

### **Simon Blondeau (Blondin) Sr.** (b. 1827)

Simon Blondeau was a Metis leader in the Qu'Appelle River valley. On September 2, 1880 the Metis of the Qu'Appelle Settlement petitioned Governor Alexander Morris for land, hunting rights and trading rights. The leaders of this group were Pierre Bonneau Sr. (b. 1803), Peter Lapierre (b. 1827) and Simon Blondeau [Blondin] (b. 1827) and Augustin Brabant Sr. (b. 1828).

Simon Blondeau was born on the Pembina River, the son of Louis Blondeau and Marie Louise Laframboise dit Franche. Louis Blondeau worked as an interpreter for the North West Company at Fort des Prairies in 1804 and at Cumberland House in 1815-16. He was present during the aftermath of the Battle of Seven Oaks. Simon Blondeau married Francoise Desjarlais, the daughter of Antoine Desjarlais and Marie Catherine Allery, in 1850 at St. Boniface. Their son John was married to the Augustin Brabant's daughter Caroline. Simon worked for his father-in-law Antoine Desjarlais at Fort Desjarlais in the Souris River Valley in the 1850s. His nephew Louis Blondeau Jr. was one of the men who manned the barricades on the La Salle River to prevent the entry of Canadian government officials in October of 1869.

Blondeau, Simon - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Pembina River, spring of 1827 - Father, Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Laframboise, (Métis) - Married, spring of 1850 to Francoise Desjarlais at St. Boniface, Manitoba - Children living, ten (names on declaration) - Children deceased, one - Scrip for \$160 - Claims 2 and 148

Blondeau, Francoise (b. 1864) - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, North West Territories, 1864 - Father, Simon Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Françoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Married, January 5, 1885 at Fort Qu'Appelle to Chrysostome Robillard - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 15

### **Simon Blondeau (Blondin) Jr.** (b. 1853)

Simon Jr. was born on the Assiniboine River near the Beaver River, the son of Simon Blondeau and Francoise Desjarlais. He married Julienne Hamelin, the daughter of Gaspard Hamelin and Louise Landry on February 9, 1874 at Duck Lake, he then married Clemence Gosselin, the daughter of Joseph Gosselin and Marie Vallee in September 1884 at Lebret.

Blondeau Jr., Simon - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle P.O. [Post Office] - Born, on Assiniboine River near Beaver River in 1853 - Father, Simon Blondeau Sr., (Métis) - Mother, Francoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Married, 1873 to Julie Hamelin, 1884 to Clémence Gosselin - Children living, two - Children deceased, two - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1499

### **Louison Blondeau (Blondin).** (b. 1855)

Louis was born on May 18, 1853 at Fort Ellice, the son of Simon Blondeau and Françoise Desjarlais. He married Marie Antoinette Robillard, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Robillard and Isabelle Comtois.

Blondeau, Louison - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Fort Ellice, spring of 1855 - Father, Simon Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Françoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Married, August, 1878 at Fort Qu'Appelle to Marie Robillard - Children living, two, Philomene born December, 1881, Alfred born September, 1883 - Children deceased, one, Adeline born 1879, died 1881 - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 171

**Zacharie Blondeau (Blondin).** (b. 1858)

Zacharie was born at Fort Qu'Appelle on December 19, 1856, the son of Simon Blondeau and Françoise Desjarlais. He married Florence Desmarais, the daughter of Michel Desmarais and Joseph Rochon in 1877 at Lebret.

Blondeau, Zacharie - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Fort Qu'Appelle, January 25, 1858 - Father, Simon Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Françoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Married, Florence Desmarais - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 3

**Napoleon, Blondeau (Blondin).** (b. 1862)

Blondeau, Napoleon - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Moose Mountain, February 25, 1862 - Father, Simon Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Françoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1500

**St. Pierre Blondeau (Blondin).** (b. 1867)

Blondeau, St. Pierre - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Fort Qu'Appelle, February 23, 1867 - Father, Simon Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Françoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 4

**Ambroise Blondeau (Blondin).** (b. 1867)

Ambroise was born on February 25, 1867 at Fort Qu'Appelle. He married Rose Larose Pelletier (b. 1875, Swift Current) the daughter of Joseph Pelletier and Marguerite Primeau.

Blondeau, Ambroise - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Fort Qu'Appelle, February 25, 1867 - Father, Simon Blondeau, (Métis) - Mother, Françoise Desjarlais, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 5



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