

*Margaret Mulcahy'*  
(uxor Margaret Kiernan)

Place Tried	Limerick City	Date Tried	12 March 1849 <sup>a</sup>
Offence	stealing a handkerchief from a shop	Sentence	7 years
Prosecutor	unknown, Limerick	Previous Convictions	none
Gaol Report	good	Surgeon's Report	good
Station of Gang	Anson	Class	3 <sup>rd</sup> from 18 February 1850
Religion	Roman Catholic	Literacy	neither read nor write
Marital Status	single	Trade	plain laundress, housemaid
Age	23 <sup>b</sup>	Native Place	Co. Limerick
Height	5' 1½", 4' 10½"	Complexion	fresh, fair
Head	round	Hair	black, brown
Visage	round	Forehead	high
Eyebrows	black	Eyes	black
Nose	medium	Mouth	large
Chin	round	Marks	none
Family	brothers James (in Galway) & Davey; sister Biddy		
6 April 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 4pm. <sup>2</sup>		
8 March 1850	To Colin Bain, DeWitt St, Battery Point. <sup>3</sup>		
7 October 1850	Tried at Hobart PC, in service to Mr Lucas, Passage Point, charged with misconduct in being out after hours at 8:45pm on 5 October; discharged, returned to the service of the Crown, not being under proper control. <sup>4</sup>		
11 September 1851	Illegitimate twin <b>daughter</b> Jane Mulcahy born <sup>c</sup> at Cascades FF; baptised 12 September 1851 in parish of St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Bell Maguire ( <i>qv</i> ). <sup>5</sup>		
2 October 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with quarrelling; admonished. <sup>6</sup>		
21 December 1852	Ticket-of-Leave refused. <sup>3</sup>		
8 March 1853	Contracted as PPH to Colin Bain, Harrington St, Hobart, 12m at £9 pa. <sup>7</sup>		
29 March 1853	Ticket-of-Leave granted. <sup>3</sup>		
13 December 1853	Tried at Hobart PC, brought up from 12 December on remand at Cascades FF, charged with misconduct in being out after hours at 10:45pm on 10 December; admonished & discharged. <sup>8</sup>		
31 January 1854	Recommended for Conditional Pardon. <sup>3</sup>		
11 March 1854	Application for permission to marry Michael Kiernan ( <i>Lord Auckland</i> 2) (approved 15 March <sup>d</sup> ). <sup>9</sup>		
10 April 1854	<b>Married</b> as 27y, servant, spinster, to Michael Kiernan, 27y, labourer, bachelor, at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; witnesses John Day & Mary Day (nee McNamara 3 <sup>rd</sup> , <i>qv</i> ). <sup>10</sup>		
December 1854	Mustered in Huon district, resident with Morris McQuinn, Snug. <sup>11</sup>		
19 December 1854	Conditional Pardon approved (issued at Kingston 5 June 1855). <sup>12</sup>		
1 February 1855	<b>Daughter</b> Mary Jane Kiernan born; baptised 1 March 1855 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors Thomas Jones & Ellen Ranger. <sup>13</sup>		
30 April 1855	Husband Michael Kiernan granted Conditional Pardon. <sup>14</sup>		
12 March 1856	Free by servitude.		
c1857	<b>Daughter</b> Margaret Kiernan born. <sup>24</sup>		

<sup>a</sup> Date given as 9 March 1849 on Irish transportation register.

<sup>b</sup> Age given as: 24y on Grangegorman prison register; 36y on Irish transportation register.

<sup>c</sup> The other twin daughter was stillborn.

<sup>d</sup> Date given as 21 March 1854 on conduct record.

- 8 December 1857 **Son** James Kiernan born; baptised 10 February 1858 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Mary Day (nee McNamara 3<sup>rd</sup>, *qv*).<sup>15</sup>
- 1858 Husband Michael Kiernan occupier of a dwelling & land (10 acres) at Snug River.<sup>16</sup>
- 1 March 1859 Twins, **daughter** Catherine Kiernan & **son** James Kiernan, farmer's children, born at Snug River.<sup>17</sup>
- 19 July 1860 **Daughter** Elizabeth Kiernan, farmer's child, born at Snug River.<sup>18</sup>
- 23 July 1860 Daughter Elizabeth Kiernan, 4d, died of natural causes at Snug River.<sup>19</sup>
- 17 February 1862 **Son** Michael Kiernan born; baptised 15 April 1862 at St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsors Mathew Hadland & Marian Hadland.<sup>20</sup>
- 14 November 1865 Husband Michael Kiernan, farmer & splitter of Snug, tried at Kingborough PC charged with non-payment of rural police rate of 5s; charge withdrawn on payment of rates.<sup>21</sup>
- 13 February 1871 Husband Michael Kiernan, farmer of Snug River, tried at Kingborough PC charged on complaint & information of William Pritchard with unlawfully beating him at Oyster Cove on 30 January; fined 10s & costs, in default 7d imprisonment, Hobart Gaol, 1m allowed for payment.  
Husband Michael Kiernan charged also with having since 28 December 1870 failed to pay to William Pritchard the sum of 18s wages due to him; witnesses William Pritchard, for defence Elen Hogan, Margaret Kiernan & James Kiernan; complaint dismissed, costs assessed at 8/6 to be paid by complainant.<sup>22</sup>
- 27 May 1877 Daughter Catherine Kiernan married William O'Brien at St James' RC Church, Snug River.<sup>23</sup>
- 28 February 1881 Daughter Margaret Kiernan married Lawrence Bernard Martin at St James' RC Church, Snug River.<sup>24</sup>
- 29 November 1883 **Died** of cardiac disease & chronic bronchitis at Snug, 56y.<sup>25</sup>



## References

- <sup>1</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1036 (Margaret Mulcahy); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Marg<sup>t</sup> Mulcahey); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.141 (Marg<sup>t</sup> Mulcahy); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1724 (Margaret Mulcahy); NAI, TR9 p.50 (Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>2</sup> NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1724 (Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>3</sup> AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.1036 (Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>4</sup> AOT, LC 251/2 (Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>5</sup> AOT, RGD 33/4 1851/720 & 721 Hobart (female & Jane Mulcahy); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.147 (Jane Mulchay)
- <sup>6</sup> AOT, CON 138/1 (Marg<sup>t</sup> Mulhey)
- <sup>7</sup> AOT, CON 30/2 p.135 (Margaret Mulchaey)
- <sup>8</sup> AOT, LC 247/22 (Margaret Mulcahy); AOT, LC 247/23 (Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>9</sup> AOT, CON 52/7 p.236 (Michael Keenan & Margaret Mulrahey)
- <sup>10</sup> AOT, RGD 37/13 1854/683 Hobart (Michael Kiernan & Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>11</sup> AOT, POL 379/1 pp.160 & 162 (Margaret Mulcahy/Mullcory)
- <sup>12</sup> AOT, CON 56/2 No.1901 (Margaret Mulcahy)
- <sup>13</sup> AOT, NS 1052/8 p.261 (Mary Jane Kiernan)
- <sup>14</sup> AOT, CON 33/82 *Lord Auckland* 2 No.19084 (Michael Kiernan)
- <sup>15</sup> AOT, NS 1052/9 p.42 (James Keirnan)
- <sup>16</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 25 May 1858 p.792 (Michael Kearney)
- <sup>17</sup> AOT, RGD 33/37 1859/849 & 850 Kingston (James & Catherine Kiernan)
- <sup>18</sup> AOT, RGD 33/38 1860/1345 Kingston (Elizabeth Kiernan)
- <sup>19</sup> AOT, RGD 35/29 1860/678 Kingston (Elizabeth Kiernan)
- <sup>20</sup> AOT, NS 1052/9 p.160 (Michael Kiernan)
- <sup>21</sup> AOT, LC 304/2 p.372 (Michael Kiernan)
- <sup>22</sup> AOT, LC 304/2 p.440 (Michael Kiernan)
- <sup>23</sup> AOT, RGD 37/36 1877/703 Port Cygnet (William O'Brien & Catherine Kiernan)
- <sup>24</sup> AOT, RGD 37/40 1881/174 Kingston (Lawrence Bernard Martin & Margaret Kiernan)
- <sup>25</sup> AOT, RGD 35/52 1883/429 Kingston (Margaret Kearnan)