**NAME:** GUNN, Donald  
**PARISH:** Halkirk, Caithness [also Kirkwall]  
**ENTERED SERVICE:** 1813  
**DATES:** b. September 1797  

d. 30 November 1878  

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-described in 1814-1815 "dark brown hair, strong, well made" "desires to return home"

**Family:**
1) children by "a half-breed woman"

- William, baptised at York Factory 27 August 1822; buried 10 May 1842

- James, baptised at Red River Settlement 12 July 1825; married Mary

2) wife: Margaret Swain, daughter of James Swain; married 17 January 1826 at Image Plains

- children: John, baptised 25 September 1827
- Alexander, baptised 7 April 1829

- George, baptised 28 January 1834
- Jane, baptised 2 January 1836; buried 7 November 1843 aged 7 years

- Donald, born 27 May 1840; baptised 30 June 1840; died 1927

- Janet, baptised 27 May 1846; married Alexander Montgomery Muckle

- 6 February 1874

- William, baptised 12 October 1848


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