

**HUNT, Henry****Variations : Edward**

(Edward is used interchangeably with Henry in the records—there one only one Hunt, namely Henry, on the Planter in 1832. The alias likely derives from Henry Hunt, a radical reformer who spoke at the Peterloo Massacre)

| Ship    | Date arrived (Sydney) |
|---------|-----------------------|
| Planter | 15 October 1832       |

## Shipping indent(s)

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| Trial (place, date)          | Prev conv | Offence        | Sentence |
|------------------------------|-----------|----------------|----------|
| Surry QS 24 February 1832    | Nil       | Stealing truck | 7 years  |
| Notes: Source = bound indent |           |                |          |

| Age                          | Marr/S | Child'n | Relig | Educ | Native place | Country |
|------------------------------|--------|---------|-------|------|--------------|---------|
| 20                           | S      |         | Prot  | R    | Surry        | England |
| Notes: Source = bound indent |        |         |       |      |              |         |

| Trade or calling  | Height   | Complexion | Hair  | Eyes  |
|---|----------|------------|-------|-------|
| Hawker  | 5' 4 hlf | Ruddy      | Brown | hazel |
| Tattoos: woman with a basket in her hand on lower right arm                     |          |            |       |       |
| Other features: slight scar under chin. Mole on left cheek. Scar on left thumb. |          |            |       |       |
| Notes: Source = bound indent. Notation on indent "Norfolk Island".              |          |            |       |       |
| Other arrival info (eg ships musters & papers):                                 |          |            |       |       |

## Assignment

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| On arrival (Oct), to James P Webber, Tocal, as per PRO HO10/29 (GG 19 December 1832 p475 says to JP Webber, Sydney). |                   |
| At Tocal: 1832-34  | Tocal occupation: |

## Freedom (year, details)

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|---------------|---|
| <b>T.O.L.</b> |   |
| <b>C.O.F.</b> | 46/0466, 13 May 1846, 4/4404 [reel 1022]. |

## Colonial crime &amp; secondary punishment

| Date                                   | Offence        | In service of | Punishment          |
|--|----------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 1834 Dec                               | Absconded      | Capt. Clarke  | 50 lashes           |
| 1835 Feb                               | Absconded      | Capt. Clarke  | 12 months Iron Gang |
| 1837 Sept                              | Sheep stealing | WH Clarke     | PS Life to 7 years  |
| Sources: see Col Sec and 'other' below |                |               |                     |

## Colonial Secretary's correspondence

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| <b>24 October 1837</b> (CSIL 37/10525 in 4/2361.3, reel 2206). Henry Hunt (Planter 1832), assigned servant of WH Clarke Esq of Pembroke (Upper Hunter) committed by magistrate 12 May 1837 for sheep stealing.                                 |
| <b>3 November 1837</b> (CSLS 4/3900 p262, reel 1064). Edward Hunt, Planter, life mitigated to 7 years, embarked on board Brig Gov. Phillip for Norfolk Island.   |
| <b>7 December 1837</b> (CSLS 4/3684 p284, reel 1050). From Col Sec to the Commissioner of Assignment requesting a prisoner be assigned to Captain WH Clarke of Hunters River to replace Henry Hunt (Planter) who had been convicted of felony. |
| <b>24 August 1843</b> (CSIL Norfolk Island 1843, 43/6612 in 4/2621.1, reel 767). Norfolk Island, recommended remission of sentence for good conduct, Henry Hunt (Planter 1832), colonial   |

conviction 11 September 1837, life to 7 years, served 6 years by September (1843).  
Remission approved by Gov George Gipps.  
**29 September 1843** (CSLS 4/3691 p147, reel 1053). Residue of Colonial Sentence remitted,  
Henry Hunt, from 1<sup>st</sup> December 1843.

## NSW Census/musters

|      |  |
|------|--|
| 1837 | Hunt, Edward, age 21, Planter 1832, with Capt Clarke, Cassilis |
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## Colonial marriage

| Date                 | Place    | To whom       | BDM index reference |
|----------------------|----------|---------------|---------------------|
| 3 September 1853     | Maitland | Sarah SKELTON | V1853 208 39c       |
| Permission to marry: |          |               |                     |

## Death

| Date           | Place      | Age                 | BDM index reference |
|----------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 6 October 1891 | Carrol NSW | (born 2 April 1814) | 1891/7043           |

## Timeline

| Date      | Event  |
|-----------|--|
| 1832 Oct  | Arrived Sydney and assigned to James Webber, Tocal                       |
| 1834 Apr  | Transferred to Capt Clarke at Cassilis when Webber sold Munmurra station |
| 1835 Feb  | 12 months Iron Gang  |
| 1836-37   | With Capt Clarke at Cassilis   |
| 1837 Sep  | Convicted of sheep stealing at Maitland Quarter Sessions – life sentence |
| 1843 Dec  | Residue of Colonial sentence remitted for good conduct                   |
| 1846 May  | COF  |
| 1853 Sept | Married Sarah Skelton at Maitland  |
| 1891 Oct  | Died at Carrol, NSW  |

## Other (source, details)

**6 January 1835** (SR, Merton Bench 1834-36, 4/5600 [reel 670]). Edward Hunt, Planter, 1832, 7 years, and Frances Cochrane, *Parmelia*, 1834, 7 years, assigned to Capt Clark, for desertion, deserted on 20<sup>th</sup> December last, captured by Thomas Bell on Liverpool Plains, guilty, 50 lashes each.

**18 February 1835** (NSW GG 18 February 1835 p101). Hunt Edward, Planter, 23, London, butcher-boy, absconded from Capt. Clarke since 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

**24 February 1835** (SR, Merton Bench 1834-36, 4/5600 [reel 670]). Edward Hunt, Planter, 1832, 7 years, and Frances Cochrane, *Parmelia*, 1834, 7 years, assigned to Capt Clark, for desertion, handed over from a constable at Patricks Plains, guilty, 12 months to an Iron Gang [note: and evidently then returned to their master].

**17 September 1837**. (SR, Sydney Gaol Entrance Book 1837- 1838, 4/6437 [reel 853]). Admitted (#1366) from Maitland Quarter Sessions for transportation, PS life. Transferred to HM Hulk 18 September 1837.

**September 1837** (SR. Phoenix Hulk Entrance Book 1837, 4/6445, reel 820). Edward HUNT (Planter, 1832). Colonial Sentence at Maitland Quarter Sessions 12 September 1837, Life PS for sheep stealing.

**21 October 1837**. (SR, Sydney Gaol Entrance Book 1837- 1838, 4/6437 [reel 853]). Admitted (#1566) from HM Hulk for transportation PS life. Transferred to N Island per G Philip 4 November 1837.

## Keywords

Lashes, Iron gang, Norfolk Island, Cassilis, Phoenix Hulk

## General information

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