(Thomas) Auguste Harrison. (1837-1920)

Auguste Harrison, a Metis, was born on March 9, 1836 at St. Boniface. He was the son of Thomas Harrison (Metis) and Appoline Lagimodière (French Canadian). His sister Marie-Anne Harrison was married to Charles Nolin. Harrison was a cousin of Louis Riel.His brother Damase Harrison was also active in the 1869-70 Resistance, and married Elzear Goulet's widow, Helene Jerome in 1873.

Auguste married Lucie Champagne the daughter of Emmanuel Champagne *dit* Beaugrand and Marguerite Larocque on February 3, 1863 at St. Boniface. They had nine children by 1884. Sometime before 1880 he remarried to Madeleine Montagnais and was living at Duck Lake near his father-in-law. His sister Marie Anne was married to Charles Nolin. Auguste was a French delegate to the 1870 Convention of Forty from Oak Point, he voted on 5 February against Louis Riel's motion that the HBC left out of the transfer arrangements of the territory, which should be negotiated between Canada and the people of Red River. Riel responded by calling Harrison and delegates Nolin and Klyne "traitors."

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