

Eliza Trigg ID1635 per *Angelina* 1844

Eliza Trigg aged 33

Central Criminal Court 14th December 1843

Larceny

7 years transportation

Gaol Report – Character not known

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The prisoner's mother represents her good character and states that she is entirely innocent and prays for a mitigation of her sentence.

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

Platt Street

Putney

Surrey

2nd December 1843

The humble Petition of Elizabeth Trigg

Your Petitioner Humbly Sheweth that she is a widow and the mother
of ELIZA TRIGG now in Newgate under sentence of transportation for
seven years passed on her at the Central Criminal Court on the 14th

December and that she is the daughter of a respectable Yeoman named JOHN ANDREWS who resided all his life at Godalming where he carried on the business of Grazier and Butcher.

That your Petitioner though poor is a person of great respectability and has had a large family whom she had had difficulty in bringing up in consequence of a variety of misfortunes which have befallen herself and her late husband who was a Master Butcher. That the said ELIZA TRIGG her daughter, though a servant and not much educated is not a person of evil disposed or depraved habits, never having had any charge preferred against her before in her life, and the said ELIZA TRIGG declares that the late Captain LIVINGSTONE with whom she lived as a servant had no relations and that he did before his decease give all his property to herself and her fellow servant CHARLES DAVIS requesting then to pay his debts and funeral expenses which the request was complied with.

That the said ELIZA TRIGG being wholly ignorant of matters of Law did believe that the said Captain LIVINGSTONE was able to give his property to anyone before his death, and did not know that she would be required to produce some written evidence of his having made such a gift to entitle her legally to any property after his death, or otherwise she should have never set up any claim to such property and indeed as it is she never had received a sixpence of such said property the whole of it having passed into the possession of her fellow servant the aforesaid CHARLES DAVIS .

Your Petitioner therefore most imploringly beseeches that considering the hardness of her daughter's case an inquiry may be instituted into the truth of the forgoing statements and sincerely hopes and humbly prays that her daughter's sentence may be mitigated, because she is really and truly innocent of the crime reputed to her, she having been brought into her present most unhappy and unfortunate situation merely from being ignorant of the law of descent of property by will.

Elizabeth Trigg

Petitioner.