

ALLEN, Martha

Variations :

Ship	Date arrived (Sydney)
Mary	7 September 1835

Shipping indent(s)

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715	212		X637	printed

Trial (place, date)	Prev conv	Offence	Sentence
Central Criminal Crt 2/3/35	none	stealing silver knife	7 years
Notes: Source = indent.			

Age	Marr/S	Child'n	Relig	Educ	Native place	Country
40	M		Prot	none	Herefordshire	Eng
Notes: Source = indent						

Trade or calling	Height	Complexion	Hair	Eyes
all work, plain cook, laundry maid	5'1	brown freckled	brown to grey	brown
Notes: Source = indent				
Other arrival info (eg ships musters & papers):				

Assignment

1835/36, to Mr Kemp; 30 July 1836 to John Eales, Swan Reach
With Eales: 1836→

Freedom (year, details)

T.O.L.	C.O.F
	42/2119: 10 December 1842, 4/4378, reel 1012.

Colonial crime & secondary punishment

Date	Offence	In service of	Punishment
1835 Dec	absent after hours	Mr Kemp	14 days cells
1836 Mar	drunkenness & refusing to work	Mr Kemp	21 days cells
Sources: see assignment & TOL above, and Col Sec & 'other' below			

Colonial Secretary's correspondence

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NSW Census/musters

1837	age 30 (note discrepancy with indent), assigned to John Eales, Maitland
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Colonial marriage

Date	Place	To whom	BDM index reference
Permission to marry:			

Death

Date	Place	Age	BDM index reference

Timeline

Date	Event
1835 Mar	Convicted of stealing knife, Central Criminal Court, 7 years transportation
1835 Sep	Arrived Sydney on the <i>Mary</i>
1835/36	Assigned to Mr Kemp (Newcastle area)
1836 Jul	assigned to John Eales, Swan Reach (Maitland)
1842 Dec	Certificate of Freedom

Other (source, details)

Hunter Valley Directory 1841: Allen, Martha – Patrick's Plains? (March 1842) Mary III (5) 1835.
 Magistrates Bench Books, 13 May 1833 - 13 May 1835 (SRNSW Reel 2721, Volume SZ80), 9 Jun 1835-11 Mar 1836, SRNSW Reel 2722, volume 4/5608:

- 1 December 1835, Assigned to Mr. Kemp. Charged with being absent after hours and disorderly conduct. She slipped out the back of Mr Kemp's house and went off with a soldier to his barracks, sentenced to 14 days in the cells for being absent after hours;
- 4 March 1836, assigned to Mr. Kemp. Charged with drunkenness and refusing to work. Sentenced to 21 days in the cells and to be returned to government.

Newcastle Gaol Entrance Books 1833-37, SRNSW 2/2005, p28. Martha Allen, Mary 1835, admitted 16 May 1836 returned to Government, assigned Mr Eales Swan Reach 30 July 1836.

Keywords

female, cells

Proceedings of the Old Bailey (www.oldbaileyonline.org)

MARTHA ALLEN, Theft > simple larceny, 2nd March 1835.

745. MARTHA ALLEN was indicted for stealing, on the 11th of February, 1 knife, value 10s., the goods of Mary Ann Edwards.

MARY ANN EDWARDS . I lost a silver-handled knife from my kitchen, at No. 6, Pleasant-row, Pentonville, on the 11th of February. I employed the prisoner on that day as a charwoman—she came about eleven o'clock—I went to market, and returned about three o'clock—I did not miss the knife then, but a gentleman who lodges with me, sent her out for some porter for dinner with a sovereign—she did not return with the sovereign, I was obliged to go to the station, and the handle of the knife was found on her—the blade had been broken off—I then went home, and missed it.

WILLIAM BARNARD . I am a policeman. I took the prisoner for the sovereign—this handle of a knife was found in her pocket.

Prisoner's Defence. The first thing she set me to do was, to go for a quartern of gin—she then went out with a friend who had recommended her to me, and did not return for two hours—she then came home, and as she had been drinking, I did not tell her about the knife which I had broken—she appeared pleased with what I had done, and sent me for another quartern of gin—I told her a gentleman had called to look at the apartments, and I told him I believed they were let—she said, why did not I have him in, and get 5s. of him; and when she wanted some tea, she sent me to get some from the lodger's room.

MARY ANN EDWARDS . I keep a very respectable lodging-house—the gentleman who sent her with the sovereign is a solicitor, and did not like to attend himself—he lodges with me still.

GUILTY . Aged 40.— Transported for Seven Years.

General information

This document is part of research undertaken by Brian Walsh on the convicts assigned to John Eales and the ticket-of-leave holders who worked for him. Please do not email or upload/post this document online without acknowledgement. For further information and contact details see:

www.patersonriver.com.au/ealesconvicts

A book on John Eales' convicts titled '*Toil and Trouble from Maitland to Moreton Bay*' is available from Paterson Historical Society, see:

www.patersonhistory.org.au