

Charity Stevens ID4233 per Eliza 1830,

Charity Stevens aged 18

Warminster Sessions July 1829

Stealing 2 donkeys

7 years transportation

Gaolers Report – Character not known – behaves well in gaol.

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[Wheather] fit for the Penitentiary

Chedworth, near Northleach in the County of Gloucester

19th September 1829

We the undersigned the Ministers, Churchwardens and Inhabitants of Chedworth have heard with regret that Charity Stevens of Chedworth a single woman was found guilty of being accessory with a man named Thomas Andrews in stealing a donkey at the last Warminster Sessions in the County of Wiltshire for which offence she now awaits her sentence of 7 years transportation in the gaol at Salisbury. We have no doubt that the evidence on the trial was sufficient to lead to her conviction, but only 18 years of age and seduced away from her parents on 7 weeks previous to her trial by the said Thomas Andrews and having ever borne a good and honest character amongst us, we humbly submit that if from previous good character a mitigation of her punishment can with[justice] be effected so that she may be allowed to remain in the Country she

may at the termination of it return to her family and yet become an
useful and honest member of society.

(signed) [J] Pitt

Curate of Chedworth and one of His Majesty's Justice of the Peace
for the County of Wiltshire and Gloucester

Frances Radway – Churchwarden

William Dyer - Churchwarden

Robert Stevens x his mark

Jane Stevens x her mark

And a further 6 signatures.
