

James Bennet Hunt

(- 15 Aug 1857)

Hunt. On the 15th instant, in this city, the Hon. James D. Hunt, of Pontiac, Michigan, in the 59th year of his age.

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Michigan; born in Demerara, British Guiana, South America, August 13, 1799; returned with his father to New York City in 1803; pursued an academic course; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1824 and commenced practice in New York City; moved to Pontiac, Mich., in 1836; judge of the probate court in 1836; appointed commissioner of internal improvement by Governor Mason in March 1837; served as prosecuting attorney of Oakland County 1841-1843; elected as a Democrat to the Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth Congresses (March 4, 1843-March 3, 1847); appointed register of the land office at Sault Ste. Marie January 1848 and served until June 1849; returned to Pontiac and held the office of circuit court commissioner of Oakland County; moved to Washington, D.C., and died there on August 15, 1857; interment in Congressional Cemetery.