

Catherine McGeary'
(aka Catherine Hargraves)

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Tyrone	<i>Date Tried</i> 9 April 1849
<i>Offence</i> stealing fowls	<i>Sentence</i> 7 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> unknown, Co. Tyrone	<i>Previous Convictions</i> none
<i>Gaol Report</i> quiet	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> middling
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> 3 rd from 24 January 1850
<i>Other Information</i> 6 weeks on the town	

<i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> single	<i>Trade</i> country servant
<i>Age</i> 26	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Tyrone
<i>Height</i> 5'	<i>Complexion</i> swarthy, sallow
<i>Head</i> round	<i>Hair</i> black
<i>Visage</i> round	<i>Forehead</i> high
<i>Eyebrows</i> black	<i>Eyes</i> dark brown
<i>Nose</i> large	<i>Mouth</i> large
<i>Chin</i> short, round	<i>Marks</i> pockmarked, scar on upper lip
<i>Family</i> none	

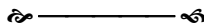
14 April 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 5pm. ²
27 March 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with being disorderly in the yard; sentence 3d SC. ³
21 April 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct; sentence 7d separate treatment. ³
22 April 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct in the separate apartments; sentence 3d SC. ³
6 June 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with breach of regulations; admonished. ³
7 July 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct; sentence 14d separate treatment. ³
22 August 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with exchanging her shoes improperly; sentence 14d separate treatment. ³
30 October 1851	Charged at Brickfields Hiring Depot with using improper language; sentence 14d SC. ⁴
7 January 1852	To John G Winter, Macquarie St, Hobart. ⁴
20 January 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
23 February 1852	To Mrs Creanly[?], Davey St, Hobart. ⁴
24 March 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
1 April 1852	To D Carmody, Macquarie St, Hobart. ⁴
22 April 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
23 April 1852	To Mrs Neilson, Liverpool St, Hobart. ⁴
3 May 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
7 May 1852	To Robert Corner, Murray St, Hobart. ⁴
10 May 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
11 May 1852	To Mrs Sarah Poynter, Macquarie St, Hobart. ⁴
13 May 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
17 May 1852	To Henry Hagon, Liverpool St, Hobart. ⁴
21 May 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
29 May 1852	To George Lovett, Macquarie St, Hobart. ⁴
4 June 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴
11 June 1852	To J Williamson, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ⁴
22 June 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁴

23 June 1852	To Ellis Casper, Liverpool St, Hobart. ⁴
2 July 1852	Tried at Hobart PC charged upon complaint of her master Ellis Casper, Liverpool St, Hobart with misconduct in her service; discharged to her service, no prosecutor appearing, having been held at Brickfields Hiring Depot awaiting trial. ⁵
8 July 1852	To Thomas Stone, Green Ponds. ⁴
24 September 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
15 September 1852	To Mrs Cain, Pontville, then to Cascades FF. ⁴
29 September 1852	Mustered in Pontville district. ⁴
2 October 1852	To Daniel McArthur, Kangaroo Point. ⁴
6 October 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
12 October 1852	To J Murdoch, ^a Old Wharf, Hobart. ⁴
15 October 1852	To Cascades FF, then to J Murdoch, Hollow Tree. ⁴
21 October 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
27 October 1852	To Matthew Jackson, Campbell St, Hobart. ⁴
2 November 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
9 November 1852	Ticket-of-Leave granted. ⁴
15 November 1852	Charged at Brickfields Hiring Depot with using insolent language; sentence 14d wash tub, Cascades FF. ⁶
31 January 1853	Application for permission to marry William Ward, free (approved 1 February). ⁷
9 April 1853	Not allowed to reside in any district south of Bridgewater. ⁴
19 May 1853	Application for permission to marry Alfred Self, free (approved 25 May). ⁸
23 June 1853	Mustered in Bothwell district. ⁴
27 June 1853	Application for permission to marry James Marchant (<i>Adelaide</i>) (approved 29 June 1853). ⁹
15 July 1853	Tried at Hobart PC charged with misconduct as a prisoner of the Crown in being in Hobart on 14 July contrary to orders, having been ordered to reside in the interior; sentence 4m HL, Cascades FF. ¹⁰
24 August 1853	Application for permission to marry James Marchant (<i>Adelaide</i>) (refused 27 August). ⁹
29 August 1853	Ticket-of-Leave revoked for misconduct. ¹¹
27 October 1853 ^b	Illegitimate son William McGeary born at Cascades FF; baptised 28 October in parish of St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Margaret Dwyer (<i>qv</i>). ¹²
5 July 1854	To Hobart Hospital. ⁴
18 January 1855	To C Mitchell, Campbell St, Hobart. ⁴
5 February 1855	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
7 February 1855	To Frederick Parnell, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ⁴
13 February 1855	To apply in 5 months for Ticket-of-Leave. ⁴
23 February 1855	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
27 February 1855	To Alexander Rait, Argyle St, Hobart. ⁴
19 March 1855	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
20 March 1855	To William Goody, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ⁴
8 May 1855	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
17 May 1855	To George Pollock, Adelaide St, Hobart. ⁴
23/28 May 1855	Absconded from the service of George Pollock, Adelaide St, Hobart. ¹³
28 July 1855	Tried at Kingborough PC, brought up from 25 July on remand, charged with absconding from the service of George Pollock, Hobart on 23 May & remaining

^a This may have been James or John Murdoch.

^b Date given as 26 October 1853 on baptism record.

- illegally at large until apprehended at Sandy Bay on 24 July; sentence 3m HL, Cascades FF.^{4,14}
- 30 July 1855 To Cascades FF, Hobart.⁴
- 14 August 1855 Reward of £2 paid for apprehension.^{4,15}
- 14 February 1856 Reward of meritorious conduct on the occasion of a fire at Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart.⁴
- 9 April 1856 Free by servitude.
- 15 April 1856 Certificate of Freedom collected.⁴
- 24 July 1857 Tried at Green Ponds PC, brought up from 13 & 22 July on remand, charged with Mary Ann Cunningham (*John William Dare*), William Robinson (*Surrey 4*) & Thomas McGahn (*Louisa*) with larceny under the value of £5 in feloniously stealing at Green Ponds on or about 11 July 1 bank note, value £1, 11s in moneys, a waistcoat, value 10s, a coat, value £1.2, a knife, value 2s, & 3 pairs of cotton stockings, value 1s each pair, property of Charles Trail, Black Bottom, discharged.¹⁶
- c1858 Formed a *de facto relationship* with John Hargraves.^{17,18}
- c1859 **Daughter** Sarah Jane Hargraves born at Bruny Island; baptised 24 January 1870 at St Mary's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Catharine Marriot.¹⁷
- 30 June 1860 **Daughter** Alice Rebecca Hargraves, carpenter's child, born at West Tamar; baptised 22 August 1860 at St John's CE Church, Launceston; again baptised 24 January 1870 at St Mary's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Catharine Marriot.¹⁸
- 5 November 1862 **Daughter** Elizabeth Catharine Hargraves, carpenter's child, born at *Woodstock* near Evandale; baptised at St Andrew's CE Church, Evandale; again baptised 24 January 1870 at St Mary's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Anne Quin.¹⁹
- 15 December 1864 **Daughter** Phoebe Hargraves, carpenter's child, born at Argyle St, Hobart; baptised 1 January 1865 at Holy Trinity CE Church, Hobart; again baptised 24 January 1870 at St Mary's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Anne Quin.²⁰
- 19 August 1879 **Died** at Hobart, accidentally crushed by a cart causing internal bleeding & shock to the system, 56y, drayman's wife.²¹
- 21 August 1879 Inquest held at *Royal Exchange Hotel*, Campbell St, Hobart; verdict accidental death; buried 23 August in Cornelian Bay Cemetery, Hobart; last residence George St,^c Hobart.²²



^c Catherine's daughter Sarah gave birth to her eldest child (illegitimate), Clara Mary Hargraves, at George St, Hobart in August 1877.

References

- ¹ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1057 (Catherine McGeary); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Cath^e McGarey); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.150 (Catherine McGeary); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1751 (Catherine McGeary)
- ² NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1751 (Catherine McGeary)
- ³ AOT, CON 138/1 (Catherine McGeary/McGearey/Magery/Margery)
- ⁴ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1057 (Catherine McGeary)
- ⁵ AOT, LC 251/2 (Catherine McGeary)
- ⁶ AL&MFA, Beattie Papers, Record Book Women's Punishments 1852–1854, p.109 (Catherine McGeary)
- ⁷ AOT, CON 52/6 (William Ward & Catherine Magary)
- ⁸ AOT, CON 52/6 (Alfred Self & Catherine Magary)
- ⁹ AOT, CON 52/6 (James Marchant & Catherine McAvery/McGeary)
- ¹⁰ AOT, LC 247/22 (Catherine McGeary)
- ¹¹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 30 August 1853 p.750 (Catherine McGeary)
- ¹² AOT, RGD 33/5 1853/232 Hobart (William McGearey); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.210 (William McGeary)
- ¹³ *Victoria Police Gazette*, 22 June 1855 p.135 (Catherine McGeary)
- ¹⁴ AOT, LC 304/2 p.85 (Catherine McGeary)
- ¹⁵ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 14 August 1855 p.906
- ¹⁶ AOT, LC 194/3 (Catherine McGeary)
- ¹⁷ personal communication, Vicki Symes, 28 March 2004; AOT, NS 1052/22 p.20 No.247 (Sarah Jane Hargreaves)
- ¹⁸ AOT, RGD 32/4 1860/5570 Launceston p.205 (Alice Rebecca Hargreaves); AOT, NS 1052/22 p.20 No.248 (Alice Rebecca Hargreaves)
- ¹⁹ AOT, RGD 33/40 1862/1103 Morven (female Hargreaves); AOT, NS 1052/22 p.20 No.249 (Elizabeth Catharine Hargreaves)
- ²⁰ AOT, RGD 32/4 1865/5915 Hobart pp.189–192 (Phoebe Hargreaves); AOT, NS 1052/22 p.20 No.250 (Phoebe Hargreaves)
- ²¹ AOT, RGD 35/9 1879/2036 Hobart (Catherine Hargreaves)
- ²² *The Mercury*, 22 August 1879 p.2 col.5 (Catherine Hargreaves); SRCT CB RC Section A No.154 (Catherine Hargreave)