

NAME: McKAY, James (a)

PARISH: Farr,
SCOTLAND

ENTERED SERVICE: ca. 1815

DATES: b. ca. 1797

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
1818 - 1821	Middleman	Edmonton	Saskatchewan	A.30/16, p. 21
1821 - 1833	Steersman	Edmonton	Saskatchewan	B.60/d/15-18; B.239/g/1-12
1833	Transferred to Back's Arctic Expedition, wages as per list from T. Simpson			B.239/u/1 #1327; B.239/g/12
1833 - 1834	Steersman, Guide & Fisherman	Back's Arctic Expedition		B.239/g/13-14
1834 - 1836	Steersman & Guide	General Charges [in Edmonton Dec.1835]		B.239/g/14-15; D.5/4 fo. 145
1836 - 1840	Coast Guide	Arctic Discovery Expedition		B.239/g/16-19; D.4/22 fo. 92d
1840	Retired to Red River Settlement, living with D. McDonald			B.239/g/20; E.5/10 fo. 21
1844	Recommended as an efficient assistant to be employed on a new Expedition			B.239/c/3

Wife: married in 1840 Census (E.5/10 fo. 21)

Children: 4 sons under 16 listed in 1840 Census (E.5/10 fo. 21)

2 daughters over 16, 2 sons over 16, 5 sons under 16 listed in 1843 Census (E.5/11 fo. 16)

G. Back, *Narrative of the Arctic Land Expedition to the Mouth of the Great Fish River...in the Years 1833, 1834, and 1835* (London, 1836), pp. 53, 56

Thomas Simpson, *Narrative of the Discoveries on the North Coast of America... 1836-1839* (London 1843) p. 97, 354

John Rae, *Narrative of an Expedition to the Shores of the Arctic Sea in 1846 and 1847* (London 1850), p. 3

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