

## William Stones, 144, *Hashemy*

Researched by Marcia Watson

Name variation: Stone

Baptism	~1826
Parents	John Stones
Parent's marriage	
Siblings	Walter?, Jean?
Wife	Mary Ann Gauntly/Gantly/Gautly
Married	4 February 1852, Fremantle
Children	Charlotte (1853) William (1855) James (1858-1861) Mary Ann (1861) Catherine (1864)

William Stones said his father, John Stones, was a provision dealer and lived in Elderslie near Glasgow. There is only one John Stones on the 1841 and 1851 census living in Elderslie. He was a hand loom weaver, and Margaret née Orr was his second wife; they married in 1839. This John Stones died in 1867, aged 81, and Margaret Stones died in 1885, aged 82.

In 1841, living at Reid Street, Barony, Lanark (In Glasgow) were:  
David Munro, 50, weaver; Sarah Munro, 45; Walter Stones, 25, Joiner P; Wm Stones, 15, apprentice Type Printer.

1844. Precognition against William Stones, William Adams, John Stones, John McDougall for the crime of theft by housebreaking. <sup>1</sup>

Accused: William Stones, compositor, Address: Tureen Street, Glasgow  
William Adams, tailor, Address: Dale Street, Tradeston, Glasgow  
John Stones, baker, Address: Tureen Street, Glasgow  
John McDougall, shoemaker, Address: New Vennel, Glasgow

At the Stirling Autumn Sessions, on 24 September 1844.

The following case was John McDougall and William Stones, accused of theft, housebreaking, and opening lockfast places. The crime, McDougall's case, aggravated by being habit and repute and previous conviction. Both panels pled guilty to the charge of housebreaking as libelled, but not to the aggravation. The public prosecutor having departed from the aggravations, Lord Wood passed sentence, McDougall to ten years transportation, and William Stones to two years imprisonment. It came out, in the course of Lord Wood's remarks, that McDougall, although apparently a very young man, had suffered previous imprisonments of three and twelve months. <sup>2</sup>

1848. Precognition against William Stones, James Munro, John Farmer for the crime of theft by housebreaking, habit and repute, and previous conviction, and assault on an officer of the Law. <sup>3</sup>

Accused: William Stones, printer or compositor, Address: 37 Salt Market Street, Glasgow  
James Munro, dyer, Address: King Street, Calton, Glasgow  
John Farmer, confectioner, Address: 23 Kork Street, Gorbals, Glasgow

23 September 1848: Trial papers relating to John Farmer, James Munro, William Stones for the crime of theft by housebreaking, and assault on an officer of the Law. Tried at High Court, Glasgow. <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> National Records of Scotland, AD14/44/115

<sup>2</sup> Stirling Observer, 26 September 1844

<sup>3</sup> National Records of Scotland, AD14/48/3; Related record, JC26/1848/398

<sup>4</sup> National Records of Scotland, JC26/1848/398, Related record, AD14/48/3

Accused: John Farmer, Verdict: Guilty, Sentence: Transportation - 10 years  
 James Munro, Verdict: Guilty, Sentence: Transportation - 7 years  
 William Stones, Verdict: Guilty, Sentence: Transportation - 14 years

In September 1848, the List of Indictments for the Glasgow Autumn Circuit Court will be opened tomorrow:

From Lanarkshire - William Stones, theft, by housebreaking, habit, repute, and previous conviction of theft, and assault on an officer of the law. John Farmer, theft, by housebreaking, and assault on an officer of the law. James Munro, theft, by housebreaking.<sup>5</sup>

William Stones, John Farmer, and James Munro, were placed next at the bar, charged with theft, committed by means of housebreaking, as also assault, in so far as, on 22 May last, (1<sup>st</sup>) they stole from a washing-green, near Carluke, a quantity of clothes; (2<sup>nd</sup>) attacked and assaulted William Davidson, hawker, near the High Street of Carluke; (3<sup>rd</sup>), broke into a house of a labourer named Forrest, residing in Carluke, from which they stole some articles of wearing apparel; and (4<sup>th</sup>) assaulted William Freeland, sheriffs-officer, while attempting to take them into custody. Panels pleaded not guilty. Evidence having been led, the jury found all prisoners guilty and libelled.

Sentence – Stones to 14 years' transportation; Farmer to 10 years transportation; and Munro to seven years transportation.<sup>6</sup>

James Munro came on the *Mermaid*, arriving on 13 May 1851.

John Farmer went to Tasmania per *Fairlie*, arriving on 3 July 1852.

#### **Petition.<sup>7</sup>**

James Framer lodged a Petition. As part of the documents, there is a declaration from the three accused. There was sufficient doubt about Farmer's guilt, and a report from the judge, and court documents, were asked for by the Home Secretary. The petition was not upheld.

#### **Declaration of William Stones**

At Lanark, the Twenty third day of May Eighteen hundred and forty eight.

In the presence of Daniel Vere, Esquire, Advocate, Sheriff Substitute if Lanarkshire.

Appeared William Stones, who being judicially admonished and examined. Declares - I am Twenty two years of age, am a printer or Compositor, and reside in number Thirty seven, Salt Market Street, Glasgow. Declares I was yesterday in the Town of Carlake, I had no business there, but accompanied a man of the name of John Farmer who was on 'the tramp', going to Manchester: I deny that I yesterday broke into, or was accessory to the breaking into, a house in Clyde Street Carlake - possessed by William Forrest, Labourer there - Being shewn a quantity of wearing apparel to which labels are attached, and which labels are subscribed by William Freeland, and others. Declares I never before saw any of these articles, or was accessory to stealing, or stole, them, or any part thereof, from the house of William Forrest Clyde, Street Carlake. I do not know a boy of the name of James Munro, but I yesterday saw a boy of that name in Carlake. I deny that I was yesterday in a plantation near Carlake along with Munro but I admit that I was in a plantation along with John Farmer. I deny that I hid any articles in a plantation, or that I saw any articles hid there. All which I Declare to be truth.

(Signed) William Stones

Danl Vere, Stephen Gray, Alex McIntyre, Wm Freeland.

William Stones, 26, single, can read and write well, a printer, was convicted on 23 September 1848 at Glasgow of theft by housebreaking. He was sentenced to 14 years transportation. William had been

<sup>5</sup> Glasgow Herald, 18 September 1848, p4

<sup>6</sup> North British Daily Mail, 25 September 1848, p2

<sup>7</sup> HO18/236

convicted of theft on six previous occasions and was received at Millbank Prison on 21 February 1849. Just over a year later, on 1 May 1850, he was transferred to Portland Prison. From here, he boarded the *Hashemy* on 19 July for the voyage to Fremantle.<sup>8</sup>

On arrival at Fremantle in October 1850, his description was:

144. William Stones, 27, 5' 8½", light brown hair, dark blue eyes, thin face, fair complexion, slight build, mole on right side of neck, a compositor and single.<sup>9</sup>

General Register:

144. William Stones, 28, single, printer, Presbyterian, went to private school, can read and write well, and is indifferent to maths. He said his father, John Stone, was a provision dealer and lived in Elderslie near Glasgow.

Attended Divine Service?	Not regularly
Received Sacrament?	Never
Habits?	Rather given to drink
Intellect?	Sound
State of Mind?	Hopeful
Knowledge, Secular?	Tolerable
Knowledge, Religious?	Tolerable
Alleged Cause of Crime?	Bad company and drink

Name of Person referred to for Character, &c. Makes no reference.<sup>10</sup>

William appears on the Casual sick list, Fremantle Prison.<sup>11</sup>

		Complaint	Treatment
Stone Wm	14 November 1850	Nyctolopia	Shade
Stone Wm	19 November 1850	Pain in side	..... Tart emetic
Stone Wm	20 November 1850	Pain in side	Continue .....
Stone Wm	16 December 1850	Pain in side	Oint. Tart emetic
Stones William	17 January 1851		
Stones William	18 January 1851		
Stone Wm	21 February 1851	Diarrhoea	Pulv Aper: chalk mixture
Stone Wm	4 March 1851	Bad eye	Lotion
Stone Wm	5 March 1851	Bad eye	Continue lotion. Green shade
Stone Wm	10 March 1851	Bad eye	Lotion
Stone Wm	11 March 1851	Bad eyes	Lotion
Stone Wm	12 March 1851	Bad eye	Gutt: Argent Nitrate
Stone Wm	14 March 1851	Bad eye	Gutt: Argent Nitrate
Stone Wm	19 March 1851	Bad eyes	Lotion Zinc Sulph
Stone Wm	21 March 1851	Bad eyes	Apply 3 leeches
Stone Wm	24 March 1851	Cough	Cough mixture
Stone Wm	27 March 1851	Bad eye	Gutt: Argent Nitrate
Stone Wm	28 March 1851	Bad eye	Repeat Gutt..
Stone Wm	29 March 1851	Ophthalmia	Emp: blister. Op: medicine
Stone Wm	30 March 1851	Bad eye	Pich ....
Stone Wm	31 March 1851	Bad eye	Continue caustic drops
Stone Wm	1 April 1851	Bad eye	Leeches. Op: medicine
Stone Wm	2 April 1851	Bad eye	lotion
Stone Wm	3 April 1851	Bad eyes	Gutt: Argent Nitrate

<sup>8</sup> HO24/4; HO8/105

<sup>9</sup> SROWA Acc 128/40-3

<sup>10</sup> SROWA Acc 1156 R21A

<sup>11</sup> SROWA Acc 1156 CS

Stone Wm	5 April 1851	Bad eye	Aper: medicine
Stone Wm	6 April 1851	Bad eye	Puls Cal Comp
Stone Wm	7 April 1851	Bad eye	Continue Gut: caust. Aper: medicine
Stone Wm	8 April 1851	Ophthalmia	Continue Gutt
Stone Wm	9 April 1851	Bad eye	Continue drops. Lotion. Op: M
Stone Wm	10 April 1851		Continue drops
Stone Wm	16 April 1851	Bad eye	Gutt: Argent nitrate
Stone Wm	21 April 1851	Bad eye	.... Hyd nitrate
Stone Wm	10 May 1851	Bad eyes	Lotion
Stone Wm	20 May 1851		
Stone William	21 May 1851	Bad eye	Lotion Argent Nitrate
Stone Wm 144	24 May 1851	Bad eye	... Hyd nitrate. Gut Arg Nit
Stone Wm 144	21 June 1851	Bad eyes	.... Hyd nitrate

A Ticket of Leave was issued on 11 December 1851, and he worked for W Stirling, a printer, in Perth and worked there until 1855.

William married Mary Ann Gauntly on 4 February 1852 at Fremantle. Their children were baptised in the Catholic church at Perth or Fremantle.

Mary Ann Stone died on 9 September 1864 of Rheumatic Fever, aged 31. She was buried in Alma and Skinner Street Cemetery, R.C. section.

At the Perth Magistrates Court, 20 September 1852, William Stone, t.l., out after hours, 3s costs.<sup>12</sup>

Then at the Perth Police Court on 2 May 1853, William Stone, t.l., resisting the Police in the execution of their duty, fined 10s and 3s costs.<sup>13</sup>

Thomas was granted a Conditional Pardon in January 1856.

The W.A. Almanacs, lists William Stones, and they appear to be him.<sup>14</sup>

1863-1873 W Stone, baker, Fremantle

1874 W Stone, boarding house keeper, Fremantle

1875-1889 W Stone, dealer, Fremantle

At Fremantle, on 9 February 1895, William Stone, aged 77 years. R.I.P. Buried the following day at the Alma and Skinner Street cemetery – Roman Catholic.<sup>15</sup>

#### W.A. Biographical Index

STONE William b.1823 (Expiree). arr. 24.10.1850 per Hashemy. m. (Frem. C.E.) 4.2.1852. Mary Ann GAUNTLEY. Printer by trade. employed at first by Stirling at Perth. FREMANTLE Baker. 1864 - 1874 Boardinghouse keeper; 1875 - dealer. Employed T/L men mostly bakers on occasions 1853 - 1864 Lit Presbyt

<sup>12</sup> The Perth Gazette and Independent Journal of Politics and News (WA : 1848 - 1864), 24 September 1852, p4

<sup>13</sup> The Perth Gazette and Independent Journal of Politics and News (WA : 1848 - 1864), 13 May 1853, p3

<sup>14</sup> <https://www.carnamah.com.au/WA-directories>

<sup>15</sup> The Daily News (Perth, WA : 1882 - 1950), 9 February 1895, p4