

NAME: SPENCER, William (A)

PARISH: Native, Hudson Bay

ENTERED SERVICE: 1838

DATES: b.ca.1822

## Appointments &amp; Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May				
1838 - 1840	Apprentice, Northern Dept.	General Charges	Lake Superior	B.135/g/22-23
1841 - 1842	Apprentice	Sandwich Islands [Hawaii]	Columbia	B.223/g/6
1842 - 1844	Apprentice	Fort Vancouver Depot	Columbia	B.223/g/7-8
1844 - 1845	Apprentice		English River	B.239/g/84
1845 - 1846	Middleman (middle position in a canoe)		English River	B.239/g/85
1846 - 1847	Interpreter in charge	Lesser Slave Lake	Saskatchewan	B.239/g/86; B.239/k/2 fo. 192
1847 - 1848	Interpreter		Saskatchewan	B.239/g/87
1848 - 1849	Interpreter	Rocky Mountain House	Saskatchewan	B.239/g/88; B.239/k/2 fo. 212d
1849 - 1856	Postmaster	Carlton	Saskatchewan	A.16/48 fos. 106d-107; B.239/g/89-95; B.239/k/2 fos. 227d, 238d; B.239/k/3 pp. 6, 18, 30, 50, 62, 75, 102; B.239/u/1 #2000
1856 - 1860	Clerk in charge	The Pas	Cumberland	A.16/48 fos. 106d-107; B.239/g/96-99; B.239/k/3 p. 125, 145, 146, 166, 174, 186; B.239/u/2 #1966
1860 - 1862	Clerk in charge	Berens River	Norway House	B.239/g/100-101; B.239/k/3 p. 211, 231
1862 - 1863	Clerk in charge	disposable	English River	A.16/51 fo. 107; B.239/g/102; B.239/k/3 p. 234, 244
1863 - 1868	Clerk in charge	Rapid River [Stanley]	English River	A.16/51 fo. 107; B.239/g/103-108; B.239/k/3 p. 266, 288, 300, 310, 331, 352
1868 - 1870	Clerk in charge	Cold Lake	English River	B.239/g/109-110; B.239/k/3 p. 365, 377, 407
1870 - 1871	Clerk in charge	Portage La Loche (winter), Ile-a-la-Crosse (summer)	English River	B.239/g/111; B.239/k/3 p. 433
1871 - 1872	Clerk		English River	B.235/g/1; B.239/g/112-113; B.239/k/3 p. 446
1874-1875	Freeman		English River	B.235/g/2



Parents: John Spencer (1790-1881) and Anne Sinclair (1796-1861), daughter of William and Margaret (Nahoway) Sinclair

Wife: Caroline Small (Correspondence J. Firth 1987)

Child: Arthur (baptised 27 May 1860 (PAM, MG7 B14 M278, St. James Baptisms #98)

Photograph of William Spencer published in and article by Joan Firth "A Hudson's Bay Man" in *Western People*, Dec. 8, 1988