

Mary Hassett'
(uxor Mary O'Neill)

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Clare	<i>Date Tried</i> 20 January 1849
<i>Offence</i> stealing shirts	<i>Sentence</i> 7 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> John O'Connell	<i>Previous Convictions</i> 1 – trespassing (10d)
<i>Gaol Report</i> giddy, troublesome	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> middling
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> 3 rd from 6 February 1852
<i>Religion</i> Protestant, Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> read, neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> single	<i>Trade</i> country servant
<i>Age</i> 18 ^a	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Clare
<i>Height</i> 5' ¾", 5' ½"	<i>Complexion</i> fresh, freckled; fair
<i>Head</i> round	<i>Hair</i> dark brown, brown
<i>Visage</i> round	<i>Forehead</i> medium
<i>Eyebrows</i> dark brown	<i>Eyes</i> grey
<i>Nose</i> medium	<i>Mouth</i> medium
<i>Chin</i> medium	<i>Marks</i> none
<i>Family</i> brother Michael ^b (at Limerick)	
23 February 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 9pm. ²
16 October 1850	Charged with handing a light for smoking in the ward at Brickfields Hiring Depot, severely reprimanded. ³
21 December 1850	Charged at Ross FF with lying on the floor with Ellen Hartley in an indecent manner, etc; sentence 14d SC. ³
	Charged also with concocting a plan & conspiracy to assault her fellow prisoners, etc; sentence 3m HL, Ross FF. ³
	Charged also with disobedience of orders; sentence 1m HL, Ross FF, to be cumulative & commence at expiration of existing sentence. ³
17 December 1851	Contracted as PPH to James King, Circular Head for 12 months at £9 pa. ⁴
29 June 1852	To apply in 3 months for Ticket-of-Leave. ³
15 November 1852	Charged with absconding from the service of James King; sentence 18m HL; reward of £2 paid. ³
7 December 1852	To Launceston FF. ³
October 1853	£2 paid into Savings Bank whilst at Launceston FF. ⁵
c1854	To T Davies, Evandale. ³
24 March 1854	To Launceston FF. ³
3 April 1854	To L Bellame, Launceston. ³
16 May 1854	Application for permission to marry William Phillips, free; sent to matron, Launceston FF, woman must be 6 months without offence. ⁶
30 May 1854	To Thomas W Bruce, Morven. ³
14 October 1854	£2 paid to government as repayment of reward for apprehension. ⁷
24 October 1854	Ticket-of-Leave granted. ³
23 November 1854	Application for permission to marry John O'Neill, free (approved 24 January 1855 ^c). ⁸
5 December 1854	Application for permission to marry Thomas Brewster, free (approved 6 December). ⁹
24 February 1855	Married as 22y, servant, spinster, to John O'Neill, 24y, sailor, bachelor, at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; witnesses William Hooper & Ann Cullen. ¹⁰

^a Age given as 17y on Grangegorman prison register.

^b This was possibly Michael Hassett, 19y, from Co. Clare transported on the *Rodney* 3, though he had a brother James, 21y, transported with him and sisters Mary and Margaret at NP in late 1849.

^c Date given as 30 January 1855 on conduct record.

5 July 1855	Charged with disturbing the peace; fined 5s. ³
20 January 1856	Free by servitude.
5 February 1856	Certificate of Freedom issued. ^{3,11}
5 May 1863	Tried at Launceston PC, housewife, brought up from 4 May, charged with stealing 3 fowls from the yard of Mary Watnall (alias Hogan), Canning St, Launceston; sentence 2m HL, ^d Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 27 June). ¹²
1 December 1876	Tried at Launceston PC, formerly resident in midlands district, brought up from 28 November, charged with larceny at Launceston that day of a pair of boots, property of Annie Davis; sentence 1m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 3 January 1877). ¹³
24 December 1877	Tried at Evandale PC charged with being drunk & disorderly; fined 7/6, fine paid. ¹⁴
c27 March 1880	Tried at Ulverstone PC charged with using obscene language; fined. ¹⁵
c17 April 1880	Tried at Ulverstone PC charged with being drunk & incapable; fined. ¹⁵
22 September 1880	Tried at Ulverstone PC, ^e housemaid, formerly resident at Port Sorell, Longford & Selby, charged with larceny; sentence 3m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 29 December). ¹⁶
20 December 1881	Tried at Launceston PC, prostitute from the country, brought up from 19 December, charged with being drunk & disorderly in York St, Launceston; fined 10s, in default 48h SC. ¹⁷
7 March 1882	Tried at Launceston PC, prostitute, brought up from 2 & 3 March on remand, charged with larceny of an oilskin Macintosh coat & other goods, property of Henry Beesly; discharged, prosecutor not appearing. ¹⁸
6 April 1882	Tried at Launceston PC, prostitute, with Elizabeth Jones, brought up from 2 & 3 April on remand, charged with larceny on 2 April of about 25 or 30 lbs of salt beef; property of William Jones; sentence 4m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 9 August). ¹⁹
5 December 1882	Tried at Launceston PC, prostitute, brought up from 4 December, charged with being idle & disorderly, wandering abroad having no fixed place of residence & having no lawful means of gaining a living; sentence 3m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 7 March 1883). ²⁰
14 March 1883	Charged at 1:30am at Launceston PO, prostitute, with Sarah Ann Salmon (<i>Lancashire Wench</i>) & Sophia Kennedy (<i>Sea Queen</i>) with being idle & disorderly & lodging in unoccupied premises in Bathurst St, Launceston; sentence 7d HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 28 March). ²¹
1 May 1883	Tried at Ulverstone PC, housewife, charged with having feloniously stolen, taken & carried away from the person of David Stoker a leather bag containing 9 sovereigns & 1 half sovereign well knowing the same to have been feloniously stolen; sentence 18m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 3 September 1884, residue remitted). ²²
13 October 1884	Tried at Longford PC with John Flynn, Hugh Gorman, John Funt, Michael Kelly, Richard Phillips, Charles Phillips, Catherine Duffy & Margaret Lamb charged with being idle & disorderly & having no fixed place of abode; sentence 1m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 18 November). ²³
21 November 1884	Tried at Launceston PC, prostitute, brought up from 20 November, charged with being idle & disorderly, lodging in the open air in a lane off Elizabeth St, Launceston; sentence 6w HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 10 January 1855). ²⁴
14 July 1885	Tried at Port Sorell PC, tramp, with Ellen Gamble (<i>qv</i>) charged with using obscene language; fined 30s or 1m imprisonment. ²⁵
17 September 1885	Charged at 8:10pm at Launceston PO, prostitute, with being drunk & disorderly in Wellington St, Launceston; fined 10s or 48h SC, committed. ²⁶
28 November 1887	Tried in Port Sorell district, domestic, formerly resident at Westbury, charged with drunkenness; cautioned. ²⁵

^d Sentence given as 3 months in newspaper account.

^e Place of trial also given as Torquay PC.

1 December 1887	Tried in Port Sorell district, domestic, charged with drunkenness; fined 5s or 24h imprisonment. ²⁵
30 January 1888	Tried at Launceston PC charged with allowing a dog to be in Prince's Square, Launceston without being led; fined 2/6, in default 3d HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 8 February). ²⁷
8 February 1888	Tried at Launceston PC charged with being idle & disorderly; sentence 3m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 9 May). ²⁸
15 October 1888	Tried at Launceston PC charged with being idle & disorderly; sentence 1m HL, Launceston Gaol (discharged w/e 21 November). ²⁹
October 1902	Admitted to Launceston Benevolent Society Asylum. ³⁰
27 March 1904	Died of cancer of the stomach at Wellington St, Launceston, 71y, widow. ³¹



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