

NAME:Fisher, Alexander

PARISH: Canada (Kingston?)

ENTERED SERVICE: NWC 1818(?), HBC 1821

DATES:1783-1847

Re: A.36/6 fos.96-97

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*:

Position:

Post:

District:

HBCA Reference:

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

North West Company

1820-1821

Clerk

Lake of Two Mountains

Lake of Two Mountains

Post History "Lake of Two Mountains"

Hudson's Bay Company

1821

In Charge

Lake of Two Mountains

Lake of Two Mountains

Nicholas Garry Folder

1823-1829

Chief Trader

Lake of Two Mountains

Lake of Two Mountains

B.134/g/2-5 Post History; SF: Alexander Fisher;

1829-1839

Chief Trader

Fort Alexandria

New Caledonia

B.239/k/1,2 Post History, "Fort Alexandria"; Search File

1841-1842

Chief Trader

Fort Good Hope

Mackenzie River

B.239/k/2; B.239/k/2; D.4/58 fo.152d

1845

Retired

2 April 1847

Died in Montreal

Will (A.36/6 fos. 96-97)

Father: Alexander Fisher - the first judge of the Midland District of Upper Canada (Search File)

From George Simpson's Character Book - 1832:

Chief Trader No.10

About 45 years of Age. A trifling thoughtless superficial lying creature, who has no Steadiness or consistancy, full of plans which are more changeable than the Wind: has sufficient address to pass himself off as a sharp fellow with a Stranger, but is entirely an Eye Servant and cannot be entrusted with any business requiring the least management unless closely Watched. Can make himself agreeable to Indians until they discover his falsehood which must very soon be the case, as he is totally regardless of truth, in fact, a habitual Liar without conduct or principle, and was becoming so much addicted to Liquor that I found it necessary to remove him a few years ago to one of our most Sober Stations."

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Search File: Alexander Fisher, Chief Trader

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