

Margaret Vernon ID3347 per *Cadet* 1848

Presented by Viscount Sandon MP

This Petition prays for a mitigation of the prisoner's sentence on account of her youth and the recommendation of the Prosecutor.

To Sir George Grey

Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department

The humble Petition of the friends of and relations of Margaret Vernon who is now in Millbank Prison.

Sheweth

That the Petitioner was tried at the Liverpool Borough Sessions of February last and was sentenced to ten years transportation.

That the prisoner is a very young woman being only twenty two years of age and was the principle support of her aged mother and a family of young children. That the prosecutor at the time of the trial requested that a light sentence might be passed upon the prisoner.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that the prisoners case may be taken into your very serious consideration and that you may be pleased to recommend her as a fit subject for Her majesty's lenient mitigation of the very heavy sentence passed upon the prisoner.

And your Petitioner will ever pray

Liverpool June 1847

See annexed recommendation

To Sir George Grey Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department.

We the undersigned beg to recommend to your Honour the prisoner mentioned in the annexed Petition as a fit person for Her Majesty's lenient mercy in mitigating the very heavy sentence passed upon her.

Liverpool 1847

Radcliffe Chadderton – Gentleman

Charles Garner – Livery Stable Keeper

E Statton – Surgeon

Thomas Parley – Pawnbroker

And another 12 signatures all affluent persons.

Margaret Vernon aged 22

Liverpool Sessions February 1847

Stealing from the person

10 years transportation

Gaol report – Character – Bad – disorderly Prostitute –
convicted before and several time in prison.

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