

Mary Ann Hutchinson ID12378 per *Tory* 1848

Mary Ann Hutchinson aged 22

Leicester Quarter Sessions October 1847, Stealing money

10 years transportation, Gaol Report – Character bad. Prostitute.  
Convicted and in prison many times before.

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The prisoner is stated to have earned much penitence for her offence to dread a separation from her friends Her detention in this country is prayed for.

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To Her Most Gracious Majesty Victoria by the Grace of God of Great Britain and Ireland and Defender of the Faith

We the undersigned being inhabitants of Whitewick in the County of Leicester do most humbly presume to prepare a Petition to your Most Gracious majesty in behalf of Mary Hutchinson lately a resident at Leicester under sentence of ten years transportation for a felony committed in this Parish in the month of August last of which she was convicted at the Michaelmas Sessions now last past. The prisoner (who is 23 years of age) has since her conviction shown every mark of true penitence and earned desire to lead a different life, she also has been very anxious to warn and guide her own near relations (who are numerous and live in this Parish) her affection for whom is great and her fear of being separated from whom is causing her the most intense and agonizing anxiety which would be greatly allayed if she could be allowed to remain in this Country. We do therefore humbly Petition that your Majesty will be pleased to give the case of this unfortunate young woman your most merciful consideration and if consistent with the advice of your Majesty's Most Honoured Privy Council that the sentence of the said Mary

Hutchinson may be commuted according to your Majesty's Royal Prerogative of condescending mercy and clemency.

And your Petitioner's as in duty bound will ever pray.

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Samuel Smith – Curate of Whitewick

William Turby

James Peters

Hastings Garner

And a further 8 signatures.

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