

Ballendine, Fred Samuel. (d. 1928)

Fred, also known as Fred Napasis was a Métis member of Poundmaker's Band (Band Member No. 50 on the Treaty pay list). Fred was the adopted son of Peter Ballendine. He moved to the Battleford area with Peter Ballendine in 1870. He was admitted to Treaty 6 at Fort Carlton and in 1884 appears and band member #25 on the Okemasis pay list. He was also called Fred Erminskin because of his light complexion. He was charged for his Resistance activities namely, horse theft and was sentenced to three months imprisonment on June 29, 1885.¹ Fred was married to Sophia Gardner Cardinal and they withdrew from Treaty 6 in 1886. Fred is another example of Métis families on both sides of the Resistance, his adoptive father, Peter, noted below was a scout for Colonel Otter.



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¹ Douglas W. Light, *Footprints in the Dust*. North Battleford: Turner-Warwick Publications Inc., 1987: 317.