

Mary Ann Lynch ID 3138 per *Cadet* 1849

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Mary Ann Lynch aged 23

Liverpool Sessions July 1848

Larceny

7 years transportation

Gaol report – Convicted and in prison before. A low drunken prostitute and regular thief.

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The prisoner's mother states that no property was found in her possession, that owing to the difficulty of communicating with her in prison her friends were unable to make adequate provision for her defence – and that she is suffering in health in consequence of being separated from her infant.

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To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty

May it please you my Leige Lady

The Humble Petition of Frances Roe Widow aged 63 the mother of Mary Ann Lynch. That your petitioner's daughter is now a prisoner in the Borough Jail of Liverpool under sentence of transportation for 7 years. That her said daughter was convicted before Gilbert Henderson Esq the recorder in July last for being found in the bad company of others, who were concerned with stealing 36 yards of linin no part of the goods ever being found on her or in her power or possession and so appeared in evidence. That her said daughter is now in the 19<sup>th</sup> years of her age only and is the mother of an infant

of 12 months old, her husband James Lynch being an humble Porter out of employment in the most distressing time of Petitioners sole support.

That from no access to the Prisoner under the prison discipline of this Borough being permitted, it was utterly impossible to make any available defence at her trial and such had the effect been that she is now continually seized with fits being parted from her infant on the breast.

May it therefore please your Illustrious and Gracious majesty to take this humble prayer into your consideration and grant a pardon or mitigation of the sentence and long may it be before you enter on a course of glory tho' it be more resplendent than that now borne on this earth.

Frances Roe

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