

Bridget Scanlon'
(*uxor Bridget Cooper*)

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Waterford	<i>Date Tried</i> 30 March 1849 ^a
<i>Offence</i> house burning	<i>Sentence</i> 15 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> James Power, Waterford	<i>Previous Convictions</i> 1 – housebreaking (1m)
<i>Gaol Report</i> quiet	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> garrulous, quarrelsome
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> 3 rd from 24 January 1850
<i>Other Information</i> tried & convicted with Bridget Dooling (<i>qv</i>) & Mary Crowley (<i>qv</i>)	

<i>Religion</i> Protestant, Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> read & write, neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> single	<i>Trade</i> country servant
<i>Age</i> 20 ^b	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Waterford
<i>Height</i> 5' 1½"	<i>Complexion</i> fresh, freckled; fair
<i>Head</i> round	<i>Hair</i> black, brown
<i>Visage</i> round	<i>Forehead</i> high
<i>Eyebrows</i> dark	<i>Eyes</i> light hazel
<i>Nose</i> thick	<i>Mouth</i> large
<i>Chin</i> short	<i>Marks</i> none
<i>Family</i> father James; brother John; sister Ellen	

16 April 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 3:30pm. ²
12 August 1849	Put on <i>Australasia</i> sick list for obstipation (off 22 August, cured). ³
16 May 1850	Charged at Brickfields Hiring Depot with disobedience of orders; sentence 3m HL, Cascades FF. ⁴
20 December 1850	Contracted as PPH to Jane Livingstone, Argyle St, Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. ⁵
7 February 1851	Tried at Hobart PC charged by her mistress Mrs McGrath, Park St, Hobart with using indecent language to her, with having assaulted her & absented herself from her service without leave on the night of 5 February; discharged, no prosecutor appearing, & returned to her service. ⁶
13 March 1851	Tried at Hobart PC charged by her master Abraham Rheuben, New Town Rd with absence without leave from his service this morning between 5am & 6am leaving the front door of his house open & his premises unprotected; pleaded guilty only of absence without leave; sentence 3m HL, Cascades FF. ⁶
7 April 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct, talking at dinner time; reprimanded. ⁷
9 April 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct; to be brought before the Visiting Magistrate. ⁷
27 July 1851	Illegitimate daughter Margaret Scanlon born at Cascades FF; baptised 28 July 1851 in parish of St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Honora McInerhenry (<i>qv</i>). ⁸
13 December 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct; sentence task work stopped until conduct reported further. ⁷
20 December 1851	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct; sentence separate treatment until further orders. ⁷
16 January 1852	Charged at Cascades FF with disorderly conduct; sentence 7d separate treatment. ⁷
13 March 1852	Charged at Cascades FF with having tobacco in her possession; sentence to be brought before the medical officer. ⁷
23 August 1852	To William Graham, Cascade Rd, Hobart. ⁴
30 October 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴

^a Date given as 31 March 1849 on Irish transportation register.

^b Age given as: 21y on *Australasia* sick list; 25y on Grangegorman prison register.

1 November 1852	Contracted as PPH to Richard James Edwards, Liverpool St, Hobart, 12m at £9 pa. ⁹
6 November 1852	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
10 November 1852	To J Weaver, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ⁴
29 November 1852	Absconded from the service of J Weaver, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ¹⁰
14 December 1852	Tried at Hobart PC, brought up from 11 December on remand at Cascades FF, charged with absconding from the service of J Weaver, Elizabeth St, Hobart on 29 November & remaining at large until 11 December; sentence 12m HL, Cascades FF. ⁶
23 December 1852	Daughter Margaret Scanlon, 1y 5m, died of diarrhoea at Brickfields Nursery, Hobart. ¹¹
13 January 1853	Charged at Cascades FF with having a dirty apartment; sentence 3d bread & water. ¹²
18 January 1853	Charged at Cascades FF with having a dirty apartment, sentence 3d bread & water. ¹²
30 August 1853 ^c	Illegitimate son Joseph Scanlon born at Cascades FF; baptised 2 September 1853 in parish of St Joseph's RC Church, Hobart; sponsor Mary Anne Price. ^{4,13}
5 July 1854	To Hobart Hospital. ⁴
10 November 1854	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
15 November 1854	Son Joseph Scanlon, 1y 2m, admitted to Infants School, Queen's Orphanage, New Town. ¹⁴
21 February 1855	Contracted as PPH to Charles Flegg, <i>Bowling Green Hotel</i> , Liverpool St, Hobart, 12m at £9 pa. ⁵
28 February 1855	To Cascades FF, Hobart. ⁴
3 March 1855	To George Marshall, Liverpool St, Hobart. ⁴
15 May 1855	Ticket-of-Leave granted. ⁴
31 July 1855	Son Joseph Scanlon discharged from infirmary, Queen's Orphanage, New Town to his mother. ¹⁴
c1855	Married George Alexander Cooper ^{d,15}
1 March 1856 ^e	Recommended for Conditional Pardon. ^{4,16}
c1856	Son George Alexander Cooper born. ¹⁵
10 February 1857	Conditional Pardon approved. ⁴
10 November 1857	Daughter Bridget Maria Cooper, engineer's child, born in Glamorgan district. ¹⁷
19 August 1859	Son Frederick William Cooper, labourer's child, born in Glamorgan district. ¹⁸
27 July 1861 ^f	Son Francis Cooper, labourer's child, born near Falmouth; baptised 2 December 1863 in parish of St Anne's RC Church, Triabunna; sponsor Bridget Messey. ¹⁹
1 October 1863	Daughter Anna Maria Cooper born at Seymour; baptised 2 December 1863 in parish of St Anne's RC Church, Triabunna; sponsor Bridget Williams. ²⁰
2 December 1863	Sponsor at baptism of John Lynch, son of James Lynch & Ellen Sullivan, at Triabunna. ²¹
30 March 1864	Free by servitude.
31 July 1865 ^g	Son Edmund Cooper, carpenter's child, born in Glamorgan district; baptised 21 November 1865 at Mines in parish of St Anne's RC Church, Triabunna; sponsor Ellen Stevens (nee Rosney, <i>qv</i>). ²²
4 April 1867 ^h	Son William Henry Cooper, carpenter's child, born at Seymour; baptised 6 May 1873 in St Marys district; sponsor George Cooper. ²³
20 January 1872 ⁱ	Son John Ashby Cooper, engineer's child, born at Seymour; baptised 6 May 1873 in St Marys district; sponsor Bridget Cooper. ²⁴

^c Date given as 29 August 1853 on baptism record.

^d According to descendant Chris Beasley, George was probably George Cooper transported on the *Fairlie* in 1852.

^e Date given as 4 March 1856 on conduct record.

^f Date given as 14 August 1862 on baptism record.

^g Date given as 30 July 1865 on baptism record.

^h Date given as 27 March 1867 on baptism record.

ⁱ Date given as 17 January 1871 on baptism record.

- 23 December 1878 Daughter Bridget Cooper married Thomas Board^j at the dwelling house of John Board, Apsley.²⁵
- 7 February 1881 Witness at marriage of son George Alexander Cooper to Louisa Wilkins at Christ CE Church, Cullenswood.²⁶
- 10 July 1888 Husband George Cooper, 66y, labourer, died of strangulated hernia in Glamorgan district.²⁷
- 5 May 1895 **Died** of diarrhoea at Seymour, 65y, widow.



^j Thomas was the son of Judith Conroy (*qv*) and John Board.

References

- ¹ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.892 (Bridget Scanlon); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Bridget Scanlon); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.184 (Bridget Scanlan); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1796 (Bridget Scanlan); NAI, TR9 p.76 (Bridget Scanlan)
- ² NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1796 (Bridget Scanlan)
- ³ AJCP, ADM 101/6 *Australasia* Sick List (Brid Scanlan)
- ⁴ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.892 (Bridget Scanlon)
- ⁵ AOT, CON 30/1 pp.228 & 275 (Bridget Scanlon)
- ⁶ AOT, LC 251/2 (Bridget Scanlon)
- ⁷ AOT, CON 138/1 (Bridget Scanlon/Scanlan)
- ⁸ AOT, RGD 33/4 1851/584 Hobart (Margaret Scanlon); AOT, NS 1052/8 p.143 (Margaret Scanlon)
- ⁹ AOT, CON 30/2 p.67 (Bridget Scanlon)
- ¹⁰ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 7 December 1852 p.1192 (Bridget Scanlon)
- ¹¹ AOT, RGD 35/3 1852/2082 Hobart (Margaret Scanlan)
- ¹² AL&MFA, Beattie Papers, Record Book Women's Punishments 1852–1854, pp.169–170 (Bridget Scanlan/Scanlon)
- ¹³ AOT, NS 1052/8 p.206 (Joseph Scanlon)
- ¹⁴ AOT, SWD 6/1 No.359 (Joseph Scanlan)
- ¹⁵ personal communication, Chris Beasley, 24 June 2004
- ¹⁶ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 4 March 1856 p.195 (Bridget Scanlon)
- ¹⁷ AOT, RGD 33/35 1857/638 Glamorgan (Bridget Cooper)
- ¹⁸ AOT, RGD 33/37 1859/682 Glamorgan (Frederick William Cooper)
- ¹⁹ AOT, RGD 33/39 1861/979 Fingal (Francis Cooper); AOT, NS 1052/12 p.2 (Frank Cooper)
- ²⁰ AOT, NS 1052/12 p.2 (Hann M Cooper)
- ²¹ AOT, NS 1052/12 p.2 (Bridg^t Cooper)
- ²² AOT, RGD 33/43 1865/657 Glamorgan (Edmund Cooper); AOT, NS 1052/12 p.6 (Edward Cooper)
- ²³ AOT, RGD 33/45 1867/567 Glamorgan (William Henry Cooper); CCMA, EC5 p.85 (Henry Cooper)
- ²⁴ AOT, RGD 33/50 1872/602 Glamorgan (John Cooper); CCMA, EC5 p.85 (John Cooper)
- ²⁵ AOT, RGD 37/37 1878/166 Glamorgan (Thomas Board & Bridget Hodskiss)
- ²⁶ AOT, RGD 37/40 1881/25 Fingal (George Alexander Cooper & Louisa Wilkins)
- ²⁷ AOT, RGD 35/57 1888/302 Glamorgan (George Cooper)