

HANLEY, John

Variations :Handley, Handly, Henley, Heenley

Alias :

Ship	Date arrived (Sydney)
Earl St Vincent	9 September 1823

Shipping indent(s)

Fiche	Page	Reel	Shelf	Type
653	24		4/4009A	Bound
659 & 650	3 & 82			
		2749	X31	Irish

Trial (place, date)	Prev conv	Offence	Sentence
Co Limerick 18 Oct 1822		Idle & disorderly/absent from home	7 years
Notes: Source = bound indent. Offence source = Irish Indents (idle & disorderly), & National Archives of Ireland. <i>Archives relating to the Transportation of Convicts from Ireland to Australia</i> document PPC 1934 [Reel 12, M2136] – this source states his offence as “absent from home” and the associated database entry notes “convicted under the insurrection act”.			

Age	Marr/S	Child'n	Relig	Educ	Native place	Country
23/22			Cath		Co. Limerick	Ireland
Notes: Source = bound indent. Religion source = 1828 Census of NSW. Age is 23 on shipping indent and 22 on Irish indent.						

Trade or calling	Height	Complexion	Hair	Eyes
Shepherd	5' 4 3/4	Brown freckled	Grey	Dark brown
Notes: Source = bound indent				
Other arrival info (eg ships musters & papers):				

Assignment

To Edw Riley Esq, on arrival September 1823 (as per shipping indent)
To JP Webber Newcastle [Tocal] 12 Jan 1825. SR. CS, Prisoners not artificers who have been assigned, 1825, 4/4522 [reel 586].
At Tocal: 1825-29 Tocal occupation: Shepherd

Freedom (year, details)

C.O.F. 29/0986, 4 November 1829, 4/4299 [reel 985]

Colonial crime & secondary punishment

Date	Offence	In service of	Punishment
1827 May	Ranaway		3 months iron gang
1827	Absconded	JP Webber [Tocal]	
Sources: see 'other' below			

Colonial Secretary's correspondence

CSLS (Letters addressed to Benches of Magistrates, Justices of the Peace and Superintendents of Police), 4/3829 p207 [reel 2808]. 10 November 1830 to P Aubin JP, Maitland [Police Magistrate] advising that His Excellency [Gov NSW] has approved the appointment of John Hanley as Constable.
CSLS (Letters addressed to Benches of Magistrates, Justices of the Peace and Superintendents of Police), 4/3831 p164 [reel 2809]. 13 January 1832 to P Anley esq re rates of pay for Police at Patersons Plains. Listed are John Hanley and James Sheal.
CSIL 34/010, 4/2252.2 Police Paterson 1834. Recommending John Handley, free, as constable. Approved 24 Jan 1834.
CSIL 35/3313, 4/2291.5 Police Paterson 1835. Hanley dismissed and another appointed in his place, 29 April 1835.
CSIL 36/820, 4/2331.3 Police Paterson 1836. Recommend appointment of John Handley, free, as constable.

NSW Census/musters

1823-25	Hanley John, C, Earl St Vincent 1820, 7 years, Govt serv to Mrs E Riley Bringelly
1823-25	Henley John, C, Earl St Vincent 1820, 7 years, Govt serv to Mr Webber Newcastle
Note: There was a John Henley on the Earl St Vincent 1820, life sentence . Great care is needed to distinguish between these two people in the records. John Hanley (Earl St Vincent 1823, 7 years) is confirmed as being first assigned to Edw Riley and then to JP Webber [Tocal] by the shipping indent for the Earl St Vincent 1823 and the exact matching physical description, age and occupation for “Handly John, Earl St Vincent” who absconded from JP Webber, Patersons Plains in 1827 (see ‘other’ below). Both the above entries for the 1823-25 muster contain errors, and both refer to John Hanley, Earl St Vincent 1823, who was assigned to Riley in 1823 and in turn to Webber in 1825.	
1828	Heenley John, C, Catholic, Shepherd, age 30 years, Earl St Vincent 1823, 7 yr sentence, to JP Webber, Markham [Tocal], Patersons Plains

Colonial marriage

Permission to marry:			

Death

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Timeline

Date	Event
1823 Sep	Arrived Sydney and assigned to Edward Riley
1825 Jan	Assigned to JP Webber, Tocal
1827 Nov	Absconded from Tocal
1828	At Tocal, occupation shepherd
1829 Nov	COF

Other (source, details)

<p>National Archives of Ireland. <i>Archives relating to the Transportation of Convicts from Ireland to Australia</i> document PPC 1934 [Reel 12, M2136]. Petition from John Hanley and another, tried Co Limerick, imprisoned Cork City, sentenced to transportation, document date 9/4/1823. To the Lieutenant General & General Governor of Ireland “... That these Petitioners state to your Excellency That on Trial no Charge of importance could be preferred against them, save that but being absent from their Dwelling houses, mostly Transacting their lawful business... hope & confidence that your Excellency will lend them part of your accustomed Clemency in restoring them to their forlorn families who are in that state of famine and will in the future be an incumbrance on the Counties unless your Excellency will take them into your human consideration...”</p> <p>SR. Sydney Gaol Entrance Book 1825-1828, 4/6430 [reel 851]. John Handley, Earl St Vincent, admitted 28 May 1827, committed by General Sessions Sydney. Runaway from his employment. Sentenced to an iron gang for 3 months, disposed 4 June to Parramatta. SG 26 Nov 1827 4c (repeated 3 Dec 1827 3f). On list on convicts who had absconded “Handly John, Earl St. Vincent, Shepherd, 25, County Limerick, 5 feet 4¾, grey eyes, dark brown hair, freckled comp. From J. P. Webber Esq. J.P. Patterson’s Plains”. Note: He absconded with John Hassett who was on the same ship and also at Tocal.</p> <p>SR, Letters to Benches of Magistrates, Justices of the Peace and Superintendents of Police, 30/802 in 4/3829 p207 [reel 2808]. 10 November 1830. John Hanley to be constable, will be notified in the next gazette.</p> <p>SR, Letters to Benches of Magistrates, Justices of the Peace and Superintendents of Police, 32/32 in 4/3831 p451 [reel 2809]. 13 January 1832, John Hanley, constable at Patersons Plains, free, to receive 2/3 per diem.</p> <p>NSWGG 29 January 1834 p56. Paterson: John Hanley, free, to be constable from the 9th instant, in the room of William Burke, dismissed for being drunk on duty.</p> <p>NSWGG 3 February 1836 p94. Paterson: John Hanley, free, to be constable from the 23rd Ultimo [January].</p> <p>NSWGG 8 February 1837 p170. John Hanley dismissed as constable, Paterson.</p>
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General information

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