McKay, Edward, (b. 1847)

Edward McKay was born on November 14, 1847, the son of John McKay and Mary England. He married Margaret Voller, the daughter of James Voller and Nancy Birston on December 26, 1867 at St. Andrews. He died on April 8, 1927. They had eleven children. Edward served as a member of the 49th Rangers, the Métis Scouts of the British-Canadian Boundary Commission, 1872 to 1873. He was brother-in-law to Robert Taylor another member of the Boundary Commission. He was an HBC employee from 1866 to 1870. His service record is shown below.

| NAME: McKAY, Edward | | RISH: Native ENT | ERED SERVICE: 1866 | DATES: |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|--|
| Appointments & S | Service | | | |
| Outfit Year*: | Position: | Post: | District: | HBCA Reference: |
| *An Outfit year ran from | m 1 June to 31 May | | | |
| 1866-1868 | Clerk | Pembina [1867] | Red River | B.239/u/2 p. 399; B.239/g/108; B.239/k/3 p. 358 |
| 1868-1869 1869-1870 | Freeman Does not appear | ar | Red River | B.239/g/109 B.239/g/110 |

According to the Northern Department Servants Engagement Register, Edward McKay made a contractual arrangement with the Company at Fort Garry on August 28, 1866 (a 3 year contract). No contract survives in the HBCA. (source: B.239/u/2 p. 399; A.32/40)



Scrip affidavit for McKay, Edward R.; born: November 14, 1847; father: John McKay (Métis); mother: Mary McKay (Métis); claim no: 253; scrip no: 1897 to 1904; date of issue: May 1, 1876; amount: \$160.



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