

*Margaret Burke*¹
(*uxor Margaret Collard*)

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Galway	<i>Date Tried</i> 30 December 1848 ^a
<i>Offence</i> stealing clothes, gown & shoes	<i>Sentence</i> 7 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> Michael Maley, Co. Galway	<i>Previous Convictions</i> none – stealing a calf (3m) ^b
<i>Gaol Report</i> good	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> middling
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> 3 rd from 13 February 1850
<i>Other Information</i> tried & convicted with mother Bridget Burke (<i>qv</i>)	

<i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> single	<i>Trade</i> nurse girl
<i>Age</i> 10 ^c	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Galway
<i>Height</i> 4' 5¾", 4' 1"	<i>Complexion</i> fair
<i>Head</i> round	<i>Hair</i> sandy, brown
<i>Visage</i> narrow	<i>Forehead</i> high
<i>Eyebrows</i> sandy	<i>Eyes</i> blue
<i>Nose</i> small	<i>Mouth</i> small
<i>Chin</i> short	<i>Marks</i> none
<i>Family</i> mother Bridget (prisoner on board); father Michael (dead 2 years)	

27 February 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 5pm. ²
8 January 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ³
17 January 1852	To John Wilmot, Murray St, Hobart. ³
15 March 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, then to J Corcoran, Bathurst St, Hobart. ³
22 March 1852	Application for permission to marry John Moore, free; referred 22 March to PM Hobart & 19 April to master, Samuel Hickling. ⁴
29 March 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ³
30 March 1852	Contracted as PPH to Samuel Hickling, Argyle St, ^d Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. ⁵
7 April 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ³
10 April 1852	To J Davis, Murray St, Hobart. ³
16 April 1852	Tried at Hobart PC charged by her master J Davis, Murray St, Hobart with misconduct; discharged & returned to the service of the Crown, to Brickfields Hiring Depot, her master withdrawing the charge. ⁶
3 May 1852	To Thomas Yates, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ³
11 May 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ³
1 June 1852	To Francis Atkinson, Sorell. ³
10 July 1852	Charged by her master Francis Atkinson with neglect of duty; sentence 2m HL. ³
16 July 1852	Not to enter service in the district of Hobart. ³
20 July 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ³
17 August 1852	Charged at Cascades FF with talking at work; sentence 3d bread & water. ⁷
27 August 1852	Charged at Cascades FF with talking in work room; sentence 3d SC. ⁷
5 November 1852	To J Johnson, Green Ponds. ³
6 November 1852	To Joseph Speed, Green Ponds. ³
8 November 1852	To Mr Evans, Pontville. ³

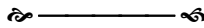
^a Date given as 4 January 1849 on Irish transportation register.

^b Gaol report stated never before convicted.

^c Age given as 13y on Grangegorman prison register.

^d Address given as Patrick St on conduct record.

29 November 1852	Charged by her master Mr Evans with idleness; sentence 6m HL. ³
30 November 1852	Ticket-of-Leave refused. ³
1 December 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ³
23 April 1853	To John Ellery, New Norfolk. ³
26 April 1853	Absconded from the service of Richard Drury, Liverpool St, Hobart. ⁸
27 April 1853	Tried at Hobart PC charged with absence without leave from the service of Richard Drury, Liverpool St, Hobart on 26 April for 11 hours; sentence 3m HL, Cascades FF. ⁶
26 July 1853	To William Sibley, Hamilton. ³
20 December 1853	Ticket-of-Leave granted. ³
December 1853	Mustered in Hamilton district, resident with William Sibley, Hamilton. ⁹
31 January 1854	Application for permission to marry Benjamin Collard, FS (<i>Lord Auckland</i> 1) (approved 1 February). ¹⁰
27 February 1854	Married as full age, ^e servant, to Benjamin Collard, full age, servant, at St Mary the Virgin CE Church, Macquarie Plains; witnesses Charles Maddox, John William Hollies & Jane Hollies. ¹¹
June 1854	Mustered in Hamilton district, resident with Mr J Fenton, <i>Allenvale</i> . ⁹
28 June 1854	Mustered at Green Ponds, resident with M Hills. ¹²
27 August 1854	Mustered at Hamilton, resident with Robert Turnley, <i>Peckham Vale</i> . ¹²
December 1854	Mustered in Hamilton district, resident with husband, <i>Peckham Vale</i> . ⁹
3 February 1855	Son William Benjamin Collard, labourer's child, born at Hamilton; baptised 4 March 1855 at St Peter's CE Church, Hamilton. ¹³
June 1855	Mustered in Hamilton district, resident with husband, <i>Peckham Vale</i> . ⁹
30 December 1855	Free by servitude.
10 January 1857	Daughter Mary Ann Collard, labourer's child, born at Hamilton. ¹⁴
31 March 1859	Son John James Collard, labourer's child, born at Hamilton; baptised 22 May 1859 at St Peter's CE Church, Hamilton; parents resident at Hollow Tree. ¹⁵
16 February 1860	Certificate of Freedom collected. ³



^e Margaret was actually between 14 and 17 years of age, according to her convict records.

References

- ¹ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1005 (Margaret Burke); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Margaret Bourke); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.14 (Margaret Burke); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1631 (Margaret Burke); NAI, TR8 p.219 (Margaret Burke)
- ² NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1631 (Margaret Burke)
- ³ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1005 (Margaret Burke)
- ⁴ AOT, CON 52/5 p.314 (John Moore & Margaret Burke)
- ⁵ AOT, CON 30/1 p.273 (Margaret Burke)
- ⁶ AOT, LC 251/2 (Margaret Bourke/Burke)
- ⁷ AOT, CON 138/1 (Margaret Burke)
- ⁸ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 3 May 1853 (Margaret Burke)
- ⁹ AOT, POL 295/1 (Margaret Burke)
- ¹⁰ AOT, CON 52/7 p.60 (Benjamin Collard & Margaret Burke)
- ¹¹ AOT, RGD 37/13 1854/1200 New Norfolk (Benjamin Collard & Margaret Burke)
- ¹² AOT, POL 294/1 (Margaret Burke)
- ¹³ AOT, RGD 33/33 1855/374 Hamilton (Benjamin Collard); AOT, NS 2065/1 p.42 (William Benjamin Collard)
- ¹⁴ AOT, RGD 33/35 1857/675 Hamilton (Mary Ann Collard)
- ¹⁵ AOT, RGD 33/37 1859/739 Hamilton (John Collard); AOT, NS 2065/1 p.53 (John James Collard)