

# Sarah Turton

(*uxor Sarah Rose*)

POLICE NUMBER 172 <sup>1</sup>	LITERACY read only
TRIAL DATE 26 October 1840	AGE ON EMBARKATION 34
TRIAL PLACE Lancaster (Liverpool) Quarter Sessions	AGE ON ARRIVAL 34
OFFENCE stealing 24 yards of gingham	HEIGHT 5' 4¾"
SENTENCE 7 years	COMPLEXION pale
GAOL REPORT once in prison before, respectable, married	HEAD large
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS once 12 months for stealing a brass pan	HAIR dark brown
SURGEON'S REPORT ship woman, good	VISAGE oval
ON THE TOWN no	FOREHEAD medium
MARITAL STATUS married	EYEBROWS light brown
CHILDREN 0	EYES hazel
FAMILY husband George at Liverpool, a coatmaker	NOSE medium
NATIVE PLACE Tenby, South Wales	MOUTH medium
TRADE ON EMBARKATION	CHIN round
TRADE ON ARRIVAL cook—grade dishes, soups, fish, bake	MARKS second finger right hand crooked

c1807 **Born** at Tenby, Pembrokeshire, Wales.<sup>2</sup>

26 October 1840 Tried at Lancaster Quarter Sessions, Liverpool, Lancashire, England indicted for larceny in stealing 24 yards of gingham; sentence 7 years transportation.<sup>3</sup>

5 April 1841 Departed Woolwich, England on the *Rajah*.<sup>4</sup>

19 July 1841 Arrived at Hobart on the *Rajah*.<sup>4</sup>

c24 July 1841 Upon arrival at Hobart, sent to Launceston for assignment; assigned to Mr Thomas Archer Esq., *Woolmers*, near Launceston.<sup>5</sup>

15 November 1841 Charged at the Police Court, Longford by her master Mr Archer with misconduct in being in the man servant's bedroom; plea not guilty; verdict guilty; sentence 6<sup>6</sup> months hard labour at Launceston Female Factory.<sup>7</sup>

John Miles (*Lord Lyndoch*) charged by his master Mr Archer with misconduct in causing spirits to be brought onto the premises contrary to orders and with holding an improper connection with Sarah Turton; sentence 10 days in solitary confinement.<sup>8</sup>

31 December 1841 At Launceston Female Factory.<sup>9</sup>

2 September 1843 Charged with misconduct in her service in being in Thomas Bryant's bedroom at night; in the service of Youl; sentence 14 days in solitary confinement at Launceston Female Factory and recommended not to be again assigned for 6 months at least.<sup>3</sup>

30 April 1844 Classified as a 2<sup>nd</sup> class probation pass-holder; gazetted 3 May.<sup>10</sup>

10 July 1844 Hired in private service as a probation pass-holder to M Franks, *Malahide*, Fingal.<sup>11</sup>

26 September 1844 Promoted from a 2<sup>nd</sup> class to a 3<sup>rd</sup> class probation pass-holder; gazetted 1 October.<sup>12</sup>

<sup>1</sup> TAHO, CON40/1/10 p.120 No.172 [image 123] (Sarah Turton); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.260 [image 134] (Sarah Turton); ML, CY 1282 p.154 (Sarah Turton); ML, CY 1197 p.156 (Sarah Turton); ML, CY 958 p.442 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>2</sup> TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.260 [image 134] (Sarah Turton)

<sup>3</sup> TAHO, CON40/1/10 p.120 No.172 [image 123] (Sarah Turton)

<sup>4</sup> AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah*

<sup>5</sup> ML, CY 1282 p.142 (Sarah Turton); ML, CY 1274 p.263 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>6</sup> A sentence of 1 month given on lower court record (TAHO, LC362/1/5 p.154).

<sup>7</sup> TAHO, LC362/1/5 p.154 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>8</sup> TAHO, LC362/1/5 p.154 (John Miles)

<sup>9</sup> AJCP, HO 10/51 p.398 No.172 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>10</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 3 May 1844 p.504 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>11</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 July 1844 p.802 (Sarah Turton)

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31 October 1844	At Fingal. <sup>3</sup>
30 November 1844	Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 3 December. <sup>13</sup>
14 December 1844	Ticket of Leave granted (again); gazetted 17 December. <sup>14</sup>
12 August 1845	At Fingal. <sup>3</sup>
20 October 1845	Recommended to Her Majesty the Queen for a Conditional Pardon available within the limits of the Australian Colonies and New Zealand; gazetted 21 October. <sup>15</sup>
16 March 1846	Licence to marry Henry Rose in the private house of Reverend HH Gaud, Campbell Town on 18 March 1846 between 8am and 4pm; Sarah resident of Fingal; Henry resident of Fingal. <sup>16</sup>
24 March 1846	<b>Married</b> Henry Rose <sup>17</sup> in the private house of Reverend HH Gaud, Campbell Town (Wesleyan service); Sarah aged 37, illiterate; Henry aged 32, shoemaker; witnesses Maria Martin and William Bowman (illiterate). <sup>18</sup>
23 November 1846 <sup>19</sup>	Conditional Pardon granted on condition she shall not return to or be found within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; not having committed any offences since she was recommended to the Queen's mercy which would disentitle her to the indulgence. <sup>20</sup>
26 October 1847	Free by servitude; Certificate of Freedom available for collection. <sup>21</sup>
4 November 1847	Certificate of Freedom issued; gazetted 9 November. <sup>22</sup>
20 May 1878	<b>Died</b> of old age in the Fingal district; aged 74, shoemaker's wife; informant Thomas L Pillgreen, undertaker, Fingal. <sup>23</sup>
17 September 1889	Husband Henry Rose died of senility at the Invalid Depot, Launceston; aged 75, shoemaker, born England; informant Jane Doolan, undertaker, Launceston. <sup>24</sup>

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<sup>12</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 1 October 1844 p.1208 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>13</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 3 December 1844 p.1479 (Samuel Turton)

<sup>14</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 17 December 1844 p.1514 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>15</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 21 October 1845 p.1313 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>16</sup> TAHO, NS499/1/105 No.82 (Sarah Turton & Henry Rose)

<sup>17</sup> Henry Rose was transported for life on the *Circassian* in 1833, tried at Somerset Quarter Sessions on 2 July 1832 for stealing a frock &c; single, shoemaker, aged 22; received another 7 years' transportation at the Quarter Sessions on 20 July 1835; Conditional Pardon 7 January 1847; at Avoca November 1841, at Fingal November 1843 (TAHO, CON31/1/37 p.106 No.871 [image 122] (Henry Rose), TAHO, CON18/1/5 p.80 No.871 [image 43] (Henry Rose)).

<sup>18</sup> TAHO, RGD37/1/5 1846/516 Campbell Town (Henry Rose & Sarah Turton)

<sup>19</sup> Date given as 6 October 1846 on conduct record.

<sup>20</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 24 November 1846 p.1353 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>21</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 October 1847 p.1021 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>22</sup> *Hobart Town Gazette*, 9 November 1847 p.1103 (Sarah Turton)

<sup>23</sup> TAHO, RGD35/1/47 1878/173 Fingal (Sarah Rose)

<sup>24</sup> TAHO, RGD35/1/58 1889/386 Launceston (Henry Rose)