

Pensioner Details
<i>Pensioner name:</i> James Jones
<i>Person ID:</i> SM1005
<i>Your name:</i> Heather Latus
<i>U3A group:</i> South-West
Part One: Birth and Family
1: When and where was your pensioner born?
James Jones was born 20 Oct 1826 in Gibraltar. His parents Pte George Bevan and Sarah Jones were stationed at Gibraltar with 68th Regiment of Foot.
2: Who were your pensioners' parents? Record any details you can find out about them here (e.g. occupation, religious affiliation, whether they could read or write)
Father - George Bevan Jones b. 1809 d. 26 Jul 1858 age 49 Chilcompton. Death due to consumption (TB) 1 year certified. Mother - Sarah born 1810 [?] Limerick Ireland. Died 1 Dec 1882. Father George Bevan Jones enlisted with 68th Regiment of Foot 9 Feb 1831 aged 18 years 3 months and served until 28 May 1852. On discharge the surgeon reported that George Bevan Jones was unfit for further service due to being worn out by effects of climate.
3: Did your pensioner have any siblings? What were their names, and how old were they in relation to your pensioner? Use this space to record anything else you have found out about them (e.g. occupation)
None found
Part Two: Marriage and children
1: Did your pensioner marry? What was their spouse's name, and when and where did they marry them? Use this space to record any extra details you can find out about their spouse (e.g. when/where they were born, their occupation)
Marriage
James Jones (age 24) Footman, 17 Circus, Bath married Hester Bartlett (age 23) Cook, 11 Duke Street, Bath, 20 Aug 1856 Bath. Fathers: George Jones (Labourer), and Samuel Bartlett, (Gardener). James Jones signed the certificate and Hester Bartlett made her mark. Wife Hester Jones nee Bartlett b. 10 May 1832 Westbury, Wiltshire. 1841 census - Hester Bartlett age 9 with father Samuel age 40 Ag Lab, Ann 40 mother), William 15 (brother), Elisha 10, Seth 9, Shedrick 7, Shem 5, Henry 2, Bertha 10 months. 1851 census Hester Jones age 19 servant to Major Phipps at Leighton House, Westbury, Wiltshire

1861 census Hester Jones age 24, with husband James Jones 23 (Post Office Porter)
Frances E Jones, dau age 1 address - 2 York Buildings, Bath (The Old Post Office building)

1871 census Hester Jones age 34, with husband James Jones age 33 (Letter Carrier Post Office), Frances E Jones 11, George B Jones 9, Frederick B Jones 7, Harry B Jones 3, James B Jones 11 mon. *Address* - 11 Ainslies Buildings, Walcot, Somerset.

1881 census Hester Jones mother in law age 48 with Charles E Birch (son in law) and daughter Bertha Birch nee Jones age 40, Albert 5, Bertha 2, George 1 mon. *Address* - 2 Church Road, Southwark, London.

1891 census Hester Jones 54 with husband James Jones age 53 (Inspector of Postmen), George B Jones 29 (Sorting Clerk), Harry B Jones, 23 (Sorting Clerk), James B Jones 20, (Cabinet Maker), Frances J Jones 17 (Stationers Apprentice). *Address* - Stratton Villa, Lyncombe and Wincombe, Som.

Hester Jones died at her home address, Stratton Villa, Oldfield Park, Bath on 11 Jun 1900. The cause of death was meningitis and she was buried on 14 Jun 1900, in the same grave as their daughter Francis Elizabeth Jones. Her husband James Jones was to join them two years later.

2: Did your pensioner have any children? What were their names, and when they were born? Use this space to record any extra details you can find out about them (e.g. occupation, where they lived later in life)

George Henry Jones

- Born 28 Jun 1857 died and was buried at Chilcompton aged 1 year 9 months on 18 Mar 1859

Frances E Jones

- Born 26 Feb 1860 died 1884 aged 24.
- 1881 census -- Elizabeth Jones age 21, Queens scholar, Training college, Oldbury Court Road, Stapleton, Gloucestershire.
- Cause of death - wasting disease associated with lymphoma

George Bevan Jones

- Born 20 Apr 1861 at General Post Office, Bath. Parents James Jones (Porter at General Post Office), Bath and mother Hester Jones nee Bartlett registered 30 May 1861.
- October 1868 - George Bevan Jones appointed Sorting Clerk at Bath.
- 1881 census - George Bevan Jones age 19 (Sorting Clerk, GPO), living with James Jones (father) 43 (Inspector of Letter Carriers) and brothers Harry, James, Francis (scholars). *Address* - 13 Sydenham Buildings, Lyncombe and Widcombe, Somerset.
- 1891 census - George Bevan Jones age 29 (Sorting Clerk). *Address* - Stratton Villa, Lyncombe and Widcombe

- 1901 census -- George Bevan Jones age 39 (Clerk Post Office), with James Jones age 63 (Retired Inspector of Postmen), Francis J Jones 27 (Stationer and Librarian), Bertha J Birch, 22 (niece)
- 1911 census - George Bevan Jones age 49 (Postal Overseer GPO), living in the home of Harry B Jones (brother) age 44 (Inspector of Postman GPO), Alice Jones (sister in law) 48 and family
- 1915-- George Bevan Jones married 28 March 1915, his wife born 28 Mar 1883 Maud Eleanor Caroline Baker aged 32

Frederick Bevan Jones born 1863 died 1923

- 1888 – Marriage of Frederick Bevan Jones 23 (Mariner) to Winifred Gertrude Merrill 21

Harry Bevan Jones born 1867 died 1925

- 1891 census - Harry Bevan Jones 23 (Sorting Clerk PO). *Address* - Stratton Villa, Bath.
- 1891 Apr 13 - Harry Bevan Jones 24 (Sorting Clerk) marries his cousin Alice Bartlett. Fathers: James Jones (Inspector of Postmen), Elisha Bartlett, (Land Agent).
- 1901 census - Harry Bevan Jones 34 (Assistant Inspector of Postmen), married with wife and daughter. *Address* - 3 Hayesfield Terrace, Lyncombe. Next door at no 4 is James H Tiley, 43 (Assistant superintendent Bath GPO) and Henry J Tiley 18 (Sorting Clerk Telegraphist GPO)
- 1911 census - Harry Bevan Jones 44 (Inspector of Postmen) with wife and 2 children also brother George Bevan Jones 49 (Postal Overseer). *Address* - Stratton Villa, Bath

James Byron Jones born 1870 died 1943

- 1911 census - James Byron Jones 40 (Cabinet Maker). *Address* - 14 Newark Street, Bath.
- 1939 register - James Jones (Works Manager Retired Cabinet Factory). *Address* - Lower Oldfield Park, Bath.

Francis John Jones; born 1863 died 1945

- 1891 census - Francis John Jones 17 (Stationers Apprentice). *Address* - Stratton Villa, Bath.
- 1901 census - Francis John Jones 27 (Stationer and Librarian). *Address* - as above.
- 1911 census - Francis John Jones 37 (Bookseller and Stationer). *Address* - 11 Margaret's Bldgs, Bath
- 1939 register - Francis John Jones (Sub postmaster). *Address* - 11 Brock Street, Bath.

Part Three: Work

1: What occupation was your pensioner recorded as doing in census years? Please make sure to state clearly which year you are referring to

- 1861 baptism of daughter Francis Bevan Jones occupation - footman
- 1861 census James Jones age 23 listed as Post Office Porter living with wife Hester and daughter Francis
 - Also living in same residence, John Prins age 32 (Post Office Relief Clerk)
- 1871 census - James Jones age 33, Letter Carrier Post Office. *Address* - 11 Ainslies Buildings, Bath.
- 1881 census - James Jones age 43 (Inspector of Letter Carriers) with son George Bevan 19 (Sorting Clerk PO). *Address* - 13 Sydenham Buildings, Bath.
- 1891 census - James Jones 53 (Inspector of Postmen), George Bevan Jones 29 (Sorting Clerk), Harry Bevan Jones 23 (Sorting Clerk).
- 1901 census - James Jones 63 (Retired Inspector of Postmen), George Bevan Jones 39 (Clerk Sorting Office), Francis John Jones 27 (Stationer Librarian). *Address* - Stratton Villa, Bath.

2: What occupations were people living with your pensioner (e.g. spouse, children, boarders) doing in the census years? Please make sure to state clearly which year you are referring to

See above

Part Four: Anything Else

Please use this space to record anything else you have found out about your pensioner

James Jones retired in 1901 as he was of retirement age but did not enjoy a long retirement as he died a year after he finished work. He left £980.16s.

His sudden death on 28 Mar 1902 was subject to a post-mortem which returned a verdict of natural causes. He had not seen a doctor for over a year although the surgeon who attended him referred to organic heart disease.

As well as succeeding to his job, James Jones' son, Harry Bevan Jones also took over his father's large family house – Stratton Villa in Oldfield Park, newly-built for James during the 1880s.

Part Five: Your Sources

Please use this space to record the sources you have used

Citations for James Jones

- 1861 census - Class: RG 9; Piece: 1687; Folio: 101; Page: 27; GSU roll: 542851
- 1871 census - The National Archives; Kew, London, England; 1871 England Census; Class: RG10; Piece: 2487; Folio: 47; Page: 43; GSU roll: 835196
- 1881 census - Class: RG11; Piece: 2434; Folio: 41; Page: 28; GSU roll: 1341586
- 1891 census - The National Archives of the UK (TNA); Kew, Surrey, England; Census Returns of England and Wales, 1891; Class: RG12; Piece: 1932; Folio: 44; Page: 30; GSU roll: 6097042
- 1901 census - Class: RG13; Piece: 2338; Folio: 44; Page: 35
- 1861 PO appt - British Postal Museum and Archive; Series: POST 58; Reference Number: 82
- 1902 death rec - England & Wales, Civil Registration Death Index, 1837-1915
- 1857 birth rec - England, Select Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
- 1874 birth rec - England, Select Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
- 1874 birth rec - Somerset Heritage Service; Taunton, Somerset, England; Reference Number: D\P\wal.sw/2/1/51
- 1856 Marr rec - Somerset Heritage Service; Taunton, Somerset, England; Somerset Parish Records, 1538-1914; Reference Number: D\P\ba.ja/2/1/20
- 1891 Marr rec - Wiltshire and Swindon History Centre; Chippenham, Wiltshire, England; Reference Number: 1427/23

Citations for Hester Jones nee Bartlett (wife)

- 1841 census rec - Class: HO107; Piece: 1188; Book: 3; Civil Parish: Westbury; County: Wiltshire; Enumeration District: 7; Folio: 33; Page: 19; Line: 6; GSU roll: 464203
- 1851 census rec - Class: HO107; Piece: 1842; Folio: 373; Page: 38; GSU roll: 220989
- 1832 bap rec - England, Select Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
- 1900 but rec - Deceased Online; United Kingdom; Deceased Online Burial Indexes

Citations for George Bevan Jones (father)

- 1809 bap rec - Somerset Heritage Service; Taunton, Somerset, England; Somerset Parish Records, 1538-1914; Reference Number: D\P\chilc/2/1/3
- 1858 burial rec - Somerset Heritage Service; Taunton, Somerset, England; Somerset Parish Records, 1538-1914; Reference Number: D\P\downs/2/1/2
- 1886 Marr rec - Somerset Heritage Service; Taunton, Somerset, England; Somerset Parish Records, 1538-1914; Reference Number: D\P\ba.ja/2/1/20
- 1852 military service rec - The National Archives; Kew, London, England; Royal Hospital Chelsea: Soldiers Service Documents; Reference Number: WO 97
- 1856 army pension rec - UK, Royal Hospital, Chelsea: Regimental Registers of Pensioners, 1713-1882

Personal background details

[http://toybird.co.uk/toybird/wiki2/index.php?title=George_Bevan_Jones_\(1809-1858\)](http://toybird.co.uk/toybird/wiki2/index.php?title=George_Bevan_Jones_(1809-1858))