

**NAME:** BELL, John

**PARISH:** Selkirk

**ENTERED SERVICE:** 29 March 1887

**DATES:**

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Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Ship	District	HBCA Reference
1887-1893	Captain & Chief Engineer	SS <i>Wrigley</i>		B.239/u/5; D.38/56; D.33/1
1894	Captain	SS <i>Athabasca</i>		D.33/2
1895	Listed under 'Sundries'			D.33/2

*\*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May*

James McDougall, in his report on Northern Transport, March 1893:

The boat [*Wrigley*] has been run since 1887 by Capt. John Bell, whose wages are \$1,500 per annum. He is an excellent and competent Captain and Engineer and well worth the salary he receives if his services could be fully utilized; but as the navigation of the waters of the Mackenzie is easy and he is actively employed only about 4 months in the year, a far cheaper man would answer the purpose...

D.25/17, fo. 324

According to the Fort Simpson 1889 Inspection Report, Bell lived in the Officers' House and had one child.

B.200/e/18, fo. 6

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