James S. Smith joined the Hudson’s Bay Company in 1888 as a labourer in the Island Lake District. Apparently he served in that capacity until 1891.

(HBC Archives B.235/g/10, fo.55d; B.235/g/11, fo.19d)

There is a servant of the Company listed in the Cassiar District in 1892 by the name of James S. Smith but it is not known whether this is the same man. The following year he became a freeman (ie: a former employee of a fur company who elected to remain in the interior as an independent trapper or trader or settler).

(HBC Archives D.33/1, fos.32, 79).

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