

**NAME:** GILLIES, Donald      **PARISH:** Plockton, near Strome Ferry, Ross & Cromarty      **ENTERED SERVICE:** Signed contract 17 June 1878 (A.32/30)      **DATES:** b. 21 Oct. 1859 d. 20 Mar. 1935

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Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
<i>*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May</i>				
1878-1881	Apprentice Clerk	Moose Factory	Moose River	D.38/53; A.81/1-23
1881-1898	Clerk	Little Whale River	East Main	
1898-1901	Clerk	Great Whale River	East Main	
1901-1909	Clerk	Fort George	James Bay	
1909-1914	Clerk	Albany	James Bay	
1914, 7 Nov.	Retired on pension			RG3, 40A/2
1921, April	Awarded gold medal and one bar			RG3, 40A/2
1925, 20 March	Died at Southampton, Ontario			

On 12 August 1881 Gillies was described by Factor James L. Cotter as "a strong young man of 21 years of age. Good commercial education, steady and ambitious, promises to be useful"

D.38/6b, fo. 72

On 6 August 1891 Miles Spence described him as a "Good Clerk & Esquimaux linguist..."

D.38/7, fo. 122

In his obituary in *The Beaver* (June, 1935, p. 62), he is called "A picturesque and breezy figure... one of the outstanding traders in James Bay district for a number of years."

(Note: The obituary referred to above was used to supplement the archival record.)

