

Janet Thomson ID3343 per *Cadet* 1848

Janet Thomson aged 18,

Edinburgh Circuit Court 30th June 1845, Theft, House breaking and previous conviction, 10 years transportation, Received from Edinburgh Jail into Mill Bank Prison on 1st September 1845

Gaol report – Convicted before

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The prisoner prays for detention in this country on account of her relatives.

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

The Petition of Janet Thomson a prisoner in Mill Bank Prison.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner is a poor [irresistible] sinner and prisoner and had got ten years for House Breaking and since that time I have lost my dear mother and brother and a sister all in one month who died broken hearted and when that my dear father hears that I am to leave my native land he will die also and my poor orphan brothers will be cold afterwards

The brothers of one who was transported ,oh how can I leave my native land and bury that family in rain, oh pardon me for that old fathers whose prayers will cover your head so long as he lives and those brothers who will never lie down without praying for you for my own sake I shall not ask for pardon but for those sakes I do ask

and instead it oh how much joy would it give my dear father to hear that I am to say here.

Janet Thomson
