

Caroline Bayliss ID 1228 per *Duchess of Northumberland*
1853

She will do better abroad

The prisoner prays for pardon on the grounds that she is not
guilty

To the Right Honourable Spencer Walpole Her Majesty's
Principle Secretary of State for the Home Department.

The Petition of Caroline Bayliss, a prisoner in Millbank Prison
Humbly Sheweth

That your prisoner is not guilty to the crime laid to her
charge. She begs leave to state that she was accosted by her
Prosecutor on the road to Birmingham and on her refusing to
comply with his request he struck her several times and the
next evening gave her in charge, and accused her of having
robbed him of three shillings.

Your petitioner humbly solicits your kind consideration of the
circumstances of her case and as this is her first
imprisonment you would be pleased to recommend her
pardon and she will ever pray.

The mark of Caroline Bayliss

Witness - A Maclesh

20th February 1852

Headley Cross

I hereby certify that Caroline Bayliss lived with me for 7 years and all that time I always found her to be an honest industrious and hard working young woman, and I could have trusted her with anything or to any amount I am sorry that I cannot come to give her a character as I am so near my confinement that I expect every day and dare not leave home but I hope that this will be of use to her on her trial but if I could have come I would with the greatest of pleasure.

Yours respectfully

Mary Wall

To the Secretary of State of the Home Department

The Petition of Thomas Meaking of No 1 Court Mount Street,
Borderly in the Parish of Aston in the County of Warwick

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner has a daughter in law named Caroline Bayliss who was transported for the term of 14 years for picking a man's pocket of the sum of 3/- your Petitioner is truly sorry and will feel under the greatest obligation to your

Honour if you in their behalf will use your utmost endeavour to represent in the clearly manner the case to the authorities and endeavour with your clemency to have the sentence withdrawn or mitigated.

A character is herewithto attached.

And your petitioner will as in duty bound ever pray.

Caroline Bayliss aged 28

Birmingham Sessions 17th March 1852

Stealing from the person

14 years transportation

Gaol report – Not known in Millbank. Received into Millbank from Birmingham 28th April 11852

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