

BEGGS, George

Variations : Biggs

Alias :

Ship	Date arrived (Sydney)
Henry Porcher	3 December 1825

Shipping indent(s)

Fiche	Page	Reel	Shelf	Type
656	239		4/4009A	Bound
659	1		X32H	Irish

Trial (place, date)	Prev conv	Offence	Sentence
Dublin City		Burglary & felony	life
Notes: Source = Irish indent			

Age	Marr/S	Child'n	Relig	Educ	Native place	Country
18/19					Dublin	Ireland
Notes: Source = bound indent. Age as shown on Irish and Bound indents respectively.						

Trade or calling	Height	Complexion	Hair	Eyes
Carter	5' 0 hlf	Pale freckled	Brown	blue
Tattoos:				
Other features:				
Notes: Source = bound indent. Indent notes "a lunatic, see paper 46-7656"				
Other arrival info (eg ships musters & papers):				

Assignment

On arrival, to Mr Forsyth as per indent	
By February 1833 with Mr James Webber	
By October 1833 in Newcastle Gaol Gang	
At Total: 1833	Total occupation:

Freedom (year, details)

T.O.L.	(not found, see note above re lunatic 1846, but also see 1837 muster which indicates he held a TOL at that time)
C.P.	

Colonial crime & secondary punishment

Date	Offence	In service of	Punishment
1833 Feb	Absconded	James Webber	50 lashes
1833 Apr	Absconded	JP Webber, Esq. JP	
1833 Oct	Refusing to work	Newc Gaol Gang	50 lashes
	Absconded	No. 14 Road Party	
1834 Aug	Absconded	No. 14 Road Party	12 months Iron Gang
Sources: see 'other' below.			

Colonial Secretary's correspondence

14 March 1837. SR, CSLS to the Sheriff, 4/3900 p128 [reel 1064]. George Beggs, Henry Porcher, to be sent from the Hulk to Port Macquarie on the <i>William the Fourth</i> .
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NSW Census/musters

1828	(not found)
1836/37	Biggs, George, Henry Porcher 1825, age 30, Aust Agric Co, Port Stephens, ToL. (Note, there is no George Biggs on the HP 1825, this entry refers to George Beggs. The 1837 muster is based on the 1836 Census. It appears that Beggs was with the AA Co a short time, probably in 1836, before being sent to Port

Macquarie, probably as an invalid and/or unfit for further assignment).

Colonial marriage

Date	Place	To whom	BDM index reference
Permission to marry:			

Death

Date	Place	Age	BDM index reference

Timeline

Date	Event
1825 Dec	Arrived Sydney and assigned to Mr Forsyth
1833	Absconded twice from JP Webber [Tocal]
1833 Oct	In Newcastle Gaol Gang
1834	In Road Party No. 14
1834/35	12 months in an iron gang
1836/37	With the Aust Agric Co at Port Stephens, possibly holding a TOL
1837 Mar	Sent to Port Macquarie, probably as unfit for further assignment.
1846	A lunatic

Other (source, details)

<p>25 February 1833. SR Punishment Book (“Black Book”), Patricks Plains 1833-39, 7/3714 [reel 689]. Biggs (sic) George, Henry Porcher, life, employed by Mr James Webber, illegally at large, 50 lashes.</p> <p>GG 10 April 1833 p133. Beggs, George, Henry Porcher, Dublin, Carter, absconded from JP Webber Esq, JP. [note: James P Webber was a JP & magistrate but his brother John P Webber was not].</p> <p>SR. Returns of Trials, Newcastle Bench of Magistrates [COD 120]. 3 October 1833, Geo Beggs, Hy Porcher, life, a prisoner in the goal gang, refusing to work, 50 lashes.</p> <p>8 August 1834. SR. Punishment Book (“Black Book”), Patricks Plains 1833-39, 7/3714, p50 [reel 689]. Biggs George, Hy Porcher 1826 [sic, no such trip], employed in ‘14 Road Party’, absconded for the second time, 12 months iron gang.</p>
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Lashes, gaol gang, Phoenix Hulk, Port Macquarie, road party, iron gang
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General information

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