

**MARY ANNE JONES Irish Transportation Records 1843 J5**

Ballinamore Quarter Sessions  
October 1842

The Queen  
V  
Mary Ann Jones

Indicted for stealing a gown property of Alex  
Faris

To this indictment the Prisoner pleaded guilty and it appearing that she had been convicted at the previous Sessions of stealing several articles of dress and that she had been frequently in gaol for breaking windows, she was sentenced to transportation for the term of seven years.

All which I certify  
D M Kane

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Carrick – on – Shannon  
Gaol 11<sup>th</sup> April 1843

Stamp  
Secretary's Office Dublin,  
43 April 12

I have the honour to state Mary Anne Jones has conducted herself remarkably well since her commitment to gaol so much so that the Matron in consequence of her mild disposition chose her to be an Assistant in the Managing of the Female Lunatics and where her attention has given satisfaction. As to her previous character I regret to state it was not very good as she was very frequently drunk.

I have the honor to be  
Sir  
Your most obedient  
Humble Servant  
Edward *Indecipherable signature*  
Governor

To Edw Lucas Esq  
Your exalted station --

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To the Lord Lieutenant  
The Memorial of Mary Anne Jones a Prisoner in the gaol of Carrick on Shannon

Sheweth

That she was committed to gaol in the month of August 1842 for stealing a muslin dress value 6<sup>d</sup> the property of Mrs Faris of Carrick on Shannon and sentenced to be transported for seven years. Memorialist was unfortunately drunk when she took the article but most solemnly declares if your Excellency is graciously pleased to pardon her she never will be guilty of any offence again. She never did before steal any thing and therefore beg for the Honor and Mercy of God that you will order her sentence to be changed to Confinement and with the assistance of the Divine Spirit which alone can keep her from evil she never will fall into any crime for the future.

And she will ever pray that your Excellency may long live to show a lustre on your exalted station.

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Mary Anne Jones

Larceny = 7 years

The law must take its course

April 26 1843

Initials

Gaoler informed 27<sup>th</sup>

Ass<sup>t</sup> Bar<sup>r</sup> ans<sup>d</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 1843

Addressed to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant  
Castle  
Dublin

What was Prisoners previous character?  
What her conduct in gaol?

D Castle 10 April 1843

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Stamped Secretary's Office, Dublin, 43 April 25

[..] Up Fitz.. St  
April 25. 1843

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter & the Memorial of Mary Ann Jones under sentence of transportation & send my report of the case for the information of the Lord Lieutenant. I beg also to send a copy of the information sworn against the Prisoner and to state that she was represented to me as a person of loose character.

I have the honour to be  
Sir  
Your obedient Servant  
D W (Kane?)

E. Lucas <sup>Esqr</sup>

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Information of Muse Mc Dowell  
Sworn before John Little Esq<sup>r</sup>  
On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1842

Saith

That on Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> of July last between the hours of two and three o'clock in the afternoon of said day left spread on the grass and afterwards on the hedge near the rear of her Master's Garden along with other articles of clothes for the purpose of drying same a white Muslin Gown belonging to her mistress Mrs Faris of Shannon Lodge. Inf<sup>t</sup> saith that in the evening of said day when she went out to gather in whatever of the said articles that had remained out and of which said gown was one Inf<sup>t</sup> missed same saith the Gown now produced by the Police Constable is the same Gown she had so left out to dry at the time and place above mentioned.

Information of Thomas Devine  
Sworn before John Little Esq<sup>r</sup>  
On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1842

Saith

That on Thursday the 28th day of July last about 9 o'clock in the evening of said day being informed by Muse Mc Dowell the Housemaid at Shannon Lodge the residence of Informant's Master Alexander Faris Esq<sup>re</sup> that a Muslin Gown belonging to Mrs Faris which had been that day spread on a Hedge near the rear of his said Master's House was taken away. Inf<sup>t</sup> went in search of same and having procured the assistance of some Police Constable he proceeded to search a plantation ajoin the field where the Gown had been so spread and therein found the Prisoner lying concealed she was taken into custody by the Police.

Information of Margaret Dillon

Sworn before John Little Esq<sup>r</sup>

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1842

Saith

That on the morning of Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July that Inf<sup>t</sup> was in the House of her Master Edward Golden of Jamestown and between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock of the morning of said day a young woman who Inf<sup>t</sup> now sees in custody and who says her name is Mary Anne Jones came into her Master's shop and asked Inf<sup>t</sup> would she buy a dress and there upon she produced a white muslin dress and at same time told Inf<sup>t</sup> it was her Mothers who she alleged was dead. Inf<sup>t</sup> saith she purchased this said dress from the said Mary Anne Jones for the sum of one shilling and six pence sterling and Inform<sup>t</sup> swears the dress now produced by the Police is the same dress she so purchased as aforesaid

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