

Jane Keane ID2195 per *Asia* 1847

Jane Keane aged 40

Central Criminal Court 21st September 1846

Larceny

7 years transportation

Received into Millbank prison from Newgate on 12th October 1846

Gaol report – Character not known

Series – HO 18

Piece Number – 188

What was the descriptions of the offence

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According to the Report she is a practised thief convicted on 2 occasions and 6 other charges before the Magistrate against her

The prisoner declares her innocence and prays that she may not be sent out of the country on account of her children.

To The Right Honourable Sir George Grey Her Majesty's Principle Secretary of State for the Home Department.

The Petition of Jane Keane a prisoner in Millbank Prison

Humbly Sheweth

Begging for mercy not to send me out of this country away from my dear little children the mother of 18 children given the youngest

under 6 years of age , 4 in the army, 3 in the 3rd Light Dragoons one in the 91st Foot, one was killed last December in the [Eastern Delaware]area, myself not guilty of the charge or any other that I am suffering for but willingly and thankfully I will work for as my strength will allow me and never before been in any trouble before and [managed] [] or Workhouse or in a prison or any strain on my character before or any part of my family thank God, I humbly beg mercy not to send me away from my dear children to be left in the care of strangers a mother that always set a good example for my children to be banished so far from them thinking God never to take from anyone the value of a gin in my life before and pray for mercy as I pray for the Judge above [] I am no guilty solemnly swear myself innocent your Petitioner will forever pray and be thankful for your kind mercy and be forever grateful in anything I can do .

Jane Keane.
