

## **Hourie, John Henry** (1810-1896)

John Hourie was born around 1810 on Hudson's Bay, the eldest son of John Hourie Sr. (1799-1857) and Margaret Bird. By 1815 the family had moved to the Red River Settlement. John married Jessie Dennett the daughter of Sophia Ballendine and William Dennett (1780-1864) in 1833 at St Johns. In the 1835 census John was living on Lot 60 in St Paul Parish (3 persons in household; five cattle). These would have been Jessie, John and son John Jr. who was born that year.

### Children:

- John, born 1835, he married Margaret McKay.
- Jane, born June 15, 1836. She married Thomas Kipling.
- Andrew, born 1838, died at age 5.
- Fanny, born August 12, 1842. She married: 1. Joseph Chartier, 2. William Todd, and 3. Narcisse Chastellaine. He was the eldest son of Nanette Chartier and Nicholas "Old Nick" Chastellaine (1795-1892), a veteran of the War of 1812 Nicholas was also involved in the Métis treaty negotiations for Treaty 3 at Fort Francis.
- Thomas, born c. 1847, died in infancy.

The census of 1881 in St Andrews (Mapleton) records John Hourie, age 74; wife Jessie, age 63, Sabina Tait age 48 (born c1833 in MB) and Caroline Sandison, age 12. Sabina (nee Dennett) was Jessie's sister, widow of George Tait.

Around 1885 daughter Fanny and son-in-law Narcisse Chastellaine left Dog Head and returned to live in Mapleton. Narcisse and his daughter Bella died at Lower Fort Garry in 1888, and daughter Fanny and her two teenage children (John and Mary) moved in with her parents.

The census of 1891 in St Andrews (Mapleton) records John Hourie, age 86; wife Jessie, age 77, widowed daughter Frances Chastellaine, age 30 and her children: John (age 16) and Mary (age 13).

Apparently both Jessie and John Hourie died in 1896.

### Scrip records

Scrip affidavit for Hourie, John; born: 1810; father: John Hourie (Scot); mother: Margaret (Cree Indian); claim no: 998; scrip no: 7562 to 7569; date of issue: July 30, 1876; amount: \$160.

Scrip affidavit for Hourie, Jessie; born: 1815; husband: John Hourie Sr.; father: Wm. Dennett (Scot); mother: Sophia Ballantyne (Cree Indian); claim no: 999; scrip no: 7570 to 7577; amount: \$160; date of issue: July 30, 1876.

Scrip affidavit for Hourie, George, widow: Elizabeth Hourie (born Knight); born: 1829; died: January 27, 1875; father: John Hourie (Scot); mother: Margaret Hourie (Indian);

heirs: Widow and children: Elizabeth (widow); Mary Ann, wife of Wm. Cromatie; Jane, wife of James Ballenden; claim no: 133; date of issue: May 1, 1876.

Scrip affidavit for Husband: John Hourie Jr.; father: John McKay (Métis); mother: Mary McKay (Métis); claim no: 1001; scrip no: 7586 to 7593; date of issue: July 30, 1876; amount: \$160.



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