

Towards the close of the book the religious element comes into greater prominence and the need for repentance and if possible restitution is more deeply felt. "Says William very seriously, 'They that never think of dying, often die without thinking of it.'" But both agreed they "must never talk of repenting while continuing pirates." How the ill-gotten gains were disposed of, and how they settled down to a peaceful and kindly life, bring the story to a close.

Elizabeth Fry to Alderman Wood,
M.P.

Plashet House.

7th Month 23, 1825.

Dear Friend,

It would have given me much pleasure to aid the view of any friend of thine but I fear in the present case it is out of my power as I believe our society are not likely at present to send agents out to South America to establish schools. A little time since some of us had such an idea, but it did not appear as if such an arrangement could be accomplished at present.

It is not impossible that the British and Foreign School Society may have something of the kind in view, but I have not heard of it.

I think that the Gentlemen recommended by thee would be peculiarly desirable were such an arrangement thought of, and it would be well worth while to make enquiry respecting it; if I hear of anything I will make a point of informing thee at once respecting it.

Excuse my troubling thee by representing the following cases that I think need peculiar attention in Newgate, as I think it very bad for the prisoners generally, and unfair to the city to keep convicts there under these circumstances, more particularly as reason has so often been given them to believe they were to be discharged as to render them very unsettled.

	Been in Newgate.
Eliz th Brown	5 yrs & 2 months
Ann Cartwright	4 years
Mary Howard	4 „
Mary Smith or (Martha Burgess)	4 „ <i>insane</i>
Mary Healey long ill	1 year & 9 months
Sarah Cherry „	2 years
Sarah Wigley } a very hard	2 years & 4 months
Sarah Giles } case.	

Alderman Thompson I think knows all about these two.

I make this representation, not out of tenderness to the prisoners so much as feeling that Newgate is not the proper place for any to be long imprisoned in, and that the effect is very bad having expectations raised of pardon from time to time, and its not being granted, and Newgate is not a fit place for an hospital or a mad house in long cases of disease. I doubt not that our valuable Secretary of State would attend to these cases if represented to him. Pray remember me kindly to thy family and believe me with much regard

thy obliged friend

ELIZth. FRY.

Ald^m. Wood
M.P.

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Sir Matthew Wood (1768-1843), first baronet, was Alderman of Cripplegate Without, 1807, lord mayor 1815-16 & 1816-17, M.P. for the city, 1817-43. (*D.N.B.*)

George Fox's "Journal" Chained at Westminster

There being Three of George ffoxes Journalls brought into this Meeting—
It is Agreed y^t one of y^m be fixed wth A Chayne att Westm^r Meeting house
by Jerem : Clarke & John Lockwood, & anoth^r at y^e Savoy by Ja :
Browne & Rich^d Hawkins & y^e other att Long Acre by W^m Laithwaite,
Hen : ——— & W^m Chamberlaine both to be fixed in like manner as
aforesaid.

7th of 8th mo 1696.

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