

KEYS, John

Variations :

Ship	Date arrived (Sydney)
Captain Cook	2 April 1832

Shipping indent(s)

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Trial (place, date)	Prev conv	Offence	Sentence
Antrim 27 August 1831	1 (2 yrs prev)	burglary	life
Notes: Source = indent.			

Age	Marr/S	Child'n	Relig	Educ	Native place	Country
24	s		cath	reads	Belfast	Ireland
Notes: Source = indent						

Trade or calling	Height	Complexion	Hair	Eyes
butcher & salter	5' 3	sallow p'pitted	dark brown	hazel
Notes: Source = indent				
Other arrival info (eg ships musters & papers):				

Assignment

on arrival to TWM Winder, Windermere (PRO HO10/29 & NSWGG 8 Aug 1832 p228).	
With Eales: 1845-48	

Freedom (year, details)

T.O.L.	43/2694, 10 November 1843, 4/4182 (reel 950) Maitland district. "Allowed an absolute pardon, Col Sec letter no. 50/73, 2 March 1850." TOLPPT 16 April 1844, 4/4253 (reel 972). Allowed to proceed to the Namoi in the service of WC Wentworth Esq for 12 months. TOLPPT 45/947, 16 October 1845, 4/4259. Allowed to remain in the service of Mr John Eales at Liverpool Plains. TOLPPT 47/696, 18 October 1847, 4/4267 (reel 976). Allowed to remain at Liverpool Plains in the service of Mr Eales for 12 months.
C.P.	48/2196, 15 November 1848, 4/4463 (reel 790) pp7-8.
C.O.F	

Colonial crime & secondary punishment

Date	Offence	In service of	Punishment
1837 April	Absconded	James Robertson, Merton	
1837 June	Absconded	James Robertson, Merton	
1843 Sep	drunk and disorderly	[Upper Hunter]	7 days cells, Newcastle
Sources: see assignment & TOL above, and Col Sec & 'other' below			

Colonial Secretary's correspondence

35/304 in 4/2291.1, Police Office Maitland to Col Sec, 13 January 1835. John Keys, Captain Cook, assigned to Mr Winder has been returned to Government because he was held in the Lockup for some time without his master appearing against him although warned to do so. 4/3680 p387, Col Sec to Princ Sup Convicts 9 February 1835. John Keys, Captain Cook, withdrawn from Mr Winder's service because not collected from the Lockup. 4/3693 p421, Col Sec letters sent re convicts. Sydney 15 March 1850, to Princ Sup Convicts, transmitting a Free Pardon for John Keys per Captain Cook.

NSW Census/musters

1837	n/a
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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
1831 Aug	tried in Antrim for Burglary, life sentence
1832 Apr	arrived in Sydney on the <i>Captain Cook</i> and assigned to Mr Winder, Windermere
1835 Jan	returned to Government after Winder left him in the Maitland Lockup
1837	absconded & apprehended twice while assigned to James Robertson, Merton
1843Sept	7 days cells in Newcastle Gaol for disorderly conduct and drunkenness
1843 Nov	Ticket of Leave for the Maitland district
1844 Apr	ToL passport to work for WC Wentworth at the Namoi for 12 months
1845 Oct	ToL passport to work for John Eales at Liverpool Plains
1847 Oct	ToL passport to work for John Eales at Liverpool Plains for 12 months
1848 Nov	Conditional Pardon
1850 Mar	Absolute Pardon

Other (source, details)

NSWGG 26 April 1837, absconded from James Robertson, apprehended GG 17 May.

NSWGG 12 July 1837, absconded from James Robertson, Merton, apprehended GG 26 July 1837.

Sydney Gaol Entrance Book, #1266, 4/6437, reel 853, admitted 23 August 1837 from Merton for trial. Discharged 7 December 1837 for trial at Maitland Quarter Sessions.

Newcastle Gaol Entrance Book, #694, 2/2020, reel 757, committed by F Allman JP at Muswellbrook on 13 September 1843, disorderly conduct and drunkenness, 7 days cells and returned to his service.

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Absconded, Liverpool Plains, ToLPPT

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:

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