

Sarah Prosser ID3161 per *Cadet* 1848

Sarah Prosser aged 27

Central Criminal Court 15<sup>th</sup> May 1848

Stealing from a dwelling house

10 years transportation

Gaol Report – Not known

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The prisoner states that she gave information by which the Prosecutor was enabled to recover the whole of his property and she prays in consideration of the circumstance that she may be allowed to take her child with her, and that her term of transportation may be reduced to 7 years in order that she may return to this country to join her husband , a soldier in the East India Company service who is expected to return home in about that period.

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7 years transportation

25<sup>th</sup> July 1848

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

The humble Petition of Sarah Prosser – convicted and  
transported for 10 years at the May Sessions of the Central  
Criminal Court.

Newgate 13th May 1848

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Your petitioner is the wife of a soldier in East India Company  
Service who has 8 years to serve before his time is ended  
that entitles him to a pension. Your Petitioner had a female  
child 7 years of age – and she is seriously reflected upon the  
injury she has done to her late employer and since her  
conviction of the offence of stealing in a dwelling house, she  
has given such information as had led to the recovery and  
restoration of all the property amounting to between £70  
and £80 in value.

Your petitioner is most anxious to be permitted to take her  
child out of the country with her and for her sentence to be  
mitigated three years that she may be able to return to her  
native land by the time her husband who is serving his  
country as a soldier in the East Indies shall have finished that  
period of servitude which will entitle him to such a pension  
as with their own expectations may enable them under the  
blessing of providence to pass the closing days of their life in  
quietness and honesty.

Your Petition further [ ] that it was the hope of being able  
to join her husband with her child in the East Indies that

tempted her to be unfaithful to her employers and to steal their property.

By granting this humble prayer your Petitioner will be rendered most grateful and as in duty bound will ever pray.

The mark of Susah Prosser

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I the undersigned the Prosecutor on the above case do hereby certify that from the information given by this prisoner to the Governor of Newgate Prison I have received the whole of my property as above stated and I do most earnestly recommend the prayer of the above Petitioner.

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