

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
<u>*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May</u>				
1779, 17 Sept.	Landed at Albany River			A.32/1 fo. 15, 170; A.5/5 fo. 24d
1779 - 1782	Surgeon	Albany Fort	Albany	A.16/5, fo. 44
1782 - 1787	Master	Henley House	Albany	A.6/13, fo. 70, 94d, 121; A.30/3, fo. 44d; A.32/1, fo. 170; A.16/5 fo. 84
1787 - 1790	Second & Surgeon	Albany	Albany	A.30/3, fo. 45; A.30/4, fo. 1d
1790 - 1791	Chief	Albany	Albany	A.30/4, fo. 58d, 59
1791 - 1792	Returned to England, references to his son coming home			A.5/3, fo. 58d; A.30/4, fo. 58d, 59; A.5/3 fo.84
1792 - 1793	Second	Albany	Albany	A.30/5, fo. 30d; A.16/6 fo. 53
1793 - 1799	Chief	Albany	Albany	A.30/4, fo. 55d; A.30/6, fo. 8d, 53d; A.30/7, fo. 9d, 52d; A.30/8, fo. 8d; A.16/6 fo. 87, 100, 139
1799, Sept.-May 1801	Returned home to England, references to his son coming home			A.30/9, fo. 8d-9
1801 - 1802	Chief	Churchill	Churchill	B.42/a/125, fo. 15
1802 - 1809	Chief	York Factory	York	B.239/a/106, fo. 4; B.239/g/68, 71, 73-76
1809, Sept.-23 Nov.	Returned to England on <i>King George</i> with son & grandson			A.16/35; C.1/421-422
1810, 2 May	He was "called in & informed that the Committee would not have occasion for his further services			A.1/49 fo. 122d
1811 - 1812	Travelled out on <i>Prince of Wales</i> and travelled overland Moose Factory to Montreal, then to Liverpool to report the over-wintering of the ship and to deliver the packet.			A.16/35; B.135/d/90; B.135/a/102
1812, 11 May	Arrived in England (retired)			A.1/50, fo. 107, 108, 160
1816-1817	Wrote from Montreal 25 April 1816 that he intended to go to accept an offer from the Earl of Selkirk, then to return to Fife by Dec. 1817			Search File, copy from Scottish Record Office
1818	Requested the HBC to have his son and family join him in Canada.			A.1/52 fo. 3, 5d
1819	Letter addressed to him at University of Edinburgh acknowledging his letter dated 26 Dec. 1818 and stating that claims on the Company are not substantiated.			A.5/6, fo. 43
1820	Died in [Montreal?] Canada by this time			B.135/e/7

Children: Sarah: married Thomas Bunn after 1795, died 1806, children Mary, John (Bayley, 1969)
Thomas (ca. 1782-1866) (fl. 1797-1821) went to England 1809 along with John Bunn (C.1/421-422)
Son - no name mentioned (B.51/a/2)

See Search Files: "McNab, John", "McNab, Thomas"

Denis Bayley, *A Londoner in Rupert's Land: Thomas Bunn...*, Chichester: Moore & Tillyer, 1969.

Elaine Allan Mitchell, "McNab's Journey of 1812 Moose Fort to Montreal", *The Beaver*, Summer, 1973, pp. 4-10

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Journals written by John McNab: Albany (B.3/a/91, 94-99, 101-102); Churchill (B.42/a/126-127); Henley House (B.86/a/35-39);
York Factory (B.239/a/107-115, 119); Moose Factory (B.135/a/102)

Portrait: Miniature as a young man held by David W. Elder, Scotland (photographs, 1999/17)

