SHIP: PRINCE RUPERT (1769-1786)  
The fourth HBC ship of this name and the third in the 18th century. Sometimes designated by archives as Prince Rupert III or IV

AREA OF SERVICE:
LONDON-HUDSON BAY

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:
Construction:
Designer and builder: John Randall and John Gray
Dimensions:
Draft:
Number of passengers: Number of crew:
Plans:
Power:
Registered:
Speed:
Tonnage: 202

HISTORY:
1768, 20 Jan. Agreed with Randall & Gray to build "a new Ship of about 202 Tons Burthen...at £9.5 p Ton" (RG20/6a/11)
1768, 10 Nov. Launched (RG20/6/a/11)
1769 Voyage to Churchill
1770 Voyage to York Factory
1771 Voyage to Moose
1772-1773 Voyages to Churchill
1773 Voyage to Moose
1775-1776 Voyages to Churchill
1777 Voyage to York Factory
1778 & 1780 Voyages to Moose
1781 Voyage to Churchill & York Factory
1782-1785 Voyages to Churchill
1786 Voyage to Moose
1789, 6 May Sold to Robert Lancaster of Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, for £1200 (RG20/6a/15, under date of 19 Dec. 1792; C.7/133, fo. 1-2))

MASTERS:
1769-1780 Joseph Richards C.1/891-902
1781 Jonathan Fowler, Jr. C.1/903
1782 William Christopher C.1/904
1783-1786 Joshua Tunstall C.1/905-908

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

PHOTOGRAPHS:
HBCA Photo Coll., 1987/363-S-48  Painting by Francis Holman showing her in company with King George and Sea Horse, 1771

REFERENCES:
C.1/891-908 Ship's Logs, 1769-1786  2M92-2M95
C.7/133, fo. 1-2 Agreement for Sale, 6 May 1789  2M139

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