

Henry Hunt

1891 census, 5 West View, Carisbrooke

<i>Henry Hunt</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>Stone mason</i>	<i>Carisbrooke, Hampshire</i>
Fanny Hunt	Wife	53	Carisbrooke, Hampshire	
Frederick Hunt	Son	13	Scholar	Carisbrooke, Hampshire

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A NEWPORT STONEMASON'S FATAL FALL.

On the afternoon of Christmas Eve Edward F. Blake, Esq., held an inquest at the Sir John Barleycorn Inn, Trafalgar-road, Newport, on the body of Henry Hunt, aged 60, a stonemason living at West-view, Newport, who died that morning. – William Wheeler, bricklayer's labourer, of Scarrott's-lane, said that he and deceased both worked for Mr. T. Jenkins, the builder. On the previous Tuesday afternoon he was in his employer's yard when he saw deceased suddenly fall down on his back as he was leaving the paint shop, being apparently seized with a fit. Deceased was unable to speak for a time, but, afterwards recovered somewhat, but gave no explanation as to the cause of his fall. – George House, labourer, of South-view, said he had known deceased for several years, and they had both worked at Mr. Jenkin's. For the last year deceased's health had been indifferent. Deceased appeared in his usual health on Tuesday, when witness found him in the stonemason's shop. He was conscious but said he did not know what caused him to fall. Soon afterwards witness took him home, and after he got there he noticed blood coming from a wound at the back of the deceased's head, where he had presumably received a blow in falling. A doctor was sent for as deceased continued to get worse. Witness was present when deceased died that morning at 8.30. Deceased had taken little nourishment after the accident. – Mr. Stanley Foster, surgeon, practicing at Newport, said that on the previous morning he was called to see deceased, whom he found with the injury to the back of his head, and he came to the conclusion that he was suffering from compression of the brain and probably hemorrhage. There was a fracture and witness regarded it as a bad case, in which medical aid would have no beneficial effect. – The jury returned a verdict that death was due to compression of the brain caused by an accidental fall. Deceased leaves a widow.

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