

Irish Transportation Records Sarah Kelly CRF 1847 K16

Stamped W Hitchens June 19/47

The law must take its course signature June 22/47

Case of Sarah Kelly - Infⁿ Rec^d & for^d initials

4 Bennett St
St James
London
June 17/47

Sir

I have had the honor to receive your letter & accompanying memorial with reference to Sarah Kelly a Prisoner in the Jail of Grange Gorman under Sentence of Seven years Transportation.

I beg to state for the information of their Excellencies the Lords Justice that the Prisoner was convicted before me on the 24th day of May last of having stolen clothes from the house of Mr Kane in Great Britain St & that she had been twice before convicted of, and suffered imprisonment for similar offences – which are technically called room robbing.

I am respectfully of opinion that there were not any mitigating circumstances in the case which would render the prisoner a proper object of mercy.

I have the honor to be
Sir your most obed^t
Humble Servant
Fred Shaw

T. H. Redington Esqre

Written along the side

Prisoner will not be removed until after her confinement initials

W. Hitchens June 5/47

Referred to the Recorder

HH June 9

To His Excellency Earl Clarendon
Lord Lieutenant of Ireland etc etc etc
The Memorial of Mary Dunsheathe

Humbly Sheweth

That your memorialist is the unhappy parent of Sarah Kelly at present a Convict in the Hospital of the Grange Gorman lane penitentiary with her guiltless little son aged 3 years, herself far advanced in pregnancy & very near to her ~~xxxxxxxx~~ labour, for feloniously taking some Clothes the property of Mr William Keane of Great Britain Street.

That she unfortunately got married to a very foolish giddy wild young Man, attached to drink & company keeping, whereby she formed bad Connexions who led her into vice and extravagance, and being punished before for felony, she was on the 24th May last and sentenced to 7 years transportation.

That the unfortunate young woman, being now fully sensible of and truly and sincerely repentant of her faults and follies. Memst most humbly implores your Excellency's humane benevolent considerations & compassion for a respectable elderly couple who have passed thro' life without a stain, and a family of other Children some of them young and female and a young Man in the service of her Majesty's 13th Regt of foot now in Dublin, and that you will be most graciously pleased to avert the indelible stain attached to the above sentence by mitigating it to any number of years or place of imprisonment, as to your Excellency's mercy may seem met, her Husband having enlisted in the East India Co^{ys} service & leaving the Country in a few days. And as in gratitude and duty bound

Memst will ever pray

We the annexed signatures, do recommend the Memst as truly deserving of your Excellency's humane benevolent consideration.

Edward Duncan Provision Dealer and Merchant 167 Church Street
Michael Cosgrave Looking Glass and Picture Manufacturer 13 Old Church St
Patrick Meade Trump Maker 1 Drummond Lane
Cornelius Sullivan Comb Maker 170 Church St
William [Can....] Prosecutor 190 Brittan St.

H-16-1849
Sarah Kelly
Robbery 7 years Transp.
Report of Recorder Annexed June 1st