

NAME: CLARK, William **PARISH:** Kirkwall, Orkney **ENTERED SERVICE:** 13 June 1861 **DATES:** b. 27 Nov. 1840 (A.34/8,fo.50)
 (A.32/24a, fo.53) d. 9 Jan. 1919

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
<i>*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May</i>				
1861-1862	Apprentice Clerk	General Charges*	Red River	B.239/g/101
1862-1863	Apprentice Clerk	Pembina	Red River	B.239/k/3,p.250
1863-1865	Apprentice Clerk	Portage la Prairie	Red River	B.239/k/3,pp. 272 & 294
1865-1866	Apprentice Clerk	White Horse Plains	Red River	B.239/k/3, p. 315
1866-1867	Clerk	White Horse Plains	Red River	B.239/k/3, p. 336
1867-1875	Clerk in Charge	Oak Point	Red River/Manitoba	B.239/k/3; B.235/k/1
[1874-1875	also Clerk in Charge at White Horse Plains and cattle guard]		B.235/k/1, fo. 6d.	
1875-1880	Junior Chief Trader	Oak Point	Manitoba	B.235/k/1
	in charge of district			
1880-1881	On furlough, having been appointed Chief Trader in 1879		B.235/k/1, fo. 66d.	
1881-1882	Chief Trader in	Grand Rapids	Grand Rapids	B.235/k/1, fo. 83d..
	charge of transport			
1882-1883	Chief Trader	Portage la Prairie	Red River	B.235/k/1, fo. 96
1883-1884	Chief Trader in charge of Northern Department Depot & General Office, Winnipeg			B.235/k/1; D.38/1
1884-1908	Remained in Northern Department Office, being appointed Factor in 1884 and			
Chief Factor in 1892.	(D.38/4, pp. 4-5,10-11) On furlough in 1902, having taken one			
	seven years previously. (A.12 FT 340/1 (Misc.), fo. 66)			
1908, 31 May	Retired on pension because of poor health			A.12/FT 340/1 (Misc), fo. 68
1919, 9 Jan.	Died			D.38/50, fo.8

* Not yet assigned to a post. He remembered having been sent directly to Pembina.

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Search file "Clark, William" contains copies of newspaper articles from the Legislative Library of Manitoba and of the entry on Clark from F.H. Schofield, *The Story of Manitoba*, Vol. II (1913), pp. 120-123. According to Schofield Clark was born in Kirkwall, the son of William Clark and Eliza Mowat (Aim). He was educated at Sandwick and then moved to the mainland of Scotland to work as a clerk in a shipping company at Granton Pier, near Edinburgh. On his contract, signed 13 June 1861, Clark gives his address as Laverock Bank House, Trinity, Newhaven, Edinburgh. The witness to his signature is James Clark of the same address. (A.32/24a, fo. 53) In a letter to the HBC Secretary, dated 11 April 1861 Clark said that he had been appointed to his clerkship by Edward Ellice [HBC Deputy Governor]. (A.10/49, fo. 430)

According to Schofield, Clark married Julia Murray of Kildonan in 1882. She was the daughter of Donald and Jane Murray. The Anglican Parish registers index in the Provincial Archives of Manitoba show that Donald Murray and Jane Mary Heron were married on 17 August 1837. Their daughter Julia Jane was baptized at St. Paul's on 7 January 1861.

His obituary states that Clark was survived by his wife and two nephews, William Clark of Winnipeg and James Clark of Clarkleigh MB.

Photographs:

HBCA Photo Coll., 1987/289/1 - With Commissioned Officers, Queen's Hotel, Winnipeg, 1887. Printed in *The Beaver*, Dec. 1953, pp.24-25.

Also in Schofield, *The Story of Manitoba*, II, facing page 120. A 1909 cartoon by Hay Stead, showing Clark with a silver fox pelt and a fur press in the background is published in *Manitobans As We See 'Em, 1908 and 1909*.

