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Black or ‘of colour’ inmates remanded into Newgate Gaol between May 1817 and January 1882

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This is not intended to be a critical analysis of nineteenth crime and punishment, the penal system – nor the presence and experience in it of individuals described as “*Black*” or “*of colour*”. The intent is to publish the details so that others might be able to take the research further, be that genealogy, local or academic history. In “*Untold Stories...*” Kathleen Chater explored the problems historians faced identifying people of African and Asian origin in records dating between the seventeenth and early nineteenth century.(1) Whilst ‘Black’ is now used to mean being of African origin, in the past being described as having “a black complexion” or being “a black man” did not necessarily mean that someone was of African, or indeed Asian, origin. (To confuse matters further, prior to the twentieth century both the Royal Navy and regiments of the British Army referred to men of African and Asian origin collectively as “Black” or “of colour” and as a result it is often difficult to ascertain ethnicity unless other information is provided). Records for various regiments of the British Army during the eighteenth and nineteenth century pose similar problems, and many a soldier described as having a black complexion would almost certainly have been White.(2) Consequently, the confirmation of the identification of Royal Navy ratings and British Army soldiers has to be made on a ‘case by case basis’ considering factors such as complexion, place of birth, distinguishing physical features and any other annotations. Additionally, in the absence of guidance from the War Office, the individuals responsible for recording descriptions had to decide who was “Black/of colour” and who was not. In Royal Navy records the annotations “a Black” or “Black” appear at times to be arbitrary, whilst some army regiments with longstanding traditions of employing Black soldiers were quite clear that describing an individual as “Black” or “of colour” meant that they were of African or Asian origin.

For the purposes of both brevity and to avoid confusion, the contemporary terms ‘Black’ and ‘of colour’ will be used in this article for people of African or Asian origin.

Identifying people “of colour” in Newgate Gaol 1817-1882.

Between 1817 and 1882 the warders of Newgate Gaol admitted over 120,000 individuals through their infamous gates.(3) Although described in 1770 as “*a merciless race of men and, by being conversant with scenes of misery, steeled against any tender sensation*”, they do appear to have been rather practical when it came to identifying inmates of African or Asian origin.(4) Being able to identify an inmate with certainty was an obvious requirement. Pre-printed admittance registers survive containing details such as name, place of birth, physical description (height, complexion), occupation, marital status (usually given in lieu of occupation for females), date of admittance, charge, trial date, verdict and sentence. Although the hands undertaking the writing changed over the decades, the manner of recording did not. Until the 1820s the gaolers appeared to grapple with the problem of how to describe the complexion of individuals of African or Asian origin, sometimes referring to them as “Black”, with “mulatto”, “tawney” or “creole” being used for individuals of ‘mixed heritage’. However, by the mid-1820s they appear to have settled on the descriptions “man of colour/woman of colour”, although there were several exceptions to this ‘rule’. Whilst this has subsequently facilitated the identification of individuals “of colour” it does prove problematic: Firstly, because of the power dynamic involved, in that they were not requesting an individual to identify their identity but were imposing one – in effect an individual was being given a ‘label’ by a White male authority figure. Secondly, for those born in Britain, being “of colour” provides no indication whether they were of African or Asian origin – similar to the problem posed by the records of both the Royal Navy and regiments of the British Army. Thirdly, because they appear to have categorised individuals as being “of colour” depending on the perceived significance of their African or Asian origin. As such, their identity was being defined and diminished in relation to how ‘non-White’ they were judged to be by the Newgate gaolers. The Jamaica born radical Robert Wedderburn (1762-1835/1836) was commonly known to have been of ‘multiracial’ origin, yet when admitted to Newgate in 1819 charged with libel, his complexion was described as “dark”, a description frequently applied to White British and European men.(5) Similarly, whilst Magnus Booth, a Santa Cruz born veteran of the Battle of Trafalgar (1805) was described as a “mustee” by the captain of HMS *Bellerophon* (indicating that he was of 1/8 African origin), on admittance to Newgate Gaol in 1825 his complexion was described as “dark”.(6) Thus, the approximately 450 individuals identified by gaolers as being “of colour” (or a variant of that description) on admittance to Newgate Gaol, probably do not accurately represent all the people of African or Asian origin admitted.

Newgate Gaol.

Newgate Gaol, just inside the City of London, was built in the twelfth century, extended and rebuilt at various times and was finally demolished in 1904. The people remanded into Newgate were charged a wide range of crimes, many of which were capital offences (of which there were over 200 in 1800) and could measure their time in the institution in weeks. The courtrooms attached to the gaol, commonly referred to as ‘the Old Bailey’ processed people quickly. Many Newgate inmates never actually stood trial, as it was not uncommon for charges to be dropped or cases to be abandoned. Others did take the stand, only to be found Not Guilty. For those found Guilty, executions took place at Tyburn Gallows outside of the Gaol, until the 1860s (and thereafter within the grounds of the building). The toast “one for the road” is supposed to originate from the last drink a condemned convict would take prior to making the short journey from Newgate to be executed at Tyburn. Public whippings were carried out locally, short custodial sentences were usually served in either floating prison hulks or one of the local prisons. After 1788, longer sentences – 7 years, 14 years and Life resulted in transportation to Australia, with the more problematic offenders being

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sent to Van Dieman’s Land (Tasmania). Newgate was destroyed during the Great Fire of London, (1666), and rebuilt by Sir Christopher Wren. It was stormed by a mob during the Gordon Riots (1780) and gutted by fire. Rebuilt by 1782, the building was based round a central courtyard, with separate accommodation for debtors, male felons and female felons, (including children).

Elizabeth Fry (1780-1845) first visited Newgate in 1813 and was appalled by the conditions she discovered: It was over-crowded, with many inmates being women and children. Gaolers (also referred to as ‘turnkeys’) earnt money by conducting public tours of Newgate, with the public being charged an admission fee to see the gaol’s more notorious prisoners.(7) Fry’s subsequent agitation for reform, including and emphasis on education and rehabilitation did much improve conditions in British prisons.

Notable inmates of Newgate included Giacomo Casanova, William Cobbett, Daniel Defoe, Captain William Kidd and Oscar Wilde. There were also prominent inmates “of colour”: The Jamaican born radical William Davidson (1781-1820), a participant in the ‘Cato Street Conspiracy’ was an inmate before being publicly executed for ‘High Treason’ outside the gaol in May 1820. In 1848, the Chartist leader William Cuffay (1788-1870) was held in Newgate when charged with conspiring to levy war against Queen Victoria. He was subsequently transported for life.

Newgate loomed large in the national psyche and has proved irresistible for many British authors: Geoffrey Chaucer (“*Canterbury Tales – A Cook’s Tale*” 1400). Daniel Defoe’s “*Moll Flanders*” (1722) spent time in Newgate. Newgate appears in several of the works of Charles Dickens, notably *Little Dorrit* (1856), *Great Expectations* (1861) and *Oliver Twist* (1838). The latter including a scene in which Oliver visits the condemned Fagin in Newgate prior to his execution. Newgate Gaol also provided the backdrop for scenes in the recent (2023) ITV adaption of “*The Confessions of Frannie Langton*”, based on the book of the same name by Sarah Collins.(8) Without giving away too many ‘spoilers’, Frannie, a ‘mixed heritage’ enslaved woman from Jamaica finds herself incarcerated in Newgate in 1826, charged with murdering her ‘employer’ and his wife.

Inmates “of colour” admitted to Newgate Gaol, 1817-1882.

One of the earliest references to a Black male inmate of Newgate dates from 1767 when the Joseph Guy, a New York born former soldier and Royal Navy rating was incarcerated in the gaol awaiting his trial and subsequent execution for highway robbery. Whilst the earliest reference to a Black female inmate is to Charlotte Gardiner, whose participation in the Gordon Riots of 1780, also led to her incarceration in Newgate and subsequent execution.(9)

Lest one be under the misapprehension that Black British history is defined by criminality, few of the hundreds of Black ratings and soldiers identified as serving in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries were involved in crime, and when they were, it was invariably as either victim of it or witness to it. Only three were admitted to Newgate even though many enlisted, served in or settled in London. However, nineteenth century newspapers appear to have referred to individuals as being “Black” or “of colour” if they were linked to crime (whether their ethnicity was relevant or not). In fact, the records of those admitted to Newgate belies that, and many of those admitted either never went to trial or were found Not Guilty.

In his study of over 200 Black convicts transported to New South Wales during the first half of the nineteen century, Ian Duffield eloquently and convincingly argued the case for them to be viewed, similarly to their White convicted peers, simply as ordinary people.(10)

Clearly, comparing the details for the 450 people “of colour” with the 122,000 White people similarly admitted to Newgate Gaol, requires an extensive amount of time and is beyond the remit of this article. But ‘crunching the numbers’ reveals that the 450 individuals “of colour” were only 0.375% of the total population of Newgate Gaol between 1817 and 1882, with “women of colour” constituting 0.0225% of the overall population in the same period.

Kathleen Chater has suggested that in the eighteenth century 80% of the Black population in England and Wales were male and 20% female.(11) However, in Newgate Gaol, the twenty-seven women constitute only 6% of the approximately 450 individuals “of colour” admitted. How this compares vis-à-vis White male and female inmates is not known.

The relatively low percentage of inmates “of colour” is despite the fact that according to Pybus’s analysis of baptism records for 1770 to 1800, Black people constituted 1.3% of London’s overall population.(12) In addition to the fact that in the years 1820 to 1826 inclusive, the ‘Society for the Suppression of Mendicity’ “...concerned itself with approximately 400 black beggars...roughly one in 40 of the beggars who came to its notice...”(13) Amongst the twenty-seven women “of colour” admitted to Newgate, there were indeed individuals who had fallen on hard times: Mary Ann Edwards had been reduced to begging; Fanny Kenyon had been born in a Foundling Hospital and was probably the victim of institutionalised neglect; Sarah Hart was described as “very badly off”.

Contextually, the percentage of inmates identified as being “of colour” is much lower than those of White inmates – or of what might be expected if they were to reflect either the Black population of London or the numbers reduced to begging. This may be because Newgate was somehow different from other gaols in London (perhaps other gaols had a larger percentage of inmates “of colour”), or because the Newgate warders had a rather rigid view of what constituted being “of colour”. Clearly, this issue requires further analysis. Paradoxically, in 2022, prisons in England and Wales contained approximately 57,974 White prisoners, 10,059 Black prisoners and 6,533 Asian prisoners.(14) So, in 2022, and of a total prison population of 74,566 – 78% were White, 13% were Black and 9% were Asian.

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The Appendix contains biographical entries for individuals identified as being “of colour” on admittance to Newgate Gaol between 1817 and 1882. Their Newgate Gaol records have been supported by information found on *ancestry.co.uk* and *findmypast.co.uk* In the case of those who stood trial at the Old Bailey the online court transcripts have been included (from *www.oldbaileyonline.org*), whilst the details of those subsequently transported to New South Wales or Van Dieman’s Land have been identified in *convictrecords.com.au*

The details are in alphabetical, rather than chronological, order. The format of recording used by the Newgate gaolers has been retained.

Places of birth given by Newgate Gaol inmates “of colour” admitted between May 1817 and January 1882.

The proportion of individuals born in the USA, Africa and the Caribbean broadly matches that of Black soldiers and ratings. However, the proportion of individuals born in England (predominantly London and its environs) is much higher than that found in either the British Army or the Royal Navy.

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| England (<i>Mainly London</i>) | 81 |
| USA | 73 |
| India (<i>Bengal, Bombay, Calcutta or Madras</i>) | 64 |
| Jamaica | 34 |
| Africa | 39 |
| Barbados | 17 |
| Canada | 15 |
| Isle of France (<i>Mauritius</i>) | 10 |
| West Indies (<i>Where no specific place identified</i>) | 11 |
| Antigua | 10 |
| Bermuda | 7 |
| Havana | 6 |
| St Helena | 6 |
| Grenada | 5 |
| St Thomas | 5 |
| Portugal | 4 |
| Demerara | 4 |
| Hong Kong | 17 |
| St Vincent | 4 |
| St Kitts | 4 |
| Martinique | 4 |
| St Domingo | 4 |
| 1 each from: Aden, Malta, Tortola, Nevis, Curacao, Dominique, Brazil, Cape Verde, Canton, Ceylon, Molacca, Berbice, St Christopher’s, Batavia (<i>Either Surinam or the Dutch East Indies</i>), Ireland, Wales, Naples, Hawaii, Zealand, Egypt, Poland, Spanish Main, Chile, Scotland, Chingpoo, China, Mexico, | 27 |
| 2 each from: New Providence, Argentina, Porto Rico, Guadeloupe, France, Singapore | 12 |
| 3 each from: Tobago, St Croix, Singapore, Dominica, Nassau, Manila, | 18 |
| East Indies (<i>Where no specific place identified</i>) | 1 |
| At Sea | 1 |
| Unknown | 11 |

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Appendix One. Black or 'of colour' inmates remanded into Newgate Gaol between May 1817 and January 1882.

**In alphabetical order.*

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| Abdallah. 57 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Seaman. | 24 th September 1847. | Stealing 4 handkerchiefs of Cossim in a vessel in the Port of London. | 29 th October 1847. Guilty. | Sentence suspended – to sea. Not found in Old Bailey records. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. |
| John Abrahams. 54 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Labourer. | 18 th July 1851. | Feloniously wounding Mehmet Abrahams with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 25 th August 1851. Not Guilty. | The victim was blind, came from Malabar and lived at No.3 George Street, Whitechapel. John Abrahams, his countryman, lived with his wife next door to the victim. Hodge, the <i>serang</i> (master), of the ship <i>Marlborough</i> was involved in the case afterwards. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1710-18510818&div=t18510818-1710#highlight |
| James Adams. 36 years. <i>Had 3 white co-accused.</i> | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born St Helena. Labourer. | 28 th September 1846. | Standing indicted for robbery with violence. | 28 th September 1846. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found Guilty.</i> | 15 years. Transported. The victim was in the Grenadier Guards. The assault and robbery took place near the <i>Three Elms</i> public-house, St Anne's Street, Westminster . It was noted that Adams worked as a pot-man at the <i>Elms</i> . His nickname was apparently <i>Black Frank</i> . William Cottrell, <i>police-constable L 108</i> , and Robert Parkins, a witness for the prosecution, gave Adams a good character. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> Possibly transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Marion</i> , 27 th September 1847, to 9 th January 1848. <i>The copy of his convict record is blurred and cannot be deciphered.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1897-18460921&div=t18460921-1897#highlight convictrecords.com.au |
| William Adams. 40 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Davenport. Sailor. | 10 th June 1843. | Stealing 2 spoons and 2 forks of Joshua Lediwell Heathorn in a vessel on the river. | 18 th June 1843. Guilty. | 6 months. Old Bailey names the victim as Joseph Lidwelt Eyther. He was a merchant, living in Abchurch Lane. The <i>Mount Stewart Elphinston</i> belonged to him and Adams was employed as a steward on board. The prisoner received a good character. <i>There is a Devonport in Devon and a Davenport House in Shropshire.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1895-18430612&div=t18430612-1895#highlight |

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| Francis Addison. 30 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born Maryland. Steward. | 5 th September 1844. | Stealing 1 chain and 1 pencil case of Theodore Phinney Murray in a vessel in the Port of London. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. |
| Joseph Aguila. 58 years. | 5/9". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Havannah. Servant. | 24 th December 1830. | Stealing shoes. | 6 th January 1831. Pleaded guilty. | 2 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| Ahall. 39 years. <i>Co-accused of Alie.</i> | <i>A man called Ahall.</i> 5/2". Man of colour. Born Singapore. Sailor. | 19 th October 1853. | Feloniously wounding Robert Mills with intent to murder him upon the High Seas. | 29 th October 1853. Guilty. | 15 years and transported. Old Bailey as Ahalt. Ahall and Alie were Lascar crewmen on the <i>Queen of the Teign</i> . The cause of the altercation appears to be confused, however, a number of Lascar seamen appear to have attacked the White crewmen. On sentencing, the judge recommended: <i>Mercy by the Jury, on the supposition of their ignorance of the value of life.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18531024-1116&div=t18531024-1116#highlight |
| Ale. 25 years. Speck in eye. | 5/6". Man of colour. Labourer. | 15 th October 1857. | Feloniously wounding Mariam Francisco with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 31 st October 1857. Guilty. | 1 day. No evidence offered. Old Bailey spells as Mariano and Ali. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-1081-18571026&div=t18571026-1081#highlight |
| Suffer Ali. 28 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Cook. | 3 rd March 1840. | Stealing 1 chain and £5 of William Crace from the dwelling house of John Fry. | 6 th March 1840. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |
| Alie. 24 years. <i>Co-accused of Ahall.</i> | <i>A man called Alie.</i> 5/4". Man of colour. Born Molacca. Sailor. | 19 th October 1853. | Feloniously wounding William Barford Treat with intent to murder him upon the High Seas. | 29 th October 1853. Guilty. | 15 years and transported. Old Bailey as Allie and Allie Alie. Ahall and Alie were Lascar crewmen on the <i>Queen of the Teign</i> . The cause of the altercation appears to be confused, however, a number of Lascar seamen appear to have attacked the White crewmen. On sentencing, the judge recommended: <i>Mercy by the Jury, on the supposition of their ignorance of the value of life.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18531024-1116&div=t18531024-1116#highlight |
| Thomas Allen. 19 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Stout. Born Owhyhee Mariner. | 25 th April 1826. | Stealing a hat. | 12 th May 1826. Not guilty. | The incident occurred in a clothes-shop in East Smithfield. At one point there was an altercation between the owners, Allen and "two other men of colour - they made a great riot at the house, and said we wanted to take advantage of him because he was a foreigner". At the trial Allen spoke through an interpreter. Owyhee or Owhyhee is an older English spelling of Hawaii used in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. <u>Sources:</u> |

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| William Anderson. 23 years. | 5/3". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born New York. Mariner. | 26 th July 1825. | Stealing a cap. | 17 th September 1825. Guilty. | 1 month. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| William Anderson. 28 years. | 5/4". A Mulatto. Stoutish. Born Antigua. Servant. | 23 rd August 1827. | Stealing a shawl and a piece of cotton. | 14 th September 1827. Guilty. | 1 month. Anderson stole the goods from the dwelling he was lodging at Oxford buildings, Oxford Street. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18270913-110-defend1181&div=t18270913-110#highlight |
| Francis Andrews. 22 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Africa. Servant. | 14 th August 1820. | Stealing a coat and a waistcoat. | 29 th September 1820. Guilty. | Transportation for life. The offence was committed at Hemlock Court. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Grenada</i> , 3 rd May 1821 to 16 th September 1821. In 1844 on his <i>Ticket for Leave</i> he gave his intention to reside in Port Macquarie, NSW (a secondary penal colony). <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. convictrecords.com.au Australia Convict Tickets Of Leave 1824-1874. Ticket Of Leave Butts 1827-1875 (Nrs 12202). Reel: 955. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18200918-220-defend2136&div=t18200918-220#highlight |
| John Andrews. 17 years. <i>Had one White co-accused.</i> | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Plymouth. Labourer. "E.R" on the back of the left hand. | 22 nd July 1845. | Stealing 1 handkerchief of Charles Edwards Williams of his person. | 18 th August 1845. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | 6 months. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> Andrews and his co-accused, John Kirby, picked the pocket of Charles Edward Williams in Leadenhall Street. <i>Andrews. I was going up the street, the officer took hold of me.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-1634-18450818&div=t18450818-1634#highlight |
| John Anthony. 20 years. | 5/2". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Bombay. Mariner. | 7 th August 1819. | Stealing a blanket. | 30 th September 1819. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The blanket was stolen from a dwelling in in Blue-gate Fields, Shadwell, where Anthony was lodging. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Coromandel</i> , 27 th October 1819 to 5 th April 1820. In 1820 he was given 100 lashes for intent to steal. He had also absconded. As a punishment he was sent to Newcastle for 3 years. (Newcastle, NSW, was a secondary punishment for unruly convicts). <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. convictrecords.com.au |

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| John Anthony. 26 years. | 5/4". A man of colour. Born Mozambique. Mariner. | 3 rd December 1830. | Stealing monies. | 10 th December 1830. Guilty. | <p>Death. Transported for life.</p> <p>Anthony stole the monies from No. 10, Duke Street, St. George's in the East. The owner, who Anthony stole from, had known him for about seven years. He had lodged there since September.</p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Strathfieldsay</i>. His Prison Hulk report noted that he was well behaved. He was a single man with relations in Africa. On arrival in Van Dieman's Land he was employed between 1832 and 1835 by a Mr Burn and a Mr Degreaves. Between 1833 and 1839 he committed seven offences: Frivolous complaints against his master, absenteeism, being in town without permission, neglect of duty and indecent and/or disrespectful language (indecent language got him 36 lashes).</p> <p>He died in October 1840.</p> <p><i>foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/c31a31020114</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u></p> <p>TNA PCOM2/201.</p> <p><i>www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18301209-8-defend178&div=t18301209-8#highlight</i></p> <p><i>foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/c3a31020114</i></p> |
| Emanuel Antonio. 34 years. (Co-accused of Enacoe Caitano). | 5/10". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Bombay. Mariner. | 18 th October 1831. | Cutting Jacob George with intent to commit GBH. | 24 th October 1831. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found not guilty.</i> | <p>Life. Transportation.</p> <p>From Old Bailey: Emanuel Antonio and Enacoe Caetano. Breaking the peace and wounding, 20th October 1831. The victim, Jacob George, was a native of Calcutta with an English father. A seaman, he had been cast-away at Bordeaux, made his way to England and was lodging at Gold's barracks, Ratcliff Highway. <i>"It is a place where all the Indian born people and foreign seamen lodge."</i> Antonio and Caetano also lodged there, but in different rooms from each other.</p> <p>The prisoners being foreigners, had the whole of the evidence communicated to them by an interpreter, through whom they made their defences.</p> <p><u>Antonio's Defence.</u> <i>I never had the razor in my hand with any bad intention; I only had it because I found my razor was spoiled by somebody - I never kicked the door so hard as they</i></p> |

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| | | | | | <p>say; I only touched it, and it opened- I did not hit the man with any intent to use the knife; I only happened to have it in my hand when they asked why I opened the door so - I said because I liked, that was all.</p> <p><u>Caetano's Defence.</u> I only came in to bid him farewell, because I was going away; I only went on a visit- this man came in, and they said, "How came you to come in, in such a rough way?" he said because he liked it; the prosecutor then jumped out of bed - I went to part them; I did not know that he had any knife in his hand - I only took him away to keep him back; I do not know the laws of this country at all.</p> <p>ANTONIO - GUILTY - DEATH . Aged 34.</p> <p>Strongly recommended to Mercy by the Jury, being a foreigner.</p> <p>CAETANO - NOT GUILTY .[Oct. 24.)</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18311020-11-defend202&div=t18311020-11#highlight</p> |
| Francisco Antonio. 30 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Cape de Verd. Cook. | 15 th February 1851. | Stealing 2 sovereigns of Jacintho Nunez de Costa. | 7 th March 1851. Not Guilty. | <p>Both Antonio and the victim were sailors lodging in a house in Grace's Alley.</p> <p>Place of birth almost certainly Cape Verde.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-769-18510303&div=t18510303-769#highlight</p> |
| Antrehman. 30 years. <i>Co-accused of Samut.</i> | 5/2". A Lascar. Born Singapore. Sailor. | 17 th December 1841. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Hassan with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 6 th January 1842. Guilty. | <p>14 days.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207.</p> |
| Apoi Assam. 5/7". 30 years. Asluck. 5/1". 28 years. Apoi. 5/4". 22 years. Astag. 5/4". 22 years. <i>All co-accused.</i> | Men of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailors. | 16 th August 1855. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Jack Quy with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 23 rd August 1855. Guilty. | <p>4 years penal.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213</p> |
| Assam Assam. 5/7". 30 years. Asluck. 5/1". 28 years. Apoi. 5/4". 22 years. Astag. 5/4". 22 years. <i>All co-accused.</i> | Men of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailors. | 16 th August 1855. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Jack Quy with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 23 rd August 1855. Guilty. | <p>4 years penal.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213</p> |
| Astag Assam. 5/7". 30 years. Asluck. 5/1". 28 years. Apoi. 5/4". 22 years. Astag. 5/4". 22 years. | Men of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailors. | 16 th August 1855. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Jack Quy with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 23 rd August 1855. Guilty. | <p>4 years penal.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213</p> |

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| Charles Atherly. 25 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Sailor. <i>Scar forehead. Right hand injured.</i> | 15 th August 1873. | Feloniously killing and slaying Benjamin Swann. | 23 rd August 1873. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey identified him as being Black. Swann was a seaman of the ship <i>Hudson</i> , in the Shadwell Basin. He made his statement to the Police while he lay dying in London Hospital. The incident appears to have been a disagreement between the two sailors which turned into a fight on the <i>Hudson</i> . <i>Prisoner's Defence. I ask the Jury if the deceased was not to blame for his own death. He was the first man who thought of a knife, and I took that in case he should attempt to stab me, and then I should have delivered a stab at him, but I never did. The officers never came to stop it. They said "Go ahead, give it to him."</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-539-18730818&div=t18730818-539#highlight |
| Harry Aude. 24 years. <i>Had 4 white co-accused.</i> | Man of colour. Sailor. | 7 th April 1835. | Stealing 2 £5 bank notes and 4 sovereigns. | 13 th April 1835. Not guilty. <i>3 of his co-accused were found guilty and transported for life.</i> | The victim, a sailor recently paid off at Portsmouth, was the victim assault and robbery at a dwelling in Fox Lane, Shadwell. Aude simply appears to have been present at the dwelling at some time during the incident. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def5-1060-18350406&div=t18350406-1060#highlight |
| Augwarallie. 23 years. <i>Had one white co-accused.</i> | 5/2". Man of colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 17 th November 1857. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 24 th November 1857. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found Guilty.</i> | 4 months. <i>Co-accused received 1 year.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 |
| Awa (a Chinese). 30 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Caulon(?) Shopman. | 28 th July 1863. | B_____y with George Davis. Detained for a like offence. | 20 th August 1863. Guilty. | 18 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18630817-1028&div=t18630817-1028#highlight |
| Henry Baker. 28 years. <i>Had 2 white co-accused.</i> | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Nassau. Sailor. <i>Both arms marked.</i> | 6 th August 1866. | Feloniously killing and slaying on the High Seas viz Alexander Steward. | Bill not found. <i>Co-accused the same.</i> | Discharged. <i>Co-accused the same.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/216. |
| Mahomed Balleti. 29 years. | Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 9 th May 1842. | B.....y | 12 th May 1842. Guilty. | Life and Transported. Death recorded – 27 th June, York, (<i>a prison hulk?</i>). Gosport. |

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| | | | | | HO 77/49/20 notes the offence being: “B_____y on board a ship upon the high sea, within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England.” Death is also indicated. <i>findmypast.co.uk</i> renders his name as Ballete and Balletti. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. HO 77/49/20. |
| John Baptiste. Alias Matthews. 31 years. | 5/8”. A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Grenada. Mariner. | 28 th May 1830. | Obtaining by false pretences 2 shirts and 1 jacket. | 29 th May 1830. Guilty. | 7 years. Transportation. The items were stolen from a tailor and slop-seller. Prisoner's Defence. <i>The captain gave me the note on Sunday, and I met a black woman, who said she knew this gentleman; I went and got the note changed with him - the captain said I must be on board by half-past six o'clock; I ran off as the ship had sailed - I gave a waterman 1s. to put me alongside, but she was going before the wind, and I could not get on board; I came back, and got the note of the other ship - the things I had of the prosecutor are on board the vessel.</i> Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>John</i> , 9 th October 1830 to 28 th January 1831. Assigned to Peter Archer Mulgrave, and listed as a gentleman's servant and cook, aged 32 years. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18300527-149-defend1256&div=t18300527-149#highlightconvictrecords.com.au |
| John Baptist. 25 years. | 5/8”. A man of colour. Slim made. Born Isle of France. Seaman. | 8 th June 1818. | Stealing 7 fowls. | 26 th June 1818. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. It was noted “several times before”. The fowl were stolen from a soap-maker in Old Gravel-lane. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Hadlow</i> , August to 24th December 1818. Possibly: Resident in Hobart, Tasmania, in 1846 where he received a 3 rd Class Pass. <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> HO 10/38. <i>findmypast.co.uk</i> <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180617-168-defend1380&div=t18180617-168#highlightconvictrecords.com.au |
| John Baptist. 40 years. | 5/7”. Man of colour. Slender made. Born Martinique. Labourer. | 23 rd June 1817. | Stealing 3 blankets and 2 sheets. | 12 th July 1817. Discharged by proclamation. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. |
| John Baptist. 42 years. | 5/7”. Mulatto. Black hair, dark eyes, stout made. Born Martinique. Mariner. | 1 st October 1817. | Stealing a petticoat and 2 silk handkerchiefs. | 3 rd November 1817. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. |
| John Baptiste. 60 years. | 5/2”. Man of colour. Born Spanish Main. Sailor. | 25 th April 1836. | Stealing 1 pair of boots, 2 brushes, 3 printed books, 1 pair of trousers, 1 waistcoat, 2 pairs of stockings | 14 th May 1836. Guilty. | 3 months. The items were stolen from a shop in Upper Cornwell Street. Baptiste was apprehended by the female homeowner. |

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| | | | and 2 window curtains the goods of Richard Thomas Sutt, a mathematical instrument maker. | | His defence was: <i>I had nothing to eat for two days-when I came from the West Indies a man took all my money, and then turned me out—I had no-where to sleep.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1273-18360509&div=t18360509-1273#highlight |
| John Bardoe. 32 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 29 th June 1859. | Feloniously stabbing Charles Oliver with intent to murder him. | 7 th July 1859. Not Guilty. | Bardoe had been left in London by a Captain Francisco Capello of Genoa. He was residing with Nocola Maggi, a ship's-chandler in the Minories. Although how willing and in what status became questionable during the trial. It appears that Maggi attempted to put Bardoe on a ship named the <i>Guinea</i> , in Katherine Docks. (Following Capello's written instruction). Bardoe did not want to go, and it is at this point that Sergeant Charles Oliver of the Metropolitan Police became involved; although clearly not aware of all the facts of the case. The chase and fight that followed involved several officers and resulted in Oliver being badly cut by Bardoe using a knife, and Bardoe himself being struck insensible by both the police and civilians. <u>The prisoner's statement before the Magistrate was here not as follows:</u> <i>I was the slave of a man of the name of Berto, at Lagos, in Africa, who took me on board a ship to work, and afterwards sold me to a white man of the name of Captain Capello. Captain Capello told me that he was, my master, because Berto had sold me to him; I don't know how much he paid for me. I was more than a year in Captain Capello's service, but he never gave me any pay, nor did I ever sign or make any agreement as a seaman. Captain Capello brought me against my will in a ship to England, which ship was burnt at Yarmouth, in England; and I was brought to London, put on board another ship, and taken to Genoa, where Captain Capello wanted to sell me, but no one would buy me. I was then taken back to Africa and brought again to England. When the ship arrived, I told Captain Capello that I would not go again to Genoa and begged him to put me on board a man-of-war, that I might be free and learn English. He sent me on board the Hospital-ship, where I told one of my countrymen, I was a slave. From this I was sent to a house on shore, where I met another of my countrymen, whom I told I would no longer be a slave, but work and get wages. After this, I was taken to another place, where I was made to work; but I told them I would not be a slave any longer; and I was told that if I worked they would give, me clothing and money, but they gave me nothing but food, and wanted me to go to some other place, and so many people were sent after me I thought they wanted to take me to burn me, so I shut myself up, and then got out of the window on to the top of the house. When I was seized, I had a knife in my hand; and whatever I did it was in self-</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>defence. I never intended to hurt any man. "The above statement was taken through an interpreter, Miss. M. B. Servano, a native of Yorubah, and educated in England, and was handed by the prisoner as his defence."</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-685-18590704&div=t18590704-685#highlight</p> |
| Bardor. 17 years. <i>Co-accused of Esop.</i> | 5/4". Man of colour. Born Madras. Seaman. | 4 th July 1836. | B_____y. | Not found. | <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 204.</p> |
| Henry Barrett. 23 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 29 th September 1838. | Feloniously stabbing and wounding William Harris with intent to do him so grievous bodily harm on the High Seas. | 1 st October 1938. Guilty. | <p>1 year. Sources: TNA PCOM2/205.</p> |
| George Barrow. 34 years. <i>(Co-accused was a white surgeon).</i> | 5/8". A man of colour. Born Demerara. Clerk. | 16 th September 1828. | Fraud. <i>Clerkenwell sessions.</i> | 25 th October 1828. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | <p>7 years. Transported. <i>Co-accused had the same sentence.</i></p> <p>Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Georgiana</i>. Departed 24th November 1828 and arrived 20th April 1829. On his <i>convict records</i> his trade was advocate and he had a dark brown complexion. The record also described him as a man of colour and a mulatto.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/200. convictrecords.com.au <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Appropriation List CON27/1/4; Conduct Record CON31/1/1; Description List CON18/1/8 Page 89; Description List CON23/1/1; Muster Roll CSO1/1/390 Page 8829.</p> |
| Henry Bartley. 20 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Born St George's Hanover Square. Finisher. | 19 th October 1853. | Feloniously uttering a forged order for £8/4s with intent to defraud the Royal Bristol Bank. | 27 th October 1853. Guilty. | <p>6 months. Sources: TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1097-18531024&div=t18531024-1097#highlight</p> |
| John Battes. 15 years. | 5/3". A Mulatto. Stoutish. Born Havannah. Labourer. | 23 rd June 1827. | Stealing 1 guitar, 2 coats and a pair of pantaloons. | 12 th July 1827. Not guilty. | <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/199.</p> |
| George Belfour. 13 years. <i>(His co-accused was white, 17 years old and born in St Giles).</i> | 4/5". A mulatto. Stoutish made. Born St Marylebone. No trade. | 11 th November 1818. | Stealing 2 great coats. | 8 th December 1818. Guilty. <i>His co-accused was found not guilty.</i> | <p>Death. Commuted to 14 years and transportation. George Belfour stole the items from No. 68, Harley Street, St. Marylebone.</p> <p>Sources: PCOM2/192. https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18181202-47-defend527&div=t18181202-47#highlight</p> |
| William Bell. 20 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Zealand. Sailor. | 26 th October 1842. | Stealing 2 pairs of trousers, 2 waistcoats and 2 towels of James | 1 st November 1842. Not Guilty. | <p>The items were taken from the <i>Jane</i> in London dock.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/208.</p> |

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| | | | Downes in a vessel in the Port of London. | | www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-3033-18421024&div=t18421024-3033#highlight |
| Augustus Benjamin. 20 years. | 5/3". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born St Thomas. Mariner. | 29 th November 1827. | Stealing 1 necklace and 1 watch. <i>2 separate counts.</i> | Bill not found. Ordered to be removed to Surrey (11 th December). | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. |
| John William Berham. 21 years. | 5/11". Man of Colour. Born Nevis. Sailor. | 30 th July 1838. | Stealing 4 rings, 2 necklaces and £500 ____ from a vessel in the dock. | 25th August 1838. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| James Henry Berkley. 31 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Pimlico. Tailor. | 14 th June 1866. Middlesex. | For libel on John Roberts. | 14 th June 1866. Guilty. | 1 month. Old Bailey gives surname as Berkeley. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/216. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18660611-name-373&div=t18660611-557#highlight |
| John Betty. 26 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born Barbados. Mariner. | 24 th February 1823. | Stealing a jacket – value of 2s. | 18 th April 1823. Not guilty. | Betty was apprehended at London Docks where he was a sailor on the <i>Lavinia</i> . <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18230409-159-defend1456&div=t18230409-159#highlight |
| Delphi Blackman. 20 years. <i>One White male co-accused.</i> | 4/9". Woman of Colour. Born Oxford Street. Spinster. | 5 th December 1843. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Charles GP Windsor and stealing 3 coats and 10 spoons. | 13 th December 1843. Not Guilty. <i>Co-accused Guilty.</i> | <i>Co-accused sentenced to 15 years and transported.</i> The victim was Charles George Price Windsor of Victoria Road, St. Mary Abbots, Kensington. Blackman was charged with feloniously inciting the said George Jones to commit the said burglary. Blackman was acquainted with a female servant. It was mentioned that Blackman had a mother and brother. <u>Sources:</u> TNA HO26/49. HO 77/50/10. PCOM2/208 and PCOM2/225. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-305-18431211&div=t18431211-305#highlight |
| Francisco Blanco. 23 years. <i>Had 7 co-accused, including Basilio de los Santos and Marchilino.</i> | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Manilla. Sailor. Scar under eye. | 16 th January 1864. | For the wilful murder of John Smith. Detained upon 5 charges of murder. Detained for feloniously destroying a certain ship the property of William Wemys Ren. | 3 rd and 4 th February 1864. Guilty. <i>Six of the seven co-accused also Guilty.</i> | Death. Executed 22 nd February 1864. The ship was the <i>Flowery Land</i> from the port of London. John Smith was the captain. Blanco appears to have been the ring-leader of a mutiny on the ship. After killing the captain the crew scuttled the ship and made for the River Plate. The testimony of one witness provides an insight into berthing arrangements of sailors: <i>I have been about eight years at sea—white men do generally object very strongly to be put in the same compartment with the blacks.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-246-18640201&div=t18640201-246#highlight |
| Richard Bogardus. 47 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born New York. | 15 th June 1818. | Stealing one pound and a half of tobacco and 3 of ____ and other articles. | 23 rd June 1818. Discharged by proclamation. | <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. |

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| | Seaman. | | | | |
| John Bond. 23 years. | 5/7 and 1/2". Black complexion, hair and eyes. Slim made. Born Baltimore. Mariner. | 27 th October 1817. | Stealing 2 handkerchiefs, 2 shirts and other articles. | 4 th November 1817. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>General Stewart</i> , 19 th July to 31 st December 1818. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> |
| Bottle of Beer. <i>Co-accused of Jumbo.</i> | A man of colour. Born Africa. | 4 th March 1835. | Murder of Benjamin Glascott. | 6 th March 1835. Not Guilty. <i>Co-accused also received same verdict.</i> | Records suggest sent from Liverpool <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. <i>www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-881-18350302&div=t18350302-881#highlight</i> |
| James Boggs. 36 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born Halifax. Porter. | 17 th November 1846. | Stealing 1 handkerchief of Daniel Lovett Hubbard and others the masters of James Boggs. | 24 th November 1846. Guilty. | 6 months. <i>Probably born Halifax, Nova-Scotia.</i> Boggs was employed as porter to Hubbard, William White and Stephen Greenwell, drapers and silk mercers of Black Friars Road: <i>We engaged him entirely from charity, as he was out of a situation.</i> He had been with them for 6 months and had previously been employed by a Mr Evans of Clapham. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. <i>www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-189-18461123&div=t18461123-189#highlight</i> |
| Edward Boswell. 20 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Baltimore. Painter. | 4 th October 1869. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Joseph Lambert and stealing 18 cigars. <i>Detained on another charge of burglary in the dwelling of Charles Rumlitt and stealing 1 jacket and other property.</i> | 27 th October 1869. Guilty. | 18 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. <i>www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-933-18691025&div=t18691025-933#highlight</i> |
| John Bowen. 18 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Whitechapel. Sailor. | 23 rd January 1843. | Stealing 1 pocketbook and 1s of Jane Gottfrod from her person. Detained on 2 other charges. | 6 th February 1843. Guilty. | 3 months. Old Bailey names victim as Gottfred. Bowen picked her pocket (by cutting her gown) whilst sitting beside her in St. Andrew's Scotch Church, Philpot Street, Stepney. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. <i>www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-759a-18430130&div=t18430130-759a#highlight</i> |
| George Bridgeman. 21 years. | 5/7". A Black. Stout. Born Jamaica. Servant. | 13 th August 1822. | Stealing two tea boards – value of 10s. | 21 st September 1822. Guilty. | 1 month. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. |
| Sheik Brom 22 years. | 5/3". Man of colour. Born Surat, East Indies. Servant. | 11 th March 1824. | Stealing in a dwelling house – 3 coats and monies. | 10 th April 1824. Guilty. | Death. Commuted to transportation for life. Note in record: <i>Here before.</i> The items were stolen from a dwelling-house, No. 72, High Street, All Saints, Poplar. Brom spoke through an interpreter. Mercy was shown in the sentencing due to Brom being a foreigner. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Asia</i> . Departed and arrived in 1825. |

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| | | | | | <p>A servant born in Suraat. Complexion described as bronzed (the only convict with that description). Arrived NSW in 1825 aboard the <i>Asia</i>.</p> <p>He was arrested once in 1833 and absconded twice in 1837 and 1838 (both times from Sydney Hyde Park). In 1842 on his <i>Ticket of Leave</i> he gave his intention to reside in Parramatta, (a suburb of Sydney). In 1844 this was changed to Moreton Bay, Queensland. Probably died in 1847 in Moreton Bay.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales.</i> Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Office Copies Of Printed Indents 1831-1842 (Nrs 12189).Reel: 2662. <i>New South Wales Government Gazette Indexes 1832-1863.</i> <i>Australia Convict Tickets Of Leave 1824-1874.</i> Ticket Of Leave Butts 1827-1875 (Nrs 12202). Reel: 945.</p> |
| George Frederick Brown. 19 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Calcutta. Medical Student. | 16 th November 1855. | Stealing 2 cases of instruments, 1 waistcoat, 1 pair of drawers, 2 shirts and 1 pair of hose of Charles Wall Lambourn. | 29 th November 1855. Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213 |
| Isaac Brown. 24 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Stout. Born Havannah. Mariner. | 13 th November 1826. | Stealing monies. | Not prosecuted. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Isaac Brown. 24 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Stout. Born Havanna. Mariner. | 8 th January 1827. | Stealing monies – the property of Sarah Turner. | 12 th January 1827. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <i>Here before.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. |
| Jack Brown. 22 years. | 5/4" Man of colour. Slender. Born Calcutta. Servant. | 19 th September 1823. | Stealing two silk handkerchiefs and other articles. | 29 th October 1823. Guilty. | 3 months. The items were stolen from a confectioner in Southampton-row, Russell-square. At the time Brown was a servant to a lodger there. Brown was a Lascar and spoke through an interpreter. He was apprehended at the <i>Putney Hotel</i> . <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18231022-128-defend1105&div=t18231022-128#highlight |
| James Brown. 25 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Sierra Leone. Labourer. | 2 nd February 1833. | Stealing 2 boots. | 15 th February 1833. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The pair of boots had been stolen from a haberdasher in Great Portland Street. He was arrested by a Police Constable whilst begging in Regent Street. Whilst on the prison hulk <i>Cumberland</i> it was recorded that he had: <i>Been in prison before as a vagrant. Born in Africa. Had black eyes, black hair and a black complexion. Single. Labourer. Man of colour.</i> |

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| | | | | | Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>John</i> (2) 6 th August to 1 st December 1833. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. <i>Registers of convicts in the hulk 'Cumberland', moored at Chatham, with gaoler's reports, 1830-1833.</i> ADM6/418/165. <i>Appropriation List CON27/1/6; Appropriation List MM33/6; Conduct Record CON31/1/5; Conduct Record CON37/1/3 Page 976; Description List CON18/1/11 Page 321; Indent CON16/1/ Page 386; Indent MM33/2; Muster Roll CON13/1/6; Muster Roll CSO1/1/684 Page 15119; Muster Roll MM33/3.</i> |
| James Brown. 32 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Stout made. Born East Indies. Mariner. | 7 th March 1822. | Stealing a shift. | 29 th April 1822. Guilty. | 2 months. Both Brown and his victim lodged at Church-lane, St. Giles's. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220417-207-defend1888&div=t18220417-207#highlight |
| John Brown. 14 years. | 5/-". A person of colour. Stoutish. Born St Dunstons. No occupation. | 23 rd December 1825. | Stealing a silk handkerchief. | 16 th January 1826. Guilty. | Transported for life. One of a group of three pickpockets who targeted a merchant in Fleet Street. Brown was caught with the handkerchief on him, the others escaped. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Valentine Brown. 16 years. | 4/11". Lad of Colour. Born Jamaica. Sailor. | 20 th October 1840. | Stealing 2 doubloons and 2 dollars. | 26 th October 1840. Guilty. | Sentence respited. On board a ship for the West Indies. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |
| George Brownman. 20 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Calcutta. Medical Student. | 17 th September 1856. | Feloniously forging an order for £3/3s with intent to defraud. Detained - stealing 3 sovereigns of George Pritchard. Detained – misdemeanour. | 1 st November 1856. Not Guilty. | Brownman was accused of attempting to pass a cheque for 12 riding lessons to a riding master of No. 9, Onslow Terrace, Brompton. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1035-18561027&div=t18561027-1035#highlight |
| George Brunswick. 50 years | 5/5". A man of colour. Stout made. Born West Indies. Mariner. | 22nd January 1822. | Burglariously breaking and entering a dwelling and stealing 2 pillows. | 26 th February 1822. Guilty. | 6 months. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody in Newgate before.</i> In the 1822 case the burglary was on a room of a spinster in Shadwell. Brunswick was a mariner on a ship in West India Docks. A constable found him in the room and in possession of 6 keys, and a nail (used to force the lock on the door). A George Brunswick was in Newgate in 1824 charged with larceny. He went on trial 7 th June 1824 but was pardoned. Possibly because there was some confusion over the charges: Larceny or burglariously breaking and entering a dwelling, and stealing 2 counter-panes and other articles. Although found guilty, he was then pardoned. Possibly died Marylebone, 1840. <u>Sources:</u> |

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| George Brunswick. 50 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Barbados. Mariner. | 5 th May 1824. | Burglariously entering a dwelling and stealing 2 counterpanes and other articles. | 7 th June 1824. Guilty. | TNA PCOM2/195. <i>England & Wales, Crime, Prisons & Punishment, 1770-1935.</i> TNA HO 26/30. <i>Newgate Prison Calendar.</i> HO 77/31. www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182202200038 Pardoned. Note in record: <i>Here before.</i> Items were taken from a room in a dwelling in No. 8, New- street, St. Catherine's. Brunswick was lodging Blue Anchor- yard. Brunswick claimed he had met the victim when he had last come from Jamaica. Old Bailey record says 30 years old. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18240603-188-defend1614&div=t18240603-188#highlight |
| George Brunswick. 45 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 12 th July 1824. | Burglary. | 19 th July 1824. Not guilty. | Note in record: <i>Here before.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. |
| Allen Burke. 40 years. <i>Walter Keley and James Tucker.</i> | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born St John's, New Brunswick. Sailor. | 17 th September 1859. | Feloniously forging and uttering an order and attempting to obtain certain goods of William Cunningham with intent &c. | 22 nd September 1859. Guilty. <i>Two co-accused also Guilty.</i> | 3 months. Old Bailey gives forename as Allan. Cunningham was a clothier of Victoria Dock Road, Plaistow. The three men gave an order for some clothes in the name of J. McHenry, master of the ship <i>Peire</i> , London Docks. An investigation found that the ship did not exist. <u>The prisoners' statements before the Magistrate were here read at follows:</u> Keely says, "It was no false pretence; it was not this man's name"—Tucker says, "I have only to say that is not my name"—Burke says, "I was called out of the street into the shop to look at the things; the man told me to get an order and I did. I did not forge the order, it is my own name." <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def3-859-18590919&div=t18590919-859#highlight |
| Peter Butterfield. 41 years. | 5/9". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born New York. Mariner. | 2 nd April 1829. | Effectively "Piracy". | Not guilty. <i>All co-accused similarly not guilty</i> | <u>Source:</u> |

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| Enacoe Caitano. 28 years. <i>(Co-accused of Emanuel Antonio).</i> | 5/10". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Bombay. Mariner. | 18 th October 1831. | Cutting Jacob George with intent to commit GBH. | 24 th October 1831. Not guilty. <i>Co-accused found guilty.</i> | <p>Surname also Caetano. From Old Bailey: Emanuel Antonio and Enacoe Caetano. Breaking the peace and wounding, 20th October 1831. The victim, Jacob George, was a native of Calcutta with an English father. A seaman, he had been cast-away at Bordeaux, made his way to England and was lodging at Gold's barracks, Ratcliff Highway. <i>"It is a place where all the Indian born people and foreign seamen lodge."</i> Antonio and Caetano also lodged there, but in different rooms from each other.</p> <p>The prisoners being foreigners, had the whole of the evidence communicated to them by an interpreter, through whom they made their defences.</p> <p><u>Antonio's Defence.</u> <i>I never had the razor in my hand with any bad intention; I only had it because I found my razor was spoiled by somebody - I never kicked the door so hard as they say; I only touched it, and it opened- I did not hit the man with any intent to use the knife; I only happened to have it in my hand when they asked why I opened the door so - I said because I liked, that was all.</i></p> <p><u>Caetano's Defence.</u> <i>I only came in to bid him farewell, because I was going away; I only went on a visit- this man came in, and they said, "How came you to come in, in such a rough way?" he said because he liked it; the prosecutor then jumped out of bed - I went to part them; I did not know that he had any knife in his hand - I only took him away to keep him back; I do not know the laws of this country at all.</i></p> <p>ANTONIO - GUILTY - DEATH . Aged 34. Strongly recommended to Mercy by the Jury, being a foreigner. CAETANO - NOT GUILTY .[Oct. 24.)</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201.</p> |
| Major Campbell. 39 years. | 5/9". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Virginia. Mariner. | 14 th November 1831. | Stealing 1 shirt. | 5 th January 1832. Guilty. | <p>7 days. The items were stolen from the dwelling in Shadwell Market that Campbell was lodging in.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18320105-36-defend491&div=t18320105-36#highlight</p> |
| Elizabeth Carpenter. 39 years. <i>(Had two white female co-accused).</i> | 5/0". Woman of colour. Born New York. Married. | 17 th April 1830. | Stealing 1 jacket and 1 sheet. | 21 st April 1830. Guilty. <i>One of her co-accused was found guilty and the other not guilty.</i> | <p>14 years. Transportation. Died 30th May 1832.</p> <p>Carpenter, who was married and had never been to prison before, stole the items from a clothes-shop, in Brook Street, Stepney, whilst intoxicated.</p> <p><u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200.</p> |

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| Peter William Carter. 40 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Born Portsmouth. Cook. | 25 th April 1844. | Stealing 4 watches of William Hands his master. | 7 th May 1844. Not Guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. |
| Walter William Carter. 33 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Whipmaker. | 7 th July 1835. | Stealing 1 watch. | 8 th July 1835. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| Charles Chambers. 21 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 22 nd July 1844. | Stealing 1 jacket of William Murray in a vessel in the Port of London. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. |
| Ah Chang. 26 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. | 4 th March 1878. | Unlawfully and tumultuously assembling together for the disturbance of the Public Peace and unlawfully assaulting one Francisco Lemar. | 13 th March 1878. All found Guilty. | All received 6 days. |
| Ah Hee. 32 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scar on jaw and each cheek.</i> | | | | Old Bailey identifies the victim as Le Man. <i>The Prosecutor, who hardly spoke English, stated that although he was unable to say which of the prisoners actually inflicted the injuries upon him, he identified them all as aiding and assisting, upon which MR. WILLIAMS suggested that a Verdict of GUILTY of a common assault might be taken, as arrangements had been made to send the prisoners back to China immediately. MR. STRAIGHT concurred in this course. GUILTY of a Common Assault. Six Days'Imprisonment each</i> |
| Ah Koo. 28 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>MP. Cast in eye.</i> | | | | www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def11-377-18780311&div=t18780311-377#highlight |
| Ah Chee. 28 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>P.Scar each side of mouth, and mark on each ear. Moles in each ear.</i> | | | | |
| Ah You. 30 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scar eyebrow.</i> | | | | |
| Ah Song. 26 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. | | | | |

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| Ah Ti. 28 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scar corner of the eye, moles on face.</i> | | | | |
| Ah Hena. 25 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scars on face, corner rt eye, hand.</i> | | | 16 th March 1878. All found Guilty. | All received 6 days. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. |
| Ah Why. 25 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scar rt cheek and near left ear.</i> | | | | |
| Ah Foo. 37 years. | 5/1". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. | | | | |
| Ah Quang. 37 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scar corner left eye and each wrist. 3rd finger broken.</i> | | | | |
| Ah Quang. 30 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. <i>Scar corner of mouth, temple, left ear. Moles on arm.</i> | | | | |
| Ah Book. 28 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Hong Kong. Sailor. | | | | |

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| | <i>Scar arms and hand.</i> | | | | |
| Isaac Chapman. 25 years. <i>Had 1 white co-accused.</i> | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born St Helena. Sailor. | 14 th October 1846. | Stealing a bottle and 1 pint of wine of Henry Prosser Tessier, the master of Chapman. | 3 rd November 1846. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found Not Guilty.</i> | 6 months. Henry Prosser Tessier was the landlord of the <i>Anchor and Hope</i> public-house, Wapping. Chapman was in his employ. His co-accused, Daniel Bennett, was not known to Tessier. It was noted that Chapman had been convicted of a felony previously. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2135-18461026&div=t18461026-2135#highlight |
| Antonio Chin. 40 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Canton. Mariner. | 19 th January 1832. | Stealing 1 shirt. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Christian. 31 years. <i>(Had 8 white co-accused and John Gray).</i> | 5/10". A man of colour. Stout. Born Antigua. Mariner. | 2 nd April 1829. | Piratically seizing the vessel <i>Hope</i> on the High Seas. | Not guilty. <i>All co-accused similarly not guilty</i> | <u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |
| John Christian. 25 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born New York. Sailor. | 26 th February 1842. | Stealing 25 dollars of Lewis Thomas Holland from a vessel in the Port of London. | 4 th March 1842. Guilty. | 6 months. Old Bailey name the victim as Lewis Holland Thomas. He was master of the brig <i>Lauriene</i> on which Christian served. The ship had recently arrived from South Peru. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-950-18420228&div=t18420228-950#highlight |
| Chundee. 34 years. <i>Co-accused of Charles Panker – also a man of colour.</i> | 5/4". Man of colour. Born Chingpoo. Sailor. | 22 nd January 1857. | Feloniously breaking into the dwelling –house of Harris Marks and stealing therein 1 jacket and other articles. | 6 th February 1857. Guilty. | 9 months. Harris Marks resided at No. 236, High Street, Shadwell, in the parish of St. Paul, Shadwell. Both Chundee and Panker lodged intermittently, (with some girls), at No. 2, St. George Street, the dwelling of John Mahomet, a native of India, and John's wife Ann. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-329-18570202&div=t18570202-329#highlight |
| Charlotte Clayton. 23 years. | 4/11". Woman of colour. Born St Andrews. Spinster. | 13 th April 1835. | Stealing a sovereign, 2 half-crowns and 5 shillings. | Bill not found. | Discharged. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| Charlotte Clayton. 25 years. | 4/10". Woman of colour. Born Holborn. Spinster. | 14 th March 1837. | Stealing 5 sovereigns and 3 half sovereigns of Peter Elisha. | 7 th April 1837. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The victim was a straw salesman, who lived in Bennetts Place, Bethnal Green. Clayton appears to have picked his pocket close to a brothel at the end of Tottenham Court Road. Transported on the <i>Henry Wellesley</i> , and arrived in NSW, Australia 2nd December 1837. |

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| | | | | | <p>Her <i>Certificate of Freedom</i> noted that she was a needle-worker, born in London with an olive complexion, black hair and dark brown eyes. A half cast with a large nose. She was the wife of Charles Langley.</p> <p><i>New South Wales, Butts Of Convicts' Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i>. Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867 (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel 1018.</p> <p>In 1843 she married Charles Langley. She was 31 and on a Ticket of Leave. He was 34 and free.</p> <p><i>New South Wales Registers Of Convicts' Applications To Marry 1825-1851</i>.</p> <p>1843. www.findmypast.com</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpdef1-1043-18370403 www.findmypast.com</p> |
| Antonia de Coasta. 25 years. | 5/8". A man of colour. Slim made. Born America. Mariner. | 15 th February 1822. | Stealing a coat. | 2 nd March 1822. Guilty. | <p>Fine of 1s.</p> <p>The coat belonged to Manuel Reveiro, a seaman on the <i>Fort William</i>, and lodging in a room on Back Lane with the accused. The latter claimed he had lost his money at dominoes and pawned the coat (without permission). Reveiro spoke through an interpreter – de Coasta did not.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182202200062 www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182202200061</p> |
| John Coffin. 43 years. | 5/2". Man of colour. Born New York, America. Hairdresser. | 30th June 1817. | Assaulting Eliza Dellow and having carnal knowledge of her body against her will and consent. | 8 th July 1817. Guilty. | <p>Death. Executed 25th August 1817.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191.</p> |
| Andrew Colbert. 19 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born City of Washington. Drummer. (<i>In The 3rd Foot Guards - The Scots Guards</i>). | 12 th August 1819. | Stealing a pocketbook and a £1 bank note. | 20 th September 1819. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>Andrew Colbert aged 19 years and 5/6" tall. A man of colour, stoutish made. Born in the city of Washington. A drummer. Received at Newgate 12th August 1819. Charged with stealing a pocketbook and a £1 bank note. The offence took place at the <i>Queen's Head</i> public-house, Knightsbridge, where Colbert was drinking with John Webster, also of the 3rd Foot Guards. On trial 20th September 1819. Found guilty, sentenced to 7 years and transported. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Coromandel</i>, 27th October 1819 to 5th April 1820. He was employed on Public Works in Hobart according to HO 10/43 and 46.</p> <p>Between 1820 and 1832 he recorded 12 offences and received 100 lashes in total.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. convictrecords.com.au</p> |

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| James Collins. 17 years. | 5/1". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Philadelphia. Mariner. | 28 th June 1830. | Stealing monies. | 10 th July 1830. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Collins. 25 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Stoutish Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 8 th November 1822. | Stealing a coat and waistcoat. | 4 th December 1822. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. |
| Boko Collosa. 25 years. <i>(Co-accused with Boko Tindle and two white others).</i> | 6/-". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Calcutta. Mariner. | 10 th June 1822. | Stealing a piece of gold from Carder. | 4 th July 1822. Not guilty. | Carder described himself as a Mahometan, a native of Bombay. He spoke through an interpreter. The incident appears to have taken place in a lodging house in St. George in the East. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220703-20-defend216&div=t18220703-20#highlight |
| Charles Cooler. 41 years. Scar left wrist. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born America. Sailor. | 24 th May 1859. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Thomas Bradford and stealing therein 2 bags and other articles his property. | 14 th June 1859. Guilty. | 9 months. According to the <i>Morning Post</i> : He was an "American Negro" from Kentucky in the USA, and a sailor on the British ship <i>Lancaster</i> (from Calcutta) lying in the West India Dock. Bradford was a tailor and draper in No.16 High Street, Stepney, opposite the Old Church. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-544-18590613&div=t18590613-544#highlight <i>Morning Post</i> , 25th May 1859. |
| Lieth Adelaide Cooper. 21 years. | Creole. Born Tobago. Spinster. | 21 st May 1834. | Stealing a nightgown and various other items, the property of her master. | 7 th July 1834. Guilty. | 3 months. Cooper had been a cook in the victim's employ and dismissed in October (1833) The items were discovered to be missing and most were subsequently found at Cooper's lodgings in Globefields. <i>First name also Leith.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA HO 77/41. PCOM2/203. PCOM2/224. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18340703-171-defend1054&div=t18340703-171#highlight |
| John Costa. 25 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Calcutta. Cook. | 4 th March 1840. | Stealing 1 pistol of Ronald Robert. | 10 th April 1840. Guilty. | 5 days. <i>Oldbaileyonline</i> gives the trial date as 6 th April and the victim as Ronald Robert M'Jan. M'Jan was an artist, living in Newman Street, Mary-le-bone. He had employed Costa as a modeller for three years. <i>Prisoner. The cloak was lent to me. Witness. I think it was, probably, but he pawned it.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |

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| Richard Cox. 24 years. | 5/3" tall. Man of colour. Born Singapore. Compositor. <i>Single.</i> <i>Education: Well.</i> <i>Roman Catholic.</i> | 19 th July 1880. Marylebone. | Burglary of a dwelling house. | 19 th July 1880. Guilty. | 12 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/220. |
| Cato Courthouse. 25 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Virginia, America. Servant. | 9 th July 1825. | Stealing 28 lb of lead – the property of the City of London. | 22 nd September 1825. Guilty. | Publicly whipped and 6 months. The lead was stolen from No. 4 and 5, George-alley, Fleet- market. Courthouse was publicly whipped near Fleet Market. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18250915-306-defend1546&div=t18250915-306#highlight |
| John Craker (Cracker). 20 years. | 5/2". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Batavia. Dyer. | 7 th January 1822. | Stealing a hat. | 14 th January 1822. Guilty. | 6 months and whipped. Craker was apprenticed by the London Society to a skin-dyer in Newcastle Street, Whitechapel. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220109-59-defend597&div=t18220109-59#highlight |
| Richard Critchley. 33 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born West Indies. Labourer. | 2 nd January 1860. | Feloniously killing and slaying Caroline Kean. | 3 rd January 1860. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey identified the victim as Keene. The prosecution offered no evidence. According to the <i>Morning Chronicle</i> : Critchley kept a boarding house for sailors in Sutton Street, Commercial Road East. He was driving his horse and cart down Commercial Road when he ran over and injured a 64-year-old Irish woman – Caroline Kearns. She subsequently died in London Hospital. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-141-18600102&div=t18600102-141#highlight <i>Morning Chronicle</i> , 21st December 1859. |
| William Cuffy. 60 years. <i>Several white co-accused.</i> | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Chatham. Tailor. | 31 st August 1848. | Feloniously compassing and intending to levy war against the Queen. | 30 th September 1848. Guilty. | Transported for Life. <i>Cuffay was the son of a white woman from Kent, Juliana Fox, and Chatham Cuffey, who was previously enslaved and originally from St Kitts. He was born in 1788 in Old Brompton, Medway. Cuffay was apprenticed to a tailor, and later worked for Matthews and Acworth, on Chatham High Street. He was of short stature, being 4 ft 11 in (1.50 m) tall. Cuffay moved to London around 1819 and was married three times. His only daughter Ann Juliana Cuffay, was baptised at St Mary Magdalenes Church, Gillingham.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. |

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| Henry Cunningham. 28 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born New Providence. Sailor. | 11 th January 1844. | Unlawfully obtaining 1 jacket, 1 waistcoat, 1 pair of trousers of Henry Richardson. | 6 th February 1844. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-651-18440205&div=t18440205-651#highlight |
| Joseph Cutbush. 24 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Halifax. Sailor. <i>Ears pierced.</i> <i>Female head on each arm.</i> | 25 th November 1864. | Feloniously wounding Hugh Curran to do grievous bodily harm. | 12 th December 1864. Guilty. | 9 months. Cutbush and Curran were sailors on the same ship, and had, in Curran's words "come over together." The incident occurred in the <i>Royal Standard</i> public-house, Wells Street. Probably born Halifax, Nova Scotia. <u><i>Prisoner's Defence.</i></u> <i>One of the white men called one of the girls a cow, and this man's shipmate struck me at the back of the head; I got up, and returned the compliment, and struck him two blows on the eye; as to using a knife, I declare I did not; all I had in my pocket was a key and a pair of gloves.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/216. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-106-18641212&div=t18641212-106#highlight |
| Sarah David. 16 years. <i>(Had one White female co-accused).</i> | 5/3". A mulatto. Stoutish. Born Maidstone. Spinster. | 16 th January 1826. | Stealing 6 cups and saucers. | 20 th February 1826. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found not guilty.</i> | 6 months. David was employed by the china-shop in Marylebone Street that the items were stolen from. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18260216-169-defend1053&div=t18260216-169#highlight |
| John Davidson. 28 years. | 5/8". A mulatto. Stoutish made. Born Philadelphia. Mariner. | 2 nd January 1821. | Stealing a shirt. | 16 th January 1821. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. |
| William Davidson. 33 years. <i>(9 other co-accused. All white).</i> | 5/10". A mulatto. Stout made. Born Kingston, Jamaica. Cabinet maker. | 14 th April 1820. From the Tower of London. | High Treason and other offences. | 26 th and 27 th April 1820. Guilty of High Treason. | Death. Executed 1 st May 1820. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. |
| James Davis. 20 years. <i>(Had one white co-accused).</i> | 5/4". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Sierra Leone. Mariner. | 7 th April 1830. | Stealing 4_____? | 21 st September 1830. Not guilty. <i>Co-accused found guilty.</i> | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |
| John Davis. 35 years. | 5/9". A mulatto. Stoutish made. Born Jamaica. Servant. | 22nd August 1821. | Assaulting Elizabeth Knight and attempting to commit a rape on her body. | 15 th September 1821. Guilty. | 3 months. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. |
| John Davis. 21 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Westminster. Labourer. | 12 th August 1845. | Stealing 1 flute of Henry Ray Wilcocke. | 19 th August 1845. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1777-18450818&div=t18450818-1777#highlight |
| John Davis, (also Franklin). 25 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Marylebone. Tailor. | 12 th May 1846. | Stealing 46 yards of doe skin, 7 yards of cloth and 4 yards of satin of Edwin Mitchell in his dwelling house. | 19 th May 1846. Not Guilty. | The victim was a tailor who lived at No. 6, Guildford Street, St. James's, Clerkenwell. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. |

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| Thomas Davis. 20 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Cook. | 25 th September 1848. | Stealing 2 blankets of John Roberts in a vessel in the Port of London. | 25 th October 1848. Guilty. | 1 month. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2277-18481023&div=t18481023-2277#highlight |
| Louis Joseph De Chabrol. 36 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Martinique, WI. Correspondent. | 2 nd December 1874. | Unlawfully obtaining by false pretences from Solomon Ullman the sums of £7.10s, £3.9s & clothing of his money and goods. | 15 th December 1874. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey names Ullman as Wullman. He was a tailor of 94, Regent Street. Chabrol was known to Wullman. Chabrol had an account at the West of England and South Wales Bank, Plymouth. Chabrol appears to have been a man of some means and had travelled quite widely via Paddington to the Southwest, Newton Abbott; Exeter and Plymouth. <i>Cross-examined. He opened his account in August, 1871, and an average of 1,000l. a year passed through the bank—he paid in 600l. during the last six months—I paid a cheque for 2l. 10s. next day, after giving him notice that he had overdrawn—it is not unusual for persons to overdraw, if they give security—we now hold this bill for 49l.; it is not due till next April—credit for 126l. was actually given to the prisoner on 23rd October—if a cheque for 100l. had come in next morning I should not have paid it; I should have asked them to present it again—he wrote to me on 9th November, and said "I am compelled to stop here; by to-morrow or the following day a large sum shall be paid in to my account. Will you then be good enough not to return my cheques if any be presented in the interval? I beg this as a particular favour"—a gentleman has, told me that he was about to advance him 1000l. if it had not been for his arrest.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-85-18741214&div=t18741214-85#highlight |
| Antonio Delamore. 35 years. (Had two White co-accused). | 5/6". A mulatto. Slim made. Born Calcutta. Mariner. | 26 th May 1821. | Stealing 30 weight of nails. | 15 th June 1821. Guilty. | 2 months and publicly whipped. The nails were stolen from a carpenter in William-street, Hampstead-road. During his defence Delamore revealed that he was going to Bengal, but was taken ill, and was in hospital when his ship sailed. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18210606-119-defend1335&div=t18210606-119#highlight |
| David Delany. 27 years. | 5/8". A man of colour. Stout made. Born West Indies. Soldier. (In <i>The 3rd Foot Guards - The Scots Guards</i>). | 11 th April 1822. | Stealing a pair of overalls and several articles of wearing apparel. | 19 th April 1822. Guilty. | 1 year. David Delany aged 27 years, 5/8" tall. A man of colour, stout made. Born in the West Indies. A soldier. Received at Newgate 11th April 1822. Charged with stealing a pair of overalls and several articles of wearing apparel. These items belonged to soldiers of the <i>Light Dragoons</i> based at Hounslow Barracks: |

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| | | | | | <p>William Deacon, William Edwards, John Fishlock and John Fitzhenry. The four victims shared a room and Delany had been living in the room for four days because he had come “to see a countryman of his” (John Fitzhenry). When Deacon returned to the room Delany and the items of clothing had disappeared. Deacon found Delany at the <i>White Hart</i>, public house, on the Bath road, Longford, in bed with the property. On trial 19th April 1822. Found guilty and imprisoned for one year. John Fitzhenry, born Montego, Jamaica, was serving in the 14th Light Dragoons at this time. See TNA WO 97/47. (Delany stole one handkerchief, one coat, one towel and a pair of stockings from Fitzhenry).</p> <p>David Delaney was born in Montagu, Jamaica c.1790. He served in the 23rd Dragoons (1816-1817), the 12th Lancers (1817-1819). He then either transferred to, or re-enlisted in, the 3rd Foot Guards (Scots Guards), and was serving as a Private when the offence was committed.</p> <p>Surname also given as Delaney, Dehaney and Dehany. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. TNA WO 67/4 and WO 25/299. <i>England & Wales, Crime, Prisons & Punishment, 1770-1935.</i> Newgate Prison Calendar. HO77. 29. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220417-66-defend619&div=t18220417-66#highlight</p> |
| Samuel Dellinger. 24 years. <i>Had 1 white co-accused, Hannah Longridge, a 21-year-old spinster from Carlisle.</i> | 5/5”. Man of Colour. Born Hereford. Labourer. | 2 nd November 1846. | Dellinger stealing 4 china images of(off) Moses Levin and another his masters. Longridge feloniously receiving same well knowing. <i>Dellinger detained for larceny as a servant.</i> | 3 rd November 1846. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found Not Guilty.</i> | 3 months. Old Bailey renders surname as Dillinger. Levin was a merchant and Dellinger was in his employ. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18461026-name-779&div=t18461026-2128#highlight |
| John Delobe. 29 years. <i>Had one white female Irish co-accused: Charlotte Sullivan.</i> | 5/6”. Man of Colour. Born Bengal. Sailor. | 18 th April 1861. | Feloniously ravishing and carnally knowing Sarah Ann Oliver. Detained for unlawfully assaulting and beating Samuel Titus Hooper. | 8 th May 1861. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found Guilty.</i> | 15 years. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> Old Bailey suggests that he was transported to Western Australia on the ship York 2. Also that he was a Protestant and discharged on probation 13 th August 1866. <i>findmypast.co.uk</i> notes a man of the same name dying in Fremantle, Western Australia, in 1870. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-436-18610505&div=t18610505-436#highlight |
| Basilio de los Santos. 22 years. <i>Had 7 co-accused, including Francisco Blanco and Marchilino.</i> | 5/4”. Man of Colour. Born Antigua. Sailor. Anchor on each arm. | 16 th January 1864. | For the wilful murder of John Smith. Detained upon 5 charges of murder. Detained for feloniously destroying a certain ship the property of William Wemys Ren. | 3 rd and 4 th February 1864. Guilty. <i>Six of the seven co-accused also Guilty.</i> | Death – commuted to Life. The ship was the <i>Flowery Land</i> from the port of London. John Smith was the captain. Blanco appears to have been the ring-leader of a mutiny on the ship. After killing the captain the crew scuttled the ship and made for the River Plate. |

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| | | | | | The testimony of one witness provides an insight into berthing arrangements of sailors: <i>I have been about eight years at sea—white men do generally object very strongly to be put in the same compartment with the blacks.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-246-18640201&div=t18640201-246#highlight |
| Manuel Antonio De Matloy. 26 years. | 5/10". Man of colour. Sailor. | 15 th June 1836. | Wilful murder of _____ on land out of the United Kingdom. | 8 th July 1836. Not guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. |
| Joseph Denny. 30 years. | 5/4" tall. Man of colour. Born Barbados. Sailor. <i>Education: Imperfect.</i> <i>Scar left arm.</i> <i>Slight speech impediment.</i> | 30 th December 1880. Thames. | Burglary. | 10 th January 1881. Guilty. | To Pentonville. Previously served a 7-year sentence in Liverpool. Old Bailey says: The victim was Richard Bolton Jones and the sum of 25/., two coats, and other articles were taken. Sentence respited. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/220. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-178-18810110&div=t18810110-178#highlight |
| John de Silva. 36 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Ceylon. Mariner/musician. | 7 th September 1833. | Attempting to stab _____ on the High Seas. | Died 8 th February (1833). | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. |
| George De Souza. 28 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Born Cape Coast. Cook. Scar on left cheek. | 20 th June 1854. | Feloniously killing and slaying Charles Heckling upon the High Sea. | 5 th July 1854. Not Guilty. | The Old Bailey identified De Souza as being "black." De Souza and the victim were both of the crew of the barque <i>Albert</i> , which was in London Dock at the time of the trial. De Souza was a cook and the victim the first mate. Heckling died whilst the ship was lying at Appevista, on the coast of Africa. There appears to have been a struggle between the two men, but it was not judged to have been the cause of death. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-839-18540703&div=t18540703-839#highlight |
| Joze de Sud. 45 years. | 5/3". A man of colour, stout made. Born in the Brazils. Mariner. | 4 th May 1821. | Stealing 2 live tame fowls. | 16 th June 1821. Guilty. | Whipped. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. |
| Percival Devenish. 18 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Sailor. | 29 th March 1838. | Feloniously offering a forged order for payment of money with intent to defraud Nathan Phillips &c. | 4 th April 1838. Not Guilty. | The note was offered to a slop-seller of High Street, Shadwell. The money order Devenish offered purported to be from Captain Thomas T. Allen of the <i>United Kingdom</i> . It was noted that Devenish could neither read nor write. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?div=t18380402-960 |
| John Ditch. 20 years. <i>London.</i> | 5/2". A man of colour and stoutish. Born Africa. Servant. | 29 th January 1820. | Stealing a pan of hind quarters of mutton. | 19 th February 1820. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Ditch stole the meat from a butcher in Newgate market. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Caledonia</i> , 5 th July to 17 th November 1822. |

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| | | | | | <p>Gave his birth year as 1798 and his trade as gentleman's servant.</p> <p>On arrival in Tasmania he was employed as a servant in Hobart (he gave his trade as a gentleman's servant/cook), to E.Lord esq.</p> <p>Between 1822 and 1827 he had seven recorded offences and received a total of 50 lashes. Most of the offences were drink related.</p> <p>Surname also Ditchen.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. convictrecords.com.au www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18200217-34-defend473&div=t18200217-34#highlight <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Conduct Record CON31/1/9; Description List CON23/1/1; Muster Roll CSO1/1/96 Page 2284; Remarks CSO1/1/96 Page 2284. <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales.</i> Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Reel: 2418.</p> |
| Djena. 35 years. Bauxee. 26 years. Moostein. 35 years. Dowlatt. 25 years. | 5/5". Bengal. 5/7". Calcutta. 5/3". Calcutta. 5/3". Calcutta. All individuals described as "A man of colour." All mariners. | 4 th September 1823. | Stealing a copper boiler – value of £2. | 19 th September 1823. Not Guilty. | <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196.</p> |
| James Dodds. 24 years. <i>London.</i> <i>(Had a white co-accused).</i> | 5/5". A mulatto. Stout made. Born West Indies. Mariner. | 6 th April 1822. | Stealing silver. | 18 th April 1822. Guilty. <i>(Co-accused found Not guilty).</i> | <p>7 years. Transported. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i></p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Albion</i>, 17th May to 21st October 1823.</p> <p>Born Dominica and a gentleman's servant and ship's steward. On Van Dieman's Land, between 1825 and 1835 Dodds had 25 disciplinary offences and was given 242 lashes in total.</p> <p>Possibly died in late 1835.</p> <p>Surname also Dodd.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. convictrecords.com.au <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales. Musters And Other Papers Relating To Convict Ships 1790-1849 (Nrs 1155).</i> Reel: 2417. libriariestas.ent.sirsidynix.net.au</p> |

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| | | | | | <i>Archives Office of Tasmania.</i> CON31-1-9. Item: CON32-1-1. |
| William Dorrell. 19 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Antigua. Sailor. | 30 th August 1839. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Richard Auty with intent to steal. | 19 th September 1839. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. The property was stolen from a dwelling in City Canalgate, Blackwall, in the Parish of Poplar. Dorrell had previously lodged there. The burglarly was discovered and Dorrell was found hiding under a bed. <i>Prisoner's Defence. I went into the house to get two suits of clothes which I had left there—I went in about nine o'clock at night—I was not under the bed, I was sitting down in the house.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2461-18390916&div=t18390916-2461#highlight |
| David Douglas. 31 years. | 6/0". Man of Colour. Born Philadelphia. Labourer. | 10 th June 1848. | Stealing a case of surgical instruments of George Ellis. | 13 th June 1848. Guilty. | 3 months. Old Bailey identifies the defendant as Savoid David Douglas, and the victim as Carteret George Ellis. Ellis was a surgeon of Kingston-Upon-Thames and the case of instruments went missing from his surgery. <i>Prisoner's Defence. A gentleman gave me the instruments in a hotel in Bond-street.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1628-18480612&div=t18480612-1628#highlight |
| George Douglas. 20 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Sailor. | 7 th April 1849. | Stealing a shirt and 1 pair of trousers of Edward Thornhill and goods of other persons in a vessel. | 9 th April 1849. Guilty. | 1 month. The other persons were John and Thomas from the <i>Rose</i> lying in London Dock. Douglas had been fed by John Black and allowed to sleep on board the <i>Rose</i> . The next morning the items were missing. Douglas had asked for work as a cook, and had previously served on the <i>Dido</i> . <i>Prisoner. They are my own trousers; I made them when I was crossing the line on leaving Sidney.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-824-18490409&div=t18490409-824#highlight |
| Luke Douglas. 43 years. | 5/6". A man of colour and stoutish made. Born New Jersey, America. Mariner. | 14 th September 1821. | Stealing 4lbs of pepper. | 19 th September 1821. Guilty. | 3 months and publicly whipped. Douglas stole the pepper from the brig <i>Treasurer</i> at London Dock. He had been employed stowing the ship. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18210912-80-defend865&div=t18210912-80#highlight |
| Anthony Drumada. 55 years. | 5/1". Man of colour. Stout. Born Grenada. Porter. | 20 th March 1826. | Stealing a hat. | 12 th April 1826. Guilty. | 1 month. Drumada stole the hat from a hatter of Red Cross Street, Barbican. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |

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| David Anthony Duffy. 21 years. <i>Had 7 White co-accused.</i> | 6/1". Man of Colour. Born St Thomas Boro. Labourer. | 4 th April 1848. | Feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling house of Thomas Grey and stealing therein 200 watches. | 8 th April 1848. Guilty. <i>All co-accused Guilty.</i> | 7 years and transported. <i>2 or 3 other offences indicated.</i> Duffy was one of a mob that attacked a silversmith and pawnbroker, in Southampton Street, Camberwell. He was quite vocal in his defence at the Old Bailey. <i>See Benjamin Prophett.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def5-1165-18480403&div=t18480403-1165#highlight |
| Frederick Dunbar. 13 years. | 4/9". Lad of Colour. Born Dominica. Sailor. | 4 th January 1841. | Stealing a bill and monies of Isaac Spooner. | 7 th January 1841. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Arrived in Australia and sent to Van Dieman's Land, 18 th November 1841. Catholic, born West Indies. Awarded Certificate of Freedom, 10 th January 1848. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-490-18410104&div=t18410104-490#highlight www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpdef1-490-18410104 |
| William Dunn. 22 years. | 5/6 and 1/2". Man of colour. Slender made. Born Africa. Carpenter. | 12 th July 1817. | Stealing £36 in Bank of England notes, 14 knives, 10 forks and other articles. | 19 th September 1817. Guilty. | Death. Transported for life. Dunn was servant to Nathaniel Docker, who rented a house in Burr-street, St. Botolph Without, Aldgate. Dunn had been in Docker's employ when he stole the money. Dun clearly found London difficult as he told Docker what a shocking place it was to live in and he must go again to his own country. After the theft Dunn fled to Brighton where he was later apprehended after the theft was discovered. Dunn claimed he needed the money to pay off debts. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Isabella</i> , 3 rd April to 14 th September 1818. In 1827 on his <i>Ticket for Leave</i> he gave his place of birth as Sierra Leone and his trade as servant/carpenter. He gave his intention to settle in Sydney, NSW. In 1834 he married Honora (Henora, Honnora) Scannell, aged 20 years (also a convict). They married at St Mary's (RC), Sydney. She was from Cork, Ireland, and transported for seven years in 1831 after being convicted of stealing clothes. The <i>Smith Family Tree</i> (Donna Powell) on <i>ancestry.com</i> says that William initially married Elizabeth Blaxcell (B: 1803, France. D:1834, NSW). After her death he married Honora, and between them they had six children. He died in 1884 and she in 1890. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. convictrecords.com.au |

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| Samuel Dutcher. 30 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Slim. Born Pennsylvania, America. Hairdresser. | 18 th October 1823. <i>Surely 1822?</i> | Stealing two bank notes – vale of £205. | 25 th February 1823. Guilty. | <p>1 year in the House of Correction. Dutcher had been employed as a confidential servant, receiving and accounting for monies, by <i>Heath, Perkins and Heath</i> printers of bank notes of Fleet Street. A position he held since May 1818. He was dismissed following an altercation with a senior white colleague, Joshua Butler Bacon, (possibly the chief clerk), in which Dutcher was described as being “<i>very impudent and said his character and mine were on par.</i>” After being dismissed from his position it was noticed that bank notes were missing, and enquiries revealed that Dutcher had exchanged them for Spanish dollars, watches and chains. He was eventually pursued to and caught in Liverpool. It was noted that he had bore a good character before this. Dutcher himself said: “<i>The prosecutor brought me from my home, promising to send me home at any time. I requested him several times to send me home; he appeared vexed with me, and said, I should go about my business, and I took this opportunity of returning to my native country</i>”.</p> <p>Jacob Perkins (B: 1766, Massachusetts. D: 1849, London). Was an Anglo-American inventor, mechanical engineer and physicist. In 1816 he moved to Philadelphia and in 1819 he travelled to England with a plan for engraving banknotes on steel, which ultimately proved a signal success, and was carried out by Perkins in partnership with the English engraver Heath. His firm, later trading as <i>Perkins and Heath</i> provided banknotes for many country banks, and foreign countries with postage stamps. It is likely that Dutcher was in his employ and travelled to London with him. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182302190037 www.gracesguide.co.uk/Jacob_Perkins</p> |
| Henry Edwards. 24 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born New Brunswick. Sailor. | 22 nd February 1843. | Stealing 1 pair of trousers, 2 studs and 1 handkerchief of Johan de Ruzario and 1 shirt of William Williams. | 2 nd March 1843. Guilty. | <p>2 months. Old Bailey names victim as John De Ruzario. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-955-18430227&div=t18430227-955#highlight</p> |
| James Edwards. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born St Vincent. | 17 th December 1842. | Stealing 1 cap of John William Slocombe and 8 shirts of James | 2 nd January 1843. Guilty. | 10 years and transported. |

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| | Sailor. | | Williams in a vessel in the Port of London. | | Individual and ship cannot be identified on convictrecords.com.au <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-456a-18430102&div=t18430102-456a#highlight convictrecords.com.au |
| Mary Ann Edwards. 56 years. | 5/1". Mulatto. Born W.Lukes(?) Dealer. <i>Little finger crooked.</i> | 15 th July 1880. | Unlawfully wandering to beg. | Discharged. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/220. |
| Thomas Edwards. 21 years. | 5/-". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born Grenada, West Indies. Mariner. | 8 th August 1818. | Stealing a watch and 6 shirts. | 28th September 1818. Not guilty. | The victim did not appear in court. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. |
| William Edwards. 16 years. | 5/2". A Mulatto. Stoutish. Born St Andrews. Labourer. | 3 rd March 1827. | Stealing 6 lbs of beef. | 6 th April 1827. Guilty. | 14 days. |
| James Edwin. 20 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born St Vincent. Sailor. | 17 th November 1841. | Stealing 1 jacket of Joseph Ginder, 1 coat of Charles Leek and 1 shirt of John Farrer Cressacre from vessels in the port of London. | 3 rd December 1841. Guilty. | 14 days. |
| James Edwin. 20 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born St Vincent. Sailor. | 8 th December 1841. | Stealing 1 jacket and 12 reels of cotton of John Farrer Cressacre from a vessel in the port of London. | 14th December 1841. Guilty. | 1 year. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| Joseph Francis Elias. 25 years. | 5/2". Man of colour. Born Buneous Ayres. Labourer. | 1 st December 1835. | Stealing a musical snuff box and 3 forks. | 15th December 1835. Guilty. | 2 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| George Elliott. 21 years. | 5/7". A Man of colour. Born Kensington. Servant. | 27 th March 1823. | Assault on the King's Highway and stealing 5s/3 and 1/2d. | 10 th April 1823. Guilty. | Death. Executed 19 th May 1823. The victim's name was George Searling, a former soldier, and the offence was committed after he and Elliott had been drinking in the <i>Goat</i> public house, High Street, Kensington. (It was reported that there were 3 other assailants – all hackney coachmen). A detailed account of George Elliott's subsequent execution appeared in the newspapers. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. <i>Morning Chronicle</i> , 22 March 1823 <i>Bell's Weekly Messenger</i> 19 May 1823 |
| Benjamin Ennis. 16 years. | 5/2". A man of colour. Stout. Born St Thomas. Mariner. | 2 nd December 1829. | Stealing 1 box. | 7th December 1829. Guilty. | Whipped. The box, a trunk, was stolen from a stay-shop in High Holborn. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |

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| Raymond Emanuel Enquitea. 34 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Baltimore. Sailor. | 6 th October 1845. | Stealing 1 jacket and 1 pair of trousers and 2 books of William Hewett, and 1 handkerchief of William Bonnett in a vessel on the Thames. | 1 st November 1845. Guilty. | 6 months. Old Bailey gives surname as Enguitea. <i>The prisoner being a foreigner, had the evidence interpreted to him.</i> Hewitt was a seaman on board the <i>Independent</i> , lying at Waterman's Wharf, below St. Katherine's Dock, in the Thames, He said that Enquitea was not of his crew. Hewitt and Bennett were shipmates and when waking, found their possessions missing. They searched the ship and found Enquitea hiding under a long boat with their possessions. <i>Prisoner's Defence. I was at a beer-shop outside the London Dock about seven o'clock this evening; some sailors and a pilot were there; one of them asked me to go on board with him to bring some of his clothes off; I went; he asked me to lend him my handkerchief to tie them in, which I did; I waited for him a long time and fell asleep under the boat, where I was found.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2063-18451027&div=t18451027-2063#highlight |
| Esop. 32 years. <i>Co-accused of Bardor.</i> | 5/9". Man of colour. Born Madras. Seaman. | 4 th July 1836. | B_____y. | 8 th July 1836. Not guilty. | Offence charged with was sodomy. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1736-18360704&div=t18360704-1736#highlight |
| James Fletcher. 25 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born New Brunswick. Mariner. | 21 st October 1824. | Stealing a watch and a shirt. | 30 th October 1824. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Fletcher stole the watch from the dwelling he was lodging in, in Stanmore. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Hercules</i> . Departed 24 th December 1824 and arrived 7 th May 1825. On arrival Fletcher was employed in Gaol in Sydney. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. convictrecords.com.au www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18241028-125-defend1193&div=t18241028-125#highlight <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> |
| Anthony Fonsick. 46 years. | 5/7". A mulatto and stoutish made. Born Isle of France. Mariner. | 18 th June 1819. | Stealing 5 fowls. | 15 th July 1819. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> The fowl were stolen from a shoemaker in Robert's-place, Commercial-road. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Coromandel</i> , 27 th October 1819 to 5 th April 1820. In 1820 his trade given was cook and he was resident in Hobart. It was noted that he had received 25 lashes for repeated drunkenness and disorderly conduct. |

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| John Foreman. 22 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Boston, (US). Cigar-maker. | 3 rd June 1851. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 17 th June 1851. Guilty. | 6 months. Foreman passed "bad coins" in the <i>Sun and Half-moon</i> , in Broad Street and a provision merchant in Whitechapel Road. Sources: TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1267-18510616&div=t18510616-1267#highlight |
| John Fotheringham. 25 years. | 5/2". A man of colour. Born Demerara. Mariner. | 4 th August 1828. | Stealing a quadrant and 2 shirts. | 17 th September 1828. Guilty. | 6 months. Fotheringham stole the items from someone residing in the same lodging house for seamen at Bell's Wharf, Shadwell. Source: TNA PCOM2/200. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18280911-259-defend1442&div=t18280911-259#highlight |
| Jose Francesco. <i>No age given.</i> | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Portugal. Sailor. | 29 th January 1862. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Samuel Reed and stealing a watch. <i>Detained on 3 charges of burglary.</i> | 5 th February 1862, (1863). Guilty. | 5 years. Sources: TNA PCOM2/215. |
| Jose Francesco. 25 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Portugal. Sailor. | 12 th May 1862. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Henry Byard and stealing 1 neck tie and 1 shirt. Detained for burglary. | 19 th June 1862. Not Guilty. | <i>Old Bailey spelt the surname Francisco.</i> Francesco was provided with an interpreter. Byard was a boat builder, and lived at 4, Mill Place, Limehouse. Francesco claimed that he entered the dwelling because he had no-where else to stay. A single man and a Protestant. Scarred on the face, arm and wrist. Sources: TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-680-18620616&div=t18620616-680#highlight www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpdef1-680-18620616 |
| Amelia Francis. 20 years. | 5/3". A woman of colour and stoutish made. Born St Helena. Spinster. | 6 th November 1819. | Assaulting _____ on the King's Highway and robbing him of a bank note and then feloniously cutting and maiming him with some sharp instrument. | 9 th December 1819. <i>Discharged by proclamation.</i> | <i>It was noted that she had been in custody before.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/193. |
| Edward Francis. 30 years. | 5/9 and 1/2". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Jamaica. Soldier. 1 st Guards. | 4 th July 1825. | Marrying Mary Ann Lumbard, his wife Mary Hogan being then living. | 21 st September 1825. Not guilty. | Witness did not appear, so Francis was acquitted. <i>Private Edward Francis was a bandsman in the Grenadier Guards. He was a well-known character.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18250915-282-defend1407&div=t18250915-282#highlight <i>Evening Mail</i> , 23rd September 1825. |

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| James Francis. 19 years. | 5/2". A mulatto. Stout made. Born Shoreditch. Dyer. | 4 th February 1822. | Stealing 2 boxes. | 2 nd March 1822. Guilty. | 3 months. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> Both Francis and his victim lived in Chatham-gardens, City-road. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220220-147-defend1409&div=t18220220-147#highlight |
| John Francis. 40 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born St Domingo. Hairdresser. | 14 th August 1834. | Stealing a watch – value £12. | 4 th September 1834. Guilty. | Transported for life. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| John Francis. 27 years. | 5/3". Man of colour. Born Calcutta. Sailor. | 2 nd March 1858. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 10 th April 1858. Guilty. | 1 year. Francis (described as a Black) attempted to pass the 6d coins at the <i>Prince of Wales</i> public house, in Greenwich. A police officer claimed he had done similar in January (1858). <i>Prisoner: I am a poor man going about, and I found it in the street.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-463-18580405&div=t18580405-463#highlight |
| John Francis. 33 years. <i>Co-accused of Ram Samme of Madras.</i> | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Calcutta. Cook. | 26 th April 1859. | Unlawfully having counterfeit coins. | 10 th May 1859. Guilty. | 4 years. Reference to Gaol in Leicester. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-473-18590509&div=t18590509-473#highlight |
| Thomas Francis. 25 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Born Bombay. Mariner. | 26 th January 1831. | Stealing 1 handkerchief and monies. | Guilty. | Mercy. Francis was lodging in Collingwood Street, Ratcliff. (He had been there for seven months). He lost the money when he travelled to Gravesend to find a ship. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18310217-206-defend1940&div=t18310217-206#highlight |
| William Francis. 18 years. | 5/1". A man of colour. Slim made. Born City Road. Farrier. | 1 st January 1821. | Stealing a shoulder of mutton. | 16 th January 1821. Guilty. | 3 months. The meat was stolen from a butcher in Trafalgar Street, City Road. Francis was apprehended in the <i>Britannia</i> public-house. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18210110-97-defend956&div=t18210110-97#highlight |
| William Francis. 20 years. <i>(Had one White co-accused).</i> | 5/3". Man of colour. Stout. Born Shoreditch. Smith. | 8 th January 1825. | Stealing a quantity of old iron. | 14 th January 1825. Not guilty. <i>Co-accused all not guilty.</i> | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| William Francis. 22 years. | 5/2". Man of colour. Stout. Born Shoreditch. Smith. | 3 rd November 1825. | Stealing a copper cauldron. | 8 th December 1825. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also guilty.</i> | 7 years. Transported. <i>Here before.</i> The copper cauldron was stolen from No. 7, Edward Place, Ball's pond. |

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| (Had one White co-accused). | | | | | Sources: TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18251208-58-defend369&div=t18251208-58#highlight |
| William Francis. 23 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Jamaica. Sailor. | 18 th November 1843. | Stealing 1 watch of John Osmotherly in a vessel in the Port of London. | 1 st December 1843. Not Guilty. | Sources: TNA PCOM2/208. |
| John Francisco. 26 years. | 5/5". A man of colour. Stout made. Born West Indies. Mariner. | 19 th March 1822. | Stealing a black frock. | 20 th April 1822. Guilty. | 6 months. Sources: TNA PCOM2/195. |
| Louis Francisco. 25 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Ponticherry. Mariner. | 19 th July 1824. | Stealing a watch. | 22 nd September 1824. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Francisco, in the company of a woman, stole the watch from a shop in High-street, Shadwell. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Hercules</i> . Departed 24 th December 1824 and arrived 7 th May 1825. On arrival he was put to work in the "Patient Hospital, Liverpool." Sources: TNA PCOM2/197. convictrecords.com.au www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18240916-253-defend2111&div=t18240916-253#highlight <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> |
| Francis Frank. 25 years. <i>Co-accused of William Sherwood.</i> | 5/3". A man of colour and stoutish made. Born West Indies. Mariner. | 9 th October 1821. | Stealing a bed, the property of John Baptist. | 1 st November 1821. Not guilty. | A note said " <i>had been in Newgate before</i> ". At the time of the offence Sherwood and Baptist both served on the <i>Eclipse</i> , birthed at Wapping. (The former was a steward and the bed was taken from the <i>Eclipse</i>). Sherwood claimed Frank was his brother-in-law. Frank was found not guilty because he said that Sherwood hired him to move a bed that he believed belonged to Sherwood. Frank was not known to Baptist. Sources: TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182110240061 |
| Henry Franklin. 17 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Westminster. Tailor. | 14 th June 1845. | Stealing 23 yards of velvet of Horatio Wilson Scott and another in their dwelling house. | 23 rd June 1845. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Maitland</i> , 22 nd June to 27 th October 1846. Sources: TNA PCOM2/209. convictrecords.com.au |
| John Franklin. 23 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born St Pancras. Sailor. | 10 th January 1846. | Feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling house of John Lomax and stealing 22 coats. | 3 rd February 1846. Not Guilty. | The victim was a clothes salesman, whose shop was in Dudley Street, St. Giles. Sources: TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-476-18460202&div=t18460202-476#highlight |
| John Franklin. 25 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born St Marylebone. | 18 th September 1846. | Franklin and Williamson stealing 104 yards of silk serge of Thomas | 29 th October 1846. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. |

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| <i>Had 2 white co-accused – Williamson and Walker.</i> | Tailor. | | Gordon in their dwelling house, and Walker for receiving same. | <i>Co-accused also found Guilty.</i> | <p><i>Williamson received 7 years and was transported. Walker received 14 years and was transported.</i></p> <p>The theft was from a tailor's at St. George the Martyr, Southwark. Franklin resisted arrest. There were other charges against the accused, and it was noted that Franklin had been previously convicted 18th August 1845, and sentenced to 3 months.</p> <p>Possibly transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Cornwall</i>, 28th February to 11th June 1851.</p> <p>According to <i>foundersandsurvivors.org</i> he was single, could read and write and gave his religion as C of E. His father was named Robert and his mother Elizabeth. Trade given as both labourer and tailor.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2164-18461026&div=t18461026-2164#highlight foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/ai24784</p> |
| Robert Franklin. 22 years. <i>Had two White co-accused: Howell and Smith.</i> | 5/8". Half Cast. Born Wanstead. Tailor. | 18 th January 1845. | Howell and Smith – burglary in the dwelling house of George Warriner and stealing 2 rings of Felix Gatayes. Franklin – accessory before the fact. | 3 rd March 1845. Guilty. <i>All 3 found Guilty.</i> | <p>10 years. Transported. <i>All 3 received the same sentence.</i></p> <p>George Warrener, (as rendered by <i>Old Bailey online</i>) kept the <i>George and Vulture</i> hotel and tavern, George Yard, Lombard Street. Felix Gatayes was lodging there.</p> <p>A witness identified Franklin as accompanying Howell and Smith in his cab to the crime scene.</p> <p>Franklin's Defence: <i>It is entirely false; I had nothing to do with the transaction; I certainly was in the cab, I do not deny that; but these were not the parties that were with me; I passed through the house, into the servant's hall; I was looking after my friends, and I made the observation to the waiter that I thought it was a beer-shop, or public-house; then I came back, and I was walking up and down the yard, when I suppose he saw me the second time; shortly after that, I went back to the cab; I stopped there a few minutes, and got out again. I made the observation, which the cabman states, that they were a long time; I walked up the yard and heard the cry of "Stop thief!" I went and I followed the parties; several others were following; the policeman says there was no other person following; is it likely, that two persons should walk along in custody, without attracting the observation of a single individual? I say thirteen or fourteen persons were following; I was on the other side of the way; if only Mr. Warrener and Fitzgerald were following, is it likely I should have been passing along there towards the station, if I was guilty? With regard to the bag found in my possession, I am a tailor, and use it in my trade to carry home my work in; I gave the cab man half the fare before I left him the second time.</i></p> |

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| | | | | | <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>David Malcolm</i>, 13th May to 25th August 1845.</p> <p>According to <i>foundersandsurvivors.org</i>: Born Wanstead, Essex. Single. Can read and write. Protestant. House Servant. Mark of burn on left breast, moles on each arm.</p> <p>Tasmania Convict Records: Copper colour complexion. Station of Gang: Norfolk Island. 3 incidents of misbehaviour between 1845 and 1847. Conditional Pardon 13th July 1852.</p> <p><i>Possibly this man: Married Phoebe Seymour, 3rd May 1852, St George's, Hobart, Tasmania. (Both were aged 30 years. The groom was a shopkeeper and the bride a spinster). One of the two witnesses was a Richard Franklin.</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def3-580-18450303&div=t18450303-580#highlight foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/ai24791 Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893. Conduct Record CON33/1/80; Indent CON14/1/29 Page 274; Muster Roll MM71/3. Tasmania Marriages 1803-1899. findmypast.co.uk</p> |
| James Frazer. 20 years. | 5/4". A mulatto. Slim made. Born Westminster. Has lost the left eye. Shoemaker. | 3 rd August 1821. | Stealing tablecloth, coal and a pair of breeches. | 24 th September 1821. Guilty. | <p>7 years. To the Hulk at Gosport. Transported. <i>It was noted that he was in custody about 3 years ago.</i></p> <p>Frazer stole the items from the dwelling of Sir Henry Lushington, Bart., Baker Street, Portman Square. He was apprehended on the premises.</p> <p>Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Asia</i>, 1st April to 24th July 1822.</p> <p>His certificate of freedom, 12th September 1828, describes him as a servant/shoemaker born in London c.1820. It also noted that he absconded for a time in 1823.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. convictrecords.com.au New South Wales, Butts Of Convicts' Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867. Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867 (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel: 983. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18210912-138-defend1475&div=t18210912-138#highlight</p> |
| James Freeman. 39 years. <i>Had 2 white co-accused.</i> | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Lambeth. Carman. | 30 th November 1859. | Stealing sails, the property of Thomas Crowden and others. | 30 th November 1859. Not Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found Not Guilty.</i> | <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214</p> |
| Joseph Garcia. 20 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Sailor. | 26 th June 1829. | Feloniously stabbing William Mitchell with intent to do him some grievous harm upon the High Seas. | No prosecution. | <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205.</p> |

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| Robert Gardner. 30 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born Sierra Leone. Mariner. | 31 st December 1832. | Stealing 2 live fowl. | 8 th January 1833. Guilty. | 3 months. The fowl were taken from a hen house belonging to a cow-keeper in Grenville Mews. In custody Gardner did not disclose his identify. There was then an assault on a Police Sergeant which required the intervention of several constables to resolve. Gardner claimed that it had been caused by the theft of gold ear-rings and monies in his possession. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18330103-167-defend1572&div=t18330103-167#highlight |
| Joachim Gaspar. 21 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Bengal. Mariner. | 29 th September 1827. | Stealing 3 shirts and 3 pairs of trousers. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. |
| Goas. 45 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born India. Mariner. | 1 st February 1832. | Stealing 1 turban. | 20 th February 1832. Not guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| Ann Gilbert. 35 years. | 5/0". Woman of colour. Born St Pancras. Laundress. <i>Protestant.</i> <i>Education: R.</i> | 8 th October 1879. | Neglecting a child. | 28 th October 1879. Acquitted. | <i>Globe</i> , 11th October 1879. The victim was a 14-month-old girl named Elizabeth Woolcot. Her mother, Clara Woolcot, gave her to Ann Gilbert to take care of. The child was emaciated and had severe bruising. It was taken to St Thomas Hospital where it subsequently died. Gilbert, of 149 Chorland Street, was charged with manslaughter. However, it was subsequently discovered that the child had died from natural causes. <i>London Evening Standard</i> , 29th October 1879. The child was 12 months old and illegitimate. The mother had paid Gilbert 6s per week to care for it. This then reduced to 4s and was frequently not paid. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/219. |
| James Godfrey. 18 years. <i>1 White co-accused.</i> | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Limehouse. Labourer. | 26 th July 1836. | Stealing 7 live fowl. | 19 th August 1836. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found guilty.</i> | 7 years. Transported. <i>Co-accused sentenced to 6 months.</i> The fowl (a tame cock) was taken from the <i>Queen's Head</i> public-house, York-square, Commercial Road. Godfrey and his co-accused were found by the police sleeping in an unoccupied dwelling in Limehouse Fields. The fowl, now dead, was found with them. Godfrey and his co-accused had been drinking in the <i>Queen's Head</i> the day before. There were two other indictments against the accused. Conduct on the prison hulk was described as "Good", and it was noted that he had been sent to Van Dieman's Land, 21 st October 1836. (This appears to have been incorrect). <i>Home Office: Convict Hulks, Convict Prisons And Criminal Lunatic Asylums: Quarterly Returns Of Prisoners.</i> TNA HO 8/50. He was actually transported to New South Wales on the <i>Norfolk</i> , and arrived in NSW, Australia, 12 th February 1837. |

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| | | | | | <p>His <i>Certificate of Freedom</i> noted that he was a rope-maker, born in London, had a copper colour and pock-marked complexion, black woolly hair and dark chestnut eyes. He was also described as a half caste.</p> <p><i>New South Wales, Butts Of Convicts' Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i>. Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867 (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel 1022.</p> <p>His <i>Ticket of Leave</i>, issued 24th August 1843, noted that he had received 12 months punishment for disorderly conduct in December 1840.</p> <p><i>Australia Convict Tickets Of Leave 1824-1874</i>. Ticket Of Leave Butts 1827-1875 (Nrs 12202). Reel 949.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1916-18360815&div=t18360815-1916#highlight www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpdef1-1916-18360815</p> |
| William Godfrey. 18 years. | 5/4". Pitted. Man of Colour. Born Limehouse. Labourer. | 14 th February 1838. | Stealing a saw. | 1 st March 1838. Guilty. | <p>5 days.</p> <p>Godfrey, who claimed to have been out of work all winter, stole the saw from a shed at the back of the dwelling house of Andrew Bonthron, a collector to the Regent's Canal Company. (The dwelling was at Regent's Canal).</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-750-18380226&div=t18380226-750#highlight</p> |
| William Godfrey. 18 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Limehouse. Labourer. | 31 st December 1838. | Breaking and entering a dwelling and stealing a coat and property. | 5 th January 1839. Guilty. | <p>15 years. Transported.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205.</p> |
| Patron Gomez. 25 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Gambia. Sailor. | 5 th July 1865. | Feloniously wounding William Paddox to bodily harm – on the Seas. Detained on 2 charges of wounding. | 12 th July 1865. Guilty. | <p>Respited - 12 months.</p> <p>Old Bailey identified him as "black". Victim was given as Silvanus Gillard, (William Paddaw was a member of the crew called to give evidence).</p> <p>According to Silvanus Gillard, ship's master: Gomez had joined the British ship, <i>Arabista</i>, in West Africa. It was stated that: He understood English and spoke it fluently—he is a native of Basso, fifty miles from Bathurst, and has worked for the owner, Thomas Francis Quinn, Esq., for many years, who is a colonial merchant. It was also said: "<i>the prisoner has not the same intelligence as the English members of my crew.</i>" The background to the case was that apparently the "ship's watch" was changed. Gillard: "<i>He did not complain to me about being changed from the watch, but he came aft the evening before and said that everybody must die in the ship, but that God was not going to kill anybody.</i>"</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>The prisoner's Statement before the Magistrate:— "A black man cannot fight a white man for nothing; the captain and mate was going to pitch me overboard. I have done my work, and it is no use what the captain said about pitching me overboard. I told him that, and Sam Hammond and another of the crew. I was put to port watch, when I was used to the starboard, and one night Sam and Ben said they would knock me overboard. I explained to the captain, and wanted to be put back on my watch again. The same day I fought with them I had been put to the wheel from 5 o'clock to 6 o'clock. Jack took my wheel at 6 o'clock, and said I should answer for it."</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/216. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-690-18650710&div=t18650710-690#highlight</p> |
| Robert Gordon. 39 years. | 5/9 and 1/2". Man of Colour. Born Tobago. Jeweller. | 1 st August 1848. | Feloniously transposing and removing the Goldsmith's mark on a silver spoon to certain ware of base metal. | 24 th August 1848. Guilty. | <p>10 years and transportation.</p> <p>Gordon was a silversmith and kept a shop in Great Russell Street, Bloomsbury. According to one witness he had previously lived in Edingburgh. The trial report mentioned a Mrs Gordon.</p> <p>Dr Alexander Halley commissioned Gordon to make a top of a <i>sporrán</i>, or Highland purse out of silver. Gordon had been recommended to him by the Highland Society. It appears that the sporran top was not of standard silver, and it had a fake hallmark.</p> <p>Mr Gregor saddler and harness maker, John Clark, teacher of music, 5, Thornhill Street, Pentonville; Charles Mackay, Secretary to the Highland Society; George Hall Mackenzie, jeweller, in the prisoner's employ; George Kingcomb, printer, 130, High Street, Camden Town; and Thomas John Evans, surgeon, 5, John's Row, St. Lukes gave the prisoner a good character.</p> <p>The <i>Shipping and Mercantile Gazette</i>, 24th August 1848, covered the story and referred to Gordon as a traveller.</p> <p>Appears to have been pardoned, 1st January 1849. Also noted that he was married. <i>England & Wales, Crime, Prisons & Punishment, 1770-1935.</i> Millbank Prison Registers: Male Prisoners. Volume 4. HO 24/4. Sources: TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1848-18480821&div=t18480821-1848#highlight</p> |
| Thomas Gordon. <i>Alias Wm Gayis.</i> 17 years. | 5/-". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Richmond, Virginia. Mariner. | 18 th October 1823. <i>Surely 1822?</i> | Stealing 6 lbs of pork. | 26 th February 1823. Guilty. | <p>Whipped and in Gaol 1 month.</p> <p>The goods were stolen from a cheesemonger in Upper East Smithfield.</p> <p>Sources:</p> |

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| John Gray. 40 years. (<i>Had 8 white co-accused and John Christian</i>). | 5/9". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Curacoa. Mariner. | 2 nd April 1829. | Piratically seizing the vessel <i>Hope</i> on the High Seas. | Not guilty. <i>All co-accused similarly not guilty</i> | <u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |
| James Green. 27 years. | 5/10". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Nantucket, North America. Mariner. | 28 th October 1817. | Stealing one telescope. | 1st November 1817. Not guilty. | <i>Place of birth Nantucket.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. |
| William Green. 40 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born St Vincents. Mariner. | 9 th November 1826. | Stealing 2 blankets and 1 sheet. | 8 th December 1826. Guilty. | 2 months. <i>Here before.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| William James Green. 20 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Sailor. | 27th November 1847. | Unlawfully _____ counterfeit coins. | 14 th December 1847. Guilty. | 6 months. Green was passing counterfeit coins in the <i>William the Fourth</i> public-house, Eyre Street Hill. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-285-18471213&div=t18471213-285#highlight |
| Emanuel Charles Greene. 31 years. (<i>Co-accused was white</i>). | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Bordeaux, France. Military Officer. | 28 th November 1828. | Obtaining goods under false pretences. | 5 th December 1828. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | 7 years. Transported. <i>Co-accused had the same sentence.</i> Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Lady Harewood</i> , 24 th March 28 th July 1828. <u>According to foundersandsurvivors.org:</u> In 1831 he married Charlotte Bolger in Green Bonds, Tasmania. Charlotte was free and born in Dublin. A member of the Anglo-Irish gentry she was the niece of the renowned Captain Theophilus Tighe Ellis. (<i>The son of Captain Edward Ellis, late 12th Dragoons, of Rocklands, Dublin. Born c.1782 served with the 14th Light Dragoons in the Peninsula, being wounded at both Talavera and Fuentes d'Onore. Moved to Australia with his sister, Mary Jane Bolger, and her many children. Settled in Western Australia, and was later Governor of Kelmscott and Superintendent of the Corps of Mounted Police. Was fatally wounded in the massacre/battle of/at Pinjarra in Western Australia in 1834.</i>) Greene and Charlotte had three children (1 girl and 2 boys – one son, born c.1839 was named Charles Chapman Napoleon Greene), and they appear to have left Tasmania and moved to New South Wales. Greene died in Moulamain, NSW circa 1857 and Charlotte in 1882. A newspaper report concerning the marriage of Greene's granddaughter c.1907 correctly identified Charlotte's great-grandfather as being Captain Edward Ellis of Dublin, and also identified her grandfather Greene as: <i>Captain in the 3rd Chassuers, the Young Imperial Guard and a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour.</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>Between 1833 and 1843 Greene had four recorded disciplinary incidents, two of which involved insolence to and the verbal abuse of authority figures. Conditional pardon in 1835, at which time it was noted: He was a Military Officer with a mulatto complexion and black whiskers. It was also noted that he had a sabre scar on the left arm, a scar on his forehead and his right knee was broken.</p> <p><u>Hobart 1835.</u> Greene, employed as a dancing master, was fined £1 for damaging the coat of a surgeon during a fight.</p> <p><u>Hobart 1835.</u> Greene acted as an interpreter at the trial of three French (creole) seamen of the American ship <i>Halcyon</i>. <i>A little confusion was created at first, by Mr. Green presuming to force himself within the bar with the Magistrate. This was considered rather too presumptuous, and a constable rectified the mistake, by putting him outside the bar.</i></p> <p>During the trial one of the prosecution witnesses (a white sailor) argued with Greene and referred to him as “<i>no "regular bred Frenchman", but "only a Saint Domingo Black."</i> Mr. Green insisted upon the witness proving the fact - as no other proof but Mr. Green's presence presented itself, the question was abandoned, and the Magistrate called for order, when the case was resumed.</p> <p><u>Hobart 1835.</u> Greene, residing at William Street, Hobart, (born 1794 and naturalised in 1849), pressed charges against a constable for drunkenness, excessive rude conduct to him, and using unbecoming language in the presence and hearing of ladies at his house. The constable was dismissed from his job.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. convictrecords.com.au foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/c31a31150473 policewahistory.org.au/HTML_Pages/Ellis_Origins.html On the <i>Bedford Family Tree</i> (jcha_1) ancestry.com On the <i>Brabender Botten Family Tree</i> (Paula Brabender) ancestry.com According to the <i>Brabender Botten Family Tree</i> he was born 25/12/1794 in Chateaux Brillant, Bordeaux, to Joseph Octavius Greene and Marie Covey Savary.</p> <p><u>The Trial.</u> <i>London Courier and Evening Gazette</i> 23 October 1828 Greene, a creole, was charged with conspiring with Norson Davidson (Davids and Davis), a foreign jew, to cheat one Mr Thompson an army accoutrement maker, of Long acre, of 4 beds. Davidson presented himself and Greene to the victims as merchants. Greene, who Davidson said spoke no English, was introduced as a West India merchant of great</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>respectability and commercial credit. The victim made enquiries from a broker (Edgard) and was assured that Greene was a person of undoubted respectability. The victim also enquired as to the character of Edgar, and was convinced of his credibility. The beds were forwarded to Greene's residence at No.6 Salisbury Street, Strand, with the understanding that the bill would be settled within two months. It was subsequently found that the beds had been hawked and that Davidson, Greene and Edgar were working together and had de-camped.</p> <p>In his defence Greene, speaking in English, claimed that he met Davidson and Edgar in France, and that he was ignorant of any intended fraud, being duped by a gang of rascals. Greene stated that he was French by birth and had entered military college at an early age. In 1813 he had entered the French Army and served as a Cornet at the battles of Leipzig and Waterloo. (<i>The Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser</i>, 23 October 1828, identified Greene's regiment as the <i>Chassours a Cheval</i>).</p> <p>Mr Bearcroft, of <i>Bearcroft and Knucker</i>, a respected French house, was present to speak for Greene: Bearcroft said he knew nothing of Greene, but was prepared to speak on his behalf if he had been duped by others.</p> <p>It was then suggested that Greene had previously been seen riding around town on a fine horse and had also defrauded a coach-maker Blackfriars Road. Greene denied this, but at this point Mr Bearcroft appears to have lost faith and declined to stand surety. Greene was remanded into custody.</p> <p><i>The Morning Post</i>, 28 October 1828, reported that Greene had attempted suicide by slashing his own throat with a razor at the prison in Tothill Fields.</p> <p>A French witness, Monsieur Emanuel Charles Carel, a wine-maker, speaking through an interpreter said that he had previously met Greene at a <i>table de' hote</i> in Marsaille and become slightly acquainted with him. They had then met again in London. It was also reported that Greene had order goods off other tradesman, being extended credit on the basis of his respectability as a West India merchant, and paid for none of them.</p> <p>Greene was very robust in his own defence, arguing with both the prosecution and prosecution witnesses.</p> <p><i>The London Courier and Evening Gazette</i>, 28 October 1828, noted that Greene sent a letter to the judge saying that he had been duped by Daidson and Edgar, whom he had met in Paris. Greene also stated that he had been about to have been married to an English lady named Hutchinson when he was take into custody.</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>In <i>The Morning Advertiser</i>, 28 November 1828, Greene was described as “a genteel looking man of colour”. Greene was conducting his own defence at this point.</p> <p><i>Morning Chronicle</i>, 29 November 1828.</p> <p>The dedendents were found guilty and sentenced to be transported. Immediately Greene exclaimed: “Tranport me – to transport me! – my Lord, you cannot mean that”. When the judge confirmed the sentence Greene said he wished he had a razor to cut his own throat, on leaving the court he threw himself into the arms of the gaoler and affected to feint.</p> <p><i>The Atlas</i>, 30 November 1828.</p> <p>The three accused were swindling by making the false representation that Greene was a French gentlemen, possessing immense estates in the West Indies. There were several other cases against them, but they were abandoned after conviction and sentencing.</p> |
| Charles Groves. 23 years. | 5/9”. Man of Colour. Born Rhode Island. Sailor. <i>Left 2nd deformed. Right CS.</i> | 22 nd January 1862. | Maliciously wounding Joseph French with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. | 29 th January 1862. Guilty. | <p>4 months.</p> <p>French was a furnace-man who resided at 1 Montague Place, Plaistow Marsh. The incident occurred at the <i>Walmer Castle</i> public-house, Plaistow Marsh. It appears that Groves was considerably provoked, as when sentenced the judge declared: <i>Recommended to mercy by the Jury, as they considered there was very great provocation on the part of the English, by whom he was ill-treated.</i></p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-249-18620127&div=t18620127-249#highlight</p> |
| Antonio Guera. 25 years. | 5/7”. Man of Colour. Born Porto Rico. Cook. | 29 th May 1846. | Stealing a Seaman’s Register ticket and a piece of paper of Cornelius Conner. | 22 nd June 1846. Guilty. | <p>1 month.</p> <p><i>The prisoner, being a foreigner, had the evidence communicated to him by an interpreter.</i></p> <p><i>Prisoner's Defence. The witnesses do not give good proof that I was picking the pocket; I found the ticket on the ground in the morning; I want to be convinced that I have been seen.</i></p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1354-18460615&div=t18460615-1354#highlight</p> |
| Edward Hale. 20 years. | 5/10 and ½”, black complexion, black hair, dark eyes, small features, straight made, born Jamaica. Mariner. | 20 th May 1817. | Fraud. | May 1817. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman’s Land on the <i>Lady Castlereagh</i>, December 1817 to 11th June 1818.</p> <p>Between 1819 and 1824 he was found guilty of five recorded offences. Most of the offences involved church – either refusing to go or being disorderly there.</p> <p>He married Ann Smallman in Hobart in 1820.</p> <p>Ann was 20 years old and had arrived on the <i>Lord Wellington</i>. Both bride and groom were convicts and marked the certificate – “x”. The witnesses were James Kemp and Salome Pitt.</p> |

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| John Hall. 25 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Thin made. Born Isle of France. Mariner. | 9 th January 1818. | Stealing 2 axes and 2 planes. | 27 th January 1818. Guilty. | 3 months and whipped. Remained the whole term of his imprisonment in Newgate being too unwell to be removed. The items were stolen from a wheelwright in Commercial-road. <p>Sources: PCOM2/192. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180114-191-defend1299&div=t18180114-191#highlight</p> |
| Samuel Hallett. 27 years. (<i>Had one White co-accused</i>). | 6/1". Man of colour. Born New York. Sailor. | 18 th February 1837. | Stealing 98 half dollars and 3 sovereigns. | 3 rd March 1837. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found guilty.</i> | <i>Difficult to decipher:</i> Sentence respited - 10 th March on a ship going to sea. <i>Co-accused given 7 years and transported.</i> Hallett, his co-accused and the victim were sailors on board the <i>St Ann</i> from St Andrews in America. <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-773-18370227&div=t18370227-773#highlight</p> |
| Seik Hamed. 19 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 26 th February 1842. | Stealing 1 watch, 1 guard and 1 key of Hajie Cosson. | 3 rd March 1842. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey records his name as Seik Hamod and the victim as Haji Cossein. <i>HAJI COSSEIN (through an interpreter.) I had a watch and guard, and key, on board my vessel—it was safe in my box at four o'clock, I do not know what day—about five my box was broken open, and they were gone—this is the watch—(looking at one)—the prisoner was on board that day—I asked him if he took my watch—he wanted to strike me, and I let him go. Cross-examined by MR. CLARKSON. Q. How many Lascars were there on board? A. Three or four—I am serjeant on board the vessel, the prisoner was a sepoy—I was on board before him—he shipped at Bombay.</i> <i>JAMES STEVENS . I am a pawnbroker—this watch was pledged by Mary McCarthy on the 22nd of February, for 1l., in the name of Mary McCarthy—she said it was for a Lascar.</i> <i>MARY MCCARTHY . I cohabit with the prisoner—he gave me this watch to pledge-there was a chain besides, but a navigator broke that from my neck.</i> <i>Cross-examined. Q. You are an unfortunate woman? A. Yes—I have seen seven or eight Lascars from the ship at different times—none of them besides the prisoner have slept with me—he slept with me last Tuesday week, and gave me four or five shillings-we have never quarrelled I swear—he can speak a little broken English.</i> |

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| | | | | | CARDER BAUX (through an interpreter.) The prosecutor is my cousin—I know his chain which he wore round his neck—I saw it on McCarthy about eight o'clock one night—I do not know the day—I told a policeman of it. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1095-18420228&div=t18420228-1095#highlight |
| Charles Hammond. 25 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born New Brunswick. Sailor. | 23 rd October 1841. | Stealing 1 handkerchief of Charles Bingley. | 20 th October 1841. Not Guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| George William Handy. 20 years. | 5/3". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born New York. Mariner. | 30 th November 1818. | Burglariously breaking and entering a dwelling and stealing a great coat. | 9 th December 1818. Guilty. | Death. Commuted to transportation for life. Handy was lodging at the house of another mariner at No. 24, Queen-street, St. Ann, Limehouse. He had been there about 3 weeks, when he burgled his own lodgings. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Atlas</i> , 5 th June 1819 to 5 th February 1820. In 1829 on his <i>Ticket for Leave</i> he gave his trade as servant and his intention to settle in Sydney, NSW. According to www.pastmasters.net : Served on the expedition to Melville Island: <i>George William Handy, originally from Barbados who was a stonemason and may have marked his handy work - he got his ticket of Leave in Sydney in 1829 and by 1866 was a ratepayer in Collingwood, Victoria.</i> <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. www.pastmasters.net/fort-dundas--garden-point.html <i>Ticket Of Leave Butts 1827-1875</i> (Nrs 12202). State Records Authority of New South Wales. Reel: 911. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18181202-62-defend663&div=t18181202-62#highlight convictrecords.com.au |
| Stephen Hannibell. 19 years. (Had one White male co-accused). | 5/11". Man of colour. Born Poplar. Labourer. | 1 st November 1833. | Breaking into a dwelling. | 3 rd December 1833. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | 7 years and transported. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> Numerous items were stolen from a Mrs. Sophia Savage of No. 2 Holland Park Terrace, Kensington. Hannibell had been employed by the victim as a messenger, cleaner and also in moving her property. <i>Lucy Ralph, of Uxbridge; Mary Preston, Kensington Gravel-pits; Amelia Abel, Kensington Gravel-pits; Mary Anderson, Camden-place, Kensington Gravel-pits; gave the prisoners a good character.</i> Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Surrey</i> . Departed 9 th April and arrived 17 th August 1834. From the <i>List of Male Convicts</i> who landed from the <i>Surry</i> : <i>Reads and Writes. Protestant. Single. Groom. No previous convictions. 5/7 and ½". Copper coloured and pock-marked</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>complexion. Black hair. Dark brown eyes. Nose flat, sun imperfect inside lower left arm, half cast. He absconded and was apprehended in 1836. <i>Certificate of Freedom</i> was issued 13th July 1841 and it was noted he was born in Middlesex. Still living in 1843, in Sydney.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18331128-132-defend1345&div=t18331128-132#highlight convictrecords.com.au <i>Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849</i>. Office Copies Of Printed Indents 1831-1842 (Nrs 12189). Surry. Reel 907. <i>Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i> (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604. Teel 1009. <i>New South Wales Government Gazette Indexes 1832-1863.</i></p> |
| Jack Harris. 21 years. | 5/9". A man of colour. Born Baltimore. Mariner. | 20 th October 1830. | Stealing 2 pairs of trousers. | 29 th October 1830. Guilty. | 3 months. The items were stolen from the lodgings Harris was living in at Rosemary Lane. Sources: TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18301028-81-defend724&div=t18301028-81#highlight |
| James Harris. 25 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Labourer. | 7 th December 1839. | Stealing 1 pair of trousers of Joseph Pierre from a vessel in a port. | 17 th December 1839. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. The goods were stolen from the ship <i>Virginia</i> . <i>Prisoner's Defence. I bought them at Liverpool.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-329-18391216&div=t18391216-329#highlight |
| William Harris. 24 years. | 5/9". A Creole. Stout. Born Canterbury. Labourer. | 18 th November 1824. | Stealing a firkin of white lead. | 2 nd December 1824. Guilty. | 3 months. The property was stolen from a dwelling at the corner of the Poultry. The defence of Harris was that he was on his way to see his sister when a man paid him to carry the lead. <i>Prisoner's Defence: As I was walking down the street, going to my sister, being short of money; a man asked me to give him a lift with this cask, and he would give me 6 d.; I came to the passage and took the cask, and while we were getting it out, the witness came and took me.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/197. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18241202-37-defend271&div=t18241202-37#highlight |
| William Harris. 27 years. (<i>Had one White co-accused</i>). | 5/8". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born New Orleans. Labourer. | 1 st February 1827. | Assaulting William Williams and stealing his money. | 16 th February 1827. Not guilty. Co-accused also not guilty. | Sources: TNA PCOM2/199. |

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| 29 years. | | 14 th February 1828. | Assault and stealing 1 handkerchief. | 23rd February 1828. Not guilty. | <i>Here before.</i> |
| William Harris. 32 years. | 5/8". A man of colour. Born Ipswich. Labourer. | 2 nd February 1830. | Stealing 9 lbs of cheese. | 19 th February 1830. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported. <i>Here before.</i></p> <p>The cheese was stolen from a Chandler in James Street, Old Street.</p> <p>Prosecution Witness: <i>I had had the prisoner pointed out to me several times before, as a very suspicious person - I knew him again; he is a remarkable man - it was a double Gloucester cheese.</i></p> <p><u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>On the 1st of February I had been to Islington, to take a parcel and a great coat for a young man who was going by the Boston coach - I then went down James-street, and heard a cry of Stop thief! I stood against the wall for two or three minutes - the officer came and took hold of my collar; they did not see me drop any cheese - I said, "Go to the stand and ask the watering-man if I did not leave him within five minutes;" they would not go, but said he was as bad as me; I said, "Look at my coat - if I had had the cheese under it there would be marks of it;" I never had it in my possession, nor saw it - I had not time to get to the shop".</i></p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>David Lyon</i>, 29th April to 18th August 1830.</p> <p>His conduct record reveals that between 1831 and 1838 he had nine offences and received 75 lashes in total. On 9th July 1835 his sentence was extended for two years for insubordination and assault. In July 1838 the sentence was remitted.</p> <p>According to <i>foundersandsurvivors</i>: He was married and worked as a groom and house-servant.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18300218-80-defend553&div=t18300218-80#highlight <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Appropriation List CON27/1/4; Appropriation List CSO1/1/444 Page 227; Conduct Record CON31/1/20; Description List CON18/1/2 Page 127; Muster Roll CSO1/1/472 Page 10492; Muster Roll MM33/3. foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/c31a31200051</p> |
| William Harris. 25 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Sailor. | 17 th November 1838. | Assaulting Margaret Weston with intent to ravish her. | 4 th December 1838. Guilty. | <p>1 year.</p> <p>Margaret Weston was an eleven-year-old girl.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-215-18381126&div=t18381126-215#highlight</p> |
| Sarah Hart. 27 years 8 months. | 5/2". Woman of Colour. Born Bristol. | 23 rd January 1878. | Stealing 11 shirts of John Kettle Paine. | 14 th February 1878. Hart and Thomas Pickford found Not Guilty. Harry Pickford found Guilty. | Old Bailey identifies the victim as Payne, a draper, of High Street, Woolwich. |

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| <i>Had 2 white co-accused: Thomas and Harry Pickford of Bethnal Green.</i> | <i>Pros. (Protestant or Prostitute?) Scars both arms, head and cheek.</i> | | All 3 also detained for stealing 30 yds of Lindsay (Linsey). Both Pickfords also detained for stealing a jacket. | | The second charge, relating to the Linsey, recounted that Hart was attempting to sell it at <i>Duke on Horseback</i> public-house, Woolwich. Hart was known in the <i>Duke on Horseback</i> and described as “ <i>very badly off</i> ”. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def3-288-18780211&div=t18780211-288#highlight |
| Edward Harton. 18 years. | 5/7”. Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 9 th July 1827. | Stealing 1 shirt and 1 handkerchief. | 12 th July 1827. Not guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. |
| Hassan. 33 years. <i>Had one white co-accused: John Rowbottom.</i> | 5/6”. Greek of Colour. Born Cairo. Sailor. | 15 th March 1849. | Unlawfully attempting to commit B.....y with each other. | 11 th April 1849. Guilty. | 1 year. According to Old Bailey: <i>HASSAN, unlawfully laying his hands upon John Rowbottom, with intent, &c.; and JOHN ROWBOTTOM, unlawfully consenting thereto.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-973-18490409&div=t18490409-973#highlight |
| John Hazel. 27 years 10 months. | 5/4”. Man of Colour. Born St Bartholomew’s. Sailor. <i>Tattoos: JTH. British arms. Crucifixion.</i> | 22 nd October 1877. | Unlawfully assaulting one John Cummins upon the High Seas. | 27 th October 1877. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey named victim as Cummings. Both Hazel and Cummins were sailors on the ship Woodbourne, which was lying in the South West India dock, (it was an English ship bound for Calcutta). Hazel was accused of carrying out an unprovoked attack on Cummins. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-803-18771022&div=t18771022-803#highlight |
| Edward Henry. 26 years. <i>London.</i> | 5/2”. A man of colour. Stout made. Born Isle of France. Seaman. | 17 th February 1819. | Stealing 3 shirts and other articles. | 24 th February 1819. <i>Discharged by proclamation.</i> | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. |
| Joseph Henry. 25 years. | 5/3”. Man of colour. Sailor. | 13 th August 1835. | Stealing 1 jacket. | 18 th August 1835. Guilty. | Sentence cannot be deciphered, however, apparently discharged 18 th September 1835. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| Francis Hill. 33 years. | 5/8”. Man of Colour. Born Philadelphia. Sailor. <i>Mole. Scar on each wrist.</i> | 8 th November 1873. | For the wilful murder of Charles Wilson. | 26 th November 1873. Guilty. | 12 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. |
| Stephen Hill. 14 years. | 4/10”. Boy of colour. Born Shadwell. Labourer. | December 1832. <i>Before 3rd December – next entry.</i> | Stealing 2 handkerchiefs. | 13 th December 1832. <i>Possibly – sent to Clerkenwell Assizes.</i> | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. |
| Walter Hill. 26 years. | 5/7”. Man of Colour. Born St Thomas. Sailor. | 16 th August 1862. | Feloniously wounding Honorah Myers with intent to murder her. | 21 st August 1862. Guilty. | 12 months. Myers, who described herself as “an unfortunate woman” (perhaps a prostitute), resided at 2 Victoria Places, Shadwell. She spent the night with Hill after being introduced to him by “ <i>Sank Smith, a coloured girl.</i> ” Hill stabbed Myers in the shoulder after his clothes and money went missing. |

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| | | | | | <i>In the prisoner's statement before the Magistrate he alleged that the prosecutrix had robbed him of his clothes and money, and that with the vexation he struck her with the knife. Prisoner's Defence: I did not mean to do anything to her; it is the first time I have been in England. GUILTY on Second Count.—Strongly recommended to mercy by the Jury, believing his grievance to be very aggravated. Sources: TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-850-18620818&div=t18620818-850#highlight</i> |
| John Hinson. 30 years. <i>Had one White co-accused.</i> | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Bermuda. Waiter. | 29 th August 1843. | Stealing 3 lbs of copper and 9 ozs of lead of David Laurence Stevens in a vessel in a port. | 19 th September 1843. Guilty. <i>Co-accused admitted evidence and was discharged.</i> | 4 months. Old Bailey says that the items stolen were 3 lbs of coffee and 9 oz of tea. Stevens was the master of the <i>Martha Washington</i> , laid in Union dock, Poplar. (The ship had come from America). Hinson was a steward on the <i>Martha Washington</i> . Hinson stole from the ship and was caught selling the goods to one Samuel Low – subsequently found Not Guilty. <i>Prisoner's Defence: I was searched immediately, and no money found on me; I did not give Low any coffee, nor did he give me any money. Sources: TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2649-18430918&div=t18430918-2649#highlight</i> |
| Alexander Holden. 29 years 7 months. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Cook. <i>Scar rt arm.</i> | 7 th February 1877. | Indicted for feloniously wounding one James Jones with intent to do grievous bodily harm. | 7 th February 1877. Guilty. | 12 months. Jones was a clothier's agent, of 38 Langdale Street. Holden was identified as being a lodging housekeeper, (for sailors). The assault occurred at West India Dock. Holden received a good character report. <i>Sources: TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-242-18770205&div=t18770205-242#highlight</i> |
| William Holmes. 19 years. <i>One White co-accused.</i> | 5/8". Man of Colour – Half Caste. Born Poplar. Labourer. | 21 st May 1850. | Stealing 600 lbs weight of lead of William Faith fixed to a building. | 18 th June 1850. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also Guilty.</i> | 1 year. <i>Co-accused also received 1 year. Sources: TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1175-18500610&div=t18500610-1175#highlight</i> |
| Marquis Holt. 33 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Poland. Hawker. | 15 th May 1845. | Feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling house of Susannah F____ and stealing 6 pieces of silk and 1 scarf. | 21 st May 1845. Guilty. | 1 year. <i>Sources: TNA PCOM2/209.</i> |
| Joseph Howard. 40 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 5 th January 1843. | Stealing 1 salt cellar of William Luff. | 5 th January 1843. Guilty. | 1 month. Old Bailey names the victim as William Laff a pawnbroker, of Crown Street, Finsbury. <i>Prisoner. I gave a boy 2d. for it, and as I was going home, I saw a lady look at a book; I looked at it and asked how much it</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>was; I was going away, and he came after me. Witness. He said afterwards he took it for a lark.</p> <p>WILLIAM FERGUSON (police-constable G 181.) I was called last night, and the prisoner was given to me, with this salt-cellar—it was concealed between his legs, under his trowsers—he first said he took it through distress, and then he said he wanted to have a bit of fun.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-539-18430102&div=t18430102-539#highlight</p> |
| John Hudson. 26 years. (Had 8 white co-accused and William Key). | 5/5". A man of colour. Stout. Born Grenada. Mariner. | 11 th February 1829. | Piratically seizing the vessel <i>Hope</i> on the High Seas. | Not guilty. <i>All co-accused similarly not guilty.</i> | <p>Source: TNA PCOM2/200.</p> |
| John Hudson. 36 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born America. Sailor. | 25 th February 1841. | Stealing 1 jacket. | 6 th March 1841. Guilty. | <p>2 months.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/206.</p> |
| George Humphreys. 20 years. | 5/8". Mulatto. Black eyes. Slender. Born Mary le bone. Labourer. | 25 th January 1827. | Stealing coal. | 21 st January 1827. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>The coat was stolen out of a gig in Brydges Street, opposite Drury Lane Theatre.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/199. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18270215-252-defend1330&div=t18270215-252#highlight</p> |
| John Hyde. 19 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Stout. Born Chelmsford. Labourer. | 28 th October 1822. | Larceny. | 28 th October 1822. Guilty. | <p>7 years. <i>Retribution – Sheerness, 8th November 1822.</i></p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/196.</p> |
| Jackedu a Mahomedan. 20 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 6 th September 1842. | Unlawfully assaulting John Cooper with intent to commit B_____y. | 24 th September 1842. Guilty. | <p>4 months.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18420919-name-827&div=t18420919-2728#highlight</p> |
| George Jackson. 25 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Sailor. | 23 rd July 1867. | Feloniously wounding Michael Haley to do him grievous bodily harm. | 22 nd August 1867. Not Guilty. | <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/216.</p> |
| Jacob Jackson. 32 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Born New Jersey. Cook. | 20 th January 1837. | Stealing \$53 of foreign coin and 1 coat. | 31 st January 1837. Guilty. | <p>6 months.</p> <p>Jackson and the two victims were sailors on-board the American ship <i>Lucille</i>.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-507-18370130&div=t18370130-507#highlight</p> |
| John Jackson. 53 years. | 5/6". A man of colour, stout made. Born in South Carolina, America. Soldier 43 rd Regiment. | 26 th May 1821. | Assaulting Charlotte Newbury and by force having carnal knowledge of her body against her will and consent. | 6 th June 1821. Guilty. (<i>Of rape</i>). | <p>Death. Commuted to transportation for life, 4th August 1821, to the hulk at Woolwich.</p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Claudine</i>, 20th May to 15th December 1821. Jail report said "not known before."</p> <p>Hulk report said "orderly". Records noted "shot".</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>John Jackson aged 53 years, 5/6" tall. A man of colour, stout made. Born in South Carolina, America. Soldier 43rd Regiment. Received at Newgate 26th May 1821. Charged with assaulting Charles Newbury and by force having carnal knowledge of her body against her will and consent. On trial 6th June 1821. Found guilty (of rape). Sentenced to death, (commuted to transportation for life, 4th August, to the hulk at Woolwich). Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Claudine</i>, 20th May to 15th December 1821. Jail report said "not known before." Hulk report said "orderly". Records for Tasmania noted "shot".</p> <p>Coroner, on the body of John Jackson, a man of colour, who appeared to have been shot near the premises of AF Kemp, Esq, late at night on the Saturday preceding. (<i>Which would have been Saturday 17th January 1824</i>).</p> <p>After a long investigation the Jury gave a verdict of manslaughter against William Tibbs, assigned servant to Mr Kemp.</p> <p><i>Hobart Town Gazette and Van Dieman's Land Advertiser</i>, Friday 23rd January 1824. https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/result?l-title=5&dateFrom=1821-01-20&dateTo=1825-08-12&q=John+Jackson</p> <p>The judge directed the Jury to be clear about who had fired the pistol at Jackson, and how far that action had been justified. Also revealed that Jackson had been shot with a pistol and that Tibbs had only been in the Colony a few months and was well recommended on arrival.</p> <p><i>Hobart Town Gazette and Van Dieman's Land Advertiser</i>, Friday 28th May 1824.</p> <p>William Tibbs was sentenced to transportation for 3 years. <i>Hobart Town Gazette and Van Dieman's Land Advertiser</i>, 6 August 1824.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i></p> |
| Shedrick Jackson. 31 years. | 6/-". A man of colour. Stout. Born Maryland. Mariner. | 30th April 1829. | Assault and stealing monies. | Bill not found. | <p><u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200.</p> |
| William Jackson. 39 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born St Kitts. Mariner. | 23 rd November 1822. | Stealing 4 stockings – value 2s/6d. | 11 th December 1822. Guilty. | <p><i>Privately whipped. Death. 15th December 1822 – discharged?</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196.</p> |
| John Jacobs. 26 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Barbados. <i>Occupation cannot be identified.</i> | 5 th October 1834. | Larceny. | 18 th October 1834. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203.</p> |

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| Peter James. 25 years. <i>Co-accused of William Johnson.</i> | 6/3". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 13 th October 1842. | Unlawfully obtaining 2 jackets, 1 waistcoat, 2 pairs trousers and 1 cap and 2 half-crowns of Henry William Bullock Richardson and another. | 1 st November 1842. Guilty. | 3 months. Richardson and his partner Edward Jenkins were slop-sellers in Penny Fields, Poplar. James and Johnson were both sailors from the <i>Hartley</i> in Sheerness. It appears that they were fraudulently obtaining goods against a non-existent credit note. <i>William Bedwell Bradford: I am captain of the Hartley. The two prisoners were seamen on board my ship—they had been discharged, and paid their wages, on the 21st of September—they had no wages to receive at Laurie and Hamilton's, or elsewhere.</i> <i>The prisoner James put in a written defence, stating that he had told the prosecutor that he had received his wages, but had to receive some prizemoney at Somerset House, which was true, and after that they had been trusted with the clothes.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-3037-18421024&div=t18421024-3037#highlight |
| Thomas James. 40 years. | 5/-". A mulatto. Stoutish. Born Strand. Waiter. | 5 th October 1826. | Stealing a pair of stays. | 27 th October 1826. Guilty. | 1 month. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Richard Jarques. 27 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Gambia. Ship's carpenter. <i>Wesleyan.</i> <i>Single.</i> <i>Education: N.</i> | 13 th January 1880. | Feloniously abusing a girl. | 10 th February 1880. Guilty. | 12 months. Old Bailey identifies the offence as being a rape, and the victim Eliza Cocks, aged 10 years. Jarques was found Not Guilty of the charge of rape, but Guilty of the charge of indecent assault. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/219. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-197-18800209&div=t18800209-197#highlight |
| Jose Joachin. 22 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Born San Francisco. Sailor. | 23 rd November 1852. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Benjamin Bellhouse with intent to steal. | 25 th November 1852. Guilty. | 4 months. Old Bailey gives his surname as Joachim. Bellhouse was a grocer of Queen Street, Towerhill. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I was deficient of clothes and money; the ship that I belonged to went away; I was tempted to do this in consequence of want.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-60-18521122&div=t18521122-60#highlight |
| Charles Johnson. 28 years. | 5/5". A man of colour. Stout made. Born New York, America. Mariner. | 9 th June 1821. | Stealing a jacket (from Francis Antonio). | 18 th June 1821. Guilty. | Whipped. Both John and Antonio were sailors who lodged together at Prince's Square, Ratcliffe Highway. Antonio was in hospital when theft occurred. Antonio required an interpreter in court. Johnson was delivered to the American Consul after being whipped. <u>Sources:</u> |

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| George Johnson. 62 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Born St Christopher's. Sailor. | 24 th February 1852. | Stealing 1 coat of Charles Gillett. | 25 th February 1852. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-330-18520223&div=t18520223-330#highlight |
| Henry Johnson. 23 years. | 5/9". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born Nova Scotia. Mariner. | 8 th July 1818. | Stealing 2 jackets. | 22 nd September 1818. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The jackets were stolen from a pawnbroker in Whitechapel. A servant by occupation. Year of birth given as 1794. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Baring</i> , December 1818 to 26 th June 1819. Volunteered for service at Fort Dundas, Melville Island, NT. Died of scurvy, December 1826, and buried at the Fort Dundas Cemetery. Between 1824 and 1828 the British attempted to colonise the islands. Convicts were used as labour. However, resistance from the native Tiwi people (the Tunuvivi) led to the attempt being abandoned. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. convictrecords.com.au www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180909-183-defend1408&div=t18180909-183#highlight <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales.</i> Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Indents 1788-1842 (Nrs 12188). Reel: 394. |
| Henry Johnson. 22 years. (<i>Had 1 white co-accused</i>). | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born India. Labourer. | 8 th December 1838. | Stealing 4 candlesticks. | 20 th December 1838. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| Jacob Johnson. 48 years. | 5/5". Black complexion, black hair and dark eyes. Slender made. Born New York. Mariner. | 30 th October 1817. | Stealing 2 shoes, a knife and two bank tokens. | 4 th November 1817. Discharged by proclamation. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. |
| John Johnson. 42 years. (<i>Had 2 white female co-accused</i>). | 5/7". A man of colour. Stout. Born Wilmington, America. Mariner. | 20 th June 1825. | Assaulting Gettee and stealing 3 sovereigns and a handkerchief. | Bill not found. | Discharged 1 st July 1825. <i>Two co-accused also discharged.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| John Johnson. 20 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Cape. Sailor. | 14 th February 1842. | Stealing 1 and ¾ lbs of canvas and 6 lbs weight of leather of John Meredith from a vessel in the Port of London. | 5 th March 1842. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| Thomas Johnson. 21 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Sailor. | 18 th June 1838. | Stealing 3 pairs of trousers. | 23 rd June 1838. Guilty. | 8 days. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| William Johnson. 24 years. | 5/10". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Virginia. | 29 th September 1829. | Stealing 1 watch. | 29 th October 1829. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. |

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| | Mariner. | | | | The items were stolen at night from vessels moored off Limehouse. Johnson used a small craft to row out to and steal from moored vessels. He was caught in the act. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18291029-27-defend274&div=t18291029-27#highlight |
| William Johnson. Alias Barnaby. 26 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Born East Smithfield. Sailor. | 25 th November 1837. | Obtaining 1 jacket and 1 waistcoat. | 4 th December 1837. Guilty. | 3 months. The crime appears to have been an opportunistic fraud committed on a shopkeeper. Johnson was accused of passing a credit note which gave the impression he was a crewman on the brig <i>Roberts</i> . <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-189-18371127&div=t18371127-189#highlight |
| William Johnson. 21 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Sailor. | 25 th June 1841. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 6 th July 1841. Not Guilty. | |
| William Johnson. 21 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Sailor. | 10 th August 1841. | Stealing 37 and $\frac{3}{4}$ weight of sugar of Thomas Chown. | 23 rd August 1841. | 7 years and transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1833-18410705&div=t18410705-1833#highlight |
| William Johnson. 19 years. <i>Co-accused of Peter James</i> | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 13 th October 1842. | Unlawfully obtaining 2 jackets, 1 waistcoat, 2 pairs trousers and 1 cap and 2 half-crowns of Henry William Bullock Richardson and another. | 1 st November 1842. Not Guilty. | Richardson and his partner Edward Jenkins were slop-sellers in Penny Fields, Poplar. James and Johnson were both sailors from the <i>Hartley</i> in Sheerness. It appears that they were fraudulently obtaining goods against a non-existent credit note. <i>William Bedwell Bradford: I am captain of the Hartley. The two prisoners were seamen on board my ship—they had been discharged, and paid their wages, on the 21st of September—they had no wages to receive at Laurie and Hamilton's, or elsewhere.</i> <i>The prisoner James put in a written defence, stating that he had told the prosecutor that he had received his wages, but had to receive some prizemoney at Somerset House, which was true, and after that they had been trusted with the clothes.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-3037-18421024&div=t18421024-3037#highlight |
| Abraham Johnston. 27 years. | 5/5". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Africa. | 8 th October 1831. | Stealing 1 handkerchief. | 24 th October 1831. Guilty. | Sent to sea. |

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| | Mariner. | | | | Stole the item from another sailor he was lodging with in New Gravel Lane. Johnston claimed that the item was his – given him by a lady on the Isle of France, Johnson in Old Bailey records. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18311020-191-defend1292&div=t18311020-191#highlight |
| Charles Johnston. 23 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Jamaica. Sailor. | 22 nd November 1847. | Stealing 1 jacket of James Poore in a vessel in the Port of London. | 29 th November 1847. Guilty. | 3 months. The victim was an apprentice working on a vessel in Fletcher's Dry Dock, Poplar. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-189-18471122&div=t18471122-189#highlight |
| Ann Jones. 27 years. | 5/5". Woman of Colour. Born Salisbury. Spinster. | 5 th June 1843. | Stealing 1 sovereign of Henry Brown. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. |
| Charles Jones. 23 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born West Indies. Cook. <i>Lost upper front tooth.</i> | 14 th June 1861. | Feloniously shooting at George Morrell with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm. | 10 th July 1861. Guilty. | 9 months. Morrell was a stoker residing in Albert Square, Shadwell. He was walking with Mary Ann Franklin along St George's Street, Shadwell. He and Jones (who were not known to each other), appear to have knocked into each other. At which point Jones pulled out a pistol and shot Morrell in the right shoulder. (The pistol was a five barrelled revolver, and the incident may have been one of mistaken identity on Jones's part). <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>He interfered with me first; he struck me first, and I struck him back again.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-600-18610708&div=t18610708-600#highlight |
| Diana Jones. 50 years. | 5/3". A woman of colour. Born Jamaica. Widow. | 21st August 1828. | Maliciously throwing a knife at Amelia Smith with the intent to do her some grievous bodily harm. (Within the Liberty of the Tower). | Discharged 13 th September 1828. | <u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |
| Edward Jones. 27 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Bermuda. Sailor. | 23 rd October 1847. | Rape on Ann Piper. | 28 th October 1847. Guilty. | 2 years. Old Bailey identifies the victim as Ann Eliza Pipe. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2486-18471025&div=t18471025-2486#highlight |
| Elizabeth Jones. 24 years. <i>Had 3 white female co-accused.</i> | 5/2". Woman of Colour. Born Isle of France. Spinster. | 21 st July 1838. | Stealing monies and 1 box of 2 gowns. | 23 rd August 1838. Guilty. <i>2 of the co-accused received the same verdict, but 1 was found Not Guilty.</i> | 7 years. Transported. <i>Along with 2 co-accused.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |

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| James Jones. 27 years. | 6/3". Man of colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 21 st October 1844. | Stealing 1 jacket and 6 sovereigns of William Smith in the dwelling house of Mary Grinham. <i>Detained for Larceny. Kent?</i> | 25 th October 1844. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Smith was a mariner. He met Jones at Tower Hill. They went drinking at the <i>Golden Eagle</i> public-house, where the crime occurred, and where Mary Grinham was landlady. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I have not been long from the West Indies; I met this man on Tower-hill; he told me he had some money; I had some money too; I never saw where he bought his clothes; he had a girl with him; he ordered a cab; we went to the Highway; he asked me to lend him a sovereign, which I did, and gave him 5s.; he was in my company three days; I gave him 1l. 5s. for his clothes, and went to the public-house with him; he tried to run away with the clothes, after I had given him the money for them; I said, "Don't run away; if you want your clothes back, they won't fit me, give me back the money you had;" he would not, but wanted to escape out of the window; the landlady called out, if the clothes belonged to him not to run away with them; he said they did not belong to him, but to me; two policemen came in; we then had something to eat, and I gave him 5s.; the sovereigns were mine; I tied them in the handkerchief.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2510-18441021&div=t18441021-2510#highlight |
| John Jones. 15 years. <i>(Had one White male co-accused).</i> | 4/5". Of colour. Born Marylebone. Labourer. | 8 th August 1834. | Stealing a hat. | 4 th September 1834. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | 7 years. Transported. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| Peter Jones. 23 years. <i>Had one White co-accused.</i> | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Bermuda. Cook. | 25 th November 1840. | Stealing 1 lamp of Robert Edwards. | Bill not found. <i>Co-accused found Guilty.</i> | <i>Co-accused sentenced to 3 months.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |
| Robert Jones. 32 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Antigua. Cook. | 4 th May 1839. | Stealing 1 coat and a pair of trousers of Spencer Lee. | 18 th May 1839. Not Guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| William Jones. 35 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born York. Cook. | 27 th November 1840. | Stealing 2 shoes of John Phepoe from a vessel. | 28 th November 1840. Guilty. | 6 months. <i>JOHN PHEPOE . I am second mate of the ship Pona, in the East India Dock—the prisoner was steward—my shoes were safe in the cabin between Gravesend and the East India Dock—I missed them when I arrived, and next morning I found them on the prisoner's feet—he said he would knock my b—head off—I gave him in charge—he said he had five pairs of the same sort of shoes, and yesterday at the Police-office, he said he had three pairs, but I swear these are mine—there is a mark inside, which I know them by, and my name was written on them, but that has been erased—they are lined with red—I have had them nearly two months—since I joined the vessel in Liverpool, I have lost about 11l. worth of clothing, and since I</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>have arrived in England 25l. would not pay for what has been stolen.</p> <p>WILLIAM SLADDEN . I am a policeman. I took the prisoner at the Sailors' Home—I told him the charge, and asked him if those were the shoes he had on—he said, "I suppose they are, I bought them at Liverpool"—he had some difficulty in getting them on next morning when I told him to do so—I found one pair of new shoes among his clothes, which were very small indeed, and did not fit him.</p> <p><u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> I bought different articles at Liverpool—the things were brought to me the moment the ship was going out, at the dock-gate—I said, "Here is one pair too small, they don't fit me"—the man said, "I have not time to change them"—I took another pair and wore them in the ship, and this pair I put into my chest—I afterwards wore them every day about the deck</p> <p>to ease them—they fitted me very well at last—Phepoe said they belonged to him—we had a disturbance on the passage, and he threatened to pay me out for it—he always looked at me with great discontent—every time he came into the cabin he inquired why one thing and another was not done—he saw me with the shoes on one day, and said nothing about it, and next day he sent for an officer, and said he would make me pay for everything he had lost.</p> <p><u>JOHN PHEPO . re-examined.</u> I had no quarrel with him during the passage—I never spoke five words to him—I bought them at Greenock—I have not the slightest doubt of them.</p> <p><u>Prisoner:</u> I wish to ask him about my character.</p> <p><u>Witness.</u> He had charge of all the stores in the ship, and a great deal of them was missing—he said the people had broached the stores—I laid my shoes out at twelve o'clock, and missed them at a quarter-past two the same day—I found them on his feet next morning at the Sailors' Home—he had gone on shore the night before—I saw him that night, but it was dark, and I could not tell whether he had them on, but next morning I noticed them.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-167-18401123&div=t18401123-167#highlight</p> |
| Francisco Jose. Also, Morenet. 40 years. (Had 4 white co-accused). | 5/8". A man of colour. Stout. Born Havannah. Mariner. | 11 th August 1830. | Piracy. | 27 th October 1830. Guilty. 3 of his co-accused received similar verdicts and sentences. | Death. Pardoned. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Joseph. 20 years. | 5/4". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Antigua. Mariner. | 2 nd April 1829. | Effectively "Piracy". | Not guilty. All co-accused similarly not guilty | <u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |
| Jumbo. | A man of colour. Born Africa. | 4 th March 1835. | Murder of Benjamin Glascott. | 6 th March 1835. Not Guilty. | Records suggest sent from Liverpool <u>Sources:</u> |

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| <i>Co-accused of Bottle of Beer.</i> | | | | <i>Co-accused also received same verdict.</i> | TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-881-18350302&div=t18350302-881#highlight |
| George Kean. 28 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born America. Seaman. | 17 th April 1858. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 11 th May 1858. Guilty. | 3 years. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-522-18580510&div=t18580510-522#highlight |
| Walter Keley. 21 years. <i>Co-accused of James Tucker and Allen Burke.</i> | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Jamaica. Sailor. | 17 th September 1859. | Feloniously forging and uttering an order and attempting to obtain certain goods of William Cunningham with intent &c. | 22 nd September 1859. Guilty. <i>Two co-accused also Guilty.</i> | 2 months. Cunningham was a clothier of Victoria Dock Road, Plaistow. The three men gave an order for some clothes in the name of J. McHenry, master of the ship <i>Peire</i> , London Docks. An investigation found that the ship did not exist. The prisoners' statements before the Magistrate were here read as follows: <i>Keely says, "It was no false pretence; it was not this man's name"—Tucker says, "I have only to say that is not my name"—Burke says, "I was called out of the street into the shop to look at the things; the man told me to get an order and I did. I did not forge the order, it is my own name."</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def3-859-18590919&div=t18590919-859#highlight |
| John Kendrick. 30 years. <i>(Had 4 white co-accused).</i> | 5/11". A man of colour. Stout made. Born St Kitts. Carpenter. | 10 th March 1821. | Stealing 24 bottles of wine and a quantity of spirituous liquor. | 11 th April 1821. Not guilty. <i>All co-accused similarly found not guilty.</i> | The incident occurred at the <i>Wheatsheaf</i> public-house, New Tothill Street, Westminster. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18210411-5-defend100&div=t18210411-5#highlight |
| John Kendrick. 29 years. <i>Had two White co-accused.</i> | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born New Providence. Cook. | 18 th June 1841. | Standing indicted for a conspiracy. | 5 th July 1841. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found guilty.</i> | Recog'd £80 and discharged. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> According to Old Bailey online: <i>This case arose out of an endeavour forcibly to take possession of a house and stock of furniture, under a claim of partnership. A verdict of GUILTY was recorded by consent, and the defendants entered into sureties to appear for judgment when called upon.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def3-1810-18410705&div=t18410705-1810#highlight |
| Mary Kendrick. 19 years. | 5/5". Woman of Colour. Born Westminster. Spinster. | 8 th July 1839. | Stealing 1 watch and monies, to the value of £9, of Thomas Hughes in the dwelling house of Sarah Taylor. | 11 th July 1839. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. Kendrick appears to have "picked up/being picked up by" Hughes (who lived in Brick Court, Temple), and taken him to a dwelling in St Margaret's Westminster ("leading from Tothill Street"). <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I am innocent. I had been to the same house with a gentleman, who gave me, as I supposed, 2s., but on examination I found one was a sovereign—I changed it at</i> |

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| | | | | | <p><i>Mr. Cockerell's—I had no other money in my hand—the prosecutor was awake when I went down.</i></p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Gilbert Henderson</i>, 10th December 1839 to 24th April 1840.</p> <p>Between May 1840 and February 1841, she was charged five times, including disorderly conduct, being absent without leave and using obscene language. Given leave to marry Henry Heald, 2nd February 1842.</p> <p><i>The Weldon Family Tree</i> on <i>ancestry.com</i> states that Mary Ann Kendrick (1815) married Henry Francis Heald (1801-1867. Born Soho. Ticket of Leave). That they had eight children and that Mary died in Melbourne in 1896.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2110-18390708&div=t18390708-2110#highlight convictrecords.com.au stors.tas.gov.au/CON40-1-6\$init=CON40-1-6p168 foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/c40a3755</p> |
| John Kenrick. 30 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Bengal. Mariner. | 22 nd July 1826. | Stealing 31 and ½ yards of printed cotton. | 19 th September 1826. Guilty. | <p>Sent on board an East Indiaman.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198.</p> |
| John Kent. 21 years. | 5/8". A man of colour. Slim made. Born in Upper Canada, America. Servant. | 12 th June 1820. | Stealing 2 £10 bank notes. | 29 th June 1820. Guilty. | <p>Death. Commuted to transportation for life.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194.</p> |
| Fanny Kenyon. 19 years. | 5/3". Woman of colour. Born foundling hospital. Spinster. | 21 st October 1822. | Stealing a silk purse – value of 30s. | 29 th October 1822. Guilty. 23rd October 1822 also noted. | <p>3 months. (Old Bailey record says 1 month). She was discharged to the 'Destitute Refuge'. Kenyon was servant to Joseph Glaskin of Michael Street, Hackney. She had been in his employ for 5 weeks when the offence was committed.</p> <p>Fanny Kenyon also appears in the <i>Minute Book of the Refuge for the Destitute</i>, 23rd October 1823: <i>Fanny Kenyon, 19 years of age - brought up in the Foundling Hospital, and apprenticed by that Institution to Mrs. McKenzie Hadleigh, Herts, - with whom she lived six or seven years. She was then turned over to one Preston, 33 King Street Westminster, with whom she lived six months: again transferred to Mr Ward - 7 Great Smith street Westminster: again transferred to Mr. Sharpe, 9 Brunswick Square: again to Mr. Williams, Fountain Court, Strand: then to Mr. Cross, Whitcomb Street and lastly to Mr. Glaskin of wick Street, Hackney, with whom she lived 5 weeks, and by whom she was accused of stealing some purses.</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196.</p> |

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| | | | | | www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18221023-97-defend1030&div=t18221023-97#highlight <i>Hackney Archives Department. HAD D/S/4/6.</i> |
| William Key. 22 years. <i>(Had 8 white co-accused and John Hudson).</i> | 5/9". A man of colour. Stout. Born Maryland. Mariner. | 11 th February 1829. | Piratically seizing the vessel <i>Hope</i> on the High Seas. | Not guilty. <i>All co-accused similarly not guilty.</i> | <u>Source:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |
| Mahomed Ali Khan. 54 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Labourer. | 13 th July 1860. | Unlawfully attempting (to) feloniously kill himself. | 15 th August 1860. Guilty. | Hospital. 6 months. He attempted to cut his throat at the House of Lords. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. <i>Jersey Independent and Daily Telegraph, 17th August 1860.</i> |
| Mahomed Ali Khan. 54 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Bombay. Labourer. | 11 th February 1861. | Unlawfully attempting (to) feloniously kill himself. | 26 th February 1861. Not Guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. |
| George King. 22 years. <i>AKA John Foreman.</i> | 5/8". Man of colour. Born Boston. Sailor. | 7 th March 1854. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 5 th April 1854. Guilty. | 4 years. Penal. Old Bailey said he received 6 months. Passed counterfeit coins in a public-house. Was residing in a dwelling house on Ratcliff Highway, but claimed not to know the street or number. <u>Prisoner's Defence.</u> <i>I went to the house on Wednesday, and called for a pint of half and half; I went on the Thursday night, and gave the woman a 5s. piece; I did not know it was bad; she put it into the till, and the man came out and charged the officer with me; the man that I went with was a stranger to me; he said if I would go there the next night he did not know but he would give me a job of work.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18541023-name-101&div=t18541023-1092#highlight |
| Joseph King. 32 years. | 5/7" tall. Man of colour. Born Mexico. Sailor. <i>RC.</i> <i>Education: N.</i> <i>Single.</i> <i>Nose broken. Pitted. Ears pierced.</i> <i>Various tattoos, including a Mexican shield and an eagle.</i> | 1 st September 1881. Thames. | Burglary. | 12th September 1881. Guilty. | 4 months. The victim was one Dennis Marney, a labourer, of 105, Brook Street, Ratcliff. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>The Prisoner in his Statement before the Magistrate and in his Defence asserted that he had been drinking, and parted with Anderson (a shipmate), overnight outside a house with steps to it, where Anderson went with a girl; and promised to call him in the morning to go on board ship at 6 o'clock; that when he went to do so at 4.30 he struck the door of the prosecutor's house, mistaking it for the house where Anderson was; that it opened and he went in, and when Marney jumped up he ran away; and that Anderson had gone to sea.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/220. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-801-18810912&div=t18810912-801#highlight |

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| Thomas King. 20 years. <i>London.</i> | 5/5". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born Africa. Servant. | 24 th June 1820. | Burglary and stealing 4 table clothes, 2 linen sheets and a silk shawl. | 29 th June 1820. Guilty. | Death. Commuted to transportation for life. The items were stolen from a dwelling at No. 12, Lawrence-lane, St. Lawrence Jewry. King and the items were found at Messrs. Blackenhaghen's house where he lived. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Countess of Harcourt</i> , 8 th April 1821 to 27 th July 1821. Between 1824 and 1842 he was found guilty of five recorded offences and received a total of 50 lashes. Conditional pardon, 22 nd August 1836. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Conduct Record CON31/1/27; Muster Roll CON13/1/2 Page 219; Remarks CSO1/1/356 Page 8123. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18200628-25-defend289&div=t18200628-25#highlight |
| Robert Christopher Kitts. 17 years. | 5/3". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 26 th December 1821. | Stealing a box and 13 sovereigns. | 12 th January 1822. Guilty. | Death. Transported for life. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> Kitt stole the items from two surgeons of Ratcliffe Highway, St George, Middlesex. Held on the prison hulk <i>Bellerophon</i> prior to transportation. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Eliza</i> , 13 th July 1822 to 22 nd November 1822. Robert Christopher Kitt, a convict, died in the hospital at Fort Dundas, and was buried on Mulville Island, NT, in 1825. Between 1824 and 1828 the British attempted to colonise the islands. Convicts were used as labour. However, resistance from the native Tiwi people (the Tunuvivi) led to the attempt being abandoned. Surname usually given as Kitt. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> <i>Northern Territory Deaths.</i> www.pastmasters.net/uploads/2/6/7/5/26751978/_fort_dundas_cemetery_list_of_deceased_gsnt.pdf www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182201090030 |
| William Knight. 21 years. <i>London.</i> | 5/5". A mulatto and slim made. Born Demerara, West Indies. Tailor. | 23rd August 1821. | Stealing 2 silver tablespoons. | 13 th September 1821. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Richmond</i> , 27 th November 1821 to 30 th April 1822. Between 1823 and 1830 his disciplinary record indicates nine offences and that he received 175 lashes in total. Died Port Arthur, July 1834. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. |

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| | | | | | <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893. Conduct Record CON31/1/27; Indent MM33/1; Muster Roll CON13/1/2 Page 291; Remarks CSO1/1/403 Page 9101.</i> |
| Thomas Knott. 30 years. <i>Had two White co-accused – also fishermen.</i> | 5/7". Mulatto. Born Margate. Fisherman. | 1 st March 1852. | Stealing a fishing vessel and other goods of James Howard upon the High Seas &c. | 10 th April 1852. Not Guilty. <i>Co-accused both found guilty.</i> | <i>Both the co-accused were transported.</i> The vessel was a fishing smack called the <i>Experiment</i> . Knott simply appears to have joined the crew during the theft of the vessel and was not found to have any involvement in its theft. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-421-18520405&div=t18520405-421#highlight |
| Luigi Labas. 22 years. | 5/1". Man of Colour. Born Naples. Seaman. | 14 th September 1842. | Stealing 1 coat of Nathaniel Going Hurst. | 22 nd September 1842. Not Guilty. | Hurst was a customs officer aboard the <i>Swan King</i> . Labas was serving on the <i>Harmonica</i> in the London Docks. Old Bailey renders the surname as Le Bas. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18420919-name-527&div=t18420919-2666#highlight |
| Antonio Lazaro. 25 years. <i>Co-accused of John Thomas.</i> | 5/6". Man of colour. Born Madras. Labourer. | 4 th May 1857. | Stealing a basket of Thomas Croxon. Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 12 th May 1857. Guilty. | 3 months. The coins were passed in: <i>The Red Lion</i> , Barnet. <i>The Swan with Two Necks</i> , Finchley Common. <i>The Baldfaced Stag</i> , Finchley Common. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-578-18570511&div=t18570511-578#highlight |
| James Leblanc. 20 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Newington Butts. Labourer. | 20 th December 1855. <i>(1st January 1856).</i> | Robbery with violence of Thomas Towell and stealing from him 1 watch and other articles his property after a previous conviction for larceny. | 7 th January 1856. Guilty. | 4 years penal. Whilst travelling on Walworth Road Towell appears to have fallen victim to a gang of four aggressive beggars. One of whom was Leblanc. <i>THOMAS TOWEL: I am a surveyor, and live at Brunswick-terrace, Walworth. On Monday afternoon, 10th Dec., I was passing along the Walworth-road between 3 and 4 o'clock, and somebody came and begged of me—it was broad daylight—I just turned my head round and observed that it was a man of colour, I am certain of that—I unbuttoned my coat, and felt in my pocket, but had no halfpence, I felt in another pocket and gave him a 3d. piece—I fancied that black men are persons who cannot get employment, he was shabbily dressed, and I thought he was out of work—I had then about one eighth of a mile to go to my gateway, and nothing attracted my attention till I was stooping to pull the lock of my gate, when I was struck on the back of the neck from behind, and knocked down insensible—I did not see any person—it must have been with something more than the fist, as the back of my head was swelled up with two large lumps—I recollect nothing from that time till I came to myself on the sofa in my parlour, and missed my watch and chain, which</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>were safe when I opened my coat and gave him the 3d.—the chain went through a button hole of my waistcoat, and of my trowsers also—I was quite sober, and had been looking over some old houses in West Smithfield—I saw the prisoner at the station a day or two afterwards.</p> <p>EDWARD HEWLET (policeman.) I produce a certificate of the prisoner's conviction—(Read: Surrey Sessions; James Leblanc, Convicted, Dec., 1853, of stealing a dead rabbit; Confined three months)—I was present—the prisoner is the man—I had him in custody.</p> <p><u>Prisoners Defence:</u> I am quite innocent, but, having been in trouble once or twice, have been two or three times taken away to be recognised, and discharged afterwards; because they know that I have been in trouble, they come to me for everything, it does not matter whether I am the party or not. Convicted 3 months – Surrey.</p> <p>Newington Butts is a former hamlet, now in the London borough of Southwark</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-207-18560107&div=t18560107-207#highlight</p> |
| Mary Ann Le Blanc. 17 years. | 4/11". Woman of Colour. Born Walworth. Spinster. | 17 th November 1846. | Stealing 1 shawl of Peter Le Blanc. | Bill not found. | <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210.</p> |
| James Legall. 20 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born St Vincent. Sailor. _____ <i>left eyebrow.</i> | 14 th June 1864. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 11 th July 1864. Guilty. | <p>3 months.</p> <p>Legall got a 13-year-old boy to use a counterfeit coin to purchase ½ ounce of tobacco from a shop on Bow Common.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-658-18640711&div=t18640711-658#highlight</p> |
| James Lemus. 21 years. | 6/1". Man of colour. Born West Indies. Sailor. | 22 nd April 1844. | Feloniously stabbing and cutting Jane Smith with intent to do her some grievous bodily harm. | 10 th May 1844. Guilty. | <p>3 months.</p> <p>Lemus, identified by his partner Jane Smith as “a Portugese”, had lived with her for two months. It appears to have been a domestic incident. The assault took place in New Gravel Lane.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1389-18440506&div=t18440506-1389#highlight</p> |
| George Leslie. 18 years. (<i>One White co-accused</i>). | 5/6". A mulatto. Stoutish. Born Marylebone. Groom. | 7 th August 1824. | Stealing a hat. | 16 th September 1824. Not guilty. <i>Co-accused also found not guilty.</i> | <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197.</p> |
| George Daniel Leslie. 19 years. (<i>One White co-accused</i>). | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born St Giles. Groom. | 16 th February 1825. | Stealing 5 sheets from a dwelling. | 23 rd February 1825. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found not guilty.</i> | <p>Death. Commuted to transportation for life. <i>Here before.</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198.</p> |

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| William Lester. 23 years. | 5/8". A Black man with black eyes. Born at... Mariner. | 29 th July 1822. | Stealing 12 sovereigns and 9 guineas. | 12 th September 1822. Not guilty. | Lester was lodging in the <i>Red Lion</i> , public-house, Nightingale Lane when the money went missing. He had been off voyage, under a Captain Weddle, about a week. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220911-23-defend211&div=t18220911-23#highlight |
| Frederick Lewis. 41 years. | 5/4". A man of colour. Stout. Born Madeira. Mariner. | 16 th February 1825. | Stealing 1 bed, a waistcoat and other articles. | 19 th February 1825. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Henry Lewis. 24 years. | 5/11". Man of Colour. Born New Brunswick. Sailor. | 5 th June 1840. | Feloniously wounding Thomas Kirton with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. <i>Upon a like charge.</i> | 23 rd June 1840. Not Guilty. | Lewis was charged with cutting Kirton (Curtain) on the nose. Kirton (Curtain) did not appear in court. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1734-18400615&div=t18400615-1734#highlight |
| James Lewis. 52 years. <i>One white co-accused.</i> | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Boatman. | 21 st April 1863. | Feloniously aiding and assisting his co-accused in slaying Samuel Rivett. | 16 th May 1863. Guilty. | 2 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. |
| Peter Lewis. 25 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born Jamaica. Labourer. | 7 th September 1836. | For the murder of Elisha Cummings on the High Seas. | Bill not found. | Discharged. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 204. |
| Bazilla Lisbon. 26 years. | 5/10". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born America. Mariner. | 7 th April 1819. | Stealing 13 worsted comforters and other articles. | 1 st May 1819. Guilty. | 1 month. The items were stolen from a slopshop in Parson's-street, Ratcliff-highway. Name also Bazilla Lesbon. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18190421-142-defend1482&div=t18190421-142#highlight |
| Mary Ann Maria Lloyd. 22 years. | 5/4". Woman of Colour. Born Salisbury. Spinster. | 26 th March 1839. | Robbery on Henry Palmer Locke and stealing his goods and monies. | 11 th April 1839. Guilty. | 3 months. Lloyd picked the pocket of Locke as he passed through Birdcage Walk. Locke raised the alarm immediately and Lloyd was apprehended by a Police constable straight away. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1239-18390408&div=t18390408-1239#highlight |
| Joseph Lorian. <i>Also Joseph Franks.</i> 25 years. | 5/3". A man of colour. Stout made. Born West Indies. Mariner. | 10 th December 1821. | Stealing several tools. | 16 th January 1822. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> The items were stolen from a wheelwright in Stepney. Lorian was living in a lodging house at the time. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Eliza</i> , 13 th July to 22 nd November 1822. Born St Thomas, West Indies. A Joseph Lorian (Loraine), aged 32, was " <i>lost in the bush and declared dead</i> " at Fort Dundas, Melville Island, NT, in 1827. |

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| | | | | | Between 1824 and 1828 the British attempted to colonise the islands. Convicts were used as labour. However, resistance from the native Tiwi people (the <i>Tunuvivi</i>) led to the attempt being abandoned. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. Source: <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales</i> . Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Indents 1788-1842 (Nrs 12188). Reel: 395. <i>Northern Territory Deaths</i> . www.findmypast.co.uk www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220109-118-defend1047&div=t18220109-118#highlight |
| Joseph Mackings. 23 years. | 5/1". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Antigua. Mariner. | 7 th December 1831. | Stealing 6 thimbles. | 10 th January 1832. Guilty. | Death. Transported for life. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| Mahomet. 25 years. | Man of colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 31 st October 1857. | Standing indicted for feloniously wounding Francisco with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. | 31 st October 1857. Not Guilty. | No evidence offered. Old Bailey spells as Mariano. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-1081-18571026&div=t18571026-1081#highlight |
| Dean Mahomet. 27 years. | 5/2". Man of colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 8th December 1857. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 15 th December 1857. Guilty. | 1 year. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 |
| George Washington Maldree. 28 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born America. Sailor. | 1 st August 1838. | Feloniously stabbing and wounding Calvin Smith Hudson with intent to murder him on the High Seas. | 24th August 1838. Guilty. | 15 years. Transported. The case was covered by <i>John Bull</i> , 26 th August 1828, although no other details were added other than that Calvin Smith Hudson was also black. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| Manglu. 26 years. | 5/8". A Lascar. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 26 th January 1842. | Stealing 1 sovereign, 8 dollars from Meah Jong. | 7 th February 1842. Guilty. | 3 months. Both Manglu and Jong were Lascars on the <i>Fort William</i> . The police found Manglu hiding in a cupboard in Glasshouse Street, Rosemary Lane. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I was not concealed, the door was open; the prosecutor gave me the money to take care of; I took it on shore, and put it by; some English people must have taken it; I did not take it to steal it; I ran away from the ship on account of the ill-usage of the mate.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-796-18420131&div=t18420131-796#highlight |
| William Mann. 22 years. <i>London.</i> | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish made and has a scar | 18 th November 1818. | Stealing a coat, other wearing apparel and 2 gold rings. | 5 th December 1818. Guilty. | 6 months. Both Mann and his victim were sailors on the ship <i>Hastings</i> , which laid at Blackwall. Mann had joined the ship on the Isle |

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| | across his nose. Born Barbados. Mariner. | | | | of France (claiming to have been ship-wrecked before-hand). He was lodging in Wapping at the time of the offence. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18181202-27-defend367&div=t18181202-27#highlight |
| Manndlo. 20 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Calcutta. Sailor. | 26 th February 1839. | Stealing 3 shawls of Sheik Mahommed from a vessel. | 11 th March 1839. Guilty. | 3 months. The victim had recently arrived in England as part of the crew of the ship <i>Ann Robinson</i> . The theft occurred in the docks. Manndlo was not of the crew. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1101-18390304&div=t18390304-1101#highlight |
| Adolphus Manton. 32 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Antigua. Sailor. <i>Scar on cheek.</i> | 14 th November 1861. | Feloniously stabbing and wounding Henry Berryman on the High Seas. | 28 th November 1861. Guilty. | 1 month. Manton was serving as an able-seaman on the brig <i>Milo</i> going from Liverpool to Cuba. The ship had a mixed crew of four white and four black sailors. Manton stabbed Berryman (the captain's brother), when the latter attempted to place another Black sailor, Jack Pratt, in irons. After the incident Manton was held in the brig and then went into custody in Cuba, prior to the <i>Milo</i> returning to England. Samuel Joshu, a Black sailor from St Helena, gave evidence at the trial. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-55-18611125&div=t18611125-55#highlight |
| Marchilino. 32 years. <i>Had 7 co-accused, including Francisco Blanco and Basilio do los Santos.</i> | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Manilla. Sailor. Letters on arm. Crucifix left arm. | 16 th January 1864. | For the wilful murder of John Smith. Detained upon 5 charges of murder. Detained for feloniously destroying a certain ship the property of William Wemys Ren. | 3 rd and 4 th February 1864. Guilty. <i>Six of the seven co-accused also Guilty.</i> | Death – commuted to Life. Old Bailey spelt name as Marcelino. The ship was the <i>Flowery Land</i> from the port of London. John Smith was the captain. Blanco appears to have been the ringleader of a mutiny on the ship. After killing the captain the crew scuttled the ship and made for the River Plate. The testimony of one witness provides an insight into berthing arrangements of sailors: <i>I have been about eight years at sea—white men do generally object very strongly to be put in the same compartment with the blacks.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-246-18640201&div=t18640201-246#highlight |
| Thomas McCarthy. 30 years. | 5/6". A mulatto. Stout made. Born at Ludlow, Shropshire. Servant. | 17 th November 1820. | Burglariously breaking and entering a dwelling and stealing 2 blankets and a clock. | 15 th December 1820. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Countess of Harcourt</i> , 8 th April 1821 to 27 th July 1821. Trade given was cook. Good report - Hulk report was "orderly". <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. convictrecords.com.au |

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| | | | | | <p><i>State Records Authority of New South Wales. Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Musters And Other Papers Relating To Convict Ships 1790-1849 (Nrs 1155). Reel: 2420.</i></p> <p><i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i></p> <p>Conduct Record CON31/1/6; Description List CON23/1/1; Muster Roll CON13/1/2 Page 219; Remarks CSO1/1/356 Page 8123.</p> <p><i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i></p> <p>Conduct Record CON31/1/6; Description List CON23/1/1; Muster Roll CON13/1/2 Page 219; Remarks CSO1/1/356 Page 8123.</p> |
| James McKenzie. 22 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Jamaica. Sailor. | 31 st August 1835. | Stealing a sheet and 3s/6d. | 26 th September 1835. Guilty. | <p>3 months.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203.</p> |
| Jacob Melville. 24 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Dominica. Cooper. | 7 th July 1841. | Stealing 2 gowns of George Sadgrove. | 8 th July 1841. Guilty. | <p>6 months.</p> <p>Sadgrove was a cabinet maker living in Brown Bear alley, East Smithfield. Melville claimed he had been sleeping in the dwelling for two nights and that the items were his: <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I had slept there two nights; I was looking for two chaps; I said, if they would wait, I would open the door, but they kicked the door right at the top of my face; I took up the tongs, and they took them from me; I did not want these things; I have got a ship and will go to sea.</i></p> <p>However, the prosecution case was that he was caught in the act of stealing the items, and that he was already known to them:</p> <p><i>DANIEL BROMELL (police-constable H 88.) I produce a certificate of the prisoner's former conviction, which I got from the Clerk of the Peace at Clerkenwell—I was present at the trial of the prisoner in May last—he is the person described in this certificate—(read.)</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1922-18410705&div=t18410705-1922#highlight</p> |
| Philadris Michardo. 30 years. | 5/0". Man of Colour. Born Cochin, India. Sailor. <i>Roman Catholic.</i> <i>Single.</i> <i>Education: Imperfect.</i> | 8 th October 1879. Greenwich. | Feloniously wounding. | 29 th October 1879. <i>Guilty.</i> | <p>12 months. Wandsworth.</p> <p>Old Bailey identifies him as Philalsis Michardo, a black. The victim was a John Smith, a ship-keeper, of 33 Station Place, Shadwell. Smith and Michardo were both aboard the ship the <i>Landseer</i>, which was in dock. They were previously known to each and were part of a group of sailors who had been drinking. Michardo assaulted Smith after he claimed he had pulled his hair. However, the witnesses said the attack was unprovoked.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/219. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-978-18791020&div=t18791020-978#highlight</p> |

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| Hermitage Middleton. 50 years. | 5/4". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Barbados. Mariner. | 17 th June 1825. | Stealing half a crown. | Bill not found. | Discharged 1 st July 1825. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Louisa Middleton. 29 years. <i>Co-accused of John Norman.</i> | 5/3". Woman of Colour. Born St George's East. Married. | 15 th August 1842. | Robbery on James Bunn and stealing his monies. | 27 th August 1842. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found guilty.</i> | 3 years. Bunn lived at No. 8, Raven-row, Mile-end Turnpike. Middleton was a brothel keeper who resided in Vinegar Lane. (Middleton's mother was mentioned as living with her). Bunn was robbed in the brothel, although how he got there – visiting of his own will or pushed in by Middleton – was debated in Court. <u>Norman's Defence:</u> <i>I was upstairs, lying down, and he entered the room with Jane Conley; I heard footsteps coming up stairs, but did not see them, and did not meddle with them; after entering the room, he presented sixpence to the female to go with him; she would not comply with his wishes, and he commenced abusing her; when I heard the expressions, I came forward—I stood at the door, and said, "Halloo, shipmate, what is all this?" I entered the room; he immediately got off his chair, struck me, and said, "I will knock your d—black head off;" I said, "That is impossible;" I struck him; he struck me again, and, in my own defence, I collared him, and no doubt scratched him in doing to; after I got him out of the door to the top of the stairs, I said, "Be off, you have no business in the house;" he walked down stairs, and in the passage he met Middleton's son Tom, struck him in the temple, and knocked him down; he walked out at the door; he was not thrown out; I never touched a farthing of his money.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2388-18420822&div=t18420822-2388#highlight |
| Mary Ann Mitchell. 25 years. | 5/2". Woman of Colour. Born America. Widow. | 17 th September 1838. | Stealing a half crown. | 21 st September 1838. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. Not found on www.oldbaileyonline.org |
| Monkeim. 27 years. | 5/0". Man of Colour. Born Calcutta. Sailor. | 17 th June 1851. | Unlawfully assaulting Maria Martin with intent to ravish her &c. | 19 th June 1851. Guilty. | 1 year. According to Old Bailey he was guilty of an aggravated assault. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1373-18510616&div=t18510616-1373#highlight |
| William Moon. 49 years. | 5/7". A mulatto. Stoutish made. Born Jamaica. Upholsterer. | 16 th October 1820. | Stealing a stool. | 1 st November 1820. Guilty. | 6 months and publicly whipped. Stole a music stool from a broker in Margaret Street. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/194. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18201028-91-defend944&div=t18201028-91#highlight |

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| Isaac Morris. 28 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Sailor. | 27th November 1847. | Stealing 1 bottle and 1 pint of brandy of Frederick Hire in a vessel in the Port of London. | 15 th December 1847. Guilty. | 2 months. The items were stolen from the ship the <i>Lotus</i> . <i>Prisoner. I was coming out of the gate, this man stopped me and asked what I had got; I said a bottle of pickles; he said, "Let me see;" I showed it him; I did not know the law of bringing it out; I got it on board the ship.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-298-18471213&div=t18471213-298#highlight |
| John Morris. 16 years. (<i>Had one White co-accused</i>). | 5/5". A man of colour. Born Woolwich. Labourer. | 16 th June 1831. | Stealing 1 frock and 1 handkerchief. | 5 th July 1831. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received same verdict and sentence.</i> | Transported for life. Morris and his co-accused stole the items from the 9 year-old daughter of a bricklayer from White Lion Street, Norton Falgate. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| Samuel Moseley. 24 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born West Indies. Labourer. | 7 th July 1847. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Ann Johnson with intent to do her some grievous bodily harm. | 8 th July 1847. Guilty. | 3 months. Old Bailey notes surname as Mousley. The victim and Moseley lodged in the same house in Mint Street, Southwark. The trial revealed accusations of racism on both sides; with Johnson claiming she had been called a "b_____ Irish Cow," and Moseley that he had been called a "black b_____." <i>Prisoner's Defence: The prosecutrix came to the lodging-house I was at; she was drunk; she asked me for some peas, and called me a black b—; I said if she called me so again, I would give her a smack on the head; she called me so again, and I shoved her against the table; she went to get a plate, and I did give her a shore; I never handled the knife; the constable did not give me into custody; I gave myself up, directly I had done it; she went to the station, and fainted away, being drunk. JAMES HENDERSON (Police constable - re-examined). He came to station of his own accord—I saw the prosecutrix about an hour previous, and about twenty minutes after she received the wound—she was sober on each occasion.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1642-18470705&div=t18470705-1642#highlight |
| Mouhon. 20 years. | 5/3". A man of colour. Born Bombay. Mariner. | 2 nd June 1831. | Stealing 1 dollar and 1 silk handkerchief. | 5 th July 1831. Not guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Murphy. 45 years. (<i>One co-accused: Henry Murphy</i>). | 5/11". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Guadeloupe. Labourer. | 9 th November 1830. | Stealing a hat. | 9 th December 1830. Guilty. | 1 month. John and Henry Murphy were lodging in the house from where the hat was stolen. The hat was later pawned in Holborn. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |

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| John Murphy. 60 years. | 5/10". Man of colour. Born Guadeloupe. Mariner. | 4 th February 1834. | Larceny from person. | Guilty. | 14 years and transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. |
| Henry Murphy. 13 years. (<i>One co-accused: John Murphy</i>). | 4/6". Boy of colour. Stoutish. Born St Giles. Labourer. | 9 th November 1830. | Stealing a hat. | 9 th December 1830. Not guilty. | John and Henry Murphy were lodging in the house from where the hat was stolen. The hat was later pawned in Holborn. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| Richard Murphy. 26 years. | 5/11". Man of colour. Born Barbice. Sailor. | 26 th July 1853. | Feloniously assaulting William Seamon Stanbury within intent to rob him within the liberty of the Tower. | 15 th August 1853. Not Guilty. | The Old Bailey identified Murphy as "a black." Stanbury, a former seaman living at No. 1, Windsor Terrace, was assaulted outside of the Cock and Neptune public house in Ratcliffe Highway. <i>Prisoner's Defence: I never had anything to do with the man till I came out of the house and saw him bleeding; he had a woman with him and had been drinking.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-834-18530815&div=t18530815-834#highlight |
| Nanah. 25 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Madras. Sailor. | 27 th June 1848. | Stealing 1 chain of Woodgee. | 4 th July 1848. Guilty. | 6 months. Nanah and Woodgee were sailors sharing the same accomodation. Both required the service of an interpreter. Nanah stole the items and sold them to the pot-boy of the <i>Three Crowns</i> , in Shadwell. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1663-18480703&div=t18480703-1663#highlight |
| Ned (a Kaffir). 21 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Cook. | 28 th November 1859. | Stealing 1 sheep the property of Joseph _____. | No prosecution. Discharged 2 nd December 1859. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 |
| Edward Ned. 22 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Dominique. Sailor. | 27 th July 1870. | Feloniously wounding Julius Wriedt with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. | 16 th August 1870. Guilty. | 12 months. Old Bailey identifies Ned as "black." Wriedt was a sailor who resided at 34 Betta Street, St. George's. There was an altercation outside his home, initiated, by Wriedt's own admittance, when he referred to " <i>three darkies coming up</i> " and him commenting " <i>There is Jolly coming up the street.</i> " Several witnesses identified Ned as the man who used a knife to stab Wriedt. <i>JOHN GALES (Policeman H 56). The prisoner was brought to the station—he said to me "If I tell you anything, will you say?"—I said "No"—he said "I stabbed the man in the left breast with a knife; and I would stab b——white man in a row if I got hold of him."</i> <i>Prisoner. I never said that.</i> |

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| | | | | | <i>Prisoner's Defence. I had no knife on me; a man that was working with me lent it to me to cut tobacco.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-667-18700815&div=t18700815-667#highlight |
| Charlotte Nicholls. 27 years. <i>(Had one White female co-accused).</i> | 5/3". A Mulatto. Stoutish. Born Havannah. Spinster. | 18 th December 1827. | Assaulting John ____ and stealing his monies. | 14 th January 1828. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found guilty.</i> | Transported for life. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> The victim was assaulted by four women and one man after leaving the <i>Britannia</i> public-house. Nicholls restrained him during the incident at the corner of Brackley Street, Golden Lane. The victim followed Nicholls and her co-accused to the back part of the <i>Salmon and Ball</i> public-house. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18280110-13-defend171&div=t18280110-13#highlight |
| George Nicholls. 32 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Born Jamaica. Labourer. | 9 th April 1844. | Stealing 42 lbs weight of rope of James Dunn. | 15 th April 1844. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1265-18440408&div=t18440408-1265#highlight |
| Thomas Nicholls. 22 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Sierra Leone. Mariner. | 15 th November 1826. | Stealing a hat. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| William Niles. 39 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born New York. Sailor. | 30 th August 1839. | Stealing 1 pair of trousers and 1 handle of Martin Morris from a vessel. | 16 th September 1839. Guilty. | 3 months. <i>Oldbaileyonline</i> records him as William Miles, and his aged being 36 years. The items were stolen from aboard the brig <i>Ann Mackenzie</i> on which Niles had previously served as cook-steward. Morris was the master of the brig and had dismissed Niles from his service. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I went on shore the night before to carry his clothes to wash—I staid on shore that night, and in the morning I went on board—I had one pair of trowsers on, and I said to a man on board, "I will go and put on another pair"—I went down, and this pair of the captain's laid by the deck—I took and put them on—I then took an old pair, and slipped on, as a kind of apron—I had drank rather too much—a man asked me what I had in my bosom—I said, "A handkerchief"—he took it out, and the captain said it was his—I said, "Yes, I know it is"—he then said, "He has got a pair of my trowsers"—I said "Yes, but I did not mean to steal them"—all my things were on board, and are there now.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2405-18390916&div=t18390916-2405#highlight |
| John Norman. 41 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born St Croix. Sailor. | 15 th August 1842. | Robbery on James Bunn and stealing his monies. | 27 th August 1842. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found guilty.</i> | 15 years and transported. Bunn lived at No. 8, Raven-row, Mile-end Turnpike. Middleton was a brothel keeper who resided in Vinegar Lane. |

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| <i>Co-accused of Louisa Middleton.</i> | | | | | (Middleton's mother and son, Tom, were mentioned as living with her). Bunn was robbed in the brothel, although how he got there – visiting of his own will or pushed in by Middleton – were debated in Court. <i>Norman's Defence. I was upstairs, lying down, and he entered the room with Jane Conley; I heard footsteps coming up stairs, but did not see them, and did not meddle with them; after entering the room, he presented sixpence to the female to go with him; she would not comply with his wishes, and he commenced abusing her; when I heard the expressions, I came forward—I stood at the door, and said, "Halloo, shipmate, what is all this?" I entered the room; he immediately got off his chair, struck me, and said, "I will knock your d—black head off;" I said, "That is impossible;" I struck him; he struck me again, and, in my own defence, I collared him, and no doubt scratched him in doing to; after I got him out of the door to the top of the stairs, I said, "Be off, you have no business in the house;" he walked down stairs, and in the passage he met Middleton's son Tom, struck him in the temple, and knocked him down; he walked out at the door; he was not thrown out; I never touched a farthing of his money.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2388-18420822&div=t18420822-2388#highlight |
| Omer. 25 years. Indian tree – right arm. | 5/3". Man of colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 1 st December 1857. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 15 th December 1857. Guilty. | 1 year. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 |
| Joseph Painter. 33 years. | 5/5". A negro. Stoutish. Born Lisbon. Porter. | 6 th June 1825. | Stealing a sieve of pease. | 1 st July 1825. Guilty. | 14 days and publicly whipped. Painter worked as a porter at Covent Garden market. He stole some of the pease he was safeguarding. Witnesses said that they had known him for eight or nine years and that he had been of good character. He was whipped at Covent Garden market. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18250630-86-defend477&div=t18250630-86#highlight |
| Charles Panker. 26 years. <i>Co-accused of Chundee – also a man of colour.</i> | 5/1". Man of colour. Born Calcutta. Sailor. | 22 nd January 1857. | Feloniously breaking into the dwelling –house of Harris Marks and stealing therein 1 jacket and other articles. | 6 th February 1857. Not Guilty. | Harris Marks resided at No. 236, High Street, Shadwell, in the parish of St. Paul, Shadwell. Both Chundee and Panker lodged intermittently, (with some girls), at No. 2, St. George Street, the dwelling of John Mahomet, a native of India, and John's wife Ann. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-329-18570202&div=t18570202-329#highlight |
| Henry Moses Paul. 20 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Lewisham. | 21 st February 1842. | Stealing an iron chain and weight. | 1st March 1842. Guilty. | 6 months. |

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| | Labourer. | | | | <p>The chain was stolen from Norway Wharf, Greenwich, where Paul was employed. <i>Prisoner. I did not take the chain there, I never had it.</i></p> <p>According to <i>findmypast</i> Henry Paul (the son of John Paul) married Sarah Ann Wilkinson in Bromley, Kent, in December 1843.</p> <p>The 1851 England Census reveals the Paul family living at 6 Shadwell Market in St Pauls, Shadwell, Stepney, Middlesex: Henry Paul. 29 years. Born Lewisham, Kent. Labourer. Sarah Paul. 28 years. Born Camberwell, Surrey. Henry Paul. 7 months. Born Stepney, Middlesex. Class: <i>HO107</i>; Piece: <i>1550</i>; Folio: <i>455</i>; Page: <i>31</i>; GSU roll: <i>174780</i>. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?div=t18420228-1085 1851 England Census for 6 Shadwell Market in St Pauls, Shadwell, Stepney, Middlesex.</p> |
| John Paul. 23 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born St Domingo. Sailor. Scar on shoulder. | 15 th January 1864. | Feloniously wounding Thomas Patching with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. | 4 th February 1864. Guilty. | <p>3 months. Old Bailey identifies the victim as Alfred Brown and that both Brown and Paul were "black." Both were on the ship the <i>Lady Eyre</i> between St Helena and the Cape. Brown was a steward and Paul a cook. Brown and Paul were arguing over which of them should take a lady a cup of tea – neither wanted to. Thomas Patching was the captain and the ship was British built. <i>Prisoner's Defence: I did not intend to do it, and I am very sorry for what I have done. He buckets my head first, and I was going too quick after him with the knife, to frighten him.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-266-18640201&div=t18640201-266#highlight</p> |
| Benjamin Pearce. 17 years. (<i>Had one White co-accused</i>). | 5/1". Man of colour. Stout. Born Bristol. Mariner. | 25 th March 1826. | Stealing 17 staves. | 6 th April 1826. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also guilty.</i> | <p>7 years. Transported. The oak staves were stolen from a cooper in Pennyfields. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Governor Ready</i>, 26th March to 31st July 1827. Source: convictrecords.com.au</p> <p>He was "Freed by Servitude", 25th June 1833, in HO 10/49.</p> <p>His father was a native of Barbados, resident in Limehouse. Pearce's character report from the Prison Hulk noted "Bad." It was noted that he was a Single man and worked as a Gentleman's Servant. He had numerous tattoos, including a mermaid. He was awarded his Ticket of leave, 25 Jan 1832, but it was suspended 26 Mar 1833 when Pearce was</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>committed to face trial before the Supreme Court for perjury on 26 Jun 1833</p> <p>Certificate granted 25 Apr 1834 (<i>Hobart Town Courier</i> 25 Apr 1834): <i>Benjamin Pearce, William Wilson, and Abraham Hood, all respectable shopkeepers and venders of bread, were charged with selling bread short of its reputed weight. The bread produced had been weighed within the law prescribed and was short of weight though not much. They were each fined 20s. We wonder the bakers do not study the act. They should have their scales on the counter, to weigh every loaf they vend, and if one proves short of the intended weight, take a piece off ' a broken loaf, this would avoid all the difficulty they are daily subject to from cheating constables, who are the only persons that ate</i> (Colonial Times, Hobart 1 Sep 1835)</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18260406-119-defend688&div=t18260406-119#highlight foundersandsurvivors.org</p> |
| Benjamin Pearson. 30 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 13 th September 1820. | Stealing a jacket. | 25 th September. Discharged by proclamation. | Sources: PCOM2/194. |
| Robert Sallow Pell. 31 years. | 5/5 and ½". A Black. Black hair, dark eyes, stout made. Born Africa. Mariner. | 1 st October 1817. | Stealing a silver watch and 5 silk stockings. | 1st November 1817. Guilty. | <p>Death. Transported for life.</p> <p>Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Lord Sidmouth</i>, 20th September 1818 to 11th March 1818.</p> <p>Robert S Pell was serving as a seaman on an American merchant vessel, the <i>Camberwell</i>, when it was taken as a prize by <i>HMS Scorpion</i> on 31st May 1813 during the "War of 1812." (1812-1815). Pell was described as a Black man, aged 29 years, 5/5 and ¼" tall and being from Danbury, Connecticut. He had a scar on his left brow. It was noted that he had "delivered himself up" to his captors. On 31st July 1813, Robert S Pell was held on the <i>Raisonable</i>, and it was noted that he should be discharged to prison if an American. Pell then appears to have been held at Chatham, Kent on the prison ship <i>Nassau</i>. On 3rd November 1813 Pell, and another Black sailor (Thomas Jackson of New York), volunteered for the Royal Navy and were discharged to <i>HMS Ceres</i>.</p> <p>Pell was convicted of stealing one watch, one chain, two seals and one key (total value 10 guineas) from Charles Merryless, a servant to a baker in St John's, Hackney. The bakehouse was a place that Pell had visited some months before. After the theft was noted a constable was sent for, and he arrested Pell at the <i>Mercers' Arms</i>, Shadwell. His theft from the bakehouse was not his only misdemeanour, however, he was also charged and convicted of stealing 5 silk stockings from a William Richardson.</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>On entry to Newgate Gaol Pell gave his trade as a mariner, and his place of birth of Africa. Perhaps this was why he “delivered himself up”? Immediately after his conviction Pell was held on the prison hulk <i>Bellerophon</i>. He was then transported to New South Wales on the <i>Lord Sidmouth</i>, 20th September 1818 to 11th March 1818. On arrival in New South Wales he was sent to work for a Mr Howe, and then to Melville Island.</p> <p>Between 1824 and 1828 the British attempted to colonise the islands. Convicts were used as labour. However, resistance from the native Tiwi people (the Tunuvivi) led to the attempt being abandoned.</p> <p>He does not appear on the roll of the dead and therefore it is likely that Pell left the island with the other colonists in 1827. Sources: TNA PCOM2/191. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>Alphabetical register of decision taken on Americans detained in H M ships or elsewhere, 1812-1814.</i> TNA ADM 6/417. <i>American prisoners of war, 1813-1814.</i> TNA ADM 103/244. <i>Chatham. American prisoners of war, 1813.</i> TNA ADM 103/57. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> <i>England & Wales, Crime, Prisons & Punishment, 1770-1935.</i> Quarterly Account Of Convicts For Year 1816-1818. <i>Bellerophon.</i> T38. Piece: 310. <i>Morning Chronicle</i> 08 November 1817. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?name=18171029 <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> HO 10/20. <i>See Charles Thompson, Henry Johnson and Joseph Lorian.</i> www.pastmasters.net/uploads/2/6/7/5/26751978/_fort_dundas_cemetery_list_of_deceased_gsnt.pdf</p> |
| Megnael Peraney. 20 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Born Chile. Sailor. | 15 th August 1857. | Feloniously wounding John Webster with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 21 st August 1857. Guilty. | <p>4 years. Old Bailey names him as Manuel Peranez, and the victim as Charles Bishop, a seaman, of the American ship <i>Eagle</i>. The assault was committed at the corner of St. George's Street and Neptune Street. There were a number of black sailors there, but Bishop identified Peranez as being the darkest. Peranez was one of several South American sailors who had been drinking at the <i>Cock and Neptune</i>, in Neptune Street. The prisoner, being a foreigner, had the evidence interpreted to him.</p> <p>According to: www.digitalpanopticon.org He was single and a Roman Catholic. He served his sentence at Millbank and Portland where he was employed as a winder</p> |

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| | | | | | and in quarrying. His conduct was good and exemplary (respectively), and he had some schooling therein. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18570817-883&div=t18570817-883#highlight www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpdef1-883-18570817 |
| Caroline Periera. 40 years. | Woman of Colour. Born Madras. | 12 th June 1850. | Standing indicted for larceny in a vessel in the Thames. | 18 th June 1850. Not Guilty. | According to Old Bailey Patrick and Sarah Smith were charged with stealing from Caroline Periera. However, Periera was also named as both witness and the accused: <u>CAROLINE PERIERA</u> . <i>I am a native of Ceylon; I was in the service of Sir Edward Barnes, the governor there, for twelve years, as head-nurse to his children. I embarked on board the Wellesley East Indiaman at Madras, as nurse to Dr. Darwood, and lady's-maid to mistress—there were five children and the lady—I have a brother at Ceylon—he comes to Madras to sell jewellery—he entrusted me with some jewellery before I left Madras—there was a diamond brooch, some ruby stones, four pairs of ear-rings, and other articles—they were put into a green box—a plum-coloured China satin dress was put in first; then the jewellery, with a piece of cotton put upon it; and after that came a thick black satin; and then another jewellery after that—the box was fastened up with white lead, so that nobody could open it—the box was tin inside and green outside—I am a Roman Catholic—my brother gave me two or three articles of jewellery as presents for gentlefolks; one was for Lady Barnes, one for her four children that I nurse—Sir Edward Barnes had put the money down, to set my brother up as a jeweller at Ceylon—I was to sell the rest of the jewellery, and with the money to buy English clothes and glass, knives and forks, and fancy things, to send out to Madras, to trade and make money by—I had 100 sovereigns with me to buy things—those sovereigns I got—I had been with Mrs. Napier last year, I got 300 rupees wages to bring four children, I got 200 rupees, 20l., for my passage, beside that; Mrs. Morgan gave a lady for me, Mrs. Weatherspoon, whose children I take, she gave me 10l. to wait on her and four young ladies, Mrs. Antwell gave me 7l. to wait for her, and Dr. Ross's lady gave me 6l. to wait for her, that is the way I make money—I had been in Sir Edward Barnes's service twelve years, at 3l. a month—I have left him some years—after that I went to Sir Wilmot Horton's, at the Government-house at Ceylon, and Lady Barnes gave me one lady, Mrs. Dinwood—I put the sovereigns loose in the case, with my small watch and chain, which Sir Edward Barnes gave me—I kept them in my own separate chest, and four rows of pearl I put there, which cost me 100 rupees, which was a present to my master's daughter, Miss Barnes, seven years of age—I went on board the</i> |

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| | | | | | <p><i>Wellesley on New-year's Day—I spent New-year's Day on board the ship....</i></p> <p>Old Bailey says she was charged with stealing 1 chessboard, 1 ear-drop, 2 neck chains, 1 pair of ear-drops, 1 ring, 2 shirt-pins, 1 necklace, 1 card-case, 3 fans, and 1 child's hood, value 28/.; the goods of James Darwood.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1055-18500610&div=t18500610-1055#highlight</p> |
| John Peter. 55 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Calcutta. Mariner. | 24 th October 1834. | Stealing a jacket. | 25 th November 1834. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| John Peter. 18 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Jamaica. Sailor. | 18 th February 1840. | Stealing 1 jacket and 1 handkerchief of Thomas McCarthy from a vessel in the Port of London. | 4 th March 1840. Guilty. | 2 months. McCarthy was a labourer at London dock and working on the ship <i>Urgent</i> . Peter was a crewman on the <i>Urgent</i> . <i>Prisoners Defence. I bought the handkerchief for 6d.—I took the jacket because I could not find my drawers.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-875-18400302&div=t18400302-875#highlight |
| Francis Peters. 20 years. | 5/-". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Calcutta. Servant. | 16 th July 1821. | Stealing silver. | 26 th July 1821. Guilty. | 3 months. Sources: TNA PCOM2/195. |
| John Peters. 20 years. | 5/4". A mulatto. Stoutish. Born St Croix. Mariner. | 26 th November 1823. | Stealing 2 and ½ lb of bacon. | 13 th December 1823. Guilty. | Judgement respited, 10 th January 1824. The bacon was stolen from a cheesemonger in Cannon-street-road. Sources: TNA PCOM2/197. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18231203-170-defend1503&div=t18231203-170#highlight |
| John Peters. 30 years. | 5/10". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born St Domingo. Mariner. | 20 th February 1832. | Stealing 1 frock. | 5 th February 1832. Guilty. | Sent to sea. Sources: TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Peters. 21 years. | 5/5". Man of colour. Born Madras. Sailor. | 14 th August 1835. | Stealing £3/7s/6d. | 21 st August 1835. Not guilty. | Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| Joseph Peters. 34 years 2 months. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born Libiaria, Africa. Ship's fireman. <i>Lost top of 3rd finger, mark back of hand.</i> | 23 rd June 1877. | Unlawfully attempting to inflict grievous bodily harm on William Barnett. | 28 th June 1877. <i>Found insane upon arraignment. To be kept in strict custody. Broadmoor.</i> | Old Bailey identifies the victim as Henry William Harvey. Sources: TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-570-18770625&div=t18770625-570#highlight |
| James Henry Peterson. 20 years. | 5/3". Man of Colour. Born Halifax. Barber. | 14 th February 1846. | Burglary in the dwelling house of William Patterson and stealing a pair of sugar tongs. <i>Detained for larceny.</i> | 24 th February 1846. Guilty. | 6 months. <i>Born Halifax, Nova-Scotia?</i> The target of the burglary was the <i>Ship and Green Dragon</i> public-house, in King Street, St. George's-in-the-East. |

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| | | | | | Peterson was found in the cellar. <i>Prisoner. Q. Can you state positively that the cellar flap was fastened? A. I fastened it myself the night before—I believe the sawing horse was taken from a workshop adjoining—I found no footmarks that attracted my notice.</i> <i>Prisoner. The cellar flap was open when I got there.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-666-18460223&div=t18460223-666#highlight |
| John Peterson. 39 years. | 5/11". Man of Colour. Born America. Sailor. | 22 nd March 1845. | Stealing 1 coat, 3 waistcoats, 6 pairs of trousers of Frederick Stephens in the dwelling house of John Mace. | 14 th April 1845. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-828-18450407&div=t18450407-828#highlight |
| Louis Phillippe. 38 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Sailor. | 14 th September 1840. | Standing indicted for assaulting a constable. | 14 th September 1840. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |
| Frank Power. 35 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born St Domingo. Sailor. <i>Scar rt cheek. Woman dancing rt arm. Mole lt arm. Scar on forehead.</i> | 30 th March 1876. | Feloniously wounding one Richard Goodwin with intent to do grievous bodily harm. | 6 th April 1876. Guilty. | 18 months. Old Bailey noted that he was "a black." Goodwin lived with his parents at 2, Escott's Cottage, Poplar. Prior to the incident with Power a Margaret Carcas(s) had resided with them. Carcas had returned to the dwelling to retrieve some property and Power accompanied her. There was then an altercation. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I went with my friend, a young woman, to get my clothes from Mrs. Goodwin's; she and Mrs. Goodwin went upstairs; I waited down stairs ten minutes and heard a scream, the prosecutor went up, and I saw the young woman fall downstairs, and the prosecutor and another man beating her; I interfered and the three of them jumped on me, and pushed me outside; I pulled out my knife and said "If any of you come you may have this." I had hardly said it when he took me by the neck and sang out to him to-let go of me, he would not, and then I cut him in defending myself because three of them were trying to choke me.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-306-18760403&div=t18760403-306#highlight |
| Benjamin Prophett. 29 years. <i>Had 2 White co-accused.</i> | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born St Thomas's. Sailor. | 4 th April 1848. | Feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling house of Alfred Thomas and stealing therein 1 lb weight of cigars. | 10 th April 1848. Guilty. <i>1 co-accused Guilty and 1 Not Guilty.</i> | 1 year. Prophett was one of a group that attacked a confectioner's shop in Southampton-place, Southampton Street, Camberwell. He was quite vocal in his defence at the Old Bailey. During the same incident Prophett also attacked a cheesemonger, of 11, South Street, Camberwell. He was |

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| | | | | | subsequently convicted of stealing 50 eggs, 20lbs. weight of bacon, 124 packets of blacking. He was sentenced to 14 years and transported. <i>See David Anthony Duffy.</i> PCOM2/36 indicates that he was married and discharged on license 18 th April 1853. Sources: TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def4-1168-18480403&div=t18480403-1168#highlight www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1171-18480403&div=t18480403-1171#highlight PCOM2/36. |
| John Plemmett. 20 years. <i>London.</i> <i>(Co-accused was white and born Lisbon).</i> | 5/6". Black complexion, hair and eyes. Stoutish made. Born Beuonesayres. Mariner. <i>(Buenos Aires, Argentina).</i> | 10 th December 1817. | Stealing an amethyst seal set in gold. | 19 th January 1818. Not guilty. | Sources: TNA PCOM2/191. |
| John Pollett. 20 years. | 5/5". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Isle of France. Seaman. | 17 th October 1817. | Stealing a pelisse. | 5 th November 1817. Guilty. | 6 months. Item was stolen from a shop in Shadwell. Sources: TNA PCOM2/191. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18171029-120-defend722&div=t18171029-120#highlight |
| Henry Prince. 22 years. | 5/4". Man of colour. Born Canada. Sailor. | 13 th June 1844. | Stealing 1 spoon of George Brien in a vessel in the Port of London. | Bill not found. | Sources: TNA PCOM2/209. |
| Charles John Purdue. <i>(Pardue).</i> 17 years. | 5/0". Man of Colour. Born Westminster. Clerk. | 10 th October 1866. | Embezzling £1 and 6d and £1/19s/6d of Charles Thomas Ingram. Larceny and forgery of 2 receipts for Post Office Orders. | 23 rd October 1866. Guilty. | 12 months. <i>It was noted that he was given a good character.</i> Old Bailey gives his surname as Pardue and his age as 19 years. The <i>Morning Advertiser</i> referred to Charles John Pardue as being a man of colour, aged 17 years and of genteel appearance. Case also covered in <i>Bell's Weekly Messenger</i> , which referred to Pardue as a mulatto boy. Sources: TNA PCOM2/216. <i>Morning Advertiser</i> , 11th October 1866. <i>Bell's Weekly Messenger</i> , 13th October 1866. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18661022-name-50&div=t18661022-892#highlight |
| Thomas Rainey. 22 years. <i>One White male co-accused.</i> | 5/6". Man of colour. Born Dominica. Sailor. | 11 th October 1844. | Stealing 1 gallon of rum of William Falconer in a vessel in the Port of London. | 24 th October 1844. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received a similar verdict.</i> | 6 days. <i>Co-accused received a similar sentence.</i> Falconer was part owner of the <i>Ealing Grove</i> , lying in the West India Docks. Doe, Rainey's co-accused was his apprentice. Rainey was a sailor on the <i>Ealing Grove</i> . Sources: TNA PCOM2/209. |

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| Edward Rich. 25 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Gambia. Sailor. | 17 th July 1863. | Feloniously wounding Thomas Dixon with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. | 15 th July 1863. Guilty. | 6 months. Old Bailey identifies Rich as a black. Dixon was a sailor of Richard Street, Limehouse. The offence was committed in the <i>Eastern Hotel</i> , Limehouse. <i>The prisoner's statement before the Magistrate was here read as follows:—"On Sunday night I was drinking, and this gentleman and I board in one house—I called for some liquor and some pence fell out of my pocket-directly I paid for the liquor, I and the tall man (Jackson) began fighting, and the shorter man (Dixon) helped him—I had got a knife in my pocket, but I never used it.</i> <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>There were two men trying to rob me, and I defended myself, but I did not use any knife. They knew I had money.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-912-18630713&div=t18630713-912#highlight |
| John Richards. 25 years. <i>(One White co-accused).</i> | 5/2". Man of colour. Born St James West. Tailor. | 21 st January 1836. | Stealing 2 pairs of trousers. | 4 th February 1836. Not guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| John Rickards. 40 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Westminster. Tailor. | 3 rd October 1849. | Stealing 1 gown of Elizabeth Newman. | 26 th October 1849. Guilty. | 1 year. <i>Previously convicted and served 4 months.</i> The gown was stolen from Elizabeth Newson, a widow living in the <i>Bull's Head</i> , Westminster. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>A person offered me a pint of beer to sell it; I took him the money, and he said he hoped they would not sell it, and he would take it out next morning; I went to get it back and was taken into custody.</i> <i>EDWARD KNOWLAND (policeman, B 141). I produce a certificate (read—John Richards, convicted Oct. 1848, confined four months.)—I was present—the prisoner is the person.</i> Name also given as Richards. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1950-18491029&div=t18491029-1950#highlight |
| John Rickards. 42 years. <i>One White female co-accused.</i> | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Westminster. Tailor. | 21 st April 1851. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 13 th May 1851. Guilty. <i>Co-accused Guilty.</i> | 1 year. <i>Co-accused received 6 months.</i> Rickards attempted to pass a "bad shilling" to Sarah Little, who owned a general shop selling spectacles in Orchard Street, Westminster. Surname also given as Richards. |

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| Samuel Richards. 19 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Sailor. | 28 th November 1850. | Feloniously wounding Finlay McKay to him grievous bodily harm. | 2 nd December 1850. Guilty. | 1 year. Findlay McKay was a seaman, who claimed he did not know Richards. On leaving the <i>Jolly Sailors</i> public-house in St George in the East he was attacked by Richards. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I know very well I hit him in the face; I did not strike him with a knife; he came and struck me in the middle of the street; five or six ran against me; I had no knife but my penknife in my pocket; I gave him no occasion to strike me in the street for nothing at all.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-118-18501125&div=t18501125-118#highlight |
| Thomas Richards. 28 years. | 5/5". A negro. Stout. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 7 th June 1828. 19 th July 1828. | Stealing monies. Stealing 5 shirts and 1 waistcoat. | Bill not found. 19 th September 1828. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <i>Here before.</i> Sources: TNA PCOM2/199. |
| Charles Richmond. 27 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Barbados. Steward. | 17 th March 1848. | Stealing 1 mattress and other articles of William Kelly in a vessel in the Port of London. | 3 rd April 1848. Guilty. | 1 month. Sources: TNA PCOM2/211. |
| John Roberts. 51 years. (Co-accused of George Williams and 2 white men). | 5/11" Black complexion, hair and eyes. Stout made. Born in Africa. Labourer. | 22 nd August 1817. | Stealing 280 lbs of rope. | 6 th October 1817. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Sent to the prison hulk <i>Bellerophon</i> . Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Neptune</i> , December 1817 to 5 th May 1818. Sources: TNA PCOM2/191. <i>Prison ship (Hulk) Registers 1811-1843.</i> convictrecords.com.au |
| William Roberts. 17 years. | 5/1". A mulatto and stoutish made. Born Liverpool. Mariner. | 8 th November 1819. | Stealing a watch. | 6 th December 1819. Guilty. | 14 years. Transported. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> Roberts was one of a gang of three pickpockets. He was caught red-handed after stealing a pocket watch in Drury Lane. The other two escaped. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Mangles</i> , 29 th March 1820 to 7 th August 1820. In 1832 on his <i>Ticket for Leave</i> his offence was picking pockets and his trade as wood turner. His complexion was given as being copper colour and pitted. He was tattooed: Man and anchor, WR, heart and wreath on lower left arm (the heart was pierced with two darts). Scar on right cheek bone and he had lost a front upper tooth. He had a raised mole on the right side of his chin. |

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| | | | | | <p>He gave his intention to settle in Sidney, NSW. In 1840 he married Hannah Sullivan, aged 23, in Sydney, NSW.</p> <p>In 1845 Hannah Sullivan's <i>Certificate of freedom</i> stated that: Born London c.1817/1818. A kitchen maid. With a ruddy and freckled complexion. 4/9 and 1/24". Convicted 29th January 1838 of larceny, (stealing 12 and ¾ yards of ribbon with Margaret Teer – her co-accused). Sentenced to 7 years and transportation. She had a tattoo on her upper right arm: <i>AJASIHVJAJL</i> and a heart. She had been transported to New South Wales on the <i>John Renwick</i>, 25th April 1838 to 27th August 1838. Source: convictrecords.com.au</p> <p>In 1842 she asked permission to marry a John Taylor, (another convict, who was married with 5 children). <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. convictrecords.com.au State Records Authority of New South Wales. <i>Ticket Of Leave Butts 1827-1875</i> (Nrs 12202). Reel: 918. <i>Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i> (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel: 993. <i>New South Wales Registers Of Convicts' Applications To Marry 1825-1851.</i> www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18191201-73-defend879&div=t18191201-73#highlight <u>For Hannah:</u> <i>New South Wales, Butts Of Convicts' Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867.</i> <i>Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i> (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel: 1021. <i>New South Wales Registers Of Convicts' Applications To Marry 1825-1851.</i> (1840 and 1842). www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?div=t18380129-627</p> |
| John Robinson. 13 years. (<i>Had one White co-accused, aged 10 years</i>). | 4/3". Boy of colour. Born At sea. Servant. | 5 th August 1831. | Stealing 1 silver spoon. | 17 th September 1831. Guilty. Co-accused found not guilty. | <p>Whipped. The item was stolen from the residence of Colonel John Pinder Lygon. <i>Robinson. I am sorry for having taken the spoon - I never was accused of any crime before.</i> <i>Robinson received a good character.</i> <i>Whipped and delivered to his Master.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18310908-284-defend2065&div=t18310908-284#highlight</p> |

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| John Robinson. 23 years. | 5/3". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Boston, North America. Mariner. | 1 st September 1818. | Stealing 40 lbs weight of lead fixed to a certain building. | 22 nd September 1818. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The lead was taken from a house in White Horse fields, Stepney. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Dromedary</i> , 11 th September 1819 to 10 th January 1820. Employed on public works at Hobart, where he stole food and received 50 lashes. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180909-160-defend1263&div=t18180909-160#highlight convictrecords.com.au <i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859.</i> HO 10/43. |
| John Robinson. 35 years. | 5/9". A mulatto and stout made. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 18 th March 1819. | Stealing a shirt and petticoat and other articles. | 1 st May 1819. Guilty. | 6 months. The items were stolen from a shop belonging to salesman in Cable-street. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18190421-136-defend1424&div=t18190421-136#highlight |
| John Robinson. 43 years. | 5/9". A mulatto and stoutish made. Born Philadelphia, America. Painter. | 29 th February 1820. | Breaking and entering and stealing a hat and a handful of articles. | 28 th April 1820. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> Robinson lived at 8 Whitecross Street. He burgled a dwelling at Morris's gardens, Norton Falgate. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Caledonia</i> , 5 th July to 17 th November 1822. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/193. convictrecords.com.au www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18200412-87-defend832&div=t18200412-87#highlight |
| Richard Bognor Robinson. 29 years. | 5/5". A Mulatto. Stoutish. Born Jamaica. Carpenter. | 7 th February 1828. | Stealing a pair of snuffers and stand. | 23 rd February 1828. Not guilty. | The incident occurred at a public house in Spitalfields. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18280221-206-defend1209&div=t18280221-206#highlight |
| John Robison. 22 years. | 5/1". Man of colour. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 21 st October 1823. | Stealing a sovereign. | 30 th October 1823. Not guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. |
| Anthony Rogerson. 53 years. <i>Received from Giltspur St, the debtor's prison.</i> | 5/3". Man of colour. Stout. Born Virginia. Fencing master. | 15 th October 1823. | Maliciously setting fire to the wainscot of a house with the intent to injure. | 26 th October 1823. Not guilty. | Edinburgh. Married 12th July 1798. Anthony Rogerson, fencing master, New York, and Cecilia Carolina, of John Megget, starch manufacturer. Rogerson rented a floor of above a printing shop in Fleet Street. Rogerson claimed that the allegations were an attempt to drive him out of the premises by the landlord – the printer James Swan. The fires were apparently started by printer's |

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| | | | | | <p>apprentices. There were a number of witnesses to support Rogerson's case.</p> <p><u>March 1816. Westminster Court.</u> An Anthony Rogerson received a 6 months sentence for attempted rape. <i>Anthony Rogerson, an African American Virginian who became a prominent teacher of fencing and self-defence in Edinburgh, Scotland in the last two decades of the 18th century. Rogerson operating a popular fencing and pugilist academy in the Scottish capital during the late 1780s and 1790s on the city's then major street now known as the Royal Mile. Rogerson moving to London in the early 1800s where he also taught fencing operating an academy in the city into the 1810s. Rogerson's Virginian origins were recorded in his registration under Britain's 1793 Aliens Act, which also revealed that he left New York for Britain in 1783. Given the 1783 date it seems likely that he was evacuated by the British along with large numbers of other American loyalists, both black (free and enslaved) and white, to the West Indies, Nova Scotia and Britain. Rogerson's time in Edinburgh and London is well documented through a variety of sources from newspaper reports to city business directories and court cases. Rogerson however made the decision to settle in a city with no recorded African community and apparently without connection built a successful business and became something of a local celebrity, particularly for his skills as a boxer. Cecilia was English from London born in 1780 and the daughter of a starch manufacturer from Borough in south London, named John and her mother Susannah. She had a child, a little boy, in 1800, following the marriage to Anthony in 1798 at Edinburgh's New North Church. The boy, Anthony Charles Dalkeith, died in 1802 aged 1 year and four months and is buried in Edinburgh. The Rogersons then reappear in London around 1810, but it is unclear however, if they are together. Rogerson described as a fencing master, is indicted for assault in 1810, jailed for six months for attempted rape in 1816 and acquitted of arson in 1828. A Cecilia Rogerson does enter the workhouse for a day in 1820 suggesting she had fallen on hard times given only the very poor were place in such places. She is recorded as having died in Stepney in east London in 1851.</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. unknownnolonger.vahistorical.org/forum/discussion/374/anthony-rogerson-rodgerson-edinburgh-fencing-master-/p1 Prison registers. Home Office: Criminal Registers, Middlesex, 1791-1849. TNA HO 26/22. Scotland, Edinburgh Marriages 1595-1800. 1751-1800. Midlothian. Edinburgh. Image No. 680. findmypast.co.uk</p> |

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| Russell. 30 years. | 5/6". A Lascar. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 28 th December 1841. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Abraham with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 6 th January 1842. Guilty. | 14 days. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| Sambis. 26 years. Scar on cheek. | 5/4". Man of colour. Born East Indies. Sailor. | 30 th November 1857. | Burglary in the dwelling of Harris Marks and stealing 1 jacket. | 16 th January 1858. Guilty. | 6 years. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 |
| Ram Samme. 20 years. <i>Co-accused of John Francis of Calcutta.</i> | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Madras. Servant. | 26 th April 1859. | Unlawfully having counterfeit coins. | 10 th May 1859. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey gives last name as Sammy. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-473-18590509&div=t18590509-473#highlight |
| Christopher Samuels. 29 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born Antigua. Sailor. <i>Tattoos on right arm – difficult to decipher. Scar left arm.</i> | 5 th November 1868. | Stealing 1 knife and a pair of trousers of Edward Anton. <i>Detained for another offence.</i> | 24 th November 1868. Not Guilty. | From Old Bailey: <i>The Prosecutor did not appear and was stated to have gone to sea.</i> Samuels was then indicted on the same day for obtaining a coat and other goods, with intent to defraud, from Charles Landsay. Landsay was an assistant to Mr. Wagner, a tailor, in Gray's Alley, Whitechapel. Samuels was arrested by the police at 7 Gray's Alley. Samuels was also found Not Guilty of the second charge. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/216. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-47-18681123&div=t18681123-47#highlight www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-48-18681123&div=t18681123-48#highlight |
| Samut. 25 years. <i>Co-accused of Antrehman.</i> | 5/1". A Lascar. Born Singapore. Sailor. | 17 th December 1841. | Feloniously cutting and wounding Hassan with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. | 6 th January 1842. Not Guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| Thomas Saunders. 25 years. <i>(Had 3 White co-accused)</i> | 5/5". A man of colour and stoutish made. Born New York, America. Mariner. | 3 rd November 1821. | Stealing a bed and 3 blankets. | 1 st December 1821. Not guilty. | Saunders was servant to a midshipman (Mr Manners) in the East India Company. Whilst his employer was away Saunders live in New Gravel-Lane, in a lodging house for sailors. He was also servant to another man. As part of his defence Saunders put in a written complaining that his employer never paid him any wages, and he was obliged to pawn the property till he could get his wages. Manners replied: <i>I paid him money, and gave him clothes at China. No pay was due to him.</i> The Old Bailey records indicate he was found guilty and sentenced to 3 months. <u>Source:</u> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18211205-166-defend1697&div=t18211205-166#highlight |
| John Savay. 25 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Born Isle of France. Mariner. | 30 th July 1817. | Stealing 2 fowl. | 4 th October 1817. Guilty. | 2 months. Savay stole the fowl from the back-yard of a dwelling in Church-road, St. George's in the East. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. |

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| A man called Eliza Scott. 20 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born America. Servant. | 23 rd September 1850. | Unlawfully assaulting Bennett James Martin with intent to induce him to commit B_____y. | 25 th October 1850. Guilty. | 1 year. (1 year in the House of Correction). Old Bailey gives name as Elijah Scott and suggests sentence was respited. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1800-18501021&div=t18501021-1800#highlight <i>England & Wales, Crime, Prisons & Punishment, 1770-1935.</i> HO77/58/35 and HO 77/57/27. Findmypast.co.uk |
| John Scott. 25 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born America. Sailor. | 11 th February 1840. | Stealing 1 jacket of George Fowler. | 4 th March 1840. Guilty. | 6 months. Fowler was a seaman on board HMS <i>Fearless</i> , docked in the Thames at Woolwich. Scott had been on board the ship on the day of the theft. He claimed to have bought the jacket in Dover. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-990-18400302&div=t18400302-990#highlight |
| Belinda Searys. 19 years. | 4/10". Girl of Colour. Born Marylebone. Spinster. | 25 th June 1849. <i>Noted previous sentence of 4 months.</i> | Stealing in the dwelling house of Elizabeth Russell 2 bank notes of £5 each and gold and silver money of Charles Desire Parmentier. | 21 st July 1849. Guilty. | 7 years and transported. Old Bailey identifies the victim as Henri Charles Desire Parmentier. Searys lodged at No. 6, Clement's-lane, Strand. Parmentier was a "master in a school." She appears to have been a prostitute who stole from him after he fell into a drunken slumber. One witness, Eliza Johnson from Greenwich, had known Searys from infancy. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I never took the money from him; I had 3l. 10s. Given me by a gentleman to purchase a dress to go down to Greenw Prisoner's Defence.</i> I never took the money from him; I had 3l. 10s. It was given me by a gentleman to purchase a dress to go down to Greenwich, and meet him on the following Saturday, and to pay my passage; I had that money in my possession when the prosecutor met me. WILLIAM WEST (<i>police-sergeant, F 7</i>). I produce a certificate—(<i>read—Belinda Searys, convicted Oct., 1887, of larceny from the person, confined four months</i>)—she is the person. <u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I never took the money from him; I had 3l. 10s. It was given me by a gentleman to purchase a dress to go down to Greenwich, and meet him on the following Saturday, and to pay my passage; I had that I money in my possession when the prosecutor met me.</i> WILLIAM WEST (<i>police-sergeant, F 7</i>). I produce a certificate—(<i>read—Belinda Searys, convicted Oct., 1877, of larceny from the person, confined four months</i>)—she is the person. |

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| | | | | | <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>St Vincent</i>, from 13th December 1849 to 4th April 1850.</p> <p>Surname rendered as Sears. Born Portland Place, London. Reads and writes. Protestant. A house maid and needle-woman. "<i>A Negro father by a white woman.</i>" Swarthy complexion. Dark hazel eyes. Black curly hair. Previous offence was stealing £15 of a foreigner, for which she received 4 months. One charge in 1851 for insolence and neglect of work. Ticket of leave given in 1853. Conditional pardon 1854.</p> <p>Belinda Sears married Joseph Moon (aged 35 years), at St Luke's in Campbell Town, Tasmania, 17th September 1851. Both marked the marriage certificate. He was a labourer and she a needle-woman.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1409-18490702&div=t18490702-1409#highlight www.convictrecords.com.au http://foundersandsurvivors.org/pubsearch/convict/chain/ai62908 <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Conduct Record CON41/1/25; Description List CON19/1/8; Indent CON15/1/6; Muster Roll MM71/2. <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Conduct Record CON41/1/25; Description List CON19/1/8; Indent CON15/1/6; Muster Roll MM71/2. <i>Tasmania Marriages 1803-1899.</i> www.findmypast.co.uk</p> |
| Samuel Sherry. 28 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born St Kitts. <i>Scar and swelling on neck.</i> | 25 th April 1871. | Feloniously wounding William Conway to do grievous harm. | 2 nd June 1871. Guilty. | <p>2 years.</p> <p>Old Bailey identified Sherry as being black. Conway was a sailor on the ship <i>Supply</i>, lying off Black Water. He was in a house in Nelson Street when there was a knock at the door. When he opened the door Sherry was there and he stabbed Conway with a knife. There is no indication they knew each other prior to this.</p> <p><u><i>Prisoner's Defence.</i></u> <i>I did nothing to the man. He asked me what I was doing, and told me to go away, and I went away; and about an hour after the policeman came, and said "Some of you foreign men have stabbed a man, and I will take you in custody." I had no knife, and nothing on me.</i></p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-390-18710501&div=t18710501-390#highlight</p> |
| William Sherwood. 19 years. | 5/4". A man of colour and stoutish made. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 9 th October 1821. | Stealing a bed, the property of John Baptist. | 1 st November 1821. Guilty. | 6 months. |

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| <i>Co-accused of Francis Frank.</i> | | | | | At the time of the offence Sherwood and Baptist both served on the <i>Eclipse</i> , birthed at Wapping. (The former was a steward and the bed was taken from the <i>Eclipse</i>). Sherwood claimed Frank was his brother-in-law. Frank was found not guilty because he said that Sherwood hired him to move a bed that he believed belonged to Sherwood. Frank was not known to Baptist. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182110240061 |
| Joseph Shicklund. Also Antoni. 22 years. <i>Had 2 white co-accused.</i> | 5/1". Man of Colour. Born Malta. Sailor. | 31 st August 1838. | Stealing 1 watch, 2 rings, 2 seals, 1 key, 2 pairs of trousers upon the High Seas. | 19 th September 1838. Admitted evidence and discharged 21 st September 1838. <i>His 2 co-accused were found Guilty.</i> | <i>His 2 co-accused received 7 years and were transported.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| Thomas Sidney. 23 years. | 5/4 and 1/2". A man of colour. Slim made. Born St George East. Labourer. | 10 th June 1822. | Highway Robbery: Assaulting John Tingey on the King's Highway and stealing a hat. | 6 th July 1822. Not guilty. | Tingey did not appear in court so the case was dismissed. In November 1841 <i>The West Kent Guardian</i> reported an incident in which the newly married Sydney appears to have assaulted his wife. #14253. Thomas Robert Sidney. Born St Georges in the East, Middlesex, 4 th June 1799. Capacity: Cook. Height: 5/4 and 1/2". Complexion: Man of colour. Hair and eyes black. Marks: Speck on right eye. First went to sea as: Ordinary Seaman, 1824. Has not been in either the Royal Navy or foreign-service. When unemployed resides at: Chapel St, St Georges. Issued: London, 30 th January 1845. Aged when ticketed: 46. Can write: Yes. 1851 England Census. 14 Albion Place. St Paul. St George in the East, Middlesex. Thomas Sidney and his wife Ann (former 51 and the latter 54), both born in St George's, Middlesex. His occupation was fire-wood dealer. They had a visitor: John Martin, a 30-year-old sailor born in St Thomas, West Indies. Thomas and Ann then appear on the 1861, 1871 and 1881 censuses. In 1861 Ann's place of birth is given as Southwark. In 1871 Thomas is noted as a wood cutter. In 1881 he is a widowed labourer, born in Whitechapel. He probably died in 1889. <i>Surname given as both Sidney and Sydney.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. <i>Britain, Merchant Seamen, 1835-1857.</i> TNA BT113/3. <i>West Kent Guardian</i> , 6th November 1841. <i>1851 England Census. St Paul. St George in the East, Middlesex. ED: 18. HS: 164. Piece: 1548. Folio: 492. Page: 32.</i> |
| Nicholas Sieze. 48 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Bordeaux. Cook. | 17 th October 1877. | Feloniously ravishing and carnally knowing Elizabeth Beesley. | 25 th October 1877. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey named the accuser as Elizabeth Lavinia Beasley. The charge was rape. <u>Sources:</u> |

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| John Simmonds. 20 years. | 5/2". Man of colour. Born Cape of Good Hope. Labourer. | 28 th February 1853. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Thomas Stimpson and stealing a quantity of tobacco and copper. | 6 th March 1853. Not Guilty. | Stimpson kept the Alton ale beer house, at Old Brentford. The police were led to Simmonds by "information provided." Simmonds had worked for George Wheeler, a cow keeper, at New Brentford Butts, for 12 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-480-18530404&div=t18530404-480#highlight |
| Edward Simpson. 15 years. | 5/-". A lad of colour. Stoutish. Born St Kitts. Servant. | 9 th February 1826. | Stealing 1 silver ladle and 1 book from a dwelling. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Thomas Simpson. 48 years. | 5/4". A negro. Stout. Born Barbados. Mariner. | 26 th March 1828. | Sodomy with George Elder on a vessel on the high sea within the jurisdiction of the admiralty of England. | June 11th 1828. Admiralty Session. Bill not found. | Discharged June 11th 1828. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. |
| Jacob Small. 25 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Bermuda. Cook. | 23 rd April 1842. | Stealing 1 purse and monies of Israel Myers. | 26 th October 1842. Guilty. | 6 months. Both Small and Myers, (the latter was a sailor), were lodging in Little Hermitage Street. Small was arrested at a public house named <i>The Gun</i> . <i>Prisoner's Defence. I had £4/3s that I brought from Quebec—one of my shipmates let me have some money, which made up £5/7s.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2858-18421024&div=t18421024-2858#highlight |
| Jacob Small. 25 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Bermuda. Sailor. | 21 st May 1843. | Stealing 1 coat of James Dott in the dwelling house of Ann Denham. | 10 th May 1843. Guilty. | 10 years and transported. Old Bailey notes that the crime was committed at St. Botolph Without, Aldgate, in the dwelling-house of Ann Denholm. Also, that the property belonged to James Dutt. It was noted that Small had been previously convicted of a felony. Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Anson</i> , 23 rd September 1843 to 4 th February 1844. According to <i>foundersandsurvivors.org</i> : No relations. Reads. Single. Protestant. Sailor and Steward. Can cook. Also convicted 24 Oct 1842, at Old Bailey & sentenced to six months for stealing money. June 26, 1844 - tried for burglary; transported for life Constant conduct offences. Colonial convictions include: May 15, 1852 - tried for armed robbery; imprisonment with hard labour one year |

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| | | | | | <p>One case disposed of at Oatlands, that of a black man, whose name our informant did not catch, is described to us as of the most atrocious complexion, the prisoner (a runaway from a Government gang) having broken into the house of the prosecutor in the dead of the night and there beaten himself and another inmate of the premises into a state of insensibility with a claw hammer as they were lying asleep, as a mere precautionary measure before commencing the business of plunder. The murderous wretch escaped for the time unseen, but was captured within three days, and the charge brought fully home to him. <i>(Cornwall Chronicle, Launceston, 3 Jul 1844)</i></p> <p>Police Report, Hobart, 30 Jul 1855. Disobedience of orders.- Jacob Small, p.h. in the service of Mr George Flexmore, was charged by his master with refusing to work, upon ground of illness and wishing to pay a visit to the Hospital; this movement was not approved of by his master who informed the prisoner that he would send for Dr Crooke, to this arrangement the prisoner demurred, saying that if he did he should take no medicine at Dr Crooke's hands, having a Doctor of his own. The prisoner then eat a hearty dinner, but still refused to work upon the ground of continued indisposition and was given into custody.</p> <p>Mr Flexmore said that he did not wish to press the charge, and the prisoner, who was reared on the banks of the River Congo, and a perfect caution to a stick of Indian ink, promised amendment and was discharged. <i>(Hobarton Mercury, 1 Aug 1855)</i></p> <p><i>Police Intelligence, Hobart, 6 May 1857.</i> Insolence and insubordination-Jacob Small, a man of colour, was charged with insolence and disobedience of orders by his master Murray Burgess Esq. on the evening of the 5th instant. Mr. Burgess described the man's conduct as being extremely violent and insulting. He was sentenced to 14 days solitary confinement. <i>(Hobart Town Mercury, 8 May 1857)</i></p> <p>Police Office, Hobart, 8 Nov 1858. OUT AFTER HOURS AND INSOLENCE.-Jacob Small, a black man and a prisoner of the Crown, was charged by his master, Mr. O. H. Hedberg, with being out after hours at a quarter to five yesterday morning, and with insolence. The prisoner pleaded guilty to being out after hours, but said he did not know whether he was insolent, but he rather thought not. Mr. Hedberg said that the prisoner was out all night on the 6th instant, and on his return home he seized witness by the throat and called him</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>everything. The prisoner, who made no defence, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour. (<i>Courier, Hobart, 8 Nov 1858</i>)</p> <p>March 8, 1859 - Conditional pardon approved.</p> <p>Relationship with Margaret Cochrane. A female convict who arrived in Tasmania on the <i>Duchess of Northumberland</i> in 1853. Jacob Small & Margaret were not married but had a relationship which produced a child: Walter George Arthur Small, born in Tasmania c.1855. Report on trial of a George Martin for the murder of Margaret Cochrane in 1866 contains the statement "<i>Walter George Arthur Small, a boy of colour, whose mother in her lifetime was the deceased.</i>" (<i>Mercury, Hobart, 12 Apr 1866</i>). Also <i>Queens Orphan School Records</i>, Hobart.</p> <p>Walter George Arthur Small. Queens Orphan School Records, Hobart. Orphan Number: 4970. Orphan: Walter George Arthur SMALL. Mother: COCKRAN, Margaret. Father: SMALL, Jacob. Mother's ship: D Northumberland. Father's ship: Susan. Age when admitted: 9yrs. Date admitted: 11 Apr 1866. Date discharged: 5 Jun 1867, 31 Jul 1869, 15 Jul 1870, 14 Oct 1870. Institution(s): Queens Orphan School. Discharged to: James Birchall, Sorell, Robert Thorne, Forcett, James Spaulding, James Weir. Remarks: absconded from Spaulding 16 Sep 1870. References: SWD26/9, 27, 32/1, POL709.</p> <p>Married 2 Sep 1878, Mary Jones, Hobart. According to records on <i>findmypast.co.uk</i>, a George Small (a labourer) and Mary (formerly Jones), had a son Jacob born 28th April 1881. Mother's address given as Macquarrie Street, Hobart.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1414-18430508&div=t18430508-1414#highlight convictrecords.com.au foundersandsurvivors.org findmypast.co.uk</p> |
| Charles Smith. 21 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Canada. Sailor. | 25 th March 1846. | Stealing 1 coat and 1 lb weight of cigars of John Larbalestier in a vessel in the Port of London. <i>Detained on a like charge.</i> | 30 th March 1846. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-863-18460330&div=t18460330-863#highlight |
| Diana Smith. 19 years. | 5/4". A woman of colour. Stout made. Born St Helena. | 9 th May 1818. | Stealing a handkerchief. | 13 th May 1818. Discharged. | <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. |

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| James Smith. 32 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Sailor. | 20 th June 1838. | Stealing 12 sovereigns. | 23 rd June 1838. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| John Smith. 35 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born New Brunswick. Sailor. | 30 th December 1847. | Stealing 55 sovereigns of John Love. | 6 th January 1848. Guilty. | <p>18 months.</p> <p>Both Smith and Love had served on the brig <i>Rolla</i>, (Smith joining the ship in Sierra Leone), before being paid off in Portsmouth. Smith had looked after Love's money as they travelled by train and then cab to the Sailors' Home, in Well Street, East Smithfield. It was there that Love discovered the money was missing and that Smith made his escape. Smith was a married man, and his wife was lodging in Upper Chapman Street, St George's.</p> <p><u>Prisoner's Defence:</u> <i>I left London on 10th Nov., 1845, and have been sailing in American ships—I sailed from Baltimore on 3rd Sept., 1847, with fifty three dollars and 56l. 10s. sterling, when I joined her Majesty's brig Rolla, as gun-room cook, on 17th Nov., 1847, where I was paid off on Tuesday, 28th Dec., 1847; my wages were 2l. 10s. 10d.; John Love received his wages in notes; he asked me for the loan of a handkerchief; I told him I had not one, but I would lend him my pocket-book, to take particular care not to open a certain part, as I had papers of consequence in; by this time I had taken my money out of my box, as the lock I had on previously I was obliged to give up to the carpenter, as it was ship's stores; I took out my money, as my box went a-shore without a lock, which consisted of 56l. 10s. sterling; I saw Love change a 5l. note of the ship's sergeant, and he made some reductions for what he owed him, but I do not know the amount; after we got over to Gosport, Love and two watermen went to the Bank to change his money there; in coming down the street I bought a lock, and he was with me, likewise the two strange men; we parted for the night, and met next morning, when we agreed to start at three by the train for London; while in Gosport, Love gave his money to the landlady; I saw him receive it a quarter of an hour before we started by the train; he tied up his money in the pocket-book which I lent to him the day before, and told me he would wrap it up in his own clothes; I left him upstairs; when I came down our luggage was gone; I called to him that the luggage was gone; he told me to look after them, and the would pay the reckoning, dinner and breakfast, which he said amounted to 10s.; Love told me to open the chest while he put his blue bundle in; whether that bundle contained money or not I do not know; I delivered him the key, and never had it since.</i></p> <p><i>HMS Rolla</i>, (1829), the second <i>Cherokee</i>-class brig-sloop of that name, was launched in 1829, on the West Africa</p> |

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| | | | | | Squadron, (1836–1847), was a training ship in 1848, a tender to <i>HMS Victory</i> , and was broken up by 1868. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-470-18480103&div=t18480103-470#highlight |
| Philip Smith. 22 years. | 5/7. Mulatto. Born America. Sailor. | 18 th March 1835. | Stealing 2 shirts and £2. | 9 th April 1835. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. |
| William Smith. 21 years. | 5/4". A mulatto. Stoutish made. Born Baltimore, America. Mariner. | 3 rd December 1818. | Stealing 4 silver watches. | 10 th December 1818. Guilty. | Death. Commuted to transportation for life. The items were stolen from a watch and clockmaker in High-street, Shadwell. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpt18181202-75-defend777 |
| William Smith. 23 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born America. Labourer. | 21 st February 1839. | Stealing 10 forks, 5 spoons, 2 knives and forks. | 11 th February 1839. Guilty. | 10 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| William Smith. 22 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born Liverpool. Steward. | 8 th May 1845. | Stealing 1 watch, 1 guard, property of Tomas Antonio Goytez in the dwelling house of Robert Groves. | 21 st May 1845. Guilty. | 1 year. Old Bailey gives the names Thomas Antonio de Goitz, Robert Hunter and Hubert Groves. De Goitz and Hunter were seamen aboard the schooner <i>Sotara</i> , arrived from Bilbos. Smith was a sailor aboard the <i>Massachusetts</i> . <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1071-18450512&div=t18450512-1071#highlight |
| William Smith. 20 years. | 5/5". Half Caste. Born St Helena. Sailor. | 19 th January 1846. <i>Note says Bridewell 14 days.</i> | Stealing 1 pair of boots of Charles Wilford. | 2nd February 1846. Guilty. | 3 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-517-18460202&div=t18460202-517#highlight |
| David Somerset. 24 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Philadelphia. Sailor. | 31 st December 1838. | Stealing a watch and chain and other goods. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. |
| James Spring. 27 years. | 5/6". Man of Colour. Born Bermuda. Sailor. | 10 th January 1842. | Unlawfully obtaining 8 lbs weight of beef, 7 lbs of mutton and 3 lbs weight of bread of James Edney. | 8 th February 1842. Not Guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| Mary Ann Stevens. 18 years. | 4/6". Woman of Colour. Born Bath. Spinster. | 15 th December 1843. | Stealing 1 sovereign of Jessie Adey. | 3 rd January 1844. Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. |
| John Stevens. 21 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born New Brunswick. Sailor. | 30 th January 1841. | Stealing 1 watch and 1 chain of Thomas Anenson from a vessel in the Port of London. | 21 st February 1841. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |
| Charles Steward. 23 years. | 6/0". Man of colour. Born America. | 1 st May 1858. | Stealing 1 coat of John Parker. | 12 th June 1858. Not Guilty. | Steward (described as a Black) and a girlfriend were lodging in a room in West Ham belonging to Parker. |

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| | Seaman. <i>Scar on left cheek and forehead.</i> | | | | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-578-18580510&div=t18580510-578#highlight |
| John Stroud. 32 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born St Helena. Seaman. | 30 th September 1844. | Stealing 3 planes of William Barrington Brown. <i>Detained on two other charges of larceny. Kent?</i> | 22 nd October 1844. Guilty. | 1 year. The victim lived at Shooter's Hill, Plumstead. Stroud was occasionally employed as a day servant. <i>Prisoner's Defence. I did not steal it; more people worked in the house besides me.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/209. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2552-18441021&div=t18441021-2552#highlight |
| John Sullivan. 27 years. <i>Had one White co-accused from Philadelphia.</i> | 6/1". Man of Colour. Born Philadelphia. Labourer. | 12 th January 1848. | Stealing 1 quadrant of Thomas Frame in a vessel in the Port of London. | 4 th February 1848. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict.</i> | 3 weeks in Newgate. <i>Co-accused received the same sentence.</i> The items were stolen from the cabin of Thomas Frame, captain of the <i>John Duffers</i> at Limehouse. Sullivan had been allowed to shelter on the ship overnight, but the following morning the cabin was discovered to have been broken into. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-665-18480131&div=t18480131-665#highlight |
| William Sulph. 39 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Madras. Soldier. | 14 th August 1838. | Stealing 1 pair of unfinished trousers. | 25th August 1838. Guilty. | 8 days. The trousers were stolen from a dwelling in Upper Cornwall Street, St. George's in the East. Sulph was reported to be very intoxicated and had stayed there the night. The trousers were found to be missing when he left. Sulph was apprehended attempting to sell the trousers to a marine store shop. It was noted that he was on the <i>Maria</i> from the East Indies, which was in the dock at the time. <i>Prisoner's Defence: I was drunk - how I got into her house I do not know.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/205. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1964-18380820&div=t18380820-1964#highlight |
| Florence Suter. 22 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Porto Rico. Cook. | 28 th April 1846. | Stealing 1 shirt of John James and 1 pair of trousers of James Gardner in a vessel in the Port of London. | 19 th May 1846. Not Guilty. | Prosecutors did not appear. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1139-18460511&div=t18460511-1139#highlight |
| Dugald Sutherland. 21 years. <i>Had two white co-accused.</i> | 5/6". Man of colour. Born Edinboro. Servant. | 2 nd December 1857. | Stealing a silver caddy and cup and other articles of Nathan Defries in his dwelling house. | 15 th December 1857. Guilty. <i>One co-accused found Guilty and one Not Guilty.</i> | 4 years. Defries lived at No. 5, Fitzroy Square. Collins, one of the accused, had previously been footman to Defries, but had been let go when items went missing. Sutherland was a friend of Collins and had asked Defries for employment. Collins referred to Sutherland as "Blackey." Sutherland lodged in a beer shop at No. 11, Coulton Place, Marylebone Lane. |

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| | | | | | <p>However, after the theft he returned to Edinburgh, where an officer of the Metropolitan Police was sent to arrest him. Died in Westminster, London, in 1858.</p> <p>Dugald Sutherland, aged 22 years, of Millbank Prison, was buried 8th August 1858 in Victoria Park Cemetery, Hackney. The <i>Morning Post</i> described Sutherland as a man of colour. <i>Co-accused received 4 years.</i></p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/214 TNA HO 27/117 and 120. <i>Morning Post</i>, 16th December 1857. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?div=t18571214-120 www.findmypast.co.uk <i>General Register Office: Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths surrendered to the Non-parochial Registers Commission of 1857, and other registers and church records; Class Number: RG 8; Piece Number: 44/2.</i></p> |
| John Sutliff. 26 years. | 5/10". Man of colour. Born America. Labourer. | 11 th December 1835. | Stealing 2 waistcoats. | 16 th December 1835. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>The items were stolen from a dealer in clothes in High Street, Shadwell.</p> <p>Sutliff, a very powerful man, resisted arrest and had to be restrained by six people. He vehemently denied his guilt: <i>Prisoner's Defence: I did not steal any waistcoats—when they took me, they ill-used me very improperly—they took my money from me, and next morning said I only had 2s., but I had a half-crown, sixpence, two shillings, and some halfpence—everything was taken out of my pocket—the policeman had hold of me, searching me, and knocking me about.</i></p> <p>EMANUEL MOSS re-examined. <i>I paid him half-a-crown and sixpence, but when I caught sight of him, I saw him on the step of a public-house, as if he had come out—It was not three minutes after he left me, but I heard him say to the landlord, "Take care of that for me"—that was at the Paviers' Arms, kept by Mr. Blay.</i></p> <p><i>Prisoner. I did not go into that public-house—I got a quartern of gin with the halfpence I had, but I changed no silver—I laid the half-crown and sixpence on the counter, and took it up again, and put it in my pocket—I had two shillings besides, and a had sovereign about me. Witness. When he came into my shop, he said he was very badly off, and had no money at all—I gave him part of half a quartern loaf, as he said he was greatly distressed.</i></p> <p><i>Prisoner. I came from Deptford on board a ship—I came ashore, and had no dinner, nor did I buy anything for supper—I asked him to be so good as to give me a bit of bread, as it was late, and he did—anything else I know nothing about. Witness. I kept the bread in the shop, in my chest—he must</i></p> |

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| | | | | | have taken the waistcoats while I went to the door to take the 3s. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-220-18351214&div=t18351214-220#highlight |
| Frederick Taylor. 21 years. | 5/6". Man of colour. Born Yarmouth. Servant. | 27 th September 1832. | Embezzling monies of his master. | 19 th October 1832. Guilty. | 3 months. Taylor was superintendent of porters to Mr Frederick Rogers, and partners, silk merchants. He was convicted of stealing goods and monies. It was noted that he was of good character. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 202. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18321018-93-defend895&div=t18321018-93#highlight |
| James Richard Taylor. 25 years. | 5/11". Man of Colour. Born Jamaica. Cook. | 28 th June 1848. | Stealing 2 watches of William Yeoman in his dwelling house. | 8 th July 1848. Guilty. | 6 months. Yeoman kept a public-house, in New Gravel-Lane, Shadwell. Taylor regularly lodged there. Yeoman said: <i>I have known him upwards of eight years, off and on—I can say nothing against him but this—he has on various occasions had access to large amounts of property of mine—I have trusted him with my bar—he has lately got into bad company.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1727-18480703&div=t18480703-1727#highlight |
| James Richard Taylor. 25 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Jamaica. Cook. | 23rd January 1849. | Stealing 1 coat and 1 handkerchief of Frederick Ives. | 1 st February 1849. Guilty. | 2 years. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. |
| John Taylor. 28 years. <i>(His co-accused was a white seaman born in London).</i> | 5/8". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Dublin. Seaman. | 2 nd May 1818. | Stealing a ham and a quantity of pork. | 9 th May 1818. Not guilty. | The property was taken from a cheesemonger in Upper East Smithfield. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180506-49-defend459&div=t18180506-49#highlight |
| Douglas Thessier. 23 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born America. Sailor. | 5 th May 1855. | Wilful and corrupt perjury. | 9 th May 1855. Guilty. | 1 year. Old Bailey names as George Douglas Thessier, a black. Thessier was convicted of perjury after making a false allegation against a Nathan Harris of stealing a pair of trousers and some monies. During the trial it was revealed that Thessier was resident in a Sailor's Home, and had previously served three years aboard a man-of-war and had been in Rio Janerio prior to arriving in London on the <i>Del Ryader</i> . Nathan Harris, and his father Solomon were outfitters at No.195, St. George-Street, St.George's. <u>Prisoners Defence.</u> <i>I was taken to this man's house on Friday afternoon, after being paid off; I had 15l. 10s. in my pocket; the two men took me in a car down the highway; they took me</i> |

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| | | | | | <p>into a shop in the highway, and asked me to have something to drink, and they went and locked me into this room, got a musket, knocked me down, without giving me time to speak a word, and took the waistcoat and trowsers off; I made a bolt through the window, and said to some persons, "Go, and get a policeman;" I met a policeman, but I did not know anything about giving anybody in charge; I was in such a way about being beaten, that I could hardly speak;</p> <p>I went to Captain Pearce, and told him, and he told me to give the man in charge; I went before a Magistrate next day, and he fetched somebody to swear against me; I could not get any witnesses to speak for me, everybody spoke against me; the man was discharged, and I was given in charge; I think it is very hard for me to lose my money; I thought when I came to England, that I should be better off than I was in my own country.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/213 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-555-18550507&div=t18550507-555#highlight</p> |
| George Thomas. 18 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Westminster. Labourer. | 13 th September 1858. | Stealing a pair of earrings of Harriet Pearce. | 22 nd September 1858. Not Guilty. | <p>Thomas and Pearce were in a relationship. She accused him of stealing the earrings after they spent a night together.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-907-18580920&div=t18580920-907#highlight</p> |
| James Thomas. 22 years. | 5/3". Man of colour. Stoutish. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 7 th January 1823. | Burglariously breaking and entering a dwelling and stealing a quantity of men's apparel. | 16 th January 1823. Guilty. | <p>Death. <i>Retribution – Sheerness, 25th March 1823.</i></p> <p>Burgled a dwelling in St Paul's, Shadwell belonging to the landlord of the <i>Angel</i> public house (George Pawson). Thomas said that he regularly visited the <i>Angel</i> when he came home from sea, and that he belonged to the ship <i>Hope</i> at London Docks.</p> <p>Stole £4 in copper, 4 half-crowns and his monies.</p> <p>Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Henry</i>, April 1823 to 26th August 1823.</p> <p>Awarded his <i>Ticket of Leave</i> in 1845. Intended to reside in Sydney.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/196. convictrecords.com.au <i>Newgate Prison Calendar</i>. HO77/33. <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales</i>. Ticket Of Leave Butts 1827-1875 (Nrs 12202). Reel: 957. www.oldbaileyonline.org/images.jsp?doc=182301150010 <i>Newgate Prison Calendar</i>. HO77/33.</p> |
| John Thomas. 18 years. | 5/3". A man of colour and slim made. Born Isle of France. | 3 rd January 1819. | Stealing a shirt, 2 waistcoats and other items of wearing apparel. | 19 th January 1819. <i>Discharged by proclamation.</i> | |

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| | Mariner. | 21st January 1819. | Stealing a jacket. | 24 th February 1819. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>The jacket was stolen from a shipwright</p> <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Dromedary</i>, 11th September 1819 to 10th January 1820. Source: convictrecords.com.au</p> <p>Between 1820 and 1824 and he had recorded nine disciplinary offences and 250 lashes in total.</p> <p><i>Name also John Thompson.</i> <u>Sources:</u> <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893.</i> Conduct Record CON31/1/42; Description List CON23/1/3; Muster Roll CON13/1/2 Page 5; Remarks CSO1/1/403 Page 9098. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18190217-76-defend752&div=t18190217-76#highlight</p> |
| John Thomas. 28 years. | 5/8". A man of colour. Stout made. Born New York. Seaman. | 15 th May 1818. | Stealing 6 shirts and other articles. | 24 th June 1818. Not guilty. | <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. |
| John Thomas. <i>Co-accused of Antonio Lazaro.</i> | 5/2". Man of colour. Born Madras. Labourer. Both arms marked. | 4 th May 1857. | Stealing a basket of Thomas Croxon. Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 12 th May 1857. Guilty. | <p>4 months.</p> <p>The coins were passed in: <i>The Red Lion</i>, Barnet. <i>The Swan with Two Necks</i>, Finchley Common. <i>The Baldfaced Stag</i>, Finchley Common.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def2-578-18570511&div=t18570511-578#highlight</p> |
| John Thomas. 33 years. Crucifixion – arm. Female, flowers – arm. | 5/2". Man of colour. Born Madras. Labourer. <i>Prior convictions:</i> <i>4ms.</i> <i>3ms.</i> | 23 rd February 1858. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 6 th April 1858. Guilty. | <p>5 years.</p> <p>Old Bailey suggests he was sentenced to 4 years at Chatham, being released in June 1861.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-386-18580405&div=t18580405-386#highlight</p> |
| John Thomas. 36 years. <i>Had one white co-accused.</i> | 5/1". Man of Colour. Born Madras. Dealer. <i>Appears to have had tattoos:</i> <i>Right arm eagle. Left arm crucifix and eagle.</i> | 14 th January 1862. <i>Possible previous convictions of 4 years and of 4 months.</i> | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 28 th January 1862. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found Guilty.</i> | <p>5 years. Millbank Prison.</p> <p><i>Co-accused received 4 years.</i> <i>Possible previous convictions of 4 years and of 4 months.</i></p> <p>Thomas attempted to pass the coin, a six-pence, at the <i>Beehive</i> public-house, Christian Street, St. George's-in-the-East. He also attempted the same at the <i>Mallard Arms</i> public-house in Grove Street, Commercial Road.</p> <p><u><i>Prisoner's Defence.</i></u> <i>I was drunk all day, and did not know what I was about.</i></p> |

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| | | | | | <p>He was further charged with having been convicted, on 5th April 1858, of feloniously uttering counterfeit coin, when he was sentenced to Four Years' Penal Servitude.</p> <p>A married man and a Roman Catholic, he was released on license in January 1866. Next of kin given as Caroline Price, 4 Loundes Row, Whitechapel.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/215. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-230-18620127&div=t18620127-230#highlight www.digitalpanopticon.org/life?id=obpdef1-230-18620127</p> |
| Robert Thomas. 26 years. | 5/6". A Black. Black hair, dark eyes, stoutish made. Born Martinique, West Indies. Mariner. | 14 th October 1817. | Stealing a waistcoat and shirt. | 5 th November 1817. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>The items were stolen from the dwelling of a painter in Mansel Street.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/191. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18171029-114-defend692&div=t18171029-114#highlight</p> |
| William Thomas. 28 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born America. Sailor. | 5 th February 1841. | Stealing 1 shawl of Gabriel Blair from a vessel in the Port of London. | 5 th March 1841. Not Guilty. | <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/206.</p> |
| Charles Thompson. 36 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Halifax, America. Mariner. | 24 th April 1819. | Stealing a quantity of mutton. | 7 th May 1819. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>The meat was stolen from a butcher in High-street, Shadwell. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Prince Regent</i>, 17th September 1819 to 20th January 1820.</p> <p>Source: convictrecords.com.au</p> <p>Occupation given as seaman/cook. Place of birth as America. <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales</i>. Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Indents 1788-1842 (Nrs 12188). Reel: 395.</p> <p>On arrival he was in "Government Employ" in the colony, and then later on Melville Island.</p> <p><i>New South Wales And Tasmania: Settlers And Convicts 1787-1859</i>. HO 10/13 and 20.</p> <p>Between 1824 and 1828 the British attempted to colonise the islands. Convicts were used as labour. However, resistance from the native Tiwi people (the <i>Tunuvivi</i>) led to the attempt being abandoned.</p> <p>A convict named Charles Thompson died and was buried at Melville Island in 1825.</p> <p><i>Fort Dundas Cemetery Genealogical Society of the NT</i> 33 Deceased - 16th January 1825 – 2nd November 1827.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/193. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18190421-248-defend2297&div=t18190421-248#highlight</p> |
| John Thompson. 34 years. | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Africa. Labourer. | 28 th January 1841. | Stealing 1 lamp and 8s of William Wright. | 5 th February 1841. Guilty. | <p>2 months.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/206.</p> |

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| John Thompson. 35 years. <i>Had one White co-accused.</i> | 5/9". Man of Colour. Born Cape. Servant. | 11 th April 1842. | Stealing 4 books of Joseph Johnson. | 12 th April 1842. Guilty. <i>Co-accused also found guilty.</i> | 8 months. <i>Co-accused received a sentence of 4 months.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. |
| Susannah Thompson. (Younger). 18 years. <i>(Had 2 co-accused, one of whom was her mother of the same name – elder, white, aged 45 years and born Ware, married).</i> | 5/2". A mulatto. Born Swansea. Spinster. | 27 th March 1828. | Stealing 1 quilt. | June 10th 1828. Not guilty. <i>Her 2 co-accused were found guilty, sentenced to death/transportation for life.</i> | From: <i>Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser</i> , 11th April 1828. Susannah Thompson and her daughter, also Susannah Thompson – a mother and daughter, the latter described as a Creole. Along with a co-accused Elizabeth Smith. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. |
| Thomas Ferdinand Thompson. 18 years. | 5/1". A man of colour. Stoutish made. Born Barbados. Tobacconist. | 21st July 1818. | Stealing 2 pairs of trousers. | 28th September 1818. Not guilty. | The victim did not appear in court. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. |
| William Thompson. 49 years. | 5/5" tall. Man of colour. Born Charles Town, America. Ship's cook. <i>Cupped on neck(?) Scar L arm.</i> <i>Protestant.</i> <i>Education: Imperfect.</i> | 11 th November 1880. Thames. | Feloniously attempting to murder. | Acquitted being insane, to be kept in. | 11 th December 1880. To Broadmoor. The victim was Alexander Ogilvy, and the incident took place on the High Seas. Ogilvy was resident of the sailors' Home, Whitechapel at the time of the trial. Both Thompson and Ogilvy were sailors on the ship <i>Peru</i> , a Dundee ship from Hong Kong to London, sailing under the British flag. Thompson was a cook and steward on the ship. There had been an incident between the two men, and a few days later Thompson attacked Ogilvy, shooting him with a revolver. Thompson claimed that Ogilvy and the crew were plotting against him. <u>JOHN ROWLAND GIBSON</u> : <i>I am medical officer of H.M. Gaol of Newgate—the prisoner has been confined there since November 11th—I have seen him daily, and examined him—he is suffering from very strong delusions, and has a very firm belief in them—I have discussed with him the idea that there was a plot on the ship to destroy his life, and he is under the belief that lie has been fired at—he told me that he had taken a tin box containing some papers relating to some property in Carolina, and had covered it with carpet to protect him, and had thrown the papers overboard to that the crew should not get them, and flattened the box and placed it on his abdomen to protect him—he likewise stated that there was an attempt to poison him, for one day when he took something into the cabin he saw something glitter, but he was too wide awake to take it—he also said that the fowls and the pigs had poison given to them—he said that he heard the men come and whisper, and they peeped into the galley where he was, and he put out the lights so that they should not see—he also said that he was quite sure he had been fired at some days before he fired—he implicitly believes in these delusions, and he no doubt thoroughly believes in his own sanity.</i> |

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| | | | | | NOT GUILTY <i>being insane. To be detained during Her Majesty's pleasure.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/220. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-39-18801123&div=t18801123-39#highlight |
| Boko Tindle. 21 years. <i>(Co-accused with Boko Collosa and two white others).</i> | 5/7". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Calcutta. Mariner. | 10 th June 1822. | Stealing a piece of gold from Carder. | 4 th July 1822. Not guilty. | Carder described himself as a Mahometan, a native of Bombay. He spoke through an interpreter. The incident appears to have taken place in a lodging house in St. George in the East. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220703-20-defend216&div=t18220703-20#highlight |
| John Towers. 17 years. | 5/1". A man of colour. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 17 th February 1831. | Stealing 1 waistcoat. | 6 th July 1831. Guilty. | 10s fine. Towers was from Spanish Town, Jamaica, and servant to Captain Pearson of Lucas Street. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18310217-229-defend2144&div=t18310217-229#highlight |
| Abraham Townsend. 19 years. | 5/5". A mulatto. Stout. Born Staines. Harness maker. | 11 th May 1826. | Stealing a sack of oats. | 13 th May 1826. Guilty. | 6 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| James Tucker. 24 years. <i>Co-accused of Walter Keley and Allen Burke.</i> | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born Demerara. Sailor. | 17 th September 1859. | Feloniously forging and uttering an order and attempting to obtain certain goods of William Cunningham with intent &c. | 22 nd September 1859. Guilty. <i>Two co-accused also Guilty.</i> | 2 months. Cunningham was a clothier of Victoria Dock Road, Plaistow. The three men gave an order for some clothes in the name of J. McHenry, master of the ship <i>Peire</i> , London Docks. An investigation found that the ship did not exist. The prisoners' statements before the Magistrate were here read as follows: <i>Keely says, "It was no false pretence; it was not this man's name"—Tucker says, "I have only to say that is not my name"—Burke says, "I was called out of the street into the shop to look at the things; the man told me to get an order and I did. I did not forge the order, it is my own name."</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def3-859-18590919&div=t18590919-859#highlight |
| Peter Turnbull. 39 years. | 5/9". A man of colour. Stoutish. Lost a finger. Born Tortola. Mariner. | 22 nd August 1825. | Stealing 2 silver teaspoons. | 22 nd September 1825. Guilty. | 14 days. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. |
| Joseph Turner. 25 years. | 5/3". A man of colour and stoutish made. Born St Thomas in the West Indies. Mariner. | 12 th May 1821. | Stealing a hammer and chisels. | 13 th June 1821. Guilty. | 2 months. The tools were stolen from a mason's yard in New-road, St. George's in the East. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. |

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| Francis Valentine. 27 years. | 5/2". Man of Colour. Born Manilla. Sailor. <i>Scars on leg and mole on cheek.</i> | 22 nd July 1869. | Feloniously _____ an order for £4/15s. | 18 th August 1869. Guilty. | 9 months. The victim was John Schandorff, master of a boarding house for sailors at 41 Back Church Lane, Whitechapel. Valentine had boarded with him for one week prior to attempting to pass the fraudulent money order. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-737-18690816&div=t18690816-737#highlight |
| Felix Victor. 21 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Baltimore. Sailor. | 24 th December 1868. | For the wilful murder of John Buckley. | 14 th January 1869. Guilty. <i>Of manslaughter.</i> | 6 months. The charge was altered to manslaughter. The incident occurred in St George's, Shadwell, after both men had been drinking in the <i>Bell</i> public-house on Ratcliffe Highway. Victor was a sailor, who had visited the area on a number of occasions and was provided with a good character reference. Buckley was well-known to the police and was somewhat of a disreputable character. There were differing witness statements regarding events: Ranging from Buckley attempting to rob Victor, a confrontation over a woman or a racially motivated attack by Buckley on Victor. However, the latter was observed to stab Buckley in the abdomen, a bloodied knife was found in his possession and Buckley lived long enough to make a statement to the police identifying Victor. <i>GUILTY. of Manslaughter, under great provocation. Recommended to mercy by the Jury.— Six Months' Imprisonment.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/216. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-216-18690111&div=t18690111-216#highlight |
| William Walker. 26 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Born Antigua. Cook. | 7 th May 1852. | Feloniously breaking and entering the warehouse of Joseph Jacobs and stealing 3 coats and other articles of his property. | 10 th May 1852. Guilty. | 1 year. The items were stolen from a warehouse in Exchange buildings, Cutler Street. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-477-18520510&div=t18520510-477#highlight |
| Cornelius Warner. 32 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Bombay. Servant. | 27 th May 1829. | Stealing 4 spoons. | 17 th June 1829. Not guilty. | The items were stolen from the ship the <i>Mount Stewart Elphinston</i> , which was in St. Katharine's Docks. Francis Rozare, the second under-steward, had allowed Warner to live on the ship whilst he found accommodation and employment. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. |

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| Henry Waters. 26 years. <i>(Co-accused of John Williams).</i> | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Madras. Mariner. | 31 st November 1832. | Assaulting John Topas, and stealing 1 handkerchief and monies. | 6 th April 1832. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found guilty.</i> | Death. Pardoned and sent to the East Indies Barracks. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Watkins. 18 years. | 5/1". Lad of Colour. Born Westminster. Sweep. | 17 th November 1840. | Stealing 1 coat of Henry Hill and former convin. | 30 th November 1840. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. |
| John Watts. 30 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Grenada. Steward. | 6 th May 1847. | Stealing 9 bottles, 1 gallon of wine, 24 candles of Francis Wilkins Lodge in a vessel in the Port of London. | 15 th May 1847. Not Guilty. | Old Bailey identifies Francis Wilhelm Lodge as the victim. Lodge was Captain of the <i>Eleanor Lancaster</i> . Watts was steward on the vessel. The candles referred to had been purchased by Watts in the Cape. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1217-18470510&div=t18470510-1217#highlight |
| James Webb. 21 years. <i>(Had one white co-accused – also a cutler).</i> | 5/6". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Mile End. Cutler. | 22 nd May 1830. | Stealing several dozen knives and forks. | 29 th May 1830. Guilty. <i>Co-accused received the same verdict and sentence.</i> | 7 years. Transportation. Webb and his co-accused were apprentices to the cutler in Union Street, Spitalfields, from whom they stole the cutlery. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Royal Admiral</i> . Departed 1 st July and arrived 8 th November 1830. Received his <i>Certificate of Freedom</i> in 1837. On it he gave his native place as London, and he was described as a mulatto. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/200. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18300527-132-defend1127&div=t18300527-132#highlight convictrecords.com.au <i>New South Wales, Butts Of Convicts' Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i> . Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867 (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel: 998. |
| John Weekley. 19 years 2 months. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Singapore. Sailor. <i>Protestant.</i> | 2 nd April 1879. Guildhall. | Stealing the sum of 9s. | Discharged. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/219. |
| Thomas Welch. 18 years. | 5/2. Mulatto. Born St Giles. Labourer. | 4 th March 1835. | Stealing 3o yards of cotton. | 7 th April 1835. Guilty. | 3 months. The cotton was taken from a linen draper in Tottenham Court Road. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-904a-18350406&div=t18350406-904a#highlight |
| Charles Western. 27 years. | 5/10". A man of colour. Stout made. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 7 th January 1818. | Stealing one piece of beef and one piece of mutton. | 27 th January 1818. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. <i>In custody before.</i> The meat was stolen from a butcher in White Horse-street, Stepney. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>General Stewart</i> , 19 th July to 31 st December 1818. Seaman and barber. |

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| | | | | | <p><u>Source:</u> PCOM2/192. <i>convictrecords.com.au</i> State Records Authority of New South Wales. Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Indents 1788-1842 (Nrs 12188). Reel: 394. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180114-180-defend1241&div=t18180114-180#highlight</p> |
| Mary Ann Wetherby. 39 years. | 5/2". Woman of Colour. Born Lambeth. Widow. | 11 th September 1866. Southwark, Surrey. | Feloniously wounding Abraham Deerling to do him bodily harm. | 20 th September 1866. Not Guilty. | <p>Old Bailey identified her as a woman of colour. Abraham Deerling was a Policeman who was attempting to arrest Mary Ann's 12-year-old daughter for stealing a watch. Mary Ann appears to have resided in Gunn Street. She was accused of stabbing PC Deerling with the knife she had been using to shell walnuts when he arrived to arrest her daughter (1871 Census reveals the daughter to have been Isabella). Mary Ann Weatherby was described as a woman of colour in: <i>South London Press</i>, 15th September 1866. <i>Morning Post</i>, 12th September 1866. <i>London Daily News</i>, 12th September 1866.</p> <p>Mary Ann Wetherby was born Mary Ann Aguirra, the daughter of Private Joseph Aguirra, a Black bandsman in the 1st Foot Guards (The Grenadier Guards). She married, firstly Nehemiah Hussey, then, following his death, John Wetherby Weatherby).</p> <p><i>1871 England Census.</i> Gunn Street, St George, Southwark, Lambeth Surrey. Mary Wetherby. 44 years. Widow. Laundress. Born in Lambeth. John J Wetherby. Son. Single. 24 years. Dealer. Born in Lambeth. Ellen Wetherby. Daughter. Single. Dealer. 17 years. Born in Lambeth. Isabella Wetherby. Daughter. Single. 15 years. Born in Lambeth. RG 10. Piece 604. Folio 48. Page 29. <i>findmypast.co.uk</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/216. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-877-18660917&div=t18660917-877#highlight</p> |
| Elizabeth White. 25 years. <i>Had one White male and one White female co-accused.</i> | 5/0". Woman of Colour. Born Africa. Spinster. | 21 st May 1843. | Stealing 1 jacket and 1 knife of James Carter. | 10 th May 1843. Guilty. <i>Male co-accused found Not Guilty.</i> <i>Female co-accused found Guilty.</i> | <p>4 months. <i>Female co-accused also received 4 months.</i> Carter was a sailor lodging in Essex Street, Commercial Road. White appears to have been a prostitute and lived with her co-accused (John and Sarah Neale). <i>White's Defence. He went home with me; he said he had got no money, he had only just come home, but he would leave his jacket with me, and give me 4s. The next day he took it off and gave it to me. Between four and five o'clock in the morning he awoke me, and said he would murder me, if I did not give him his jacket. I said he gave it me; then Sarah Neale came in, and</i></p> |

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| | | | | | <p>he began to ill-use her; he said he should leave his jacket with his girl for 4s; and I said directly, "You bring the 4s., and you shall have your jacket." I heard "Murder" cried; I jumped out of bed, and said, "What is the matter?" he said he would have his jacket; he up with his fist, and struck me, and said if I did not hold my tongue, he would murder everyone in the house; he said, "I will have my revenge out of the Irish; for through the Irish I got twice into Newgate."</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1522-18430508&div=t18430508-1522#highlight</p> |
| Mahomet Wiggett. 23 years. | 5/5". Man of Colour. Born Aden. Sailor. <i>Mole left cheek. Scar near left ear.</i> | 3 rd January 1874. | Feloniously by threats of violence robbing Emily Durndell of 2s. | 13 th January 1874. Not Guilty. | <p>Old Bailey identified him as being black. Durndell was 15 years of age and lived with her father at 11 West India Dock Cottages. <i>Prisoner. Q. Did you give it of your own free will? A. I gave it him because I was frightened of him—he said he was hungry and wanted something to eat—I had 24s., counting; he was satisfied with my giving him the 2s.</i></p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-109-18740112&div=t18740112-109#highlight</p> |
| George Wildblood. 32 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born America. Sailor. | 23 rd July 1857. | Unlawfully attempting to commit B____y with Edwin Seaforth. | 21 st August 1857. Not Guilty. | <p>Old Bailey names Edwin Seyforth.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-891-18570817&div=t18570817-891#highlight</p> |
| William Wilkinson. 48 years. | 5/9". A mulatto. Stout made. Born Boston, America. Mariner. | 24 th April 1820. | Assault on the King's Highway and taking 3 half-crowns and 2 £1 bank notes. | 19 th May 1820. Guilty. | <p>Death. Executed 27th July 1820. <i>Inverness Courier</i>, 01 June 1820 <i>Windsor and Eton Express</i>, 23 July 1820.</p> <p>Sources: PCOM2/194.</p> |
| Francis William Whitten. 27 years. <i>(His co-accused was white).</i> | 5/7". A man of colour. Slim made. Born Kingston, Jamaica. Seaman. | 13 th June 1818. | Stealing a pair of shoes. | 23 rd June 1818. Guilty. <i>His co-accused was found not guilty.</i> | <p>3 months.</p> <p>Sources: PCOM2/192.</p> |
| Charlotte Williams. 22 years. | 4/11". Woman of colour. Born St Andrews. Spinster. | 28 th August 1833. | Stealing monies | Bill not found. | <p>Discharged 8th September 1833.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2 Piece 202.</p> |
| George Williams. 30 years. <i>(Co-accused of John Roberts and 2 white men).</i> | 5/5" Black complexion, hair and eyes. Born Bermuda, West Indies. Labourer. | 22 nd August 1817. | Stealing 280 lbs of rope. | 6 th October 1817. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/191.</p> |
| George Williams. 55 years. | 5/5". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 29 th February 1832 | Stealing 5 jackets. | 11 th April 1832. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported.</p> <p>Sources: TNA PCOM2/201.</p> |

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| James Williams. 20 years. | 5/4". A man of colour. Slim made. Born West Indies. Painter. | 6 th April 1822. | Stealing 28 pounds of rope and a chisel. | 27 th April 1822. Guilty. | 3 months. Williams stole the items from a premises in the Dock Yard. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18220417-189-defend1742&div=t18220417-189#highlight |
| John Williams. 16 years. (<i>Had one white co-accused</i>). | 4/-". A mulatto. Slim made. Born Westminster. Sweep. | 14 th April 1821. From new prison. | Stealing a kettle. | 25 th April 1821. Guilty. | 7 years. To the Hulk at Gosport. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i> Williams and two other boys (Edward Bolton and "Saucy Jack") were dressed as chimney-sweeps when they stole the kettle from a widow in Plumtree Street (?), Bloomsbury. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/195. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18210411-133-defend1410&div=t18210411-133#highlight |
| John Williams. 19 years. | 5/5". Black man, black hair and eyes. Stoutish. Born West Indies. Labourer. | 20 th July 1822. | Stealing a quantity of lead fixed in a building. | 27 th July 1822. Guilty. | 7 years. <i>Retribution – Sheerness, 17th October 1822.</i> <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. |
| John Williams. 25 years. (<i>Co-accused of Henry Waters</i>). | 5/4". A man of colour. Stoutish. Born Madras. Mariner. | 31 st November 1832. | Assaulting John Topas and stealing 1 handkerchief and monies. | 6 th April 1832. Guilty. <i>Co-accused found guilty.</i> | Death. Pardoned and sent to the East Indies Barracks. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. |
| John Williams. 30 years. | 5/2". Man of colour. Stout. Born New York. Mariner. | 30 th September 1824. | Stealing a dulcimer. | 30 th October 1824. Not guilty. | The item (a musical string instrument) was taken from a room in a dwelling house where Williams was also lodging. Williams was apprehended at Turnham Green. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/197. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18241028-131-defend1243&div=t18241028-131#highlight |
| John Williams. 26 years. | 5/8". Man of Colour. Born Calcutta. Sailor. | 15 th August 1840. | Stealing 2 shoes of John Hullock from a vessel in the Port of London. | 22 nd August 1840. Not Guilty. | The shoes were taken from the <i>Donna Pasco</i> , in the West India Docks. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/206. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2141-18400817&div=t18400817-2141#highlight |
| John Williams. 32 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Coleman St. Labourer. | 17 th April 1841. | Stealing 1 bible and 3 prayer books. | 12 th May 1841. Guilty. | 6 months. The books were stolen in two separate incidents from Thomas Fox and William John Powell; 9 th and 13 th April 1841 respectively. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/207. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1321-18410510&div=t18410510-1321#highlight |
| John Williams. 29 years. | 5/4". Man of Colour. Born Sierra Leone. Sailor. | 26 th February 1849. | Stealing 40 yards of cloth of William Direcourt in a vessel in the Port of London. | 28 th February 1849. Guilty. | 4 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/211. |

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| John Williams. 25 years. | 5/0". Man of Colour. Born Calcutta. Labourer. | 29 th January 1850. | Unlawfully assaulting Catherine Mather with intent to.&c. | 7 th February 1850. Guilty. | 6 months. Old Bailey notes that Williams was a Lascar and that it was a sexual offence. The case was reported by <i>Bell's Weekly Messenger</i> . Williams was described as a "diminutive Lascar mendicant." The victim was Catherine Mather, aged 14 years, the daughter of Reverend J Mather, and Independent Minister. The attack took place on Hackney Downs and was foiled when Catherine fought back until her father was able to come to her aid and restrain Williams. At the subsequent trial the Reverend Mather refused to swear an oath on the bible (claiming he was an independent member of the Church of England), and so his evidence could not be heard. Williams was sentenced to 6 months for common assault. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/212. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-453-18500204&div=t18500204-453#highlight <i>Bell's Weekly Messenger</i> , 26th January 1850. <i>Findmypast.co.uk</i> |
| John Williams. 24 years. | 5/7". Man of colour. Born Bombay. Labourer. | 11 th April 1857. | Unlawfully uttering counterfeit coins. | 12 th May 1857. Guilty. | 9 months. The coins were passed in a general shop in High Street, Woolwich. Williams was taken into custody in High Street, Woolwich, a few yards from the shop. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/214 www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-643-18570511&div=t18570511-643#highlight |
| John Henry Williams. 11 years. | 4/3". Negro. Stoutish. Born at St Brides. No occupation. | 21 st January 1823. | Stealing a box and monies. | Bill not found. | <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/196. |
| Joseph Williams. 20 years. | 5/6". A man of colour. Born Isle of France. Mariner. | 1 st June 1831. | Stealing 3 muskets. | 30 th June 1831. Not guilty. | The muskets were taken from the <i>Surrey</i> , an East Indies trade ship, on which Williams had been employed for two or three weeks. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/201. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18310630-48-defend455&div=t18310630-48#highlight |
| Moydeen Williams. 35 years. | 5/9". Man of colour. Born Bombay. Sailor. | 1 st November 1854. | Stealing a jacket and other goods of Dennis Buckley in his dwelling house and afterwards burglariously breaking out of same dwelling house. | 30 th November 1854. Guilty. | 9 months. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/213 |
| Paul Williams. 21 years. | 5/7". Man of Colour. Born Boston. Sailor. | 25 th May 1846. | Burglary in the dwelling house of Edward Robbins and stealing 7 knives, 10 forks his property. <i>Detained – larceny in a dwelling house.</i> | 18 th June 1846. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The victim was a tailor who resided at No. 4, Rose-lane, Ratcliff, St Dunstan's, Stepney. There was another indictment against the prisoner. |

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| | | | | | <p>Transported to Van Dieman's Land on the <i>Ratcliffe</i>, 25th July to 12th November 1848.</p> <p>Reads and writes a little. Single. Roman Catholic. Trade given as tailor.</p> <p>Convict record confirms black complexion, black and curly hair. Place of birth given as Otaheite, (Hawaii?) Anchor and crucifixion on right arm. Other marks and tattoo on the left arm – including heart and darts.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/210. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-1252-18460615&div=t18460615-1252#highlight convictrecords.com.au foundersandsurvivors.org <i>Tasmania Convict Records 1800-1893</i>. Conduct Record CON33/1/91; Description List CON18/1/50; Indent CON14/1/40; Muster Roll GO1/1/7 Page 80; Muster Roll MM71/2</p> |
| Robert Williams. 25 years. | 5/10". Man of Colour. Born Boston, USA. Sailor. <i>Scar under eye and arm.</i> | 8 th August 1873. | Feloniously wounding John Watson to do grievous bodily harm. | 19 th August 1873. Not Guilty. | <p>Watson was a seaman belonging to the ship <i>Hudson</i>, lying in Shadwell Basin. Williams was also a seaman on the ship. There appears to have been a grudge between the two, with Watson being identified as the aggressor.</p> <p><i>Prisoner's Defence. He had annoyed me during all the passage. He had knocked against me on shore the same night, near The Bells. He afterwards laid wait for me with a belaying pin behind him. He said he had a great mind to kill me; I told the second mate, who came on deck at the time, about it. I had been eating some ham and bread and was picking my teeth with a knife when I went on board.</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/217. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-532-18730818&div=t18730818-532#highlight</p> |
| Thomas Williams. 24 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Slim made. Born New York, America. Mariner. | 9 th June 1817. | Stealing a coat and knife. | 11 th June 1817. Guilty. | <p>2 months.</p> <p>The items were stolen from the dwelling Williams was lodging at in Rennington Street.</p> <p>Old Bailey records say whipped and sentenced to 3 months.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18170702-124-defend982&div=t18170702-124#highlight</p> |
| Thomas Williams. 36 years. | 5/8". A Black. Black hair, black eyes, slender made. Born New York, America. Mariner. | 6 th October 1817. | Stealing a piece of cotton print containing 29 yards. | 4 th November 1817. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported. <i>It was noted that he had been in custody before.</i></p> <p>Williams stole the cloth from the shop of a linen-draper in Ratcliff-highway.</p> <p>Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Tottenham</i>, January 1818 to 14th October 1818.</p> <p>A cook by occupation. Height 5/8 and ¾".</p> |

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| | | | | | According to www.pastmasters.net : Served on the expedition to Melville Island. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/191. convictrecords.com.au State Records Authority of New South Wales. Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Indents 1788-1842 (Nrs 12188). Reel: 394. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18171029-90-defend565&div=t18171029-90#highlight www.pastmasters.net |
| Thomas Williams. 27 years. | 5/7". A man of colour. Thin made. Born Barbados. Mariner. | 9 th January 1818. | Stealing a leather hat. | 24 th January 1818. Guilty. | 3 months. The hat was stolen from a slop-seller in Parsons-Street. <u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180114-138-defend997&div=t18180114-138#highlight |
| Thomas Williamson. 32 years. | 5/8". Man of colour. Born Bridgewater. Servant. | 13 th January 1835. | Stealing trousers and 2 spoons. | 2 nd February 1835. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>John Barry</i> , 7 th September 1835 to 13 th January 1836. According to his <i>Certificate of Freedom</i> , dated 11 th November 1842: Born in Somersetshire. Indoor servant. Born 1803. Black complexion. Black and Woolly hair. General remarks note many marks and tattoos, including a human head inside the lower right arm. Man of Colour. <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2 Piece 203. convictrecords.com.au <i>New South Wales, Butts Of Convicts' Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867</i> . Butts Of Certificates Of Freedom 1827-1867 (Nrs 12210, Reels 982-1027 & 604). Reel: 1012. findmypast.co.uk |
| Edward Winsor. 30 years. | 5/4". A Mulatto. Stoutish. Born St Croix. Slater. | 19 th November 1827. | Stealing a pair of boots. | 10 th December 1827. Guilty. | 7 years. Transported. The boots were stolen from a dwelling in Ludgate Street. <i>Prisoner's Defence. I was very badly off and had had no work for three months.</i> Individual and ship cannot be identified on convictrecords.com.au <u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/199. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18271206-214-defend1160&div=t18271206-214#highlight convictrecords.com.au |
| Benjamin Wiseman. 16 years. | 5/6". Half Caste. Born Ganges. Labourer. | 28 th August 1843. | Stealing 1 handkerchief of Thomas Etheredge. | 21 st September 1843. Guilty. | 4 months. Etheridge was a hosier from Aldersgate Street. Etheridge caught Wiseman picking his pocket in Smithfield and immediately took him to the Police. |

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| | | | | | <p><i>Prisoner's Defence. I found it on the ground, put it in my pocket, and when he asked me for a handkerchief, I said I had not got his handkerchief. I did not know it was his.</i></p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/208. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=def1-2623-18430918&div=t18430918-2623#highlight</p> |
| William Wright. 25 years. | 5/7". Black complexion, hair and eyes. Stout made. Born Jamaica. Seaman. | 29 th April 1818. | Stealing a pair of trousers and 2 jackets. | 9 th May 1818. Guilty. | <p>7 years. Transported. The items were stolen from two sailors whose vessel was in City Canal. Transported to New South Wales on the <i>Morley</i>, July 1818 to 7th November 1818. A servant and sailor.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> PCOM2/192. <i>State Records Authority of New South Wales.</i> Australia Convict Ships 1786-1849. Indents 1788-1842 (Nrs 12188). Reel: 394. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18180506-56-defend507&div=t18180506-56#highlight convictrecords.com.au</p> |
| James Young. 35 years. | 5/10". A man of colour. Stout. Born Jamaica. Mariner. | 9 th July 1825. | Stealing 1 shawl and 1 umbrella. | 17 th September 1825. Guilty. | <p>14 days. Young had gone to the home of a single woman from Upper Caldwood street. The incident occurred after he had stopped the night.</p> <p><u>Sources:</u> TNA PCOM2/198. www.oldbaileyonline.org/browse.jsp?id=t18250915-141-defend770&div=t18250915-141#highlight</p> |

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2)In the ‘Regimental Records of Service, 1806-1817’ for the 2nd Battalion of the 67th (the South Hampshire) Foot, eighteen British and Irish born soldiers were described as having “Black” complexions, but two of the men also had the annotation “Black man”. Whilst in the ‘Regimental Records of Service, 1811-1815’ for the 2nd Battalion of the 88th Foot (Connaught Rangers), a number of British and Irish born soldiers were described as having “Black” complexions, although only one was also noted to have a “coloured” complexion.(“Coloured” was not a term commonly used). Both the 67th and 88th Foot were clearly aware that whilst a soldier of White British or Irish origin and a soldier of African or Asian origin might both possess a complexion to be sufficiently dark enough to be described as “Black”, that there was a difference. In the 2nd/67th for Thomas Brien born at Martinique c.1779 and George Casar (Caesar) born at Guadeloupe c.1784, see: The National Archives (TNA) WO 25/453. In the 2nd/88th for John Carr, born in Baltimore, USA c.1793 see: TNA WO 25/518.

3)TNA PCOM2. The phrase “as Black as Newgate’s’ knocker” refers to the heavy iron knocker on the main door to the prison between 1792 and 1902.

4)Halliday, S. *“Newgate: London’s Prototype of Hell”* (The History Press, 2007). Kindle edition.

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