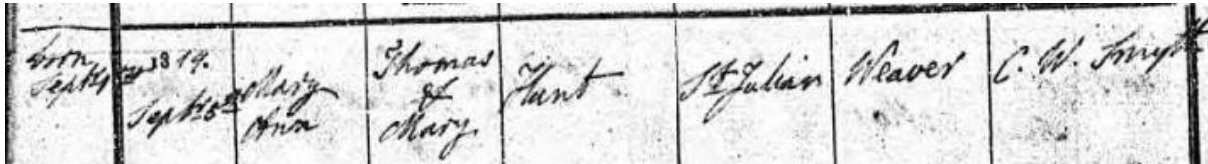


## Stephen SAUNDERS (1819-1895) and Mary nee HUNT (1819-1890)

Stephen was aged 38, married, a ploughman from Norfolk when migrating with his wife, Mary nee HUNT (1819-1890), to Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858. They were sponsored by John Court, a farmer, of Bishopsbourne. Mary was also aged 38, a housemaid, the daughter of Thomas Hunt and Mary nee Trandle.



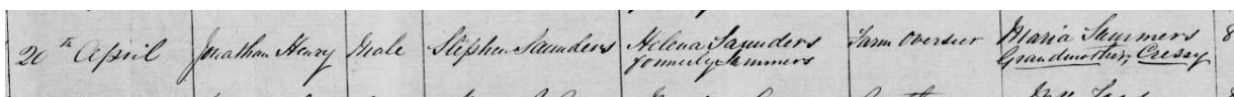
Stephen and Mary were married on 9 November 1839 at the Parish Church in Eccles, Norwich, Norfolk. The marriage registration records Stephen's father, John Saunders, as being occupied as a labourer and Mary's father, Thomas Hunt, a shepherd. It is not known if Stephen and Mary had any children.

In the England 1841 Census Stephen and Mary were living in the home of Stephen's parents, John and Mary Saunders of Eccles, Norfolk.

A Stephen Saunders, born about 1818, aged 21, served 8 November 1839 on the ship 'Victory'. The last ship he served on was 'Blenheim' on 28 March 1843.

Stephen died on 30 September 1895, aged 77, at the residence of Daniel Williams of Longford. Daniel was a 'Trade Wind' passenger and hailed from Eccles as well. It is not known if they were related but obviously both very good friends migrating to the same location in Tasmania: Stephen to Bishopsbourne and Daniel to nearby Longford. The cause of death for Stephen was morbus cordis – a catch-all phrase for death by natural causes when the exact cause was not evident. Mary died five years earlier, on 16 July 1890, aged 73, at the residence of Daniel Williams, Longford. Mary was the beloved wife of Stephen Saunders. They were both buried at the Longford Methodist Cemetery.

A number of family researchers on *ancestry.com* record Stephen, born about 1818, as being married to Helena Summers (1843-1886). A marriage date is not given. This is undoubtedly due to the birth of Jonathan Henry Saunders on 20 April 1867 in the Longford district to Stephen Saunders and Helena Saunders nee Summers. (1867/858). No further records could be found for Stephen Saunders being married or in a relationship with Helena Summers.



If a reader has more information about Stephen and Mary it would be appreciated if they contacted [bettypilgrim@hotmail.com](mailto:bettypilgrim@hotmail.com).