In 1841 Benjamin Linklater entered the Company's service at the age of 16 as an Apprentice Labourer in the Albany District. He is noted as being a "Native!" During his career with the Company which spanned 56 years, Mr. Linklater served as Boat-builder, Slooper, and for a short period from 1867-1870, as Postmaster at Fort Albany (HBC Arch. B135/g/25, fo.14).

In 1897 he left the Company's service (HBC Arch. D33/3, fo.24).