

## **Parenteau, Joachim (b. 1854)**

Joachim was born at Pembina on August 2, 1854, the son of Joseph Dodet Parenteau and Angélique Godon. He married Alphonsine Smith, the daughter of Henri Smith and Marguerite Wills (Wells) on August 9, 1887 at St. Laurent.

Cloutier's Journal (Vol. 1, pg. 111d) notes that Joachim, Philippe Gariepy, and Pierre Laverdure were placed on the Old Red River Road on May 12 during the siege of Batoche. Raphael Parenteau mentions Joachim Parenteau and others fighting off Middleton's troops as they advanced on the houses at Batoche on May 12, 1885:

Il's n'ont pas tire du trou mais, quand les soldats avancent, ils vont à la maison et de là ils tirent —Les soldats reculent plusieurs fois, avant d'approcher des maisons. Ils se sauvent 4 le long de la rivière: Nipis, Joachim Parenteau et Noel Gervais.<sup>1</sup>

Joachim died on May 25, 1925 at Batoche.



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<sup>1</sup> Cloutier, *op cit*, Vol. 2: 112.