OFFICIAL NUMBER:

PRINCE ALBERT  AREA OF SERVICE: HUDDSON BAY-LONDON-YORK FACTORY (1841)
           LONDON-MOOSE (1842-1853)
           LONDON-FORT VICTORIA PACIFIC NORTHWEST (1854-1855)
           LONDON-YORK FACTORY (1856)

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:
Barque

Construction:  Oak
Designer and builder:  Green, Wigram, Green, Blackwall
Dimensions:  103' keel; 25.5' beam; 17.5' hold, 6'5" between decks (same as Vancouver).
Draft:
Number of passengers:  Number of crew:
Plans:
Power:
Registered:  London
Tonnage:  303 Tons; 347 T. (A.7/1 fo. 68d)

HISTORY:
1841  Built by Messrs. Green, Wigram & Green for the Hudson’s Bay Company at the same time as Prince Rupert. (C.7/117)
1841, March  Launched, Lady Selkirk christened one, Lady Pelly the other  (D.5/6 from G.W. Simpson)
1841  Took on the Captain and officers of the Vancouver on arrival in Stromness
1842  Intended for the Columbia, but was sent to York to replace the Prince of Wales.
1845, 8 June  Prince Albert and Prince Rupert depart from Gravesend to Orkney
1845, 31 July  Off Mansel Island
1845, 6-24 September  At Moose
1853, 8 June  Left London for Moose
1854-1855  After it was coppered, to Fort Victoria, Nisqually, Nanaimo and San Francisco  (C.4/1)
1856, 9 April  Sold to Messrs. Fry & Davison for £2,950  (A.5/20 p. 59)
1856, 14 April  Offered to Hudson’s Bay Company on contract  (A.10/39 fo. 423)

MASTER:
1841  Henry Edward Boulton  (A.6/25 fo. 155d)
1842-1853  Captain Robert Royal
1854-1855  William B. Mannock
1856  [Captain Shepherd]

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C.7/117  Specs. & Accounts  1840-1856  (2M138)
G.1/174-176  Charts showing routes  1857-1860  (11M2)
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