

*Margaret Coy*<sup>1</sup>  
(*nee Margaret Jordan*)

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Clare	<i>Date Tried</i> 27 February 1849 <sup>a</sup>
<i>Offence</i> killing & stealing sheep	<i>Sentence</i> 10 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> John McMahon, Co. Clare	<i>Previous Convictions</i> none
<i>Gaol Report</i> quiet	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> quiet
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> 3 <sup>rd</sup> from 13 February 1850
<i>Other Information</i> tried & convicted with Judith Beaky ( <i>qv</i> ) & Mary Cooley <sup>b</sup> ( <i>qv</i> )	

<i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> married	<i>Trade</i> country servant, housemaid
<i>Age</i> 25 <sup>c</sup>	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Clare
<i>Height</i> 5' ¼", 4' 11½"	<i>Complexion</i> fair
<i>Head</i> round	<i>Hair</i> brown, fair
<i>Visage</i> round	<i>Forehead</i> medium
<i>Eyebrows</i> brown	<i>Eyes</i> blue
<i>Nose</i> medium	<i>Mouth</i> medium
<i>Chin</i> medium	<i>Marks</i> none
<i>Family</i> husband Michael (transported on the <i>London 2</i> ); brothers Michael & James; sisters Biddy & Mary; <sup>d</sup> 1 child	

27 March 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 10pm. <sup>2</sup>
26 October 1849	Husband Michael Coy, 33y, farm labourer, tried at Clare for stealing a sheep from Mr Curtin; sentence 7y transportation. <sup>3</sup>
10 July 1850	Contracted as PPH to William Hamilton, Elizabeth St, Hobart, 12m at £9 pa. <sup>4</sup>
19 March 1851	Husband Michael Coy arrived at Hobart, prisoner on the <i>London 2</i> . <sup>3</sup>
27 March 1851	Husband Michael Coy to Prisoners' Barracks, Hobart. <sup>3</sup>
12 April 1851	Contracted as PPH to Maurice Fay, Campbell St, Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. <sup>4</sup>
23 April 1851	Husband Michael Coy to Bridgewater. <sup>3</sup>
17 May 1851	Husband Michael Coy to Prisoners' Barracks, Hobart. <sup>3</sup>
23 May 1851	Husband Michael Coy to Bridgewater. <sup>3</sup>
18 June 1851	Husband Michael Coy to Prisoners' Barracks, then to JG Reeves, Elizabeth St, Hobart. <sup>3</sup>
21 January 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. <sup>5</sup>
27 January 1852	Letter of claim for unpaid wages to CG re Maurice Fay (2 <sup>nd</sup> application 7 May). <sup>6</sup>
7 February 1852	To William Harvey, <i>White Hart Inn</i> , Elizabeth St, Hobart, then to Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. <sup>5</sup>
16 February 1852	Contracted as PPH to Samuel Buller, Burnett St, Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. <sup>7</sup>
29 March 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, <sup>5</sup> then contracted as PPH to John Goss, Macquarie St, Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. <sup>4</sup>
13 May 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. <sup>5</sup>
18 June 1852	To John Mathison, Adelaide St, Hobart. <sup>5</sup>
22 June 1852	Husband Michael Coy granted Ticket-of-Leave. <sup>3</sup>
16 July 1852	To reside with husband Michael Coy. <sup>5</sup>

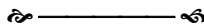
<sup>a</sup> Date given as 3 March 1849 on Irish transportation register.

<sup>b</sup> Mary is likely to have been Margaret's sister.

<sup>c</sup> Age given as 24y on Irish transportation register and Grangegorman prison register.

<sup>d</sup> This is likely to have been Mary Cooley (*qv*).

21 July 1852 <sup>e</sup>	<b>Daughter</b> Mary Coy, labourer's child, born at Macquarie St, Hobart; baptised 1 August 1852 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors Michael Reardon & Margaret Hastly. <sup>8</sup>
20 November 1852	Must serve 5y from date of conviction for Ticket-of-Leave. <sup>5</sup>
20 August 1853	To apply in 6 months for Ticket-of-Leave. <sup>5</sup>
7 February 1854	Husband Michael Coy granted Conditional Pardon. <sup>3</sup>
3 April 1854	<b>Daughter</b> Ann Coy, labourer's child, born at Macquarie St, Hobart; baptised 16 April 1854 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors Denis McAlister & Bridget Fraser. <sup>9</sup>
4 April 1854	Ticket-of-Leave granted. <sup>5</sup>
29 August 1854	Recommended for Conditional Pardon. <sup>5</sup>
16 April 1855	Husband Michael Coy tried at Hobart PC with Peter Troy <sup>f</sup> charged with being drunk in a public place in Hobart on 14 April; fined £1 plus costs 2s. <sup>10</sup>
17 July 1855	Conditional Pardon approved (issued at Hobart 8 September). <sup>11</sup>
7 February 1856 <sup>g</sup>	<b>Daughter</b> Margaret Coy, labourer's child, born at Bridgewater; baptised 10 February 1856 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors Martin Claven & Ellen Buckley. <sup>12</sup>
27 November 1856	Husband Michael Coy received Certificate of Freedom. <sup>3</sup>
5 August 1858 <sup>h</sup>	<b>Son</b> Michael Coy, labourer's child, born at O'Briens Bridge; baptised 5 September 1858 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors John Spelman & Margaret Jackson. <sup>13</sup>
27 February 1859	Free by servitude.
5 July 1859	Certificate of Freedom at Hobart. <sup>5</sup>
11 December 1860	<b>Son</b> Patrick Coy, labourer's child, born at O'Briens Bridge. <sup>14</sup>
30 April 1870	Brother-in-law Martin Coy married Ellen Dwyer at St James' RC Church, Port Cygnet. <sup>15</sup>
24 April 1871	Daughter Mary Coy married Thomas Maley at St James' RC Church, Port Cygnet. <sup>16</sup>
5 August 1873	Charged at Franklin PO at 2:30pm, resident at Port Cygnet, with disturbing the public peace in the public street at Lovett on 5 August; detained, fined 5s. <sup>17</sup> Daughter Ann Coy charged at Franklin PO at 2:30pm with resisting CDC John Lambert in the execution of his duty on 5 August; detained, charge withdrawn. <sup>17</sup>
12 December 1873	Daughter Ann Coy married Henry Cowen at St John's CE Church, Franklin. <sup>18</sup>
2 June 1881	Husband Michael Coy admitted to New Norfolk Insane Asylum from Hobart for dementia, 72y, in feeble health, age at first attack 54y. <sup>19</sup>
8 October 1881	Husband Michael Coy, 75y, pauper, died of brain disease & general debility at New Norfolk Insane Asylum. <sup>20</sup>
4 September 1889	Daughter Margaret Coy married John Ryde at St James' RC Church, Port Cygnet. <sup>21</sup>
10 November 1897	<b>Died</b> of spasms of the heart at Port Cygnet, 69y. <sup>22</sup>



<sup>e</sup> Date given as 1 September 1852 on birth record.

<sup>f</sup> Peter was the husband of Margaret Beaky (*qv*).

<sup>g</sup> Date given as 31 January 1856 on baptism record.

<sup>h</sup> Date given as 16 September 1858 on birth record.

## References

- <sup>1</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.999 (Margaret Coy); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Margaret Coy); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.21 (Margaret Coy); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1685 (Margaret Coy); NAI, TR9 p.10 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>2</sup> NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1685 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>3</sup> AOT, CON 14/42 *London 2* (Michael Coy); AOT CON 33/101 *London 2* No.23805 (Michael Coy)
- <sup>4</sup> AOT, CON 30/1 pp.90, 187 & 356 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>5</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.999 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>6</sup> AOT, CON 7/1 p.145 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>7</sup> AOT, CON 30/2 p.272 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>8</sup> AOT, RGD 33/4 1853/2031 Hobart (Mary McCoy); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.171 (Mary Coy) – mother's name given as Margaret Forde
- <sup>9</sup> AOT, RGD 33/5 1854/814 Hobart (Ann Coy); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.228 (Mary Ann Coy)
- <sup>10</sup> AOT, LC 247/25 (Michael Coy)
- <sup>11</sup> AOT, CON 56/2 No.806 (Margaret Coy)
- <sup>12</sup> AOT, RGD 33/6 1856/982 Hobart (Margaret Coy); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.298 (Margaret McCoy)
- <sup>13</sup> AOT, RGD 33/7 1858/1856 Hobart (Michael Coy); AOT, NS 1052/9 p.59 (Michael Coy)
- <sup>14</sup> AOT, RGD 33/8 1861/3934 Hobart (Patrick Coy)
- <sup>15</sup> AOT, RGD 37/29 1870/575 Port Cygnet (Martin Coy & Ellen Dwyer)
- <sup>16</sup> AOT, RGD 37/30 1871/516 Port Cygnet (Thomas Maley & Mary Coy)
- <sup>17</sup> AOT, POL 377/1 p.174 (Margaret Coy & Ann Coy)
- <sup>18</sup> AOT, RGD 37/32 1873/103 Franklin (Henry Cowen & Ann Coy)
- <sup>19</sup> AOT, HSD 247/1 No.1136 (Michael Coy); AOT, HSD 285/5 No.1136 (Michael Coy)
- <sup>20</sup> AOT, RGD 35/50 1881/455 New Norfolk (Michael Coy)
- <sup>21</sup> AOT, RGD 37/48 1889/690 Port Cygnet (John Ryde & Margaret Coy)
- <sup>22</sup> AOT, RGD 35/66 1897/587 Port Cygnet (Margaret Coy)