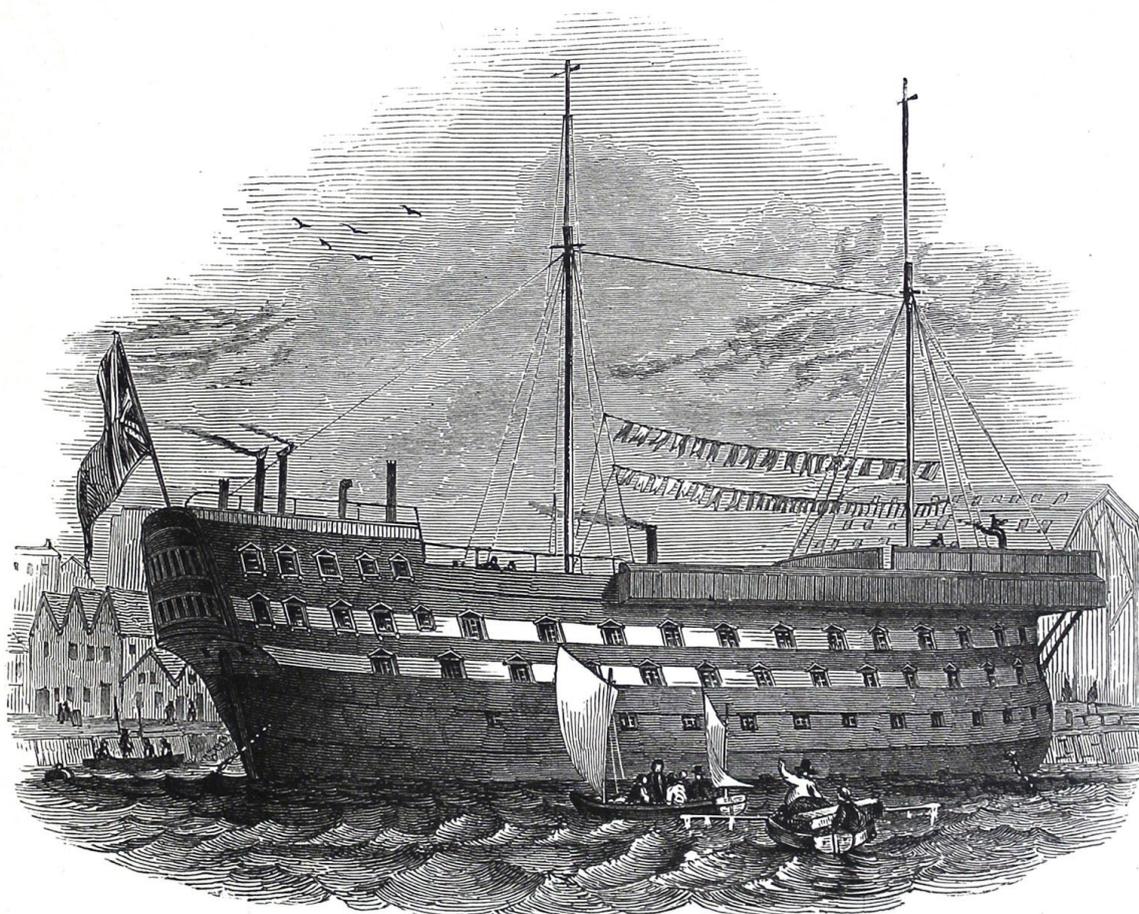


## Press Release

For immediate release:

**TheGenealogist releases half a million Criminal Records adding significantly to its Court & Criminal collection**



Prison Hulk

[TheGenealogist](#) has enlarged its **Court & Criminal Records** collection so that even more black sheep ancestors can now be searched for and found on its site. With a new release of records you can unearth all sorts of ancestors who came up against the law - whether they were a victim, acquitted, convicted of a minor offence or found guilty of a major crime such as murder.

These **fully searchable** records cover **HO77 - The Home Office: Criminal Registers, England and Wales** and **ADM 6 - The Registers of Convicts in Prison Hulks Cumberland, Dolphin and Ganymede** with indexes from The National Archives.

- Uniquely this release allows you the ability to search for victims of the crime (Over 132,000)
- Hunt for people using their name or alias, or look for an offence
- See images of the pages from the books and registers that reveal even more fascinating information about the individual

As these records cover a vast range of transgressions we are able to find men and women who stole small items such as shirts, potatoes, boots etc. We can also discover people who had married bigamously, forged money, uttered a counterfeit half-crown, burgled, murdered or were accused of many more other crimes. One example of a number of unusual offences found in TheGenealogist's new release, is that of Christian Crane, tried in February 1811 - 'Being a person of evil fame and a reputed thief' was adjudged to be 'a rogue and vagabond'.

These records, joining those already available within TheGenealogist's Court & Criminal collection, will reveal the sentence of the court handed out to our ancestors. Judgements can be seen to vary massively from a fine, a short imprisonment in Newgate, a public whipping, a longer spell inside, or the ultimate sanction of death.



Newgate Prison London

Other ancestors were sentenced to be 'transported beyond the seas' and TheGenealogist already has many registers of convicts sent to Australia between 1787 and 1867. Joining them in this new release are the ADM 6 records for convicts who were waiting to begin their voyage to the penal colonies in Australia and were locked up on a number of Prison Hulks.

You can search for your lawless ancestor at [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk)

Or see our article:

<https://www.thegenealogist.co.uk/featuredarticles/2017/criminal-records-discover-black-sheep-ancestors-621/>

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