

*Elizabeth Alexander**
(uxor Elizabeth Hunt, Elizabeth Chidgey)

POLICE NUMBER 135 ¹	LITERACY read only
TRIAL DATE 19 October 1840	AGE ON EMBARKATION 19
TRIAL PLACE Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London	AGE ON ARRIVAL 20
OFFENCE larceny in pledging a veil and pair of gloves	HEIGHT 5' 1¾"
SENTENCE 7 years	COMPLEXION sallow
GAOL REPORT poor, single	HEAD oval
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS none	HAIR light brown
SURGEON'S REPORT good	VISAGE full
ON THE TOWN no	FOREHEAD medium
MARITAL STATUS single	EYEBROWS light brown, thin
CHILDREN 0	EYES hazel
FAMILY	NOSE medium
NATIVE PLACE Regents Park, London, England	MOUTH medium
TRADE ON EMBARKATION	CHIN round
TRADE ON ARRIVAL nurse, needlewoman, dressmaker	MARKS freckled

c1821 **Born** at Regents Park, London, Middlesex, England.²

19 October 1840 Tried at the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London, England indicted for larceny in stealing from Ruth Southgate on 19 September 1 veil value 10 shillings, 1 printed book value 2 shillings, 2 handkerchiefs value 7 shillings, and 1 pair of gloves value 1 shilling; also indicted for obtaining by false pretences from James Nicholson on 17 October 6 yards of flannel and 5 yards of ribbon; plea guilty to both indictments; sentence 7 years transportation.³

5 April 1841 Departed Woolwich, England on the *Rajah*.⁴

17 April 1841 Put on the *Rajah* sick list suffering from cephalalgia⁵, aged 19.⁶

 Observation of doctor:
*She has been for some days complaining of pain in her head as well as in her left side near the region of her heart. She says she can eat nothing. Her bowels are habitually costive and she has comonally suffered from haemorrhoids. She is also much dejected and low spirited. She was removed into Hospital ... she complained much of thirst.*⁶

18 April 1841 Observation of doctor:
*Bowels moved once in the night. The headache is less, but she still complains of her side. A full inspiration produces no inconvenience whatever.*⁶

19 April 1841 Observation of doctor:
*She says that she feels better but that the pain in her side still continues. She seems to prefer the Hospital to her own berth and the Nurse tells me she makes no complaint during the day. I told her if the pain was not better tomorrow I should apply a blister to her side.*⁶

20 April 1841 Put off the *Rajah* sick list.⁶

 Observation of doctor:
*No complaint of pain this morning. She accordingly returned to her berth and was put off the sick list.*⁶

19 July 1841 Arrived at Hobart on the *Rajah*.⁴

¹ TAHO, CON40/1/2 p.15 No.135 [image 17] (Elizabeth Alexander); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.175 [image 91] (Elizabeth Alexander); ML, CY 1282 p.144 (Elizabeth Alexander); ML, CY 1197 p.152 (Elizabeth Alexander); ML, CY 958 p.441 (Elizabeth Alexander)

² TAHO, CON 19/1/1 p.175 [image 91] (Elizabeth Alexander)

³ *Old Bailey Proceedings Online*, t18401019-2564 (Elizabeth Alexander)

⁴ AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah* Case 2 (Elizabeth Alexander)

⁵ Cephalalgia is a pain in the head or neck, a headache.

⁶ AJCP, Adm.101/63 *Rajah* Case 2 (Elizabeth Alexander)

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- c24 July 1841 Upon arrival at Hobart, assigned to Mr PS Tomlins, Brisbane Street, Hobart.⁷
- 31 December 1841 Mustered in the service of Mr Tomlins, Brisbane Street, Hobart.⁸
- 25 July 1842 Application for permission to marry Charles Hunt⁹ (free) sent to the Muster Master.¹⁰
- 4 August 1842 Application for permission to marry Charles Hunt sent to the Secretary; approved.¹⁰
- 5 September 1842 **Married** Charles Hunt at Trinity Anglican Church, Hobart; Elizabeth aged 20, spinster; Charles aged 29, cook, widower; witnesses H Harding and Mary Sheehy.¹¹
- 31 December 1842 Husband Charles Hunt the person in charge of a household at Patrick Street, Hobart; owner James F Strachan; completed, stone building; 2 persons in the dwelling – 1 married male aged between 21 and 45, Anglican, domestic servant; and 1 married female aged between 21 and 45, in private assignment, Anglican, no class of occupation.¹²
- 21 February 1845 Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 25 February.¹³
- 11 September 1847 Husband Charles Hunt burgled by John Woodcock; resident of Harrington Street, Hobart.¹⁴
- Newspaper report:
*John Woodcock was found guilty of a burglary in the house of Charles Hunt, of Harrington-street, on the 11th September. The prisoner was seen by a neighbour to enter the house of the prosecutor during his absence, and to come out with a bundle. He was immediately pursued and captured.*¹⁴
- 19 October 1847 Free by servitude; Certificate of Freedom available for collection.¹⁵
- 27 October 1847 Certificate of Freedom issued.¹⁶
- 5 September 1854 Husband Charles Hunt a signatory¹⁷ to a petition to the Queen against the appointment of Valentine Fleming Esq. to replace Sir John Lewes Pedder as Chief Justice of the colony, instead of Mr. Justice Horne; resident of Melbourne Street, Hobart; storeman.¹⁸
- 13 March 1855 Husband Charles Hunt declared insolvent.¹⁹
- Newspaper Report:
In the matter of the Insolvency of Charles Hunt of Macquarie Street Hobart Town in Van Diemen's Land, Storeman.
To the several Creditors of the said Insolvent or their Agents.
NOTICE is hereby given that the above named CHARLES HUNT did this day present his petition to Fielding Browne, Esquire, Commissioner of Insolvent Estates for Hobart Town, under the act of this Island, intituled "An Act to make provision for the more effectual distribution of Insolvent Estates" alleging his insolvency and praying for relief pursuant to the said Act, and the same having come on to be heard before the said Commissioner the said Charles Hunt was declared insolvent, and Henry Boase Tonkin of Hobart Town, Esquire, was thereupon appointed Provisional Assignee of the Estate and effects of the said Insolvent. – And notice is hereby further given that the said Commissioner has appointed THURSDAY the twenty-ninth day of March instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court of

⁷ ML, CY 1282 p.144 (Elizabeth Alexander; ML, CY 1274 p.253 (Elizabeth Alexander)

⁸ AJCP, HO 10/51 p.345 No.135 (Elizabeth Alexander)

⁹ This is possibly the Charles Hunt who arrived on the *Strathsfieldsay* in 1831, transported for 7 years; tried at Middlesex on 6 January 1831 for stealing a table cloth etc; single, shoe boy, aged 16; no entries on his conduct record (TAHO, CON31/1/20 p.127 No.1307 [image 129] (Cha^s Hunt); TAHO, CON18/1/19 [image 30] (Ch^s Hunt)). He applied for permission to marry Elizabeth Wines (free) on 9 May 1837, no marriage found (TAHO, CON52/1/1 p.78 (Charles Hunt & Elizabeth Wines)).

¹⁰ TAHO, CON52/1/2 p.80 (Charles Hunt & Elizth Alexander)

¹¹ TAHO, RGD37/1/2 1842/1700 Hobart (Charles Hunt & Elizabeth Alexander)

¹² TAHO, CEN1/1/60 p.9 (Charles Hunt)

¹³ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 25 February 1845 p.234 (Elizabeth Alexander)

¹⁴ *Colonial Times*, 8 October 1847 p.3 (Charles Hunt)

¹⁵ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 October 1847 p.1021 (Elizabeth Alexander)

¹⁶ TAHO, CON40/1/2 p.15 No.135 [image 17] (Elizabeth Alexander)

¹⁷ Future husband Edward Chidgey was also a signatory; resident of Melbourne Street, Hobart, shopman. E Hunt (clerk of Melbourne Street) and M Chidgey (shopman of Melbourne Street) were also signatories.

¹⁸ *Colonial Times*, 5 September 1854 p.1 (Charles Hunt)

¹⁹ *Mercury*, 14 March 1855 p.3 (Charles Hunt)

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Request's room Court House, Hobart Town, for the first meeting of the Creditors of the said Insolvent in order to the proof of their debts, the election of a permanent Assignee, the examination of the Insolvent, and for otherwise proceeding in the matter of such Insolvency.

Dated this thirteenth day of March, 1855.

C. W. MIDWOOD
Solicitor to the said Insolvency.²⁰

- 29 March 1855 Husband Charles Hunt appeared at the Insolvent Court, Hobart for the first meeting of creditors.²⁰
- 19 April 1855 Husband Charles Hunt appeared at the Insolvent Court, Hobart, discharge granted.²¹
- 26 April 1855 **Daughter** Emily Esther Hunt²² born at Hobart; mother Elizabeth Alexander; informant father Charles Hunt, storeman, resident of Macquarie Street, Hobart.²³
- 15 October 1855 Husband Charles Hunt died of liver complaint at Hobart, aged 46, storeman; informant friend Edward Chidgey, resident of Macquarie Street, Hobart.²⁴
- c1856 **Son** Manfred Edward Chidgey born.⁴³
- 25 May 1857 **Married** Edward Chidgey in the house of the bridegroom and his mother at Hobart; Elizabeth aged 21; Edward aged 21, shopman; witnesses Elizabeth Chidgey²⁵ and Sophia Lucas.²⁶
- 6 August 1857²⁷ **Daughter** Fanny Matilda Chidgey born at Hobart; father Edward Chydey, shopman; mother Elizabeth Alexander; informant friend Sophia Lucas, illiterate, resident of Liverpool Street, Hobart.²⁸
- 1858 Husband Edward Chidgey occupier of a house and shop at 250 Elizabeth Street, Hobart; owner George Beedham, annual value £22.²⁹
- 25 August 1860 **Son** Edward Edgar Chidgey born at Hobart; father Edward Chidgey, shoemaker; mother Elizabeth Alexander; informant friend Sophia Lucas, resident of Collins Street, Hobart.³⁰
- 2 December 1861 Husband Edward Chidgey occupier of a house in Melville Street, Hobart; owner John Smith, annual value £25.³¹
- 5 June 1862 **Son** Alexander Chidgey born at Hobart; mother Elizabeth Alexander; informant father Edward Chidgey, shoemaker, resident of Melville Street, Hobart.³²
- 26 April 1864 **Son** Arthur Augustus Chidgey born at Hobart; father Edward Chidgey; mother Elizabeth Alexander.³³
- 14 November 1870 Husband Edward Chidgey occupier of a house at 95 Collins Street, Hobart; owner George H Latham, England; annual value £21.³⁴
- 2 August 1873 Daughter Fanny Matilda Chidgey baptised at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Hobart; sponsor Ellen Meehan.³⁵
- Son Edward Chidgey baptised at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Hobart; sponsor Ellen Meehan.³⁶

²⁰ *Colonial Times*, 28 March 1855 p.2 (Charles Hunt)

²¹ *Mercury*, 20 April 1855 p.3 (Charles Hunt)

²² Later known as Emily Esther Chidgey.

²³ TAHO, RGD33/1/5 1855/2100 Hobart (female Hunt)

²⁴ TAHO, RGD35/1/5 1855/285 Hobart (Charles Hunt)

²⁵ This is probably Elizabeth Wooller who married John Manfred Chidgey.

²⁶ TAHO, RGD37/1/16 1857/386 Hobart (Edward Chidgey & Elizabeth Hunt)

²⁷ Date given as 30 July 1857 on baptism record.

²⁸ TAHO, RGD33/1/7 1857/716 Hobart (female Chydey)

²⁹ Cowley, *Alphabetical Listings by Owner and Occupier of the 1858 Valuation Roll for the City of Hobart Town* p.L1-13 (Edward Chidgey)

³⁰ TAHO, RGD33/1/8 1860/3653 Hobart (male Chidgey)

³¹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 19 December 1861 p.1989 (Edward Chidgey)

³² TAHO, RGD33/1/8 1862/5298 Hobart (Alexander Chidgey)

³³ TAHO, NS 1052/1/9 p.311 (Arthur Chidgey)

³⁴ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 6 December 1870 p.1387 (Edward Chidgey)

³⁵ TAHO, NS1052/1/9 p.311 (Frances Chidgey)

³⁶ TAHO, NS1052/1/9 p.311 (Edward Chidgey)

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- Son Arthur Chidgey baptised at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Hobart; sponsor Ellen Meehan.³³
- 27 May 1875 Daughter Fanny Matilda Chidgey died of diphtheria at Fitzroy Crescent, Hobart, aged 18, born Hobart; father Edward Chidgey, bootmaker; informant John Clarke, undertaker, Elizabeth Street, Hobart.³⁷
- May 1875 Daughter Fanny Matilda Chidgey buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay.³⁷
- 1 June 1875 Daughter Emily Esther Chidgey died of diphtheria at Fitzroy Crescent, Hobart, aged 20, born Hobart; father Edward Chidgey, bootmaker; informant John Clarke, undertaker, Elizabeth Street, Hobart.³⁸
- Death notice:
*CHIDGEY. – On the 1st June, at her parents' residence, No.3, Fitzroy Crescent, Emily Esther, eldest daughter of Mr. Chidgey, after a short and painful illness, deeply beloved by all who knew her. The funeral will leave her late residence on Friday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are requested to attend.*³⁹
- June 1875 Daughter Emily Esther Chidgey buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay with sister Fanny Matilda Chidgey.³⁸
- 25 March 1879 Son Manfred Edward Chidgey married Gillis Alexandra Campbell at Hobart; Manfred aged 21 or over, bachelor, confectioner; Gillis aged under 21, spinster; witnesses Mortimer Plane and Charles Grahame.⁴⁰
- 26 March 1880 Granddaughter Fanny Matilda Chidgey born at Hobart; mother Gillies Alexandra Campbell; informant father Manfred Edward Chidgey, cook, resident of Patrick Street, Hobart.⁴¹
- 15 November 1880 Husband Edward Chidgey occupier of a house at 44A Patrick Street, Hobart; owner Christina Hawkins; annual value £26.⁴²
- 12 August 1882 Son Manfred Edward Chidgey died of haemorrhage and phthisis at Warwick Street, Hobart, aged 26, born Hobart, pastry cook; informant John Clarke, undertaker, Elizabeth Street, Hobart.⁴³
- Death notice:
*CHIDGEY. – On Saturday, August 12, at his residence Warwick-street, Manfred Edward Chidgey, aged 26 years.*⁴⁴
- August 1882 Son Manfred Edward Chidgey buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay with sisters Fanny Matilda Chidgey and Emily Esther Chidgey.³⁸
- 31 December 1887 Husband Edward Chidgey died at 9 Brisbane Street, Hobart, aged 54, born England, billiard marker; informant Alex J Clark, undertaker, Collins Street, Hobart.⁴⁵
- Death notice:
*CHIDGEY. – On Saturday, December 31, 1887, Edward James Chidgey, in his 54th year.*⁴⁶
- January 1888 Husband Edward Chidgey buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay.⁴⁷

³⁷ TAHO, RGD35/1/8 1875/2756 Hobart (Fanny Matilda Chidgey); TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.349 (Fanny Chidgey)

³⁸ TAHO, RGD35/1/8 1875/2778 Hobart (Emily Esther Chidgey); *Mercury*, 3 June 1875 p.1 (Emily Esther Chidgey); TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.349 (Emily Chidgey and 3 others)

³⁹ *Mercury*, 3 June 1875 p.1 (Emily Esther Chidgey)

⁴⁰ TAHO, RGD37/1/38 1879/52 Hobart (Manfred Edward Chidgey & Gillis Alexandra Campbell); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.31383 (Manfred Edward Chidgey & Gillis Alexandra Campbell)

⁴¹ TAHO, RGD33/1/12 1880/1610 Hobart (Fanny Matilda Chidgey); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.186407 (Fanny Matilda Chidgey)

⁴² *Hobart Town Gazette*, 7 December 1880 p.1288 (Edw. Chidgey)

⁴³ TAHO, RGD35/1/10 1882/331 Hobart (Manfred Chidgey); *Mercury Supplement*, 26 August 1882 p.1 (Manfred Edward Chidgey)

⁴⁴ *Mercury Supplement*, 26 August 1882 p.1 (Manfred Edward Chidgey)

⁴⁵ TAHO, RGD35/1/11 1888/1164 Hobart (Edward James Chidgey); *Mercury Supplement*, 7 January 1888 p.1 (Edward James Chidgey); TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.33 (E James Chidgey)

⁴⁶ *Mercury Supplement*, 7 January 1888 p.1 (Edward James Chidgey)

⁴⁷ TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.33 (E James Chidgey)

- 12 September 1890 Son Arthur Augustus Chidgey married Frances Green at King Street Baptist Chapel, Hobart; Arthur aged 26, bachelor, draper; Frances aged 21, spinster; witnesses MF Palfreyman and Amy Palfreyman.⁴⁸
- 1 November 1890 Daughter-in-law Gillis Alexandra Campbell died of phthisis at Brisbane Street, Hobart, aged 31, born at sea, widow; informant Alex J Clark, undertaker, Collins Street, Hobart.⁴⁹
- Death notice:
*CHIDGEY. – On November 1, 1890, Gillies Chidgey, relict of the late Manfred Chidgey, after a long and painful illness. The funeral will leave her late residence, No.9, Brisbane-street, at half past 2 THIS AFTERNOON.*⁵⁰
- November 1890 Daughter-in-law Gillis Alexandra Campbell buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay.⁵¹
- 28 November 1890 Grandson Manfred Arthur Chidgey born at High Street, Hobart; father Arthur Augustus Chidgey, draper; mother Frances Victoria Green; informant uncle Edward Edgar Chidgey, resident of 9 Brisbane Street, Hobart.⁵²
- 8 May 1892 Grandson Eric Roy Chidgey born at Brisbane Street, Hobart; father Arthur Augustus Chidgey, draper; mother Frances Green; informant uncle Edward Edgar Chidgey, resident of 9 Brisbane Street, Hobart.⁵³
- 13 November 1893 Grandson Louis Alexander Chidgey born at Brisbane Street, Hobart; mother Fanny Green; informant Arthur Chidgey, draper, resident of Brisbane Street.⁵⁴
- 20 January 1895 Son Edward Edgar Chidgey died at Brisbane Street, Hobart, aged 35 or 36, born Hobart.⁵⁵
- Death notices:
*CHIDGEY. – On January 20, Edward Edgar Chidgey, in the 36th year of his age.*⁵⁶
*Edward Chidgey, aged about 34, died suddenly this morning. Deceased had been subject to fits for some time past.*⁵⁷
- 22 January 1895 Son Edward Edgar Chidgey buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay with sisters Fanny Matilda Chidgey and Emily Esther Chidgey and brother Manfred Edward Chidgey.⁵⁸
- 29 November 1895 Grandson Walter Leslie Chidgey born at Hunter Street, Hobart; father Arthur Augustus Chidgey, publican; mother Frances Victoria Green; informant cousin Fanny Chidgey, resident of Hunter Street, Hobart.⁵⁸
- 10 April 1896 Grandson Walter Leslie Chidgey died at Hunter Street, Hobart; aged 4 months, hotel keeper's child; informant Alex J Clark, undertaker, Collins Street.⁵⁹
- 18 December 1900 **Died** of senility and exhaustion at the *Prince Alfred Hotel*, Macquarie Street, Hobart, aged 76, born England, widow of Edward Chidgey.⁶⁰

⁴⁸ TAHO, RGD37/1/49 1890/578 Hobart (Arthur Chidgey & Frances Green); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.42712 (Arthur Chidgey & Frances Green)

⁴⁹ TAHO, RGD35/1/13 1890/6 Hobart (Gillies Chidgey); *Mercury*, 3 November 1890 p.1 (Gillies Chidgey); TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.28 (Gillies Chidgey)

⁵⁰ *Mercury*, 3 November 1890 p1 c1 (Gillies Chidgey)

⁵¹ TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.28 (Gillies Chidgey)

⁵² TAHO, RGD33/1/17 1890/1070 Hobart (Manfred Arthur Chidgey); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.254103 (Manfred Arthur Chidgey)

⁵³ TAHO, RGD33/1/18 1892/1075 Hobart (Eric Roy Chidgey); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.260860 (Eric Roy Chidgey)

⁵⁴ TAHO, RGD33/1/19 1893/1245 Hobart (Louis Alexander Chidgey); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.266584 (Louis Alexander Chidgey)

⁵⁵ *Mercury Supplement*, 26 January 1895 p.2 (Edward Edgar Chidgey); TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.349 (E Edw Chidgey)

⁵⁶ *Mercury Supplement*, 26 January 1895 p.2 (Edward Edgar Chidgey)

⁵⁷ *Examiner*, 21 January 1895 p.6 (Edward Chidgey)

⁵⁸ TAHO, RGD33/1/21 1896/61 Hobart (Walter Leslie Chidgey); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.276402 (Walter Leslie Chidgey)

⁵⁹ TAHO, RGD35/1/15 1896/624 Hobart (Walter Leslie Chidgey); Gunn & Kippen, 'Household and Family Formation in Nineteenth-Century Tasmania' No.571888 (Walter Leslie Chidgey)

Death notice:

CHIDGEY. – On December 17, at her late residence, Macquarie-street, Elizabeth, relict of the late Edward Chidgey, aged 76.⁶¹

Funeral notice:

CHIDGEY. – On December 18, at her son's residence, Prince Alfred Hotel, Macquarie-street, Elizabeth, relict of the late Edward Chidgey, sen., aged 76. Funeral will leave her late residence at 2.30 to-day, for Sandy Bay Cemetery.⁶²

- 20 December 1900 Buried at Queenborough Cemetery, Sandy Bay with husband Edward Chidgey.⁶⁰
12 October 1907 Son Arthur Augustus Chidgey died at the General Hospital, Hobart; aged 42.⁶³
14 October 1907 Son Arthur Augustus Chidgey buried, private service.⁶⁴

⁶⁰ TAS Death Certificate 1900/504 (Elizabeth Chidgey); *Mercury*, 19 December 1900 p.1 (Elizabeth Chidgey); TAHO, AB317/1/1 p.33 (Elizabeth Chidgey); TFHS, *Undertakers of Hobart Vol II 1885–1907* p.33 (Mrs Elizabeth Chidgey)

⁶¹ *Mercury*, 19 December 1900 p.1 (Elizabeth Chidgey)

⁶² *Mercury*, 20 December 1900 p.1 (Elizabeth Chidgey)

⁶³ TAS Death Record 1907/1524 (Arthur Chidgey); *The Mercury*, 14 October 1907 p.1 (Arthur Augustus Chidgey)

⁶⁴ *The Mercury*, 14 October 1907 p.1 (Arthur Augustus Chidgey)