Phoebe Jones*

(uxor Phoebe Wicks)

POLICE NUMBER 1981

TRIAL DATE 26 October 1840

TRIAL PLACE Lancaster (Liverpool) Quarter Sessions

OFFENCE stealing money from the person, a foreigner, 'I am innocent of the charge'

COMPLEXION fair

innocent of the charge'

SENTENCE 15 years

GAOL REPORT convicted before and twice in prison, single

PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS once 1 month for pledging, once 14 days

COMPLEXION fair
HEAD oval
HAIR auburn
VISAGE long

for leaving home FOREHEAD high
SURGEON'S REPORT EYEBROWS brown
ON THE TOWN 12 months EYES dark brown
MARITAL STATUS single NOSE medium
CHILDREN 0 MOUTH rather wide

FAMILY CHIN flat

Native Place Denby, England Marks pockpitted, J on left arm Trade on Embarkation dressmaker

c1818 **Born** at Denby, Derbyshire, England.²

TRADE ON ARRIVAL plain cook, bake

26 October 1840 Tried at Lancaster Quarter Sessions, Liverpool, Lancashire, England indicted for

larceny from the person in stealing money from a foreigner; sentence 15 years

transportation.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 Elliston, Glenorchy.⁵

31 December 1841 Mustered in the service of Mr Elliston, Glenorchy.⁶

28 February 1842 Charged with being drunk and out after hours from the service of Elliston;

reprimanded and returned to her service.3

2 March 1842 Charged with being out after hours from the service of Elliston and under the

influence of liquor; sentence 4 days in solitary confinement at Cascades Female

Factory, Hobart, then returned to her service.3

28 November 1843 Application for permission to marry Thomas Wicks⁷ (*Lady Nugent*) sent to the Muster

Master.8

5 January 1844 Application for permission to marry Thomas Wicks sent to the Secretary; approved.8

14 January 1844 Notice given of approval for permission to marry Thomas Wicks; Phoebe in assigned

service at Glenorchy; Thomas a ticket-of-leave holder.9

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¹ TAHO, CON40/1/6 p.162 No.198 [image 136] (Phoebe Jones); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.218 [image 112] (Phoeba Jones); ML, CY 1282 p.150 (Phoebe Jones); ML, CY 1197 p.155 (Phoebe Jones); ML, CY 958 p.442 (Phoebe Jones)

² TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.218 [image 112] (Phoeba Jones)

³ TAHO, CON40/1/6 p.162 No.198 [image 136] (Phoebe Jones)

⁴ AJCP, ADM 101/63 Rajah

⁵ ML, CY 1274 p.259 (Phoebe Jones)

⁶ AJCP, HO 10/51 p.373 No.198 (Phoebe Jones)

⁷ Thomas Wicks was transported for 7 years on the *Lady Nugent* in 1836, tried at Lancaster Quarter Sessions on 26 October 1835 for stealing 20 yards of woollen cloth; single, labourer and baker 3 years, aged 22, native place Oxford; sentence extended 18 months on 15 December 1841; Certificate of Freedom 1844 (TAHO, CON31/1/47 p.176 No.2162 [image 182] (Thomas Wicks), TAHO, CON18/1/14 p.285 No.2162 [image 150] (Thomas Wicks)).

⁸ TAHO, CON52/1/2 p.228 (Phobe Jones & Thos Wicks)

⁹ Hobart Town Gazette, 12 January 1844 p.48; 19 January 1844 p.83; 26 January 1844 p.119; 2 February 1844 p.178 (Thomas Wicks & Phoebe Jones)

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29 January 1844 Married Thomas Wicks at St John's Anglican Church, New Town; Phoebe aged 22, prisoner, illiterate; Thomas aged 28, prisoner; witnesses Samuel Fotham and Sarah Stewart.10 21 February 1845 Classified as a 3rd class probation pass-holder; gazetted 28 February. 11 24 June 1845 Charged¹² at the Police Court, Hobart by Constable Hainscock with being out after hours last night; plea guilty; sentence 14 days hard labour at Cascades Female Factory, Hobart.13 Charged at the Police Court, Hobart by Constable Ditchfield with being out after 22 October 1845 hours last night; plea guilty; reprimanded and discharged.¹⁴ 1 November 1845 Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 4 November. 15 c1847 Moved with husband from Van Diemen's Land to Victoria.¹⁷ 6 March 1848 Conditional Pardon recommended; gazetted 14 March.¹⁶ 15 May 1849 Conditional Pardon approved.3 26 October 1855 Free by servitude.3 25 January 1867 Died of phthisis pulmonalis at West Ballarat Hospital, Ballarat, VIC; aged 39, parents unknown; 20 years in Victoria, married; informant Charles Isaac Burrows, House Steward, Ballarat District Hospital.¹⁷ Buried at Ballarat Cemetery; aged 39.18 26 January 1867

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¹⁰ TAHO, RGD37/1/4 1844/1235 Hobart (Phoebe Jones & Thomas Wicks)

¹¹ Hobart Town Gazette, 28 February 1845 p.232 (Phoebe Jones)

¹² Noted as the wife of Weeks (not Wicks).

¹³ TAHO, AC480/1/1, 24 June 1845 (Phoebe Jones)

¹⁴ TAHO, AC480/1/1, 21 October 1845 (Phoebe Jones)

¹⁵ Hobart Town Gazette, 4 November 1845 p.1386 (Phoebe Jones)

¹⁶ Hobart Town Gazette, 14 March 1848 p.249 (Phoebe Jones)

¹⁷ VIC Death Certificate 1867/233 (Phoebe Wicks)

¹⁸ Ballarat General Cemeteries, 'Cemetery Databases' No.35793 (Phobe Wicks); VIC Death Certificate 1867/233 (Phoebe Wicks)