

James Edwards Stone (1808-1885)

By Jerry Long



James Edwards Stone was born 23 February 1808 in Hardin County, KY. His and his son, James, Jr.'s middle name is also found as Edward. His parents, William D. Stone and Million Edwards were married in Nelson County, KY on 10 March 1807. James E. Stone is listed in the 1829 and 1830 tax lists of Hardin County, KY; the 1831 & 1832 tax lists for Hardin County are missing. During 1832-1833 he made his home in Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. He first appears in the annual tax lists of Hancock County in 1833; he was assessed taxes on one town lot in the town of Hawesville. He is listed in the 1840, 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880 federal censuses of Hancock County, KY. He had been a school teacher. When he first came to Hancock County he was not a slave owner but by 1836 he owned two slaves. During the Civil War he was a strong supporter of the Southern cause. In 1862 he was imprisoned at Louisville, KY on charges of being a Confederate supporter, but was released after taking a Union loyalty oath. He was instrumental in the organization of a Southern Aid Society in Hancock County on 25 November 1866 (Louisville Daily Courier, Louisville, KY, 4 December 1866, p2).

James E. Stone became county and circuit court clerk of Hancock County, KY during 1839. At a session of the Hancock County court on 27 January 1840 James E. Stone produced a bond whereby he swore to perform the duties as clerk of the Hancock Court (Hancock County, KY Order Book 1833-1860, p262). He served as county clerk of Hancock County, KY for about 40 consecutive years. In 1865 he compiled a map of Hancock County (see reproduction in book,

Hancock County, Kentucky When It Was Frontier Country, Oswald Jett, Utica, KY, McDowell Publications, 1986, p294A).

James E. Stone and his wife donated land for the Hawesville Baptist Church that was organized in 1836. By 1839 he had become an ordained minister of the Baptist Church. He served as pastor of the Hawesville Baptist Church, 1839-1863. On 25 May 1840 he produced in the Hancock County court the credentials of his ordination as a minister of the United Baptist Church, whereby he was granted a license to perform the rites of matrimony (Hancock County, KY Order Book 1833-1860, p275). In both capacities as clerk and minister he celebrated the marriages of many couples in Hancock County.

James E. Stone married Catharine Dunnington Linton Lewis on 1 October 1835 in Hancock County, KY. Her gravestone records that she was born 24 April 1811. The daughter of William Linton Lewis (1777-1860) & Ann Winter Dunnington (1783-1867), Catharine was born in Leesburg, Loudoun County, VA. Her parents were married in Charles County, MD on 18 November 1806. They moved to Kentucky in 1815 and in 1819 settled in Lewis Bottom in Hancock County (then part of Breckinridge County). Her parents are buried in the Lewis family cemetery in Hancock County on Kentucky Highway 334 on the Harold Wayne Newton farm about two miles east of Lewisport. The town of Lewisport was named after John Lewis, Jr. (1763-1813), a first cousin of William Linton Lewis. (Lewis data from the book, Daybreak on Old Fortification Creek: A History of John Lewis, His Family and Descendants, by Glenn Hodges, Owensboro Publishing Co., Owensboro, KY, 1989).



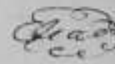

James E. Stone (1808-1885) and wife, Catharine D. L. Lewis (1811-1904)

James E. Stone died at the age of 77 on 21 May 1885 in Hancock County, KY. His widow, Catharine, died at the age of 93 at the home of her son, James E. Stone, Jr. in Louisville, Jefferson County, KY on 4 October 1904. James E. & Catharine were buried in the Hawesville Cemetery, in Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. His final will was recorded in Hancock County, KY will book 4, p268.



Hancock County, KY Loose Marriage Documents:

Know all men by these presents that we James Estone
and Mrs J. Lewis are held and firmly bound
unto the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the sum of fifty
pounds current money of the United States for the true
payment of which to be done we bind ourselves our heirs
to jointly & severally firmly by these presents sealed with
our seals and dated this 28th day of September 1835
The Condition of the above obligation is such that if
there should be no legal cause to obstruct the marriage
shortly to be solemnized between Mr James Estone and
Mrs Catharine D Lewis for which a license has this
day issued then the above obligation to be void else to
be and remain in full force and virtue in law.

James E Stone 
Mrs J Lewis 

Kentucky Hancock County etc
I do hereby authorize Minister of the Gospel or authorized
Magistrate these and license and permit for you to join
together in the holy state of Matrimony according to the
rules and customs of the Church of which you are a
Member Mr James Estone and Mrs Catharine D
Lewis Both of full age. We the said James E Stone
having given bond and security in my office according
to law. Witness Samuel H. Woolfolk Clerk of the
County Court in and for the County aforesaid this 28th day
of September 1835 and 44th year of the Commonwealth

S. H. Woolfolk Clerk

Hancock County, KY Marriage Book 1B, p9 (ministers returns):

James Estone	Manned the within named parties on this 1 day of Oct 1835	John Sampson
Catharine D Lewis		



Hancock County, KY Order Book 1833-1860, p275, court of 25 May 1840:

On motion of James E Stone who presented to the Court
 credentials of his regular ordination as a Minister of the
 Gospel and of his being in regular Communion with
 the United Baptist Church, and who took the oath of
 Allegiance and also Executed and acknowledged bond
 with John Smiles security in the penalty of five hundred
 pounds conditioned as the law directs, Licence is granted
 him to celebrate the rites of Matrimony between any
 persons applying to him in this State producing
 a lawful license



**A History of Kentucky Baptists: From 1769 to 1885, Vol. II,
 by J. H. Spencer (Cincinnati, OH, 1885), pp645-646 – Blackford Association:**

This flourishing community is located in Hancock, Ohio, and some of the adjoining counties. It was constituted at Bethlehem meetinghouse in Hancock county, on the 30th of November, 1877, of the following fourteen churches, which had been dismissed from the old Goshen confederacy, for the purpose: Pisgah, Mt. Pleasant, Blackford, Union, Hawesville, Bethlehem, Pleasant Grove, Zion, Lewis Port, Friendship, Mt. Eden, Sandy Creek, Pleasant Valley and Roseville. The ministers belonging to these churches were Martin Young, H. V. Bruner, L. C. Tichenor, **J. E. Stone**, Calvin Voyles, Robert T. Bruner and J. J. Keown. The next year, Panther Creek, Yelvington, Pellville, Chestnut Grove and Pleasant Ridge churches, with Elder R. R. Gabbert, were added to the Association.



1840 Hancock County, KY census:

	town of Hawesville, p2	
Stone, James E.	1 male 10-15	1 female 0-5
	1 male 30-40	1 female 20-30
	2 slaves	

1850 Hancock County, KY census:

	town of Hawesville, p267B, #20-20		
Stone, James E.	42	m clerk of court & Baptist clergy real estate \$6500	KY
Catharine D. L.	39	f	VA
Ann M.	12	f	KY
Mary E.	10	f	KY
Francis W.	8	m	KY

Catharine M.	6	f		KY
Stephen W. D.	4	m		KY
James E., Jr.	8/12	m		KY
Shrader, Francis M.	17	m	deputy clerk	KY
English, Josiah G.	21	m	teacher	KY

[in the 1850 Hancock County, KY census slave schedule
James E. Stone is listed as owning 4 slaves]

1860 Hancock County, KY census:

p1008, #696-697

Stone, James E.	52	m	circuit & county court clerk real estate \$6500 & personal property \$4000	KY
C. D. L.	49	f		VA
Mary E.	19	f		VA
F. W.	18	m		KY
C. M.	16	f		KY
James E., Jr.	10	m		KY

[in the 1860 Hancock County, KY census slave schedule
James E. Stone is listed as owning 4 slaves]

1870 Hancock County, KY census:

town of Hawesville, p179B, #108-108

Stone, James E.	63	m	clerk circuit court real estate \$6000 personal property \$500	KY
Catherine	59	f	keeps house	VA
James, Jr.	20	m	deputy clerk	KY

1880 Hancock County, KY census:

town of Hawesville, p181B, #60-60

Stone, James E.	72	m	lawyer	KY-KY-KY
Katharine	69	f	wife – keeping house	VA-VA-MD
Redding, Bettie	15	f	granddaughter	KY-MO-KY
Mary	14	f	granddaughter	KY-MO-KY
James	12	m	grandson	KY-MO-KY
Lewis, Elizabeth	60	f	sister-in-law, single	KY-VA-MD



Tri-Weekly Messenger, Owensboro, KY, Thursday, 28 May 1885, p4:

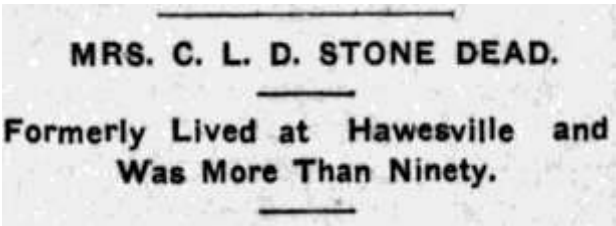
—Rev. James E. Stone, of Hawesville, died on the 21st, aged 78 years. Mr. Stone was a Baptist minister, but has held various offices of trust and profit in the county. He was clerk of the circuit and county courts for over thirty-five years. Mrs. Dr. J. H. Taylor, of this city, is one of five children who survive him.



Monument of James E. Stone, Sr. (1808-1885) in Hawesville Cemetery



Owensboro Inquirer, Owensboro, KY, Friday, 7 October 1904, p2:



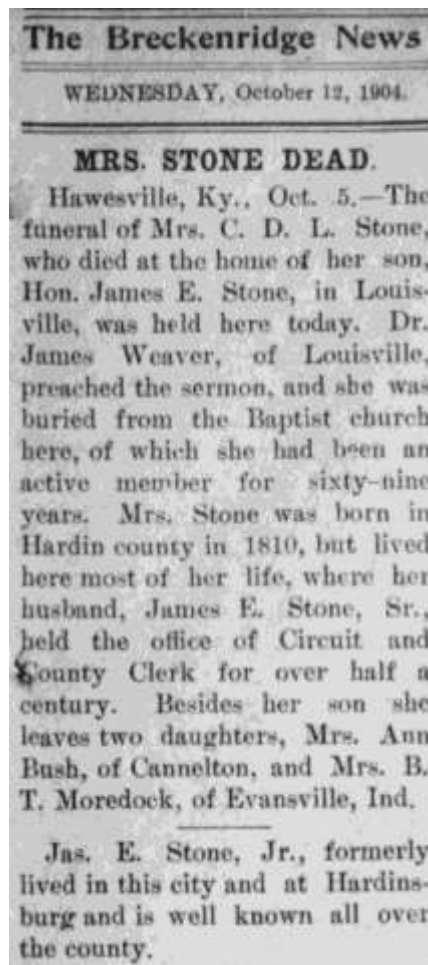
Mrs. C. L. D. Stone died Tuesday at Louisville of old age at the house of her son, James E. Stone. Her remains were taken to Hawesville and buried Wednesday.

Mrs. Stone would have been ninety-four years of age had she lived until next April. She was the widow of the late Jas. E. Stone, who for forty-five years succeeding the formation of Hancock county in 1829, was county and circuit clerk of that county. He died about fourteen years ago. Mrs. Stone was well known in Owensboro, where she lived for a time with the family of Dr. J. H. Taylor, whose late wife was a daughter of Mrs. Stone. Her other surviving children are Mrs. Annie Bush, of Cannelton; Mrs. Cattie Moredock, of Evansville, and Jas. E. Stone, of Louisville; who was for many years clerk of the Kentucky senate.

Mrs. Stone was a consistent Baptist all her life. She and her late husband were the chief supporters of the Baptist church at Hawesville for many years, in fact for over half a century, and they were the donors of the land on which the present Baptist church there was erected and over which a seemingly interminable lawsuit is now being waged. She was a woman of broad culture and liberal views and retained her mental faculties until near the end of her life. Her maiden name was Lewis and she was a daughter of one of the Lewises who came from Virginia in about 1820 and founded Lewisport and took up and cleared much of the land thereabout.



Breckenridge News, Cloverport, KY, Wednesday, 12 October 1904 p3:



James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis had a family of eight children – William L., Ann Million, Mary Elizabeth, Francis Winter, Catharine Matilda, Stephen W. D., Sarah Dunnington, and James Edwards, Jr.

1. William L. Stone, son of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 24 July 1836 Hancock County, KY and died 3 April 1839 Hancock County, KY. The following is his moment in the Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY:



2. Ann Million Stone, daughter of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 10 July 1838 Hancock County, KY. She married Robert Young Bush, 22 July 1856 Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. The son of Christopher Bush & Mary Goodin, he was a lawyer. He was born 30 June 1826 Hardin County, KY and died 26 January 1900 Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. Ann M. Bush died 7 December 1928 Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. Ann & Robert Y. Bush were buried in the Hawesville Cemetery. They had 10 children – James Christopher (19 October – 9 March 1914, married Lula Mae Jolly & Stella Mary Hargis, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Mary Katherine, (“Kate”, 22 September 1860 – 25 May 1919, married John David Kelly, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Elizabeth Davis (‘Lizzie’, 11 June 1862 – 22 August 1941, married George Alexander Boyd, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Louella (“Lella”, 29 February 1864 – 2 August 1887, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Elgin (13 February 1866 – October 1866); William Harvey (24 July 1867 – 9 April 1907, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Edith Edwards (15 July 1872 – 15 December 1957, single, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Ann Dunnington (30 August 1876 – 7 January 1960, married Joseph Albert Beauchamp, buried Beauchamp Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); Roberta Young (9 October 1878 – 5 February 1969, single, buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY); and one other children died infancy.

Owensboro Messenger, Owensboro, KY, Tuesday, 11 December 1928 p2:

MRS. A. M. BUSH
Hawesville, Ky., Dec. 10.—Funeral services for Mrs. A. M. Bush, who died Friday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joe Beauchamp, in Hawesville, were held Sunday. Mrs. Bush was 90 years old, and a pioneer of Hancock county. Surviving are the following children: Mrs. Joe Beauchamp, Hawesville; Mrs. George Boyd, St. Louis; Misses Edith Bush, Chicago, and Roberta Bush, of Louisville.



3. Mary Elizabeth Stone, daughter of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 7 August 1840 Hancock County, KY. She married John Harrison Taylor, 20 December 1864 at her father's residence in Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. John H. Taylor, the son of Joseph Richardson Taylor & Louisa Jane Homan, was born 4 September 1836 Grafton County, NH He was a dentist and died 3 April 1905 Owensboro, Daviess County, KY. Mary E. Stone Taylor died 2 October 1890 Daviess County, KY. She and her husband were buried Elmwood Cemetery, Owensboro, Daviess County, KY. John H. & Mary E. Taylor had 7 children – William Stone (1866 – 3 January 1942, married Blanche Annette Bond, buried Oakdale Cemetery, DeLand, Volusia County, FL); Louisa C. (1867 – 21 January 1890, single, buried Elmwood Cemetery, Owensboro, Daviess County, KY); Mary Frances (14 July 1869 – 11 May 1928, single, buried Elmwood Cemetery, Owensboro, Daviess County, KY); Elizabeth Lewis (“Lizzie”, 6 August 1871 – 27 January 1957, married Robert Ernest Morrison, buried Elmwood Cemetery, Owensboro, Daviess County, KY); Anna Dustin (10 August 1873 – 5 November 1929, married Owen Wardell Brown, buried Spring Grove Cemetery, Oak Park, Cook County, IL); Elio (1875 – 13 August 1905, married John W. Harris, buried Elmwood Cemetery, Owensboro, Daviess County, KY); and Richardson Homan (18 November 1878 – 17 June 1964, married Ola Venable, buried Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Denver County, CO.

**History of Daviess County, Kentucky, Inter-State Publishing Co.,
Chicago, IL, 1883, pp493-494:**

J. H. TAYLOR was born in Danberry Township, Grafton Co., N. H., Sept. 4, 1836. Joseph R. and Louisa J. (Haman) Taylor were his parents. Both were natives of New Hampshire. The early life of J.H. Taylor was passed among his native hills, until he had reached the aged of twenty, when, in 1856, he removed to Elizabethtown, Ky., and there studied dentistry for two years under the tutelage of Dr. Baldwin. In 1858 Dr. Taylor went to Hancock County, Ky., and in 1864 came to Owensboro, where he at once engaged in the practice of dentistry in company with Dr. G.E. Stowers. After a three years' partnership with Dr. Stowers, he continued his practice alone until 1882, when he formed a partnership with a former student, Dr. W. B. Armendt. The present firm of Taylor & Armendt do an extensive practice, and are classed among the prominent dentists of this section of the State. Dec. 20, 1864, Dr. Taylor was married to Mary E. Stone, of Hawsville, Ky. The parents of Miss Stone were pioneers in Kentucky. Mr. Stone was prominent in the early history of Hancock County; was for about forty successive years Clerk of the Court, and was one

of the first school-teachers of that section, and was well known over a large portion of the State. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are the parents of seven children, all living. Himself and wife are consistent members of the Presbyterian church of Owensboro.

Owensboro Twice-A-Week Messenger, Owensboro, KY, 9 October 1890, p2:

Death of Mrs. Dr. J. H. Taylor.
 Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, wife of Dr. J. H. Taylor, died Thursday morning at 10 o'clock of nervous prostration. Mrs. Taylor was a daughter of Judge James E. Stone, of Hawesville, and was born in 1840. She was an estimable Christian lady, being a member of the Fourth-street Presbyterian church. Her death will be lamented by a large circle of relatives and friends. The funeral occurred from the residence Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and the interment was at Elmwood. Rev. J. C. Molloy conducted the funeral exercises. The pall-bearers were Messrs. D. M. Griffith, P. R. Zulauf, Arch Ayer, Jo Lee, Jake Wandling, E. C. Carter and Col. J. H. McHenry



4. Francis Winter Stone, "Frank", son of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 10 July 1842 Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. He served one year in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. He was ordained a Baptist minister on 3 January 1866. He married Harriet E. ("Hattie") Warder, 29 April 1867 Mason County, KY. The daughter of Dr. Walter Warder & Nancy Artus, she was born 22 February 1846 Maysville, Mason County, KY. Frank W. Stone died on 18 March 1868 when the steamer Magnolia exploded twelve miles above Cincinnati, near Maysville, KY. Nearly half of the 140 on board died in the explosion, in the subsequent fire, or by drowning. An account of the sinking of the Magnolia appears in the Cincinnati Enquirer, Cincinnati, OH, 1 April 1868, p1. Mrs. Harriet E. Stone died 29 April Nashville, Davidson County, TN, where she was buried in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Frank W. & Harriet Stone had one child – Frances (1868 – 17 June 1904, single).

Louisville Daily Courier
Louisville, KY, 26 March 1868, p1:

Rev. Frank W. Stone, who lost his life by the explosion of the Magnolia, above Cincinnati, was the son of James E. Stone, Esq., of Hawesville, one of the most estimable citizens of Hancock county. Mr. Stone is overwhelmed with the calamity, and is very anxious to secure the body of his son, and will liberally reward any one finding it. The unfortunate man had a black frock coat, and had a galvanized detached lever watch, with a ship on the back of the case. He was wounded about the head and had a noted scar on the thumb of the left hand.

Louisville Daily Journal
Louisville, KY, 14 April 1868, p2:

The body of the Rev. Frank W. Stone, of Hawesville, Ky., was found yesterday, opposite Columbia. His ministerial certificate and other papers on his person fully identified him. A coroner's inquest was held on the body yesterday, at Columbia, and a verdict in accordance with the facts was returned.—*Cincinnati Gazette*, 10th.

A History of Kentucky Baptists: From 1769 to 1885, Vol. II,
by J. H. Spencer (Cincinnati, OH, 1885), pp102-103:

Francis Winter Stone, son of Elder J. E. Stone, was born in Hawesville, Ky., July 10, 1842. He was carefully educated in his boyhood; first in his native village, and then in an academy at Greenville, Ky. At the age of thirteen years he professed conversion, and was baptized by his father, into the fellowship of Hawesville church. After finishing his academic studies, he spent some time in reading law. In 1860 he entered Georgetown College, where he remained one year, and then entered the Confederate Army. When his term of service expired, he returned home, and entered the Seignior class in Bethel College, in 1864, where he graduated, in June, 1865. He had not entered college with a view to the ministry; but while at Georgetown, he became so deeply impressed upon that subject, that he could find no rest, until he resolved to devote his life to preaching the gospel. While at Russellville, after his return from the army, he became much troubled about the condition of his soul, and was finally led to the conclusion that he had never been "born again." For some time he was deeply overwhelmed with a sense of guilt and condemnation. That he was a member of the church at Hawesville, in good standing, rather added to the anguish of his spirit, than relieved it. But at last he found great joy of soul, in trusting in Christ. He now sought and obtained membership in the church at Russellville, being baptized by W.W. Gardner. He began at once to exercise his gifts in exhortation and preaching. Immediately after he graduated, he visited Maysville, with the view of accepting the pastoral care of the church, at that place, and that of Washington church, in the same county. To the charge of these churches, he was ordained, at Maysville, by Cleon Keys, W. Pope Yeaman, and H. W. Mitchell, Jan. 3, 1866. He served these churches two years, and then resigned. After this, he preached, with great zeal, over several counties, extending his labors into the mountain region.

On the 29th of April, 1867, Mr. Stone was married to Hattie Warder, a grand-daughter of the famous Elder Walter Warder. The marriage was a most happy one. The brilliant and godly young couple gave promise of great usefulness. But God's ways are not as our ways. Three days after the birth of their first-born (a daughter), Mr. Stone started on a preaching tour, which led him to Winchester. Here a false report of the illness of his wife caused him to hurry homewards. He purposed to go by stage; but failing to make connection, he went to Cincinnati by Rail Road. Here he took passage for Maysville, on the steamer Magnolia. On the way a boiler exploded, and set the boat on fire. Mr. Stone was injured on the head. He said to a friend: "I would rather be drowned than burned to death." Then kneeling on the deck of the burning boat, and spending a moment in prayer, he plunged into the turbulent waters, hoping to swim to the shore. But after struggling a few moments with the furious waves, he sank to rise no more in mortal flesh. Thus passed away on the 18th of March, 1868, this gifted and consecrated young man.

A History of Elizabethtown, Kentucky and Its Surroundings,
Samuel Haycraft, 1869, pp92-93:

The first tanner that I at present remember as operating in our community was one Jacob Bruner... opened a tan-yard on the ground where the Metropolitan salon now stands, and commenced operations...

About the year 1805 or 1806 William D. Stone, from Nelson county, bought out the concern and carried on the business successfully up to the time of his death. Mr. Stone also followed butchering beef cattle. The habit then was to kill the beef, the same morning it was cut and sold to customers, by which means his tannery was partly supplied with hides. The profit to the butcher in those days was the hide and tallow. Stone was an industrious and provident man and a respectable citizen, and when he died left an interesting and genteel family — three sons and a daughter. Hayden Stone, one of the sons, resides in Nelson county, and has been the county judge of that county. James E. Stone, another son, is now clerk of Hancock county, and has been for many years,

and is a Baptist preacher. He was the father of the lamented Frank Stone, one of the promising young preachers of the state. He was lost by the burning of a steamboat on the Ohio river. His death was a melancholy occurrence. He could not swim, but seeing the only alternative was to burn alive or drown, he knelt down on the boat and devoutly in prayer, committed himself to God, then choosing the flood to fire, he plunged into the stream and for a time seemed to buffet the waves, but finally sank and was drowned. His death was a severe stroke to his pious father and mother, and to his young wife and a numerous host of sympathizing friends.

Another son, Stephen W. D. Stone, Esq., who acted as deputy in my office for several years, and was afterwards clerk of La Rue county and circuit courts, he was and is now an excellent clerk and of high moral integrity. He afterwards removed back to Hardin county, and proved himself to be a fine practical farmer until the late war, when the force of circumstances made it necessary to sell his farm and remove to this town, where he owns a very desirable property.

The daughter married a gentleman named Jonathan McKay, a respectable gentleman of Nelson county. After the death of Wm. D. Stone the yard was purchased by James Park, an excellent worthy man of much promise.



5. Catharine Matilda Stone, “Kate”, daughter of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 22 July 1844 Hancock County, KY. She married James Sanford Reading, at her father’s residence on 9 June 1864 Hancock County, KY. James, son of Thomas Edwards Reading & Elizabeth Beauchamp, was born 21 September 1839 MO and died 9 June 1868 Hancock County, KY, where he was buried in the Hawesville Cemetery. The 1870 census of Hawesville, Hancock County reported her name as Cattie Reading and gave her occupation as milliner. James S. & Catharine Reading were the parents of 3 children – Elizabeth (“Bettie”, 22 February 1865 – 12 June 1947, married Rollin Sanderson Tenney, Jr., buried Glen Abbey Memorial Park, Bonita, San Diego County, CA); Mary Edwards (13 April 1866 – 22 June 1948, married John Henry Granville, buried Glen Abbey Memorial Park, Bonita, San Diego County, CA); and James Sandford, Jr. (28 September 1868 – 18 December 1956, married Kathryn Ethel Stewart, buried Cypress View Mausoleum, San Diego, San Diego County, CA).

Mrs. Catharine (Stone) Reading married second Benjamin T. Moredock, 17 February 1872 Hancock County, KY. Ben, son of Jonathan T. Moredock & Mary A. Williams, was born 31 October 1841 Hancock County, KY. Benjamin & Catharine are listed in the 1880 census of Hawesville, Hancock County, KY and 1900 & 1910 censuses of Evansville, Vanderburgh County, IN. They are mistakenly listed under the Sherman surname in the 1920 census of San Diego, San Diego County, CA. Benjamin Moredock died 15 August 1923 San Diego County, CA. In 1940 Catharine was living with her daughter, Helen Scharf, in San Diego, CA. Catharine Stone Moredock died 7 July 1941 San Diego, San Diego County, CA. She and Benjamin Moredock were buried at the Mount Hope Cemetery, San Diego, San Diego County, CA. The 1910 census records that Catharine was the mother of 9 children. She and Benjamin Moredock had 6 children, they were – Eva (1872 – 11 October 1876); Mattie T. (1872 – 24 March 1902, married William Bowles, buried Hancock County, KY); Frank (1872/73 – 18 October 1876); Helen Flora (18 April 1877 – 13 July 1959, married Earl Emil Scharf); Wallace Eugene (29 May 1879 – 13 November 1960, married Bessie Mat Wiggers, buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Evansville, Vanderburgh County, IN); and Louise A. (15 July 1881 – 15 December 1965, married

Claude Austin Sherman and Robert B. Parrish, buried Glen Abbey Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego County, CA).

Hancock Clarion, Hawesville, KY, Friday, 8 August 1941:

MRS. C. M. MOREDOCK

Mrs. Catherine M. Moredock died at her home in San Diego, Calif., on July 7. Had she lived only a few weeks longer, she would have been 97 years of age. She was the youngest daughter of the late James E. and Catherine D. L. Stone, of Hancock county.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. R. S. Teirney, Mrs. John Granville, Mrs. Helen Scharf and Mrs. Claude Sherman, all of San Diego, Calif., and two sons, James S. Reading, of San Diego, and Eugene Moredock, of Evansville, Ind.

The funeral and burial were in San Diego.



6. Stephen W. D. Stone, son of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 21 August 1846 Hancock County, KY and died 19 November 1851 Hancock County, KY. He was buried Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY.



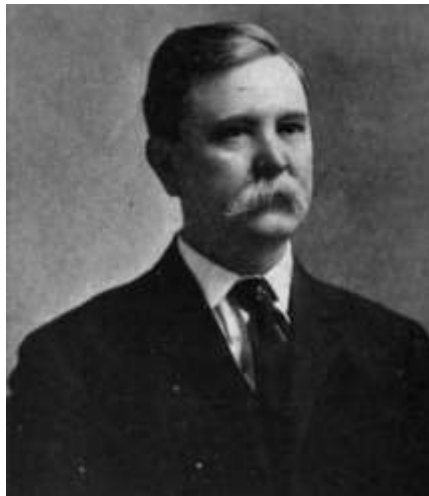
7. Sarah Dunnington Stone, daughter of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 5 October 1848 Hancock County, KY and died 1 February 1849 Hancock County, KY at the age of 3 months & 27 days. She was buried in the Hawesville Cemetery, Hancock County, KY.



8. James Edwards Stone, Jr., "Jim", son of James E. Stone and Catharine D. L. Lewis, was born 6 February 1850 Hawesville, Hancock County, KY. In 1870 he was deputy clerk of Hancock County, KY and at Hawesville in 1874 he was admitted to the bar. He was reported to be a lawyer in the 1880 census of Hardinsburg, Breckinridge County, KY. During 1884-1888 he served as superintendent of the Breckinridge County schools. In 1876 he was appointed clerk of both houses of the Kentucky Legislature. He served continuously until 1914. He married Lodosca L. Douglass, 4 October 1876 Breckinridge County, KY. Lodosca, daughter of Jonathan Douglas & Mary Park, was born 7 October 1850 Potsdam, St. Lawrence County, NY. James E. Stone, Jr. died at the age of 67 on 12 April 1917 at his home in Brooklyn, Kings County, NY. He was buried in the Cloverport Cemetery, Cloverport, Breckinridge County, KY. His widow, Lodosca, died at the age of 83 on 3 September 1934 at Bay View, Emmet County, MI. She was buried with her husband in the Cloverport Cemetery. The 1900 & 1910 censuses record that 5 children had been born to

her only one of whom was then living. James E. & Lodosca were the parents of – Alonson D. (3 January 1878 – 5 April 1878, buried Cloverport Cemetery, Cloverport, Breckinridge County, KY); William P. (25 October 1879 – 4 December 1884, buried Cloverport Cemetery, Cloverport, Breckinridge County, KY); Douglass (died childhood, buried Cloverport Cemetery, Cloverport, Breckinridge County, KY); Mary E. (18 March 1883 – 29 March 1883, buried Cloverport Cemetery, Cloverport, Breckinridge County, KY); and Blanche Dunnington (12 April 1886 – 3 March 1939, married Lorane R. Bain, buried Cloverport Cemetery, Cloverport, Breckinridge County, KY)

Legislative History and Capitol Souvenir of Kentucky, Vol. 1,
Frankfort, KY, Frankfort Printing Co., Inc., 1910, p186:



James Edward Stone: Clerk, House of Representatives; known all over Kentucky as “Jim” Stone. Was born at Hawesville, Hancock county, February 6, 1850. Is a son of James Edward Stone, Sr., and Katherine Dunnington (Lewis) Stone. His ancestors hailed from Virginia and his father was born at Elizabethtown, Hardin county. Educated in the common schools at Hawesville and Bethel College, Russellville. Studied law in his father’s office at Hawesville and took a course at the University of Louisville, Law Department. Admitted to the bar in 1874 at Hawesville. His father was clerk of the County and Circuit Courts of Hancock county for 42 years. No man in Kentucky politics is better known throughout the State than “Jim” Stone and no man is more inseparably associated with the General Assembly of Kentucky. Served as Second Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives 1876-78; Assistant Clerk 1886-94; Clerk 1894. Assistant Clerk of Kentucky Senate 1896-1900 and has been Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives from 1902 session to and including the present session, no one daring to ever oppose him for this office. Is popular with Democrats and Republicans alike and recognized as one of the most efficient, painstaking and capable men who ever held the office. Possessed of a fine, strong, resding voice, he has proved invaluable to the members of the House for many sessions. Served as Superintendent of Breckinridge County Schools 1884-1888. Was Reading Clerk of the Constitutional Convention. Married Miss Lodosca Douglass, of Potsdam, N. Y., in 1876, and has two daughters, Mrs. Blanche D. Bain, of Springfield, Mo. And Mrs. C. W. Chadwick, of Mt. Vernon, Ind. In politics is an ardent Democrat, has mafe his home at Hardinsburg, Breckinridge county, for more than thirty years.



James E. Stone, Jr. (1850-1917).

[Note – William Dustin Morrison (1911-2003), of Owensboro, KY, on 8 August 1997, gave to this writer the original copies of these two pictures of his great-uncle, James E. Stone, Jr. Mr. Morrison was the son of Robert Ernest Morrison & Elizabeth Lewis Taylor, grandson of John Harrison Taylor & Mary Elizabeth Stone, and great-grandson of James Edwards Stone, Sr. & Catherine Dunnington Linton Lewis.]

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, 14 February 1917, p1:

The Courier-Journal Sunday says:

James E. Stone, for thirty-eight years clerk of the House of Representatives and the State Senate, is dying at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y according to word received from Brooklyn last night. Mr. Stone was born in 1850 in Hawesville, Hancock county. But to his innumerable friends in Kentucky and elsewhere he was known as "Col. Jim," of Breckenridge county, where he lived for many years and journeyed, each election, there to vote. He always retained his citizenship in Breckenridge county. Early in life he became interested in politics, and in 1876 was appointed clerk of both houses of the Kentucky Legislature. He served continuously until 1914, when he was appointed to the income tax division of the internal revenue service. His duties were "field work," and embraced the State of Kentucky. His resignation as clerk of the two houses came during the 1914 session.

Famous Reading Clerk.

Immediately following his resignation both houses adopted far reaching resolutions in which Mr. Stone was paid glowing tributes. His new duties for a while necessitated his remaining in Kentucky but less than two years ago he was transferred to New York City. He had one objection to his "new job." That was it took him away from his friends in his native State. Aside from his continuous service as clerk of the two houses of the Legislature, Mr. Stone was the reading clerk in every Democratic State Convention held in Kentucky during the last forty years. He also was the reading clerk at least six National Democratic Conventions. He was known as one of the best reading clerks in the country and once appeared before the National House of Representatives and acted as reading clerk, the instance being a competitive exhibition. Mr. Stone appeared there in the new role to "show thorn how it should be done."

His remarkable voice and personality are famous in many States.

Widely Known In State.

He studied law and took a course in the law department of the University of Louisville. He was admitted to the bar in 1876 at Hawesville. He also served as superintendent of schools of Breckenridge county from 1844 to 1848. Mr. Stone was clerk of the constitutional convention which convened in 1890 and promulgated the present constitution of the State.

It has been said of Mr. Stone that every Democratic politician in the State know him by his first name. He was familiar known to thousands, politicians of both parties, as "Jim."

Latest report from Mr. Stone's bedside indicate that he is slightly better.

Courier-Journal, Louisville, KY, Friday, 13 April 1917, p1:

Col. "Jim" Stone, Well-Known Kentuckian, Dies In Brooklyn

Body Will Be Taken To Old
Home At Cloverport
For Burial.

Col. James E. Stone, for the past several years connected with the United States Treasury Department, but for many years previous to that clerk of the Kentucky House of Representatives, died at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. He had been ill for the past two months and several times since his life had been despaired of.

He rallied under his splendid courage and for a time it was felt that he might recover. A relapse in the last few days ended in his death. His wife was at his bedside at the end.

The body will be brought to Louisville and funeral services will be held at the Fourth-avenue Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The burial will be in Cloverport at 11:30 o'clock Monday morning.

Long In Politics.

No Democrat in Kentucky was better known or better liked than Col. Jim Stone. He was born in Cloverport and had been in "politics all his life," according to a statement made in an address before the House of Representatives in Frankfort some years ago when he was re-elected clerk of that body. In that address he reviewed briefly his career. He had served in the House or Senate in some capacity while



COL. JAMES E. STONE.

many of the men now leaders in the State were pages in those bodies.

For many years no State Democratic Convention and no Democratic National Convention was perfect without Col. Stone. He was always secretary or assistant secretary of the convention. Not only because he was acquainted with all the rules and precedents of conventions, but also because he had a perfect reading voice for great halls. He could make himself heard and understood in any convention hall.

Col. Stone never ran for office. He served the Democratic party in the State exclusively until the income tax law was passed. Then he received an appointment which involved the execution of that law. For a period he was stationed in Louisville, but several years ago he was transferred to Brooklyn, N. Y. He expressed great regret at being compelled to leave Kentucky, but while in Brooklyn he kept in touch with affairs in this State.