

*Maria Feans**

(proper name *Maria Parks*, *Maria Mark*; alias *Hannah Park*; uxor *Maria Follard*)

POLICE NUMBER 199 ¹	LITERACY read and write imperfectly
TRIAL DATE 16 October 1840 ²	AGE ON EMBARKATION 18
TRIAL PLACE Southampton Quarter Sessions	AGE ON ARRIVAL 19
OFFENCE larceny—shoplifting	HEIGHT 5' 2¾"
SENTENCE 7 years	COMPLEXION fair
GAOL REPORT not known, married	HEAD oval
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS none	HAIR brown
SURGEON'S REPORT has been weak but very good	VISAGE oval
ON THE TOWN no	FOREHEAD medium
MARITAL STATUS single ³	EYEBROWS brown
CHILDREN 0	EYES brown
FAMILY	NOSE medium
NATIVE PLACE Benister, Dorchester, England	MOUTH medium
TRADE ON EMBARKATION dressmaker	CHIN medium
TRADE ON ARRIVAL nurse, needlewoman	MARKS pockpitted

c1822 **Born** at Beaminster,⁴ Dorset, England.⁵

16 October 1840 Tried at the Quarter Sessions, Southampton, Hampshire, England indicted for larceny in shoplifting; sentence 7 years transportation.⁶

5 April 1841 Departed Woolwich, England on the *Rajah*.⁷

19 July 1841 Arrived at Hobart on the *Rajah*.⁷

c24 July 1841 Upon arrival at Hobart, sent to Launceston for assignment.⁸

5 October 1841 Charged at the Police Court, Longford with uselessness in the service of Mr William Archer,⁹ *Brickendon*; returned to Government.¹⁰

31 December 1841¹¹ Mustered in the service of William Archer Esq., Launceston.¹²

12 March 1842 Application for permission to marry John Follard¹³ (*John*) sent to the Muster Master.¹⁴

22 March 1842 Application for permission to marry John Follard sent to the Secretary; when she shall have been 12 months in the colony, viz – July next – then, providing clergyman be satisfied.¹⁴

18 July 1842¹⁵ **Married** John Follard at Christ Anglican Church, Longford; Maria aged 21, assigned servant, spinster, illiterate; John aged 29, ticket-of-leave holder, bachelor; witnesses William Powell and S Dowsett (clerk).¹⁶

¹ TAHO, CON40/1/4 p.177 No.199 [image 135] (Maria Feans); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.201 [image 104] (Maria Feans); ML, CY 1282 p.147 (Maria Feans proper name Maria Park); ML, CY 1197 p.154 (Maria Feanes); ML, CY 958 p.443 (Maria Feanes)

² Trial date given as 15 August 1840 on Embarkation List (ML, CY 1197 p.154 (Maria Feanes)), but 16 October 1840 on Assignment List (ML, CY 958 p.443 (Maria Feanes)).

³ Marital status given as married on Embarkation List (ML, CY 1197 p.154 (Maria Feanes)).

⁴ This is the most likely place of birth given that Benister, Dorchester, as given on the description list, does not exist.

⁵ TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.201 [image 104] (Maria Feans)

⁶ TAHO, CON40/1/4 p.177 No.199 [image 135] (Maria Feans)

⁷ AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah*

⁸ ML, CY 1282 p.141 (Maria Feans proper name Maria Park); ML, CY 1274 p.256 (Maria Feans proper name Maria Park)

⁹ The magistrate was also W Archer Esq. JP.

¹⁰ TAHO, LC362/1/5 p.142 (Maria Feanes)

¹¹ This date is taken from the muster and Maria may not have still been in service with William Archer at this time, though she was between July and October 1841.

¹² AJCP, HO 10/51 p.363 No.199 (Maria Feans)

¹³ John Follard was transported for 14 years on the *John* in 1833, tried at Middlesex on 3 January 1833 for stealing shew glass and sugar plumbs; single, house servant, aged 20, native place Boro'; Conditional Pardon 6 April 1843, Certificate of Freedom 29 January 1847, at Oatlands in 1842 (TAHO, CON31/1/14 p.90 No.626 [image 94] (John Follard), TAHO, CON18/1/11 p.313 No.626 [image 187] (John Follard)).

¹⁴ TAHO, CON52/1/2 p.57 (Maria Feanes & John Follard)

¹⁵ Year of marriage given as 1843 on daughter Hannah's birth certificate.

¹⁶ TAHO, RGD37/1/2 1842/1740 Launceston (Maria Feans & John Follard); VIC Death Certificate 1855/3068 (Maria Follard)

c1843	Son John Follard born at Launceston; mother Maria Feans. ¹⁷
7 January 1843	Husband John Follard a witness at the Supreme Court, Launceston at the trial of Henry Otter, a constable, charged with highway robbery on 7 October 1842; John watch-house keeper, Carrick. ¹⁸
6 April 1843	Husband John Follard approved for a Conditional Pardon; gazetted 7 April. ¹⁹
11 April 1843	At Launceston. ⁶
June 1843	Husband John Follard donated 2/6 to the subscription for the widow of District Constable Ward who was shot and killed by bushrangers near Fingal. ²⁰
24 August 1843	Charged with misconduct; admonished. ⁶
25 February 1844	Husband John Follard discharged as a constable from the Police Department; free. ²¹
11 April 1844	Classified as a 3 rd class probation pass-holder; gazetted 12 April. ²²
4 July 1844	Daughter Sarah Elizabeth Follard born at Launceston; mother Maria Feans; informant father John Follard, hawker, resident of Balfour Street, Launceston. ²³
31 July 1844	At Launceston. ⁶
1 November 1845	Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 4 November. ²⁴
29 January 1847	Husband John Follard issued a Certificate of Freedom. ¹⁹
8 August 1847	Daughter Martha Follard born at Longford; mother Maria Feans; informant father John Follard, bailiff, resident of Longford. ²⁵
16 October 1847	Free by servitude; Certificate of Freedom available for collection. ²⁶
11 April 1848	Certificate of Freedom issued; gazetted 18 April 1848. ²⁷
4 September 1849	Son (unnamed) Follard born at Longford; mother Maria Feans; informant father John Follard, labourer, resident of Longford. ²⁸
5 September 1849	Son (unnamed) Follard died of debility at Longford; aged 10 hours; informant father John Follard, labourer, resident of Longford. ²⁹
24 September 1850	Daughter (unnamed) Follard born at Longford; mother Maria Feans; informant father John Follard, bailiff, resident of Longford. ³⁰
31 January 1852	Husband John Follard departed Launceston for Melbourne as a steerage passenger on the schooner <i>Vixen</i> ; free by servitude, ship to colony <i>John</i> . ³¹
26 September 1852	Daughter Caroline Sophia Follard born at Longford; mother Maria Feans; informant father John Follard, collector, resident of Longford. ³²
4 February 1854	Daughter Caroline Sophia Follard died of scarlet fever at Longford; aged 3; informant father John Follard, labourer, resident of Longford. ³³
c1854	Daughter Charlotte Sophia Follard born at Launceston. ³⁴
cFebruary 1855	Moved with her family from Tasmania to Victoria. ³⁵

¹⁷ VIC Death Record 1865/6889 (John Follard)

¹⁸ *Examiner*, 11 January 1843 p.3 (John Follard)

¹⁹ TAHO, CON31/1/14 p.90 No.626 [image 94] (John Follard); *Hobart Town Courier*, 14 April 1843 p.4 (John Follard); *Examiner*, 12 April 1843 p.8 (John Follard)

²⁰ *Colonial Times*, 13 June 1843 p.1 (John Follard)

²¹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 8 March 1844 p.285 (John Follard)

²² *Hobart Town Gazette* 12 April 1844 p.425 (Maria Feans)

²³ TAHO, RGD33/1/23 1844/324 Launceston (Sarah Elizabeth Follard)

²⁴ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 4 November 1845 p.1386 (Maria Feans)

²⁵ TAHO, RGD33/1/27 1847/858 Longford (Martha Follard)

²⁶ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 October 1847 p.1021 (Marian Feans)

²⁷ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 18 April 1848 p.403 (Maria Feans)

²⁸ TAHO, RGD33/1/27 1849/1065 Longford (male Follard)

²⁹ TAHO, RGD35/1/19 1849/193 Longford (male Follard)

³⁰ TAHO, RGD33/1/27 1850/1180 Longford (female Follard)

³¹ TAHO, POL220/1/1 p.552 (John Follard)

³² TAHO, RGD33/1/30 1852/332 Longford (Caroline Sophia Follard)

³³ TAHO, RGD35/1/23 1854/388 Longford (Caroline Follard)

³⁴ VIC Death Record 1868/3447 (Charlotte Sophia Follard)

³⁵ VIC Death Certificate 1855/3068 (Maria Follard)

- 7 June 1855 **Daughter** Hannah Follard born³⁶ at St Kilda, VIC; father John Follard, collector, aged 42, born London, England; mother Hannah Park, aged 33, born Dorset, England; informant John Follard, collector, resident of St Kilda.³⁷
- 8 June 1855 **Died** of bronchitis at St Kilda, VIC; aged 33, born Dorset, England, 4 living children, 4 dead children;³⁸ parents unknown; informant John Follard, collector, resident of St Kilda.³⁹
- 9 June 1855 Daughter Hannah Follard died of congestion of the lungs at St Kilda, VIC; aged 30 hours; informant father John Follard, collector, resident of St Kilda.⁴⁰
- 11 September 1855 Husband John Follard married shipmate Eliza Cox (*qv* nee Deans) in the house of the bridegroom Mr John Follard at Wellington Street, Windsor, Prahran, VIC (Wesleyan Methodist service); Eliza aged 35, widow, no children, housekeeper, resident of Wellington Street, Windsor, Prahran, born West Indies, father __ Dean, a West Indian planter; mother's name not remembered; John aged 42, widower,⁴¹ house agent and collector, resident of Wellington Street, Windsor, Prahran, 4 living and 4 dead children, born London, England; father Peter Follard, warehouse keeper; mother Anne Hutton or Dutton; witnesses Charles C Cannam and Mary Cannam.⁴²
- 12 March 1860 Husband John Follard brought an action in the Old Court, Melbourne, VIC against Mr Wilkie for assaulting his wife Eliza Follard,⁴³ a woman of colour.⁴⁴
- 22 March 1860 Daughter Sarah Elizabeth Follard died of phthisis pulmonalis at St Kilda, VIC, aged 17, born Launceston, 5½ years in Victoria; mother Maria Park; informant father John Follard, agent, resident of St Kilda.⁴⁵
- 24 March 1860 Daughter Sarah Elizabeth Follard buried at St Kilda Cemetery, VIC.⁴⁵
- 4 September 1864 Son John Follard died in Victoria; aged 20, born Launceston, mother Maria Feans.⁴⁶
Death notice:
*FOLLARD. – on the 4th inst., at his father's residence, Wellington-street, St. Kilda, John Follard, aged twenty years.*⁴⁷
- 6 September 1864 Son John Follard buried at St Kilda General Cemetery, VIC.⁴⁸
Funeral notice:
*THE Friends of Mr. JOHN FOLLARD are respectfully invited to follow the remains of his son JOHN to the place of interment, the St. Kilda General Cemetery. The funeral to move from his residence, Wellington-street, St. Kilda, THIS DAY, Tuesday, 6th inst., at 3 o'clock p.m.*⁴⁸
- 1866 Daughter Martha Follard married Frederick Hughes in Victoria; Martha born Tasmania; Frederick born London, England.⁴⁹
- 1867 Grandson John Charles Hughes born at St Kilda, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁵⁰
- 1868 Daughter Charlotte Sophia Follard married George Hughes in Victoria; Charlotte born Launceston, TAS; George born London, England.⁵¹
- 1869 Grandson Frederick Arthur Hughes born at Melbourne, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁵²

³⁶ At the time of Hannah's birth, Maria and John had four other children living and three deceased children.

³⁷ VIC Birth Certificate 1855/4080 (Hannah Follard); VIC Death Certificate 1855/3069 (Hannah Follard)

³⁸ Only three of the dead children have been traced.

³⁹ VIC Death Certificate 1855/3068 (Maria Follard)

⁴⁰ VIC Death Certificate 1855/3069 (Hannah Follard)

⁴¹ Former wife, shipmate Maria Feans (*qv*), died on 7 June 1855 (VIC Marriage Certificate 1855/2771 (John Follard & Eliza Cox)).

⁴² VIC Marriage Certificate 1855/2771 (John Follard & Eliza Cox)

⁴³ This was shipmate Eliza Deans (*qv*).

⁴⁴ *Argus*, 13 March 1860 p.5 (John Follard)

⁴⁵ VIC Death Certificate 1860/1028 (Sarah Follard)

⁴⁶ VIC Death Record 1865/6889 (John Follard)

⁴⁷ *Argus*, 6 September 1864 p.4 (John Follard)

⁴⁸ *Argus*, 6 September 1864 p.8 (John Follard)

⁴⁹ VIC Marriage Record 1866/3092 (Frederick Hughes & Martha Follard)

⁵⁰ VIC Birth Record 1867/11351 (John Charles Hughes)

⁵¹ VIC Marriage Record 1868/3447 (George Hughes & Charlotte Sophia Follard)

⁵² VIC Birth Record 1869/9961 (Frederick Arthur Hughes)

- 1870 Grandson George Charles Hughes born at Melbourne, VIC; father George Hughes, mother Charlotte Sophia Follard.⁵³
Grandson George Charles Hughes died at Carlton, VIC; aged 5 months, father George Hughes, mother Charlotte Sophia Follard.⁵⁴
- 1871 Granddaughter Mabel Sophia Hughes born at Ballarat, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁵⁵
- 1872 Grandson John Fortunatus born at Castlemaine, VIC; father George Hughes, mother Charlotte Sophia Follard.⁵⁶
- 1873 Granddaughter Blanche Ada Hughes born at East Ballarat, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁵⁷
- 1874 Grandson Frederick Arthur Hughes died at Carlton, VIC; aged 5, father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁵⁸
- 1875 Grandson Frederick Arthur Hughes born at Ballarat, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁵⁹
- 1877 Granddaughter Annie Louisa Hughes born at East Drouin, VIC; father unknown, mother Charlotte Sophia Follard.⁶⁰
- 1878 Granddaughter Emma May Hughes born at Ballarat, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁶¹
- 1 February 1879 Daughter Charlotte Sophia Follard died of phthisis at Melbourne Hospital, VIC; aged 24, born Tasmania, 5 years in Victoria, single, parents unknown; informant the hall porter of Melbourne Hospital; buried at Melbourne Cemetery.⁶²
- 20 April 1880 Husband John Follard died of uranic⁶³ poisoning, duration 4 months, at Battle Cottage, Acland Street, St Kilda, VIC; aged 67, estate agent, 26 years in Victoria, married, 1 child living: Martha aged 33; 3 children deceased: Sarah, John, Charlotte; born London, father Peter Follard, warehouse keeper, mother unknown; informant George R de Blazun, authorised agent of Barkly Street, St Kilda, VIC.⁶⁴
- 1880 Grandson Robert James Hughes born at Ballarat, VIC; father Frederick Hughes, mother Martha Follard.⁶⁵

⁵³ VIC Birth Record 1870/10000 (George Charles Hughes)

⁵⁴ VIC Death Record 1870/9427 (George Charles Hughes)

⁵⁵ VIC Birth Record 1871/685 (Mabel Sophia Hughes)

⁵⁶ VIC Birth Record 1872/7690 (John Fortunatus Hughes)

⁵⁷ VIC Birth Record 1873/14174 (Blanche Ada Hughes)

⁵⁸ VIC Death Record 1874/9704 (Frederick Arthur Hughes)

⁵⁹ VIC Birth Record 1875/20873 (Frederick Arthur Hughes)

⁶⁰ VIC Birth Record 1877/8334R (Annie Louisa Follard)

⁶¹ VIC Birth Record 1878/211 (Emma May Hughes)

⁶² VIC Death Certificate 1879/2130 (Charlotte Follard)

⁶³ This word may not be uranic, it is difficult to read. It may be uranii – uranii nitratis (uranium nitrate) was used to treat diabetes mellitus.

⁶⁴ VIC Death Certificate 1880/5636 (John Follard)

⁶⁵ VIC Birth Record 1880/6187 (Robert James Hughes)