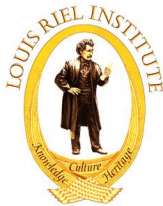


Jemima McKay, (Bray). (1859-1936)

Jemima was born January 1, 1855 at Fort Ellice, the daughter of Edward McKay and Caroline Cook, a buffalo hunting family from the Qu'Appelle Valley who moved to the Fort Walsh area in 1860. Jemima's grandfather was the famous HBC Factor, John Richards McKay. Jemima married John Henry Gresham Bray a North West Mounted Police Officer at Fort Walsh in 1876. They then lived at Fort McLeod and Pincher Creek, where Sergeant Bray took his discharge in 1883. They then retired to Medicine Hat where Jemima died on March 31, 1936 at age 77. She was recognized as one of the first NWMP "wives" in the province and the birth of their daughter Flora was considered a first for the force.



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