

NAME: POITRAS (Poitra), André

PARISH: Canada

ENTERED SERVICE:

DATES: b. 1762 or 1763
d. [1831]Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
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*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May

North West Company:

1793 - 1794		Fort Espérance		E. Coues, <i>New Light on the Early History of the Greater Northwest</i> (New York: Francis P. Harper, 1897), p. 301
1804 - 1805		Qu'Appelle (Fishing Lakes)		E. Coues, <i>New Light on the Early History of the Greater Northwest</i> (New York: Francis P. Harper, 1897), p. 301
1811 - 1818			[Red River?]	F.4/32, pp. 1054, 1063
[1818]	free [no longer in the service of the North West Company]			F.4/32b
1824 - 1831	colonist, Red River Settlement - Village of Grantown			B.239/g/4-10; E.5/1, 3, 4, 5

Wife: Marguerite (also Margarite) Grant E.5/5-11
 Children: Pierre (b. 1793, mother "an Indian woman")
 Ignace (b. ca. 1800, mother Marguerite); Pierre b. 1810-189, married to Mary Bruyere at St. Boniface on 27 November 1832*

Entries from Red River Census for Andre Poitras:

1827-White Horse Plain/Grantown; age 64; Roman Catholic, {born in} Canada; married; 1 son above 16, E.5/1, fo.10

4 sons under 16; 1 daughter above 15, 2 daughters under 15.

1829-White Horse Plain/Grantown; age 67; Roman Catholic, {born in } Canada; married; 1 son above 16, E.5/3, fo.13

4 sons under 16; 2 daughters under 15

1830-white Horse Plain/Grantown; age 68; Roman Catholic; Canada; married; 2 sons above 16, 3 under E.5/4, fo.16

16; 1 daughter above 15, 1 daughter under 15.

NOTE: (1828 census) does not list Andre Poitras, but there is a Henry Poitras Sr., age 70; E.5/2, E.5/5 fo.18, (1831) & E.5/6 fo.18 (1832), refer to a Marguerite Poitras, widow, age 42 in 1831 and 40 in 1832.

New Light on the Early History of the Greater Northwest ed. by Elliot Coues, New York: Harper, ca. 1897Les Bourgeois de la Compagnie du Nord-Quest ed. by L.R. Masson, 1889.

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