"Johnnie" d.1943 Appointments & Service aOutfit Year\* District HBCA Reference Position Post \*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May 1881-1891 Messenger, General Office, Winnipeg (left and re-entered several times) D.38/48 Messenger, General Office, Winnipeg 1891-c1922 D.38/48 Awarded Gold Medal, Gold Bar 1920, May D.38/48

ENTERED SERVICE: July 1881

Married, one child (D.38/48)

1922, May

NAME: WILSON, John Middal

According to an article in *The House Detective*, Oct. 1943, he was featured in a "Ripley's Believe It or Not" column, Oct. 1938, for "working 54 years without being late or absent. He carried \$100,000,000.00 and only lost \$2.50".

PLACE OF BIRTH: Middall, Iceland

The article quotes a letter from his daughter, Mrs E.L. Axford, of Furby Street, Winnipeg, dated 26 Aug. 1943, to R.H.G. Bonnycastle. She thanks him for having attended her father's funeral. She mentions that her four sons had not been able to be present. The rest of the letter relates some family stories. Johnnie Wilson remembered that once, "alone, with a horse and buckboard he took \$15,000 (in small denominations) treaty money to Selkirk."



D.38/48

DATES: b. 14 Feb. 1860

Filename: Wilson, John Middal (1860-1943) (fl.1881-[1935]) JB/nt - August 1/89 Rev. AM 03/04

Awarded Gold Bar