High River, Alberta Métis Scrip Applications

High River is located 67.7 kilometres (42.1 mi) south of the City of Calgary. It takes its name from the Highwood River, which flows through the town. The area was originally inhabited largely by the Blackfoot, who called the site Ispitzee (or the "place of high trees along running water"). By 1870, after the arrival of the North-West Mounted Police and after Treaty No. 7 had been signed in 1877, more settlers began arriving into the region. The site was at a ford on the Highwood River—a location known as "The Crossing".

Boucher Marie - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, High River - Born, Sturgeon Creek, 1859 - Father, John Todd, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Allary, (Métis) - Married, 1872 at St. Albert near Edmonton to Pierre Boucher - Children living, three, John born 1874, Marie Louise born 1877, Virginie born 1879 - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 313.

Boucher, Eve; address: Calgary; claim no. 92; born: 1861 at St. Albert, S.W.T; father: Pierre Boucher Sr. (Métis); mother: Marie Aimable Bruneau (Montagnais) (Métis); married: 1876 at High River to James Ward; children living: Vitaline & John James; children deceased: 1, died soon after birth in 1878; scrip for \$ 240.00.

Boucher, Louison; for his son, Augustin Boucher; claim no. 1365; address: South Pegan Reserve, Montana; born: 1876 at High River; father: Louison Boucher (Métis & deponent); mother: Isabelle Ward (Métis); file ref. 947867; File nos. 207066 & 206961.

Bruneau, Alexis; heir of his deceased daughter, Marguerite; claim no. 3479; address: Hay Lakes; born: May, 1876 at Tail Creek; father: Alexis Bruneau (Métis and deponent); mother: Marie Capouwiwis (Métis); died: 1877 at High River; scrip cert.: form F, no. 1458.

Bruneau, John; address: MacLeod; claim no. 1460; born: 1875 at High River; father: Alexis Bruneau (Métis); mother: Anne Deschamp (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 856. Collins, Richard; claim no. 1808; for his deceased children: Edouard; born: 1874 at High River; died: 1874 at High River; Baptiste; born: 1874 at High River; died: 1874 at High River; address: Chateau, Montana; father: Richard Collins (Métis and deponent); mother: Nancy Breland (Métis); file ref. 951770, 339200 and 339206.

Ducharme, Catherine - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, High River - Born, 1863 at Sturgeon Creek - Father, Pierre Ducharme, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Desjarlais, (Métis) - Married, 1879 at Cypress Hills to Leon Millette - Children living, one, George born 1883 - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 312.

Gaudin, Antoine; heir to his deceased son, George Gaudin; claim no. 1412; born: 1882 at High River; died: 1886 at Calgary; address: MacLeod; father: Antoine Gaudin (Métis and deponent); mother: Catherine Ducharme (Métis).

Godin, Catherine; for her deceased children: Albert, born: 1879 at Calgary; died: 1891 at Calgary; Charles, born: 1883 at Calgary; died: 1897 at High River, Calgary; address: Calgary; father: Charles Godin (deceased Métis); mother: Catherine Malette (Métis and deponent); heirs: Catehrine Godin, scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1558 and 1568 for \$48.00 each; Amelia godin, scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1562 and 1572 for \$48.00 each; George Godin, scrip cert.; form D, nos. 1564 and 1574 for \$48.00 each; Thomas Godin, scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1566 and 1576 for \$48.00 each; file ref. 789934; claim no. 1687.

Johnson, Samuel or Loneman; for his deceased children: Joseph, born: Spring, 1873 at High River; died: 1888; Unnamed, born: Spring, 1873 at High River; died: before it was baptized; Emilie, born: 1883 at Battleford; died: Winter, 1884 at Fort Pitt, Sask; address: MacLeod, Alberta; file ref. 1689479; claim no. 1518.

Johnston, Marcus; address: High River; claim no. 1430; born: Dec., 1882 at Battleford; father: Johnston Samat (Métis); mother: Angelique Big Bear (Cree Indian); scrip cert.: form C, no. 982.

Kina, Augustus; address: High River; claim no. 1628; born: 1884 at Alberta; father: Louis Kina or Jackson (Whiteman); mother: Suzanne L'Americain (Métis); file ref. 762668.

McDougall, Virginie; for her absent sister, Mary Louise Finlay; address: Browning, Montana; born: 31 March, 1876 at High River; father: Pierre Boucher (Métis); mother: Mary Todd (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 3604; claim no. 1341.

Miles, Mary Samantha; address: Middle Fork (Gillingham P.O.); born: 30 April, 1885 at High River; father: Joseph Alfred Miles (Whiteman); mother: Mary Minesinger (Métis); claim no. 1568.

Munro, Christine - Concerning her claim as a child - Born, 1855 at Lac la Biche - Father, Francois Desjarlais, (Métis) - Mother, Euphrosine Augé, (Métis) - Married, 1877 at Blackfoot Crossing to Joseph Deschamps and fall of 1884 at High River to William Munro - Children living, three (names on declaration) - Children deceased, one - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 308.

Powell, Hunter - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, High River, P.O. [Post Office] - Born, 1862 at Qu'Appelle - Father, Hunter Powell, (deceased French Canadian) - Mother, Angèlique, (Cree Indian) - Married, 1884 at Calgary to Marie Mallette - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 258.

Salois, Marguerite; address: Depuyer, Montana; born: 1877 at High River; father: Émilien Boucher (Métis); mother: Susanne Collin (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 826; claim no. 1382. Smith, Alice; address: Buffalo Lake; born: February, 1885 at High River; father: J. Oliver Hawkins Smith; (Whiteman); mother: Pookeeme or Sarah Wolfchild; (Indian); scrip cert.: form E, no. 2528; claim no. 3271.

Smith, Frank; address: Buffalo Lake; born: 1879 at High River; father: Oliver Hawkins Smith (Whiteman); mother: Sarah Wolfchild (Blackfoot Indian); scrip cert.: form E, no. 2526; claim no. 3270.

Smith, Sarah; for her absent daughter, Neelie Mitchell, nee; Smith; address: Buffalo Lake; born: 1881 at High River; father: Orville Hawkens Smith (Whiteman); mother: Sarah Poo-kee-mee (Small Girl); or Sarah Wolfchild (Blackfoot Indian and deponent); married: 1899 to Arthur Mitchell; scrip cert.: form F, no. 2031; claim no. 3285.

Smith, Sarah; for her deceased son, George Smith; address: Buffalo Lake; born: 1883 at High River; died: Spring, 1886 at High River; father: Orville Hawkens Smith (Whiteman); mother: Poo-kee-mee (Small Girl) (Blackfoot Indian and deponent); heir: his father, Oliver H. Smith, scrip cert.: form F, no. 1312; claim no. 3272.

Whitford, David; address: Battleford, Saskatchewan; born: 1875 at High River, Alberta; father: John Whitford (Métis); mother: Métis; scrip cert.: form E, no. 693, for 240 acres; claim no. 1296.



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