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## Stephanie McCarthy

Speak about her book

### TOM PRICE from Stonecutter to Premier

2pm on Sunday 17 April 2016  
at the Box Factory, Regent Street, Adelaide



*How is it possible that an impoverished Welsh stonecutter could rise to position of the first Labor Premier of South Australia?*

*Steph McCarthy, accustomed to writing fiction, became so intrigued with this question that eight and a half years later she finally finished researching and writing the 'how' and the 'why' of it.*

*Born to an alcoholic father and an illiterate mother, Tom Price would overcome the daunting obstacles of the slums of Liverpool, become an apprentice at the age of nine, discover the value of education and against the odds, and marry the woman he loved. Immigrating to South Australia after diagnosed with stonecutters' lung disease, Tom and his family arrived with nothing but a chest of belongings and determination to somehow make the world a happier place for working men and women.*

*Within three decades Tom as master mason would carve the columns of Parliament House before entering its chambers as a politician feared by the conservatives and loved by the people. By the time he died in office in 1909 he was trusted by all classes, and the people of South Australia honoured him with the biggest funeral this State has ever seen.*

*The Tom Price story reveals how an ordinary man, born without wealth, title or opportunity, became extraordinary in a life span of only 57 years. Truth can indeed be stranger than fiction.*

**Stay for afternoon tea and a chat - All welcome**

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