

Appointments & Service

| Outfit Year*                              | Position  | Post            | District  | HBCA Reference   |
|---|---|-----------------|---|--|
| *An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May |   |                 |   |  |
| 1838 - 1841                               | Apprentice Clerk  | Tadoussac       | King's Posts                                    | B.134/g/13   |
| 1841 - 1842                               | Clerk in charge   | Chicoutimi      | King's Posts                                    | B.134/g/15;D.4/26,fo.21d   |
| 1842 - 1843                               | Apprentice Clerk  | Tadoussac       | King's Posts                                    | B.134/g/16   |
| 1843, June-October                        | Clerk in charge   | Lake St. John's | King's Posts                                    | D.4/28,fo.18   |
| 1843 - 1848                               | Clerk in charge   | Mingan          | Mingan  | B.134/g/18; B.134/g/19,fo.22; B.134/g/20-22; D.4/29,fo.66;D.4/31;D.4/33,fo.44                                |
| 1848 - 1852                               | Clerk   | Rigolet         | Esquimaux Bay                                   | B.134/g/24-26;D.4/41,fo.84   |
| 1852 - 1862                               | Chief Trader i/c of district  | Northwest River | Esquimaux Bay                                   | A.33/5,fo.190;B.134/g/27-36;B.153/g/1; D.4/44,fo.88d,90d   |
| 1862 - 1868                               | Chief Factor i/c of district  | Northwest River | Esquimaux Bay                                   | A.33/5,fo.192;B.135/g/3;B.153/g/1  |
| 1868 - 1869                               | Chief Factor i/c of district  | Montreal        | Montreal Department                             | A.6/42,fo.189;A.6/43   |
| 1869                                      | Chief Factor in charge  |                 | Montreal Department<br>(incl.Labrador district) | A.6/43,fo.68   |
| 1869,10 December                          | Donald A. Smith was appointed by the Canadian Government as<br>Dominion Commissioner to inquire into the North West Rebellion |                 |   | A.6/43,fo.169d   |
| 1870 - 1871                               | President of Northern<br>Department   | Fort Garry      | Northern Department                             | A.1/148,fo.44  |
| 1871 - 1872                               | Commissioner  |                 |   | A.1/149,fo.168   |
| 1872 - 1874                               | Chief Commissioner  |                 |   | A.1/149,fo.169;A.9/5,fo.154-155;<br>A.33/5,fo.194  |
| 1874 - 1879                               | Land Commissioner   |                 |   | A.1/149,fo.170;A.12/15(Letter Smith to<br>Armit 25 February<br>1879);A.33/5,fo.196-197                       |
| 1883 - 1889                               | H.B.C. Canadian Sub-Committee   |                 |   | A.1/152,p.157; A.10/112,fo.54a-54b;<br>A.12/22 (Letter, C.S.Brydges to Colville<br>14 December 1883);A.12/52 |
| 1888 - 1889                               | H.B.C. Deputy Governor  |                 |   | Reports and Proceedings 1888   |
| 1889 - 1914                               | H.B.C. Governor   |                 |   | A.1/154,p.22   |
| 1914                                      | died  |                 |   | A.1/156,p.580  |



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Donald A. Smith was created K.C.M.G., 1886, G.C.M.G., 1896, and G.C.V.O. in 1908. He was raised to the peerage as Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal in 1897 and served as High Commissioner for Canada in London from 1896 to 1911.

Wife: Isabella Sophia Hardisty Grant (1825-1913) married 9 March 1853, daughter of Richard Hardisty and Margaret Sutherland  
Isabella had a son Jamesie by her first marriage to James Grant (E.68/3,fo.6-7)  
daughter: Margaret Charlotte, b.17 January 1854, d.18 August 1926

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