François Dufresne Jr. (b. 1850)

François was born in 1850 at Fort Pitt. He was the son of Chief Factor John Rowand and Marguerite Mondion, a Métisse. He was raised by Marguerite (née Mondion) and Edward François Dufresne. His stepfather, stepbrother Henri, and stepsister Mrs. Isidore Pambrun were all prisoners of Big Bear's Band during the 1885 Resistance. His wife, Marguerite Piche, and children, Joseph, Marguerite and Paul also went to the Indian camp.

He married Marguerite Catherine Piche dit Morin (Metis) born in 1860 near Battle River. Her father was Mee-ee-wa-pa-o Piche (Metis) and her mother was Kis-ka-wish Morin (Metis).

Photograph at right is Francois at Fort Pitt in 1884.





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