

Irish Transportation Record of Bell Amos per Tasmania 1845  
CRF 1845 – A7 – Film 56  
Larceny – Stealing a gown – Sentenced to 7 Years Transportation – Tried with Anne  
McAvine and Catherine Foy per Tasmania 1845 and Bessy Bogan (unfit to embark)

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*Stamped* CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE DUBLIN 45 AUG 1

Sir,

I have the honor of receiving your letter of 31 July enclosing the petition of **Eliz<sup>th</sup> Amos**, now a prisoner in the gaol of Enniskillen.

**Eliz<sup>th</sup> Amos**  
**Anne M'Avinue**  
**Catherine Foy**  
**Bessy Bogan**

were tried and convicted before me at the last assizes of Enniskillen for stealing sundry articles of wearing apparel on the 4 July last, the goods of Robert Somerville.

Mrs Somerville. The wife of Robert Somerville swore that the goods, which were the property of her husband, were stolen from her premises on 4 July last.

Mic<sup>l</sup> Carroll of Enniskillen pawn broker proved that the prisn<sup>r</sup> **Bell Amos** brought a gown to his office on & in 5 July last & offered it for pawn. The witness having some suspicion, sent for M<sup>rs</sup> Somerville, who at once claimed the gown as part of the goods of which she had been robbed. Mrs Somerville now swears this gown is her husband's property, and part of the goods of which she had been robbed.

John Hurley

Police Constable – was called on 5 July last to take charge of some stolen property stopped at the pawn brokers office & therefrom the witness took the prisoner Amos into custody.

The witness searched the house from which the prisoner Amos came. He found in the room of **Catherine Foy** a pair of stockings, which M<sup>rs</sup> Somerville swore to as part of the property stolen from her on 4 July.

Also in the possession of pris<sup>r</sup> **Bessy Bogan** a shirt & which was stolen the same time. This M<sup>rs</sup> Somerville submits as being the property of her son, John Somerville.

Alexander [*Mofatt*] )  
Police Constable ) swore that he was helping to search the prisoners on the day in question and from a search through the house where those girls live got a shirt & the stockings, they were in a bag kept covered with ashes. [next 2 or 3 lines foot of page 2 illegible]

The 4 prisoners are all young women apparently from 18 to 25 years of age. They all lived in this house. It did not appear that any of them had any honest calling or occupation, nor did any of them call on any one for a character. They were all taken into custody thereupon and the jury found them all guilty, on which I sentenced them severally to transportation beyond the seas for 7 years.

I am not aware of any mitigating circumstances.

I have the honor to be Sir  
your obt serv<sup>t</sup>  
Edward Pennefather

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Loftus Reade Rector of Queen's Inn Enniskillen  
Robert Maccoubrey  
Chas Fawcett J.P.

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**Bell Amos & 3 others**

Larceny – 7 yrs Transp<sup>n</sup>

Report of Chief Justice annexed

Aug 2/45

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