

Part 3 of 5

**The voyage of
Daniel Baughan**

Convict Transport Ship “Minden” 1851

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SECTION 4 - THE VOYAGE

The ship “Minden”

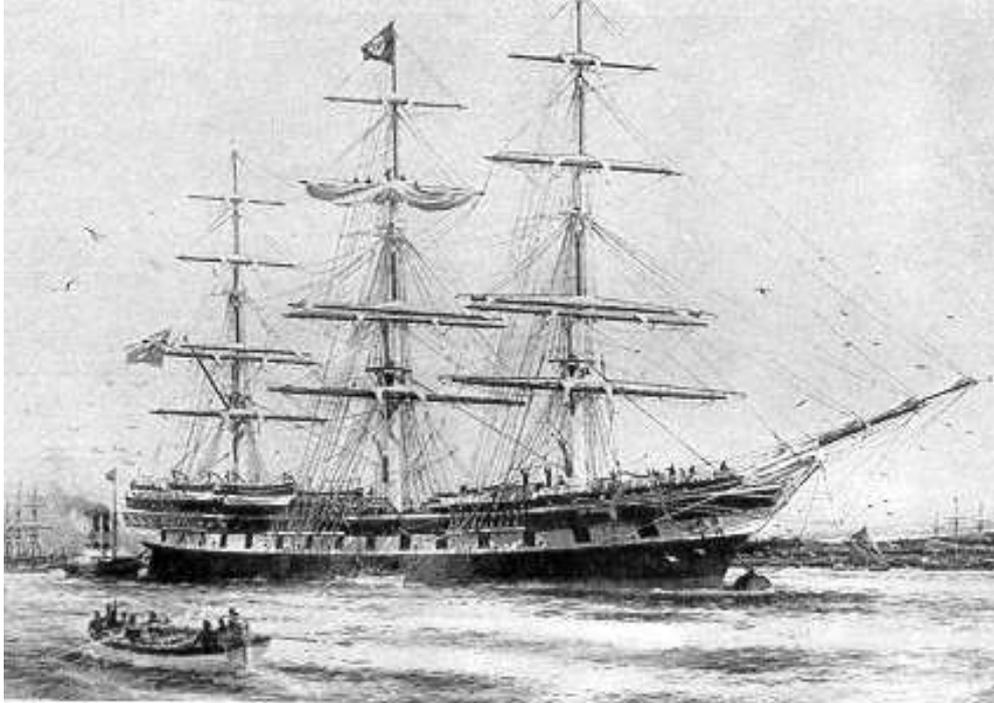


Figure 1: Dunbar Ship "La Hogue" built by Laing in 1855

Daniel Baughan's Ship was to be the hired Transport Ship "Minden" and a great deal of material about her design and construction still survives, along with material about her Crew and details about the eventual return trip to England. A picture has not been found as yet, but the ship, “la Hogue” illustrated above, was of the general type and size of the Minden – and also built by Laing in Sunderland for the same Ship Owner, Duncan Dunbar. ¹

She was one of the fleet belonging to Mr.Duncan Dunbar.² Ten of his vessels - nearly a third of the total convict ships to Western Australia - were chartered by the Admiralty for conveyance of Prisoners - carrying over 12 years some 2,235 men embarked in 11 voyages.

Six of these were Sunderland built: the ships Pyrenees, Minden, Nile, Phoebe Dunbar and Sultana, the barque Ramillies. ³

Source ??

A similar Dunbar Ship “La Hogue” built by Laing’s yards in 1855 at 226’ and 1152 tons (no source recorded)
Duncan Dunbar 1804-1862. Of Scots stock born into Wine & Spirit export business of Dunbar Wharf, Lime Kiln Creek, Limehouse. Involved Aust. emigrant/convict trades, & Indian freight. Own Shipyard at Moulmein, Burma. By 1850's largest ship owner in England, & vessels hired by Govt. for Crimean War. Died a Bachelor leaving £267,000 in cash alone before his ships or other property was valued. From "Pioneer Shipowners Journal of Commerce.Jones.1934.

³ Source ???

Charles Bateson "The Convict Ships" Lib. of Australian History.