ROYAL COURT (Samedi Division)

104.

4th August, 1993

Before: The Bailiff, and Jurats Bonn and Hamon

The Attorney General

Lynette Ann Jeune

12 counts of fraud (Counts 1-12 of the Indictment);

3 counts of larceny (Counts 13-15);

3 counts of forgery (Counts 16-18);

3 counts of falsification of accounts (Counts 19-21).

AGE: 41

PLEA: Guilty

DETAILS OF OFFENCE:

Over approximately 10 months, defrauded employers of £8,427.11 by overpaying her own salary, forging cheques payable to herself etc. Wrote to employer before auditors discovered discrepancies, but in the knowledge that they would inevitably do so.

DETAILS OF MITIGATION:

Manipulated by former boyfriend. Had written to employer apologising and repaying £2,000 before auditors discovered discrepancy. Boyfriend had offered to repay balance. [On 02/07/93 the Court adjourned matter to 04/08/93 to see if balance was repaid, which it was].

PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS:

Two previous convictions for petty dishonesty, both over 10 years old. No previous prison sentence.

CONCLUSIONS:

9 months' imprisonment on each count, concurrent.

SENTENCE AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE COURT:

No exceptional circumstances to justify non-custodial, but because money repaid and having regard to probation report, as an act of mercy, 3 years probation and 200 hours community service.

Miss S.C. Nicolle, Crown Advocate.

Advocate P.M. Livingstone for the accused.

JUDGMENT

THE BAILIFF: When we adjourned last time I said that there were no exceptional circumstances which would entitle you to receive a non-custodial sentence, but that if the Court did impose a non-custodial sentence that would be as an act of mercy and for no other reason.

Having regard to the fact that all the money has now been repaid and to the matters mentioned in the probation report on the first occasion, we have decided - as an act of mercy, I repeat - to place you on probation for three years for each of the offences concurrent with each other, and you will carry out 200 hours of community service which must be performed within 12 months.

No authorities.