

NAME: McNAB, Alexander C. **PARISH:**

ENTERED SERVICE: 7 August 1859 -

DATES: 8 Feb. 1859-

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*: Position: Post: District: HBCA Reference:

*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May

1890-1891	Clerk			Lac la Pluie*	D.38/53,p.191;D.38/56,#371
1891-1893	Clerk in charge		Lac Seul	Lac la Pluie	D.38/23, fo. 30
1894, 15 August	Transferred to Cariboo				D.38/56, #371
1894-1898	Clerk			Cariboo+	A.12 FT/340/4/12, fo. 3
1898-1901	Clerk			New Caledonia	D.33/4; D.38/53
1901-1903	Clerk		Hazelton	British Columbia	D.38/42, fo. 14-19
1903, 27 August	Retired				D.38/42, fo. 19
1907, 9 May	Re-engaged				A.12/FT 340/4/12, fo.1
1907-1908	Clerk		Fort Smith	McKenzie River	A.12/FT 340/4/12,fo.1 & 3
1908-1909	Inspector		Edmonton	Athabasca	A.12/FT 340/4/12,fo.1 & 3
1909, Dec.	Appointed District Manager			James Bay	A.12/FT 340/4/12, fo. 2
1913	Retired				A.74/21, fo. 25

*According to Engagement Register, he was engaged at Rat Portage, 1 June 1891.

+1896-1897	Clerk in charge		Quesnel	Cariboo	D.38/56, #371 D.38/11, fo. 3d.-4
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His retirement in 1903 is said to have been caused by “a temporary breakdown in health following the death of his wife.” (A.12/FT 340/4/12, fo.2) Comments about his drinking at this time may be related to this. (D.38/42, fo. 16) In his report, dated 15 February 1913, on the fur trade for the year ending 31 May 1912, Fur Trade Commissioner R.H. Hall wrote: Mr. A.C. McNab, who has been in charge of [James Bay] District for the past three years, is an honourable man of good character but, I would fear, lacking in initiative or decision. He has certainly failed to grapple with the problems which have arisen during his incumbency, and which problems are probably the result of his own lack of personality and power to govern others. He worked under me many years as a Post Manager and in that capacity did not display much ability. He has recently of his own initiative, asked to be relieved of his present charge at the earliest date possible... A.74/21, fo. 25

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