

Johannah Fogerty

(uxor Johannah Steele)

POLICE NUMBER 194 ¹	LITERACY read and write imperfectly
TRIAL DATE 1 March 1841	AGE ON EMBARKATION 23
TRIAL PLACE Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London	AGE ON ARRIVAL 24
OFFENCE larceny in a dwelling house by a servant—stealing a counterpane	HEIGHT 5' ¼"
SENTENCE 7 years	COMPLEXION ruddy
GAOL REPORT convicted before, poor, single	HEAD oval
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS 3 months for stealing 2 pictures	HAIR black
SURGEON'S REPORT mess woman and good	VISAGE long
ON THE TOWN no	FOREHEAD high
MARITAL STATUS single	EYEBROWS light brown
CHILDREN 0	EYES hazel
FAMILY	NOSE medium, pointed
NATIVE PLACE Tipperary, Ireland	MOUTH wide
TRADE ON EMBARKATION	CHIN round
TRADE ON ARRIVAL cook	MARKS none

c1817 **Born** in County Tipperary, Ireland.²

1 March 1841 Tried at the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London, England indicted for larceny in a dwelling house by a servant in stealing on 3 February 1841 2 counterpanes value £1, the goods of her master Charles McAlpine, with a previous conviction for felony; plea guilty; sentence 7 years transportation; aged 23.³

5 April 1841 Departed Woolwich, England on the *Rajah*.⁴

19 July 1841 Arrived at Hobart on the *Rajah*.⁴

c24 July 1841 Upon arrival at Hobart, assigned to Mr Richard Lewis, Macquarie Street, Hobart.⁵

2 September 1841 Charged with being absent without leave from the service of R Lewis and drunk; sentence 10 days in solitary confinement at Cascades Female Factory, Hobart, then returned to her service.⁶

31 December 1841 Mustered in the service of R Patterson Esquire, New Town.⁷

5 December 1842 Charged at the Police Court, Hobart on the complaint of her mistress with misconduct in absenting herself without leave and being drunk and insolent;⁸ in the service of Mrs Green, New Town Road, Hobart; plea guilty; sentence 3 months hard labour at the wash tub at Cascades Female Factory, Hobart.⁹

13 December 1843 Application for permission to marry John Steele¹⁰ (free) sent to the Muster Master.¹¹

¹ TAHO, CON40/1/4 p.175 No.194 [image 133] (Johannah Fogerty); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.198 [image 102] (Joannah Fogerty); ML, CY 1282 p.147 (Johanna Fogerty); ML, CY 1197 p.153 (Johanna Fogerty); ML, CY 958 p.441 (Johanna Fogerty)

² TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.198 [image 10] (Joannah Fogerty)

³ *Old Bailey Proceedings Online*, t18410301-840 (Johanna Fogerty)

⁴ AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah*

⁵ ML, CY 1274 p.256 (Johanna Fogerty)

⁶ TAHO, CON40/1/4 p.175 No.194 [image 133] (Johannah Fogerty)

⁷ AJCP, HO 10/51 p.363 No.194 (Joanna Fogerty)

⁸ Conduct record has this as disorderly instead of insolent.

⁹ TAHO, AC480/1/1, 5 December 1842 (Johanna Fogerty)

¹⁰ Two convicts named John Steele were transported to Tasmania: one was transported for life arriving on the *Competitor* in 1823; tried at Stafford on 25 July 1822 for sheep stealing; aged 25, butcher, native place Burley Hill (TAHO, CON31/1/38 p.172 No.516 [image 176] (John Steele); TAHO, CON23/1/3 S 510 to 540 (John Steele)); the other was transported for 14 years on the *Dromedary* arriving in 1820; tried at Kent in March 1819; aged 27, farmer, native place Sussex (TAHO, CON31/1/38 p.59 No.177 [image 63] (Jn^o Steel); TAHO, CON23/1/3 S 151 to 180 (John Steele)). As Johanna's husband was a butcher, he is likely to be the first of these convicts, though he did not gain a Conditional Pardon until after their marriage, in January 1845.

¹¹ TAHO, CON52/1/2 p.192 (Johanna Fogerty & John Steele)

This biography supplements our book *Patchwork Prisoners* available from www.researchtasmania.com.au.

Johannah Fogerty

- 1 January 1844 Application for permission to marry John Steele sent to the Secretary; approved.¹¹
- 4 January 1844 Notice given of approval for permission to marry John Steele; Johanna in assigned service at Hobart; John free.¹²
- 23 January 1844 **Married** John Steele at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Hobart; Johanna adult, illiterate; John adult, victualler; witnesses Mr Richardson and John Murphy.¹³
- 21 February 1845 Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 25 February.¹⁴
- 29 January 1846 **Son** John Steele born at Hobart; informant father John Steel, butcher, resident of Liverpool Street, Hobart.¹⁵
- 8 November 1850 **Died** at Hobart; aged 33; informant husband John Steele, butcher, resident of Barrack Street, Hobart.¹⁶

¹² *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 January 1844 p.47; 19 January 1844 p.83 (John Steel & Johanna Fogarty)

¹³ TAHO, RGD37/1/4 1844/1307 Hobart (Juliana Fogarty & John Steele)

¹⁴ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 25 February 1845 p.234 (Johanna Fogerty)

¹⁵ TAHO, RGD33/1/2 1846/1534 Hobart (John Steel)

¹⁶ TAHO, RGD35/1/3 1850/356 Hobart (Juliana Steel)