

Angélique Godon Parenteau. (1818-1892)

Angélique was the daughter of Louison Godon, a voyageur with Alexandre Henry at Pembina in 1801. Her mother was Louise a Nakota (Assiniboine) Indian. Angelique was born circa 1818 at St. Boniface. She died on February 26, 1892 at Batoche, age 74. Her siblings were Louis Godon (b. 1816) who married Elizabeth Isaac; and Joseph Godon, born in 1820 at St. Boniface and married to Jean Baptiste Martel (b. 1810).

In 1830 Angélique married Joseph Dodet Parenteau (b. 1810), the son of Joseph Parenteau Sr. and Suzanne Richard.¹ Her husband was part of the original St. Laurent on the south Saskatchewan River governing committee. In 1875, their family was living in the northern part of Section 30 at St. Laurent. At that time Joseph Parenteau identified himself as a hunter, farmer, and freighter.

At the time of the 1885 Metis Resistance the huge Godon-Parenteau clan was deeply involved in the struggle for Metis rights. Because Angelique and her sons spoke the Nakota (Assiniboine) language, her sons were interpreters on the joint buffalo hunts with the Nakota were often sent as emissaries to the Nakota (Assiniboine) for military assistance. Seven of her sons, three sons-in-law and three of her grandsons were active in the Resistance. Her brother-in-law, Pierre Parenteau was the chairman of Louis Riel's Council. This family tradition as activists continues into the modern era. Angélique's great-grandsons Gary and Randy Parenteau were to become presidents of the Metis Settlements of Alberta General Council.

The children of Angélique Godon and Joseph Parenteau:

- Jean Baptiste, born in 1832, was married to Gabriel Dumont's sister Pelagie. Jean Baptiste and Abraham Parenteau received Half Breed Scrip in Minnesota pursuant to the 1864 Treaty with the Red Lake and Pembina Chippewa Bands. In 1875 they received scrip stubs for 160 acres each; Scrip # 442 for Abraham and Scrip # 443 for Jean Baptiste.
- "Petit" Louis, born in 1835, was married to Suzanne Grant in 1856 at Pembina. Louis Sr. was a member of Captain Isidore Dumont's Company during the Resistance. Their sons, Louis and Patrice were active in the Resistance. Their daughter Marie was married to Resistance fighter Joseph Ouellette.
- Gabriel, born in 1837, was married to Angélique Laverdure. Gabriel was a member of Captain Isidore Dumont's Company during the Resistance.
- Rosalie, born in 1837, was married to Philippe Elzear Gariépy.
- Alexandre, born in 1845, was married to Philomene Patenaude. In the 1870s this family lived in Batoche. In the 1880s Alexandre and his family were living at

¹ Joseph's siblings were: Adelaide Parenteau (b. 1813) married Louis Cabri Smith; Pierre "Pierriche" Parenteau (b. 1813) married Marie Anne Caron; Marie Parenteau (b. 1815) married Benjamin Beauchemin; Angelique Marguerite Parenteau (b. 1822) married Jean Baptiste Laframboise then married Moise Lapierre (b.1832).

Battleford. Alexandre provided Gabriel Dumont with scouting reports from the Battle River area in 1885.

- Judith, born in 1847, was married to Isidore Dumont, Gabriel Dumont's elder brother. A number of her brothers served in Isidore Dumont's Company during the Resistance..
- Raphael, born in 1848, was married to Henrietta Smith. Raphael was a member of Captain Antoine Lafontaine's company during the Resistance.
- Agnes, born in 1850, was married to Pierre "Beau-blé" Laverdure.
- Isidore "Wabash" known as "Le-noir", was born in 1852, he was married to Judith Plante. During the 1885 Resistance Isidore Parenteau and Louis Letendre were sent 120 miles on snowshoe to the Eagle Hills in the Battle River district to enlist Nakota (Assiniboine) reinforcements. Isidore was one of the men who rode to Tourond's Coulee to extricate the Metis soldiers who were trapped there. After the battles, Isidore and Judith joined the Spring Creek Metis Band in Montana. They then settled permanently on the Flathead territory near St. Ignatius Mission in Montana. One of their daughters became a member of the Flathead Band.
- Joachim, born in 1854, married Alphonsine Smith. Joachim and three others were assigned to guard the "Old River Road" during the siege of Batoche.
- Leon-Esdras, was born in 1856, he was married to Elise Fisher. Leon was a member of Captain Baptiste Boucher's Company during the 1885 Resistance.
- Rose, was born in 1858, she was married to John Ross.
- Élise, born in 1862, was married to Henri Smith. Her brothers Joachim and Raphael were married to Henri Smith's sisters. All three of the Smith brothers were active in the Resistance.

Scrip:

Scrip affidavit for Godon, Angelique, wife of Joseph Paranteau Sr.; born: 1818; father & mother of Assiniboine descent; claim no: 3196; date of issue: December 18, 1884

DOMINION OF CANADA } I, *Angélique Godoin wife of Joseph*
North West Territories } *Her husband Joseph formerly*
 of the Parish of *St. Gabriel* in the
 County of *Saskatchewan* in said Province, now a
resident of the North West Territories make oath and say as follows:

1. I am a Half-breed head of a family resident in the Parish of *St. Gabriel*
 in the said Province, on the 15th day of July, A.D. 1870, and consisting
 of myself and *family*
 and I claim to be entitled as such head of family to receive a grant of one hundred and sixty
 acres of land, or to receive Scrip for one hundred and sixty dollars, pursuant to the Statute in
 that behalf.

2. I was born on or about the — day of — A.D. 1818, in the
 Parish of *North West Territories* in said Province.

3. *(Assinaboine descent)* my father;
 and my mother.

4. I have not made or caused to be made any claim of land or Scrip other than the above
 in this or any other Parish in said Province, nor have I claimed or received, as an Indian, any
 annuity moneys from the Government of said Dominion.

Saskatchewan N.W.T.
 Sworn before me at the City and County aforesaid on the
5th day of *Dec* A.D. 1878, having
 been first read over and explained in the *French*
 language to said deponent who seemed perfectly to un-
 derstand the same and *Lawrence*
Clarke in my presence.

Angélique Godoin
sub.

W. O. Duck
 Agent of Dominion Lands.

Claim No. 3196 Scrip issued 18th Dec 1884
73/3/1884
[Signature]

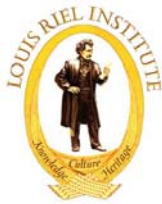
Angélique's brother Louis Godon received Half Breed Scrip under the Treaty of the Red Lake and Pembina Half Breeds:

Scrip issued under the Red Lake and Pembina Treaty of 1864:
 Goddon, Louis [R.L. Scrip #362]
 Minnesota Territorial Census, Pembina, 1850, family 42/42, born Red River Br., Hunter

National Archives, RG 75, Entry 363, "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was Issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties...."

Halfbreed Scrip No.362 issued April 21, 1874, under the authority of Secretarial Decision, April 18, 1874, delivered April 21, 1874 National Archives, RG 75, Entry 364, "Treaty of April 12, 1864, Red Lake and Pembina Half-Breeds," Scrip Stubs, Number 362, dated April 21, 1874, 160 Acres, delivered April 21, 1874, issued to Louis Goddon, delivered to Agt. Douglass.

- Husband of: Gadon, Isabella (1820), born Red River Br. issue:
- Gadon, Louis (1836), born Red River Br.
- Gadon, Joseph (1838), born Red River Br.
- Gadon, Marguritte (1840), born Red River Br. Gadon,
- Cathrin (1843), born Red River Br.
- Gadon, Gelbert (1846), born Red River Br.
- Gadon, David (1849), born Red River Br



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