Sir,

Re the October 2010 issue,

You appear to be implying that Harold Shipman was sentenced to, and Fred West was facing, cruel and unusual punishment. What would you propose for serial murder - probation?

Re Charles Proctor, although he didn't actually kill anyone, it wasn't for want of trying. A sentence of 433 years is another way of saying life, and again, should a man who perpetrates so many crimes of this nature ever be released?

You say the exact nature of the conviction of Linda Carty has not been stated in public. Not by her supporters, but you will find a summary of the case against her here

http://www.infotextmanuscripts.org/other_carty_by_us_court.html

and on the same page a massive official document which contains a more detailed analysis.

Last, and by all means least, Jeremy Bamber is still peddling nonsense about his innocence. The claim has been made that the police phone logs indicate that the police were having a conversation with someone in the house. What actually happened was that they shouted into the house, and no one shouted back. A police telephonist miles away - who did not know what was happening on the ground - wrote in his log that they had made contact with someone in the building.

Bamber and his number one fan Scott Lomax may call someone shouting into a morgue a conversation, but the Court of Appeal did not.

The minutely detailed 2002 judgment can be found here: http://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Crim/2002/2912.html

Yours Sincerely, A Baron