinson  
 Mary Smith - Saml. Cox  
 Saml. Longman - W. Herbert  
 Saml. Hasler - Tho. Mann  
 Tho. Salmon - W. Young  
 George Faun - Mrs. Baker  
 Mrs. Ambrook - Saml. Kester  
 Wm. Earl - - Eliza. Conisley  
 Mrs. Baker - - Louisa Thom.  
 Tho. Williams Indicted with W. Melf.  
 Jos. Hinds - Geo. Scarborough  
 Sophia Woodbury - Geo. Greenwood  
 W. Woodbury - Mrs. Small  
 W. Woodhead - Tho. Nicholls  
 Tho. Graves - Richd. Ellard  
 W. Moxes - Rosanna Pannington  
 Tho. Dykes - W. Brown  
 Mrs. Watley - Jane Wilks  
 Tho. Cook - Eliza. Brown  
 Ed. Richardson - Jane Carter  
 Ken. Lipton - Mrs. Killey  
 Mrs. Pearson - W. Bult.  
 Hon. Connolly

Two Bills of Indictment, one for the Capital Offence  
 of having disposed of & put away or offered a forged Bank  
 of England Note knowing it to be forged, and the other  
 for having a forged Bank Note in possession with the  
 like.

Bank  
 of  
 England  
 12 April 1831  
 to Mr. Bouverie

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like knowledge, will be preferred at the  
present Session against the above named Prisoners,  
and such of them against whom true Bills shall  
be found by the Grand Jury will be arraigned  
at the Old Bailey on Saturday next the 15<sup>th</sup> day  
of March or April instant. —

The King v. Mr. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Stanford  
J<sup>r</sup>. Robinson

These Prisoners will be indicted for the  
Capital Offence only, & they will be arraigned  
at the same time as the other Prisoners. — You  
will please to give apprize ~~each~~ of all the  
Prisoners of this Communication.

We are Sir  
Yours obed<sup>t</sup>. Serv<sup>t</sup>  
R. B. H.  
New Bank Buildings  
12 April 1820.

To Mr. Brown  
Gov<sup>r</sup>. of Newgate.



R

Sir,

The King against Thomas Matthews  
Philip Johnson  
James Deanes  
Benjamin Glover  
Havvitt Deemer  
Sarah Barker  
Jas. Wm. Stapleton  
Chas. Mac Ray  
Mich. L. Sullivan  
John Myers  
William Shirks  
Joseph Green of  
Sarah Hewster  
Daniel Cummings

Two Bills of Indictment, one for the Capital Offence of having disposed of and put away a forged Bank Note knowing it to be forged, and the other for the transportable Felony of having such a Note in possession with the like knowledge, will be preferred against each of the above prisoners.

The King v Jas. Marsden & Isaac Smith.

These Prisoners will be indicted for the Capital Offence only.

The King v Jas. Fleming.

This Prisoner will be indicted for the minor Offence of

Bank Note v Matthews  
Johnson  
Deanes  
Glover  
Deemer  
Barker  
Stapleton  
Mac Ray  
Sullivan  
Myers  
Shirks  
Green of  
Hewster  
Cummings

Bank Note

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having had divers forged Bank Notes in his possession knowing  
them to be forged.

Those prisoners against whom "true Bills or Bills shall be  
found by the Grand Jury will be arraigned at the Old Bailey  
on Friday Morning the 29.<sup>th</sup> inst, and you will please to apprise  
all the pri.<sup>rs</sup> before named of this communication.

We are &c.

H. F. & H.

N. B. B.

28 June 1820

M<sup>r</sup>. Brown  
Gov<sup>r</sup>. of Newgate

Copy

Sir,

The King v. George Thork  
Chas. Lewis  
Robert Ireland  
Mr. Simmons  
Jas. Clifford  
Geo. Henley  
Jas. Penning  
Saml. King. Meredith  
Edward Chear  
Francis Breadent  
Gard. Sadfield  
George Seymour  
W. Cooper  
Saml. Flow

Two Bills of Indictment will be preferred at  
the present Sessions against each of the above  
Prisoners, one charging them with the capital  
Offence of disposing of & putting away or offering  
a forged Bank Note & the other for having  
a similar Note in their possession with the like

Wm. Smith  
Wm. Jones

F 25/8/22



Knowledge.

The King v.<sup>t</sup> Jas. Gardiner  
Jane Harrison  
Henry Brown  
Peter Miller

These prisoners will be indicted for the  
Capital offence only. — Those prisoners  
against whom — true bills ~~may~~ shall be  
found by the Grand Jurors will be  
arraigned at the Old Bailey on Friday  
Morn.<sup>g</sup> the 19<sup>th</sup> of May instant, of  
which you will please to give the  
Prisoners notice.

W<sup>are</sup> h<sup>i</sup>  
Your humble Serv<sup>ts</sup>  
May Freshfield & May  
A. B. B.

18<sup>th</sup> May 1820

To Mr Brown  
Gov<sup>r</sup> of Newgate.



Bank  
 12 Sept 1823  
 To Mr Newman  
 10th Nov 1823

Sir,

The King v. Mr Newman  
 Eliz. Callaghan  
 Mr. Madden  
 Mary Howard  
 Robt Ellis  
 Mr. J. Pannington  
 Jonas Wright  
 Mary Jones  
 J. Smith  
 Sarah Price  
 Mrs. Wood  
 Mrs. Dugard  
 Eliz. Gould  
 Sarah Wright

Indictments will be preferred <sup>against each</sup> ~~each~~ of the above named Prisoners ~~with the intention~~  
 as well as for the Capital Felony of having disposed of & put away a forged Bank Note knowing it to be forged, as for the minor offence of having a forged Bank Note in possession with the like knowledge; and ~~such of them~~ <sup>those of them</sup> against whom a true bill



on Wills of Indictment shall be found by  
the Grand Jury, will be arraigned at the  
Old Bailey on Friday Mon. next the 15<sup>th</sup> inst.

Alex. v. Mr. Howard

This Pris<sup>r</sup> will be indicted for the transportable  
felony of having ~~drawn~~ a forged Bank Note  
in his possession knowing it to be forged &  
without lawful excuse, & he will be arraigned  
at the same time with the other Prisoners, ~~for~~  
all of whom we request you will approve of  
this communication.

Wear Sir  
Comd<sup>g</sup> Genl. Serv<sup>t</sup>

M. B. K.

N. B. B.

13 Sept. 1820

To Mr. Brown

Gov<sup>r</sup> of Newgate.



25 Oct 1828  
 Brought  
 A. W. Bannister  
 doct  
 to Mr Bannister  
 Office of Record at the  
 Middlesex Prison 1828

- 600
- Re King v. 5. Moses Bannister  
 21 Eliza Burnham  
 1 Jas. Bridland  
 15 Ann Clifton  
 16 Mary Lambert  
 17 Ann Dean  
 6 Reuben Davy  
 14 Mary Dillow.  
 7 Robt. Greenhill  
 3 Jas. Matheson  
 18 Eliza Slater  
 11 Wm. Smith  
 19 Eliza Smith  
 2 Jas. Scott Heath alias John  
 Thompson.  
 4 Thos. Whitley  
 8 Wm. Banton  
 20 Michael Herbert  
 12 Phillis Johns  
 9 Jas. Moon  
 13 Ann Prince  
 10 Richd. Stephens

Two Bills of Indictment, one for the Capital  
 Offence of having uttered a forged Bank Note knowing  
 it to be forged, and the other for the transmittable Felony of  
 Bank Note in possession with the like knowledge



will be preferred at the present Session against  
each of the above Prisoners.

The King v. Tho. Johnson.

This Prisoner will be indicted for having forged  
Bank notes in his possession knowing them to be  
forged and without lawful excuse.

~~The~~ Prisoners against whom a true Bill or  
Bills of Indictment shall be returned by the  
Grand Jury will be arraigned at the Old  
Bailey on Friday Morn. the 27th instant, &  
we will thank you to apprise all the  
Prisoners <sup>then</sup> of this communication.

We are Sir

Your humble Serv<sup>ts</sup>

Raye Treshfield & Raye  
New Bank Buildg<sup>s</sup>

25th Oct 1820.

To Mr. Prouse  
Gov. of Newgate

M<sup>r</sup> Mooker  
Bank's Buildings  
No. 2

F25/8/25

May<sup>th</sup> 17. 1820  
To the Honble Company of the  
Bank of England

Gentlemen

Pardon the liberty I have taken  
in writing to you humbly soliciting you to relieve  
my Distresses for y<sup>e</sup> was under the painful necessity of  
pledging my Cloaths in consequence of lying 9 weeks  
in confinement before my trial and having a  
friend or friend to order me any assistance if any  
one of the Gentlemen will condescend to come to  
Newgate to make enquiry he will find what has  
been stated is strictly true for y<sup>e</sup> have now in  
my possession 30 Subscribers of my appeal for y<sup>e</sup> have  
other means of procuring me Sea and Land which  
is my chief support my health not admitting of me entering  
the Jail allowance, therefore I must leave you



gentleman to take my case into your consideration  
and affo. I am some chief to it as in so trifling it  
want to truly acceptable and your humble situation  
will be in duty bound to pay for & give to the  
latest period of his existence your very humble

Servant Johna Thorne.

Negative July 14. 1820

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I Humbly beg Pardon for Troubling <sup>you</sup> As I  
Am at Present in very great Distress Otherwise  
I would not have taken the Liberty of Soliciting  
You and hope You will be Pleased to Recommend  
My Case to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen of the Bank  
who I trust will be Disposed of their Known good-  
ness and Humanity to Extend a Little of that  
Charity they have been Known to Allow others in  
a Similar Situation - I Am Quite Destitute  
having No Friend whatever to Render Me the neces-  
sary assistance And every article of Apparel I  
Possess is in Pledge - I would be truly grateful were  
it ever so small a Trifle the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen  
of the

Bank would be Pleased to Bestow Upon me  
And trust it will not be deny'd As I Am to  
be Banish'd from My Country and have No other  
dependence to Procure a few necessary articles  
Preparatory to My Voyage And Redeem My  
Cloathes And as in Duty Bound will ever

Pray Your most Obedt<sup>servt</sup> Servant

Luisa Thorn

Has been in Prison since  
February last - No child



14 July 1822  
Bank  
to Louisa Thorne  
a Rice



M. J. P.  
Sole 1/12

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Wm. Freeman

Sarah Carter, & Mary Robinson are both  
friends. they sometimes earn 6 to 1/2 per Week  
but the Women being numerous they cannot all  
get employ.

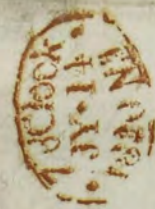
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The minute Law Committee 1 Nov 20



13 July 1820

Bank  
for Sarah Carter  
a Pair



Bank of England  
No. 2.

to Mr. Harker  
Bank Secretary

Honoured Sir) July the 13 1820  
~~the~~ <sup>Newgate</sup> ~~Transport~~  
I hope you will Pardon the Great  
Liberty I have taken in writing these  
few Lines to you for to state my  
truly and unhappy Case of Confinement  
in this Prison I am Sir without one  
friend in the world for to assist me  
and without a Father and Mother  
therefore I hope kind Sir that  
you will take it in to your Consideration  
as I have not any thing but what I  
stand upright in I hope Sir that you  
will render me a Little assistance  
as I have not so much as one  
friend in the World for to help  
~~me~~ or assist me as such Sir I  
have been in Prison 2 months  
having nothing but what the gods  
Allows me and your Petitioner  
Will in Duty Bound Obed to  
Tray Sarah Carter

F25/8/28

Sarah Carter was ord<sup>d</sup>. to be present<sup>d</sup>.  
in apt<sup>d</sup>. session, but the Bill was thrown  
out by the Grand Jury - She was again  
apprehend<sup>d</sup>. Lord. to be present<sup>d</sup>.

7 June - The Child





5 Oct 1820.

Buck

Petition of Sarah  
Carter for relief

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Grand Buildings

Barack & Co. Ltd.

Madison

Post

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3 4  
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Petition of  
Sarah Carter

P25/8/29

Honoured

October 5<sup>th</sup> 1820  
New York

Sir pardon the Great Liberty  
I take in Addressing these few lines  
to you but I don't know when I may  
be Called to leave my Country I have no  
Doubts whatever be against me and am Entirely  
destitute of any Common Necessaries  
it is Entire Necessity that Compels me  
to trouble you but if you will have the  
Goodness to Assist me with a trifle if  
ever so small and I will be  
In Duty bound Ever to pray.

Sarah Carter

Newgate October 25 1820

Honoured Sir

I hope and trust you will pardon the Liberty I  
take in writing to you but extreme Distress  
tepts me to solicit your kind Attention I have  
been in confinement this six Months I have  
not one friend in the world to render me  
the smallest assistance I am doomed to leave  
my country for fourteen years I hope you will  
take compassion on my Miserable Situation  
and send me a little Money if you are  
kind enough to grant me my Request I  
shall be in Duty bound to Pray for you  
my cloths are all gone I know not  
what to do

from your Most humble Servant  
Sarah Carter

See - for Mary Robinson  
for letter 19 July 1820

F25/8/30



14 July 1820

Bank

Mr Harriet Treener

To Mr Hooker

Bank Solicitor

Bank Buildings

No 12

F25/8/31

Transport side  
Honored Sir July the 14 Newgate.  
I hope that you will not be offended at the Liberty  
I have taken in sending these few  
Lines to you as Sir I am placed in  
this awkward situation and having no  
friends to assist me but an aged and  
infirm Mother as it being out  
of her Power for to Render me any  
assistance what ever I have taken  
the Liberty for to write these  
few Lines to you hoping kind Sir  
that you will take it in to your  
Consideration and Render me a little  
of your assistance if it be ever so  
trifling as I have no Couths  
and Expects for to Leave my native  
Country for 14 years and having  
nothing but the God All Monam  
as such Sir your Petitioner  
Will in Duty Bound ever to  
Pray Harriet Treener

Har: Trecoy alias Day - was Discharged  
for Order of the Com<sup>tee</sup> June 15<sup>th</sup> 1791  
again appreh<sup>d</sup> and ordered to be kept  
7 June. — No Child



Newgate October 30 1820

Honoured Sir

relying on your generosity to pardon me for  
presuming to the liberty of addressing you requesting  
you will take compassion on my unhappy situation  
having no friend in the world am tempted to  
solicit your kind favours I have been in confinement  
this six months without the comforts of Life and am  
doomed to leave my country for fourteen years my  
fate is hard indeed believe me Sir I cannot  
describe my sufferings I hope and trust you will  
grant me some relief I shall be ever grateful  
for the smallest sum and shall be ever bound  
to pray for you

your Most humble obedient servant  
Tharvett Greenen

See a letter from Mary Robinson  
15th Oct 1820

F25/8/32

October 15 1820

Honoured Sir

I hope and trust you will pardon the liberty  
I take in writing to you but extreme distress  
tempts me to solicit your favour I have been  
in confinement ever since February without  
a mind to assist me with ~~the~~ the smallest  
thing it is totally out of my Father and  
Mother power to assist me I am Doomed  
to Leave my Country for fourteen years  
If you will have the goodness to take  
compassion on me and receive me  
with the smallest trifle I shall  
be ever May for you

Your Most Humble Servant

Mary Robinson

Mr Thacker

Bank Solicitor

Bank Buildings

Received for value

for Mary Robinson

15/10/20

15/10/20

Mary Robinson

F25/8/33



25 July 1820

Bank

for Elizth Clowesley

Newgate July 25<sup>th</sup> 1820

Wm Crocker  
Bank Solicitor

Bank Buildings



Elizth Clowesley

F25/8/34

Honoured Sir  
I hope you will Pardon the Liberty I  
take in writing to <sup>you</sup> but extreme Distress  
obliges <sup>me</sup> to solicit your Attention I have  
been confined in this Dearth Prison without  
Money or Friends I hope Sir you will take  
My unhappy case into consideration and send  
me a trifle of Money I am doomed to  
Leave my family for fourteen years  
I have been in confinement ever since  
the third of March without the comforts  
of Life which is very hard believe me Sir  
the smallest sum will be most gratefully  
Received by your Most humble servant  
Elizbeth Clowesley

14 July 1820

Pruck

Mary Ann Smith

Newgate July the 11 1820

Honoured Sir

I take the Liberty of writing to you  
 hoping you will send me a Little  
 Money Believe, Sir I am in <sup>the</sup> greatest  
 Distress I have not a friend in the  
 World to relieve me I must Leave  
 My country in a short time and I know  
 not what to do unless your goodness  
 relieves me I have no cloths nor Money  
 I have been in Prison this six Months  
 my sufferings are more than I can describe  
 I hope Sir you will take pity on  
 a poor Distrest girl

from your Most humble Servant  
 Mary Ann Smith

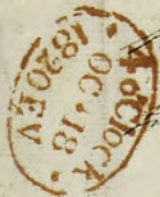
a pound note to be paid



F25/8/35



Oct. 1820.



Dear Sir

Mrs Mary Anne Smith

Honoured Sir

Pleading on your generosity to  
 Pardon me for presuming to <sup>address</sup> you  
 requesting you will have the goodness to  
 Afford me a trifle of Money weekly I  
 am very much distressed not having  
 one friend in the world to render me  
 the smallest assistance I have been  
 confined in Prison this seven Months  
 without the comforts of life & hope  
 and trust you will have the goodness  
 to take compassion on my miserable  
 situation and grant, my request I am  
 doomed to leave my country for fourteen  
 years with almost break my heart  
 my cloths are gone and what to do  
 I know not for god sake think of  
 my miserable situation grant me some  
 relief I shall be in duty bound to  
 Pray for you

your Most humble servant  
 Maryann Smith

Mrs. Smith begs to refer  
 Mr. Hooker to the trustee  
 of the 14th Inst.

Not Complied with

Hooker

Bank Solicitor

Bank Buildings



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F25/8/36

10 Oct. 1820  
Penny  
The Mary Ann Smith  
a Poetess

October 10th 1820



Bank Building  
N<sup>o</sup> 2

Bank of London

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F25/8/37

Honoured Sir  
I hope you will pardon the liberty  
I take in writing to you but  
extreme Distress obliges me to  
solicit your favour & am greatly  
obliged to you for the Pound Note  
you was so kind to send me I  
hope and trust you will once  
more take compassion on my  
unhappy situation and relieve me  
to describe my Distress I cannot  
I have been in confinement this  
seven Months and I have not  
one friend in the world to  
relieve me should you send me  
a trifle of Money I shall ever  
be in Duty bound to pay for you  
your Most humble servant

Maryann Smith

I hear the Ship is not going  
this six Months I know not what  
I shall do



Mr. Hooker

Solicitor

W<sup>2</sup>

Bank Place

Bank  
for security

12 May 1820

225/8/38

Newgate May 12 - 1820

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I hope My Present Distress will Plead  
A Sufficient Excuse for the Liberty I Now take In  
Soliciting Your Humane Interference In My behalf  
with the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentleman of the Bank who I trust  
will be Pleased to take My Poverty Into Consideration  
As I am Quite Destitute And have got A Child to  
Provide for without any means whatever but the  
Allowance of the Prison And every Article of Wearing App-  
arel I Possess being in Pledge And Must Remain so unless  
kindly assisted by the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen of the Bank who  
I Pray will be Pleased to Allow Me A Little of that Charity  
They have been known Humanely to Extend to Others in Alike  
Situation As that will be the Only Means of Alleviating  
the Dire Distress of Your Most Aff<sup>ly</sup> And Unhappy Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Sarah Paley

Mr. H. Hooker, Solicitor

No 2

Bank Place

for Mr. Hooker

Bank

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F25/8/39

June 5<sup>th</sup> - 1820

Hon<sup>d</sup> Sir

I Humbly beg Pardon for this Intrusion as Necessity has Compelled Me to trouble you a Second time. Humbly hoping you will be Pleased to Exert your Influence In My Behalf with the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen of the Bank That they may be Pleased In Consideration of My Extreme Distress to Extend a Little of Their Charity to assist Myself and Child with as I am in very great want having No Friend to Render Me the Least assistance and Totally depending on the allowance of the Prison were it ever so trifling the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen of the Bank would be Pleased to Bestow it would be Most Gratefully Received by Your Most Hum<sup>ble</sup> and Unhappy <sup>Wife</sup>  
Sarah Pacey



Wewgate July 13

Sir I hope you will Pardon the Liberty I take  
but hearing of your humane kindness  
Emboldens me to Solicit and state my  
Great distress as I am quite bereft  
of the Means of Supporting My Fatherless  
Child, since my Confinement I have  
Parted with Every Article I had as I have  
no friend that <sup>can</sup> Render me the Least  
assistance Sir by you taking <sup>my</sup> Case  
into your humane Consideration, and  
allowing me a little of your Benevolent  
Charity both me and Child will Ever

Pray

Sarah Paily

F25/8/40

15 July 1820

Bank  
to Elizabeth Smith  
a Prisoner

Newgate July the 15 1820

Thonoured Sir  
I hope you will Pardon the Liberty I  
take in writing to you but Extreme  
Distress obliges me to solicit your  
Attention I have been confined I this  
Prison Many Miles from my home  
this six Months without Money or  
Friends I know not what to do unless  
you have the goodness to assist me I  
am sentenced to Leave my Country  
for fourteen years and have no cloths  
I am almost out of my Mind not  
one Friend to bring me the smallest  
trifle believe me I cannot Describe my  
sufferings to be shut up in a Prison  
without the comforts of Life I hope  
Sir you will send me a little Money  
and I shall be ever bound to Pray for you  
from your Most humble servant  
Elizabeth Smith

Mr Hooker  
Bank Solicitor  
Bank Buildings



P25/8/41



has been in Prison  
Since Feb'y last  
no child  
was in custody a short time  
before it discharged

Martha Lucas is as she represents in  
a distressed Situation J. G. Brown  
2 Oct 18



Mr. Rogers & Co  
Bank Buildings

F25/8/43

Newgate Sept<sup>r</sup> the 29

Sir

I hope you will pardon the Liberty  
I presume, in soliciting your kind  
Interference in behalf of one who  
is very much distressed, in consequence  
of my Mother being in Bethlem  
hospital for some time and my Dear  
Child is in Great Distress, as my  
Mother supported her since my  
Confinement, and now through her  
Illness my Poor Child is Deprived  
of her last friend to give her Care  
Sir I hope you will be so kind as  
to take my Distressing Case in  
to your humane Consideration

and bestow on me a little of your  
benevolent Charity and by so doing  
your Humble Petitioner will  
Ever Pray

(Martha Lucas)



Mr. Robert Sabiston

Bank

For Martha Lucas



5 Oct 1744

Newgate Oct the 5

Sir being verry Much distressed Oblige  
me once More to Solicit you to be so  
kind as to bestow on me a little of your  
Benevolent charity as my Poor Child  
is in great distress throug my Mother  
being in Ospitol whom I supported  
her Since my Confinement, which is  
Eleven Months Sir I have parted with all  
my Cloaths, to support myself and Child  
Since my Mothers Affliction as I had  
not the least assistance from any other  
Person but her Sir as a proof of my  
Distress Inclosed you will find my  
Publicates which I was obliged to print  
to support my Child Sir I hope you will  
Consider my distress and your Humble  
Petitioner will Ever pray  
Martha Lucas

F25/8/44

Mr Brown of Newgate dont think  
these Prisoners are proper objects for  
relief

J. Glover

24 May 1770



12 July 1820

Brought  
the Eliz<sup>th</sup> Mc Bride  
to Mrs Gray.

Sir

I am sorry I omitted when  
I saw you in the morning to  
mention Eliz<sup>th</sup> Mc Bride Case  
to you — I had thought you to  
present it to the Board as she  
have no friend on Earth to do  
any thing for her — she is  
a very deserving quiet young  
woman & I believe did not know  
any thing of the notes till she was  
unfortunately drawn into them by  
wags that sayd there

if Sir you will have  
the goodness to think of her  
she will ever say

if you will confirm your

on my self most respectfully  
yours  
12  
M Gray

Matron

F25/8/46

Has been in Prison since  
the beginning of February  
last. - no child is  
not known before  
apprehended.



May 16

Bank

Ans for Louisa a Thos  
Esq on the same

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M<sup>r</sup> Mosher  
Bank's Printings

No 2

18 MAY  
1820

P25/8/47

May 17. 1820

To the M<sup>rs</sup> Company of the  
Bank of England  
Gentlemen

Pardon the liberty I have  
taken in writing to you humbly soliciting  
you to afford me a temporary relief for I am  
in absolute distress or I would not have dared to  
trouble you I was a long time in confinement before  
that and having no friends to assist me I was obliged  
to sell and pledge my cloaths to procure me  
repairs so that I have not a change of apparel  
neither will the ladies allow me any more in such a  
case as mine even a coarse gown while I have  
them. I have only one I have not had assistance  
from any one whatever since I have been in  
confinement I therefore entreat you to take my

come into your consideration and hope and trust  
you will afford me relief by it even so trifling  
it will be truly acceptable for y<sup>e</sup> have in long time  
to remain in confinement before y<sup>e</sup> leave my own  
Country and by that time my health will be  
greatly impaired not knowing how and where  
which will be my chief complaint is that if you gentleman  
refuse me relief y<sup>e</sup> shall be a wretched spectator  
by the time the Ship goes y<sup>e</sup> the far most  
earnestly beg of you to relieve my distress  
and your humble Petitioner will be ever grateful  
for your kindred your humble servant

Yours M<sup>c</sup> B. De



25 Oct<sup>r</sup> 1820

Banck

Rev. Brown

In the Prison to the Rev<sup>d</sup>  
Robert Crooby —

Rev. J.  
Mr. Crooby.

F25/8/48

Rev. Sir/

Oct<sup>r</sup> 25 20

It is with the most Profound Respect  
I beg Leave to State the Particulars of my Un-  
happy Case agreeable to your Request. I  
don't mean to Plead Innocence Respecting the  
Charge I was Convicted of but I assure you Sir  
Distress urged me to Commit the Act that has  
Involved me in to an Abyss of misery I was  
Languishing on a bed of Sufferings for four months  
Previous to my Detection and was very much  
Embarrassed and had no Resource whatever to fly  
to but the one that has Placed me here <sup>thru</sup> I hum-  
bly hope you will Sir of your known Goodness be  
disposed to Interfere for me in Order to get my  
Punishment Mitigated you will not find me  
useless and my future Conduct in Life shall  
be such

as to Convince the world the Pains you have taken  
are not wholly Lost Upon me - it has Pleas'd God  
to Visit me with a very grievous affliction  
being very Subject to Fits (as is also one of my  
Children) which Trouble me oftener Since my  
Confinement Owing Partly to the Anguish of  
Mind I Endure I have most Sincerely felt my Situ-  
-ation And Trust it is for some wise Purpose I am  
Plac'd here - Should you Sir think it advisable for  
me to have a Petition drawn up I Can get one  
don here And my Husband could wait upon you  
with it at any time you may think Proper to  
Name - I have been Suffering in this Prison Since  
March Last And Humbly hope my Case may be  
taken into Consideration And the Heavy Applie  
of Labour under - Could I Look forward to  
Regaining my Liberty at any time

And be Restor'd Once more to Society there is not  
any thing on Earth Should ever tempt me to stray  
from the Paths of Rectitude And my Prayers are  
Duty Bound be incessantly Offer'd up for S. Sir  
your Welfare and Family And Remain with  
the most Profound Respect and due Submission

Your most Hum<sup>ble</sup> and Obedient  
Servant Eliz<sup>th</sup> Brown



Exeter Square Oct 24. 1820.

My dear Sir,

In the Case of Elizabeth Brown  
now in Newgate under Sentence of Trans-  
portation, at the Instance of the Bank  
of England, I feel considerable interest.  
Her Father is a respectable Tradesman in  
this Parish: He lived some years in a  
place of respectable Service in Exeter:  
Her Husband is very affectionately dis-  
posed towards her & she has Two Infant  
Children. Knowing well your feelings in  
such a case, I have presumed to solicit your  
Consideration to her Case. I have little  
hope, that she can be suffered to re-  
main in this Country with her husband  
and children. If that is impossible, may  
the petition prevail on Government.

24 Oct 1820.

Bank of England.

Wm. B. Brown.

F25/8/49



thru the interception of the Packet, to  
send out her husband & children with her  
to New South Wales? It would be a  
shocking thing in a moral point of  
view to separate her from her husband  
and to send her into a country, where  
she would probably form connections,  
the consequence of which would be grie-  
vous unto her as long as she has existence.

I am by no means desirous of advoca-  
ting her cause beyond what to me seems  
rational. She is a modest woman well  
behaved. She has also unimpeached princi-  
ples of piety and is very anxious in re-  
gard to the future welfare of her children.

If, for such a delinquent as yet known  
could be found, I should feel peculiar-  
ly grateful. And I am fully persuaded

that upon her kindness would not  
be idly squandered.

With ~~many~~ thanks for your  
past acts of kindness to me I humbly  
requesting you to forgive this attempt to  
send thro' your interest a poor un-  
fortunate fellow creature, labouring  
under peculiar circumstances and  
feelings, I have the honor to remain,  
with sincere respect,

My dear Sir,

Your faithful Servant  
Robert Crosby.

J.W. Rushfield, Esq.



19 Oct<sup>r</sup> 1820<sup>r</sup>

Bank  
to Sarah Wright

Mr. Hooker Sol<sup>r</sup>

N<sup>o</sup> 2

Bank Parade

F25/8/50

Newgate Oct<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 20

Most Respectful Sir

My Present Unhappy Situa-  
-tion Ought me to solicit a Favour which Necessi-  
-sity I Trust will Plead An Excuse for - I beg leave  
to State I am A Bank Prisoner And Am At Present  
Confined in Childbed And being without Friends  
And Money Am In Consequence of That Deprived  
of the Means of Procuring those Necessaries so  
Requisite for People in my Weak Situation -  
I Therefore Humbly hope the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen  
of the Bank will be Pleased to take my Case into  
Consideration And be disposed to Assist me with  
A Little of that Charity they have been known  
Humanely to Extend to Others in A Like Situa-  
-tion And as in Duty Bound will ever Pray  
Sarah Wright

Thurs. 9

Newgate 14<sup>th</sup> Sep 1820

I hope you will excuse me troubling you with this as I am in the Greatest Distress possible in my Situation which is extremely Distressing I hope you will have Compassion for Gods sake on me and my Husband who is the absolute Afflicted Creature and I have had him on my Honor this 5 Years I hope you will put out some Symptom on give your word you will use your Influence which I know is great to get our Sentence light if we plead Guilty and you will find it most gratefully acknowledged as we both will inform us all we know —

I inform Mr Glover that I would be the Person that I fear from which I took them entirely for Distress and not before I had been prepared. Hundreds of Times we have heard a Great Deal about all A certain Set of Peoples Affairs who on the real Investigation of this infernal Transaction I have led me entirely to it

I humbly pray your intercession on me and if you will assist us to get our Liberty in a little time we will inform you how to find them all out without much Trouble in hope you will not be Offended

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

Y<sup>r</sup> Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

M Howard



— Rucker Esq

Beirith Solicitor  
Bank of England

For Mr Howard & Son  
Bank

14/2/51

cas/s/51

Newgate July 17<sup>th</sup> 1820

Honoured Sir

I hope you will pardon the Liberty I  
take in writing to you but Extrem  
Distress obliges me to solicit your  
attention I have been confined for  
this Prison this two Months without  
Money or friends and am extremely  
ill I am doomed to leave my country  
for fourteen years Believe <sup>me</sup> Sir it is  
more than I can bear my health is  
Declining every Day for want of the  
comforts of Life I hope Sir you  
will have the goodness to send me a  
trifle of Money I shall be ever bound to pay  
you  
your Most humble servant

M Thurst

17 July 1820

Frank Thurst  
for ~~the~~  
or Prison



25/8/52

Mr Thurst  
Bank Solicitor

Bank Builders



12 Aug. 1820

Bank

Mr E. Thurstor a  
Prison

Newgate August<sup>th</sup> 12 1820

Honoured Sir  
I hope you will pardon the Liberty  
I take in writing to you but Extrem  
Distress tempts me to solicit your  
kind relief I am confined in this  
Prison without Money or friends I  
am sentence to Leave my country  
for fourteen years and have not one  
Penny in the World if you will have  
the goodness to grant me the smallest  
trifle I shall be bound to pray  
for you

Your Most humble Servant  
E Thurstor

F25/3/53

11 July 1820.

Baird  
for Geo Thorpe at  
Mr Smith

Mr. Smith  
Baird

Mr. Smith  
Baird

Mr. Smith  
Baird

P25/8/54

Transport Yard

July 11<sup>th</sup> 1820.

Hon. Sir

I took the liberty of acknowledging a letter  
in answer to one you was so kind as to send me  
— Mr. Davis has informed me that I may expect  
to go away in a night or two and that if you wish  
to see me I had better acquaint you of the circum-  
stances as you was so kind as to mention in your  
letter you would wish to see me before I go. I think  
if you was to see Mr. Davis it would be of service to  
me has he goes down with us. Hoping you and  
your father and all the family are in good health  
I remain Hon. Sir

Your obedient humble Servt.  
George Thorpe



Los wooden } Charles, Jr Drury Lane  
Mr Bullock }

Los Bowling

Sam, Bayley Chas Lane Trust  
Henry Caples Charles Jr

Master the Elephant Cattle

July <sup>the</sup> 15-1820

Newgate Condemned Cells

Mr Wooten

Sir/ I have taken the liberty of writing to you  
to inform you of my Life being sworn a way  
innocent by my Proseutrix which she being a  
woman of ill fame And Owing to my saying  
a few words the Day before and Accusing her  
of having forged notes in her profession she  
and her party and as i was in a state of intox  
ication they layd things in my way when i  
was insensible of knowing what i was about  
which i took some Articles and pledged them for  
£ 80 for the same she swore hard Against me  
At the Office she said that broke into



her place and took those articles but I can  
say with a Clear Conscience that it is all  
false that I can assure you that my  
intention was to make it known to you  
but Owing to my Prosecutrix saying that  
if I mentioned it at my trial she would hang  
me if I did not but if I said nothing about  
it she would Recommend me to mercy  
so through my having no friends in Court  
to testify the same I left myself unto his  
Lordships pleasure I hope you will excuse me  
for not letting you know before but persons  
who are in Confinement for the Bank persuaded  
me not to let you know any thing about

it for they told me that you would say it  
was only Spite but i Can assure you i do  
this for i thin k it is a hard thing for a  
woman of such a Character to be allowed  
to swear against any Body therefore i hope  
you will look into it. She had just one  
to my knowledge on the Day Before she  
Layed the snare for me And she Being  
one of the party Thomas Harris William  
Jones and Samuel Greenwood this Thomas Harris  
they Been Looking for a good while and they  
are to be found at the Crown and Magpie  
Skinner street Bishopgate street but  
snailed owing to my Being a person who alway got my  
bread for my wife and family honest they took  
advantage of me I Remain your humble  
Servant J Pickers



Mr Hooker  
Solicitor Bank  
5 Buildings

F25/8/55

15 July 1855  
Mr J. Hooker  
a friend

April 1820

Bank

Petition of William Thomas Woodbery

The Honorable Gentlemen & Directors

of the Bank

of England

F25/8/56

The Humble Petition

of William Thomas Woodbery

Prayeth that the Honorable Governors  
 and Directors of the Bank of England will  
 have Mercy on their Humble Petitioner now  
 a Prisoner in Newgate and Permit him to  
 Plead Guilty to the Minor Offence your  
 Petitioner but a few weeks before he was  
 Apprehended was Innocently led into it  
 your Humble Petitioner Implores Forgiveness  
 of the Honorable Gentlemen and hopes they  
 will hear their poor Prisoners Petition your  
 Humble Petitioner thinks it his Duty to  
 Inform the Honorable Gentlemen that the  
 Note was bought of a Person the name of  
 your Humble Petitioner as  
 in Duty bound will  
 Ever Pray

Henry Cooper 46 holes St  
 Dury Lane



April 1828

Bank

Petition of Sophia Woodley

To

The Honourable Governor & Directors

of the Bank

of England

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The Humble Petition

Of Sophia Matilda Woodley

Prayeth that the Honourable Directors and Governors of the Bank of England will have Mercy on their Humble Petitioner now a Prisoner in Newgate and Permit her to plead guilty to the Minor Offence your Petitioner had not left her Father's house but on the 11th when she was apprehended and being her first Offence your Humble Petitioner Implores Forgiveness of the Honourable Gentlemen and hopes that they will listen to their Poor Prisoner's Petition your Petitioner was overpersuaded to do so not thinking of the Danger it would plunge her and her whole Family into She thinks it her Duty to Inform the Honourable Gentlemen that the Petitioner was bought of Henry Cooper & Charles Street Drury Lane your Humble Petitioner as in Duty Bound will remain

7<sup>th</sup> April 1820

Bank

Mr Samuel Longman attn

Apr 7<sup>th</sup>  
Newgate  
Sir

I beg leave to take Liberty of writing to you  
Concerning Learning confin'd here for the Bank  
Business there fore if you would have  
the Goodness To Come in to me and  
and Give it to me from under your  
hand Not to Proscute Shall tell you  
where the Man Lives and his description  
and Ben an old skil Master in the  
trade and has sold them to me  
and Brought in to this trouble

Yours humble  
servt

Samuel Longman

fas/8/58



To the Honourable  
the Governor & Directors  
of the Bank of England

William Woodhead

Prisoner

# The Humble Petition

of William Woodhead  
Prayeth that the Honourable the Governor and Directors  
of the Bank of England will have mercy on their Humble  
Petitioner now a Prisoner in Newgate on a charge of passing  
a forged note and Permit him to plead guilty to the minor  
offence your Petitioner having neither Father nor Mother  
living and being a long while out of Employment was betrayed  
into the offence not knowing the consequence and having previous  
borne a good character and being his first offence your Humble  
Petitioner implores forgiveness of the Honourable the Governor  
and Directors of the Bank of England, and thinks it his duty  
in Charles Street Drury Lane, and hopes they will hear  
the prayer of their Humble Petitioner

William Woodhead

Newgate Oct<sup>r</sup> 16-1820  
Mr Rooker

Sir I hope you will excuse  
the liberty I have taken in addressing  
you - but my business are so against  
you were we use to get the note  
from - Sturges & Overton & me use to  
by them of a man of the name of  
John dent at the man in the moon  
noble st Goswell st - but is now moved  
to the Cogin & Morses Lane st  
Goswell st were he is still sitting  
them to Explain to you in what way  
Sturges Blame it with the officers to  
apart hand we will be manure as  
I should? I suppose you are soon  
will be acquainted with us you have



sturgeys already in Custody and  
I should suppose you will overton before  
Long - but above all I Hope you will  
not suffer the Seller of them to go  
unpunish'd - that is the Case of so many  
Poor families coming to destruction - I  
Hope Sir you will Tentle my Case into  
your Honourable Consideration & grant me  
that Relief you seem best fit for believe  
me Sir I never should have had another  
note if I had not been drawn into and my  
Brethren and that of my unfortunent  
wife and family will be Ever Left  
up for your welfare and Prosperity  
Pray Sir Look over my Case and be as  
Lenient as you Can Towards me and

if you ~~poss~~ want any information  
that is in my Power to Give I shall  
quite Ready to Communicate it to any  
Person you may think Proper to send

I Remain Sir your Humble<sup>t</sup> Servant

Moses Barnister

Please Sir Excuse the writing





2 o'clock  
Oct. 17  
1820 EV

Luo

Mr. Robert Bank Salter  
Bank Buildings

Bank  
The Trustees of the Bank

Bank

18 Oct 1820

25/8/60

Newgate June 19<sup>th</sup> 1820

Sir

As I have been made the fool of a designing party and been, innocently on my part drawn into this dreadful situation, I am therefore fully determined for my own sake and for the happiness of my wife and family, (provided I can obtain my discharge) to inform of you of a man that has paid several bad notes, as well as where they were paid; together with the person they were had of, should you Sir think this worth your attention you will find that I have been the dupe of these people and that I have a claim to be remunerated from the loss treatment I have experienced, I am Sir

With great respect  
Your very obedt. Servt  
James Downes

RECEIVED  
JUN 20 1820



Booker Esq &  
Solicitor  
Bank Buildings

For James Downes

19 June 1820

F25/8/61



To The Honourable The Governors of the  
Bank of England.

Honoured Sirs,

I the undersigned have unfortunately rendered myself amenable to the laws of my country, having been sentenced to 14 years transportation for having had forged Bank of England notes in my possession. Notwithstanding this I can solemnly assure you honoured Sirs, that I was drawn into the commission of the crime by some of those harpies who go about to ensnare the unwary, and had I not accidentally met with them I should certainly never have contemplated any offence of the kind. - These men frequent a house named the Brewer in Friar Street, Blackfriars Road, where all sorts of bad characters resort every day. - All I ever had in my possession was 8 notes, which I received at three different times: I paid 6 shillings for each. These are to my knowledge 6 of those wretches that go about and entangle young men whose character yet stands good in the world. I have no doubt that the 8 notes formerly in my possession will

in due course come to the Bank as my  
right name was endorsed on all except those  
given to Mr Harrison the Pawnbroker, on  
which the same name was written as appeared  
on the Duplicates of things which I had pledged  
with him. Many unfortunate and respectably  
connected young men are sent out of the  
country and brought to disgrace and ruin  
through those wicked men. -

I maintained myself long creditably,  
and in Kentish town I carried on the business  
of a saddle and harness maker, where I am  
sure the inhabitants will give me a good  
character for honesty and industry, though  
unfortunately lapsed in trade, not owing to  
negligence, compelled me to give up all to  
my creditors.

My father is a respectable tradesman  
in Reading in Berkshire where he has carried on  
business for thirty years and stands in high credit,  
and I have also 10 brothers and sisters, most of  
them in trade and creditably maintained.

I therefore hope, honoured, Sir, you will take  
my case into consideration, and interest yourselves



to procure me some mitigation of punishment,  
I shall feel particularly grateful, and afford  
you such other assistance as you may think  
proper to call for. - We expect to go hence  
daily and therefore an early answer will be  
much oblige me.

I have the honour to be, your most  
perfect respect,  
your most obedient and most  
humble servant. -

George Seymour.

New Gate Prison

12. June 1826.

To

The Honourable  
The Governors of the Bank  
of England.



George Seymour

The Governors & Directors of the Bank have  
taken your application into consideration, & have directed  
us to inform you that they cannot interfere on your behalf

We are &c.

R. F. H.

N. B. P.

15 June 1820

George Seymour

Newgate

to  
Messrs. Kaye & Co.

15 June 1862

Bank

to Geo Seymour & Co

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Gentleman,

Deeply impressed as I am with a sense of my  
guilt and humbly penitent for the crime I have  
committed — I venture and I hope with confidence  
to lay before you the truly distressing situation in  
which I am at present unfortunately placed conscious  
as I am that I am making this appeal to the  
Humanity of men — whose generosity has been enlarged  
by a far better pen than mine — from those who  
have experienced your kindness — from those who  
have witnessed your benevolence — Destitute as I shall  
be for want of some working implements in going  
over to the place of my Destination — I should feel  
truly and very sincerely obliged if you would assist me  
with a small supply of cash to furnish myself with —  
thous a boon which I believe has been granted by you  
in several instances — and I trust by a strict adherence  
to the principles of Honor and Integrity I may yet be  
able to retrieve that character I once possessed and become  
a useful Member of Society — In the sincere hope this  
application will not be in vain permit me to remain with  
every sentiment of respect and esteem

North Yard  
Newgate  
July 14. 1820

Yours truly obliged & affable Servt.  
George Seymour

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

F25/8/64

Recd Secy m<sup>rs</sup>  
Gent<sup>l</sup>

Recd Secy m<sup>rs</sup>  
Gent<sup>l</sup>  
14 July 1820



gent.

I should feel truly oblig'd if you will be  
kind enough to lay before the Governor & Company of  
the Bank of England the enclosed letter, <sup>as soon as convenient</sup>— your compliance  
with my ~~request~~ request will confer a particular favor  
on

gent

Your oblig'd humble Serv<sup>t</sup>.

George Seymour.

North Yard  
Newgate.  
July 14: 1820

Wm. Lloyd Garrison



To,

Messrs. Hays Freshfield & Hays  
Bank Solicitors —

14 July 1855  
Bank  
for Messrs. Hays Freshfield & Hays

F25/8/15

20 April 1820  
Banc  
for E Built a Prison

To the Governor Directors &c of the Bank of  
England —  
The Humble Petition of Ebenezer Built.

Your Petitioner hereby Acknowledges  
to have Committed a Great offence in Uttering  
Forged Notes for which he is Heartily Sorry  
and Prays for your Clemency to be Shown  
him in that he may be Permitted to  
Plead Guilty to the Minor offence

April 10 1820

Robert Lloyd  
Bank Building

F25/8/66



April 14 130

Honored Sir

I hope you will pardon the  
liberty I have taken of writing  
to you but I have a chest very <sup>full</sup> very care-  
afflicted and I shall be very thank-  
if you will let me have the <sup>best</sup> for many  
many as I do expect to go away  
on Monday or Tuesday so I remain  
your humble servant

Catherine Marten

P25/8/67

#7<sup>th</sup> April 1820

Bank  
of England  
the P<sup>r</sup>is<sup>n</sup>

Mr. Hooper  
Bank of England  
Director

Mr. Hooper

April 7<sup>th</sup> 1820

Sir

I should be very much obliged to  
You if time permits you to Cometh  
The Borough Coroner Will Lane  
Tooley street Southwark as I am  
Very much Desirous of seeing you  
Tomorrow being 8<sup>th</sup> of the above date  
And you will much oblige your  
Humble Servant —

William Shewins

P25/5/68



Knowlton Lane July 30<sup>th</sup> 1820

Mr Scott

Sir I have taken the liberty to  
write few lines to you hoping you will not be offended  
I have heard as <sup>you</sup> are a gentleman of feeling towards poor  
prisoners as you was so kind as to interfere with friends in the  
neighbourhood for Betsey Usher & Rachael Biddulph I hope you  
will do the same for me I am ashamed to beg such a favour  
from you as I am an entire stranger to you but your goodness  
been as such I will open my mind to you and any friend you  
will appoint to come with you as I can give the Bank of England  
such information as will Astonish them if you & your friend  
will interfere for me with the Bank of England I shall ever  
be bound to say

I am Sir Your Most Obedient  
Servant Tho Finner

30 July 1820

Bank of England  
to the Order of Mr. Smith



Mr J H Smith

Esq. of the Bank of England  
Mr. Smith

London

F25/8/69



Sir

I am the Person who conducts the Bake House in the Kings Bench, and consequently am frequently in the habit of furnishing change for those who purchase Bread on the 14th February Last, William Richards (formerly of Burg Street Lodging House Keeper - then Distiller at the red House old Bond. Street, and lately Shop Man at Hounslow Perceps) came to my Shop and asked me to furnish him With change for a Pound note I did so, and that note has proved to be a Forgery I have often remonstrated with him but to no effect, though he admits it to have been in his possession. He is going to the Bowdoin Court on the 12th of June next & has served me with a Notice of such Intention for the one Pound due to me - this is a Case that require your Prompt attention - and either a Warrant Lodged at the gate or your appearance on the 12th of June to his discharge is an imperative duty

Sir I am your Humble Servant Jn. Appleton

Kings Bench Prison May 23d 1820

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1672/221  
To the Solicitor

for the good & Company of the  
Bank of England

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In the Court for Relief  
of Insolvent Debtors. }

~~Thursday~~ the 26 day of September 1821.

In the matter of the Petition of John Paulin, boatsman  
also as John Paulin, boatsman late of Newington  
Square Kent Road <sup>INTER</sup> also of Ryeport Street  
Birmingham both in Surrey shire the said  
County. Turner

a Prisoner confined in the Kings Bench Prison  
seeking the Benefit of the  
Act of the First Year of King George the Fourth, for the Relief of  
Insolvent Debtors in England.

UPON reading the Petition and Schedule of the said Prisoner which are filed  
in this Court; It is ordered that the matter of such Petition and Schedule  
shall be heard in this Court, to be holden at Westminster

on the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of October next  
at the Hour of Nine in the Morning; of which all Parties concerned are  
to have due Notice.

And in case any Creditor INTENDS TO OPPOSE the Discharge of  
the said Prisoner, he must make Entry of such his intention, in the Book kept  
at the Office of this Court for that purpose, on or before the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of  
Oct<sup>r</sup> between the hours of Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon,  
and Four in the Afternoon.

BY THE COURT,

Charles Reeves  
McDonnells Son  
Attorney for Insolvent

J. Massey, Clerk.

NOTE—The Court has required each Insolvent to annex to his Schedule a Balance  
Sheet. — The days for inspecting Schedules, are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays,  
from Ten in the Morning till Four in the Afternoon up to the last Day for entering opposition.

OFFICE, No. 9, Essex Street, Strand.

12/8/56

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BY THE COURT

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The Governor & Company of  
the Bank of England  
London  
Messrs. Hoyle & Freshfield  
Solicitors  
New Bank, Rumbold's

Dated 26<sup>th</sup> October

Per  
Thomson & Co

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