

Warwick God 27th Feb 1804
Common side prison

Sir

I beg you will pardon me when I inform you
that I was brought here under judgment to the 21st as such not
being any ways likely to be included in y^e Insolvent act which is now
under consideration & also my great need of temporary assistance
as I am very much reduced in circumstances being quite destitute
of substantial relations whom otherwise would afford me necessary
relief I humbly hope you will be kind enough to favor me with
those letters which Mr Spenser of Birman told me was in your
possession in order that I may have an address to y^e different people
whose names I cannot now recollect to try to make friends of them
to supply me with a trifle in this my adverse situation

Really sir it would inspire me with sentiments of the highest
respect to comply with my request but should it not be entirely
consonant to your idea to send the originals the different names
and residence will create in my ^{best} lasting gratitude
Trusting you will condescend to comply with my earnest ardent
desire anxiously waiting your answer

I remain

Truly Y^r Obedt Servt

Joseph Ball

"In December last I was about
writing to you upon an important subject but as I cannot
put into execution what I intended to propose I am obligated
to give up the idea for the present

it was about the 12 Feb 1800 that my paper was sent
for your inspection

WARWICK

To Mr. Winter

Inspector of the

Bank of England

London

27th Feb 1804
from
the
Common side

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Sir

We have perused the two Letters from Hollins you did us the favor to send, we have several Letters from him proper to inform by which the fabricators of Bank Notes might be detected, but upon referring him to Sir John Carter we find he either cannot, or is not disposed to ^{make} any material discovery ~~we rather~~ he probably expected to ~~amuse~~ amuse the Bank with a prospect of services he was unable to perform & induce them to interfere with the Duke of Portland on his behalf.

In answer to a former application made by Hollins we gave directions to inform him, if he had the means

Bank & from 26th & 28th 1807
(Hollins)

To Mr. Benbow Apr

F25/10/2

Portsmouth 28 Feb. 1801

Gentlemen

I recd your letter of the 9th
with one from Hellers - I had not
an immediate opportunity to see
him - He has however sent me the
enclosed - which you will consider
if of any use - I am sorry to add
many forged notes have been about
this place as I am informed

I am

Gentlemen
Y^r most humble servant
John Carter

Most Worship Sir

I should have wrote you
here this had I not been very much indisposed
in Health -

You request me to point
out a Friend which I presume was to
bring forward the the makers of these notes
that require a person whom they know
there were one whom can give such
circumstances of himself that he knows
all their connection & mention their names
responding to - I have now John to a fellow
prisoner whom we got 3 years to stay here
& is well acquainted with them all &
if you think proper we will produce
a Friend or two that will Chat with any
Gentle in London or Birmingham - whom
will bring them all to justice in a proper
manner they shall produce the real makers

with the plates & Instruments they ever to
make them - It would be fruitless attempt.
if any thing of this sort could be conducted
in America the laws will have it over &
I wish to conduct it in America we may
never be suspected - as any person here
would always be in danger in any part
of the globe - a consoling word is as nothing
or we could transport the Business our
selves the best with propriety that no one
could suspect us - & if you like we will
find security for our conduct in the Business
to the amount of £2000 - There are the only
plans we can finally abolish them by
procuring your the parties in proper
manner as also the Instruments - Either of
these we will proceed - on being informed
from any Country - as the moment
any of the parties was in custody the news
would be sent to the place - There is considerable

of notes at this place & a great many others
It may be that they are made here - but
believe me for they are not - for I well know
whom gets them all whom sends them also
the manner they come here

I can proceed know more than
ever from you - as you may find making
by any other person to me would be -
which will be better than you can see
as I'm afraid some suspicion might
arise among these abandoned wretches

I am for ~~the~~ 
Fortune Halls
Feb 27th 1801 

you will see mentioning an American War Respect
right name Mr. Bonister who is
with another - he went from this place in October
that he is now with another and John
Whitney both in prison for notes

There is several more makers in London whom we will not say

Sir John Carter B^t
Portsmouth

1825/10/4

Portsmouth 1st May 1801

Gentlemen

The Bearer of this is John
Rollers who has a pardon - He will
be able to give you the information
relative to Bank notes - They get much
in circulation at this place & every
where else thro' the Convicts -
I am

Gentlemen
Y^r most Obedt. Servant
John Carter

Messrs Winkler & Co
Southwark Lane
London

Thos Winkler
Bank of England
from Mr Winkler

F25/10/5

5 May 1801

John Collins

James Pitt
as Trustee, Street 3
Low - Marshall
5 ways } Duties 2000. 3
Riddles - Piccol St }

Birmingham

~~Catterpool~~ - London
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5 May 1705
Bank of England
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F25/10/6

Dear Sir & Dear Mr. Worship

Godan be for the liberty I have taken with
your Honor — no doubt but that Mr. de Hollins —
shall inform yr Honor concerning me — I have this to say —
Should yr Honor, after an investigation with a gentleman whom
you^{shall} be left to — after which should yr worship think me
worthy of Government notice — in bringing forward such things that
will be in my power — in behalf of Government — & please your
Worship — should Government think me worthy — of being set at
Liberty — after being confined upwards of four years — most part
of which time in the most wretched place in earth — for a charge not
guilty of — God is witness to the fact — & please your worship
The cause of my being transported — I gain a new state of Mr.
J. Dunsfield Kingston survey — please yr Honor — I had every
the four years by my lawyer — or I should not have been
transported — please your Honor — I lived at Kingston survey —
Upwards of 13 yrs in business — during which time, had three law
suits — very unsuccessfully on my behalf — I have turned (Chapman)
of my friends my friends at Kingston — notwithstanding — should
your Honor — will stand my friend — should I be set at liberty
through your Honor interest — at the risk of my life — will
bring such things to light — will gain yr Honor more credit
Then ever ~~was~~ was done by any man of my rank — was
not bread at all — I hope your Honor will take the trouble to
write to — Mich^d Rivers Esq^r — This place is full of cotton
then a Liverpool house — many yr Mr. R. introduced me in
to his family as one of his own family — I got liberty with
money — I could have Mr. C. Esq^r who is much wond^{er} by the friendship of the bank — I can't be
done unless I am at liberty — I please your worship a gentleman
not — will risk my life for Government's good

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~~Prof. Walter & Co
New Lane
London~~

From the State of New York

472
11 Nov.

Grasshopper

Many letters to ^{as} this enclosed I have
 recd from Mr Lovicks - which I did
 not think worth attending to - This
 men refers to knowing a great deal
 & to a Mr. Rivers - You will judge if
 it can be of any benefit - I am

Portsmouth
1 Sep. 1807

P25/10/8

Sir

We have laid the L^{ts} inclosed in yours of the 1st.
instant before the Governor & Directors of the Bank,
who decline interfering upon the Authority of a Board
& bind a Play as it contains - We are much
obliged to you for the Communication, & are

Sir

Yours &c

Northin Lane 3rd Sept^r
1801

Sir John Porter Portsmouth.

3rd Sept. 1804.

Bank. Prom.

To Sir John Lubbock

1025/10/9

Gent.

I beg leave to inform you that poor John Green who was convicted at Summer Great Session 1802 for uttering a forged Bank of England Note has behaved himself in a very exemplary manner during his Confinement; The Clerk of the Peace of this County who is resident in this Town has wrote to the Honble Mr. Yorke the Secretary of State respecting his Behaviour, inclosed with my Certificate as to good Order here; but not having yet an answer, he humbly solicits your Interference in his behalf for his Majesty to extend his mercy he having a wife with seven small Children if it possibly can be granted and he will ever pray with you

I am Gent.

Ruthin 23. Oct. 1803

Your most Obedt. Attle Servt.
Humphrey Jones Keeper of his
Majesty's Deput at Ruthin in
and for the County of Denbigh

Messrs Winter, Page, Beckwith & Freshfield
Solicitors to the Bank
Swifth's Lane
London

Bank of England
from Mr. Humphreys

October 23. 1803

F25/10/10

Ruthton Garb, 4th Jan^y. 1804.

Honored Gentlemen

With great submission I take the present liberty of presenting my needfull address to the humane consideration of your Hon^d persons, which I hope you will remember in mercy; I have great reason to praise the Lord for his past mercys and also to return you my most humble thanks for the intercession that hath been made by your worthy persons, in the behalf of having my life spared when it was so near a point. I still trust in your Goodness that you will remember how I was led from my original path of virtue^{to} the punishment I now suffer by those that ought to have suffered in my stead; but the Lord is Gracious and mercifull; but he can bring the guilty to suffer. But now it remains on the contrary, that the innocent suffers and the guilty is set free; but the time will come when we shall all be judg'd a right; which gives me hopes that I shall have Happiness for all my sufferings which are very great at this present. I have this two months been great afflictions in one leg, that hath broke out with being so confined, which hath caused me to suffer much in such a dreadfull place; and being seperated from a tender Wife and seven small Children, that are brought to the brink of ruin by this fatal separation; which hath took place about this two years past; I being the despairing of a reputable Family in all Circumstances, which makes my fate still harder; may the Lord incline the hearts of your Hon^d persons to interceed in the behalf of me receiving Pardon for my past offences; which thing I hope will be assaining to many; I most humbly beg you will except my thanks for what is past, and still trust in your Goodness and mercy for what is to come, for which your poor petitioner remains in Duty bound to pray, Affection

Messrs

Wm. Rye, Beckwith, & Freshfield.

Solicitors.

of the Bank of England.

London.

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from
Bank
of
England

Messrs. Winter, Praye, Wickwith & Freshfield

Thank Solicitors

William's Lane

London

1th March 1839
Bank of Green
from Wickwith

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F25/10/12

Gentle

I beg leave to trouble you, once more, on the Part and
behalf of poor John Green (and to inform you that the Prosecutors
Clark has sent a Petition to Chief Justice Mansfield praying that he
may be liberated and restored to his wife and numerous Family -
(and which the Justice must have received a week ago - The many
Discoveries that he has made to you, with his Contrition and Sorrow
for his past misconduct he hopes might induce his Majesty to mitigate
his sentence to let him return to his Family and be an useful member
of Society) -

Therefore I can hereby Certify that John the above named
John Green, has during his Confinement here, behaved himself in
a most exemplary manner, by shewing every mark of sorrow
for his past folly, attending Divine Service, and constantly ^{given} going
to prayer - And if you should be in the way to see the Chief Justice -
that you will, so good as to represent his Case to him (and he will
ever pray with you. I am Gent. Your most Obedt. Serv^t

Ruthin 7th March 1839

Thompson Jones
Keeper of his Majesty's Gaol at
Ruthin in the County of Denbigh

Mr Spurrer Att.^y on Account of the Bank of England
 to John Sumner. Prison Keeper of Birmingham

1874
 April 10 Apprehending Joseph Jarvis ————— 10 - 6
 11 Apprehending Joseph Rowley ————— 10 - 6
 Expenses of Searching for John Millward — 0 - 18 - 0
 24 ^{Expense of} Conveyance of Joseph Jarvis from Birmingham } 1 - 1 - 0
 to Warwick Gaol —————
 May 20 ^{Expense of} Conveyance of John Millward from Birmingham } 1 - 1 - 0
 to Warwick Gaol —————
 Time on the Above Journey ————— 1 - 1 - —
 June 26 Time on Asisting to Apprehend }
 John Cooper, John W. Keale (and Mary Waterhouse) } — 10 - 6
 28 Journey to Stafford in Search of Evidence } 1 - 1 - —
 With Mr Donald. 2 days }
 July 9 ^{Expense of} Conveyance of John Cooper to Gaol — 1 - 1 - 0
 Time ————— 10 - 6
 15 ^{Expense of} Conveyance of John W. Keale & Mary } 2 - 2 - 0
 Waterhouse ————— }
 Time ————— 1 - 1 - —
 29 Conveyance of Self to the Asize & Back — 1 - 11 - 6
 Time ————— 1 - 11 - 6
 A Journey with Mr Donald to Hockley }
 to Search the Coaches for a parcel } 10 - 6
 Directed to Jacobs } 15 - 1 - 6

Bank

In Sumner's Bill
4 Oct - 15 - 1 - 6

F25/10/13

To the Governor & Company
of the Bank of England

London

J. M. Baddely

Bank

W. A. L. New

J. M. Baddely

F25/10/14

Hon^r Sirs

Stafford Prison April 18th 1808

Pardon me if I offend in writing to your Honours
as I was by order Sentence of Transportation for having in my possession
a quantity of Notes that was forg'd upon your most Honourable
Bank for which I very much repent not only for myself but the
thoughts of many others I fear will come into the same situation
or worse by those base Villains the makers of such kind of base
Money which induces many to their ruin and the thoughts of the
large quantity of money it takes to prosecute those whom they notes
are found upon, thereby think it my duty to inform your Honours
that it is in my power was I at liberty to take up all the makers and
stop their Proceedings in making false kinds of Base Money both
Notes Gold and Silver ^{should take} even so if your Honours the above into
consideration and lend me your assistance I will for your Honours
and the Country's good use every endeavour and bring them to
Justice even to the hazard of my life which I believe would be the
case as they are well bound at that time when they know they are
in danger they sign the Notes at a certain place and then takes
them to a House where their Customers meet as they must.

be took betwixt the two Places when they have the Goods upon
them as they are mostly altogether You would be surprised to see
the quantities they send of to all parts of England Ireland Scotland
and to all parts of Wales, I now am come to the knowledge of
the evil that attends it makes me very willing to have it all
destroyed I can tell if I am in any Company if there is one amongst
them that trades in the above goods in a few minutes - So if Your
Honours think proper to take me for the Business You may
depend upon my Sincerity and I would loose my life in the
Action before I would miss taking them as I am now convinced
of the evil consequence of their Business my purposing this
is in hopes of saving the lives of many besides the vast expence
attending - and I have another way as I can take them as I don't
wish to make publick if Your Honours should take it into
Consideration it shall be my study to render all the Assistance
I can

I am Gentlemen

Your Most Humble Petitioner

John Buddleley

P. S. I would take up a great many utterers of the
aforesaid notes and Money and I have something
Particular to say if I could see you

Warwick Goal April

Mr Gray Sir / Please to Excuse me taking this liberty
of writing to you as I have no friend in the world but you to
take my Distressing case in to consideration as since my
confinement here I have lost my Wife and Father and the first
of this month my mother and now I have no friend left but
my children which is not in thair power to assist me in anything
and if Please God you will step forward in my behalf this time
I shall be in Duty bound to oblige you in anything that
lies in my power to do for you and the bank and if Please God
that I should get my Liberty I would go with Mr. Anthony to
Ireland to have Mr. Patrick as he would do anything for me
either in the notes or make a Plate for them or I would
Go anywhere else to oblige you or to have Mr. Patrick first
as I would be bound in any amount to you to perform what
I have writ to you as I am well convinced that there is no
other Person in Birmingham which makes the Plates but him
and concerning the Dealers in them I informed Mr. Anthony
when I see him here last, Sir I only wish that I could
see you at the House I could of satisfied you more than I
am able to write to you which should of bin to your Satisfaction
Sir I hope you are convinced that thro' my Interest the People
that was found guilty at the House by Law was for my benefit
Sir I hope for God sake you will be my Friend this time as I expect
the people to go soon from here to the Stocks and I am very
uneasy about it as you must expect Guilty not to be friends
with mee thow is wife and likewise all the rest that is here
Sir I hope you will be my friend this time and if I should get my
Liberty I would either come up to you or would go with Mr.
Anthony and I am sure that I could have Mr. Patrick made
but Mr. A will Inform you so to conclude with my Prayers
to you to be my friend so I remain your most obedient and
Humble Servant Wm Phillips



Joseph Kays Esq

John G. Kays Esq

Bank

17th Nov 1851

F25/10/15

Mr Kay Sir) I hope you and Mr Spurrer will have

the goodness to take my distressing case in to consideration as I have no friends in the world but you and Mr Spurrer as is well known that is throug race that ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~William~~ ^{William} Gully and Baker was taken as Salvages Supplid Hannah Criss with money to do the Business with them and to by the notes of them to send to them at wood bridge but could not tel with way the mother sent them to him, with throw Howell living with Criss than have turn'd their backs upon mee with is well known to Mr Spurrer that was Don't leave mee but if Please God I should wonce more be restored to my liberty you may depend that all that I can do to leave the Bank or the mint I will do to the best that I can wish I make not the least Doubt but I could put a end to som of the business in having B Patrick at work at a Bank Plate or if you would wish mee to go with Mr Antony or any other Person to Ireland to have W Patrick taken at work for mee will do anything for mee I would do, as I well now were to find him in Dublin or any other Person both I now, but Sir I only wish I could see you and Mr Spurrer heaie I could satisfy you more than I am able to wite at this time as I would be bound in any sum of money to you to perform what I have heaie note as I have no friend now left as since my confinement heaie I have lost my wife and my Father and last Satterday night my mother dyed so you see that I have no friend left and 5 Children but if Please God I should be at liberty wonce more I am Poset if I could have my taken with the notes uppon him and King and W Foster but if you will Please to ask Mr Antony hee will Inform you what I told him on I could Debt them but Sir I have this time note to Mr Spurrer and if I should see him I will Inform him my mind concerning of It Sir I hope you will be my friend this time and I shall be for ever bound to Pray for you and to leave you in anything at any time, so to conclude with my Prayers to you to be my friend from your most

obedient Humble Servant

Wm Phillips

Warwick Goal

April 5th 1000

Hon Mr Hay

1835/10/16

5 York street
Bank Room
from Mr Hay

Champerd Goal

Mr I have taken

the liberty of writing to you to let you know that I can let you
know of those papers that make bad bank of England bills and
of those that pass them doing the same to be bad which I have
since then made them and the price that they sell them at
is five shillings a piece and they send them to all parts of the
kingdom and of those papers that make bad gold and silver coin and
pass them doing the same to be bad and I would be bound to take them
in making of them if I was out of goal and could go with some
of the horse trusts officers for I know that the knight officer will
not take them our keepers have note to know what concerning of
it them in goal for horse stealing with arms killed but he do not take
and my brother have got his horse again but I do not know where
they will clear me till they have taken killed but I hope your honour
will take me out of goal as I was taken in by a very bad
sort of paper

and the best time to take them is at Bristol fair with Com from the
port of merch and I would be bound to take among them Liberty of them
making of them and passing them as they Com from Brighain and
there please for the good of the fair than any other man and am
willing to save the King and Country In what manner your honour likes
to send and to send I shoul like to take them for as they brought
and to let them Com too for so many times that makes the good little
Mr James who lives here King and Mrs James his husband
so now transported for passing of them that that for them being
them to be good Henry Collier Samuel Crill Thomas Widdows
Jacob Crill and Thomas Brett all of them at Capers and
all these people I will be bound to take In ten days if I live at
Bristol and If your honour likes to send word of your Clarke
down to Thompson I will write him and give him the
full account of them all and the best way to take them
I hope your honour will give my Wife and answer them
yours humble servant Thomas Crill Esq. of London

Edw. 10/17

Bank

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CHAYS

To the solicitor
of the Bank
of England
London

6/6
17/17

Edw. 10/17

Copy

Thomas Cribb now a Prisoner in Chelmsford
Gaol on a charge of Horse Stealing is
desirous of Communicating the following
Information of Persons who Forge &
Counterfeit Bank Notes.

Mr Francis - who uses a Street in Bristol called Lewins
Mead at the House of Mrs Harris whose Husband is
now a convict at Portsmouth -

Mrs Harris - as above -

Mrs Tysor - whose Husband was executed at Bristol for the same
thinks she lives at Bath but he has seen her
at Harris's

Mr Smith - of Birmingham

Mr Cribb has seen the above persons
making One pound Notes, has seen the
Plates they make them by, and has
bought One pound Notes of Mrs Harris
at 5^d each which is her price, that her
House is the place of Rendezvous for the party
at Bristol Fair time

The following are the names of the Utters, known to Cribb

Hannah Pratt - lives at Newchurch about 2 Miles from Bristol
employs herself in selling Vegetables at Bristol

Samuel Cribb - a Coal Carrier at Newchurch, well known there

Henry Lorien - a Horse Dealer at Newchurch, his Brother
was executed at Dorchester last year for a similar
Offence -

Thomas Watkins - a Coal & Chalk Carrier at Newchurch
his Brother was also executed at Dorchester for
same

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Isaac Cribb - a Coal & Wooding Carrier lives on Common
New Church is well known at Bristol, was in Prison
at Bath & would have been convicted, but
Hannah Pratt his sister in Law got them from him
Hannah Pratt sells a better sort of notes at Papineau
The common report is that the Bristol Officers
will not take the Officers, being in the habit of
receiving hush Money

Dear Sir

On the other half sheet I send you some
particulars related by Thomas Cribb now in my
Custody. whether it will turn out to any good Account
for the Public I know not, nor do I believe much is
to be placed on Cribb's veracity, but he has some
time been connected with a bad set, he sent a person
to give some Information the other day to the East
India Company as to depredations on the Thames, but
no notice seems to have been taken of it. If I can be
of any use herein you will command me & I shall

Your Obed^t Serv^t

Thos Archer
Gaol, Chelmsford
7 Feb^r. 1800

directed to "Mr Stafford Public Office Bow Street"

7 Feb 1850
Cash
W. Walker

Feb 10/18

Francis Tracey at M^{rs} Butters Queens Head Covent Garden

Says that Thomas Cribb a Prisoner in Chelmsford Gaol Com^c for Horse Stealing & who has a brother transported from Dorchester for Bank Notes - told him that M^{rs} Hays who lives in Lewins Mead Bristol sells forged Bank Notes & that Cribbs wife who is now with his Father who the Hoy at Grays in Essex came lately from Bristol & that she had some Notes of M^{rs} Hays -

M^{rs} King or Tyso. whose Husband was Executed for Bank Notes also deals in them, she lives at N^o 120 Horse Street Bath - John Williams who lodges at a Public House in Hungerford Market or Clare Market sells forged Notes & has heard that Williams makes them, Samuel Bailey a Coal Heaver who is frequently at the White Horse in Hungerford Market puts off forged Notes - And a person who lives at 126 High Street Birmingham whose name he does not know sells them

Bank Notes

6/10/19

Went^h the Directors of the Bank
of England

Gentlemen,

Permit your unworthy Servants most
humbly to take the Liberty of intruding on your Attention
by a brief Statement of our unhappy Case and make an
Appeal to your Humanity for an Amelioration of the
Frigor of our Destiny

When on Board the *Hulk* we voluntarily in conjunction
with many of our fellow Sufferers volunteered our Services
to his Majesty in his Land Service abroad and underwent an
Instruction before Justice Graham and the Colonel of the
African Corps were by these Gentlemen approved and
enrolled, but were afterwards informed as we had been
guilty of Aggravations towards You we could not be
accepted and were in consequence ordered on Board
this Ship bound to N. Y. Wales. We now in the most
humble and respectful Manner implore your
Clemency and that you would graciously condescend
to permit us to await our orders of his Majesty's

Money in common with our fellow Sufferers
who are not yet gone to join their Corps
or if this cannot be granted we most humbly
intreat you to take our unhappy Case into
your Consideration and grant us such
Amelioration of our Situation, as your Gentlemen
shall in your Humanity be disposed to grant
which Favour will ever be acknowledged
with the most heartfelt Gratitude and for
Your Fidelity Hon^{ble} Gentlemen will be daily
offer the Prayers of,

Your truly respectful, unfortunate
Servants & humble Petitioners,

Joseph Bridge
Michael Hughes

On Board H. M. Transport
Fortune Withed Janth 5 1786 }

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Ms. Hayes and Winter 3/7

Bank Directors
Cornhill
London

PORTSMOUTH
JAN 6 1806

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 per *Dr. J. H. H. H.*
Dr. J. H. H. H.
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Honoured Sir,

On Board the Fortunate Gustavus
~~Swedish~~ Part 15 Feb 6

I humbly take the liberty of addressing You to request
Your acceptance of my most sincere and thankful Acknowledgments for the
Favours you have so generously conferred upon me. permit me to assure
You I shall ever retain the most grateful Sense of them.
I could also wish to impress, if possible on an exalted Mind like Yours the
Conviction that the doomed to Banishment by the Law I am in effect
utterly innocent of the Crime for which I suffer. believe my solemn sparkling
Assurance that it is so notwithstanding which I ^{most} patiently submit to
the Dispensations of Providence and Severity of my duty nor will
the endeavours of those I have behind be at any Time desistent if
by them they can be fortunate enough to render any Service to the Bank.
In addition to the Favours already received permit me for one more
for the last Time to make an appeal to your Goodness by giving Account
in the Country where I am going Letters of Commendation from the
most signally serviceable had Time to present to the Governor on my Arri-
val it might prove the means of my being taken off the Streets and by
working at my Trade might insure a competency and avoid that
laborious Toil so irksome at my Time of Life. can I then derive this
Benefit from your Generosity if therefore You will condescend to grant
me this request if sent to me by Post under Cover directed to me on B^d

The Fortune B. Bay Ship. Captain Moore. Wm. Stead & Co. where
Be assured I shall never prove ungrateful for your Goodness
but will pray for your enjoyment of every Felicity under Heaven
whilst Life animates.

Yours highly obliged. and truly respectful.

humble Serv^t; J^c Pimes

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M^r Thos & Winter

Bank Directors

Cornhill

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PORTSMOUTH
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Wm. Thos & Winter

Wm. Thos & Winter

F25/10/21

Bank



per account

Mr. Alder^m Newland
Governor of the Bank of England
London

F25/10/22

and as I have no money Left and my bread is
is Lost on this sad Business after I have Done
What I have promised I should be thankfull to
serve his majesty on board one of his Ships
in the best manner I can
I hope your ^{honour} will feel for my poor children
and I shall be in Duty Bound to pray
from your humble Subservient Rich Westcott

September 15th 1804 High Géal Exeter

Devon

Honoured Sir

I hope your honour will not be offended with
me for troubling you as I am a prisoner
and transported for 14 years and my wife likewise
I am a Baker By trade and have been very
unfortunate with the business that I have
not had it in my power to provide for
my poor children: and those which are forged
votes: found in a Sashon belongin to me I
Do Declaim to God I never intened one -
forged vote in my life to the best of my
knowledge therefore I hope your honours goodness
with your trust will Geet my Sentence
to some imprisonment or any other punishment
your honours goodness could impose on me so that
in some little time I may be enabled to support
my children and it will be my Duty to ^{me} prefer
your honour of all the makers of those Bad
votes and the attornes of them and should I
be so fortunate as to Geet my Liberty and
should be put in power I will take every one
of them and bring them to justice this I hope
will be kept as a secret on the business cannot
be done and I should be goused till by the best
of the prisoners

Sir.

According to your Request I write to you, the Judge as I am
most graciously pleased to Reprieve me, therefore I am
fully Determined to Make Every Restitution that is
in my power for the Crime which I have been
guilty of, and I am well convinced that, I can
Make a full Discovery of the Real Agents and
Manufacturers of forged Notes and by that put a
Stop to Every further Circulation of them, but that
is not the Only things which they are guilty of
for they have the power that Makes the Base
half Guineys and Seven Shillings pieces and Toler
of which they Make great Numbers and the last
time I was ^{at Birmingham they were} going to Make a plate for Post Office Bank
and likewise upon One of the Hull Banks and I believe
there is one more upon Leeds Bank which will
all come from the same Place in Birmingham
and there is upwards of Twenty of those people
in the Concern which I could Discover if I could
have Liberty to go to Birmingham with you
or any other person proper to apprehend them
I ~~should~~ have soon I could Discover them
at work at the said Notes &c but if I might
be allowed I would Advise you not to Make any
Search after them at present so as they may
get to know for you may be sure ~~they will~~

that as there is somany of these Acquaintances
in trouble at present ^{they will} be very much upon their
guard at present for fear of any one Discovering
them and their ^{proceedings} and bringing them to justice
Charles Taylor is the persons name that engraves
the Plates he lives in Birmingham but I do not
know his place of abode but him and Millor
Baker Millars Enshaw and Benson in the name
of Kirkman with as Distrusted a Large quantity
of Notes in Manchester and Rand about it and
he is a great Acquaintance of Kershawes and Bethels
likewise of Thomey Mileses and Basters that
as long been in the practice of Circulating
forged Notes in Lancashire and if it be possible
that I can have the Liberty to go to Birmingham
I have Determined to Make Recompense for the
Liberty I have ad Shewn to me and the
Injury I have Don to the Country therefore if
you will Lay this my Resolution before the
Magistrats of Manchester and they will endeavour
to get me that ^{Liberty} which is necessary to enable
me to Discover the Real Agents of the above
Evils I will be Bound to Cause them
to be put on Intire Stop to those proceedings which
will be best don in the Course of a Month or six
weeks then they will all be at ~~that place~~
Birmingham again following the same practices

the above named I could easily unless it did come
to be ascertained with your assistance unless it is
Hanshaw for I ^{know} hard of his being there but
James Bethel frequently goes to Birmingham
amongst the makers of the notes ^{get them} for other
people and I think has done for some time
therefore if you think proper I will endeavour
to get some further information from a person
that is in house with me that will be of
service in regard to ascertaining the above
people and if you will be so kind as to
answer this letter I will get ~~the~~ every informa-
tion I can. But as ^{I have} ~~at~~ A. Care writes I
have a faint you will not be able to
understand it, I have nothing more at
present from your

Lancaster Castle
March 30th 1807

Humble and faithful
Obedient

Geor Jenkins

M^r Joseph Meadon

Police Office
Manchester



LANCASTER

For Mr. Meadon

Bank

30th March 1857

25/10/23

Ans.

I send you two letters which I have rec^d from John Hutton a Prisoner at Lancaster Castle, whom Mr. Freshfield will recollect to have prosecuted last year. He was likewise to have been prosecuted by me - He had written to his friend whom I find to be reputable persons in this town to get me to prepare him a petition - This of course I refused & told them there was no chance for him as

on account of concerning the a. persons
will gratify others yours &c.

he had deceived me & others in a way he would recollect - I suppose they wrote to him to that effect. They brought me his answer, ⁱⁿ which he desired me to write to him as to what I wished him to do - ^{I wrote but} for bearing to mention what I conceived to be impossible, any further favor being shown - It seems he wished me to hold out some assurance & to write to you in his favor - His friends have been frequently with me - I have finally told them that it was my opinion he would be sent off & they had better not flatter themselves with any hopes -

Your most obed. t. servt.

Y. Oakes rec^d of your's desiring me to draw for 51. 0. 6. and did so at 1 mo. dated 16th inst. in favor of Mr. Rich^d Booth. I now sincerely thank you for

Yours
Stockport 17 Nov 1840

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Mr. Lloyd
Chesham

LANCASTER

Sir

I should have answered yours before
this Post ad sent to Manchester. To say I could
get any more benediction than I was in Possession
of, in regard to what I have to say respecting the
Interest of the Bank of England, is that I can
Inform them of the Person that I ad them from
whence ad the Plaintiffs give them Rewards likewise
Several Persons that is in the Act of Paying them
two of them that was with the man that sets the
notes the same time, I got them in in Prison at
this time one here and the other at Manchester
Giving Information that I can give that will
to the Interest of the Bank will faithfully
give it that it will stand to gaining my Liberty
this being the only Species of Fraudulent I have
ever been concerned in effecting the Interest of the
Bank. I hope in your representing it to the
Governors it will excite in there Breasts motions
of Humanity to Do away the Severity of the
Punishment

I am Sir
Yours Humble
Lancaster Castle
17th 7-1766
J. Callan

2500
Note to my Counselor at Manchester

M
Messrs Winter Kays Beckwith & Co
(Sols to the Bank of Eng^d)

STOCK

London



17th Nov 1876
Messrs
Messrs
Messrs

Feb 10/24

Sir

Yours of the 25 came safe to hand —
return you my sincere thanks for all
favours but cannot think of giving
up the claims of any one unless I have a
Promise beforehand, then will faithfully
give every information that lies in
my Power if you cannot do any thing in
this shall apply in a better manner
My self your favour to this will

Believe yours

Lancaster Castle

J. Hutton

Oct 24 - 1806

P.S. it will be your satisfaction for me
providing I should pass others to be insured
and to be still in Bondage. My self yours.
JH

To the Honorable the Directors of the
Bank of England.

We the undersigned Justices of the Peace for the Counties
of Lancaster and Chester have had it represented
to us that a young Man of the name of
John Hatton

who has very respectable Relatives and Connexions
in the neighbourhood of Stockport was convicted
at the Lancaster Assizes held in the Autumn of
1806 of having forged Bank of England Notes,
in his possession, and sentenced to be
transported; and has ever since remained
under confinement in the Lancaster Castle,
where we understand he has conducted
himself well, and has been and still is
desirous and willing to make all the
atonement in his power to Government
and the Public - By the contrition he is said
to have shown he promises, should he
return to his afflicted Friends, to become
a better member of Society - We therefore
recommend him to your humane
consideration and request that you will,
if you conceive it would be regular
to do so, intercede on behalf of the said
John Hatton to obtain for him His -

Majesty's most gracious Pardon on
condition of Imprisonment for any term
His Majesty in his Clemency may approve
and direct.

Witness our hands the fourteenth
day of May 1807.

Charles Prescott.

Holland Watson

14 May 1807.—
application from M^{rs}.
Prescott & Holland Watson
Esq:— on behalf of Jas.
Watton, Convicted at
Lancashire Assizes.

Rejected.

Bank
of England
Watton

F25/10/25

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November

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Gentlemen

Excuse me for taking the liberty of writing to
gentlemen I should have wrote to you before to
return you many thanks for all the favour &
have received from you and likewise for the 3rd
session from Mr Shooter Best Gentlemen I have
been very ill ever since I have been on board
which has been the reason of my not writing
to you before and Gentlemen it and in great distress
I should have been had it not been for your
Goodness

Do no more from

unfortunate Mary Burr

Miss Winter's

St. Swithin's Lane
Lombard St.
London.

For Henry's

Bank

1826

20 Nov

F25/10/26

Gentlemen

Pardon the Liberty of my Writing
to you gentlemen I return you my
Humble thanks for the favours I have
Received from you had it not have been
for your Bountyfull favours I must
have starved in this Unhappy Place
Gentlemen as I am going on Board of ship
and have a Shilling to help to help my
Self with and am greatly necessitated for
a few things too take with me Gentlemen
Permit me to ask you this one favour
to assist me with a trifle to get me a
few things what I greatly stand in
need of as I have not a friend in
the world but you Gentlemen with
thankfulness of heart I remain Gentlemen
your obedient humble servant

Harry Burn

County Jail Surrey
Nov 7

over



Nov. 1806
Bank

Messrs. James & Co
Winter Chape

Solicitors to the Bank

Swethen Lane

Lumber Street

1806/11/22

Sir

As I am now in prison under sentence of the Law for having
in my possession Bank of England forged notes, and for fear
others may fall into the same snare by the arts and Designs
of such evil disposed persons, the Authors of my present
misfortunes which by their unjust practices I now labour
under and that such artful and unjust persons should not
lead others to become a prey to their Machinations and
too unfortunately have been ensnared and in order
by Contrition to put a stop to their progress am willing
to give up the names and places of about who are the
Head of such diabolical practices in order to stop
further sacrifices that may be brought in like as, or by
the violation of our just laws as to being disgraced as this
I have done ^{on} ~~my~~ being sentenced to four years imprisonment
to prevent the execution of which as I have a wife
and five small children who entirely depends on your
disposed bounty for support, provided I may be given
my full liberty to my family, I will impeach the
said persons as by that means it will not only relieve
my disposed family but stop the progress of further
deprivation and will be of great benefit to the Kingdom
at large as well as to all Banking concerns, and humbly
hoping in further to prove his Majesty most Dutiful and
loyal Subject
William Peters alias Walker
Gloucester City Prison March 24th
1822

Mr. George ~~Smith~~
John Dumas Yard
Near the Bank
London.

24 Mar 1899
Bank
Don't miss letter and 100/6
Quarterly City News

F25/10/28

Sir,

As Solicitor to the Bank of England I received a Letter a few days ago from Edw^d. Curran a Convict on board the Portland, in which he proposes to give Information of Persons engaged in the Fabrication & Circulation of forged Bank Notes. Although I have no expectation that in his Situation he can give any Information that can benefit either the Bank or the Public, yet I consider it proper under the Circumstances to receive what ever information he may be disposed to communicate, which shall be laid before the Gov^t. Directors of the Bank; but you will be pleased to inform him that I cannot receive his Information subject to any terms or Conditions, nor under any promise or engagement of any kind -

I hope you will excuse the trouble I am giving you, as Curran in his Letter desires me to address myself to you -

I have the honour &c

Capt. Blackman R.N.

M. M. S. Portland

J. H. -

Langston Harbour, Tickenhouse Yard, London
Portsmouth 20 March 1810

20 March 1810

Bank
resp^d J. Edw Curran
to Capt^m Blackman

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H. M. Ship Portland Langston Harbor
March 12th 1810

Gentlemen

Oppressed under the heavy misfortune
I now labour under, and from a perfect Conviction of
the propriety of my taking the only step that now
Remains, of making some Discovery of a Nature which
will convince you of the Services I can render to the
Honble the Bank Directors, of bringing to light no
less than seven of the most finished Manufacturers
of Bank of England Notes now Residing at Birmingham
the principle of which is a Mr Thos. Bowles, with his
party, I am induced thus to make a Complaint discovery
in justice to my own feeling, and in perfect Conviction
that I am rendering to my Country a signal Service
I beg leave to say that altho I am unfortunately a
Convict on Board the Portland, and was convicted
of quite a Different Offence, that if you are pleased
to notice this, by your addressing a line to Capt Blackmer
Commanding H. M. Ship Portland a above, that I am
perfectly ready and willing to come forward and establish
these facts intirely to your Satisfaction

And am

Gentlemen

your O^bd^t M^{ost} H^{umble} Serv^t

Edw. Curran

No 10



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Messrs Wintoo & Key
Solicitors to the Bank of
England. London

F25/10/30



12th March 1810
Bank
for the Bank of England

Joseph Nadin
King's Road

Manchester

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Longston Harbour October the first 1808

Sir Joseph Addison I take the liberty of writing
a few lines to you to inform you that If you will
be so kind as to Make friends with Thomas
Gardman to get off my pardon and restore me
home again to my family I will in ^{your} return of A
Man in Birmingham that Is a maker of forged
Bank Notes and sells them up and down
The countrey as here is a man here that as traded
with him for several yeares and he as sent
Huth and this man as gave me is name and the
Tomber of is Doore and what busines he follows
and what publick house he goes to and ^{quar}ter
perickler about him and if you will get
off my liberty I will give you information
of him and go with you to the house if you
will fetch me a way or meet me in Birmingham
or London or any other place you will please

And like Miss I will inform Thomas Boardman
of all my affairs when I return home but if
you will be my friend at this I will make
you a mender for it so be more at present
from your humble servant James Hickson
late servant to Thomas Boardman on Board is
Maggie Ship the portland langston harbor
near Portsmouth

Gentlemen

The generous disposition you have ever evinced towards the unfortunate in my situation induces me to hope you will have the Goodness to lay my case before the Hon^{ble} Directors of the Bank not doubting that they in their benificence will make some distinction between the hackneyed and the unhackneyed Offender

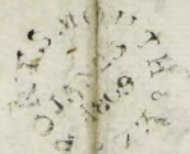
I am one of the three unfortunate persons convicted in Feb^y Sessions 1807 of having uttered a two pound note purporting to be a bank of England one upon the Evidence of a Man named Tho^s Kaye who at the time of giving such evidence before the Magistrate did me the Justice to own he had given

Me but two of them which was almost
a month before I was apprehended —
I do declare most solemnly Gentlemen
I never in my life to my knowledge
saw a forged Note untill the Aforesaid
Thos Ruge persuaded me to take those two
aforementioned and after the unfortunate
transaction of having passed the one for
which I now suffer I felt all the horrors
of a Man troubled in mind, followed
my business which is that of a Taylor
working at Mr Skinner, in Thayer Street
Manchester Square untill the Saturday
night when Thos Ruge with the Officers
from Bow St took me in custody.
I am a Man going on fifty Years of
age of a weakly constitution and have
had an Incurable fistula these ten
Years —

Gentlemenⁿ

I most humbly implore your
Kind Mediation with the Hon^{ble} the
Directors of the Bank to procure some
Mitigation of my sentence that I may
not have so long and tedious, a Voyage
to Make which I am almost sure my
poor weak frame would never be able
to Accomplish

Captivity
23 Jan Portsmouth Feb Jonathan Forbes
1809



Messrs Winter and Cory
Solicitors to the Bank
Swithing Lane
London

From John Hanford
Clerk of the Bank

23 Aug 1809

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Captivity Portsmouth Octob^r 2. 1700

Mr Sir

Pardon me for trespassing on your time but I conceive my Present Situation Calls aloud for Relief & also that of my Poor forsaken family, I have six helpless babes the eldest not more then 12 Years & the Youngest not 2 Years which my Unfortunate Wife as with her, Sundry this must Excite Pity when you Consider the Distresses of a family in this awfull Situation they having no friend on Earth to render them the Smallest Relief & I there further & friend Dorn^d to suffer for what I am not the least guilty of — Summers & Fuller Certainly Swore falsely Against me — I Can Appeal to Many Persons of Respectability for an Evidence, Even Mr Spurrier who as Bore the Occasion of this Prosecution Against me well Knows I am Innocent of the Charge — I had not the Smallest Concern Ever in Bills or Bad Money in the whole Course of my Life or any Connection with those Men that suffered — Muedith & Francis) Many Respectable Gentlemen Sign^d a Letter sent to the Judge on my Account Saying and Declaring my Innocence in Matters of this kind — Nor was there Ever any thing of the kind Brought Against me I Can Positively Declare Before God, Sir if you recollect — Summers swore I had Francis Horse to fetch the Bills & when I Came to the Dog Publick House on Horse Back Francis Horse was in the Stable of Course must be a great falsity — Muedith solemnly Declared in his Dying Moments that he fetch^d the Bills himself & that I had no Part in the Matter with them or knew any

thing of their Transaction no way, I am Certain Sir Mr. Munnier Can
fully Explain the whole Business to you if he likes & trust he
will make you sensible this is the truth of the whole Matter
Sir / as this is my Unfortunate Case I hope you^l Investigate the
Business Thoroughly & I am Certain you will regret I am now
Suffering without the Least Offence - I hope you will take
my Case Into your humane Consideration & also that of my
Distress'd Children Left Fatherless & Motherless who are now
Lamenting & Suffering on ~~my~~ Account of my Misfortune I
Could be glad if I might have the Opportunity of Enjoying them
Again - But if you Cannot be truly Convinced of the Truth of
what I have Before Observed - I Should be Exceeding thankful
you will be so kind as to get me Inseted Among the Number
of those Call'd Upon to Leave this Kingdom for Gt Wales the
Next Vessel that goes - as my Present Situation is so Afflicting
to be in this Country & have a Distress'd family Lamenting
in Vain the Loss of an affectionate Father & Mother -

I should be thankful Sir if you will Condescend to Inform
me if there is any probability of Being Released - as I am Now
Conscious it all rests with you & I should be glad to know if
you will do me the favour Above Mentioned - to See that
I am Among the Number for New South Wales as we are
Inform'd a ship is Preparing & for that Destiny I hope
in God it may be so if I Cannot have what I so earnestly
Entreat for which is Liberty to Alleviate a Disconsolate family
Captivity Portsmouth
Hobour -

Subscribe Myself Sir
Your Unfortunate Son
Tho: Gully



Mr Ray
 Solicitor to the
 Bank of England
 London



Wm. G. G. G.

20 Oct. 1844

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Thos Gully -

I have received your letter of the 20th inst
and will apply to the Secretary of State to have you included in
the next Draft of Male Convicts that are sent out to New
South Wales - This is all I can do towards complying with
Your wishes -

I am &c

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May 4th 1808

Thos Gully on board the
Captivity
Patent

400 to 1818

& 100 to 1818

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I Rec^d your Letter dated 4th of Octob^r - & joy to find that no Intercuption Could be Made for me, have Another favour to Request of you which I trust you will Comply with as I have Now Been Confin^d two Years & four Months I am by this Means Depriv^d of Every Shilling of Money I was Poss^d of as the trial Proving so Expensive having Cost us 60 Pounds - I find that Phillips is Liberat^d from Warwick Goal & he Can Inform you of my Innocence in the Business for which I am Convict^d for, as he is well Acquainted of Every Circumstance & as to signing the Notes I assure you I Never did such a thing in my whole Life - & as to my Wifes Connection I am Unable to speak to it. However I conceive it a Preconcerted Plan to Draw her into the Trouble - I Humbly Hope in you will ~~appear~~ have the goodness to Appear as a friend in this Distressing Time of Need & Remitt me a little Money to Provide me a few Articles for a long & Dreadfull Voyage, which I hope & trust will not be long first as you Promised me in your Last I should be sent in the first ship that sails with Male Convicts

And should also be thankfull if you could make Interest at the same time as far, to take one or two of the Unfortunate W^{ch}ans I have Left Behind may be Permitted to go with me, as they are Poor Things Left Destitute of any friend in this Country but the Parish. I should be Ever thankfull if you will Condescend to Apply for me - as I am Perswaded it may be granted Over

Through your Interest I shall with Thankfulness and
Gratitude Ever Esteem it a favour

Remain Sir Yours

Unfortunate sent

Thos Gully

Captivity Portsmouth Harbour

March 29. 1809

ms/

for your Answer will be
Thankfully received

Joseph Hay Esq^r
Stokenhouse Ward
London



Bank
From Thomas Gully
Portsmouth Harbour

The Governors & Directors of the Bank decline complying
with your application for Money. with respect to taking any
of your Children with you upon that subject I must refer
you to Mr. Graham one of the Magistrates attending the
Public Office at Bow Street -

I am yrs^{ve}

JH

London 1 April 1809

Thos. Gully
Vaconiet on Board
The Captivity
Portsmouth

1st April 1809

Bank

To T. Gulley - a Convict

Portsmouth

£25/10/36

Sir The Philanthropic Character you bear induces
Me to hope you will not be Offended at the Liberty
I take in requesting you to Lay the Situation of
Myself & fellow-Sufferers before The Hon^{ble} Company
of the Bank of England.

Being truly sensible of the Goodness & Humanity of the
Hon^{ble} Company of the Bank of England. Nor whose Names
our Friends Assign^d have taken upon us to address You.

Hoping you will take our Cases into your Humane
Consideration & grant us a small Comittance to Procure us
Some Necessaries which we shall stand in need of on our

Long & tedious Passage to New South Wales. The Length
of time we have been confin^d has Occasion^d us to be without

Money so much so that without the Assistance of the Hon^{ble}
Company I am fearful we shall feel much Distress.

We therefore humbly implore your Benevolence in such
Distressing circumstances. Being Led to believe The Hon^{ble}
Company has been good to many Prisoners of the same

Description we trust therefore we may have a share of
Their Benevolence. as it will greatly alleviate our

Troubles & we shall ever Consider it our Duty to pray
For your Everlasting Prosperity. & Subscribe
Ourselves their Obedt^l & Humble Serv^{ts}

PS. we are all desirous of being removed to our District -
by the First Convoys - Therefore should be thankful you
will have the goodness to notify the same to The Honourable
Company -

Simon Paultide. Convicted at Maidstone. On the 23^d of March 1807 -

Thomas Gully. Convicted at Warwick - July 1807 -

Jonathan Forbes Convicted for Sessions - 1807 R. Bayley

Rich^d Lewis convicted at Warwick April 2^d 1808 -

Benjⁿ Maddocks Convicted March 25th 1807 Stafford

Sam^l Hulbert convicted, at Monmouth March 8th 1807 -

John Badgley convicted at Stafford April 1st 1808 -

Rich^d Westcott convicted at Exeter 27th of August. 1807 -

John Davis convicted at Dorchester. 22^d July - 1807 -

John DASHWOOD Convicted at Lancaster March the 16th 1808

John Johnson convicted at Stafford 1st of April. 1808 -

John Townsend. convicted at Stafford July 24th - 1808 -

Captivity Hulk Portsmouth Harbour
15th February 1809

John Whitmore Esq^r
Bank of England
London

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Sir

October 4th
1758

Pardon me for addressing you
but I am desirous of embracing an
opportunity should the goodness of
the Hon^{ble} Company of the Bank of
England be so gracious as to Permit
which is. That I may have the favour
of going on board One of his Majesty's
Ships of war. as Warden or Paying Clerk
which employ. I have followed my whole
Life - & I should now willingly extend
my Services. if agreeable to them -
I have a wife & daughter. which are
disconsolate. & unprovided for at this
time should be thankful to have
the prospect of supporting them
The Remainder of Life -

Z Over.

I have Intreated that my case &
Situation may be laid before our
belov'd Sovereign. Hoping that I
may be Favoured with a Share of
His Royal Clemency & Mercy.
& I trust my future Conduct will
be such as will gain esteem among
all Papericours. of all Descriptions -
I hereby Solicit your Kindness &
Benevolence in this Respect & I
shall ever have Reason to subscribe
myself yr. Obedt^d & Gratef^d

Wm^t R. Westcott
On board H^M Ship Captivity
Portsmouth Harbour
Hampshire

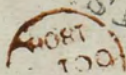
4th Octr 1803

From

Mr. A. Westcott

Messrs Winter
& Kearby Solicitors to the
Bank of England
Christians Lane London

92/10/38



Sir

Pardon us that we have intruded on
y^r time by addressing you - but our
situation induced us to do it Hoping you
will have the goodness to take care that

Our Names are among the Number of
those Destined to New South Wales as we are
led to believe a Ship will be ordered
for Male Convicts for that Colony in a
short time & we having a great Desire
to be sent to our Destiny rather than to
remain here - by Addressing us in this
manner which we trust you will do -
we shall ever consider you our friend. &
Thankfully receive a few lines in ans^r
to the above. we are Sir y^r Most Obed^t
& Humble Serv^t Simon Boutelle

{ One

was left the indisposition at this place from the
admiral Gamelin's ~~last~~ ^{last} June -

Richd Wistont.

Benjⁿ Madocks }

Richd Jones - }

Sam^l Hulbert }

W^m Radford - }

John Johnson - }

all for Bank of
England notes -

S. Boutwell left as above 5th Nov^r 1808

John Rustwood -

5th Nov. 1868.

Bank

Messrs Winter & Neat¹¹
Solicitors to the Bank
of England & City
Lane London
5th Nov. 1868.

F25/10/39

Bath Nov: 3rd 1800

Gentlemen

I have taken the liberty to write to you
requesting. you will have the goodness to pay into
The hands of Mr. Atkins of Bow Street the sum of
Twenty Six guineas. for Board washing & Lodging of
Mary Redford. Late of Birmingham. who I had in
my care to give evidence. against Joseph Inver &
George Inver. for uttering forged Bank of England Notes
knowing them to be so - the above bills have been delivered
to Mr. Redpath Sol^r. of Bath. twelve month past and
I have made repeated applications for my Money
but I am sorry to say without effect - therefore
I have made bold to apply here. from

Gentlemen
Bath Your most O^bd^t. humble Serv^t
George Griffin

Messrs. Wint & Key
Sol^{rs} to the Honourable Governor & Company
of the Bank of England London

3 Nov 1801
Paid
from the Bank

F25/10/40

Sir) I received your letter this Day and to inform you
that if Please god I should get my liberty Mr Tatnall
and mee will com up to London the same Day and then
mee can fix up on the business wish I am quite sure I
can have the under merchant people apprehended with the
Notes upon them that is Wm Hooper from Bath as hee takes
a large Quantity of them besides base Silver and Jacob Dwy
hee lives in Yorkshire but I cannot tell the place as I told
you when I see you but hee always come to Birmingham for
them and Robert King lives at the same place, and Charles
Mc Quinn hee lives in Scotland a very large Dealer in Silver
as well as notes but hee General goes in to Yorkshire with his
Goods and there is Wm Bradbery hee lives in Birmingham
hee goes to all the fairs round this part of the Country with
his goods and a many more Deale which Dealers in them as
well as silver and concerning of the Henshaw and Hall I
think they would be very shi up on mee but I could find
a man or two as never was in any prison which would
do the business with them but I now that they would not with
out being paid well for it which I would soon settle that
business with them and bring the men up to London to you and
I should have B Patrick making a plate and I would go to
Ireland with you to W Patrick as I am quite sure that
we would do anything for mee but possible I could have B
Patrick at work with some body else as hee makes a manny
and sell them to the people that I have merchant above and
to perform what I have heare vote if that I did not cause
them to be taken up with the notes on them as well as
Base Silver, I would be bound in any sum of money
and I will sign a bond for five thousand Pounds

to you or any body Else if you will send a bond Down
to mee I will sign to that amount to Do all and every
thing wick lies in my Power to ~~let~~ have them all
apprehended for notes as well as silver and Haffey Jacobs
in middle sea street white chappell London wick I can
have him any time I am Quite sure in 6 month I could
have nearley 20 people and they would not now here
Did the business for them if things was to be Don Quite
Sneeg and the way that I should Plan the business and
I would make affey David new to Do anything more
wick is unlaful but if Plase god I should Inform
you more Particulars and Go with you to Mr. Hay and
then we could sell the business but must not be Don in
Quite such a hurry must be time for it Sir I hope
you will give your self the trouble to speek to Mr. Hay
for mee and at same time I return you many thanks
for the trouble you have taken for mee and I make no Doubt
but I shall be in able to show som of my Goodness
to wards the Bank and the mint to all Thair Satisfaction
for what I have Don time Past wick I am sure that
I can in 12 month Put a stop to the business

Sir your answer to this as soon as convenient will for
Ever oblige your most obedient ^{and} Humble Servant
Wm Phillips

Warwick Goal

To Mr Antony June 5th 1000



Wm. Jones

J

Mr Anthony Publick
Office Bow Street
London

WARRICK
107

Publick

Bank

18 June 1788

F25/10/41

Warrick Gaol July 15th 1800

Sir

Excuse the freedom I take by writing but have no other Friend to apply to in my unfortunate Situation to restore a penitent Father to five poor Motherless Children, believe me Sir if I should have the pleasure of being restored to my Liberty, I will as in duty bound to every essential service for you and the good of my Country as lies in my Power. will be wholly Guided by your command to lay open every concern I know in the manufacturing of Bad Bills and Bad Money and do all in my Power to have the parties apprehended and brought to Justice by taking my Case into your consideration you confer the greatest of favours and Gratitude in the highest sense of the word will be ever acknowledged by Sir

your Most Obedient
and Humble Servant

William Phillips

To Mr Hay

WARWICK

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*Messrs Winter and Key
St Swithin Lane
London*



*15th 5 1800
Bank
Messrs Winter and Key*

1800/10/15

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Pardon me taking the liberty of writing to you
as I have no other Gentleman to do anything for
me but you in my unfortunate situation being
left with five children and no friend to do
anything for them, for since my long confinement I
have lost my Wife and my Father and my Mother
and if Please God that I should never more be restored
to my Poor Children you may depend this will be
a warning to me never to do anything Seasonable
any more but I will do all that Lies in my
Power to leave you and the Duke and the Mint
and I would sign a bond for five thousand Pounds
to have Bingham Patrick taken either with forged
Notes on him or making a Plate for them in three
months after my Liberty and I would sign a bond
of five thousand Pounds if I did not Cause the under
mentioned Persons to be taken with Forged Notes on
them as well as Base silver on them that is
Wm Foster from Bath Charles Mc Leann from
Scotland and James Dry from Pontefract in Yorkshire
and Robert King from Yorkshire as I could have them
in Six months after my Liberty as these are the
Head Pople that Deales With Patrick and Hinsham
But there is a nother Conspirer in Birmingham
wich is of more Consequence then any of the
others that is John Low and Miling as Thaws is
of a better sort then Patricks or Hinshams

as I am quite sure that Low as his Paper from
Ireland and I should not wonder if Washington Patrick
Does not Get the Paper for Low as John Low is Kinsman
to the Patricks and Thos Filday fills them up for
Low as well as Prints them for them, as hee Lives out
of Birmingham and Keeps a small Farm near Dudley
but I could have servall more taken but is not of so much
much Consequence as them on the other side as in twelve
months I am quite sure I could cause a Dozen Peple to
be taken with Notes and silver upon them and I would go
with any Person you would wish to Ireland as I could
have W Patrick soon as hee would Do any thing for mee
and if I should be as fortunate to have my Liberty I
would com up to London immediely to you and would Put
my self intirely under you to serve you and my Country
Sir I hope you will have the Goodness to Do something for
mee in my unfortunate situation and I shall be in
Duty Bound to serve you from your

Most obedient and Humble

Servant William Phillips

Warwick Goal

July 25th 1700.

To Mr Hay



WARWICK 107
Messrs Winter and Key
St Swithun Lane
London

P25/10/42

23 July 1858
Bank
from Mrs Phillips
Warwick Road

Sir

Pardon mee taking the Liberty of riting to you as I have
no other Gentleman but you to do anything for mee in my
unfortunate Situation for to restore a Penitent Father
to five Motherless Children and if Please God I should some
more ^{be} restored to my Liberty I will do all that is Possibly
to be don to bring to Justice all that is Concerned in Notes
or in Base Silver and so the two Peple Howell and (wif)
wich ded the Peple for Notes at the Last Assizes at that
Jue taken up at work Last weeke but hee is Discharged
at the Present Assizes all thow found in the very Act of
making Base Silver his Name is Abram Abrams, Sir
I hope you will have the Goodness to do something for mee
in my Present unfortunate Situation and I shall be for
Ever in Duty Bound to serve you and the Most

Ever remain your most obedient
and Humble Servant

William Phillips

Warwick Goal

August 19th 1700

M. Hay



WARWICK
107

[Handwritten flourish]

Messrs Winter and Hey
St Swithins Lane
London

10 August 1800
Dear Sir
Messrs Winter and Hey

Pa5/10/44

Dear Sir

I have the satisfaction of saying
you that my Receipts came down last night & as
I am persuaded I am not a little indebted to the ~~Mansfield~~
Heart Yourself Will you do me the Honor to
believe me truly Grateful The particulars of a large
Forgery upon the Bank which was discovered some time ago
but ^{the parties} not detected have within these few days in an most
extraordinary way come to my knowledge - The parties
are still going on with their desperate pursuit - What shall
I do? To discover the matter my Conscience tells me
is right & is my duty; but in my situation I think
there are many reasons why I should not - I appeal to
you whose decision is with me always final but in here
from ^{or rather see you} your eyes only as you can I am Dear Sir

Yours M^r & M^s
H. Pitt

19 May 1808

NB Being I am persuaded your eyes keep out ought to be

F25/10/45

19 May 1809
Bank

Bullock private
Edw J Vanducom Esq
Chick Lane

myself in readiness to be obliged to him in any way possible

assistance in relieving me from my present wretched condition

Mr

This morning I have received intimation to hold myself in readiness to be shipped off immediately for Botany Bay. The hour of my departure I do not know. The information was most unexpected & than sudden after what His Majesty had been pleased to do in my behalf. You cannot wonder I am sure that under these circumstances I shall be unable to compose my mind sufficiently to put on paper the particulars you requested me to do tomorrow. I trust however you will be able sufficiently to recollect what I told you to make it conduce to the end in view if it does it will be some consolation to me under my hard fate. I am Respectfully,

22 May 1898

Yours most truly
M. B. B.

22^d May 1805

Bank

For the Bank

17/10/17

Key Esq

St Martins Lane

Lombard Street

me to be p^{re}s^{ent} on your

M^r Ridpath

Portsmouth July 15th 1811

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

As you are not unacquainted with the nature of my unhappy circumstance I need not state the particulars of the case but humbly beg you will be pleased to take my case into your humane consideration at the same time requesting your kind assistance in extricating me from my present wretched condition.

I have already given you every information in my power and that the most disinterested, and sure I am you must perfectly see how innocently and inadvertently I have been drawn into my present unhappy and miserable situation, not knowing the danger and risk I run emboldens me to hope for success and 'tis to you Sir that I can only look up too with assurance in hopes of being attended by the desired effect.

I am informed application must be made to the Right Hon. Richard Ryder His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department to whom all Petitions are address'd and sure I am if you Sir would humanely take my unhappy case in to your benevolent consideration I am firmly persuaded a mitigation if not a total release from my present degraded state would be the result, as my former Character as ever been unimpeachable and since the

unhappy affair for which I am confined, I may look forward
with certain hopes of being restored to my family and friends and
to Society and enable me to remember you with gratitude to the
latest moment of my life

Resting entirely on your candour and in hopes of your
benevolent interference towards the accomplishment of a termination
of my sufferings in this miserable wretched and unfortunate situation
and in hopes of being favor'd with an answer when convenient

remain Sir with profound respect

Yours &c.

Thos. Biggs

Captivity

Portsmouth Harbour

me to be pass on your condemnation of

Gentl.

On the other side I send you a copy of
a Letter received in my absence from Jno Briggs, &
am

Gentl.

Yours very Resp^l

E. P. Richards

Birth 24 July 1791.

Jno Briggs



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Mrs. Laye & Trishguld
New Bank Buildings
London

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Mr. W. Quaker with City
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Portsmouth Oct 1 1811

Genl

The many generous Acts of your benevolence towards the unfortunate induce me to trespass on your condescension of inter-ference in my behalf which I hope you will Pardon - I am fully persuaded that you possess those feelings and pleasure in becoming an intercessor for those who have generally conducted themselves in a moral and sentimental manner —

That I was innocently and unguardedly drawn into the error for which my sentence was denounced against me I do most solemnly declare The Note that convicted me I took in the regular course of Trade not knowing it to be a base one and I did all in my power to have the person who paid it to me brought to justice the truth of which assertion Mr Wapath of Bath can testify to whom I have address'd a Letter in Answer

to which he recommended me to apply
to your Gentsm who act as Sol^{rs} for the Bank
of England

My only motive for Trou-
bling on your goodness is to request
your kind consideration in signing a
petition in my favor to be presented to
the Secretary of State in hopes of procuring
me a pardon or such other mitigation
of my sentence as may be deemed proper
which is a very severe one to one who
as conducted himself as a fair Member
of Society for 30 Years in the Parish of
Bishop regularly attending the Bath &
Bristol Markets as a Pork Butcher
and supported an infirm wife and 7
Children most of them reduced to the
utmost poverty and want by my misfor-
tune and who join in solicitations to you
Gentlemen hoping you will be pleased

to render their unfortunate Father your
assistance & interperance to eneeavour to
procure his restoration I should think myself
an happy Man and confident ne ^{moment} induc-
whatever would prevail on me to deviate
from the strict path of Virtue but conduct
myself as a good and usefull Member of
Society. — your kind complian-
with my request and an early Answer
would be esteem'd a lasting favor
confid'd on your ~~unfortunate~~
and obed^t s^t

Captivity

Portsmouth

Harbour

W^o Biggs

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M^{rs}. Kaye & Freshfield
S^{rs}.

New Bank Buildings

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John Kaye

16th 1811

1 Oct. 1811

PORTSMOUTH

London 2 Oct 1811

Sir

We have laid your Letter of Yesterday before the Gov^r
& Directors of the Bank, who decline complying with your
application

We are &c K & F

John Biggs
on Board the Captivity
Potsmouth

2 Oct: 1811

Bank
To Mr Bro Biggs

f25|10|50

On Board of the Portland Langston Harbour
Hon^{ble} Lords — June 18th 1811 —

having by my late misconduct so
far incurred the Displeasure of your Honors as to
amount to a Dreadfull Sentence of Death and Still
remain for Life which is a Dreadfull Sentence more
than I expected as I have acknowledge^{my} Faults and was
inorcent Drawd into the Secret by a person in the
Neighbourhood of Birmingham before I was acquainted
with him my Charactor was undeneable as I never
was guilty of nothing of the kind before
The Honorable Baron Knight Wood informd me
that Throught your Honors recomdation my life was
saved Therefore I am willing to give you every
information that there is in power if your Honors
will think proper to order your Solicitor to come forward
to me I shall give him such information that will
give your honors a great Satisfaction and Sooner is
the Beter it may easy put an end to it with very
little attention he has agreed with a paper maker
to make him for this present year 9600 Blankes for
the Bank of England with the water mark in he
has by him upwards of Thirty Plates beside Dice for

Different Coins the Engraver works for many beside
him in Birmingham he told me that he gain
Three Thousand pounds by the Bank of England
last year and will gain more this year as he found
out where to get the paper with the water mark
in therefore I have considered it to be my Duty
to give every information and likewise the government
of the mint Therefor I humbly beg leave to
represent that I am with sorrow most sencibly
affected for my past Fault on mater reflection
that I have been the unhappy Instrument of
bringin my self into such unhappy circumstances
and most humbly implore your Honors pardon
and forgiveness and that it may be your good
pleasure and candor to mingle mercy with justice
to moderate my Sentence Solemnly Promising that
no future time shall find me wanting in assisting
your Honors in every respect and shall be in Duty
bound will ever pray

I am your Honors most
Dutifull and faithfull Servant
Hugh Pierce

To The Governor & Company
of the Bank of England
London



Bank of England
King's Bench

F25/10/51

To the Governor and Co-
of the Bank of England

Gentlemen I humbly beg pardon for using
this Liberty I have now taken of Writing to you
But my Distressed situation obliges Me to
state my unfortunate Circumstances to you
Gentlemen. Hoping that you Will not Condemn
What I am going to state as you are Merciful
and Wish not the punishment of the Innocent
Was my punishment Inflicted on me Justly as
had I been Guilty of What I am Convicted for I would
not Repine. but Certainly my Innocence Will Call
for Vengeance on the injured Prosecutor. if his Wicked
Caracter Was Enquired Into such as the Neighbourhood
Could testify at Large the Laws of England Would not
suffer any to be Convicted on his Evidence
This Note for Which I was Convicted Was a £5-- I had the
same in payment of a sum of Money that I lent I not
Being any Judge of Notes and the said Note being New I took
no further Notice but laid it up in my Bureau and the End
of one Month I had occasion to lay it out and took it from
hence But I observing that it grew pale in the plates
and the Paper seemed Very Much Discoloured I harboured
a suspicion in My own Breast that it was forged I then
Carried it to one Whome I took to be a Judge of Notes

And also a Man of amiable Character he told me to see
the person I had it off and have it changed I sent for the
Person immediately. I had it off and asked him if he knew
he said he did I then demanded the Exchange of it but he
not having as much as amounted to the sum contained in
the note - he gave me what he had and bid me keep the
note till he could get the remainder for me
this transaction was known to Whitehead My prosecutor (for so
I he called) and he being an acquaintance I told him freely how
it was - he asked me then to let him see this note which I did
No scruples in doing upon seeing it he instantly offered me
£2 pounds for it I told him that it was not my property observing
at the same time that there was only 25 shillings coming
to me and when I was paid I would return it to the man I had
it off. But when he found I would not sell it he attempted to
steal it or pick my pocket of it I told him I supposed he wanted
to get some money by it - if you had got it out of my pocket I
replied I suppose you meant to swear I sold it you -
at this Expression he got Enraged and ran out called the
Constables and actually swore I offered the same note for sale
Now Gentlemen I beg your attention to what I have stated but I
will yet make one observation - that money wanted me to plead
guilty to which I replied I never would Wrong My own Conscience
to plead guilty to what I was not guilty of - Should I suffer the
Most Inimous Death that could be inflicted on Mankind
I beg to be Excused in taking up so much of your time but I
trust in God as you are Gentlemen touched with humanity
and Lives in a Nation who fears that God who is the Justifier

of all who suffer Wrong. I trust you will Look Into this
Matter of Extremity My family is Driven to sore Distraction
and I am My self an old man and since my Confinement
My health is much Impaired- and for me to fore naven my
old age to a Warm Climate and by all accounts to a land of
Barbarity to be torn from My Native Country and friends and
Leaving a Distressed family behind- is Worse to me than Death
Gentlemen I have stated my Miserable Condition to you
And if you deny me your Benevolence this all in Vain
for me to make any further progress- but if your Generous
feelings will sympathize With my unfortunate Drumpald
I will Encourage my self by Expecting some enlargement
as I trust some of the Governors of the Bank of England
will any to suffer in the Wrong -

if my state is taken into Consideration by your Gentlemen
as I hope you will take pleasure in doing Justice
you will have the Goodness to send a few Lines to
Capt. Blackman Commanding the Portland Lapsitor harbor
and then I shall proceed but if My humble suit meets
your frown I must for ever Desist -

I beg pardon for taking up so much of your time
on this subject

and Beg Leave to subscribe my selves
Your Most obedt and

Humble Servt
Jas the unfortunate Dick France

on Board the
Portland
June 30th. 1011 -

For the Governor and Comps
of the Bank of England
London

N^o 13. I have had the contents
of 4 years paid on me by
Judge Chamberlaine on the 10th
September 1811 20000

Bank
from P^r Marie on
to the Bank
30 June 1811

225/10/52

Leeland-Hulth. Sheerness.

Nov: 22nd 1810.

Honored Sir /

Under the Implication of a very lingering Punishment, I humbly hope I shall be excused for the Liberty of sending this Address; that is designed to ask you (in Answer) whether there might be a Probability of obtaining any Mitigation of my Sentence, which is for Fourteen years under the following Circumstances. that perhaps a Recital of, may strike your Memory, you being, Sir, I believe, present on my Trial. I was convicted at Norwich-Assizes, in August 1808, before the Honble Judge Heath, of tendering in Payment a false or forged Note for One Pound, purporting to be a Note of the Bank of England: "knowing the same to be so false or forged, and received" Judgement as above. I beg to remark, which I humbly persuade myself will be somewhat taken in Exoneration of my Error, that it was apparent in several Parts of my Trial, that I was made (by the really guilty Party now with me) a deluded Person; and thro' great

(Chicanery)

Chicanery had become a devoted Victim to offended Justice;
and, Sir, permit me to say further. it would seem as tho' this
was quite manifest; when, after receiving the Money for
the aforesaid Note, I returned it immediately on Request:
and altho' the said Note was kept and detained from me, as
being surmised a bad one, for more than a Month after that
I had endeavored so to exchange it, yet so little Apprehension
had I of Mischief arising to me. that I never offered to go
out of the Way, or leave my usual Abode, - for the best of
Reasons - that I thought no Wrong. These, Sir, are the
principals of the Circumstances I wish to signify in my
Behalf: except that I have served faithfully, my Country
and King in a military Capacity in the 58th Regiment of
Foot for a Length of Time: I was in the three chief
Engagements viz: the 8th, 13th and 21st of March, 1801, with
the French Army in Egypt; and present in that Battle
where the much lamented Abercrombie received his
lethal Wound: I fought hard in those Battles for
(England's)

England's Cause; suffered, without repining, very severe
Duty and Hardship; and in other Places Abroad also
shewed myself a worthy and loyal Subject; but which I
unfortunately cannot get Testimonials of; my Officers being
dispersed - some dead, and others not known where to be
heard of; and I am precluded any Possibility of enquiring
about them, because I have not a single Friend to help me
in any Respect. Thus situated, Honored Sir, allow me,
without exciting Umbrage, to throw myself
on your Humanity, by intreating your
Endeavors to disentangle me, in some Measure,
from my present grievous Sufferance, that bears extremely
hard upon me; and if, Sir, it should happen as tho' no
Portion of the Royal Clemency could be granted to me,
I would consider it with thankfull, grateful Feelings, that
your Benevolence (for such it would truly be) would
obtain me the Mercy of being sent from this suffering
Receptacle Abroad; by the first Conveyance of Prisoners
thither.

John Gilbert

Late of H. M. Cambridgeshire

Militia. -

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Mess^{rs} Hay & Co^{rs}
Solicitors to the Bank of England
London

22 Nov 1810
Bank
Mr John Hay

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Said to be a child

implores your assistance in such a way
as may seem most pleasing to you, and
should this application be fortunately crowned
with success I shall ever think myself in
Duty & Gratitude bound to pray, Them.
Gentlemen with due Respect,

Your most Obedient Very Humble Serv.

Michael Garing.

Zeland Hall
Thurmes, Aug. 13th 1710.

13 Aug. 1816
Wm. Garrow

To the Director of the Bank
of England
London.

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Wm. Garrow

13 Aug. 1816
Bank

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To the Honorable

The Governors and Directors of the
Bank of England

The Humble Petition of Richard Bricker
late of North Bradley in the County of
Wills Yeoman but now a Prisoner in the
Goal at Devizes in Wiltshire for a Misdemeanor
on the Prosecution of your Honors.

Humblly sheweth

That in the Month of March last a warrant was
Issued by John Synnall Ware Esq^r a Magistrate for the
County of Somerset and Indorsed by the Rev^d John
Methuen Rogers Clerk a Magistrate for the County of
Wills to apprehend James Windle of the said Parish of
North Bradley Butcher on a suspicion of having Issued
Forged Notes purporting to be Notes of your Honorable
Company which Warrant was directed to all Constables
and Tythingmen and also to Mr John Pritchard requiring
them to apprehend the said James Windle

That your Petitioner who was then a Tythingman
accompanied the said Mr Pritchard and his Friend a Captain
Lockyear to the Dwellinghouse of the said James Windle
and entered a Room in which the said James Windle was
then sitting when your Petitioner informed the said

James Widdle that he had a warrant against him and which Warrant the said James Widdle then desired to have read to him and at the Instant of making the said request the said James Widdle forced his way out of the Room and made his Escape.

That your Petitioner was Indicted at the Quarter Sessions for the County of Wilts in the month of July last for — unlawfully permitting the said James Widdle to escape from his custody and at the Trial your Petitioner was found guilty and sentenced to pay a Fine of Forty Pounds and to be imprisoned for Twelve Months in the Common Goal at Devizes.

That your Petitioner is aged Fifty Years and upwards has resided the whole of his Life Time in the Parish and Neighbourhood of North Bradley and followed the Business of a Farmer.

That your Petitioner has always been used to spend his Time in Labour in the open Air and not upon any occasion whatever was your Petitioner before accused of any Crime or Offence or punished either by Fine or Imprisonment for a Breach of the Laws of his County.

That your Petitioner is well known in the Neighbourhood wherein he lately resided was respected by all persons who lived near him as well by those of equal as also of superior Situations in Life to himself.

That the Health of your Petitioner from his Confinement in Prison is greatly impaired and he is firmly persuaded and has been informed by the Medical person who has attended him that if your Petitioner is continued confined in

Goal he cannot survice the Term of his Imprisonment.

That your petitioner is a most sincere penitent for the offence of which he has been convicted and promises by every means in his Power during the Period of his future Life by an uniform good conduct to atone for the same.

Your Petitioner most Humbly Prays your Honors to take this his Case into your Consideration and that your Honors will be pleased to permit your Solicitor in the Name of your Honors to aid and assist your Petitioner in an application to his Majesty for a Mitigation of the remaining part of your petitioner's Imprisonment.

And your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall every Day.

I Certify the Contents of this Petition as to the Health of Richard Bricker to be true

Richard Bricker

L. Sylvester Surgeon

We whose Names are hereunto subscribed do hereby
 Certify That we have severally read the Petition of
 Richard Drucker and do respectively believe the Contents
 thereof to be true and we recommend his Case to the
 Consideration of the Honorable the Governors and Directors
 of the Bank of England.

<p>John Ludlow Esq. Member for Wilt. Magistrate for Wilt.</p>	<p>High Sheriff & Magistrate for Wilt.</p>
<p>Mr. Chas. Daubray</p>	<p>Mr. Mathews Magistrate for Wilt.</p>
<p>John Long John Greenhill</p>	<p>Archd. of Sarum & Vicar of N. Bradley</p>
<p>Charles Moody Edward Francis</p>	<p>Overseers.</p>
<p>Mr. Tindall of Frodoe Wilt. James Chapman William Pinks Job Fisher Anthony Bissie James Moore Saml. Wercat Edward Moore John Hale</p>	<p>Joseph Cabell John Brown George Brown Peter Reeve James Hunt John Watts Edward Moody Job Pickard</p>

Inhabitants of North Bradley.

Inhabitants of North Bradley.

625/10/55

*Petition of Richard
Baicker -*

F25/10/56

Gent^l

London 7 Jan^y 1841 -

I understand that a Petition is about to be presented for the liberation of Bricker the Constable whose Conduct met with that severity of Sentence from the Justice which it certainly merited - I cannot however withhold my influence (small as it is) from the solicitations I have had in his favor - He is an old man & has a young family & I am credibly informed has suffered so much by his imprisonment that a continuance of ^{it} would probably terminate his existence before the expiration of the term of his Sentence - If the Board will consent to his discharge it would greatly me to be the bearer of the welcome news to him - I shall be at the Sessions on the 15th instant at Devizes & shall be glad to receive your Answer directed to me at the Post Office there - I am for self & partner

Wm^y Olden & J^r Richard

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Mr. Hayes Freshford
Solicitor to the Bank
London

fas/10/57



1 Jan 10 1857
Bank
Mr. Hayes Freshford

With all submission I beg

London 9th Jan'y

Sir

Res^d & Brethren

The Petition of this Prisoner has been
submitted to The Gov^{rs} & Directors of the Bank, who
have declined interfering.

We are &c H & T

Mr J Pinchard
Esq
Taunton

9th Janry 1811

Rep. a Bricker

To Mr. J. Pinchard

98/10/58

Mon^r J^r

With all submission I beg
leave to lay my afflicted Case before
your Hon^{rs} benevolence I am Mon^r for
the unfortunate Mon^r Michael Gearing
who was tryed at the Old Bailey ^{pp^m}
Jan^r 1810 and Convicted for 14 years
Transportation - your Hon^{rs} great
clemency and Compassion on my old
Age - viz 65 years allowed me 5
per Week ^{Pen^{al} Exp^{ense}} - which was of infinite
service to me - having no friends to
give me the least assistance now I
am unboard the Discovery Hospital
Gulf of Freshness - I humbly pray
your Hon^{rs} Charity for a small
portion of your Hon^{rs} well known feeling
for the distressed - I am with all able
submission your Hble serv^t

June 9th 1812

Michael Gearing

Discovery Hospital Freshness.

Messrs. Gearing & Co.

Hon^{ble} Directors of the
Bank of England
London

F25/10/59

Island Thicket
Shornby, 28th July 1841.

Sir

Your very humane Attention to
the Application I made to the Solicitors of the Bank
of England my most sincere & heart felt Thanks. More so, the
Application made to my Wife, "to wait on the Secretary of State
in consequence of accepting the Offer, made to ^{me} ~~me~~ for
a Soldier, They leave to state, that if I accept such a
Offer I must go for Life, which is a dreadful alter-
native; even compared with my present Situation, I have
no other Motives in applying for a mitigation of my
Sentence, than, a Parental feeling for my Children
and a weighty Object, to be for ever separated from
them; for in such Case, I am sensible they would be
victims to the ravages of a designing World, I think
if you would humanely condescend to use your
influence with your Employers; I might obtain

a mitigation of my Sentence, and by staying
in England. have an Opportunity, of rendering
them some assistance, being permitted to work
at my own business: during my leisure hours on board,
this indulgence, would be the height of my wishes
and I would undergo any Privations, however
severe, to keep my Wife & Children from a Parish
Permit me earnestly to hope you will look upon my
heart-felt requests with a Parents Eye & feelings,
and condescend to use your exertions in my behalf
if it should not be in your power, to obtain permission
for them to go with me to N. I. Wales: you might on
all probability obtain me a mitigation, which would
fill with joy the heart of my Family and myself

your Grateful
Suppliant
W. Stewart

To Mr Weston



To

Mr. Weston

Wm. M. Stewart

care

18 May 1832

1832/10/60

Zealand Street

Sheerness 28th July 1846

Gentlemen

By a letter from my Wife, I have
recd your answer, and decide to my last application
I am extremely sorry to observe, that it is an alternative
repleat with more Misery, than the one I am at present
in, one condition excepted, viz the privilege of entering
into any other Regiment: but a Condemnation to which
I am given to understand all persons of my description
are in general sent I am not so hardened, or brutish,
as to wish to join such a body of men

Gentlemen, after permitting me to plead
Guilty to the minor offence; I should not have presumed
to apply to you for any further mercy, but out of a
feeling Consideration for my Wife and Children, I
have taken the liberty to request, that you will have
the goodness to look at them; who will presume to
present this; I make not a moment's doubt, but you
are parents yourselves, if so, put your hands on your

Hearts and ask them ^{monitors} faithfully, if it would not be
the height of inhumanity, to deprive such Children
at so early an age, of their natural Protector, and
leave them exposed to a merciless World; — Gentlemen
you will thus see, that it is only out of Consideration
of them, that I refuse your generous humane Offer
held forth to me, had I been a single Man, I should with
Gratitude have accepted it, and gladly have spent the
remainder of my Life in the service of my Country.

Gentlemen, permit me once more
most earnestly to implore, you will have the goodness
to reconsider the Circumstances of my unhappy Case
and Condescend, to grant me a Privilege of Sometime
I might then have an Opportunity of being serviceably
to my Children, as I am by Trade a Shoe maker
was several years in the Employ of Mr. Macnortone
in Berkeley Square; and did all the Work for H. R. H.
the Duke of York, and am confident I am able to
do my Work with any Man in England, Industry
is particularly encouraged in this Walk, and

I am confident any Masters in Shewings would
readily give me work to employ my leisure time, I
would work late and early, and suffer any privations
for the support of my Family, and I am well assured
my earnings would be sufficient to make them a
little Comfortable add to by their own Endeavours,
let me humbly beg Gentlemen, you will have the
humanity to grant my Request, no Conduct of mine shall
ever give you reason to repent, and my Children shall
be taught to remember your goodness to the last moment
of their Existence;

If Gentlemen, you cannot Agree with
the above Request, permit me to hope you will not refuse
to let my Wife go with me to N. S. Wales, and my Children
I must Commit to the Care of their Grand mother, I am

Gentlemen with every
Submission & Gratitude

Your Obedient
Son


W. Stewart

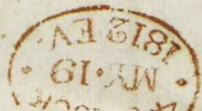
To
The Collectors
of the Bank

S.
Messrs. Hay & Co
Bank Solicitors

28 July 1872
Dear Sir
For witness

1851/10/61

The R.^t Hon.^{ble} 
the Governors and Directors
of the Bank of England
London



F25/10/62

17 May 1812.
W. S. Henningham

reputed -



The Rt Hon^{ble} the Governors and Directors of the
Bank of England

I humbly hope will take my
unfortunate case into their consideration that they
will be graciously pleased to sign my petition
that I may be restored to my family and in case of
discompliance with that Request that they will
use their Interest at the Secretary of State's Office
to send me and my wife and children out of the
Country in the next ship that goes to New South
Wales with a recommendation that I may be able
to support my Family by Industry and Industry
I humbly beg that the Right Hon^{ble} Company
will continue the Allowance granted to me
the last six weeks I was in Newgate as long
as I remain in the Country as I can justly as for
the Rt Hon^{ble} Company that it is more requisite
here than in Newgate without my making any
remarks on my or my fellow sufferers sufferings
my wife will call upon Mr Westwood for an
Answer May the 17. 1812. I am

with all due Respect

The Rt Hon^{ble} Company

Very Humble Servant

On Board the Zealand

Walthamstow Wm Simpson Hemmingsham

P. S. Since writing the aforesaid I have
heard from my wife that she is going in the
Country Therefore the favor of an answer
from Mr. Westwood by Post will be a
Particular favor

Mr. Westwood

Honoured Sir,

On board the Zealand Convict ship
laying at Sheerness, August 31. 1812.

I do most humbly intreat your Goodness and
Humanity to excuse this Intrusion, in reminding you of my
unfortunate Situation, and my most sincere Sorrow and Contrition
for the Offence which I had so unjustly committed. - Till this
my fatal Error I had ever been in the Habit of earning my
Bread by the most honest and industrious Means, which several
Merchants and Others are ready to certify, and that my Conduct
altogether was free from Stains or Reproaches.

Under those Circumstances I humbly implore your
Humanity in my Behalf, by signing a Petition in my Favour
praying for a Mitigation of Sentence, or for Leave to serve His
Majesty either by Sea or Land, and in any part of the World
it may be pleased to send me; this is all I can possibly crave
or expect, and this I do most earnestly intreat in either Case as
you think best and most prudent; your Intercession and Humanity
in the Endeavour to gain me; And I do most faithfully and
solemnly assure you that as far as it can possibly lay in my
humble Power I will gratefully acknowledge the same by my
future Conduct to the End of my Days. - - I have no Friends
to relieve or comfort me, or Interest to obtain any Remission of
Punishment; I must therefore humbly leave myself to your
Consideration and Mercy; hoping there may prove to be some
trifling Circumstances in my Case, which may so far induce you
to shew your Humanity to One, who as now situated, is labouring
under the most severe and distressing Anxiety of Mind at his
awful Situation, which deprives him of all the Enjoyments and

Course of his Life, as all the best Days of his Existence
will be lost without Benefit to him or to Society.

Most humbly leaving myself therefore to your
most merciful Consideration, I beg leave to subscribe
myself Your most humble and most ob. though
unfortunate Servant

Isaac Newland.

his Tth Mark

A B Sir Should you think proper to come down here or send some
person to me I could Communicate Matters to that would
lead to a great Discovery Concerning the Manufacturing of forging
Bank of England Notes which is very busy at this time but
know no person would come here that belongs to any Police
office as they would be known here which w^d not serve me if
I was seen talking to ~~them~~ any of them I was so fool hardy that
I was quite led astray with respect of making this Confession in
any time but it is better late than never I hope

The writer of the first part of this letter w^d not Communicate
this Subject to me to no person on Board but to the
Writer of the last part of this Carry person that may
come may Enquire for me and then I can go along
side



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J
Mr. Westwood
Solicitor — Bank of England
London

31 Aug 1863
Bank of England
J. Westwood

1863/10/31

W. Westwood

On board the Ireland Convict Ship
Shewings September 22^d 1812.

Honorable Sir,

I took the Liberty of addressing you about a Month or Three Weeks ago, but I having Reason to suppose my Letter did not reach your Hands, I again take the Opportunity of troubling you, for which I must beg most humbly to entreat your Pardon, which I hope you may be pleased of your Goodness and Humanity to grant me in Consideration of my distressed and unfortunate Situation. I beg to submit to your humane Considerations, that I have no Friends or Relations in this Country to whom I can apply for Relief or to render me any kind of assistance or Interference in my unhappy and unfortunate Situation. You, Sir, are the only One to whom I can apply in the Hope of obtaining an alleviation or Mitigation: I do most humbly hope that there might have appeared to you some Circumstances in my Favor sufficient to induce you in some small Degree to consider me worthy of Humanity and Mercy; I believe you considered that I was brought into my present wretched Situation not altogether from my own Inclinations to do wrong, or from any System of Improprity or Depravity to which I had been accustomed. I shall further beg most humbly to submit to you, that I was in the Habit of enjoying an honest and industrious Character, and the Testimonies of different respectable Merchants and Others are ready at any time to prove the same.

Under those Circumstances to you Sir I make my humble Application, being the only Means or Channel through which I can entertain any Hope of Mitigation to my present Sentence; and trusting to your Humanity and Goodness of Heart I humbly implore and entreat you to be merciful towards me, anxiously.

hoping that you may consider as far as regards the Circumstances
of my Case / worthy your Attention and Recommendation
in the Means of obtaining me the desired Mitigation of
Sentence; trusting that being no old Offender the Ends of Justice
may be accomplished without totally denying me that
Benefit.

With all Humility, Submission, and Respect,
and with a most solemn Assurance on my Part that I will
never again offend, or associate with any Individual whatever
who do offend the Laws of the Country, I beg to leave myself
to your Mercy and Consideration

Subscribing myself

Honoured Sir

Your most devoted and obedient
though unfortunate Serv^t

Isaac Newland: ^{his} x
Marks

Honoured Sir

I beg leave to mention to you I should you think me worthy of
your Humane & charitable Consideration so as to be the means of
procuring me a mitigation of Sentence that I will give you as
the Information in my favour that may be able you to speak
Some of the principal people that is concerned in carrying
Bank of England notes, and is at that Unfortunate Business
Continually, Had any person that I could be able to
I could send you an acct. When you could get a plate
that is used in making five pound notes, and if you
think proper to send a person to me down here that
will not be known as an officer I would send you the
necessary Information about the detection of said plate
and has several things besides to communicate to you also
besides, that I don't think proper to mention or insert
in this letter, I am informed that the Bay Ship
is to be here in a few Days to take convicts on Board
and I should ^{you thought} your Goodness think that you could
have my Sentence mitigated Under the above mentioned
Circumstances you have no time to lose in having your
Demand sure as it is probable that my name is on
the list for being sent to the Bay The writer of the
first part of this I don't Enlist with writing this part
of the letter Sir I beg leave to mention to you that I am
not in the least concerned about the Bay Ship and don't
not have mentioned and think about it, only that it will be
more convenient for you to send to me here than to any other
place that I may be sent to, I should you think proper
to send ~~to me~~ any person to me who may Enquire for
James Howland I sent a letter to the same person to you
about three weeks ago and am Inclined to think you
have not rec'd it,

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Mr Westwood
Solicitor to the Bank of England
London

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Mr Westwood
Bank
for James Westwood

My dear Sir

This is to inform ye that my Wife could not trace ^{any} of the
people that was and is in the habit of Circulating base
Bank Tokens and Forged Notes Extensively at present in all
parts of the Country, as I am well informed by several people
from London who comes here to visit their Friends, ~~here~~ there
is a man of the name of Isaac Ware in Sturgate who sent an
account to all the parties throughout London that was concern-
-ed in this Business, to be aware of my Wife and that she
was resolved to have them apprehended in order to procure
my Liberty, and that a Gentleman from the Bank accom-
panied by John Fry the Officer came to see me to Mr. Newman
House on this Business, and from that Day not one of these
people would salute her in the Street when meeting with
any of them, but on the contrary blow her up and call her all
the names that they thought most shameful, for being an
Informers, As for my part I never mention'd a word of the Conversa-
tion that happened between those Gentlemen and me to any person
whatsoever, for if I did my Life would be in Danger, Under these
Circumstances, Gentlemen if ye think proper to procure me
G. Brown over

my Liberty I will suffer to be Executed at the Debtors Door of
Newgate if I dont Bring five of the principal people in London
to a Conviction for Uttering these kind of Base Fakes and forged
Notes Before I would be two months at my Liberty, and as for
knowing any maker of Fakes or forged Notes in London or any
other place I know not of any but there is one man Confined in
the House of Correction who is a maker of Dollars and Expects to
begin At that Business as soon as his time is out whereever he
in October next he goes by the name of Brown, as for my part
I declare to God and to You Gentlemen, I never made or Casted
a Dollar in my life time but am heartily sorry that I assisted
in filting an selling of them which is all I had to do in the
Business which was Enough, I am informed by my wife that
the person who used to cast them on the Garret of the House
that I lived in lives in some part of Lambeth but he
has never Call'd on her nor she cant make him out Even
If I am to serve my time out here I hope ^{afterwards} I will have the pleasure
of Convicting four of these people myself in prison as they never
will leave it off, Until there is a stop put to their proceeding and
they are most Ungrateful had I obtained my Liberty they w^d all flock
about me thinking me to be true to the Cause

1776 We leave to inform
Gentlemen I hope you will be good enough to send me an answer
to this and you^r. Oblege Your most Obedient and most Humble
Sont
Dennis O'Connor

I B. Dunt to Dennis O'Connor on Board the
Graland Hulk Shermess, after shewing this to
one of the Officers on Board I sent it by hand to Town
to be deposit. in the two penny post whereas I had not
means to pay the postage, Gentlemen I hope your
Humanity and goodness will Excuse this Intrusion
Laid on Board the Graland
Shermess July 21st 1772

There is two Profits in Town that makes Bare Shillings
and Sixpences and that is in that line there fifteen years since
I know I would make them out before our Lord Duns
in Town for I have been often in their place of abode before
now and did depend their life on our
I could procure a sufficient security for my good
behaviour During my sentence or any other committed time
of my Lord

21 July 1872
Bank



for
Dennis J. Connor

Messrs Winters and May
Bank Solicitors
Bank Buildings
London

59/01/563

1873
Leisherton Gaol Salisbury Oct. 20

Gentlemen

We beg leave to inform
you that our names will appear in the
Gazette of this evening - as the Gov^t &
Directors of the Bank. was so good as to
afford us our discharge - under a form =
= of Bankruptcy or in any other
proper mode so as to share in a just
division with the rest of our creditors =

We should feel greatly obliged to you if
you would use your best endeavours to
procure our release - as we have been
confined in Prison near four months -
P. J. O

Your compliance to our request
will much oblige

Yr^{ts} H^{ble} & much ob^d J^{ts}

D^r Leonard & Son

Nov. 19th 1812

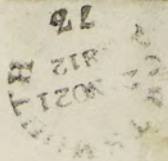
To the Commissioners of the Ports of England

Honour. Sirs As I have before experienced your
lenity, I humbly trust you will not consider
this liberty impertinent or intrusive, when
I assure you, Gentlemen, nothing but the
object misery I am in, would induce me to
trouble you. I have been totally abandoned
by my friends since I was convicted, in consequence
of false reports from what was surmised in
consequence of Mr. Westwood coming to see me
to prison, and it was James Wheeler that
put forth these reports to my prejudice together
with reports of a similar ^{nature} brought by Ned Hills
overboard to the hulks, I would have let you
know these matters before but I had no opportu-
nity as unfortunately I cannot write myself

As I am totally destitute of every necessary
and going friendless to a strange country I humbly
trust Gentlemen you will consider my distress
situation. Honour. Sirs I remain with respect
Your very Wm^t. But unfortunately
on board the Ship Fortune Capt. Walker Isaac Newland
lying at Spithead bound to New South Wales,



To, - Westwood Esq,
Solicitor to the
Bank, England
London.



19 Nov^r 1812
Bank
fr Isaac Newland

19/10/12

74. Mark Portland, Langston Harbour, Sept. 30

Honored Sir,

Being at this time in very great distress, and having no one to afford me the least assistance, I hope you will be kind enough to let me have the Money that was taken from me before my trial according to your promise while I was in Newgate. The Sum is £4.3.0 and it will be of essential service to me in this unfortunate situation. By so doing you will confer a lasting obligation on

Your humble Servant, Thomas Dardis

To Mr Westwood

Mr Westwood
At the Bank of London
Bank Buildings, Lombard Street
London

30 Sept. 1812
Dardis
for Mr Dardis

F25/10/68

Gentlemen—

Whereas there is much Distress arising to me
from pecuniary Circumstances I am Obedge to
Make application to you and I hope Mr. Westwood
Solicitor will Represent my Case in as favourable
a Light as it will admit of— As he has a knowledge
that I was Apprehended on a Charge of uttering forged
Note for which I was Convicted and sentenced to be
transported for the term of 14 years when I was
taken into Custody there was property to the amount
of £4-3-0. in Silver and Copper taken out of a Box
Lodged in the House of John M^r. Corrick-bell Kingstons
Which property belong to me and I trust and hope
Gentlemen that you will Permit the same to me as
my unfortunate situation at present much Requires
it.

Thos Dardis—

On Board—H. M. S. the
Portland Langston Harbor
Feb^y 7th 1813 —

4 Feb 4 1813
Thos. Dardis

To the Governor & Company
of the Bank of England
London

Accepted

Feb 10/69

