

**Irish Transportation Record CRF 1843 H55 Mary Hanly Film 51 (Irish National Archive)**

**Mary Hanly tried Cork City 8 August 1843 for coining  
Sentenced to seven years transportation  
Sailed on the Greenlaw 1844.**

*Stamped Chief Secretary's Office Dublin 43 Sep 6*

*W. Connor written up the side*

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 6<sup>th</sup> inst. accompanying the Memorial of Mary Hanly a Prisoner in Cork Jail under sentence of transportation for coining, I have the Honor to state for the information of the Lord Justices, that in my opinion the Prisoner is not a proper object of Mercy. She has been previously convicted no fewer than six times (as I indent) of offences relating to the coin, & had repeatedly undergone Sentence of Imprisonment. There appeared to be, therefore no use in again trying the effect of that punishment upon her. Her daughter Bridget Hanly, who was convicted with her on the same Indictment at the last assizes, was sentenced [8 m? ] & 6 Months imprisonment with hard labour, which I trust may prevent her from repeating the offence, especially if the example & influence of her Mother who appears to be a hardened offender be removed –

I have the Honor to be Sir

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

J.D. Jackson

8 Sept 43

Sutton [.....] North?

E.Lucas Esq. etc

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*Stamped Chief Secretary's office Dublin.*

*W. Connor along the side*

To His Excellency Thomas Philip Earl De Grey Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland etc etc etc

The Humble Memorial of Mary Hanly a convict in the City Gaol of Cork

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That Memorialist was convicted at the late Assizes for the City of Cork before the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Mr Justice Jackson for the offense of coining and as Sentenced to be Transported for seven years.

Your Excellency's Memorialist is a woman very far advanced in years being considerably over the age of 60. She sincerely repents of her fault and solemnly promises amendment for the future.

Your Excellency's Memorialist is the Mother of five children all of whom are living, and who are increasingly distressed at the idea of their mother being separated from them in her old age.

May it therefore please your Excellency in your mercy to take the distressed state of Memorialist and her unhappy children into your gracious consideration and to order that her sentence may be mitigated into that of Imprisonment, as she is firmly persuaded she will not live to accomplish a long sea voyage.

And Memorialist will as in duty bound ever pray

I certify that I have examined Mary Hanly & find her health much impaired and am of opinion that she is perfectly unequal of a long voyage

*Signature*  
Surgeon to C<sup>ly</sup> Cork Jail

Sept<sup>r</sup> 2/43

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Mary Hanly

I think this case should be sent to the Governor of the Gaol – and the opinion of the medical officer or officers of the gaol obtained whether it will endanger the life of Mary Hanly if the Sentence of transportation be carried into effect

*Signature*  
12 Sept 1843

[ ] for.16

Report annexed 22 September

AWC

The Surgeon to the gaol has not thought proper to answer the very precise question stated of the other side. – He s<sup>d</sup> be required to give a precise & specified answer to the query

*Signature*  
Sept 23 1843

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Ref<sup>d</sup> to the medical attendant for further Report – AWC  
23<sup>rd</sup> September Report annexed 20<sup>th</sup> September 1843

We are of opinion that the law s<sup>d</sup> take its course

*Signature*  
Sept 2 1843

Rich<sup>d</sup> W. Greene

I think that the law should take its course

John [ ]  
Oct<sup>r</sup> 4 1843

Judge ans<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>  
Gaoler inf<sup>d</sup> d<sup>o</sup>

AWC

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Sept<sup>r</sup> 19 1843

I William Beamish M.D do [ ] humbly and sincerely declare that I have examined Mary Hanley a Prisoner in the City Cork Jail & consider her health much impaired and that her life may in all probability be endangered by longer confinement and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true & by virtue of the provisions of an act made & passed in the sixth year of the Reign of his late Majesty William the 4<sup>th</sup> entitled “An act of repeal an act of the present Session of Parliament, entitled an Act for the more effectual abolition of oaths & affirmations taken & made in various Departments of the State, & to substitute Declarations in lieu, thereof, & for the more [entire?] dispositions of Voluntary & extra judicial oaths & affidavits & to make provisions for the abolition of unnecessary oaths.

Wm Beamish M.D.  
Surgeon to Cty Cork Jail

Declared before me

[ ] 20: Sept<sup>r</sup> 1843

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JP

Cork

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Cork City Jail

Sept<sup>r</sup> 28/43

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication relative to Mary Hanly a Prisoner in this Jail & respecting a precise answer as to whether she is fit to undergo the Sentence of Transportation.

In reply I beg to state that I have this day minutely examined her and am of opinion that her health is so much improved since I last saw her that the sentence of Transportation may be carried into effect without endangering her life.

I have the honour to remain

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant

Wm Beamish MD

Surgeon to the Cty Cork Jail.