

CATON, Thomas

Variations : Cayton

Alias :

Ship	Date arrived (Sydney)
Bengal Merchant	21 July 1838

Shipping indent(s)

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Trial (place, date)	Prev conv	Offence	Sentence
Lancaster Q Sessions 18 Oct 1837	1	House breaking	14 years
Notes: Source = printed indent. Prev conv was 9 months before trial			

Age	Marr/S	Child'n	Relig	Educ	Native place	Country
21	S		Cath	R & W	Lancashire	England
Notes: Source = bound indent						

Trade or calling	Height	Complexion	Hair	Eyes
File cutter	5' 3 qrt	Fair & freckled	Brown	brown
Tattoos: Mermaid with comb and glass in hands inside lower left arm.				
Other features: small scar on centre of forehead, ears pierced, nose declining. Scar on back of little finger of left hand.				
Notes: Source = printed indent. Note, Brother James Caton, a prisoner per "Exmouth".				
Other arrival info (eg ships musters & papers):				

Assignment

Assigned to F Wilson, Tocal, by July 1840 (See 'other' below)
Still assigned to Wilson in 1844 (see MM below)
At Tocal: 1840-44 Tocal occupation:

Freedom (year, details)

T.O.L.	46/1456 Maitland 26 November 1846, 4/4210 [reel 960]. Cancelled 22 February 1853 absenting himself from assemble without authority and neglecting to obtain employment out of the township as directed by the Bench – to serve a probation of six months Govt. 53/27 Maitland 3 May 1855, 4/4225 [reel 965]
C.O.F.	(not found)

Colonial crime & secondary punishment

Date	Offence	In service of	Punishment
1840	Absconded	Felix Wilson	
1844 Dec	Fighting	Mr Wilson	14 days cells & ret'd to Govt
1844 Dec	Absconded	Reynolds, Tocal	
1853 Feb	Absent from assembly	TOL	TOL cancelled, 6 months probation
Sources: see TOL above and 'other' below			

Colonial Secretary's correspondence

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Colonial marriage

Date	Place	To whom	BDM index reference
1854	Maitland	Marianne RILEY	V1854 107 100
Permission to marry:			

Death

Date	Place	Age	BDM index reference
Prob 1883	Gladesville	71 [sic]	1883/7216

Timeline

Date	Event
1838 July	Arrived Sydney
1840 Aug	At Tocal, assigned to F Wilson
1844 Dec	Transferred from Wilson to Government
1846 Nov	TOL for Maitland
1853 Feb	TOL cancelled
1854	Married Marianne RILEY at Maitland
1855 May	TOL restored

Other (source, details)

NSW GG **5 August 1840** p729. Caton Thomas, Bengal Merchant (3), 23, Lancashire, file cutter... absconded from Felix Wilson, Paterson, since July 15.

MM 28 December 1844 2.5. Thomas Cayton, assigned to Mr Wilson, brought before the Bench charged with fighting at the racecourse. Sentenced to 14 days in the cells, and to be returned to Government.

NSW GG **10 Jan 1845** p37. Thomas Caton, Bengal Merchant, 1838, 28, Lancashire, file cutter, ears pierced, nose declining...brother James Cayton, a prisoner per "Clayton", [absconded] from E Reynolds, of Joc:el [sic], district of Paterson, since 26th ultimo.

[note: these two incidents are almost certainly connected. He probably ran from Tocal on Boxing Day to attend Maitland races. Reynolds leased Tocal from Wilson].

Keywords

Brother

Thomas was a horsebreaker at Wollombi in 1856 when his daughter Catherine was born.