

Sarah Wetherall

(aka Sally Wetherall, Sarah Spriggs)

POLICE NUMBER 420 ¹	LITERACY read & write
TRIAL DATE 19 October 1840	AGE ON EMBARKATION 21
TRIAL PLACE Nottinghamshire (Nottingham) Quarter Sessions	AGE ON ARRIVAL 22
OFFENCE stealing a quantity of wearing apparel	HEIGHT 5' 5½"
SENTENCE 7 years	COMPLEXION fair
GAOL REPORT not known, bad, single	HEAD oval
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS 'I never was in prison before'	HAIR brown
SURGEON'S REPORT sober and orderly	VISAGE long
ON THE TOWN 12 months	FOREHEAD medium
MARITAL STATUS single	EYEBROWS brown
CHILDREN 0	EYES
FAMILY	NOSE small
NATIVE PLACE York City, England	MOUTH medium
TRADE ON EMBARKATION tramp	CHIN medium
TRADE ON ARRIVAL house servant, wash, iron	MARKS left eye smaller than right, round scar on right cheek

c1819	Born at York, Yorkshire, England. ²
19 October 1840	Tried at the Quarter Sessions, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire, England indicted for larceny in stealing a quantity of wearing apparel; sentence 7 years transportation. ³
5 April 1841	Departed Woolwich, England on the <i>Rajah</i> . ⁴
19 July 1841	Arrived at Hobart on the <i>Rajah</i> . ⁴
c24 July 1841	Upon arrival at Hobart, sent to Launceston for assignment. ⁵
31 December 1841	Mustered in the service of Mr R Bell, Launceston. ⁶
28 July 1842	At Launceston Female Factory in a state of pregnancy vide memo of the Assistant Superintendent. ³
4 October 1842	Son (unnamed) Wetherall born at Launceston Female Factory; illegitimate; informant Robert Pearson, Superintendent, Launceston Female Factory. ⁷
21 August 1844	Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 23 August. ⁸
17 September 1847	Charged with misconduct in living in a state of adultery with a free man; sentence 6 months hard labour at Cascades Female Factory, and Ticket of Leave cancelled. ³
25 September 1847	Ticket of Leave revoked for misconduct, gazetted 23 October. ⁹
19 October 1847	Free by servitude; Certificate of Freedom available for collection. ¹⁰
26 October 1847	Recommended for a Conditional Pardon. ³
17 March 1848	Certificate of Freedom issued; gazetted 11 April. ¹¹

¹ TAHO, CON40/1/10 p.220 No.420 [image 197] (Sarah Wetherall); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.269 [image 183] (Sarah Wetherall alias Sally alias Sarah Spriggs); ML, CY 1282 p.155 (Sarah Weatherall); ML, CY 1197 p.156 (Sarah (alias Sally) Weatherall alias Sarah Spriggs); ML, CY 958 p.443 (Sarah Weatherall alias Sally Weatherall alias Sarah Spriggs)

² TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.269 [image 183] (Sarah Wetherall alias Sally alias Sarah Spriggs)

³ TAHO, CON40/1/10 p.220 No.420 [image 197] (Sarah Wetherall)

⁴ AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah*

⁵ ML, CY 1282 p.142 (Sarah Wetherall); ML, CY 1274 p.264 (Sarah Weatherall)

⁶ AJCP, HO 10/51 p.404 No.420 (Sarah Weatherall)

⁷ TAHO, RGD33/1/23 1842/1170 Launceston (male Wetherell, mother Sarah Wetherell)

⁸ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 23 August 1844 p.1008 (Sarah Wetherall)

⁹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 26 October 1847 p.1063 (Sarah Weatherall)

¹⁰ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 12 October 1847 p.1021 (Sarah Weatherall)

¹¹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 11 April 1848 p.370 (Sarah Weatherall)

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