

# Mary (Maria) PUGH

## Mermaid

*(arrived Hobart 27 June 1828)*

*Native Place:* Woolwich, England

*Trade:* servant of all work

*Age:* 20

*Sentence:* 7 years

*Tried:* 25 October 1827, London

*Offence:* stealing a ring from the shop of Mr Tuck

### *Whilst a Convict*

- ❖ The Ship's surgeon's report stated Maria was:  
*Forward and impudent, but pretty orderly.*
- ❖ 10 offences listed on her conduct record, mostly for being insolent, disobedient and absent without leave.
- ❖ Spent time at the female factory in Hobart.

### *After Gaining Freedom*

- ❖ Married John ELLIS (transported per *Lady Harewood*) on 4 June 1832.
- ❖ Children:
  - James ELLIS (b.1832)
  - Thomas ELLIS (b.1835)
  - Sarah Ann ELLIS (b.1836-1836)
  - Sarah ELLIS (b.1840)
  - Maria ELLIS (b.1843)
  - Catherine Rebecca ELLIS (b.1847)
- ❖ John ELLIS died in 1848 near Swansea.
- ❖ Married George BURT at Swansea on 11 June 1849.
- ❖ Married Robert HALLIDAY on 3 January 1861 at Swansea
- ❖ Died at Swansea 12 May 1867. Coroner's report gave cause of death as 'intemperate habits'.