

Mary McNamara 2nd 1
(uxor Mary Harris)

Place Tried	Co. Clare	Date Tried	27 February 1849 ^a
Offence	stealing linen yarn	Sentence	7 years
Prosecutor	Pat Burke, Co. Clare	Previous Convictions	1
Gaol Report	good ^b	Surgeon's Report	quiet
Station of Gang	Anson	Class	not stated
Religion	Roman Catholic	Literacy	neither read nor write
Marital Status	single	Trade	needlewoman, servant
Age	25 ^c	Native Place	Co. Clare
Height	4' 9"	Complexion	fair
Head	round	Hair	brown
Visage	round	Forehead	medium
Eyebrows	brown	Eyes	blue
Nose	medium	Mouth	medium
Chin	medium	Marks	lost upper front tooth
Family	mother Norah; brothers Thomas, David & John; sisters Bridget, Winny & Norah		
27 March 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 10pm. ²		
12 May 1851	Contracted as PPH to John Davis, Pontville, 12m at £7 pa. ³		
10 February 1852	Charged by her master John Davis with larceny under £5; sentence 12m HL, Cascades FF. ⁴		
13 February 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴		
24 June 1852	Application for permission to marry George Harris (<i>Nile</i>); referred 25 June to J Burrowes & man. ⁵		
10 November 1852	Contracted as PPH to John D Balfe, Davey St, Hobart, ^d 12m at £7 pa. ⁶		
17 November 1852	Application for permission to marry George Harris (<i>Nile</i>). ⁵		
25 December 1852	Married as 22y, spinster, to George Harris, 33y, bachelor, ^e at St Mark's CE Church, Pontville; witnesses J Murphy & M Murphy. ⁷		
6 June 1854	Tried at Brighton PC, resident with husband, brought up from 30 May on remand, with John Carter (<i>Moffatt</i>), Carter charged with stealing eight 5 lbs weight of hay, property of his master Mr Brodribb, value 10s, & Mary charged with feloniously receiving same well knowing it to be stolen; sentence 18m HL. ⁸		
8 June 1854	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴		
3 October 1854	Husband George Harris charged at Pontville PO with misconduct in abusing & threatening Mr Bonney; sentence 3m HL. ⁹		
5 December 1854	Husband George Harris granted Ticket-of-Leave. ⁹		
23 June 1855	To husband George Harris at Bridgewater. ⁴		
27 February 1856	Free by servitude.		
1858	Husband George Harris owner & occupier of a cottage & grounds (1 acre) at Bridgewater. ¹⁰		
23 August 1859 ^f	Died of dropsy in Brighton district, 30y, housekeeper. ¹¹		



^a Date given as 2 March 1849 on Irish transportation register.

^b A note on Mary's conduct record stated that this gaol report referred to Mary McNamara 1st (*qv*)—there was some confusion of which Mary committed which crime. The indent entries were also mixed up.

^c Age given erroneously as 21y on conduct record—this referred to Mary McNamara 1st (*qv*).

^d Address given as Sandy Bay on conduct record.

^e George was listed as married on his conduct record.

^f This death has not been confirmed, but it is highly likely to have been that of *Australasia* convict Mary McNamara 2nd.

References

- ¹ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1043 (Mary McNamara 2nd); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Mary McNamara 2nd); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.124 (Mary McNamara 2nd); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1697 (Mary McNamara); NAI, TR9 p.10 (Mary McNamara)
- ² NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1697 (Mary McNamara)
- ³ AOT, CON 30/2 p.324 (Mary McNamara)
- ⁴ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1043 (Mary McNamara 2nd)
- ⁵ AOT, CON 52/5 pp.194 & 198 (George Harris & Mary McNamara)
- ⁶ AOT, CON 30/2 p.332 (Mary McNamara)
- ⁷ AOT, RGD 37/11 1852/27 Brighton (George Harris & Mary MacNamara)
- ⁸ AOT, LC 53/5 pp.128 & 132 (Mary McNamara, Mary MacNamara *uxor* Harris)
- ⁹ AOT, CON 33/97 *Nile* No.22725 (George Harris)
- ¹⁰ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 28 May 1858 p.811 (George Harris)
- ¹¹ AOT, RGD 35/28 1859/29 Brighton (Mary Harris)