

NAME: SPENCE, James 1st

PARISH: Orphir

ENTERED SERVICE: 5 July 1797- Nov. 1857

DATES: b.ca.1779

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
<small>*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May</small>				
1797, July	Entered service and sailed from Stromness to York Factory on King George			C.1/402, fo. 2
1797-1810	Tailor		York Inland	A.16/34, fo.17, 159;A.30/7-10
1811-1818	Tailor		Saskatchewan	A.16/14, fo. 35; A.16/15, fo. 57; A.30/11-15
1818	"Gone to the Colony"			A.16/15, fo. 57
Described in 1815/16 as 5'5 1/2" and fair				A.30/15

On 17 June 1822, the following children of James Spence and an Indian woman were baptized: Robert, Betsy, Charlotte & Ellen. On the same day James Spence married Jane Morwick and the following children of James and Jane Spence were baptized: Nancy, William, Isabella, James and John. Jane Morwick was the widow of Oman Norquay, who had died in 1820, and Oman Norquay was probably the father of the five children. James and Jane had a son, Joseph, baptized in 1826 and a daughter, Catherine, baptized in 1829.

PAM, Anglican Parish Registers Data

James Spence's age is given as 19 in July 1797 and, as listed in subsequent Company records, is consistent with the year of birth 1778 or 1779. He is probably the James

Spence who was buried at St. John's on 30 November 1857, aged 78.

For the connection between James Spence and the family of Premier John Norquay, see Ellen Cook, *Fur Trade Profiles: Five Ancestors of Premier John Norquay*.

