

Eliza Redman *

(*nee Eliza Bird, uxor Eliza Evans, aka Eliza Howard, Eliza Ferguson, Eliza Rose*)

POLICE NUMBER 224 ¹	LITERACY read and write well
TRIAL DATE 14 December 1840	AGE ON EMBARKATION 16
TRIAL PLACE Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London	AGE ON ARRIVAL 17
OFFENCE larceny, 2 indictments in obtaining goods under false pretences, 'several indictments against me'	HEIGHT 4' 11¾"
SENTENCE 14 years	COMPLEXION fair
GAOL REPORT convicted before, poor, single	HEAD oval
PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS once before discharged for ...	HAIR brown
SURGEON'S REPORT quiet	VISAGE oval
ON THE TOWN no	FOREHEAD high
MARITAL STATUS single	EYEBROWS dark brown
CHILDREN 0	EYES light brown
FAMILY mother Mary Ann Bird; ⁷ father John Bird; brother William John Bird	NOSE medium
NATIVE PLACE St John Street, London, England	MOUTH medium
TRADE ON EMBARKATION	CHIN round
TRADE ON ARRIVAL nurse, needlewoman	MARKS long scar on fourth finger on right hand

c1823 **Born** at St John Street, London, Middlesex, England; father John Bird; mother Mary Ann Bird.²

11 May 1823 **Baptised** at St Sepulchre Church, Holborn, London, England; father John Bird, bricklayer, resident of White Horse Alley; mother Mary Ann.³

25 August 1825 Brother William John Bird born at London, England; father John Bird, mother Mary Ann.⁴

6 November 1825 Brother William John Bird baptised at St Leonard's Church, Shoreditch, Hackney, London, England; father John Bird, bricklayer; mother Mary Ann.⁵

14 December 1840 Tried at the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London, England with her mother Mary Ann Bird⁶ indicted for larceny in stealing on 7 November 1840 50 yards of mouseline-de-laine value £2.10.0 from Joseph Railton's linen-draper's shop, Paradise Street, Chelsea; Mary Ann indicted for feloniously receiving the same, well knowing it to have been stolen, stating that it had been received from a certain evil-disposed person; 1st of 2 indictments; found guilty; aged 16.⁷

Statement of witness Joseph Railton:

I keep a linen-draper's shop in Paradise-street. Chelsea. Redman came to me on the 7th of November, and said she wanted a dress that Miss Coomber had seen in my window – I said I did not know which it was – she said if I showed her tome she would show me the pattern – I took down a quantity – she said tone was it, and would I allow her to take three or four more for Miss Coomber to look at – I knew Miss Coomber very well – she keeps an establishment for ladies, close by me – I allowed the prisoner to take five dresses of mousline-de-laine, which was about fifty yards, but not knowing her, I watched her to Miss Coomber's house – she went in, and I was satisfied – she came back to me in about a quarter of an hour, and said Miss

¹ TAHO, CON40/1/8 p.260 No.224 [image 207] (Eliza Redman); TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.245 [image 126] (Eliza Redman); ML, CY 1282 p.152 (Eliza Redman); ML, CY 1197 p.152 (Eliza Redman); ML, CY 958 p.441 (Eliza Redman)

² TAHO, CON19/1/1 p.245 [image 126] (Eliza Redman); *Family Search*, IGI Batch No.C02565-2 Source Film Nos.375002, 375003 (Eliza Bird); *ancestry.com.au*, 'London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906' image 9 p.231 (Eliza Bird)

³ *Family Search*, IGI Batch No.C02565-2 Source Film Nos.375002, 375003 (Eliza Bird); *ancestry.com.au*, 'London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906' image 9 p.231 (Eliza Bird)

⁴ *Family Search*, IGI Batch No.C04080-4 Source Film Nos.396234-6 (William John Bird)

⁵ *ancestry.com.au*, 'London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906' image 136 p.264 (William John Bird)

⁶ Edward West of Church Street, Hackney gave Mary Ann a good character; aged 41, found guilty.

⁷ *Old Bailey Proceedings Online*, t18401214-395 (Eliza Redman & Mary Ann Bird)

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Coomber had selected this dress for herself, but would like her sister to have this other one, but as her sister was not at home, would I allow her to take and leave them – I did so – she did not return – these three dresses now produced are mine.

Cross-examined by Mr. Payne. Q. In what state were these dresses? A. Folded up – I should have had no objection for Miss Coomber to have purchased them – these are the only three we have recovered.⁷

Statement of witness Ann Coomber:

I did not send Redman to Mr. Railton's for any dresses – I did not get any from her – I saw her on that day – I did not talk to her about any dresses.

Cross-examined. Q. Where did you see her? A. In my house – she said she came from Mrs. Smith, in Vauxhall-road, to inquire if I had a vacancy for a pupil.⁷

Statement of witness Samson Darkin Campbell:

I am a police-inspector. About two o'clock in the morning of the 1st of December, I went to Woodland-street, Dalston, where Bird (Redman's mother) lives – I saw her in bed – after searching a room, which was pointed out by the husband as Redman's room, I asked Bird if she had seen her daughter bring home any mousetine-de-laine dresses, or shawl, or had seen her in possession of any watches – she said she had not brought any there, and she had only seen her with a gilt watch, and if her daughter had done any thing wrong, she was innocent – I searched the house again, about five-o'clock in the afternoon, after the examination before the Magistrate, and in the front parlour, which was Bird's room, I found in the neck of a bottle, thrust in as a cork, three duplicates, one for a watch, pledged for five guineas – I then questioned Bird – I said I had information of some mousetine-de-laine shawls and watches being brought home – she most solemnly denied that such things had been brought there – on the following Friday I went and found this dress there – I said to Bird, "I have called once more to know if you still persist in your story, that your daughter has brought nothing home?" – she said she had not – I said, "Have you not redeemed any thing since then?" – she said, "Oh, my God! I have, I did it to save my daughter" – this dress had been pledged while Redman was under examination, and redeemed that night.

Cross-examined. Q. The dress was not hid away? A. No, it was wrapped up with other articles, as it came from the pawnbroker's – Bird appeared very much distressed and agitated – I did not go and question the daughter in prison – I went with a message from her, but I found my error, and left – I had no conversation with any one, from the time I saw the daughter till I had the conversation with the mother – I took a note of the first conversation – the daughter told me nothing of the mousetine-de-laine.⁷

Statement of witness John Burgess:

I am a pawnbroker. I produce two pieces of mousetine-de-laine, pawned on the 7th of November, and this other, pawned by Bird on the 1st of December, and redeemed on the Friday following.⁷

Tried again at the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey), London, England with her mother Mary Ann Bird⁸ indicted for larceny in stealing on 19 November 1840 2 shawls value £3, and 40 yards of mousetine-de-laine value £3, the property of Mr Daniel Sanger; Mary Ann indicted for feloniously receiving the same, well knowing them to have been stolen; 4 other indictments against her; found guilty; sentence 14 years' transportation; aged 16.⁹

Statement of witness Evan Hughes:

On the 19th of November Redman came to Mr. Daniel Sanger's, and asked to look at a black-ground mousetine-de-laine, for Mrs. Cook, which she had seen in the window the day previous – she selected one, which she said was the one that Mrs. Cook wished – she took it, and came back in about ten minutes, and said it was not quite good enough, she wished to have four more, to select one – I gave her these four for Mrs. Cook, who is a customer – these two shawls now produced I also gave her for Mrs. Cook to look at.⁹

⁸ Mary Ann, aged 41, was also found guilty and sentenced to 7 years transportation but there is no record of her arriving in Tasmania.

⁹ *Old Bailey Proceedings Online*, t18401214-396 (Eliza Redman & Mary Ann Bird)

Statement of witness Mary Brine:

I am servant to Mrs. Cook, who lives at Camberwell, and deals with Mr. Sanger. On the 19th of November I was at home all day – Mrs. Cook was ill, and did not see any one – I am sure she did not see Redman – she came to the house, and inquired for Mr. Cook, who is a surgeon, I said he was not at home – she said he was wanted at Mrs. Price's school, at Peckham – she brought a parcel, but did not leave it.⁹

Statement of witness John Burgess:

I am a pawnbroker. I produce two shawls, which were pledged by Redman on the 21st of November.⁹

Statement of witness Samson Darkin Campbell:

I am a police-sergeant. I went to Bird's, on the morning of the 1st of December – I asked if her daughter had brought home any shawls or dresses – she said she had not, if she had she must have known it – I said I had information that such things were there, and I hoped, for her own sake, she would tell me – she denied it – in consequence of what Mr. Burgess told me I went again on the Friday, and asked if her daughter had brought any mouseline-de-laine dresses or shawls there, she denied it – I said, "Do you know any thing of any shawl, or dresses being pawned?" – she said, "No" – I said, "Do you mean you did not redeem a parcel, containing mouseline-de-laine dresses, and a shawl, this night, from Mr. Burgess's?" – she said, "I did it to save my child; for God's sake forgive me."⁹

Statement of defendant Eliza Redman:

What I gave my mother she believed me to have bought, and paid for them.⁹

Newspaper report:

UNION-HALL. – Eliza Redman, alias Bird, a young female of respectable appearance, was brought before Mr. Maltby, charged with obtaining gold watches and other articles, the property of different tradesmen, and Mary Ann Bird, her mother, was charged as the receiver. The examination of the prisoners excited considerable interest in consequence of the ingenious manner in which in most instances the younger of the two succeeded in defrauding the numerous tradesmen of their property.

Joseph Railton stated that he was a linendraper in Paradise-street, Chelsea, and that on the 7th of November the younger prisoner called at his shop and said that she came from Miss Comber, who had seen some dresses in the window and wished to have some of them sent to her house, that she might select from them. Complainant delivered five dresses to the prisoner, and she went away with them, and he watched her, and she went in at the hall door of Miss Comber's house. In the course of three or four hours afterwards the complainant sent to Miss Comber's, and ascertained that no dresses had been taken there. He identified two of the dresses produced as two of those which the prisoner received from him on the above occasion.

Burgess, a pawnbroker, produced two dresses pledged at his shop on the 7th of November by a female, who gave the name of Jane Lee.

Inspector Campbell, of the P division, stated that on Friday last he went to the house of the prisoner's mother, at Dalston, and found the dress claimed by Mr. Railton.

Thomas Restall stated that he was a watchmaker, at Lower Tooting, and that on the 11th of November the younger prisoner came to him and said that Miss Redman wanted to see some gold watches and had sent her for them. He inquired if she (prisoner) had any objection to his boy going with her, and she replied in the negative, and he then delivered three gold watches to her and a gold key. When she was in the act of quitting the shop she inquired if the boy was not going to accompany her, and the complainant replied that it was of no consequence, and she then went out, but he gave his boy directions to watch her and see whether she went into Miss Redman's house. About a quarter of an hour afterwards the complainant went to Miss Redman's, and found that no watches had been sent for or delivered there. The complainant added that the two watches produced were the same he entrusted the prisoner with on the day in question.

Henry Walker, servant to Mr. Restall, stated that, agreeably to the directions of his master, he watched the prisoner on the day mentioned, and saw her enter the front gate of Miss Redman's establishment and come out in a few minutes. When she came out she asked him if he came from Mr. Restall's, and on his answering in the affirmative she then desired him to go back directly to his master's shop and bring some silver watches and watchhooks.

The witness did as he was desired, and, having returned to the shop, his master then proceeded to Miss Redman's house.

William Hawes, a pawnbroker in the Kingsland-road, produced a gold watch and key, and stated that they were pledged at his shop on the 14th of November by the prisoner, in the name of Ellen Smith.

John Elliott, a pawnbroker, produced another gold watch, which he stated was pledged at his shop on the 11th of November by the younger prisoner in the name of Ellen Smith.

Jane Redman stated that she keeps a school at Tooting, and that she sent for no watches, and was not at all acquainted with either of the prisoners.

Caroline Wood, servant at Miss Redman's, stated that on the 11th of November the prisoner called at her mistress's house, and inquired if Mrs. Christopher kept the school. After having made the inquiry she went away.

The elder prisoner said that her daughter was an actress, and the watches and other property she brought home she (the mother) thought she purchased with her own money.

The daughter said she had nothing to say except that her mother was not implicated in the transactions.

Both the prisoners were fully committed.¹⁰

- 1841 Mother Mary Ann Bird at Newgate Gaol, London, Middlesex, England; aged 40, born Middlesex, England.¹¹
- 5 April 1841 Departed Woolwich, England on the *Rajah*.¹²
- 19 July 1841 Arrived at Hobart on the *Rajah*.¹²
- c24 July 1841 Upon arrival at Hobart, sent to Launceston for assignment.¹³
- 31 December 1841 Mustered in the service of Mr Hartnett, Longford.¹⁴
- 15 January 1842 Charged at the Police Court, Longford with uselessness by her master Mr Bonney; returned to gaol.¹⁵
- 20 June 1842 Charged at the Police Court, Longford by her master with misconduct and strong suspicion of pilfering a quantity of articles his property; in the service of Mr Hartnett;¹⁶ plea not guilty; verdict guilty; sentence 6 months hard labour at Launceston Female Factory.¹⁷
- 1 March 1843 Application for permission to marry Edward Evans¹⁸ (*Recovery*) sent to the Muster Master.¹⁹
- 5 April 1843 Application for permission to marry Edward Evans sent to the Secretary; not approved.¹⁹
- 8 December 1843 At Swansea.²⁰
- Application for permission to marry Edward Evans (*Recovery*) sent to the Muster Master and the Secretary; approved.²¹
- 28 December 1843 Notice given of approval for permission to marry Edward Evans; both in assigned service at Fingal.²²

¹⁰ *Morning Post*, 10 December 1840 Issue 21811 Article 17 (Eliza Redman alias Bird & Mary Ann Bird)

¹¹ *ancestry.com.au*, '1841 England Census' [HO 107/728/7/11] (Mary Ann Bird)

¹² AJCP, ADM 101/63 *Rajah*

¹³ ML, CY 1282 p.142 (Eliza Redman); ML, CY 1274 p.261 (Eliza Redman)

¹⁴ AJCP, HO 10/51 p.391 No.224 (Eliza Redman)

¹⁵ TAHO, LC362/1/5 p.176 (Eliza Redman)

¹⁶ Name given as Hartwell on conduct record, but probably Hartnett or Hartnot.

¹⁷ TAHO, LC362/1/5 (Eliza Redman)

¹⁸ Edward Evans was transported for 14 years on the *Recovery* in 1837, tried at Lancashire (Liverpool) Quarter Sessions on 10 April 1837 for breaking and entering a dwelling house and stealing plate; single, labourer, aged 22, native place Holliwel; Ticket of Leave 24 November 1843; at Swansea 15 December 1843, at Campbell Town 12 January 1844 and 19 June 1844 (TAHO, CON31/1/11 p.189 No.525 [image 193] (Edward Evans), TAHO, CON18/1/22 [image 95] (Edward Evans); TAHO, CON34/1/7 No.525 p.181 [image 186] (Edward Evans)).

¹⁹ TAHO, CON52/1/2 p.47 (Eliza Redman & Edw^d Evans)

²⁰ TAHO, CON40/1/8 p.260 No.224 [image 207] (Eliza Redman)

²¹ TAHO, CON52/1/2 p.47 (Eliza Redman & Edw^d Evans)

²² *Hobart Town Gazette*, 29 December 1843 p.1389; 5 January 1844 p.11; 12 January 1844 p.46 (Edward Evans & Eliza Redman)

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19 January 1844	Married Edward Evans at St Luke's Anglican Church, Campbell Town; Eliza aged 19, dressmaker, spinster; Edward aged 25, labourer, bachelor; witnesses Sarah Hewitt and Matthew Daughett. ²³
6 April 1844	Husband Edward Evans charged with assault; discharged. ²⁴
13 November 1844	Husband Edward Evans charged with misconduct and using profane language; sentence 1 month's hard labour on the Town Surveyors Gang, Launceston. ²⁴
13 January 1845	Husband Edward Evans charged with being drunk and disorderly; admonished. ²⁴
5 February 1845	Husband Edward Evans charge with misconduct; discharged. ²⁴
21 February 1845	Classified as a 3 rd class probation pass-holder; gazetted 28 February. ²⁵
10 April 1845 ²⁶	Daughter Winifred Eliza Evans, illegitimate, ²⁷ born at Cascades Female Factory, Hobart; mother Eliza Redman; informant Edward Hawson, clerk, Cascades Female Factory. ²⁸
12 May 1845	Husband Edward Evans charged with being out after hours in a public house; sentence 2 months' hard labour on the Town Surveyors Gang, Hobart. ²⁴
28 June 1845	Husband Edward Evans' residue of hard labour sentence remitted. ²⁴
1 November 1845	Ticket of Leave granted; gazetted 4 November. ²⁹
18 January 1847	Husband Edward Evans charged with being drunk; fined 5 shillings. ²⁴
24 May 1847	Daughter Margaret Evans born at Hobart. ³⁰
9 November 1847	Husband Edward Evans recommended for a Conditional Pardon. ²⁴
1 December 1847	Conditional Pardon application form issued at the Police Office, New Norfolk; fee 6 shillings; resident of New Norfolk. ³¹
24 December 1847	Conditional Pardon application received at the Police Office, New Norfolk. ³²
27 December 1847	Conditional Pardon application forwarded to the Comptroller General. ³²
30 January 1849	Husband Edward Evans approved for a Conditional Pardon. ²⁴
16 February 1849	At New Norfolk. ²⁰
17 February 1849	Conditional Pardon application received at the Police Office, New Norfolk. ³³
19 February 1849	Conditional Pardon application forwarded to the Comptroller General. ³³
21 February 1849	Application for a Conditional Pardon received. ²⁰
3 April 1849	Recommended for a Conditional Pardon. ²⁰
30 July 1850	Conditional Pardon approved. ²⁰
c1850	Daughter Marion Evans born. ³⁴
6 June 1851	Husband Edward Evans issued a Certificate of Freedom. ²⁴
29 December 1851	Husband Edward Evans departed Launceston as a steerage passenger on the <i>City of Melbourne</i> bound for Melbourne, VIC; free by servitude, ship to colony <i>Recovery</i> . ³⁵
1852	Husband Edward Evans returned to Launceston from Melbourne, VIC. ³⁷

²³ TAHO, RGD37/1/3 1844/1462 Campbell Town (Eliza Redman & Edward Evans)

²⁴ TAHO, CON34/1/7 No.525 p.181 [image 186] (Edward Evans)

²⁵ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 28 February 1845 p.232 (Eliza Redman)

²⁶ Mentioned in the return from the female factory of June 1846.

²⁷ Eliza was married to Winifred's father Edward Evans at the time, so Winifred was not illegitimate.

²⁸ TAHO, RGD33/1/2 1845/974 Hobart (female Redman)

²⁹ *Hobart Town Gazette*, 4 November 1845 p.1386 (Eliza Redman)

³⁰ personal communication, Kate Neilson, 1 February 2012

³¹ TAHO, POL517/1/1, 1 December 1847 (Eliza Redman)

³² TAHO, POL517/1/1, 24 December 1847 (Eliza Redman)

³³ TAHO, POL517/1/1, 17 February 1849 (Eliza Redman)

³⁴ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008. The birth certificate of Marion's son Anthony Oliver gives her place of birth as Gravelly Beach (near Launceston, TAS (VIC Birth Certificate 1872/2241 (Anthony Oliver Evans)). However, her marriage certificate gives her place of birth as Victoria.

³⁵ TAHO, PO 220/1/1 p.502 (Edward Evans)

- 20 August 1852 Departed Launceston for Melbourne, VIC with husband Edward Evans and two children (Winifred and Margaret) as steerage passengers on the *Yarra Yarra*; Eliza free by servitude,³⁶ ship to colony *Rajah*; Edward free, ship to colony *City of Melbourne*; children born in Tasmania.³⁷
- c1853 At Beechworth, VIC with family; husband Edward Evans a shopkeeper.³⁸
- 14 December 1854 Free by servitude.
- c1856 Formed a *de facto* relationship with John Dobbs Ferguson.³⁹
- c1857 **Son** William Ferguson, illegitimate, born in Victoria.⁴⁰
- 1858 **Daughter** Jane Frances Ferguson, illegitimate, born at Carrisbrook, VIC; mother Eliza Howard.⁴¹
- 5 June 1859 Daughter Winifred Eliza Evans married George Morgan at Wangaratta, VIC; Winifred aged 14, spinster, born Hobart, TAS; father Edward Evans, tailor; mother Eliza Ferguson nee Redman; George aged 28, bachelor, born London, England; witnesses John Ferguson and Eliza Ferguson.⁴²
- 5 August 1860 **Son** Samuel Ferguson, illegitimate, born at Eldorado Flats, VIC; father John Ferguson, splitter, aged 35, born Carrick Fergus, Antrim, Ireland; mother Eliza Howard, aged 34, born London, England; attendant at birth Mrs Morgan; birth registered at Wangaratta, VIC.⁴³
- 1860 Grandson Charles Morgan born at Eldorado, VIC; father George Morgan, mother Winifred Evans.⁴⁴
- 4 August 1862 **Daughter** Jessie Ferguson, illegitimate, born at Eldorado Ovens, VIC; father John Ferguson, labourer, aged 36, born Carrick Fergus, Antrim, Ireland; mother Eliza Howard, aged 35, born London, England; birth registered at Chiltern, VIC.⁴⁵
- 27 August 1864 Daughter Margaret Evans married Henry Nielson at The Manse, Wangaratta, VIC (Presbyterian service); Margaret aged 17, spinster, illiterate, born Hobart, TAS; father Edward Evans, tailor and draper; mother Eliza Ferguson nee Redmond; residence Eldorado, VIC; Henry aged 25, bachelor, blacksmith, born Tuendal, Denmark; father Peter Nielson, farmer; mother Eugebure Nielson nee Ladson' resident Woolshed, Beechworth, VIC; witnesses Eliza Ferguson and John Ferguson; consent for marriage given by mother Eliza.⁴⁶
- 1866 Daughter Winifred Eliza Evans married James Walter MacEvoy at Wahgunyah, VIC; Winifred aged 21, bonnet maker, spinster⁴⁷, born Launceston, TAS; father Edward Evans, tailor; mother Eliza Evans nee Redman; witnesses John Ferguson and Eliza Ferguson.⁴⁸
- Married** John Dobbs Ferguson in Victoria; John born Argyleshire; Eliza born Derby.⁴⁹
- 20 March 1867 Grandson Henry Charles Nielson born at Snowy Creek, VIC; father Henry Nielson, mother Marjory Evens.⁵⁰

³⁶ Eliza was not free by servitude until December 1854. At this time she was holding a Conditional Pardon.

³⁷ TAHO, POL220/1/2 p.110 (E Redman, E Evans, Eliza Evans, M Evans & W Evans)

³⁸ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010

³⁹ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008 and 4 October 2010; NSW Death Certificate 1901/6456 (Eliza Ferguson). The marriage place is given as Adelaide, SA in 1854 or 1856 on birth certificates of children – no record of the marriage has been found. John Ferguson's death certificate gives the place of marriage as Carisbrook, VIC circa 1857.

⁴⁰ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008. This child is not mentioned on Eliza's death certificate.

⁴¹ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008; VIC Birth Certificate 1858/18782 (Jane Fran Ferguson, mother Eliza Howard)

⁴² VIC Marriage Certificate 1859/1596 (Winifred Eliza Evans & George Morgan); personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010

⁴³ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008; VIC Birth Certificate 1860/16901 (Samuel Ferguson)

⁴⁴ VIC Birth Record 1860/10840 (Charles Morgan)

⁴⁵ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008; VIC Birth Certificate 1862/21188 (Jessie Ferguson)

⁴⁶ VIC Marriage Certificate 1864/3200 (Margery Evans & Henry Nielson)

⁴⁷ Winifred was not a spinster and may still have been married to George Morgan as there is no record of a death for him (personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010).

⁴⁸ VIC Marriage Certificate 1866/3217 (James McEvoy & Winifred Evans); personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010

⁴⁹ VIC Marriage Record 1866/1102 (John Ferguson & Eliza Evans)

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- 1868 Granddaughter Winifred May MacEvoy born at Eldorado, VIC; father James Maceroy, mother Winifred Evans.⁵¹
- 1870 Granddaughter Hilda MacEvoy born at Eldorado, VIC; father James Macevoy, mother Winifred Evans.⁵²
- 31 May 1870 Granddaughter Engelbert Eliza Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC.⁵³
- 30 December 1871 Grandson Anthony Oliver Evans, illegitimate, born at Eldorado, VIC, mother Marion Evans; informant mother Marion Evans, aged 22, housekeeper at Carraragarmuggee, VIC, born Gravelly Beach near Launceston, TAS; witnesses Mrs Ferguson and Mrs McEvoy.⁵⁴
- 1872 Granddaughter Alice MacEvoy born at Eldorado, VIC; father James McEvoy, mother Winifred Evans.⁵⁵
- 16 December 1872 Granddaughter Mary Anne Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC.⁵⁶
- 30 December 1872 Daughter Marion Evans married Anthony Strahan in Victoria; Marion, aged 22, housekeeper, born Melbourne, VIC; father Edward Evans, storekeeper; mother Eliza Evans nee Rose; Anthony aged 32, bachelor, police constable, born County Kildare, Ireland.⁵⁷
- 26 November 1873 Granddaughter Alicia Strahan born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Anthony Strahan, mother Marion Evans.⁵⁸
- 1873 Granddaughter Hilda MacEvoy died at Eldorado, VIC; aged 2, father James MacEvoy, mother Winnifred Evans.⁵⁹
Granddaughter Mary Anne Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Henry Nelson, mother Mary Evans.⁶⁰
- 21 June 1873 Granddaughter Engelbert Eliza Nielson died at Mitta Mitta, VIC.⁵³
- 1874 Grandson James Walter MacEvoy⁶¹ born at Eldorado, VIC; father James McEvoy, mother Winifred Evans.⁶²
- 16 September 1875 Grandson Oliver Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Henry Neilson, mother Margaret Evans.⁶³
- 17 March 1875 Granddaughter Marion Strahan born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Anthony Strahan, mother Marion Evans.⁶⁴
- 1876 Grandson Thomas Strahan born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Anthony Strahan, mother Marion Evans.⁶⁵
- September 1876 Son-in-law James Walter MacEvoy died at Wangaratta, VIC; buried at Eldorado, VIC.^{66,67}
- 1877 Granddaughter Jessie Strahan born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Anthony Strahan, mother Marion Evans.⁶⁸

⁵⁰ VIC Birth Record 1867/18294 (Henry Charles Nielson); personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁵¹ VIC Birth Record 1868/9037 (Winifred Maceroy, mother Winifred Evans)

⁵² VIC Birth Record 1870/15536 (female Macevoy, mother Winifred Evans)

⁵³ VIC Death Record 1873/7769 (Engelbert Eliza Neilson); personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁵⁴ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008 & 27 September 2010; VIC Birth Certificate 1872/2241 (Anthony Oliver Evans, mother Marion Evans)

⁵⁵ VIC Birth Record 1872/8710 (Alice McEvoy)

⁵⁶ personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁵⁷ VIC Marriage Certificate 1872/4536 (Anthony Strahan & Marion Evans)

⁵⁸ VIC Birth Record 1873/25797 (Alicia Strahan)

⁵⁹ VIC Death Record 1873/2865 (Hilda Macevoy)

⁶⁰ VIC Birth Record 1873/4450 (Mary Anne Nelson)

⁶¹ Death not found, but died before 1876 when his father died (personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010).

⁶² VIC Birth Record 1874/22506 (James Walter McEvoy)

⁶³ VIC Birth Record 1875/24668 (Oliver Neilson); personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁶⁴ VIC Birth Record 1875/4271 (Marion Strahan)

⁶⁵ VIC Birth Record 1876/17801 (Thomas Strahan)

⁶⁶ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010

⁶⁷ Daughter Winifred May MacEvoy was the sole beneficiary of James MacEvoy's will (read November 1876) and she was noted as the only living child; there was no mention of his wife (personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 29 September 2010 and 8 February 2011).

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- c1877 Daughter Winifred Eliza Evans married or formed a de facto relationship with Thomas Anderson; Thomas resident of Sale.⁶⁶
- 1878 Granddaughter Kathleen Isabel Anderson born at Traralgon, VIC; father Thomas Anderson, mother Winifred Evans.⁶⁹
Granddaughter Caroline Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Henry Neilson, mother Margaret Evans.⁷⁰
- 1879 Grandson Frank Strahan born at Wangaratta, VIC; father Anthony Strahan, mother Marion Evans.⁷¹
- 1879 Granddaughter Margaret Anderson born at Sale, VIC; father Thomas Anderson, mother Winifred Evans.⁷²
- 1881 Grandson Edward Strahan born at Rutherglen, VIC; father Anthony Strahan, mother Marion Evans.⁷³
Grandson Thomas William Anderson born at Sale, VIC; father Thomas Anderson, mother Winnifred Evans.⁷⁴
- 23 February 1881 Grandson Peter Joseph (Hector) Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Henry Neilson, mother Margery Evans.⁷⁵
- 1883 Granddaughter Marion Anderson born at Sale, VIC; father Thomas Anderson, mother Minnifred Evans.⁷⁶
- 28 November 1883 Granddaughter Margaret Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Henry Neilson, mother Margaret Evans.⁷⁷
- 1885 Grandson Edward Ernest Anderson born at Sale, VIC; father Thomas Anderson, mother Winifred Evans.⁷⁸
- 1 May 1886 Grandson Eli Nielson born at Mitta Mitta, VIC; father Henry Neilson, mother Margaret Evans.⁷⁹
- 1888 Granddaughter Violet Anderson born at Sale, VIC; father Thomas Anderson, mother Winifred Evans.⁸⁰
- 20 November 1888 Granddaughter Winifred May MacEvoy married William Faithfull at St Paul's Anglican Church, Sale, VIC; Winifred aged 20, domestic, resident of Wurruk, VIC, born Eldorado, VIC, father James MacEvoy, deceased; mother Winifred Evans; William aged 26, farmer, resident of Wurruk VIC, born Tullamarine, VIC; witnesses Thomas Anderson and Winifred Anderson (Evans).⁸¹
- 1889 Granddaughter Alice MacEvoy died at Prahran, VIC; aged 17, father James McEvoy, mother Winifred Anderson.⁸²
- April 1894 Son-in-law Thomas Anderson died at Wurruk (near Sale), VIC; aged 54, gardener.⁸³
- 15 April 1894 Son-in-law Thomas Anderson buried at Sale, VIC.⁸⁴
- 1896 Granddaughter Isabella Anderson died at Sale, VIC; aged 18, father Thomas Anderson, mother Winifred Evans.⁸⁵

⁶⁶ VIC Birth Record 1877/23787 (Jessy Strahan)

⁶⁹ VIC Birth Record 1878/12330 (Isabella Anderson)

⁷⁰ VIC Birth Record 1878/17680 (Caroline Neilson)

⁷¹ VIC Birth Record 1879/20023 (Frank Strahan)

⁷² VIC Birth Record 1879/18946 (Margaret Anderson); personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 27 September 2010

⁷³ VIC Birth Record 1881/19062 (Edward Strahan)

⁷⁴ VIC Birth Record 1881/25775 (Thomas William Anderson)

⁷⁵ VIC Birth Record 1881/4318 (Peter Neilson); personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁷⁶ VIC Birth Record 1883/19338 (Marion Anderson)

⁷⁷ VIC Birth Record 1883/25195 (Margaret Neilson); personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁷⁸ VIC Birth Record 1885/21131 (Edward Ernest Anderson)

⁷⁹ VIC Birth Record 1886/12298 (Eli Neilson); personal communication, Kate Neilson, 6 March 2012

⁸⁰ VIC Birth Record 1888/6347 (Violet Anderson)

⁸¹ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2010; VIC Marriage Certificate 1888/6814 (William Faithfull & Mary McEvoy)

⁸² VIC Death Record 1889/4271 (Alice McEvoy)

⁸³ VIC Death Record 1894/7470 (Thos Anderson); personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 8 February 2011

⁸⁴ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 8 February 2011

- 23 April 1897 Husband John Dobbs Ferguson died of senility at Nymagee, NSW; aged 67, sailmaker, born Carrick Fergus, County Antrim, Ireland, father Charles Ferguson, mother Jean Mitchell; informant son Samuel Ferguson.⁸⁶
- 1898 Grandson Edward Ernest Anderson died at Sale, VIC; aged 13 years; father Thomas Anderson, mother Winifred Evans.⁸⁷
- 11 March 1898 Son-in-law Anthony Strahan died of kidney failure at Rutherglen, VIC; aged 57, retired police sergeant; father Anthony Strahan, farmer; mother Ann Gilltrap of Timolin County Kildare, Ireland.⁸⁸
- 17 December 1898 **Died** of old age and diarrhoea at Hermitage Tank, Nyngan, NSW; aged 62⁸⁹, born London, England, resident of New South Wales for about 50 years; informant son Samuel Ferguson of Hermitage Tank; death registered 27 May 1901.⁹⁰
- 18 December 1898 Buried at Hermitage Tank, Nyngan, NSW.⁹¹
- September 1901 Daughter Winifred Eliza Evans died in Victoria; aged 52, father Evans, mother unknown.⁸⁴
- 8 September 1901 Daughter Winifred Eliza Evans buried in grave Y139, Korrumburra Cemetery, VIC.⁸⁴

⁸⁵ VIC Death Record 1896/7664 (Kathleen Isabel Anderson)

⁸⁶ personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 4 October 2008 and 4 October 2010; Ancestry.com. *Australia Death Index, 1787–1985* No.5781 (John D Ferguson); NSW Death Certificate 1897/5781

⁸⁷ VIC Death Record 1898/13868 (Edward Ernest Anderson)

⁸⁸ VIC Death Record 1898/4670 (Anthony Strahan)

⁸⁹ She was actually aged about 75 years.

⁹⁰ NSW Death Certificate 1901/6456 (Eliza Ferguson); personal communication, Janice Conisbee, 23 December 2007; *ancestry.com.au*, 'Australia Death Index, 1787–1985' No.6456 (Eliza Ferguson)

⁹¹ NSW Death Record 1901/6456 (Eliza Ferguson)