

*Ann Matthews*¹
(*uxor Ann Williatt*)

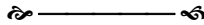
<i>Place Tried</i> Antrim	<i>Date Tried</i> 8 January 1849
<i>Offence</i> assault & robbery, stealing 4s	<i>Sentence</i> 10 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> John Ritches, Co. Antrim ^a	<i>Previous Convictions</i> 3 – stealing a lamp (1m), stealing a blanket (6m), stealing cotton print (12m)
<i>Gaol Report</i> good	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> good
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> 3 rd from 24 January 1850
<i>Other Information</i> 3 years on the town; tried with Mary Boyde (<i>qv</i>) & Mary Gray	
<i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> read & write
<i>Marital Status</i> single	<i>Trade</i> housemaid, factory worker
<i>Age</i> 21	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Antrim
<i>Height</i> 5' 3 ³ / ₄ " , 5' 3"	<i>Complexion</i> fresh, freckled; fair
<i>Head</i> round	<i>Hair</i> black, dark
<i>Visage</i> round	<i>Forehead</i> high
<i>Eyebrows</i> black	<i>Eyes</i> black
<i>Nose</i> medium	<i>Mouth</i> medium
<i>Chin</i> medium	<i>Marks</i> mole on right cheek
<i>Family</i> brothers Joseph (in 13 th Regiment), James & Francis; sisters Elizabeth & Mary	
20 April 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 9am. ²
28 May 1850	Application for permission to marry Michael Haggett, free (approved). ³
29 June 1850	Tried at Hobart PC, brought up from 28 June on remand, charged with absence without leave from the service of Captain George, Kelly St, Hobart from the morning of 27 June until apprehended at 7:30pm drunk; sentence 3m HL, Cascades FF, recommended that 1 month of that term be passed in the separate apartments. ⁴
16 January 1851	Absconded from the service of Henry Miller, Campbell St, Hobart; reward £2. ^{5,6}
31 October 1851	Tried at Hobart PC charged with having absconded from the service of Captain Henry Miller, Campbell St, Hobart on 16 January & remained illegally at large until 22 October when apprehended in Hobart then representing herself to be Ann Shaw or Kelly, a free woman transported on the <i>Emma Eugenia</i> 2, ^b whom she now states herself not to be; sentence 18m HL, Cascades FF, recommended to be hired in the interior north of Hobart. ⁷
10 November 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with Margaret Murphy (<i>qv</i>) & Margaret Mitchell (<i>Baretto Junior</i>) with talking returning from chapel; sentence 2d bread & water this day & next Sunday. ⁸
1 June 1852	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct as reader in the ward; sentence 3d SC & 7d separate treatment until half sentence expired. ⁸
7 December 1852	To J McGowan, ^c Richmond. ⁵
7 April 1853	Absconded from the service of J McGowan of Richmond. ⁹
15 April 1853	Tried at Hobart PC, brought up from 9 April on remand at Cascades FF for inquiry from Richmond, charged with absconding from the service of J McGowan of Richmond for 11 hours on 8 April & coming to Hobart; sentence 6m HL. ⁴
23 June 1853	Charged at Cascades FF with talking during reading; admonished. ¹⁰
7 October 1853	To Ross FF. ⁵

^a Ann's conduct record stated Co. Leitrim, but her indent and description list both stated Co. Antrim. Since Ann was tried in Co. Antrim, this has been taken to be the county in which the crime occurred.

^b This was probably Ann Kelly transported on the *Emma Eugenia* 4.

^c This may have been James or John McGowan.

8 November 1853	Mustered in Oatlands district. ⁵
28 January 1854	Application for permission to marry Nathaniel Williatt, free; woman must be 6 months without offence. ¹¹
1 March 1854	To George Eastman, Ross. ⁵
7 March 1854	Application for permission to marry Nathaniel Williatt, free ^d (approved 8 March ^e). ¹¹
10 April 1854	Married as full age, spinster, to Nathaniel Williatt, full age, labourer, bachelor, at St John's CE Church, Ross; witnesses George Cook & Elisabeth Cook. ¹²
13 June 1854	Will be recommended for Ticket-of-Leave when reward is paid. ⁵
26 June 1854	Mustered in Oatlands district. ⁵
11 July 1854	£2 paid to government as repayment of reward for apprehension. ¹³
18 July 1854	Ticket-of-Leave granted. ⁵
26 December 1854	Recommended for Conditional Pardon. ⁵
15 November 1855	Conditional Pardon approved (issued at Oatlands 1 February 1856). ¹⁴
8 January 1859	Free by servitude.
21 July 1872	Died of disease of the heart in Launceston district, 45y, labourer's wife. ¹⁵



^d Nathaniel is likely to have been Nathaniel Williatt transported on the *Manlius* 1 in 1828, or possibly his son.

^e Date given as 14 March 1854 on conduct record.

References

- ¹ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1023 (Ann Matthews); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Anne Matthews); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.119 (Ann Mathews); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1860 (Anne Mathews); NAI, TR8 p.186 (Anne Mathews)
- ² NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1860 (Anne Mathews)
- ³ AOT, CON 52/3, p.214 (Michael Haggett & Ann Matthews)
- ⁴ AOT, LC 251/2 (Ann Matthews)
- ⁵ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1023 (Ann Matthews)
- ⁶ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 21 January 1851 p.65 (Ann Matthews)
- ⁷ AOT, LC 247/20 (Ann Kelly or Shaw, transported on the *Emma Eugenia*)
- ⁸ AOT, CON 138/1 (Ann Matthews)
- ⁹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 April 1853 p.30 (Ann Matthews)
- ¹⁰ AL&MFA, Beattie Papers, Record Book Women's Punishments 1852-1854, p.121 (Ann Matthews)
- ¹¹ AOT, CON 52/7 pp.522 & 524 (Nathaniel Williatt & Ann Mathews)
- ¹² AOT, RGD 37/13 1851/77 Campbell Town (Nathaniel Williatt & Ann Matthews); NS 1190/18 No.120 (Nathaniel Williatt & Ann Matthews)
- ¹³ AOT, CON 67/1 (Ann Matthews)
- ¹⁴ AOT, CON 56/2 No.2015 (Ann Matthews)
- ¹⁵ AOT, RGD 35/41 1872/1820 Launceston (Ann Williatt)