

Jane Turner ID5046 per *Emma Eugenia* 1846

Jane Turner aged 38

Manchester Borough Sessions 4<sup>th</sup> September 1845

Larceny and previous convictions

7 years transportation

Gaol report – Character – Bad – twice before convicted and several times in prison.

Received into Millbank Prison from Salford on 24<sup>th</sup> September 1845

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The prisoner attributes her offence to drunk and bad company and prays for detention in this country on account of her large family.

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To the Right Honourable Sir James Graham Her Majesty's Principle Secretary of State for the Home Department.

The petition of Jane Turner a prisoner in Millbank Prison

Humbly Sheweth

Why I am know a prisoner and humbly begs that Sir James Graham will be pleased to extend is mercy to one of is humblest of petitioners and humbly begs that he will be pleased to take my case into is most gracious consideration and to extend is mercy to a poor honest broken woman who as been a wife the last fourteen years and the mother of eleven children and brought then up with honesty till I fell into bad company witch led me I am sorry to say to be to fond of drink witch as been my ruin till those I [ ] only known as an

honest and hard working woman being the chief support of my husband and children my husband having very bad health and me having a [traid] in my own hand I have been the chief support of my self and children till know and if it should please Her to extend your mercy to me iut shall be my chief study to regain that conection witch I have know lost and that it shoud please the to allow kme to remain in my own country for any time that it may please [you]to do anything that it may please the to put m,e top [yo] it shall be my chief study to please and may it please the Almighty God to put it into the heart of Sir James Graham to grant my humble Petition.

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Unto Sir James Graham

I will now give a true statement of my unfortunate fate the day that when first a prisoner. I had been in company with some people without my friends and had been drinking the whole day and when returning home when passing the door of my Prosecutors I saw something lay on the ground witch I picked up not looking where they came from I walked a way with them, till I then stoped by the shopman of may Prosecutor who took me back to the shop when I first saw that it was a suit of boys clothes valued four shillings and I was then given into custody and sent to prison the policeman that took me in to custody as been known to say that he would neverrest till he saw me transported being a friend of one in my own family who as been at Vaniance with me for some time thou her being a Catholic my Prosecutor did not wish to prosecute me there and if it please the to grant the Petition of a poor heart broken woman to alow her to stay in her own country that she may still be a mother to my poor children and to forgive me my many eors adn to think only of my feelings . Hoping that I shall not in my humible P[etition offend in hand or deed Mr Litman my Prosecutor will answer all [        ].

The mark of Jane Turner

Witness – Elizabeth Hillary

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