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## CHAPTER XV

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### LIST OF SELKIRK SETTLERS

**N**OTE A.—These lists are obtained chiefly from entries of ship-passengers; and evidently mistakes were made by ship clerks in copying or spelling.

1. Take, for example, Haman Sutherland, son of James Sutherland. He came to Canada, and was in 1868 known to the author. No father would call his son Haman. His name was Heman, after one of David's sweet singers.

2. Again the ship's list has Michael Hayden Smith; this man was called as a witness in the Selkirk trials in Upper Canada. His name was Michael Heden, and he was a blacksmith.

**N**OTE B.—It is to be remembered that there were three ships that sailed in the year 1811. Two of these contained Company employees; the third ship carried the colonists. The author has never seen a list of the first band of settlers of 1811. Perhaps it may be found in Lord Selkirk's papers, now being copied. The labourers were sent to other posts, though some of them afterward removed to the Selkirk Settlement.

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### A.

List of men who arrived at Hudson Bay, 1811, and left York Factory for the interior in July, 1812. (This list is given in No. 33 Man. Historical Society Publications.)

Name.	Whence.
1 Colin Campbell	Argyle
2 John Mackay	Ross-shire
3 John McLennan	Ross-shire
4 Beth. Bethune	Ross-shire
5 Donald Mackay	Ross-shire
6 William Wallace	Ayr
7 John Cooper	Orkney, settled near Toronto
8 Nicol Harper	Orkney, Father of James Harper, Kildonan
9 Magnus Isbister	Orkney, Father of A. K. Isbister
10 George Gibbon	Orkney
11 Thos. McKim	Sligo
12 Nat. Corcoran	Crosmalina
13 John Green	Sligo
14 Pat Quinn	Killala
15 Martin Jordan	Killala
16 John O'Rourke	Killala

### B.

Owen Keveny's party (list found in Archives, Ottawa). Every man on this list of seventy-one was engaged by Keveny, some in Mull, Broan, Sligo, and other places. The following are known to have come. They reached York Factory 1812, and arrived at Red River October 27, 1812:—

- 1 Andrew McDermott, became the famous Red River Merchant
- 2 John Bourke, a useful man

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- 3 James Warren, died of wounds in 1815
- 4 Charles Sweeny
- 5 James Heron
- 6 Hugh Swords
- 7 John Cunningham, father of Jas. Cunningham, ex-M.P.P. of Headingly
- 8 Michael Hayden Smith—Michael Heden, blacksmith
- 9 George Holmes
- 10 Robert McVicar
- 11 Edward Castelo
- 12 Francis Heron—A descendant attended Manitoba College
- 13 James Bruin
- 14 John McIntyre
- 15 James Pinkham
- 16 Donald McDonald
- 17 Hugh McLean

### C.

A most interesting party was the Churchill company, which landed from the ship *Prince of Wales*, which was convoyed by H.M.S. *Brazen*, at Churchill, in August, 1813. Some persons marked on this list CY walked from Churchill to York in April, 1814, and reached Red River Settlement in 1814. The whole list is taken from the Manitoba Historical Society Transactions, No. 33. Those names marked CY are so marked on the authority of the Archives at Ottawa. This party arrived in two sections at Red River. It was a strong party and of good material. Attacked by ship fever, many died at Churchill, and arriving, unfortunately, at the time of Duncan Cameron's operations, the most of the remainder removed to Upper Canada. The march of those, whose

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names on the list are marked CY, over more than one hundred miles of ground from Churchill to York Factory was a notable occurrence :—

- 1 George Campbell, Archurgle Parish, Creich, Scotland
- 2 Helen, his wife
- 3 Bell, his daughter
- 4 John Sutherland, Kildonan, Scotland, died Sept. 2nd at Churchill (a very respectable man)
- 5 Catherine, his wife, CY, Kildonan, Scotland
- 6 George, his son, CY, Kildonan, Scotland
- 7 Donald, his son, Kildonan, Scotland
- 8 Alexander, his son, Kildonan, Scotland
- 9 Janet, his daughter, CY, Kildonan, Scotland
- 10 Angus McKay, CY, Kildonan, Scotland
- 11 Jean, his wife, CY, Kildonan, Scotland
- 12 Alexander Gunn, CY, Kildonan, Scotland
- 13 Christine, his wife, Kildonan, died Sept. 20th, Churchill
- 14 William, his son, CY, Kildonan
- 15 Donald Bannerman, Kildonan, died Sept. 24th, Churchill
- 16 Christine, his wife
- 17 William, his son, CY, Kildonan
- 18 Donald, his son
- 19 Christine, his daughter, CY
- 20 George McDonald, died Sept. 1, 1813, Churchill
- 21 Janet his wife
- 22 Betty Grey
- 23 Catherine Grey
- 24 Barbara McBeath, widow, Borobal
- 25 Charles, her son
- 26 Jenny, her daughter
- 27 Andrew McBeath, CY
- 28 Janet, his wife, CY
- 29 William Sutherland, Borobal
- 30 Margaret, his wife
- 31 Christine, his sister,
- 32 Donald Gunn, Borobal
- 33 Janet, his wife

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- 34 Transferred to "Eddystine" H.B.Co.
- 35 George Gunn, son of Donald, CY, Borobal, Parish of Kildonan
- 36 Esther, his sister, CY
- 37 Catherine, his sister, died Aug. 29, 1813, Churchill
- 38 Christian, his sister
- 39 Angus Gunn
- 40 Janet, his wife
- 41 Robert Sutherland, brother of William, CY, Borobal
- 42 Elizabeth Fraser, CY
- 43 Angus Sutherland, Auchraich
- 44 Elizabeth, his mother
- 45 Betsy, his sister, died of consumption, Oct. 26, 1814
- 46 Donald Stewart, Parish of Appin, died Aug. 20, 1813, Churchill
- 47 Catherine, his wife
- 48 Margaret, his daughter
- 49 Mary, his daughter
- 50 Ann, his daughter
- 51 John Smith, Kildonan
- 52 Mary, his wife
- 53 John, his son
- 54 Jean, his daughter, CY
- 55 Mary, his daughter
- 56 Alexander Gunn, Kildonan
- 57 Elizabeth McKay, his niece, CY
- 58 Betty McKay, his niece
- 59 George Bannerman, CY
- 60 John Bruce, Parish of Clyde
- 61 Alex. Sutherland, CY, Kildonan
- 62 William, his brother, died
- 63 Kate Sutherland, his sister
- 64 Haman (Heman) Sutherland, CY, Kennacoil, settled in Upper Canada. He and sister, children of James Sutherland, Catechist.
- 65 Barbara, his sister, CY
- 66 James McKay, CY
- 67 Ann, his sister, CY

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- 68 John Matheson, Authbreakachy
- 69 Robert Gunn (piper), Kildonan
- 70 Mary, his sister, CY
- 71 Hugh Bannerman, CY, Dackahny, Kildonan
- 72 Elizabeth, his sister, CY
- 73 Mary Bannerman, CY
- 74 Alex. Bannerman, CY, Dackahny, Kildonan
- 75 Christian, his sister, died Jan., 1814, consumption
- 76 John Bannerman, died Jan. of consumption
- 77 Isabella, his sister, CY
- 78 John McPherson, CY
- 79 Catherine, his sister, CY
- 80 Hector McLean, CY
- 81 George Sutherland, CY
- 82 Adam, his brother, CY
- 83 John Murray, CY
- 84 Alex., his brother, CY
- 85 Helen Kennedy, Sligo
- 86 Malcolm McEachern, Skibo, Isla (deserted)
- 87 Mary, his wife
- 88 James McDonald, CY, Inverness to Fort Augustus, died  
Aug. 3rd at sea
- 89 Hugh McDonald, Fort William, Scotland
- 90 Samuel Lamont, CY
- 91 Alex. Matheson, CY, Kildonan
- 92 John Matheson, CY, overseer
- 93 John McIntyre, CY, to Fort William, H.B.C. July, 1814
- 94 Andrew Smith, No. 3, Isla.
- 95 Edward Shell, Ballyshannon
- 96 Joseph Kerrigan
- 97 Mr. P. LaSerre, surgeon, died at sea

### D.

List of settlers who came with Duncan Cameron from Red River to Canada, 1815, first prepared by Wm. McGillvray, of Kingston, August 15,

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1815. About 140 (probably 40 or 50 families) and some single men arrived at Holland River September 6, 1815. Made at York (Toronto), September 22, 1815. (This list though interesting could not be made complete; in fact, it accounts for only about one-half of the party.)

### *1 Old Men*

Donald Gunn, wife and daughter	Angus McDonnell, wife and two children
Alexander Gunn and wife	Neil McKinnon, wife and two boys

### *2 Settlers*

Miles Livingston, wife and two children	Wm. Sutherland, wife and one child
Angus McKay, wife and one child	Angus Gunn, wife and one child
John Matheson, wife and one child	Alexander Bannerman and wife
John Matheson, Jr., and wife	Robert Sutherland and wife
George Bannerman and wife	William Bannerman and wife
Andrew McBeath, wife and child	James McKay and wife

### *3 Widows*

Mrs. Barbara McBeath	Mrs. Elizabeth Sutherland
Mrs. Janet Sutherland and two boys	Mrs. Christy Bannerman
	Mrs. Jeannet McDonell

### *4 Young Women and Unmarried*

Jane Gray	Jannet Sutherland
Elizabeth Gray	Isabella McKinnon
Esther Bannerman	Catha McDonnell
Elsbeth Gunn	Elizabeth McKay

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### *5 Young Men, not Married*

John Murray	Angus Sutherland
Alexander Murray	Norman Sutherland
William Gunn	Alex. Matheson
Hugh Bannerman	John McPherson
Hector McLean	Robert Gunn
George Gunn	George Sutherland
Charles McBeath	

### *6 Others Mentioned in Archives, Ottawa*

John Cooper	Haman Sutherland (no doubt for Heman)
Mary Bannerman (wife of John McLean)	John Maturry Alexander McLellan

(Some of the settlers who have gone to Montreal, not included).

## E.

### HONOUR ROLL.

In Martin's Hudson's Bay Company Tenures is found a petition to the Prince Regent, after the troubles of 1816, asking for troops, and that steps be taken for the protection of the settlers. As the signers are representative of the several parties who held fast to the Red River Settlement, the memorialists are worthy of the highest honour. Some of those whose names are given here were quite young. It is not quite certain who were the members of the initial party of the first year; but by a process of exclusion we seem to have obtained those of that party who signed the petition to Lord Selkirk:—



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### *Arrivals in First Year—1812*

First Party — Martin Jordan, certain	Mary Bannerman, went to Canada)
Second (Keveny's) Party—Hugh McLean, certain	John Bannerman Alexander McLean
John Flett, probable	John McBeath
Donald Livingston, probable	John Sutherland
George Ross, probable	Alex. McBeath (old soldier)
John Farquharsen, probable	Beth Beathen (Bethune), cer- tain
John McLean (his wife, Margaret McLean (widow)	

The party of 1813 wintered at Fort Churchill, and came in two parties in 1814 to Red River Settlement. The greatest number of them left with Duncan Cameron. The following (1814) stayed at Red River and signed the petition to Lord Selkirk, all certain :—

Christian Gunn	William Bannerman
William Sutherland	George Bannerman
Alexander Sutherland	Donald Sutherland
John Bruce	George Sutherland

### F.

The party of 1815 was perhaps the finest of all those sent out by Lord Selkirk. The following came in 1815. Those who signed the petition to Lord Selkirk are marked (S) :—

#### One Family—

S. 1 James Sutherland, elder authorised by Church of Scotland to baptize and marry	2 Mary Polson S. 3 James Sutherland 4 Janet Sutherland 5 Catherine Sutherland 6 Isabella Sutherland
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### One Family—

- 1 William Sutherland
- 2 Isabella Sutherland (wife)
- 3 Jeremiah Sutherland
- S. 4 Ebenezer Sutherland
- 5 Donald Sutherland
- 6 Helen Sutherland

### One Family—

- 1 Widow Matheson
- 2 John Matheson (son),  
schoolmaster
- 3 Helen Matheson

### One Family—

- 1 Angus Matheson
- 2 Christian Matheson

### One Family—

- S. 1 Alexander Murray
- 2 Elizabeth Murray (wife)
- S. 3 James Murray
- 4 Donald Murray
- 5 Catherine Murray
- 6 Christian Murray
- 7 Isabella Murray

### One Family—

- S. 1 George McKay
- 2 Isabella Mathieson (wife)
- S. 3 Roderich McKay
- S. 4 Robert McKay
- 5 Roberty McKay

### One Family—

- S. 1 Donald McKay
- 2 John McKay
- 3 Catherine Bruce (wife)

### One Family—

- S. 1 William Bannerman
- 2 Barbara Gunn
- 3 William Bannerman
- 4 Alexander Bannerman
- S. 5 Donald Bannerman
- 6 George Bannerman
- 7 Ann Bannerman

### One Family—

- 1 Widow Gunn
- 2 Alex. McKay
- 3 Adam McKay
- S. 4 Robert McKay
- 5 Christian McKay

### One Family—

- 1 John Bannerman
- 2 Catherine McKay (wife)
- 3 Alexander Bannerman

### One Family—

- S. 1 Alexander Matheson (ser-  
geant of the passengers)
- 2 Ann Matheson (wife)
- 3 Hugh Matheson
- S. 4 Angus Matheson
- 5 John Matheson
- 6 Catherine Matheson

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### One Family—

- 1 Alexander McBeth
- 2 Christian Gunn (wife)
- S. 3 George McBeth
- 4 Roderick McBeth
- S. 5 Robert McBeth
- 6 Adam McBeth
- 7 Morrison McBeth
- 8 Margaret McBeth
- 9 Molly McBeth
- 10 Christian McBeth

### One Family—

- S. 1 William McKay (brought  
out millstones, embarked  
at Stromness)
- 2 Barbara Sutherland (wife)
- 3 Betty McKay
- 4 Dorothy McKay
- 5 Janet McKay

### One Family—

- S. 1 Alexander Polson
- 2 Catherine Matheson (wife)
- S. 3 Hugh Polson
- 4 John Polson
- 5 Donald Polson
- 6 Anne Polson

### One Family—

- 1 Joseph Adams (embarked  
at Gravesend)
- 2 Mary Adams (wife)
- Reginald Green (sergeant of  
passengers)
- S. George Adams
- Henry Hilliard
- Edward Simmons
- Christian Bannerman
- S. John Matheson
- John McDonald

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