

*Catherine Doherty*<sup>1</sup>

(*aka Catherine Maguire, uxor Catherine LeFevre, Catherine Foley*)

Place Tried Co. Tyrone	Date Tried 9 April 1849
Offence stealing clothes (a shirt)	Sentence 7 years
Prosecutor unknown, Tyrone	Previous Convictions none – stealing potatoes (2m)
Gaol Report quiet	Surgeon's Report quiet
Station of Gang Anson	Class 3 <sup>rd</sup> from 13 February 1850
Religion Roman Catholic	Literacy neither read nor write
Marital Status single	Trade country servant, housemaid
Age 20	Native Place Omagh, Co. Tyrone
Height 5' 1¼", 5' 1"	Complexion fresh, swarthy
Head round	Hair dark, brown
Visage broad	Forehead high
Eyebrows dark	Eyes light hazel
Nose flat	Mouth large
Chin large	Marks face slightly freckled
Family mother Catherine; brothers John & James	

14 April 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 5pm. <sup>2</sup>
27 December 1850	Application for permission to marry Joseph LeFevre, FS ( <i>Bussorah Merchant</i> ); referred 31 December to APM Fingal (approved 14 January 1851). <sup>3</sup>
3 February 1851	<b>Married</b> as 20y, house servant, spinster; to Joseph LeFevre, 33y, farmer, bachelor, at St Thomas' CE Church, Avoca; witnesses Thomas Pilgrim & William Stacey. <sup>4</sup>
c1851	<b>Son</b> James LeFevre born in Oatlands district. <sup>14</sup>
20 January 1852	Not eligible for Ticket-of-Leave. <sup>6</sup>
17 April 1852	Contracted as PPH to Samuel B Kingsley, Oatlands, 12m at £8 pa. <sup>5</sup>
c1852	<b>Son</b> Joseph LeFevre born in Oatlands district. <sup>14</sup>
29 March 1853	Ticket-of-Leave granted. <sup>6</sup>
19 May 1853	Mustered in Swanport district, in service to husband Joseph LeFevre, Douglas River. <sup>7</sup>
13 August 1853	Husband Joseph LeFevre arrested <sup>a</sup> for stealing a cow. <sup>9</sup>
28 September 1853	Husband Joseph LeFevre, farmer, tried at Oatlands SC with Thomas Dewhurst for stealing a cow, value £8, property of Martha Amos; sentence life transportation, probation 6y at Port Arthur; wife Mary & children James & Ann <sup>b</sup> at Great Swan Port. <sup>8,9</sup>
c1853	Son James LeFevre adopted out <sup>c</sup> to Mrs Hinton <sup>d</sup> of Falmouth. <sup>16</sup> Formed a <i>de facto relationship</i> with James Foley.
21 November 1853	Witness at marriage of Julia Ahern ( <i>qv</i> ) & James Jenner at Oatlands. <sup>10</sup>
29 November 1853	Recommended for Conditional Pardon. <sup>6</sup>
30 December 1853	Sponsor at baptism of Catherine Bond, daughter of Ellenor Onions ( <i>qv</i> ), at Oatlands. <sup>11</sup>
20 January 1854	Mustered in Oatlands district. <sup>6</sup>
28 July 1854	<b>Son</b> Arthur LeFevre born in Oatlands district; baptised 24 January 1855 at St Paul's RC Church, Oatlands; sponsor Julia Ahern ( <i>qv</i> ). <sup>12</sup>
29 August 1854	Conditional Pardon approved (issued at Campbell Town 8 September). <sup>13</sup>
9 April 1856	Free by servitude.

<sup>a</sup> Future husband James Foley was a constable in Oatlands at this time, he may have been involved in the arrest. James Foley is likely to have been the father of Arthur LeFevre born 10 months after Joseph LeFevre's arrest.

<sup>b</sup> This entry on Joseph's record may have referred to Catherine and her children James and Joseph. It is also possible that they had separated by this time and Joseph was living with someone named Mary to whom he had a daughter Ann.

<sup>c</sup> According to a family history of the Foleys in Tasmania, Joseph LeFevre was also adopted out, to Mrs Little of Pyengana c1854.

<sup>d</sup> This may have been Mrs Hyman, wife of John Hyman, who lived at Falmouth at this time.

22 February 1857	<b>Son</b> James Henry Foley born in Launceston. <sup>14</sup>
30 March 1857	Husband Joseph LeFevre absconded from Bothwell; sentence 12m HL, Port Arthur. <sup>8</sup>
7 April 1858	Husband Joseph LeFevre committed for trial for cattle stealing at Swansea. <sup>8</sup>
20 May 1858	Husband Joseph LeFevre tried at Swanport; sentence 3y HL in chains. <sup>8</sup>
4 January 1859	Husband Joseph LeFevre granted Ticket-of-Leave. <sup>8</sup>
23 May 1859	Husband Joseph LeFevre's life sentence commuted to 10y. <sup>8</sup>
24 April 1860	Husband Joseph LeFevre granted Conditional Pardon. <sup>8</sup>
1 September 1860	<b>Son</b> Thomas Foley born at Launceston. <sup>14</sup>
13 September 1863	<b>Daughter</b> Mary Anne Foley born at East Devonport. <sup>14</sup>
26 February 1865	<b>Son</b> Charles Patrick Foley, labourer's child, born at Torquay. <sup>15</sup>
4 August 1866	Warrant issued for arrest of husband Joseph LeFevre charged with stealing 1 sheep on 29 July at Bluff River, property of John Palmer; has a son residing at Falmouth with a person named Hindon or Hinton. <sup>16</sup>
23 May 1867	<b>Daughter</b> Matilda Foley, labourer's child, born at Torquay. <sup>17</sup>
26 June 1870	<b>Daughter</b> Catherine Foley, labourer's child, born at Torquay. <sup>18</sup>
15 January 1873	<b>Son</b> Henry Joseph Foley, labourer's child, born at Torquay. <sup>19</sup>
31 July 1877	Son Arthur John Foley married Sarah Nibbs at Torquay. <sup>20</sup>
8 December 1877	<b>Married</b> as 45y, labouring woman, widow, to James Foley ( <i>Blenheim</i> 2), 69y, labourer, widower, at the residence of Anglican Minister Revd GF Archer, Torquay; witnesses Frederick Curner & Agnes Curner. <sup>21</sup>
24 January 1886	Son James Henry Foley married Sarah Elizabeth Smith at George Town. <sup>22</sup>
16 May 1888	Daughter Mary Anne Foley married Thomas Daniel Digny at St Patrick's RC Church, Latrobe. <sup>23</sup>
4 June 1891	Daughter Catherine Foley married Thomas James Young at Star of the Sea RC Church, East Devonport. <sup>24</sup>
15 January 1896	Husband James Foley, 95y, labourer, died at East Devonport. <sup>25</sup>
10 January 1898	Son Henry Joseph Foley married Ethel Maud Mary Dutton at Stella Maris RC Church, Low Head. <sup>26</sup>
19 March 1898	Son Thomas Foley married Margaret Tayler at East Devonport. <sup>27</sup>
25 October 1898	Son Charles Patrick Foley married Ellen Mahoney at St Patrick's RC Church, Latrobe. <sup>28</sup>
26 September 1914	<b>Died</b> at East Devonport, 85y, widow; leaving 5 sons & 2 daughters; funeral held at 11:45am on 29 September; buried in East Devonport Cemetery. <sup>29</sup>



## References

- <sup>1</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.667 (Catherine Doherty or Maguire); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Catherine Doherty); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.53 (Catherine Doherty); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1753 (Catherine Dogherty or Maguire)
- <sup>2</sup> NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1753 (Catherine Dogherty or Maguire)
- <sup>3</sup> AOT, CON 52/4 (Joseph LeFevre & Catherine Dogherty); AOT, CON 52/3 p.279 (Joseph LeVefre & Catherine Dogherty)
- <sup>4</sup> AOT, RGD 37/10 1851/88 Fingal (Joseph LeFevre & Catherine Dogherty)
- <sup>5</sup> AOT, CON 30/1 p.25 (Cath Donoghue)
- <sup>6</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.667 (Catherine Doherty or Maguire)
- <sup>7</sup> AOT, POL 242/1 1853 (Catherine Doherty or Maguire)
- <sup>8</sup> AOT CON 37/8 *Bussorah Merchant* No.2408 (Joseph LeFevre)
- <sup>9</sup> *Colonial Times*, 8 October 1853 p.3 col.1 (Thomas Dewhurst & Joseph LeFevre)
- <sup>10</sup> AOT, RGD 37/12 1853/1939 Oatlands (Catherine LaFever)
- <sup>11</sup> AOT, NS 1052/4 p.13 (Catherine LaFever)
- <sup>12</sup> AOT, NS 1052/4 p.17 (Arthur LaFever)
- <sup>13</sup> AOT, CON 56/2 No.1233 (Catherine Dogherty or McGuire)
- <sup>14</sup> personal communication, Tracie Lewis, 25 March 2004
- <sup>15</sup> AOT, RGD 33/43 1865/1302 Port Sorell (Charles Foley)
- <sup>16</sup> AOT, POL 709/1, 10 August 1866, p.126 (Joseph LeFever)
- <sup>17</sup> AOT, RGD 33/45 1867/1250 Port Sorell (Matilda Foley)
- <sup>18</sup> AOT, RGD 33/48 1870/1408 Port Sorell (Catherine Foley)
- <sup>19</sup> AOT, RGD 33/51 1873/1339 Port Sorell (Henry Foley)
- <sup>20</sup> AOT, RGD 37/36 1877/722 Port Sorell (Arthur Foley & Sarah Nibbs)
- <sup>21</sup> AOT, RGD 37/36 1877/725 Port Sorell (James Foley & Catherine O'Doeherty)
- <sup>22</sup> AOT, RGD 37/45 1886/561 Launceston (James Henry Foley & Sarah Elizabeth Smith)
- <sup>23</sup> AOT, RGD 37/47 1888/756 Mersey (Thomas Daniel Digny & Mary Anne Foley)
- <sup>24</sup> AOT, RGD 37/50 1891/772 Mersey (Thomas James Young & Catherine Foley)
- <sup>25</sup> AOT, RGD 35/65 1896/580 Port Frederick (James Foley)
- <sup>26</sup> AOT, RGD 37/59 1898/171 George Town (Henry Foley & Ethel Maud Mary Dutton)
- <sup>27</sup> AOT, RGD 37/60 1898/782 Mersey (Thomas Foley & Margaret Tayler)
- <sup>28</sup> AOT, RGD 37/60 1898/813 Mersey (Charles Foley & Ellen Mahoney)
- <sup>29</sup> *North West Post*, 28 September 1914 p.2 col.6 (Mrs Catherine Foley)