

Irish Transportation Records, Alice McGuckian, CRF 1851 C8 (McGuchen, McGuchane)

Written along side of letter

Ack- [....] that the Lord Justice cannot direct a free passage to the husband of women who have been transported

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Sir,

I take the liberty of addressing you on behalf of a person named James McGuckian, the husband of Alice McGuckian, who it is said, sailed from Kingstown, last month, in the Female Convict Ship, The Duke of Cornwall, for Van Diemen's Land, whither she had been sentenced to be transported for having stolen some fowl.

The government, it seems, allowed her to take her Three children with her – Her husband is quite distracted in mind at the separation from his family – He hopes, then, that the Government will take his very distressing situation into their consideration, and allow him to follow her as an emigrant – He is at present without a house or home, and wandering about the country, not knowing what will become of himself –

He is an industrious man, as either a weaver or labourer, strong & healthy, and of 33 years of age – He therefore most anxiously desires that the Government, for the sake of charity, will allow him a free passage after his wife & children-

I have the honor to be

Your obed^t hum^{ble} servant

Henry Ussher (curate)

Ballinderry

Magherafelt

[.5] Derry

August 5 1850

The Undersecretary
of State
Castle Dublin

Dublin Castle
12th August 1850

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 5th Inst. I am directed by the Lords Justices to acquaint you that Their Excellencies cannot order a free passage to be given to the Husbands of Women who may have been Transported,

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

signature

Rev^d Henry Ussher
Ballinderry
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