

Nolin, Duncan. (b. 1840)

Duncan was born at Red River, December 24, 1839, the son of Augustine Nolin and Helene Cameron. He married Caroline Harrison, born in March 1854, on May 24, 1870. His brother was Charles Nolin noted above. Charles was married to Caroline's sister Marie-Anne Harrison. Duncan died on July 28, 1914 at Lamoureux, Alberta.¹ His wife Caroline died on June 26, 1904 at Lamoureux, Alberta.

During the Métis Northwest Resistance of 1885, this family was part of a group of Métis and Half-Breeds camped on the south side of the Battle River near its junction with the Saskatchewan River; this location was known as "The Point". On April 3, 1885 this group and their families were suspected of being rebels and arrested by Sergeant-Major Kirk and a detachment of twelve men and detained at the Fort at Battleford. After their release a number served in the home guards on the government side while others joined the Resistance.² Following the Resistance they moved to Fort Saskatchewan/Lamoureux area of Alberta.

Children of Duncan and Caroline Nolin:

- Salomon "Raymond" Nolin, b: 1872 in Ste Anne district, being baptized in the Parish Church February 10th 1872, in Manitoba. He died 1947 in Gibbons district, Alberta, at age 75.
- Anne Marie Marguerite Nolin was born in 1874, Ste. Anne district, being baptized in the Parish Church January 15th 1874, in Manitoba. She died August 15, 1876 in Ste Anne district, Manitoba
- Pauline Nolin,³ born June 6, 1877 at Battleford District. She was Sister Sylvain of the Grey Nuns.
- Joseph Nolin, b: 1878 in Manitoba, he died 1943 in Gibbons district, Alberta, at age 65.

¹ Lamoureux is located 6 kilometres (3.7 mi) northeast of Edmonton's city limits on the northern shore of the North Saskatchewan River, opposite the City of Fort Saskatchewan. In the early 1870s, French-Canadian brothers Joseph and Francois Lamoureux were persuaded by a Canadian Pacific Railway (C.P.R.) surveyor to leave Kamloops and seek their fortunes along the North Saskatchewan River valley. They arrived at a site on the north banks of the river near present day Fort Saskatchewan in 1872 and erected some rudimentary structures. Over the next two years, other members of the Lamoureux family were brought to the area from Quebec and the nucleus of one of Alberta's earliest French-Canadian settlements evolved. The Lamoureux family included some of the first farmers, craftsmen, and entrepreneurs in the province; they were instrumental in the growth of their community, establishing a sawmill, gristmill, and ferry for the fledgling settlement and purchasing a sternwheeler for transporting lumber along the North Saskatchewan

² Douglas Light, 1987: 210.

³ Nolin Pauline - Concerning her Métis claim - Address, Providence - Born: St. Anne des Chenes, June 6, 1877 - Father, Duncan Nolin, (Métis) - Mother, Caroline Harrison, (Métis) - Occupation, "nun" - Claim no. 59.

This claim was disallowed (September 1826) because both of her parents had received scrip. In her scrip application she gives the following locations of residence up to 1924: Fort Saskatchewan, 10 years; St. Albert, one year; Saddle Lake, 10 years; Resolution, 12 years; Simpson, two years and Providence NWT, one year (1924). She also states that she has two brothers living at Fort Saskatchewan and her sister worked at Holy Cross Hospital in Calgary.

- Alphonse “Pat” Nolin was born circa 1882 in the Battleford District. He married Mathilde Lamoureux (1897-1938). Pat died in 1918 at Gibbons district, Alberta, during the Influenza Epidemic leaving a widow and 4 young children.
- Alcide Nolin, born April 8, 1894, Alberta. He died July, 1920, at Lamoureux, Alberta.
- Raymond Nolin (-1947).
- Marie/Mary Alphonsine Nolin, b: February 11, 1886 in Battleford district, being baptized February 12th 1886 in the St Vital Church, North West Territories (Saskatchewan). She died 1964 in Gibbons district, Alberta, at age 78.
- Rosalie "Rose" Nolin, b: June 30, 1889 in Lamoureux district (in the Family homestead) north of Boisjoli, being baptized July 2nd 1889 in the St Vital Church in Battleford, North West Territories (Alberta). She died circa. 1910 in Gibbons district, Alberta.
- Alcide Nolin, born circa 1892 in Lamoureux district (in the Family homestead) north of Boisjoli, North West Territories (Alberta). He died 1920 in Gibbons district, Alberta.



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