

*Catherine Butler*<sup>1</sup>  
(*uxor Catherine Poole*)

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| <i>Place Tried</i> Co. Cork           | <i>Date Tried</i> 16 September 1848 <sup>a</sup>   |
| <i>Offence</i> stealing a counterpane | <i>Sentence</i> 7 years                            |
| <i>Prosecutor</i> unknown, Co. Cork   | <i>Previous Convictions</i> 3 – clothes (3m & 2m)  |
| <i>Gaol Report</i> good, useful       | <i>Surgeon's Report</i> quiet                      |
| <i>Station of Gang</i> not stated     | <i>Class</i> 3 <sup>rd</sup> from 13 February 1850 |

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| <i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic | <i>Literacy</i> neither read nor write   |
| <i>Marital Status</i> single   | <i>Trade</i> country servant             |
| <i>Age</i> 26                  | <i>Native Place</i> Co. Cork             |
| <i>Height</i> 4' 11", 4' 9"    | <i>Complexion</i> fresh, freckled        |
| <i>Head</i> oval               | <i>Hair</i> black, brown                 |
| <i>Visage</i> oval             | <i>Forehead</i> high                     |
| <i>Eyebrows</i> dark, black    | <i>Eyes</i> hazel grey                   |
| <i>Nose</i> medium             | <i>Mouth</i> medium                      |
| <i>Chin</i> retreating         | <i>Marks</i> face pock-marked & freckled |
| <i>Family</i> sister Anna      |  |

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| 1 March 1849               | Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 2pm. <sup>2</sup>   |
| 26 July 1851               | Contracted as PPH to J[?] S Butler, New Town Rd, Hobart, 12m at £8 pa. <sup>3</sup>   |
| 28 October 1851            | Ticket-of-Leave refused, to apply in 5 months. <sup>4</sup>   |
| 7 January 1852             | To George Marshall, Liverpool St, Hobart. <sup>4</sup>  |
| 30 March 1852              | Ticket-of-Leave granted. <sup>4</sup>   |
| 10 June 1852               | Application for permission to marry James Poole ( <i>Susan</i> 2); referred 11 June to Revd Dr Fry & man. <sup>5</sup>  |
| 1 August 1853 <sup>b</sup> | Illegitimate <b>daughter</b> Eliza Butler born at Brickfields Nursery, Hobart; baptised 29 August 1853 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Johanna Sullivan. <sup>6</sup>                                     |
| 23 August 1853             | Tried at Hobart PC charged with misconduct as a prisoner of the Crown in having been recently delivered of an illegitimate child; returned to the service of the Crown, recommended her TL be revoked. <sup>7</sup> |
| 25 August 1853             | To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. <sup>4</sup>   |
| 19 September 1853          | Ticket-of-Leave revoked for misconduct. <sup>8</sup>  |
| 21 April 1854              | Charged at Brickfields Hiring Depot with eating her child's food; sentence punishment dress & brown rations. <sup>9</sup>   |
| 5 July 1854                | To hospital. <sup>4</sup>   |
| 14 August 1854             | Application for permission to marry James Poole ( <i>Susan</i> 2); will be approved if clergyman is satisfied (approved 13 September <sup>c</sup> ). <sup>10</sup>  |
| 9 October 1854             | <b>Married</b> as 32y, spinster, to James Poole, 33y, saddler, at St George's CE Church, Battery Point; witnesses Patrick Ryley & Catherine Ryley. <sup>11</sup>  |
| c1854–1855                 | <b>Daughter</b> Mary Ann Poole born. <sup>12</sup>  |
| 1 May 1855                 | Ticket-of-Leave restored. <sup>4</sup>  |
| 30 June 1855               | Daughter Eliza Butler, 1y 9m, died of teething at Queen's Orphanage, New Town. <sup>13</sup>  |
| 16 September 1855          | Free by servitude.  |
| 27 September 1855          | Certificate of Freedom collected. <sup>4</sup>  |
| 25 March 1856              | <b>Son</b> George Poole, saddler's child, born at Bathurst St, Hobart; baptised 20 April 1856 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors Patrick Reilly & Catherine Reilly. <sup>14</sup>                           |

<sup>a</sup> Date given as 19 September 1848 on Irish transportation register.

<sup>b</sup> Date given as 6 August 1853 on baptism record.

<sup>c</sup> Date given as 19 September 1854 on conduct record.

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| 16 September 1856            | Husband James Poole granted Conditional Pardon. <sup>15</sup>   |
| 20 September 1856            | Son George Poole, 6m, saddler's child, died of convulsions in Hobart. <sup>16</sup>   |
| 23 April 1857                | <b>Son</b> Charles Poole, saddler's child, born at Melbourne St, Hobart; baptised 10 May 1857 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors James Leech <sup>e</sup> & Mary Doyle. <sup>17</sup>   |
| 24 May 1858                  | Tried at Deloraine PC, FS, 36y, charged with being drunk & disorderly at Deloraine on 23 May; fined 10s. <sup>18</sup>  |
| 2 November 1858              | Tried at Deloraine PC, FS, 36y, charged with disturbing the public peace in a public place at Deloraine on 2 November; fined 5s. <sup>18</sup>  |
| 20 December 1858             | Husband James Poole, FS, 36y, charged with disturbing the peace in a public place at Deloraine on 18 December; discharged. <sup>19</sup>  |
| 18 March 1859                | Tried at Deloraine PC, FS, 30y, charged with being drunk & disorderly in a public place at Deloraine on 17 March; fined 10s. <sup>18</sup>  |
| 31 October 1859 <sup>f</sup> | <b>Daughter</b> Fanny Poole, saddler's child, born at York Plains; baptised 21 November 1859 at St Paul's RC Church, Oatlands; sponsor John [?]. <sup>20</sup>  |
| 15 March 1860                | Husband James Poole, FS, 35y, tried at Deloraine PC charged with being drunk & disorderly; fined 10s, in default 24h SC. <sup>19</sup>  |
| 30 July 1860 <sup>g</sup>    | Tried at Brighton PC, FS, on summons to answer the complaint of Mary Pithouse who prayeth sureties of the peace, she being in fear of her life; ordered to find £2 in sureties, costs 7/6 remitted. <sup>21</sup>   |
| 18 January 1861              | <b>Son</b> John Poole, saddler's child, born at Elizabeth St, Hobart; baptised 21 February 1861 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Margaret Green. <sup>22</sup>   |
| 26 March 1861 <sup>g</sup>   | Tried at Green Ponds PC, FS, charged with making use of obscene language in a public street at Green Ponds on 20 March; fined 5s & costs 9/6. <sup>23</sup>   |
| 26 April 1862 <sup>g</sup>   | Tried at Green Ponds PC, FS, charged with Mary Cuttle ( <i>Persian</i> ), Ann Kelly ( <i>Duke of Cornwall</i> ) & Ann Spencer ( <i>John William Dare</i> ) with disturbing the public peace in a public place at Green Ponds on 14 April; fined 5s, in default 14d HL, fine paid 15 July. <sup>23</sup> |
| 14 January 1863              | Patient at Hobart Hospital. <sup>24</sup>   |
| 26 January 1863              | Admitted to New Norfolk Insane Asylum for amentia, 36y, journeyman saddler's wife from Hobart. <sup>25</sup>  |
| 27 January 1863              | Application for son Charles Poole & daughter Fanny Poole to be admitted to Queen's Orphanage, New Town; mother being in New Norfolk Insane Asylum (admitted 5 February). <sup>26</sup>  |
| September 1863               | Husband James Poole visited at New Norfolk Insane Asylum. <sup>27</sup>   |
| 31 December 1863             | Discharged from New Norfolk Insane Asylum, recovered, no property. <sup>25</sup>  |
| 25 April 1866 <sup>g</sup>   | Appeared at Green Ponds PC as witness against Julia Emmett (nee Judith Brady, <i>qv</i> ). <sup>28</sup><br>Tried at Green Ponds PC charged by William Perks with assaulting him; fined 10s & costs – total £1.3.6. <sup>28</sup>   |
| 12 May 1866 <sup>g</sup>     | <b>Error! Bookmark not defined.</b> Tried at Green Ponds PC charged with insulting a passer-by; witness Henry Burns; fined 5s & costs of 8/6, allowed 1 week to pay. <sup>28</sup>  |
| 27 July 1866                 | Re-admitted to New Norfolk Insane Asylum for amentia, 38y, journeyman saddler's wife, pauper, from Hobart. <sup>29</sup>  |
| 24 March 1869                | Daughter Fanny Poole, 10y, died of encephalitis at Hobart Hospital. <sup>30</sup>   |
| 20 November 1869             | Husband James Poole charged with larceny at Green Ponds; sentence 3m HL. <sup>15</sup>  |
| 12 April 1870                | Husband James Poole granted Free Pardon. <sup>15</sup>  |

<sup>d</sup> Patrick and Catherine Reilly were probably the same people that were witnesses at Catherine and James' marriage – Patrick and Catherine Ryley.

<sup>e</sup> This is likely to have been the husband of Bridget Carson (*qv*).

<sup>f</sup> Date given as 30 October 1859 on baptism record.

<sup>g</sup> It is not certain this charged related to Catherine Butler – it may have been a charge against Catherine Conway who was transported on the *Blackfriar*. She married Thomas Poole and lived also at this time in the Brighton district.

- 19 February 1879 Husband James Poole, 62y, harness maker or saddler, resident at Melville St, Hobart, died of pulmonary haemorrhage at Hobart Hospital; buried 21 February in CE section, Cornelian Bay Cemetery, Hobart.<sup>31</sup>
- 12 October 1890 **Died** of acute bronchitis at New Norfolk Insane Asylum, 62y, pauper.<sup>32</sup>



## References

- <sup>1</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1002 (Catherine Butler); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Catherine Butler); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.11 (Catherine Butler); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1634 (Catherine Butler); NAI, TR8 p.198 (Catherine Butler)
- <sup>2</sup> NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1634 (Catherine Butler)
- <sup>3</sup> AOT, CON 30/2 p.317 (Catherine Butler)
- <sup>4</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1002 (Catherine Butler)
- <sup>5</sup> AOT, CON 52/5 p.367 (James Poole & Catherine Butler)
- <sup>6</sup> AOT, RGD 33/5 1853/48 Hobart (Eliza Butler) – mother's name given as Margaret Butler; AOT, NS 1052/8 p.206 (Mary Butler)
- <sup>7</sup> AOT, LC 247/23 (Catherine Butler)
- <sup>8</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 20 September 1853 p.847 (Catharine Butler)
- <sup>9</sup> AL&MFA, Beattie Papers, Record Book Women's Punishment 1852-1854, p.213 (Catherine Butler)
- <sup>10</sup> AOT, CON 52/7 p.359 (James Poole & Catherine Butler)
- <sup>11</sup> AOT, RGD 37/13 1854/452 Hobart (James Poole & Catherine Butler)
- <sup>12</sup> AOT, SWD 26/6 1863 (Mary Ann Poole)
- <sup>13</sup> AOT, RGD 35/5 1854/42 Hobart (Eliza Butler)
- <sup>14</sup> AOT, RGD 33/6 1856/1118 Hobart (George Poole); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.305 (George Poole)
- <sup>15</sup> AOT, CON 33/24 *Susan* 2 No.5892 (James Poole)
- <sup>16</sup> AOT, RGD 35/5 1856/984 Hobart (George Poole)
- <sup>17</sup> AOT, RGD 33/6 1857/355 Hobart (male Poole); AOT, NS 1052/9 p.15 (Charles Pool)
- <sup>18</sup> AOT, LC 114/1 (Catherine Poole)
- <sup>19</sup> AOT, LC 114/1 (James Poole)
- <sup>20</sup> AOT, RGD 33/37 1859/1788 Oatlands (Fanny Poole); AOT, NS 1052/5 p.10 (Hannah Poole)
- <sup>21</sup> AOT, LC 53/5 p.744 (Catherine Pool)
- <sup>22</sup> AOT, RGD 33/8 1861/4027 Hobart (John Pool); AOT, NS 1052/9 p.131 (John Poole)
- <sup>23</sup> AOT, LC 194/3 (Catharine Poole)
- <sup>24</sup> AOT, HSD 285/19 (Catherine Butler *ux* Pool)
- <sup>25</sup> AOT, HSD 247/1 No.370 (Catherine Pool)
- <sup>26</sup> AOT, SWD 26/6 (Charles & Fanny Poole)
- <sup>27</sup> AOT, HSD 52/2 p.10 (Catherine Pool)
- <sup>28</sup> AOT, LC 194/4 (Catharine Poole)
- <sup>29</sup> AOT, HSD 247/1 No.519 (Catherine Butler *uxor* Poole); AOT, HSD 285/3 No.519 (Catherine Butler *uxor* Poole); AOT, SWD 36/1 pp.15-16 (Catherine Butler *uxor* Pool)
- <sup>30</sup> AOT, RGD 35/7 1869/7809 Hobart (Fanny Poole)
- <sup>31</sup> AOT, RGD 35/9 1879/1683 Hobart (James Poole); SRCT CB CE Section M No.202 (James Pool)
- <sup>32</sup> AOT, RGD 35/59 1890/1017 New Norfolk (Catherine Poole or Butler)