

*Bridget Sugene*¹

<i>Place Tried</i> Co. Kerry	<i>Date Tried</i> 20 March 1849 ^a
<i>Offence</i> stealing 7 sheep	<i>Sentence</i> 7 years
<i>Prosecutor</i> Thomas Sullivan, Co. Kerry	<i>Previous Convictions</i> none – stealing shirts (discharged)
<i>Gaol Report</i> quiet	<i>Surgeon's Report</i> middling
<i>Station of Gang</i> Anson	<i>Class</i> not stated
<i>Other Information</i> tried & convicted with husband John Sugene	

<i>Religion</i> Roman Catholic	<i>Literacy</i> neither read nor write
<i>Marital Status</i> married	<i>Trade</i> country servant
<i>Age</i> 25 ^b	<i>Native Place</i> Co. Kerry
<i>Height</i> 5' 4¾", 5' 3"	<i>Complexion</i> fresh, freckled; fair
<i>Head</i> oval	<i>Hair</i> black, dark
<i>Visage</i> oval	<i>Forehead</i> high
<i>Eyebrows</i> black	<i>Eyes</i> hazel
<i>Nose</i> medium	<i>Mouth</i> wide
<i>Chin</i> short, round	<i>Marks</i> none
<i>Family</i> ^c husband John (7 years sentence on the <i>Lord Dalhousie</i>); mother Ellen; brother Daniel; sister Catherine; son Michael (14m, on board); 1 other child	

18 April 1849	Received at Grangegorman Depot, Dublin at 8:30am with son Michael Sugene, 6m. ²
29 September 1849	Son Michael Sugene, 1y, put on <i>Australasia</i> sick list for bronchitis (off 4 October, cured). ³
1 February 1851	Contracted as PPH to William Daley, Liverpool St, Hobart, 12m at £9 pa. ⁴
24 August 1851	Contracted as PPH to Samuel Hickling, Argyle St, Hobart, 12m at £7 pa. ⁵
3 September 1851	To William Sellers, Elizabeth St, Hobart. ⁶
5 April 1852	To Brickfields Hiring Depot, Hobart. ⁶
6 April 1852	To Arthur Corbett, Signal Station, Mount Nelson. ⁶
14 August 1852	Husband John Sugene, 32y, labourer, arrived in VDL, prisoner on the <i>Lord Dalhousie</i> . ^{7,8}
21 August 1852	Husband John Sugene to Prisoners' Barracks, Hobart. ⁸
23 September 1852	Husband John Sugene to J Andrewartha, Huon. ⁸
14 October 1852	Husband John Sugene to Prisoners' Barracks, Hobart. ⁸
22 October 1852	Husband John Sugene to John Davidson, Hobart. ⁸
26 October 1852	Ticket-of-Leave granted. ⁶
10 January 1853	Husband John Sugene charged at Hobart by his master John Davidson with disobedience of orders & being absent from service; sentence 6m HL, Prisoners' Barracks. ⁸
19 January 1853	Husband John Sugene to Prisoners' Barracks, Hobart. ⁸
24 February 1853	Husband John Sugene to Hamilton[?]. ⁸
6 June 1853	Husband John Sugene to James Jackson, Ouse River. ⁸
20 August 1853	Tried at Hobart PC, brought up from 18 August on remand, charged with absconding from her authorised place of residence on 5 August & remaining at large until

^a Husband's date of trial given as 18 March 1849 on Irish transportation register.

^b Age given as 28y on Grangegorman prison register and Irish transportation register.

^c A Mary Sugene, 56y, married, was tried for the same offence at the same court session. She was sent back to the county gaol on 20 August 1850. This may have been Bridget's mother, aunt or sister-in-law.

apprehended on 17 August; sentence 6m HL, Cascades FF; to serve 6 months additional probation. Stated, 'I was 8 days absent'.^{6,9}

- 19 September 1853 Ticket-of-Leave revoked for misconduct.¹⁰
- 24 October 1853 Charged at Cascades FF with carelessly breaking a lamp glass; sentence 3d SC.¹¹
- 12 December 1853 Charged at Cascades FF with not performing her work in a proper manner when employed at cleaning; sentence 10d past credit stopped.¹¹
- 18 April 1854 Husband John Sugene granted Ticket-of-Leave.⁸
- 12 October 1854 To Robert Henry, foreman of public works.⁶
- 29 December 1854 Husband John Sugene charged at Hamilton with common assault; fined £2.⁸
- 5 January 1855 Absconded from the service of Robert Henry, Government Domain.¹²
- 20 March 1855 Husband John Sugene granted Conditional Pardon.⁸
- 2 January 1856 Husband John Sugene collected Certificate of Freedom at Hobart.⁸
- 20 September 1856 Free by servitude.
- 11 March 1857 Certificate of Freedom collected at Hobart.⁶



References

- ¹ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.889 (Bridget Sugene); AOT, CON 19/8 *Australasia* (Bridget Sugrun); AOT, CON 15/6 *Australasia* No.177 (Bridget Sugene); NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1826 (Bridget Sughrue); NAI, TR9 p.38 (Bridget Sughrue)
- ² NAI, Prisons 1/9/4 No.1826 (Bridget Sughrue)
- ³ AJCP, ADM 101/6 *Australasia* Sick List (Michael Sugene)
- ⁴ AOT, CON 30/2 p.118 (Bridget Shugrue)
- ⁵ AOT, CON 30/1 p.273 (Bridget Shugrue)
- ⁶ AOT, CON 41/24 *Australasia* No.889 (Bridget Sugene)
- ⁷ NAI, TR9 p.83 (John Sughrue)
- ⁸ AOT, CON 33/109 *Lord Dalhousie* No.26373 (John Sugrue)
- ⁹ AOT, LC 247/23 (Bridget Sugene)
- ¹⁰ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 20 September 1853 p.847 (Bridget Sugene)
- ¹¹ AL&MFA, Beattie Papers, Record Book Women's Punishments 1852-1854, pp.175-176 (Bridget Sorigre/Sugrue)
- ¹² *Hobart Town Gazette*, 16 January 1855 p.88 (Bridget Sugene)