

Mary Ann Plummer ID 12427 per *Tory* 1848

Mary Ann Plummer aged 27

Yarmouth Sessions 14<sup>th</sup> October 1847

Larceny

7 years transportation

Gaol Report – Convicted and thrice in gaol before

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The Chaplain of the gaol transmits a Petition praying for mitigation of the prisoner's sentence on the grounds that she gave way to momentary temptation and that she is penitent for her offence.

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The Memorial of the undersigned to Her Majesty's Secretary of State in behalf of Mary Ann Plummer, who was committed on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1847 by William Norton Burroughs Esq. and one Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, for the said Borough, charged on the oaths of Mary Ann Tyce, Joseph Humphrey and James Fuller with have at Great Yarmouth within the said Borough, feloniously stolen a Shawl, the property of Mary Ann Tyce and sentenced at the general Quarter Session of the Peace held for the said Borough on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October 1847 to be transported for the term of seven years. She is sincerely penitent and pleaded guilty at

the time of her trial and the undersigned humbly Petition a communication of the aforesaid sentence.

William Burroughs – Mayor

Mary Ann Tyce – Prosecutor

Hannah Green – Mother

W Pope – Late assistant Chaplain of Great Yarmouth Gaol  
now Curate of Great Yarmouth

And a further 20 signatures

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Mr Pope (late assistant Chaplain of Great Yarmouth Gaol) humbly takes the liberty of forwarding the enclosed Petition to Her majesty's Secretary of State in behalf of Mary Ann Plummer, whose usual name is Green. Mr Pope was Acting Chaplain of Yarmouth Gaol on the 25<sup>th</sup> June when she entered the gaol. Though (as will appear to the Secretary of State ) she has been previously convicted and yet Mr Pope believes from observation of her character and inquiring amongst her acquaintances that she is not a confirmed thief, but has give way to the temptation in moments of trial and indeed of destitution. The Secretary of State will kindly observe the names of the mayor, who was the committing magistrate of the Prosecutrix and one of the witnesses and several relatives and friends attached to the petition.

Mr Pope believes this to be a case in which the charity of the Government would not be manifested in a manner likely to be in any manner injurious. It is therefore heartily concurs in the Petition. The number attached to the signatures shew

the number of years during which the prisoner had been known by the respective parties.

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