

**NAME:** GARTON, John

**PARISH:** Indian Country

**ENTERED SERVICE:** ca. 1846

**DATES:** b. ca. 1828  
(B.135/g/37) d. 25 Feb. 1911

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*:	Position:	Post:	District:	HBCA Reference:
1847-1849	Apprentice		Fort Coulonge	B.134/g/22-24
1849-1852	Governor Colvile's Servant			B.239/1/20-25; B.239/g/89-92
1853-1868	Clerk & Postmaster	Abitibi	Moose	B.135/g/series; B.135/k/l, fo.166d,173d,182d, 187d
1869	"General Charges"			B.135/g/51
1872	Clerk		Red River	B.239/g/112
1887-1888	Clerk & Salesman	Manitoba House	Manitoba	D.25/2,fo.126; D.24/5,fo.71d

1889 Commissioner Joseph Wrigley wrote to the Governor and Committee: A.12/30,fo.468

"Application for a Pension has been made by Mr. John Garton who has lately left the Service owing to ill-health and old age. He appears to have been 33 years in the Service, 7 years of which were under Sir George Simpson as servant and 3 years under Governor Colvile as travelling servant. Of later years he has been a clerk."  
This Pension was granted (A.1/188, fo.152d & 153).

David Armit, in charge of Manitoba House, described Garton as follows:  
"Is a perfect [sic] reliable man & can be trusted at any time with the charge of the place in my absence, takes every interest in his work & keeps his stores in good order."



Garton died 25 Feb. 1911.

A.12/5 525/16,fo.57

For Garton's letters to Sir George Simpson, see D.5/37, fo.438 & 439; D.5/50, fo.133 & 134.

For Eden Colvile's comments on him, see E.E.Rich (ed.), *Eden Colvile's Letter, 1849-1852*, Hudson's Bay Record Society, Volume 19 (London, 1956), pp.196-206.

For letter from John Garton to Eden Colvile, 13 Feb. 1885, see A.10/119, fo.151-153.