

# CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

DUKE, MAYOR. TENTH SESSION.

*A star (\*) denotes that prisoners have been previously in custody—Two stars (\*\*) that they have been more than once in custody—An obelisk (†) that they are known to be the associates of bad characters.*

## LONDON AND MIDDLESEX CASES.

OLD COURT.—Monday, August 20th, 1849.

PRESENT—The Right Hon. the LORD MAYOR; Sir PETER LAURIE, Knt., Ald.; Sir JOHN PIRIE, Bart., Ald.; Mr. RECORDER; Mr. Ald. MUSGROVE; and Mr. Ald. CHALLIS.

*Before Mr. Recorder and the First Jury.*

1492. CHARLES JAMES COLLINS was indicted for a libel upon William Henry Watts: to which he pleaded  
GUILTY.—*To enter into recognizances in £40 for One Year.*

1493. MARY TIMBRELL and HARRIETT SMITH, unlawfully keeping a disorderly house: to which  
SMITH pleaded GUILTY. Aged 29.—*To enter into recognizances in £40 for one year.*

TIMBRELL pleaded GUILTY. Aged 58.—*Confined Three Months.*

1494. MARY HINDS was indicted for a like offence.

MESSRS. RYLAND and LAURIE conducted the Prosecution.

MARTHA MOORE. I am an unfortunate girl. I have known the house, 2, Eyre-court, Aldersgate, about sixteen months; Mrs. Robinson kept it—I have been there with men, but not very often—there were bedrooms on the first-floor—I have asked for a room, and was shown to a bedroom; money was paid for it—I have seen other women come there with men.

HOWELL GODDARD. I am beadle of Aldersgate Ward; 2, Eyre-court, is in that Ward; it is still open, and very bad characters go there—there are disturbances at two and three o'clock in the morning—I have seen the defendant standing at the door of an evening, waiting for people, and she has been and paid me the rates—I have seen men go in with girls while she has been at the door, and she has gone in with them.

JAMES FREEMAN. I am a bootmaker, of 4, Eyre-court. I know No. 2; Mrs. Robinson has the lease of it—I have seen the prisoner soliciting parties going to chapel—she has asked me to go in—it is her duty to go out and catch people before they get to No. 3, which is a bawdy-house—I have heard her say, "Do you want a room?" and people have gone in with her—girls of the town go in and out regularly—there are dreadful rows there, and

I and my family have been kept awake three or four hours of a night, hearing the prisoner and Mrs. Robinson use most dreadful language.

THOMAS JAMES FRANCIS I am foreman to Mr. Casey, of 62, Aldersgate-street, at the corner of Eyre-court. No. 2 is a very disorderly house—there are *rows* and cries of "Murder!" in the night—prostitutes go in and out—the prisoner was servant there—I have seen her at the door, soliciting people—she would go up with them.

WILLIAM ARTHUR EVES (*City-policeman*, 125). I know 2, Eyre-court; it is a very disorderly house—I have been called in to *rows*—I have seen the prisoner at the door, soliciting people—I have followed them into a bedroom on the first-floor, when there was a *row* at the top of the house—she has shown them a room and taken the money when Mrs. Robinson was away.

*Prisoner.* I was charwoman there; the policeman said if I would tell him where Mrs. Robinson was, he would let me out on my own recognizance.  
*Witness.* No proposal was made to her—she was keeping another brothel when I took her.

GUILTY. Aged 49.—*Confined One Month.*

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