

Jean Bowie *

POLICE NUMBER 475 ¹	LITERACY read and write imperfectly
TRIAL DATE 4 January 1841	AGE ON EMBARKATION 48
TRIAL PLACE Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London	AGE ON ARRIVAL 48
OFFENCE larceny in a dwelling house in stealing a shawl from her mistress' daughter Lady Elizabeth	HEIGHT 5' ¾"
SENTENCE 10 years	COMPLEXION pale
GAOL REPORT poor, single	HEAD oval
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS none	HAIR brown
SURGEON'S REPORT very good	VISAGE oval, thin
ON THE TOWN no	FOREHEAD wrinkled
MARITAL STATUS single	EYEBROWS light brown, thin
CHILDREN 0	EYES brown, large
FAMILY	NOSE long, turned up
NATIVE PLACE Marylebone, London, England	MOUTH wide
TRADE ON EMBARKATION	CHIN round
TRADE ON ARRIVAL dressmaker	MARKS freckled

c1793 **Born** at Marylebone, London, Middlesex, England.²

4 January 1841 Tried at the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London, England indicted for stealing on 26 December 1840 1 shawl value £8 from Lady Elizabeth Cornwallis, in the house of Louisa Dowager Marchioness Cornwallis; also indicted for stealing on 26 December 1840 1 printed book value 1 shilling 6 pence from Lady Elizabeth Cornwallis; plea guilty; sentence 10 years transportation; aged 48.³

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

22 June 1841 Put on the *Rajah* sick list suffering from obstipation;⁵ aged 48.⁶

18 July 1841 Put off the *Rajah* sick list.⁶

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

c24 July 1841 Upon arrival at Hobart, sent to Cascades Female Factory; not immediately assigned.⁷

31 December 1841 Mustered in the service of Mr J Lowe, Hobart.⁸

11 April 1844 Classified as a 3rd class probation pass-holder; gazetted 12 April.⁹

21 November 1844 Hired in private service for 6 months as probation pass-holder to Maria Dowdle, Warwick Street, Hobart.¹⁰

1 November 1845 Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 4 November.¹¹

27 December 1847 Charged with larceny; discharged.¹²

3 September 1860 **Died** of schirrus mammae¹³ at Cascades Female Factory, Hobart¹⁴; aged 71, pauper; informant HH Pemberton, clerk, Cascades Female Factory.¹⁵

¹ TAHO, CON40/1/2 p.83 No.475 [image 81] (Jean Bowie); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.181 [image 94] (Jane Bowie); ML, CY 1282 p.144 (Jane Bowie); ML, CY 1197 p.152 (Jane Bowie); ML, CY 958 p.441 (Jane Bowie)

² TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.181 [image 94] (Jane Bowie)

³ *Old Bailey Proceedings Online*, t18410104-445 (Jane Bowie)

⁴ AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah*

⁵ Obstipation is chronic constipation.

⁶ AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah* (Jane Bowie)

⁷ ML, CY 1282 p.143 (Jane Boughey); ML, CY 1274 p.253 (Jane Bowie)

⁸ AJCP, HO 10/51 p.349 No.475 (Jane Bowie)

⁹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 April 1844 p.424 (Jane Bowie)

¹⁰ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 24 December 1844 p.1532 (Jane Bowie)

¹¹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 4 November 1845 p.1386 (Jean Bowie)

¹² TAHO, CON40/1/2 p.83 No.475 [image 81] (Jean Bowie)

¹³ Schirrus mammae is breast cancer.

¹⁴ Place of death given as Colonial Hospital, Hobart on burial record.

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5 September 1860 Buried at Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery, Hobart; aged 61^{16,17}

¹⁵ TAHO, RGD35/1/6 1860/2408 Hobart (Jane Bowie)

¹⁶ Given her age at transportation, she was more likely to have been aged 71 as stated on her death certificate.

¹⁷ TAHO, NS349/1/29 p.255 (Jane Bowie)

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