

Sarah McLaughlen per William Bryan 1833 - HO17/94/80

SARAH McLAUGHLEN

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CUMBERLAND LENT ASSIZES FEBRUARY 1832

SENTENCE COMMUTED TO TRANSPORTATION FOR LIFE.

To The Right Honourable Lord Viscount Melborne His Majesty's Principle Secretary
of State for the Home Department.

The Petition of JOHN McLAUGHLEN (miner) of the town of Whitehaven in the
county of Cumberland.

Most Humbly Sheweth,

That the petitioners wife SARAH McLAUGHLEN is now
imprisoned in the jail of Carlisle and under sentence of transportation for LIFE for
an alleged robbery.

That the petitioners is confident whatever matter his wife had
to do in the unfortunate affair she was instigated and forced to by MARY ANN
[TRACY] now under the same sentence who was in the habit of making her take
spirituous liquer which rendered her incapable of conducting herself with [prop
ly].

That the petitioner humbly imploys in humanley to his
unfortunate wife who is now far advanced in pregancy and in pity to her two
children the eldest of whom is no more than three years of age you will order a
commutation of her sentence to any imprisonment in this Kingdom for any length
of time as to your wisdom may seem meet.

Petitioner further more taken the liberty of stating that he was in the Town of Leeds looking for employment when the unfortunate occurrence happened.

Humbly beseeching you will deign to order hopefully to this
And he will pray

John McLaughlen his mark

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