

NAME: BIRD, James JR. **PARISH:** Hudson Bay **ENTERED SERVICE:** 1809, Aug. 9 (A.16/35, fo.75d-76) **DATES:** b. ca.1800
("2nd" or Jimmy Jock) d.11 Dec. 1892

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
1809 - 1814	Apprentice Clerk	[Edmonton]	Saskatchewan	A.16/14,fo.9d-10; A.16/15, fo. 11d-12; A.30/11, fo. 28d-29; A.30/12, fo.42d-43; A.30/13, fo.42d-44
1814 - 1815	Assistant Trader		Saskatchewan	A.30/14, fo. 5d-6
1815 - 1816	Clerk	Qu'Appelle	Saskatchewan	A.30/15, fo.24d-25
1818 - 1821	Interpreter	Edmonton	Saskatchewan	A.30/16, fo.2d-3; A.16/37, fo.19d-20; A.16/40, fo.29d-30
1833 - 1839	Clerk & Interpreter		Saskatchewan	A.32/21, fo.395; B.239/g/13-18
1839 - 1840	Retired Clerk		Saskatchewan	B.239/g/19
1840 - 1851	Freeman		Saskatchewan	B.239/g/20-30.

In a letter dated 27 July 1841, Sir George Simpson wrote to Rev. J. Evans that Rev. Robert Rundle employed Jimmy Jock as an interpreter (D.4/113, fo. 324).

In a letter to the Chief Commissioner dated 19 January 1882, W. V. Mackie, Prince Albert, wrote mentioned "James Bird, an aged man residing here" (D.14/28).

On 26 July 1884, James Bird made his will, leaving three-quarters to Thomas Bird and one quarter to Philip Bird, his sons. (Search File, James Bird JR., letter from Crawford and Long, 24 October 1938.)

James Bird JR. was referred to as 5'7", stout [sturdy] (A.30/14, fo.5d-6).

Search File: "Bird, James Jr."

Family:*

Parents: James Bird, Sr. (James Curtis) and Elisabeth [Swampy Indian] or [Montour]

Wife: Sarah [Piegan], b. [ca.1809], married [ca.1825]; second wife [Elizabeth, b. ca.1808]

Children: James, John, William, Elisabeth, Edward, Mary, Letitia, Maria, Charles, Joseph, Thomas, Alfred, Phillip



Search File: "Bird, James Sr."
Métis Families: A Genealogical Compendium

*There is some discrepancy regarding names, children, etc. in the genealogical information found in several sources in the Search Files and in Gail Morin, *Metis Families: A Genealogical Compendium*.