

Minchinhampton Transportees expanded from:

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I was looking through the above book and I noticed that there were people sentenced to transportation from Minchinhampton. At a loose end on a miserably wet day, I decided to see if I could find more details than those offered in the book. It developed into a major project and this is the result.

Where I am quoting from newspapers and gaol records I have tried to preserve the spelling and turn of phrase used. This includes the shortening of names, for example William to W^m or Will^m, Samuel to Sam^l etc.

Please note that all information below should be checked in original sources where possible, either the online copies or at the Gloucester Records Office. I'm not infallible and I cannot guarantee there are no mistakes in transcribing the information.

Sources:

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2. *Ancestry.co.uk* for access to:
 - a. Gloucestershire Prison Calendars and Registers (*originals held at Gloucestershire Record Office*)
 - b. Parish Records (*originals held at Gloucestershire Record Office*)
 - c. Prison Hulk Registers (*originals held in General Record Office, London*)
3. *British Newspaper Archives* – various West Country newspapers
4. *Website: Convict Records of Australia* <https://convictrecords.com.au> an excellent site for ships and convict details.

I hope you find this interesting and maybe discover an elusive ancestor or two.

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Arrested with Mary Ann Jones, Eliza Haines, Elizabeth Barnett, Ann Barnett and Elizabeth White.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
John Adams	Minchinhampton Labourer	22	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1840	Transportation 22 years

WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED:
Sailed from Sheerness on the Duncan on December 16th 1840 for Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) arriving in Hobart Town via Cape of Good Hope, on April 18th 1841.

Any family details:
Possibly the John Adams baptised at Minchinhampton on 15/10/1815 son of Christopher and Ann (abode Minchinhampton, occupation Labourer)

Any newspaper details: various duplicated reports in:
Cheltenham Examiner 15/1/1840, 22/1/1840, 8/4/1840,
Cheltenham Chronicle 23/1/1840, 9/4/1840 *Gloucester Chronicle* 1/4/1840, 9/5/1840
Gloucester Journal 4/4/1840, 11/4/1840, 9/5/1840
Wiltshire and Gloucestershire Standard 11/4/1840, 25/4/1840

Cheltenham Examiner 15/1/1840: Cheltenham Police Court. John Adams, Mary Ann Jones, Eliza Haines, Elizabeth Barnett and Ann Barnett were charged with breaking open the house of John Brown at Prestbury on Thursday night last [*this would be the 9th*] and stealing therefrom a quantity of wearing apparel of the value of about £40, were remanded until Thursday [*that would be the 15th*] for the purpose of obtaining further evidence.

Cheltenham Examiner 22/1/1840: Cheltenham Police Court. John Adams, Mary Ann Jones, Eliza Haines, Hannah Barnett and Elizabeth Barnett were committed for trial on a charge of stealing a quantity of linen from the premises of John Brown of Prestbury.

Cheltenham Chronicle 23/1/1840: John Adams, Mary Ann Jones, Eliza Haines, Elizabeth Barnett and Ann Barnett, who had been remanded on suspicion of breaking open the premises of John Brown, at Prestbury, and stealing therefrom a quantity of linen and wearing apparel, were brought up for further examination. Elizabeth Brown, laundress, wife of John Brown, deposed that in consequence of information received from her daughter, Mary Hamlet, on Wednesday week, she went to the wash house, where a quantity of wet clothes, entrusted to her care to be washed, had been deposited, the property of various individuals in the parish of Prestbury and elsewhere. The window had been broken open and a quantity of linen stolen. Witness stated that the clothes were safe and the fastenings left secure the night before. Mary Ann Hamlet, on being sworn, stated that she first discovered on Wednesday morning that the robbery had been committed, and that the thieves effected an entrance through the window, the broken glass of which was lying on the ground of the wash house. Witness stated that all the clothes sent to her mother was left secure the night previously, at six o'clock.

In consequence of intelligence received by Brown of the robbery, Elisha Castle traced the property in question to a house in Stanhope Street, in the occupation of Elizabeth Barnett. He saw a quantity of wet linen in various parts of the house on Friday morning, some of which was locked up in a box belonging to Elizabeth Barnett. The articles of clothing were now produced, several of which were identified by Mary Hamlet as the property of different individuals, who had sent them to her other to be cleaned. A pair of stockings belonging to Lady Gresley, and a shirt, which Mary Hamlet could swear as being her husband's, was also found in the house occupied by the old woman, Elizabeth Barnett.

Adams, when asked if he had anything to say in his defence, stated that he lodged at the old woman's house (meaning Elizabeth Barnett) that on Wednesday or Thursday week, he went out with a small dog, and on passing across a field, the animal started a bird that was in the hedge; he followed him, and in stepping over the ditch trod upon a bag, which, on closer inspection he found to contain some wet clothes. He covered the bag over with some grass and thorns, and left it by the side of the ditch. In about two hours afterwards he returned and took it home. On the following morning, when at breakfast, he told his fellow prisoners of the circumstances. They said perhaps the things were stolen and advised him to go and give them to someone, or he might get himself into a hobble. He said he would let them stop for a day or two, and see if any outcry was made, and then he would deliver them up.

Haines said she knew nothing about the things being in the house till Mr Castle came to search the premises.

Ann Barnett said she did not know anything of the transaction till Adams mentioned it at breakfast. The things arrived at their lodgings (E. Barnett's house) on Wednesday night.

The old woman, Elizabeth Barnett, said that she did not see the things brought into her home nor took out. She was up stairs at the time Mr Castle came to examine the house. She prevaricated very much in her

statement, at one time asserting that she was up stairs the first time Castle called and down stairs the second time, she then reversed her statement, being down the first time and up the next. They were all committed on this charge, and a second complaint was preferred against them for stealing a quantity of linen, the property of Charles Parker, from an adjoining wash hose to the one before mentioned. The prisoners were then remanded to Gloucester Gaol till Saturday, when they will be brought up for final examination.

Cheltenham Chronicle 9/4/1840: John Adams, 22, Eliza Haines, 22, Mary Ann Jones, 23, Hannah Barnett, 24, Elizabeth Barnett, 66 and Elizabeth White, were charged, the former with burglariously breaking open the dwelling house of John Brown, at Prestbury, and stealing a large quantity of wearing apparel belonging to different individuals. Adams pleaded guilty. Haines, Jones and Hannah Barnett were acquitted; Elizabeth Barnett & Elizabeth White were found guilty. There was another indictment of a similar nature on the prosecution of Charles Parker; on this also Haines and Jones were acquitted and Hannah & Elizabeth Barnett found guilty. Adams was sentenced to 15years transportation for the first offence and to 7years transportation for the second. Hannah Barnett, 6months hard labour; Elizabeth Barnett 6months hard labour for each offence and Elizabeth White to 12months hard labour.

Prison records: Gloucester County Gaol Registers Lent Assizes 1840: John Adams 22 Brown hair, hazel eyes, oval visage, fresh complexion. Tumour on left side of neck, scar across forehead. Labourer. Height 5'5". From Minchinhampton. Admitted 18/1/1840 Charged on the oath of Elizabeth Brown and others with having at Prestbury on the night of January 7th, feloniously broken open the dwelling house of John Brown and feloniously stolen therefrom various articles of wearing apparel, his property. Tried at the Lent Assizes 31/3/1840 Sentenced to Transportation for 22years. Removed to Penitentiary 6/4/1840. Conduct orderly.

Prison Hulk Registers: *Warrior*, Woolwich, received from Gloucester Assizes 5/5/1840. John Adams 22, burglary, transportation for 15year plus 7years total 22years. Single, can read, labourer. No report from gaoler regarding conduct. Removed 27/11/1840.

Any additional information: Calendar of Prisoners in Horsley House of Correction: 1/4/1836 John Adams 20 Wilfully and maliciously damaging gate and fences belonging to John Day of Minchinhampton. Convicted 27/2/1836 sentenced to two calendar months hard labour or pay £5 damage for the gate. £4 10s penalty. Can read and write.

Charged with William Bird, 26 from Minchinhampton

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Thomas Adey	Minchinhampton	32	Gloucester Epiphany (January) Assizes 1832	Transportation 7 years
<p>WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on Mangles on December 8th 1832 arriving New South Wales on 17th April 1833. Disembarked Sydney Cove 19th April 1833.</p>				
<p>Any family details: Banns read at Minchinhampton on June 7th, 14th and 21st 1829 for Thomas Adey and Elizabeth Pearse both of this parish. Married on July 5th. 3/2/1830 Baptism of daughter Mary Ann at Minchinhampton (abode Pinfarthings Labourer) c1832 Birth of daughter Jane 1841 Census: Minchinhampton, St Cloe: Betsey Adey 40 Clothworker/ Mary Adey 11/ Jane Adey 9 all 'born in county'. 18/10/1846 marriage at Amberley Joseph Edgeworth 55 Widower Labourer of Littleworth to Elizabeth Adey 46 Widow Weaver of Littleworth daughter of John Pearce. One of the witnesses was her daughter Mary Ann Adey</p>				
<p>Any newspaper details: various duplicated reports in: <i>Cheltenham Journal</i> 2/1/1832 <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> 5/1/1832, 1/1/1832 <u><i>Cheltenham Journal</i> 2/1/1832:</u> Commitments to our County Gaol: William Bird and Thomas Adey, charged with stealing a quantity of cheese etc. from the dwelling house of E. Barnard of Minchinhampton. <u><i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> 5/1/1832:</u> At Gloucester County Quarter Sessions prisoners were disposed of as follows: 7 years transportation Thomas Adey for stealing a quantity of cheese etc. from the dwelling house of E. Barnard at Minchinhampton.</p>				
<p>Prison records: <u>Register of Prisoners at County Gaol for Epiphany Sessions Lent Assizes 1832:</u> When brought in: December 20th 1831 (<i>along with William Bird, 26</i>) TA 32 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Edward Barnard, John Skelton and Isaac Lockier with having on the night of Friday 23rd December inst, feloniously stolen from the dwelling-house of said EB, situate in the parish of Minchinhampton, a quantity of cheese and other articles, the property of said EB. Description: see N^o 19 Lent Assizes 1811 <i>cannot find these records online</i>. Tried at the Epiphany Sessions January 3rd 1832: Transported 7 years. Removed to Penitentiary 4th January 1832. Conduct orderly. <i>N.B. William Bird sentenced to 12 calendar months Hard Labour in the penitentiary so not in this index.</i></p>				
<p>Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i>, Woolwich, received from Gloucester 3/1/1832: JA 33 Stealing cheese etc. 7years.</p>				
<p>Any additional information: Previous Convictions: <u>Calendar of Prisoners in the County Goal for the Epiphany Sessions January 1811:</u> TA aged 11 committed October 19th 1810 by Henry Burgh and Samuel Wathen Esqs. and William Mills, Clerk charge upon the oath of Richard Blackmore with feloniously breaking open the dwelling house of the said RB at the parish of Horsley on Tuesday last with an intent to commit a felony therein: Guilty 12mths hard labour. <u>Calendar of Prisoners in the County Goal for the Epiphany Sessions January 1816:</u> TA aged 16 committed January 1st 1816 by Samuel Wathen Esq., charged on suspicion of stealing a pair of breeches, the property of William Hall: Discharged. <u>Register of Prisoners at County Gaol for Epiphany Sessions January 1816:</u> When brought in: January 1st 1816. Thomas Adey 16 Minchinhampton. Charged on suspicion of stealing a pair of breeches, the property of William Hall Coachman to Alex^r Townsend, Esq. Description: see N^o 19 Lent Assizes 1811. Tried at the Epiphany Sessions on January 9th 1816 – discharged by Proclamation on January 12th 1816. Behaviour and other remarks: Very well [behaved] not read nor write. <u>New South Wales, Australia, Convict Indents:</u> Convict number: 33-783 Thomas Adey 32 cannot read or write. Protestant. Married 2 female children. Gloucestershire, Farm Servant. Convicted housebreaking at Gloucester Quarter Session 3/1/1832. Sentence 7years. Previous convictions 12months. Height 5'3¾" Complexion Dark ruddy Hair: brown and bald. Eyes: Brown. Distinguishing marks: Scar inside left thumb, marks of scrofula right side of neck.</p>				

Charged with John Reeves 41 from Horton

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
James Alder	Minchinhampton Mason	37	Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1831	Death transmuted to Transportation Life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on John 1 January 26 th 1832 arriving New South Wales June 8 th 1832.				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 18th August 1831:</i> Recent Assizes at Gloucester: Death recorded: JA for breaking into the house of C Alder of King Stanley and stealing a tea-kettle etc. <i>Bristol Mirror Saturday 17th September 1831:</i> List of convicts from Gloucester Assizes who, on Monday, were removed from Glos County Gaol to the hulks at Woolwich included: for life, James Alder.				
Prison records: <u>Calendar of Prisoners Summer Assizes, Gloucester 1831</u> James Alder aged 37 and John Reeves aged 41 committed on 9/4/1831, charged on the oaths of Charles Alder, of King Stanley and others, with feloniously and burglariously breaking into the dwelling house of the said CA at the parish aforesaid, on the night of the 6 th April, and stealing therefrom a tea-kettle, a tea-pot, a quantity of candles and a variety of other articles, the property of said CA. <u>Gloucester Gaol Records Summer Assizes 1831:</u> Brought in: 9/4/1831 (<i>along with John Reeves 41 from Horton charge with same crime</i>) JA aged 37 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Charles Alder, of King Stanley, shopkeeper, and others, with feloniously and burglariously breaking open and entering his dwelling house at the parish aforesaid, on the night of the 6 th April, and stealing therein a tea-kettle, a tea-pot, a quantity of candles and a variety of other articles, the property of said CA. Description: See number 6 Summer Assizes 1829. Tried at the Summer Assizes on 10/8/1831 Death Recorded, transported for life. Removed to the Penitentiary 5/9/1831. Conduct: Orderly <i>John Reeves found not guilty and released.</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich. Received on 6/9/1831 from Gloucester JA 37 Housebreaking. Life Removed on 12/1/1832				
Any additional information: Previous conviction: <u>Calendar of Prisoners Easter Sessions, Gloucester 28/4/1829:</u> JA aged 35, committed 17/4/29 charged on the oaths of Wolfe Israel of the city of Gloucester, pedlar, and another, with feloniously stealing at the parish of Stroud on 16/4/29, a gold seal, the property of the said Wolfe Israel – Guilty, 3mths in Penitentiary. <u>Gloucester Gaol Records Summer Assizes 1829:</u> Brought in: 17/4/1829 James Alder 35 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Wolfe Israel of the city of Gloucester, pedlar, and another, with feloniously stealing at the parish of Stroud on 16/4/29, a gold seal, the property of the said Wolfe Israel. Description: Dark brown hair, grey eyes, sandy beard, fresh complexion, thin face, large nose, irregular teeth, a scar in the right-side of chin, several small spots on his forehead, scar left side of chin, two marks on the back of his neck, mole left shoulder. Left leg has been broke and not properly set. Height: 5'7" Occupation: Mason. Tried at Easter Sessions 28/4/1829 Sentenced to 3 calendar months in the Penitentiary removed there 29 th April. Conduct: Orderly				

NAME: Thomas Baker	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton, Weaver	AGE AT CONVICTION: 20	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Michaelmas (October) Assizes 1829	SENTENCE: Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the David Lyon April 29 th 1830 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) 18 th August 1830				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 29th October 1829</i> : At the County Sessions, which commenced on Tuesday prisoners were disposed of as under: 7years transportation: Thomas Baker, for stealing a half-sovereign the property of E Blick at Rodborough.				
Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Registers Michaelmas Sessions October 1829: Received 28 th September 1829 TB 20 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Enoch Blick and William Teale, with having on the 3 rd day of August last, at the parish of Rodborough, feloniously stolen, taken and carried away a half sovereign, the property of the said Enoch Blick. Description: See Lent Assizes 1828. Tried October 20 th sentenced transportation 7years. Removed to Penitentiary 22 nd October. Conduct: Orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Ganymede</i> , Chatham, received from Gloucester 20 th October 1829. Stealing from the person sentenced to 7years. Removed 23/4/1830.				
Any additional information: Gloucester Gaol Registers Lent Assizes April 1828: Received 16 th February 1828 age 18 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Joseph Hewlett and others with having broken open the hen house of Joseph Browne in the parish of Minchinhampton, clothier, and stolen there out two ducks and a drake and other fowls, his property, and a spade the property of Joseph Hewlett. And further charged with having broken open the stable of James Harris on the 2 nd February inst. and feloniously stolen there out three ducks and a drake, his property. Dark hair, grey eyes, dark eyebrows and whiskers. Fresh complexion. Lost a lower front tooth. Mark at the corner of the left eye. Rather flat nose. Scar over left eyebrow, scar on left temple, a mark on right temple, a mole on left shoulder, a mole on right arm, a mole on right side. Can read. Weaver. Height 5' 3½". Tried at the Lent Assizes found Not Guilty released 8 th April 1828. Conduct orderly.				

Charged with Joseph Dobbins (Dobyns) 32 of Redmarley

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Joseph Blackwell	Minchinhampton, Labourer	21	Gloucester October Assizes 1831	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Katherine Stewart Forbes on February 21 st 1832 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) July 16 th 1832.				
Any family details: None found pre-transportation. See below for post-transportation.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 27 th October 1831: At the County Sessions following sentences: 7years transportation: Joseph Blackwell and Joseph Dobyns, for stealing two hen fowls, the property of J Stokes of Pauntley.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register Lent Assizes 1832</u> : Received 15 th October 1831 (<i>along with Joseph Dobyns</i>) JB 21 Minchinhampton: Charged with having on Saturday last feloniously stolen two hen fowls the property of Mr John Stokes of Pauntley. And also charged on suspicion of having feloniously stolen a quantity of cheese, tea, coffee, nutmegs, tablecloths and numerous articles of wearing apparel the property of person or persons unknown. Description: Dark brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, long face. The letters JB marked on left arm. Mermaid on right arm. Two scars on his back. A scar on the back of his left shoulder. Cannot read or write. Labourer. Height 5'3". Convicted: 18 th October 1831 transportation 7years. Removed to Penitentiary on 21 st October. Conduct Orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester 18 th October 1831. Stealing two fowls. 7 years transportation. Removed to Ganymede 6 th December 1831. (<i>The next record is for Joseph Dobbins – same details</i>)				
Any additional information: <u>Royal Naval Medical Journals: Katherine Stewart Forbes</u> : Cholera, Joseph Blackwell Convict taken ill March 5 th discharged March 16 th – <i>there is a detail description of his symptoms and treatments I'm not copying in here.</i> Items linked to him on convictrecords.com.au . 31/3/1860 <i>Hobart Town Daily Mercury</i> : HAMILTON. An inquest was held at Mr Wilcox's, New Inn, on Thursday, 29 th March, before J. F. Sharland, Esq., Coroner, on the body of Joseph Blackwell, found in the River Clyde on Wednesday, the 28 th inst. It appeared from the evidence that the deceased was seen on the Hamilton Racecourse on Thursday, the 22 nd , at about 6 o'clock in the evening. He had been drinking. Dr Leach made a post-mortem examination on the body, and gave as his opinion that deceased came to his death from suffocation. Verdict-Found drowned, but not any evidence to show how deceased came into the water. Whilst in NSW was assigned to Mr J Scott on arrival. Assigned to Mr J Tull in 1833. Assigned to Mr Job Trott in 1835. Married Ann Timmy (free person) on 3/10/1837				

The next three are the Browning siblings, Charles, Mary Ann and Nicholas.

I have included Charles in this list even though he died before he could be transported, and he is not in Wyatt's book.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Charles Browning the Younger		21	Gloucester October Assizes 1830	Transportation 14 years.
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Not transported as he died in prison January 1831				
<p>Any family details: Charles Skirton Browning was baptised at Minchinhampton on June 8th 1777, the illegitimate son of Mary Browning. On February 13th 1803, he married at Minchinhampton Elizabeth Casey. They had, at least, the following children:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bradley 1805 – 2. Charles 1810-1831 3. Mary Ann 1811-1876 see below 4. Nicholas 1813-1853 see below 5. John 1815-1896 6. Ann 1818 – 7. Thomas 1821-1892 <p>Charles Skirton Browning died November 1852 at Box and Elizabeth Browning January 1848 both are buried at Minchinhampton.</p>				
<p>Any newspaper details: <u>Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 30th July 1829:</u> UNFEELING BURGLARY – on the 9th inst. a cottage at Guany Hill near Woodchester, belonging to James Franklin, weaver, was forcibly entered in the daytime, while the whole family were at work, or seeking after it, and by some unfeeling fellows robbed of nearly everything of a portable kind they could lay there hands upon; so that when the poor woman came home, followed by her husband and children, they found their boxes ransacked, themselves deprived of all the clothing they possessed, except what they had on at the time; all the victuals taken from the cupboard and even the mats and old iron stolen. The latter they found in a bag belonging to the thieves, marked No. 1, hidden in an adjoining quarry. Upon making known their loss, the neighbours informed them that two young men named Charles Browning & Chas. Ockford had been seen lounging about there. J. Franklin started next morning to Wotton-under-Edge, whither he had understood they were gone on their way to Bristol. They had pawned part of his clothes in a fictitious name, at eight o'clock, and he arrived at the pawnbroker's about nine, and claimed them. They returned to the neighbourhood instead of going to Bristol, which they pretended, and were apprehended at Nailsworth market on Saturday evening. On Monday, the 19th, they were examined before the Rev. P. Hawker, when Ockford was discharged & Browning committed to the county gaol to take his trial.</p> <p><u>Cheltenham Journal Monday 25th October 1830:</u> County Session Sentences: 14 years transportation Charles Browning junior for stealing wearing apparel from the house of his father, Charles Browning of Minchinhampton.</p> <p><u>Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 27th January 1831:</u> Inquests taken before John Cooke, Esq, Coroner: At the County Prison on the body of Charles Browning aged about 30years, who died of dropsy. Verdict: <i>Died by the Visitation of God.</i></p>				
<p>Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Michaelmas 1830: Received 22nd September 1830 (with younger brother Nicholas) Charles Browning the Younger 20 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Chas Browning the Elder of the Parish of Minchinhampton, labourer and various others, with feloniously stealing and carrying away from the dwelling house of the said CB the Elder at the parish aforesaid, on the 7th day of September inst. a coat and a pair of breeches the property of said CB the Elder. Description: See Summer Assizes 1829. Tried at Michaelmas Sessions October 19th sentenced to transportation 14years. Removed to Penitentiary 20th October: Conduct Orderly. NB brother's bill 'not true' so case dismissed.</p>				
<p>Prison Hulk records: Cannot find any.</p>				
<p>Any additional information: Was not transported as he died in Gloucester County Gaol of dropsy in January 1831 and was buried at Minchinhampton on January 16th 1831.</p>				

Previous Convictions: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1829: Received July 20th 1829. CB 19 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of James Franklin, Hester his wife and Lewis Rico with having on the 9th day of July inst. feloniously broken and entering the dwelling house of the said JF, situate in the parish of Minchinhampton, and stolen there a waistcoat and breeches the property of the said JF. Description: Light brown hair, grey eyes, sallow complexion, long face, short thick nose very flat on the bridge of his nose, wide mouth. A mark lower joint of his thumb right hand. A large scar on the back of his neck. Can read a little. Labourer. Height 5'4". Convicted on August 26th to one year in the Penitentiary. Moved there on 31st August Conduct: Orderly.

Charged with Sarah Harrison 18 from Nailsworth

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Mary Ann Browning	Minchinhampton, clothing business	17	Gloucester Michaelmas (October) Assizes 1830	Transportation 7 years

WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED:
Sailed on the America on December 30th 1830 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on May 9th 1831.

Any family details: Pre-transportation, see Charles Browning, above. Post-transportation see below in *any additional information*.

Any newspaper details: *Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 30th September 1830:* Committed to County Gaol: Mary Ann Browning and Sarah Harrison charged with stealing a handkerchief and other articles, the property of S. Smith and others.

Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 28th October 1830: County Sessions sentences include: Seven Years Transportation: Mary Ann Browning and Sarah Harrison, for stealing some pieces of ribbon and other articles at Stroud the property of L. Pacey and others.

Prison records: Calendar of Prisoners Michaelmas 1830: Committed with Sarah Harrison (aged 18) on 23rd September 1830. MAB 17. Charged on the oath of Lydia Pacey, Stroud, Single Woman and another, for stealing at Stroud on 21st September some pieces of ribbon and a knife, the property of John Pritchard. A handkerchief, the property of Susannah Smith. Pair of stockings, pocket book, silk handkerchief, two pairs of cotton gloves and a shoe, the property of said Lydia Pacey. Both found guilty and sentenced to 7years transportation.

Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Michaelmas 1830: Mary Ann Browning 17 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Lydia Pacey, of the parish of Stroud, Single Woman and another, for stealing at the parish of Stroud aforesaid, on 21st September some pieces of ribbon and a knife, the property of John Pritchard. A handkerchief, the property of Susannah Smith, and a pair of stockings, pocket book, silk handkerchief, two pairs of cotton gloves and a shoe, the property of said Lydia Pacey. Light brown hair, dark grey eyes, fair complexion, round face, small short nose, mole upper lip left side. A mole on her right shoulder, a mole under left breast. A scar on her left hip. Mole near corner of left eye. Two small moles left arm, two moles left elbow. Scar on her first finger right hand. Can read and write. (works in) Clothing business. Height 4'11". Tried at the Michaelmas Sessions on 19th October and sentenced to 7years transportation. Removed to Penitentiary 21st October. Conduct: Very bad. *Sarah Harrison was charged with same crimes and sentenced the same.*

Prison Hulk records: Cannot find any.

Any additional information: From the convictrecords.com.au website and various Newspapers. Mary Ann Browning married Charles Dix (Dicks) 24th December 1832 in New Norfolk, Tasmania, and had a son Charles. Mary Ann was granted a free pardon on 19th October 1837. When Mary Ann's legal husband Charles Dix was arrested and sentenced to 14 years she took up with John Thomas Haynes, a settler in the New Norfolk area. As 'Mrs Haynes', she and her son Charles Dix sailed to South Australia on the Lady Emma in October 1838. On 8th April 1840 she married John Haynes at Holy Trinity Adelaide. On the certificate it noted MAB of Port Adelaide late of Hampton, Glos and JTH of Port Adelaide, late of Battersea. *NB her first husband did not die until 1849.*

She became a publican and had the old Commercial Inn which burnt down in the big fire and eventually the Halfway House Hotel on the Port Road, which still exists.

John Thomas Haynes died in a shipwreck, when his ship Sophia Jane sank bringing seal skins back in September 1844.

She married Edward John Grey on 9th August 1845 at St John's Church Adelaide, paying off her debts to the brewery. She later declared bankruptcy and spent time in gaol rather than allow Haynes's English family to claim what she considered was legally and rightfully hers.

Mary Ann died on 12th July 1876 at Beverley, Port Road, Adelaide. Her husband died in 1891 and her son Charles (Dix known as Haynes) died in 1898.

Charged with Maria Briant/Bryant see next record.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Nicholas Browning	Minchinhampton, Clothing business	19	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1832	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Surrey on November 19 th 1832 arriving in Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on March 9 th 1832.				
Any family details: Pre-transportation, see Charles Browning, above. Post-transportation see below.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 10 th December 1829: Commitments to Gloucester County Gaol: On Friday, Nicholas Browning charged with stealing a fowl, the property of B Mills of Nymphsfield. <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 1 st March 1832: Commitments to County Gaol: On Friday, NB charged with stealing a towel etc. the property of J&E Briant of Minchinhampton. <i>Cheltenham Journal</i> Monday 9 th April 1832: Sentences from Lent Assizes: 7years transportation incl. NB for stealing wearing apparel the property of J Briant of Minchinhampton.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent 1832</u> : Brought in 24 th February 1832. NB age 19 of Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of James Briant and Elizabeth Briant with having stolen from his dwelling house in Minchinhampton on Wednesday 8 th day of February, a towel his property and a petticoat and skirt the property of the said Elizabeth Briant. Marks etc.: see 100 Lent Assizes 1830 and 24 Lent Assizes 1831. Tried at the Lent Assizes March 28 th 1832 sentenced to 7yrs transportation. Removed to Penitentiary 18 th April. Conduct orderly. <i>Charged with Maria Briant/Bryant see next record</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester 19 th April 1832. Stealing a towel, skirt and petticoat.. 7 years transportation. Transported 7 th November 1832.				
Any additional information: From the convictrecords.com.au website: Married at Trinity Church Hobart, Tasmania on 20 th December 1841, Hannah Sharpe, he was 28 she was 30. Their son William Nicholas was baptised on 28 th March 1847 and was buried on 19 th July 1847. Ended up in South Australia as a publican at McLaren Vale. He died without surviving issue on 2 nd June 1853.				
Previous Convictions: Calendar of Prisoners: Nicholas Browning aged 17 committed December 4 th 1829 charged on the oaths of Benjamin Mills and Peter Workman, with having feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the parish of Nymphsfield on 16 th November last, one fowl the property of the said BM. Guilty sentenced to be imprisoned and kept in solitary confinement in the penitentiary for 1 month and to be once whipped.				
<u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent 1830</u> : Received December 4 th 1829 Nicholas Browning 17 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Benjamin Mills and Peter Workman, with having feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from the parish of Nymphsfield on 16 th November last, one fowl the property of the said BM. Description: Light brown hair, light blue eyes, fair complexion, long face, broad forehead. A scar on his right temple. Short nose. Large scars on his left hand and arm having been injured by machinery. Three scars on the back of his right hand. four small moles on the back of his neck. Can read a little. Clothing business. Height 5' ¾". Tried at the Epiphany Sessions January 12 th 1830 Sentenced to one calendar month and once whipped. Removed to the penitentiary 19 th January 1830. Conduct orderly.				
<u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Michaelmas 1830</u> : Received 22 nd September 1830 (<i>with older brother Charles</i>) Nicholas Browning 18 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Chas Browning the Elder of the Parish of Minchinhampton, labourer and various others, with feloniously stealing and carrying away from the dwelling house of the said CB the Elder at the parish aforesaid, on the 7 th day of September inst. a coat and a pair of breeches the property of said CB the Elder. Description: See Lent Assizes 1830. Tried at Michaelmas Sessions October 19 th bill 'not true'. Released 21 st October Conduct: Orderly <i>Older brother Charles sentenced to 14years transportation but died before that happened.</i>				

Charged with Nicholas Browning see above record.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Maria Bryant or Briant	Minchinhampton, servant	18	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1832	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Frances Charlotte on August 30 th 1832 arriving in Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on January 10 th 1833.				
Any family details: Daughter of Joseph Briant and sister of Elizabeth. See below for post-transportation.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Journal</i> Monday 9 th April 1832: Sentences from Lent Assizes: 7years transportation incl. Maria Briant for stealing a quantity of wearing apparel etc. the property of her father and sister James and Elizabeth Briant.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent 1832</u> : Brought in 11 th February 1832 Maria Briant 18 of Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of James Briant, Eliz'h Briant and James Jones with having stolen from her father's dwelling house, the above JB, on the 8 th February two counterpanes, his property and with having then and there stolen a shawl, an apron and a cap and a pair of white worsted stockings the property of her sister the said Elizabeth Briant. Description: see 3 Lent Assizes 1831. Tried Lent Assizes 25 th March 1832 sentenced 7yrs transportation. Removed to the Penitentiary 3 rd April. Conduct very bad.				
Prison Hulk records: Cannot find any.				
Any additional information: Previous convictions etc.: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Michaelmas 1830</u> : Brought in 28 th August 1830 Maria Bryant 16 of Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Sarah Teakle and Thomas Baker with having feloniously stolen, taken and carried away a silver teaspoon, the property of Isaac Teakle at the parish of Minchinhampton, on 19 th August. Brown Hair, brown eyebrows, brown grey eyes, rather a long face, fair complexion, thick large nose. Second finger left hand has been burnt at the end. Mole left shoulder, brown mark on the left side bottom of her back. A large brown mark on the back of her neck. Can read a little. Servant. Height 5' 4½". Tried at the Michaelmas Sessions 19 th October 1830. Found not guilty. Released 21 st October 1830. Conduct very bad. <u>From the convictrecords.com.au website</u> Baptism Records at the Female House of Correction, Hobart Town, Van Diemen's Land. Number 138, Born 17 March 1834, Baptised 14 May 1834, Child's Name Harriot, Parents Maria Bryant, Ship F. Charlotte. Married at St David's Church, Hobart, Tasmania Henry Turner and had 6 sons and 5 daughters. Received Free Certificate Number 779 in 1839. Maria died on 16 th March 1881 at Hobart and was buried in the Cornelian Bay Cemetery on 18 th March.				

NAME: James Bucknall	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton, Labourer	AGE AT CONVICTION: 20	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1831	SENTENCE: Transportation Life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Katherine Stewart Forbes on February 21 st 1832 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on July 16 th 1832.				
Any family details: Baptised at Minchinhampton on 9 th June 1811 son of Solomon and Elizabeth Bucknall				
Any newspaper details: none found				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1831</u> : Brought in 23 rd July 1831 JB aged 20 of Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Sarah Manning and John Chandler with having on the night of Thursday 19 th May last burglarously broken and entered the dwelling house of the said Sarah Manning in the parish of Minchinhampton and stolen therefrom fifty shillings in money and various articles of wear and apparel, her property. Brown hair, brown eyes, round face, fresh complexion. Two small scars over left eye, one scar between eyes. Three scars on his left thigh. Two moles on his body. Scar right knee. Can read a little not write. Labourer. Height 5' 7". Tried at the summer assizes 10 th August 1831 Sentenced to death commuted to transportation for life. Removed to Penitentiary 5 th September. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester 6/9/1831, aged 20 removed from <i>Justitia</i> 11/2/1832 for transportation.				
Any additional information: <u>From the convictrecords.com.au website</u> : Granted a conditional pardon on 20 th September 1843.				

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Frederick Clark	Minchinhampton	20	Gloucester Summer (July) Assizes 1838	Transportation life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Gilmore October 3 rd 1838 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on January 24 th 1839.				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Gloucester Chronicle</i> 25/8/1838: List of prisoners removed from the County Gaol to the Justitia Hulk, Woolwich on Monday 13/8/38 included Frederic Clark, Life. <i>Bath Chronicle & Weekly Gazette</i> Thursday 9 th August 1838: Gloucester Summer Assizes: convictions and sentences: Frederick Clark, aged 19, was charged with breaking into the Horsley House of Correction at Horsley, and stealing therefrom a desk and other articles, the property of Henry Marklove & £93 7s, the property of the county of Gloucester. Transported for life.				
Prison records: <i>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1838</i> : Brought in on 20 th July 1838 (<i>no age/parish details</i>). Charged on the oaths of Harry Marklove and others with feloniously stealing from the House of Correction at Horsley, a silver medal, about five pounds in gold and silver monies, his property, and ninety-three pounds seven shillings, the property of the County. For description see No. 276 Lent Assizes 1838. Tried at the Summer Assizes 28 th July. Sentence, transported for life. (<i>no date of removal</i>) Conduct orderly. <i>N.B. he had only been released from Horsley House of Correction on 6th July – see details below</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester 14/8/1838. Fredk Clark 19 Burglary Life Single, cannot read or write Agricultural Labourer Convicted before, bad character. Removed 25/9/1838 for transport to VDL				
Any additional information: <i>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1838</i> : Brought in on 2 nd March 1838 aged 19 from Minchinhampton. <i>Joseph Peglar 17 from Rodborough charged with same crime</i> . Charged on the oaths of John Chandler and others with feloniously stealing from an unoccupied cottage at Minchinhampton, a casement of iron, lead & glass belonging to the said building, the property of John White. Brown hair, brown eyes, round visage, fresh complexion. Diamond, star, heart, anchor, R&H left arm below elbow. Cannot read or write. Labourer. Height 5' 6". Tried at the Adjourned Sessions 7 th March 1838. Sentenced to 4 calendar months at Horsley House of Correction. Removed 12 th March. Conduct orderly. <i>N.B. Joseph Peglar was sentenced to 7 months, two fortnights in solitude and twice severely whipped at Lawford's Gate Gaol.</i>				

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
James Davis	Minchinhampton, Labourer	23	Gloucester Lent (April) Assizes 1827	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the John 1 July 18 th 1827 arrived in Sydney, New South Wales on November 25 th 1827.				
Any family details: Possibly the James Davis baptised at Minchinhampton on February 20 th 1803 son of John and Mary.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Bristol Mirror</i> Saturday 28 th April 1827: Gloucester Assizes sentences incl.: Seven years transportation James Davis, for stealing several pieces of cloth the property of N Wathen of Rodborough.				
Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1827: Brought in on 31 st October 1826 age 23 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Nath ^l Wathen of Stroud, clothier, and another with feloniously stealing at the parish of Rodborough on 17 th July last several pieces of cloth the property of the said Nath ^l Wathen – and also charged on the oaths of Joseph Haigh and others with feloniously stealing at the parish of Rodborough on the 20 th September last eight pieces of hersymere cloth, one end of broad cloth the property of the said Joseph Haigh. Description: See no 188 Lent Assizes 1819 and No 13 Summer Assizes 1824. Tried at Lent Assizes April 1827. Sentenced to Transportation 7yrs. Removed to Penitentiary 6 th May. Conduct very bad.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, arrived from Gloucester on 9 th April 1827 James Davis, 23, stealing cloth, 7yrs transportation. Removed to the John 5 th July.				
Any additional information: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1819: Brought in on 20 th March 1819 age 16 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the Oath of Benjamin Booke of the parish of Stroud, blacksmith & others, with entering the shop adjoining the dwelling house of John Tanner in the parish of Stroud aforesaid on the 18 th March inst. and feloniously stealing therefrom a rabbit the property of the said Benj ⁿ Booke and one W ^m Warner. Brown hair, dark grey eyes which are very far in his head, overhanging forehead, fresh complexion, long face. Scar on his forehead. Short thick nose. Stout made. Can read and write. Labourer. Height 4' 11". Tried at the Lent Assizes 31 st March 1819. Sentenced 6 calendar months and once whipped. Removed to Penitentiary 7 th April. Conduct orderly.				
Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1824: Brought in on 26 th April 1824 age 21 from Minchinhampton. Charged upon the oaths of Rich ^d Clarke and John Smith on suspicion of stealing a spade, the property of Mr John Hinde Pelly of Minchinhampton, clothier. Description, see no 188 Lent Assizes 1819. Tried at the Easter Sessions 27 th April 1824 Not a true bill, discharged. Released 30 th April 1824. Conduct orderly.				

Charged with Peter Kirby, 17 Minchinhampton & George Pike, 16 Axminster, Devon

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
George Drew	Minchinhampton, Weaver	18	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1831	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Strathfieldsay July 22 nd 1831 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on November 15 th 1831.				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> 7/4/1831 List of sentences of prisoners at Gloucester Assizes include: 7 years transportation, George Drew for stealing various articles from the dwelling house of R. Green of Huntley.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1831</u> : Brought in on 27 th September 1830 age 18 from Minchinhampton (<i>Charged with Peter Kirby, 17 Minchinhampton & George Pike, 16 Axminster, Devon</i>) Charged on the oaths of Richard Green and others with having on the 24 th September inst. broken and entered the dwelling house of the said Richard Green at the parish of Huntley and stolen therein one loaf of bread, half a loaf of bread and two pounds the property of Joseph Collett, one coat the property of George Collett and one shirt the property of John Collett. Description see No. 23 Lent Assizes 1830. Tried at Lent Assizes 13 th March 1831. Sentenced 7yrs transportation. Removed 18 th April 1831 to Penitentiary. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich received from Gloucester on 19 th April 1831 George Drew 18 Stealing from dwelling house. 7 years.				
Any additional information: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1830</u> : Brought in on 22 nd September 1830 age 17 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Ruth Blick and Wm Dyer with having on the 21 st of September inst. at the parish of Minchinhampton feloniously stolen taken and carried away a sovereign and a half sovereign of the lawful gold coin of this realm, the property of William Blick of Minchinhampton, weaver. Dark brown hair, dark grey eyes, fair complexion, short face, short flat nose, dark eyebrows, thick lips. Four moles under left jaw, two moles on the left side of his neck, a mole on his left arm, a mole on the left side of his belly. Can read a little. Weaver. Height 5' 1". Tried at the Michaelmas Sessions 20 th October 1829. Sentenced to 6 calendar months in the Penitentiary and once whipped. Removed to the Penitentiary 22 nd October 1829. Conduct orderly.				

N.B. both Peter Kirby and George Pike were sentenced to 1 year in the Penitentiary. I have found no more information about Peter in the Minchinhampton parish records.

NAME: James alias John Evans	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton/ Horsley	AGE AT CONVICTION: 50	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Trinity (July) Assizes 1790	SENTENCE: Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Atlantic March 24 th 1791 arrived New South Wales on August 20 th 1791.				
Any family details: Possibly either: 1. James Evans, son of John & Lydia Evans baptised Horsley 4/12/1740 OR 2. James Evans, son of Daniel & Sarah Evans baptised Minchinhampton 10/11/1745				
Any newspaper details: None				
Prison records: <u>Calendar of Prisoners to take their trials at the Trinity Sessions 1790:</u> James Evans aged 50 committed on 26th April on suspicion of stealing in the dwelling house or out houses of his master, Mr Thomas Shurmur, about 3lb of buff-coloured Spanish wool, the property of his said master. <u>Prisoners confined in the County Gaol until they can be transported:</u> James Evans, aged 50, convicted at Trinity Sessions 1790, of felony. Seven years transportation beyond the Seas.				
Prison Hulk records: Cannot trace any.				
Any additional information: None				

Other than what is in Wyatt's book, I can find little about this convict. He was part of the Third Fleet, which consisted of 11 ships and conveyed over 2000 convicts to Sydney.

Charged with Esau Risby, 23 of Horsley

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Job Evans	Minchinhampton, Painter	20	Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1834	Transportation life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Marquis of Huntley March 23 rd 1835 arriving in New South Wales on July 5 th 1835.				
Any family details: none found pre-transportation, post-transportation see below.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Gloucestershire Chronicle</i> Saturday 14 th June 1834: Commitments to County Gaol incl. Esau Risby and Job Evans, June 10 th , for stealing at Horsley on 6 th inst. a wether sheep, the property of John Heskins.				
<i>Gloucestershire Chronicle</i> Saturday 16 th August 1834: Gloucester Assizes sentences: Life Transportation incl. Esau Risby and Job Evans for stealing. one wether sheep, of John Heskins at Horsley.				
<i>Gloucestershire Chronicle</i> Saturday 30 th August 1834: Removal of convicts: on Tuesday last (list includes) Esau Risby, Job Evans were removed from our County Gaol, on board the Fortitude at Chatham.				
Prison records: <i>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1834:</i> Brought in on 16 th June 1834 age 20 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of John Heskins, Cornelius Brown, Harriett Lovett and others, with having on the 6 th June inst. feloniously stolen, taken and carried away one Wether sheep the property of the said John Heskins from a field in Horsley. Sark brown hair, dark brown eyes, sallow completion, long face. A large wart on his right thumb. Wart on the second and third fingers of left hand. Four moles on his left arm. Scar third joint middle finger. Can read but not write. Painter. Height 5' 3" Tried at the Summer Assizes 9 th August 1834 Sentenced to transportation for life. Removed to the Penitentiary 16 th August 1834. Conduct orderly. <i>N.B. Esau Risby also sentenced to transportation for life.</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Fortitude</i> , Chatham, received from Gloucester on 27 th August (<i>Esau Risby and</i>) Job Evans 20 Sheep stealing. Life. Removed 16 th March 1835				
Any additional information: Convictrecords.com.au : Issued ticket of leave on 8 th September 1843 for Bathurst. Was granted a conditional pardon on 1 st December 1848. 13 th March 1848 married Maria Kefford at Bathurst, NSW. They had 10 children. Maria died in 1871 at Bathurst aged 41. Job died at Surry Hills, NSW on 23 rd March 1879 and was buried at Rookwood Cemetery, Sydney.				

Charged with Peter Meggett 49 of Leominster

NAME: Robert Evans	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton, Carpenter	AGE AT CONVICTION: 40	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1829	SENTENCE: Death transmuted to Transportation life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Mermaid December 2 nd 1829 arriving in Sydney Cove, New South Wales on May 7 th 1830.				
Any family details: possibly: Minchinhampton Baptisms 18 th May 1794 Robert, son of George & Mary Evans. Minchinhampton Marriages 12 th September 1820 Robert Evans & Rhoda Sharp, both of this parish, were married after banns. Robert signed his name, Rhoda marked.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> 4/6/1829: A very daring and extensive robbery was committed in the shop of Mr T Hatton, draper etc., Coleford, in this county, in the night of Sunday last. At twelve o'clock that night, Mr H. retired to rest, leaving his premises all secure; but on rising at six o'clock next morning, he found that some villains had effected an entrance into the shop, by cutting away part of the shutter, which freed it from the pin by which it was fastened. In this way an aperture was made sufficient to admit one of the gang, who completely gutted one side of the shop, and handed out to his companions pieces of cloth, waistcoating, gown pieces, silk shawls and a variety of other property to the value of £200, with which, for the moment, they effected a safe retreat. On the discovery of the robbery, suspicion seemed at first to be entertained that some parties in the town were concerned in it, and several enquiries were made in consequence; but at length it was recollected that 3 suspicious looking fellows, having with them a horse and covered cart, had been seen lurking about the woods in the neighbourhood, for two or three days previously, and as, upon search, they were no longer to be found, it was justly concluded that they were the depredators. A pursuit was instantly set on foot, but no intelligence was gained of them during the whole of Monday. At a very early hour on Tuesday morning, two persons arrived at Gloucester and called in the aid of Marsh, the police officer, who was directly on the alert, and by nine o'clock on the same morning, two men named Peter Meggett and Robert Evans, having with them the horse and cart and all the stolen property, were secured at the Black Dog, in that city where they had arrived on the preceding evening. The third fellow concerned, a lad named J Rose alias Loveridge, who has before been an inmate of the city prison, contrived to get away before the officers caught sight of him and made his escape in the direction of Tewkesbury. Meggett and Evans, together with the stolen property, were conveyed the same day to Coleford, where an examination took place before PJ Ducarel, Esq. and the prisoners were fully committed to trial.				
Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1829: Brought in on 27 th May 1829 aged 40 from Minchinhampton (<i>also arrested & charged for same offence Peter Meggett, 49, of Leominster</i>) Charged on the oaths of Thomas Hatton and others on suspicion that in the night of Sunday 24 th or early in the morning of Monday 25 th May, they, the said PM & RE, did burglarously enter the dwelling house of the said Thomas Hatton and feloniously did steal and carry away a large quantity of drapery and mercery goods to wit, shawls, hose, cloth, hats, linen etc. Dark brown hair, dark grey eyes, fresh complexion, large coarse features, long face, very large flat nose, which appears to have been broken by a blow. A scar upper left eyelid. Thick lips. Two small moles right side his neck. Small mole left hand wrist. Two moles between his shoulders. Three moles lower part of his throat. Large nostrils. Can read a little. Carpenter. Height 5' 7". Tried at Summer Assizes 26 th August 1829 Death recorded. Moved to Penitentiary 20 th September 1829. Conduct indifferent. <i>Peter Meggett had same sentence.</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Ganymede</i> , Chatham received from Gloucester on 21 st September 1829 (<i>Peter Meggett and</i>) Robert Evans 40 Housebreaking. Life. Removed 22 nd October 1829 to Retribution hulk at Woolwich, same details for both. Removed for transportation 25 th November 1829.				
Any additional information: None				

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Elias Grange	Minchinhampton, Labourer	22	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1819	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Recovery July 30 th 1819 arriving in New South Wales on December 18 th 1819.				
Any family details: Baptised at Minchinhampton 28/12/1794 Elias the son of Mary Grange, Spinster. Mary Grange buried at Minchinhampton on 5 th September 1824 aged 52.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Bristol Mirror</i> Saturday 10 th April 1819: Gloucester Assizes Sentences incl.: Transportation, Seven Years...Elias Grange for stealing mutton etc. from the slaughter house of D Poulton of Minchinhampton.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1819</u> : Brought in on 20 th February 1819 aged 22 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Daniel Poulson and Samuel Sandlings with having on Thursday last, the 18 th inst., broken open the slaughter house of the said Daniel Poulson and stolen therefrom a leg and shoulder of mutton and a coarse cloth. Dark brown hair, dark eyes, dark complexion, long face, long straight nose, wide mouth. Lost his upper front teeth. Two moles on the right shoulder, four moles on his back, a mole on left arm, two small moles on left side. Cannot read. Labourer. Height 5' 3½". Tried at Lent Assizes 31 st March 1819. Sentence 7yrs transportation. Removed to Penitentiary 3 rd April 1819. <i>No note of his conduct whilst in the gaol.</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich received from Gloucester on 30 th April 1819, Elias Grange 22 Stealing mutton. 7years. Removed 21 st July 1819.				
Any additional information: convictrecords.com.au : 8 th September 1821 part of Shell Gang, on list of all persons victualled from HM Magazines. 19 th February 1824 on list of prisoners transported to Port Macquarie per 'Lady Nelson'. 10 th December 1824 Runaway from Port Macquarie 11 th January 1825 on list of runaways from Port Macquarie forwarded to Newcastle. <u><i>Sydney Herald</i> 13th March 1834</u> : a man named Elias Grange was apprehended on Monday last, charged with having in his possession, knowing it to be stolen, a splendid crimson velvet pelisse, value £12, the property of Mr Simmons. The case was investigated on Tuesday last by the Magistrates, when the prisoner was remanded to gaol for ten days, during which time the police will endeavour to discover the thieves. 6 th May he was acquitted for the above and discharged. <u><i>Sydney Monitor</i> 24th March 1837</u> : Elias Grange, convicted of harbouring a male prisoner of the Crown, illegally at large. Fined five dollars and costs.				

NAME: Thomas Grange	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton, Labourer	AGE AT CONVICTION: 27	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Lent (April) Assizes 1827	SENTENCE: Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Asia 1 July 25 th 1827 arriving at Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on November 30 th 1827.				
Any family details: could possibly be the son of John Grange and Eleanor Ockford who married at Minchinhampton 8 th July 1797.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Bristol Mirror</i> Saturday 28 th April 1827: Gloucester Assizes: Sentences incl.: Seven years transportation: Thomas Grange, for stealing twelve ends of cloth, value £250, the property of Messrs. Smith of Rodborough				
Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1827: Brought in on 3 rd October 1826 age 27 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Richard Smith of the parish of Rodborough, clothier, and others with feloniously breaking and entering the cloth room of the said Richard Smith and Gustavus Adolphus Smith his co-partner in trad at the parish aforesaid in the night of the 25 th or early morning on the 26 th May last and stole therefrom 12 ends of cloth of the value of £250, the property of the said Messrs. Smith. Dark brown hair, dark hazel eyes, pale complexion, long thin face, long nose. Scar on his right eyebrow. A scar near side right knee. Slender made. Can read a little. Labourer. Height 5' 4½". Tried at the Lent Assizes 9 th April 1827. Sentence Transported 7yrs. Removed to the Penitentiary 6 th May 1827. Conduct indifferent.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> Woolwich received from Gloucester 7 th May 1827 Tho ^s Grange 27. Stealing cloth value £250. 7yrs. Removed 16 th July 1827.				
Any additional information: None.				

Charged with William Chambers 21, Minchinhampton and Thomas Blackwell, 31 Minchinhampton

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Thomas Grist alias Moody	Minchinhampton, Labourer	26	Gloucester Lent (April) Assizes 1830	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Southworth June 23 rd 1830 arriving at Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on October 19 th 1830.				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Bath Chronicle & Weekly Gazette</i> Thursday 18 th March 1830: Commitments to Gloucester Gaol include: Thomas Grist alias Moody, William Chambers and Thomas Blackwell, charged with breaking open the dwelling-house of H Evans, of Minchinhampton. <i>Bath Chronicle & Weekly Gazette</i> Thursday 22 nd April 1830: Gloucester Assizes sentences incl.: 7 years transportation: Thomas Grist alias Moody, stealing a bed and other articles, the property of Mrs Evans, of Minchinhampton.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1830</u> : Brought in on 8 th March 1830 age 26 of Minchinhampton (<i>William Chambers 21, Minchinhampton and Thomas Blackwell, 31 Minchinhampton also charged, both found not guilty</i>). Charged on the oaths of Hester Evans, widow and others, with having on or about last Thursday night broken open the dwelling-house of the said Hester Evans, situate in the Town of Minchinhampton, no persons being therein, and stealing from thence a flock bed, a bed half flock and half feathers, two large pillows and one small one, three sheets, a counterpane, a linen bed quilt, two blankets, two silver teaspoons and a pocket book, her property. Dark brown hair, light eyebrows, grey eyes. Small scar over right eye. Large red mark opposite right eye. A scar below the left eye. Scar under the right eye. Nose a little aside from the cut on his face. A long scar over left eye. Mole back of shoulder. Third finger has been broken below second joint. Two moles between the elbow and hand wrist. Large mark a little below the elbow. Two marks between the shoulder and elbow. Two moles left side. Two moles back of the neck. Mark left shin. Cannot read. Labourer. Height 5' 7 ³ / ₄ ". Tried at the Lent Assizes 7 th April 1830. Sentence transportation 7yrs. Removed to the Penitentiary 28 th April 1830. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Dolphin</i> , Chatham, received from Gloucester on 29 th April 1830. Thomas Grist als. Moody 26 theft. 7yrs. Removed 17 th June 1830				
Any additional information: None.				

The next two records are for the Kirby brothers, James and Samuel.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
James Kirby	Minchinhampton, Clothworker, Deserter from 89 th Regt of Foot	20	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1836	Transportation for life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Eden August 27 th 1836 arriving at Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on December 22 nd 1836.				
Any family details: Walter, the son of Charles and Elizabeth Kirby (nee Clift) was baptised at Minchinhampton on October 24 th 1779. On September 28 th 1803, also at Minchinhampton, he married Elizabeth Curtis. They had at least the following children: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Priscilla baptised at Minchinhampton 26/5/1811 2. John baptised at Minchinhampton 14/2/1813 3. James baptised at Minchinhampton 15/10/1815 <i>transported 1836</i>. 4. Samuel baptised at Minchinhampton 26/10/1817 <i>transported 1836</i> 5. Charlotte baptised at Minchinhampton 13/2/1820 6. Eliza baptised at Minchinhampton 21/10/1821 7. Caroline baptised at Minchinhampton 8/6/1823, buried 18/7/1824 aged 14months 8. Curtis William baptised at Minchinhampton 10/6/1827 				
Any newspaper details: <i>Gloucester Chronicle</i> 2 nd April 1836: James Kirby, aged 20, charged with breaking open the dwelling-house of John Humphreys, of the parish of Minchinhampton, on the 18 th November last, and stealing eight sovereigns, six silver teaspoons, two pounds in silver, and other articles. Prosecutor said, he lived at Hyde, near Minchinhampton; on the 18 th November, he left his house about half past three o'clock, and having locked the door all was then safe. On returning about half past four, he saw the door partly open, and prisoner in the house; he had a bundle and a crow-bar about two feet long in his hand. Witness asked him what business he had there, when he immediately ran away into the wood. Witness and his brother followed, but they could not find him. On going up stairs he discovered that the lock of the box had been wrenched off, and the whole of the property named in the indictment stolen. Wm. Humphreys proved having seen the prisoner near his brother's house on the afternoon in question. Betty Hart said that she lived in Tetbury; the prisoner lodged at her house. On the evening of the 18 th Nov. he came home about seven o'clock in a state of perspiration, and asked if anyone had enquired for him, and then went out and bought a new hat. He showed her a box in which there were eight sovereigns. Witness said she would have nothing to do with them; he had only lodged with her three nights. Charles Phelps, a blacksmith, proved having made a crow-bar for the prisoner in the beginning of November. He was found guilty and sentenced to be transported for life.				
Prison records: <i>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1836:</i> Brought in on 21 st November 1835 aged 20 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oath of John Humphreys with having on the 18 th November feloniously broken open his dwelling house and stealing therefrom eight sovereigns, six silver teaspoons, one silk handkerchief, two pounds in silver monies and other items. Description see No. 23 Lent Assizes 1833. Tried at the Lent Assizes March 29 th 1836. Transported for life. Removed to Penitentiary 15 th April 1836. Conduct very bad. Deserted from the 89 th Reg ^t of Foot about a month ago from Cove.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Ganymede</i> , Woolwich received from Gloucester 29 th March 1836 James Kirby 20 Housebreaking. Life. Removed 15 th August 1836.				
Any additional information: <i>Horsley House of Correction Register of Prisoners:</i> 1399: James Kirby aged 12 Labourer. Stealing peas from a field at Minchinhampton. Sentenced 14 days hard labour. Admitted 14 th July 1829, released 27 th July 1829.				
<i>Horsley House of Correction Register of Prisoners:</i> 1437: James Kirby aged 12 Labourer. Stealing 4 cakes from a ~~~ (<i>cannot read word</i>) at Minchinhampton. Sentenced to 1 calendar month hard labour. Admitted 4 th August 1829, released 3 rd September 1829. Very bad character. See no 1399 previous conviction.				
<i>Cheltenham Journal</i> Monday 10 th September 1832: Commitments to the County Gaol incl. on Tuesday, James Kirby, charged with breaking into the house of E. Whiting, of Minchinhampton, and stealing eighty sovereigns and other monies.				

Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1833: Brought in on 4th September 1832 aged 17 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Edward Whiting, of the parish of Minchinhampton, labourer, and others, with feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling-house of the said Edward Whiting, at the parish aforesaid, on the 31st day of August now last past, and stealing therefrom eighty sovereigns, one guinea, about twenty-four crown pieces, about one hundred and ten half-crown pieces, the property of the said Edward Whiting. Brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, long face. Two small moles on his chest, five small white marks near his navel. A blue mark in imitation of a ring second finger right hand. Four small moles left arm. Three dark moles and several white marks on his back. Can read and write. Clothworker. Height 5' 4½". Tried at the Lent Assizes March 28th 1833. Sentence death recorded, two years. Removed to the Penitentiary 30th March 1833. Conduct orderly. Note: Has been twice in the House of Correction at Horsley, viz. one month for stealing tarts and fourteen days for stealing peas.

Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 4th April 1833: Gloucester Assizes sentences incl. Two years imprisonment James Kirby,, for feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling-house of E. Whiting, at Minchinhampton, and stealing therefrom 80 sovereigns, 1 guinea, and 110 half-crown pieces

Convictrecords.com.au:

Was a constable in 1839.

4th December 1845 was recommended for a conditional pardon which was granted on 16th December.

NAME: Samuel Kirby	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton, Clothworker	AGE AT CONVICTION: 18	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1836	SENTENCE: Transportation 14 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Norfolk October 27 th 1836 arriving at New South Wales on 12 th February 1837.				
Any family details: For pre-transportation see brother James, above, and for post-transportation see below.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> 4 th August 1836: Commitments to Gloucester County Gaol includes: on 28 th July Samuel Kirby charged with breaking open the dwelling house of Adin Franklin, at Minchinhampton, on 27 th July and stealing five sixpences, his property.				
Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1836: Brought in on 28 th July 1836 aged 18 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Martha Franklin and others with having on the 27 th July feloniously broken and entered the dwelling-house of Adin Franklin, at Minchinhampton, and stolen therefrom five sixpences and one copper two-penny piece his property. Brown hair, brown eyes, long visage, dark complexion, broad nose. Long scars on the back of right hand. Three moles on the left arm above the elbow. Scars on the left shoulder blade and on right elbow. Can read and write. Clothworker. Height 5' 5". Tried at the Summer Assizes 10 th August 1836. Sentence transportation 14yrs. Removed to the Penitentiary September 2 nd . Conduct bad.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester on 2 nd September 1836. Samuel Kirby 18. Housebreaking. 14yrs. Removed 8 th October 1836.				
Any additional information: Horsley House of Correction Register of Prisoners: Samuel Kirby 16 and Joseph Webb 17, Labourers. Violently assaulting William Humphries of Minchinhampton, Labourer. Sentenced to two calendar months unless he pays £4.12 fines and 8s costs. Entered 7 th November 1834, released 6 th January 1835.				
<u>Convictrecords.com.au:</u> Married Mary Kelly originally from North Tipperary. Both died in Dunedin, New Zealand.				

Convicted with William Stephens – see below.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
John Lock	Minchinhampton, Labourer	17	Gloucester Lent (April) Assizes 1829	Death transmuted to transportation 14 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Claudine August 19 th 1829 arriving Sydney Cove, New South Wales December 6 th 1829.				
Any family details: none found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 9 th April 1829: Gloucester Assizes list of sentences incl.: Death recorded: John Lock & Wm. Stephens, for breaking into the house of S. Stratton, deceased, of Minchinhampton, and stealing thereout a watch, chain etc. <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 21 st May 1829: Removal of Transports on Monday: list includes John Lock and Wm. Stephens.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1829</u> : Brought in (<i>with William Stephens</i>) on 1 st January 1829 aged 17 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oath of Sam ^l Stratton of Minchinhampton, watchmaker, and other evidence, with having on the 24 th December last broken and entered the dwelling house of the said Sam ^l Stratton at the parish aforesaid and stolen therein one metal watch, one chain, one seal, two watch keys and one silver watchcase, the property of the said Sam ^l Stratton. Brown hair, dark hazel eyes, fair complexion, long face, rather large nose. A scar on left eyebrow. A mole on right cheek, three moles on left cheek. Upper teeth irregular. A scar on 2 nd finger left hand. A scar on left hand wrist. Several small moles on left arm. A mole of right shoulder. Two moles right thigh. Scar on left knee. Cannot read. Labourer. Height 5' 6½". Tried at the Lent Assizes 1 st April 1829. Sentence, death recorded. Removed to Penitentiary 11 th May 1829. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich received from Gloucester on 12 th May 1829 (<i>with William Stephens</i>) 17 Housebreaking 14 years. Removed 10 th August 1829.				
Any additional information: <u>Convictrecords.com.au</u> : From the daily sick book for the ship Claudine: John Lock, 18, convict. Put on sick list, catarrhs, 7 th November 1829, discharged 11 th November 1829.				

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
John Long the Younger	Minchinhampton, Weaver	20	Gloucester Michaelmas (October) 1831	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Katherine Stewart Forbes on February 21 st 1832 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) July 16 th 1832.				
Any family details: John Young was baptised at Minchinhampton on 4/4/1779 the son of John and Elizabeth nee Matthews. He married at Minchinhampton on 4/10/1802 Elizabeth Ferebee. They had at least three children: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. David baptised at Minchinhampton 25/9/1803 2. Joseph baptised at Minchinhampton 6/1/1805 3. John 'the Younger' baptised at Minchinhampton 3/5/1812 transported John was buried at Minchinhampton on 21/8/1843 aged '69'				
Any newspaper details: None.				
Prison records: <u>Calendar of Prisoners Michaelmas Assizes 1831</u> : Admitted 17 th September 1831 aged 20 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oath of William Davis of the parish of Bisley, weaver, with having on 17 th September inst., at the parish aforesaid, feloniously stolen, taken and carried away from and out of the dwelling house of the said W ^m Davis a silver watch, his property. Description see 154 Lent Assizes 1830. Tried at the Michaelmas Sessions, 18 th October 1831. Sentence 7years transportation. Removed to the Penitentiary 20 th October 1831. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester on 3 rd November 1831, John Long 20 Stealing a silver watch, 7yrs, removed 11 th February 1832				
Any additional information: <u>Calendar of Prisoners Epiphany (January) Sessions 1830</u> : Admitted 6 th January 1830 age 18 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Joseph Clift, James Shipway and others, with having on the night of the 4 th or morning of the 5 th January instant, feloniously stolen, taken and carried away a quantity of lead, fixed to an uninhabited house, situate in the parish of Minchinhampton, the property of Robert and Samuel Dowdeswell. Brown hair, grey eyes, a scar on his forehead, round face, full mouth, rather large nose, lips stands out very much. Brown complexion. Two marks on this left breast. Three small moles on his right arm below the elbow. Three moles on left arm. A scar from vaccination on the left arm. Can read & write. Weaver. Height 5' ¾". Tried at the Epiphany Sessions 12 th January 1830, sentenced to one year in the Penitentiary. Removed to Penitentiary 19 th January 1830. Conduct orderly. <u>convictrecords.com.au</u> : Assigned to the Van Diemen's Land Company, a very large estate in north-west Tasmania. Note on record adds: 'lost on the Surry Hills in the month of December 1833, deceased.'				

Prison record for John Long the Elder from [Calendar of Prisoners Epiphany \(January\) Sessions Assizes 1830](#):

Admitted 6th January 1830 age 50 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of the said Joseph Clift, James Shipway, Nathaniel Dean and Richard Barnfield, with having feloniously received the said lead knowing the same to have been feloniously stolen. Dark brown hair, short face, light grey eyes, marked with the small pox, high cheek bones, rather large nose. Lost nearly all his teeth. Mark on the right and left leg a little above the ankle. Two large pock marks on the left side of his buttock. Can read and write. Weaver. Height 5' 1". Tried at the Epiphany Sessions 12th January 1830, sentenced to one year in the Penitentiary. Removed to Penitentiary 19th January 1830. Conduct orderly.

Arrested with Thomas Phipps of Ross, Herefordshire aged 18

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Thomas Pitt	Minchinhampton, Waterman	23	Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1822	Transportation 14 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Competitor 18 th March 1823 arriving at Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on August 3 rd .				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Bath Chronicle & Weekly Gazette</i> Thursday 8 th August 1822: Committed to Gloucester Gaol, list includes Thos. Phipps and Thos. Pitt, charged with stealing rope, the property of W. Pugh of Stroud. <i>Bath Chronicle & Weekly Gazette</i> Thursday 8 th August 1822: Gloucester Assizes sentences include: transportation for fourteen years Thos. Phipps and Thos. Pitt, for stealing rope, the property of W. Pugh at Stroud.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer 1822</u> : Brought in 12 th August 1822 aged 23 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of William Pugh of the parish of Stroud, barge owner, and another, with feloniously stealing at the parish of Whitminster on 25 th June last, a quantity of rope, the property of the said William Pugh. Dark brown hair, dark hazel eyes, sallow complexion, broad face, large nose. Little finger left hand very much contracted. Large mark on the back of his neck. A scar on his right leg. A small mole on his left side. Can read and write. Waterman. Height 5' 6". Tried at the Summer Assizes 14 th August 1822. Sentenced 14 years transportation. Removed to the Penitentiary on 16 th August 1822. Conduct orderly. <i>N.B. Thomas Phipps same sentence.</i>				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester Assizes on 24 th August 1822 TP 23 Stealing Rope 7yrs removed 10 th March 1823.				
Any additional information: Burials in the parish of Hobart Town No 76 buried on 18 th April 1826 Thomas Pitt of Hobart Town.				

Charged with John Smith, 19, from Chalford.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Richard Reed	Minchinhampton, Labourer	18	Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1830	Death transmuted to Transportation Life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Red Rover October 21 st 1830 arriving Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on March 26 th 1831.				
Any family details: William Reed married Charlotte Sutton at Minchinhampton on 28/5/1808 and had at least 6 children: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. William 1809-1886 2. Samuel 1810-1892 3. Richard baptised at Minchinhampton 24/5/1812 <i>Transported</i> 4. James 1814- 5. George 1816- 6. Maria 1818- 				
Any newspaper details: <u>Cheltenham Journal 3rd May 1830</u> : Commitments to county gaol: 23 rd April Richard Reed, charged with assaulting David Lusty, on the King's highway, at Minchinhampton, and forcibly stealing from his person a silver watch, one shilling and some half-pence...24 th April John Smith as an accomplice of Richard Reed, above-mentioned. <u>Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 2nd September 1830</u> : Gloucester Summer Assizes: Sentences: Death recorded Richard Reed and John Smith for assaulting D. Lusty, on the King's highway, at Minchinhampton, and forcibly stealing from his person a silver watch, one shilling and some half-pence. <u>Cheltenham Journal Monday 20th September 1830</u> : Last week the following convicts were removed from Gloucester County Gaol to the hulks at Woolwich incl. Rd. Reed, John Smith.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer 1830</u> : Brought in 22 nd April 1830, age 18 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oath of David Lusty of the parish of Minchinhampton, weaver, and another, with having on Tuesday night last, knocked him down in the said parish and forcibly took from his person one shilling in silver, some half pence and a silver watch. Dark brown hair, dark eyebrows, brown eyes. Scar right side of forehead, scar over right eye. Small mole left eyebrow. Rather thick nose. Small mole left cheek, two small scars back of right hand, small mole back of left arm, small scar left thumb. Large scar and small scar on left thigh a little above the knee. Large mole on the back of neck. Scar left side the small of the back. Cannot read or write. Labourer. Height 5' 4". Tried at the Summer Assizes 21 st August 1830. Sentenced to death transmuted to transportation for life. Removed to Penitentiary on 13 th September. Conduct bad. <i>N.B. John Smith given same sentence.</i>				
Prison Hulk records: Justitia, Woolwich, received from Gloucester Assizes 14 th September 1830 Richard Reed 18 Highway robbery Life. Transferred 8 th October. <i>N.B. next record is for John Smith 19 with same details.</i>				
Any additional information: None				

Probable brother of Joseph see below

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Edwin Smith	Minchinhampton, Labourer	26	Gloucester Lent (March) Assizes 1832	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Surrey on November 19 th 1832 arriving in Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on March 9 th 1832.				
Any family details: Probable family: Parents Henry Smith and Priscilla Gillman married at Rodborough on 1 st January 1804. Both were of the parish and were married after banns read and with the consent of all parties. Henry signed the register, Priscilla marked. Witnesses were Charles Kemp and Luke Clutterbuck. They had the following children: Maria baptised 27 th May 1804 at Minchinhampton Edwin baptised 13 th July 1806 at Minchinhampton Charles baptised 13 th November 1808 at Minchinhampton Susanna baptised 13 th August 1815 at Minchinhampton abode Stockingbridge father's occ clothworker Dinah baptised with Joseph 10 th June 1821 at Minchinhampton abode Wallsquarry father's occ weaver Joseph baptised with Dinah 10 th June 1821 at Minchinhampton abode Wallsquarry father's occ weaver Mary baptised 25 th December 1822 at Minchinhampton abode Wallsquarry father's occ weaver Selina baptised 22 nd June 1826 at Minchinhampton abode Wallsquarry father's occ weaver Priscilla Smith of Wall's Quarry buried at Minchinhampton on 12 th January 1836 aged 52. <u>1841 Census:</u> Pinfarthings, Minchinhampton: Henry Smith 60 Weaver, woollen born in county. Selina Smith 11 no occupation born in county.				
Any newspaper details: <u>Cheltenham Journal Monday 19th March 1832:</u> on Monday, Edwin Smith, charge with stealing one cwt coal, property of J George, Stroud. <u>Bath Chronicle & Weekly Gazette Thursday 5th April 1832:</u> Gloucester Assizes sentences: Transportation for seven years: Edwin Smith for stealing 1cwt coal, property of J George, Stroud.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1832:</u> brought in on 12 th March 1840 aged 26. Charged on the oaths of John George of the parish of Minchinhampton, coal merchant, and another, with feloniously stealing at the parish of Stroud on 10 th March instant, one hundred weight of coals, the property of the said John George. Description see 88 Summer Assizes 1830. Tried at the Lent Assizes 28 th March 1832. Sentence transported seven years. Removed to Penitentiary 18 th April 1832. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester 19 th April 1832. Edwin Smith, 26, Stealing 1cwt coal, 7yrs. Removed 7 th November 1832.				
Any additional information: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1830:</u> brought in 16 th June 1830 age 24 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of John Hillard, Wm. Latham with having feloniously stolen, taken and carried away on iron cart chain the property of Thomas Hill of the parish of Stroud, Yeoman. And further charged on the oaths of Charles Holden and Jn. Arnold with having on the night of the 10 th or morning of the 11 th June inst. feloniously stolen, taken and carried away a quantity of brass plates from the church in the parish of Minchinhampton. Sandy hair, light eyebrows, grey eyes, oval face. A scar on the forehead. A scar over left eyebrow. Scar right side of nose, thick nose, ~~~ (<i>cannot read word</i>) chin, rather full mouth. Red mark under right breast. Black mole right side. Scar on his ankle, both feet twist in. Mole left side of his back. Can read and write. Labourer. Height 5' 5 ³ / ₄ ". Tried at Trinity Sessions 13 th July 1830 sentence six calendar months. Removed to the Penitentiary 17 th July 1830. Conduct orderly. <u>Cheltenham Chronicle Thursday 24th June 1830:</u> Commitments to Gloucester County Gaol: Wednesday, Edwin Smith, charged with stealing a cart chain the property of T Hill of Stroud, also charged with stealing a quantity of brass plates from the churchyard at Minchinhampton. <u>Horsley House of Correction Register of Prisoners:</u> Edwin Smith, 20, Labourer. Robbing the orchard of Saml Kearsy of Minchinhampton. One Calendar Month. Admitted 21 st September 1826. Released 21 st October 1826. Remarks: committed twice before.				

Probable brother of Edwin, above.

Arrested with John Clarke, 14, and Henry Clarke, 17.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
Joseph Smith	Minchinhampton, Labourer	20	Gloucester Easter (March) Assizes 1840	Transportation 7 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Asia 1 April 12 th 1841 arriving in Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) 21 st August 1841.				
Any family details: Probable family see Edwin, above.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Examiner</i> – Wednesday 04 March 1840: BURGLARY – The manufactory at Dye-house Mills, near Minchinhampton, the property of Wynn Ellis Esq. M.P. for Leicester, have, we understand, been burglariously entered, and the mill brass, lead pipes and brass cocks stolen in a very considerable extent. The discovery was made by a man living in one of the cottages and information conveyed to Mr Humphrys, auctioneer and estate agent, Stroud, who has the agency of the property, and who immediately sent for Mr King, the active superintendent of police in our district, who accompanied him to the premises, where they discovered that an entrance had been effected by removing a board and wrenching an iron bar out of the window. On discovery of the loss sustained, they immediately set about enquiry, and succeeded in obtaining a clue to the thieves, to whose house they at midnight repaired with two of the rural police, and fortunately brought them to the police station in Stroud on the following morning. It appears that part of the stolen property had been broken up and sold in Bristol but Mr Humphrys sent down a messenger who was well acquainted with the articles and succeeded in obtaining a sufficient quality not so far mutilated but it could be identified for which see police report. It is our opinion that too much praise cannot be given to the individuals who so promptly interested themselves in the discovery of this theft. <i>Later in same column under Police:</i> Monday, February 24: Henry Smith, of the Box, near Minchinhampton, was charged by Superintendent King, with unlawfully possessing a quantity of woollen yarn and flocks, which he could not satisfactorily account for. Dismissed. William Bingle, Joseph Smith, (son of the above Henry Smith) John Clarke, and Henry Clarke, all of the Box near Minchinhampton, were apprehended on suspicion of having broken open Dye-house Mills, near Nailsworth, and stolen therefrom a quantity of leaden pipe, brass bearings and other property. The prisoners were remanded till tomorrow for further examination on account of the absence of a witness whose evidence would be of material consequences. <i>Cheltenham Examiner</i> – Wednesday 11 March 1840: Gloucester Assizes sentences include: Joseph Smith, aged 20, John Clarke, aged 14, and Henry Clarke, aged 17, charged with stealing 12lbs of brass, belonging to a mill, the property of W. Ellis Esq. at Minchinhampton. A previous conviction being proved against Joseph Smith, he was sentenced to 7years transportation; John Clarke, 3months hard labour, and to be thrice severely whipped; Henry Clarke acquitted. <i>Gloucester Chronicle</i> Saturday 21 st March 1840: Removal of Convicts: the following Prisoners convicted at the late Adjourned Sessions, and who were sentenced to transportation, have been removed during the present week from the County Gaol to their different destinations as follows:- Joseph Smith, 7years, to the Justitia Hulk.				
Prison records: Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent 1840: brought in 25 th February 1840 age 20 from Minchinhampton. Charged (<i>with John and Henry Clarke</i>) on the oaths of George Humphris and others with feloniously stealing at Minchinhampton on 15 th February inst., twelve pounds of brass fixtures in a mill, the property of Wynn Ellis Esquire. Description see 112 Summer Assizes 1838. Tried at the Adjourned Sessions 4 th March 1840. Sentenced transported seven years. Removed to Penitentiary 5 th March 1840. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester 17 th March 1840. JS 20 Stealing Brass 7yrs Single cannot read/write Labourer Previous conviction and thrice whipped, bad character. Removed 29 th March 1841.				
Any additional information: <i>N.B. Although the below records say Joseph is 14 in 1838 and yet in 1840 he is 20, they do refer to the same person as in his 1840 record it refers back to the specific 1838 record for his description. I have no idea why there is such a discrepancy in ages.</i> <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Summer Assizes 1838:</u> Brought in on 23 rd June 1838 aged 14 Minchinhampton. Charged on the oath of Ann Tranter with having feloniously stolen about ten pounds				

weight of lead from a dwelling house at Avening on 6th June inst. in the occupation of George Tranter. Light brown hair, light blue eyes, long visage, fresh complexion, large mouth, large tongue. Splutters in talking. Knock kneed. Awkward cobbling fellow. Cannor read/write. Labourer. Height 5'. Tried at the Trinity Sessions 3rd July 1838, sentence six calendar months and thrice whipped. Removed to Penitentiary 6th July 1838. Conduct bad.

Gloucester Chronicle Saturday 7th July 1838: Joseph Smith, 14, for stealing, on 6th June, from a dwelling-house at Avening, ten pounds weight of lead, the property of George Tranter, six months hard labour and to be thrice whipped.

Convicted with John Lock – see above.

NAME:	ABODE AND OCCUPATION:	AGE AT CONVICTION:	WHERE/WHEN TRIED:	SENTENCE:
William Stephens	Minchinhampton, Labourer	21	Gloucester Lent (April) Assizes 1829	Death transmuted to Transportation for life
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Bussorah Merchant on 1 st October 1829 to Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) arriving on 18 th January 1830.				
Any family details: None found.				
Any newspaper details: <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 9 th April 1829: Gloucester Assizes list of sentences incl.: Death recorded: John Lock & Wm. Stephens, for breaking into the house of S. Stratton, deceased, of Minchinhampton, and stealing thereout a watch, chain etc. <i>Cheltenham Chronicle</i> Thursday 21 st May 1829: Removal of Transports on Monday: list includes John Lock and Wm. Stephens.				
Prison records: <u>Gloucester Gaol Register of Prisoners Lent Assizes 1829</u> : Brought in (<i>with John Lock</i>) on 1 st January 1829 aged 17 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oath of Sam ^l Stratton of Minchinhampton, watchmaker, and other evidence, with having on the 24 th December last broken and entered the dwelling house of the said Sam ^l Stratton at the parish aforesaid and stolen therein one metal watch, one chain, one seal, two watch keys and one silver watchcase, the property of the said Sam ^l Stratton. Light brown hair, dark blue eyes, fresh complexion, long face, flat nose. Two moles on left arm. Has an impediment in his speech. A large mole on left side. Teeth irregular. Can read and write. Stout made. Labourer. Height 5' 8½". Tried at the Lent Assizes 1 st April 1829. Sentence, death recorded. Removed to Penitentiary 11 th May 1829. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich received from Gloucester on 12 th May 1829 Will ^m Stephens 21 Housebreaking 14 years. Removed 17 th September 1829.				
Any additional information: None.				

NAME: William Walker	ABODE AND OCCUPATION: Minchinhampton, Traveller with hardware	AGE AT CONVICTION: 41	WHERE/WHEN TRIED: Gloucester Summer (August) Assizes 1830	SENTENCE: Death transmuted to Transportation 14 years
WHEN/WHERE TRANSPORTED: Sailed on the Red Rover October 20 th 1830 arriving in Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) on March 25 th 1831.				
Any family details: none found.				
Any newspaper details: only record of sentence, no trial details.				
Prison records: Register of Prisoners at the County Gaol: Summer Assizes 1830: Brought in 1 st June 1830, age 41 from Minchinhampton. Charged on the oaths of Philip Grant and others with having between 10 th – 23 rd days of May last, at the parish of Cirencester, feloniously stolen, taken and carried away two pieces of Irish linen cloth the property of Patrick Grant. Dark hair, light grey eyes, fresh complexion, prominent mouth, long nose very much over hung. A small scar right side of forehead. Four small moles right arm and small mole on his breast. Second finger left hand enlarged at end. Moles top of left shoulder, rear left knee and mole on right side buttocks. Cannot read. Travels with hardware. Height 5'8". Tried at the Summer Assizes on 21 st August 1830. Sentenced to death, commuted to transportation for 14years. Removed to the Penitentiary 16 th September. Conduct orderly.				
Prison Hulk records: <i>Justitia</i> , Woolwich, received from Gloucester Summer Assizes on 19 th September 1830. Removed to transport 8 th October 1830.				
Any additional information: None				

Appendix One: List of the Hulks mentioned above

Information taken from Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_British_prison_hulks and the website https://www.digitalpanopticon.org/Convict_Hulks I have not included those hulks that were situated abroad in the West Indies, America, etc. This is not a complete list of all the English hulks, just those above.

History: When war broke out with America in 1775, the use of hulks as a temporary way of housing convict prisoners started. They remained in use for over eighty years. Despite the fact that they were intended as places to hold prisoners before they were punished in other ways (primarily by transportation) they constituted a form of punishment in themselves and for a few convicts they were the only form of punishment they experienced before their release. A hulk is a ship that can still float but is incapable of going to sea.

NAME	YEARS IN SERVICE	LOCATION	COMMENTS
HMS <i>Cumberland</i> (renamed <i>Fortitude</i>)	1830–1833	Chatham	<i>See Fortitude, below</i>
HMS <i>Dolphin</i> (formerly <i>Admiral Rainier</i> . Renamed HMS <i>Hindustan</i> , then <i>Dolphin</i> and finally <i>Justitia</i>)	1824–1830, 1831-1855	Chatham	<i>Dolphin</i> was originally launched as an East Indiaman named <i>Admiral Rainier</i> , which the Navy bought and renamed HMS <i>Hindustan</i> . The Admiralty purchased her in 1804 for service as a 50-gun. She was converted into a 20-gun storeship in 1811. She was renamed again in 1819 as <i>Dolphin</i> , and once more in 1831 as <i>Justitia</i> , when she became a prison hulk. She was finally sold in 1855.
HMS <i>Fortitude</i> (1807) (formerly HMS <i>Cumberland</i>)	1833–1844	Chatham	HMS <i>Cumberland</i> was a 74-gun launched in 1807, Northfleet. She was converted to a prison hulk in 1830 and was renamed <i>Fortitude</i> in 1833. She was put on the sale list in 1870 and was subsequently sold.
HMS <i>Ganymede</i> (formerly <i>Hébé</i>)	1819–1838	Chatham and Woolwich	<i>Ganymede</i> was the French frigate <i>Hébé</i> , captured in 1809. She was converted to a prison hulk in 1819 and broken up in 1838.
HMS <i>Justitia</i> (formerly <i>Zeeland</i>)	1812–1830	Sheerness	Vice Admiral Richard Onslow seized the <i>Zeeland</i> from the Dutch at Plymouth on 4 March 1796. She was renamed <i>Justitia</i> in 1812 and broken up in 1830, when her name was transferred to the <i>Dolphin</i> .
HMS <i>Justitia</i>	1830–1855	Woolwich	<i>See Dolphin above.</i>
HMS <i>Warrior</i>	1840–1857	Woolwich	<i>Warrior</i> was a 74-gun ship of the line launched in 1781. She became a receiving ship after 1818, a prison hulk after 1840, and was broken up in 1857.