

*Catherine Forde*<sup>1</sup>

(*nee Catherine O'Sullivan*,<sup>a</sup> *aka Catherine Ward*, *uxor Catherine King*)

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Cork	<i>Date Tried</i> 2 January 1849
<i>Offence</i> stealing 2 buckets & other articles	<i>Sentence</i> 7 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> unknown, Co. Cork	<i>Previous Convictions</i> 2—stealing potatoes (1m), stealing turnips (1m)
<i>Gaol Report</i> quiet, 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
<i>Other Information</i> tried & convicted with Margaret Carthy 1 <sup>st</sup> ( <i>qv</i> )	

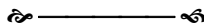
<i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> read, neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> widow	<i>Trade</i> country servant
<i>Age</i> 29 <sup>b</sup>	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Cork
<i>Height</i> 5' ¾", 4' 8"	<i>Complexion</i> fresh, fair
<i>Head</i> oval	<i>Hair</i> black
<i>Visage</i> round	<i>Forehead</i> high
<i>Eyebrows</i> black	<i>Eyes</i> light hazel
<i>Nose</i> medium	<i>Mouth</i> large
<i>Chin</i> medium	<i>Marks</i> none
<i>Family</i> sisters Mary (in America) & Betty	

1 March 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 2pm. <sup>2</sup>
7 September 1849	Put on <i>Australasia</i> sick list for obstipation (off 13 September, cured). <sup>3</sup>
16 July 1850	Mustered in Ross district. <sup>4</sup>
c1851	To Ross FF. <sup>4</sup>
6 May 1852	Charged at Ross FF with insolence; reprimanded. <sup>4</sup>
10 May 1852	Contracted as PPH to Julius S Imberg, Elizabeth St, Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. <sup>5</sup>
11 May 1852	To Julius S Imberg, Campbell Town. <sup>4</sup>
19 May 1852	To Ross FF. <sup>4</sup>
14 June 1852	Witness at marriage of Hesty Lawlor ( <i>qv</i> ) & Samuel Daniels at Hobart. <sup>6</sup>
27 July 1852	Ticket-of-Leave granted. <sup>4</sup>
2 August 1852	Mustered at PO. <sup>4</sup>
21 January 1853	Application for permission to marry Tobias King, FS ( <i>North Briton</i> ); referred to clergyman Mr Butler, Launceston (approved 26 January). <sup>7</sup>
16 March 1853	<b>Married</b> as 30y, TL, spinster, to Tobias King, 30y, free, farmer, at St Joseph's RC Church, Launceston; witnesses James Hewson & Eliza Hewson ( <i>nee Elizabeth Daley</i> , <i>qv</i> ). <sup>8</sup>
12 March 1854	<b>Son</b> Thomas King born at Launceston; baptised 26 March 1854 at St Joseph's RC Church, Launceston; parents' residence Launceston; sponsors Michael Renihan & Jane Renihan. <sup>9</sup>
2 January 1856	Free by servitude.
5 January 1856	<b>Daughter</b> Bridget King, gardener's child, born at Sandhill, Launceston; baptised 13 January 1856 at St Joseph's RC Church, Launceston; parents' residence Launceston; sponsor Mary Leslie. <sup>10</sup>
20 June 1856	Certificate of Freedom to Launceston. <sup>4</sup>
1858	Husband Tobias King occupier of a house at Wellington Rd, Launceston. <sup>11</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Maiden name listed as O'Sullivan on daughter Margaret's marriage certificate.

<sup>b</sup> Age given as 27y on *Australasia* sick list.

- 1 July 1858<sup>c</sup> **Daughter** Margaret King, labourer's child, born at Launceston; baptised 18 July 1858 at St Joseph's RC Church, Launceston; parents' residence Launceston; sponsor Margaret Roberts.<sup>12</sup>
- c1862 Moved with family to VIC.<sup>16</sup>
- 11 March 1880 Witness at marriage of daughter Margaret King to James Ah Hang at Registrar of Marriages Office, Gore St, Fitzroy, VIC.<sup>13</sup>
- 1887 Daughter Margaret King, 28y, died at Melbourne, VIC.<sup>14</sup>
- 22 January 1891<sup>d</sup> **Died** at Gippsward Hospital, Melbourne, VIC having been accidentally suffocated during the administration of chloroform, 60y; buried 24 January at New Cemetery, Melbourne, VIC.<sup>15</sup>
- 23 January 1891 Inquest held into death at Gippsward Hospital; verdict accidentally suffocated during the administration of chloroform.<sup>15</sup>
- 18 July 1892 Husband Tobias King, 76y, labourer, widower, died of asthenia at Melbourne Benevolent Asylum, Hotham, VIC; buried 19 July at Melbourne General Cemetery, VIC.<sup>16</sup>



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<sup>c</sup> Date given as 15 July 1859 on birth record.

<sup>d</sup> At the time of her death, both daughters Bridget and Margaret were dead—a possible death for Bridget was in Victoria in 1880 as Bridget King. Son Thomas was aged 42.

## References

- <sup>1</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.437 (Catherine Forde); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Catherine Ford); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.77 (Catherine Forde); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1652 (Catherine Forde)
- <sup>2</sup> NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1652 (Catherine Forde)
- <sup>3</sup> AJCP, ADM 101/6 *Australasia* Sick List (Cath Forde)
- <sup>4</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.437 (Catherine Forde)
- <sup>5</sup> AOT, CON 30/1 p.57 (Catherine Ford)
- <sup>6</sup> AOT, RGD 37/11 1852/577 Hobart (Catherine Forde)
- <sup>7</sup> AOT, CON 52/6 (Tobias King & Catherine Ford)
- <sup>8</sup> AOT, NS 1052/43 No.266 (Tobias King & Cath Ford)
- <sup>9</sup> AOT, NS 1052/20 p.62 (Thomas King)
- <sup>10</sup> AOT, RGD 33/34 1856/524 Launceston (Bridget King); AOT, NS 1052/20 p.95 (Bridget King)
- <sup>11</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 30 March 1858 p.394 (Tobias King)
- <sup>12</sup> AOT, RGD 33/37 1859/1182 Launceston (Margaret King); AOT, NS 1052/20 p.146 (Margaret King)
- <sup>13</sup> VIC Marriage Certificate 1880/1310 (Ah Hang & Margaret King)
- <sup>14</sup> VIC Death Record 1887/14549 (Margaret Ah Hang)
- <sup>15</sup> VIC Death Certificate 1891/2626 (Catherine King); PROV, VPRS 24/P0000/575 (Catherine King)
- <sup>16</sup> VIC Death Certificate 1892/10591 (Tobias King)