

Phoebe Jolly ID 4969 per Emma Eugenia 1846

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

4th October 1845

Sir

Henry Jolly having been tried and convicted before the
Common Serjeant at the Central Criminal Court in June last
for robbing his Master Mr John [Rawling] a Draper living in
the Commercial Road East, his sister, Mary Ann Jolly and his
mother Phoebe Jolly all of the district of St Thomas Stepney ,
having also at the same time been tried and convicted of
receiving the goods knowing them to have been stolen, and
the latter having been sentenced to transportation for the
term of ten years.

We the undersigned being the Prosecutors and Others beg
most respectfully to invite your benevolent [] to the
facts: That to the best of their beliefs and persuasion this
was Phoebe Jolly's first offence, that being frequently
employed as a monthly Nurse, she was necessary absent for
long periods from her house, during which, its management
devolved on her daughter and that Phoebe Jolly has
uniformally borne a good character among her employers.

They therefore venture strongly to recommend her for mitigation of punishment under the conviction that the ends of Justice would thereby be more effectually attained and the Laws [] honoured by the inflictions of the full amount awarded.

John Rawling – Prosecutor

William [Telf] - Churchwarden

Charles Love

William Valentine – Incumbent of St Thomas Stepney

And a further 58 signatures

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

27th December 1845

May it please you, Sir James

The Memorial of William Jolly of No 18 Heath Street,
Stepney

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And begs to call your kind consideration in the case of his
unfortunate wife who was tried in conjunction with his son
and daughter at the Central Criminal Court before Mr

Common Sergeant Mirchouse charged with receiving goods knowing then to have been stolen – the son was sentenced to 12 months and the daughter to 6 months imprisonment and the unfortunate supplicant’s wife to 10 years transportation. Your humble Petitioner begs to add to this Memorial that since the liberation of his daughter she has truly confessed her guilt in the transaction but she is totally innocent of her unfortunate parent and which confession has taken before the Governor and the Chaplain of the Prison in which she was incarcerated – most earnestly hoping that you will with your usual kindness take her case into your kind consideration and recommend her to the merciful leniency and your humble supplicant will as in duty bound ever pray.

He has the honour to be

Your most obedient servant

William Jolly

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

23rd February 1846

May it please you “Sir James”

Having learnt from many persons that you do with your usual kindness listen to the afflicted husbands feelings. I once

more most humbly and respectfully beg to call your humane attention to the case of my poor unhappy wife Phoebe Jolly, who is now suffering a portion of her banishment of 10 years on board the Emma Eugene now on her passage to Van Diemen's Land - my unfortunate wife when the vessel was laying in the Downs was visited by the Ladies who are in the habit of so doing, previous to their departure for their destination and it is by their wishes (having borne so by letter) that I should once more address you "Sir James" upon the subject of a mitigation of the punishment at her arrival. The Ladies from her very good conduct since her incarceration kind recommended as the Head Nurse onboard the vessel, and likewise made her many presents, and pray do let me state to you again her age to be 53 years and if will be pleased to cause the testimonicals as to her former character forwarded in December last, you will be pleased to perceive the many respectable names attached thereto, and whose respectability will appear appearently upon any enquiry being made thereunto.

Most humbly praying that you will recommend her to Her Most Gracious Majesty Privy Council and your humble Memorialist will in duty bound ever pray.

I have the honour to be

Your most humble servant

William Jolly

No 18 Heath Street

Stepney

Convict has sailed for Van Diemens Land

From the Ladies which Pheobe Jolly nursed

This is to certify that Mrs Jolly nursed both my sister and myself and during the time she was with us we found her strictly honest

Mrs Lee

Mrs Moore

And 7 other signatures

Phoebe Jolly aged 49

Central Criminal Court June 1845

Receiving stolen goods

10 years transportation

Gaol report – Character Not known

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Mitigation of the prisoner's sentence is prayed for on account of her age and good character.