

Mary Leigh ID653 per *Elizabeth Henrietta* 1818

Mary Leigh

13th September 1817

Chester

Stealing

Transported for Life

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In the name of George R

To Our Trusty and Wellbeloved our Justices of Gaol Delivery for the Chester Circuit, The High Sheriff of the County of Chester and all others whom it may concern

Mary Leigh - Pardon

Where as the following persons was at the last Great Sessions holden at Chester on the 28th August last tried and convicted of the crime of stealing and had their sentence of DEATH passed upon them for the same:

Mary Leigh and Ann Waterhouse of privately stealing in the shop of Mr Chatheston one piece of silk handkerchief.

We in consideration of same favourable circumstances humbly represent unto us in their behalf are graciously pleased to extend our Grace and mercy unto them and to grant them our pardon for their said crimes on condition of their being transported to the Coast of New South Wales or someone or other of the Islands adjacent the said Mary Leigh and Ann Waterhouse our will and pleasure therefore is that you do give the necessary directions accordingly and that they

be instructed for their said crimes on the said conditions in our first and next General Pardon that shall come out for the Chester Circuit and for doing this shall be your Warrant.

Given at our Court at Carlton house the 13th September 1817 in the 57th year of our Reign.

By Command

(signed) Sidmouth
