

Matilda Smith per America 1830 HO 17/31/8

MATILDA SMITH - 1830

WARWICK

STEALING FROM A PERSON

TRANSPORTATION FOR 7 YEARS

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MATILDA SMITH

WARWICK SESSIONS OCTOBER 1830

FROM THE PERSON

PROSTITUTE

7 YEARS TRANSPORTATION

London

27 October 1830

Mr Wontner,

Sir,

I hope you excuse the liberty I have taken in intruding upon your time, but I humbly appeal to in the behalf of my unfortunate child (by the name of MATILDA SMITH) who was sentenced last Warwick Assizes to be transported for seven years. The favour that I would wish to ask you , I humbly beseech and intreat of you most benevolent Sir, you will not refuse to grant, that is, if you will be kind enough to make intercession and put me in the way, that I may obtain an asylum in the Penetentiary during the term of the sentence of my unfortunate child and I shall with the utmost gratitude be tankful to you as long as I live, annexed to this is the character of my husband and my unfortunate child.

I am most benevolent Sir

your very obedient servant

Sarah Smith

Mrs Smith,

I am very sorry at reading the sad tale of your unfortunate child, where it is in my power to render you any assistance in endeavouring to alter the sentence of the unbiassed and impartial judge, in her case my assistance should be immediately given (on your account,) because your upright and praiseworthy conduct that I have for so many years witnessed would induce me to use all the interest I have on that account and as for your unfortunate child whiolst she lived in my service conducted herself in a honest, industrious and becoming manner.

Thomas Edge
Mitcham