

Irish Transportation Record of Agnes O'Malley per Arabian 1847
NAI CRF 1846 O11 – Larceny – Stealing a Watch and Clothes - Sentenced to 7 Years
Transportation

Innisford Co. Mayo
17th October 1846

Sir

I have to acknowledge the Recit of your letter with enclosed memorial of **Agnes O'malley** Pris^r in Castlebar Gaol & requesting my opinion if she is a proper object of mercy.

The Prisoner was tried found guilty & sentenced as stated in this memorial.

It appeared in Evidence that the Pris^r went to the House of Michael Flynn who kept a House of entertainment in Headford – she called for Breakfast which she got. She then went out & did not return until after Flynn had gone to bed. On the following morning he found his window open & his door which he had bolted the night before open also & his Watch & Clothes taken away. The Prisoner was arrested in Ballinrobe & the stolen property found upon her. She admitted that she had got in at the window & committed the Robbery. I find in the margin of my note book the following

“This woman of infamous character”
“she was convicted in 1842 & again in 1843”
“sentenced to 12 months Imprisonment”
“each time with solitary confinement”
“her conduct in gaol ungovernable”

I beg to state for the information of the Lord Lieutenant that there were no mitigating circumstances in this case which would render the Prisoner a proper object of mercy.

I Have the Honor to be Sir^r very ob^t Servant
W^m Mayne

N.T. Redington Esq^r
Dublin Castle

Mr Hitchins 20/10/46 [*crosswise page1 of 2*]

To His Excellency Lord Bessborough Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of
Ireland &c &c &c

The most Humble Memorial of **Agnes OMalley** a prisoner confined in the gaol of Ballabarin
in the County of Mayo Sheweth

That your Memorialist was tried at a General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at Ballinrobe in the County of Mayo on the 29th of December 1845 before William Mayne Esquire Assistant Barrister for said County of Mayo for taking a watch the property of Doctor O'Flynn of Headford in the County of Galway (her Master) away from his house and was found Guilty & sentenced to Seven years Transportation.

And the circumstances which led to her prosecution and conviction were as follow:- she lived as a servant maid with Doctor O'Flynn who is a Single Gentleman for eight months previous to November 1845 He sent her from Shadford to Ballinrobe a distance of 10 miles to buy Groceries and gave her 1^s-16^p to buy said Groceries and also paid 1^s.6^d her fare on the shareholder car to Ballinrobe and as soon as he missed the watch he followed her to Ballinrobe and as soon as he arrived there he met with her and found that she had

sixteen shillings worth of the Groceries purchased. He asked her about the watch and she at once told him she took it and that she pawned it for one pound in the Ballinrobe Pawn Office and gave him the duplicate that he might release it and he however afterwards prosecuted her to conviction as aforesaid.

That your Memorialist is a young girl of respectable and industrious parents and friends who would (if pleasing to your Excellency to commute or mitigate her sentence) give her means to be enable her to go to America and that she is a poor girl not reared or used to any great hardship or slavery, and under the foregoing circumstances your Memorialist humbly Hopes that your Excellency may please take her case into your humane consideration and that you will with your usual clemency order a mitigation of her sentence and your Memorialist will for the remainder of her life will be a most exemplary member of Society and will for ever pray

Castlebar Sept 22nd 1846.....

Agnes O'Malley

[Signed] James Hamilton
[illegible]
Richard Gibbard [illegible]

O 11 1846

Agnes O'Malley

Larceny 7 years Transpⁿ

Report of Assistant
Barrister annexed
Oct 20.

Let the Law take its course
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Mr Mayne & Gov inf^d
22 Oct
