

NAME: CLAYTON, John

PARISH: Belton, Leicester

ENTERED SERVICE: April 1875

DATES: b. c. 1842

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
1874-1877*	Postmaster	Bella Coola		B.226/b/46, vol.1, fo. 105,179,225,336
1877, 18 August	Resigned			B.226/g/25, fo. 4
1878-1882	Postmaster	Bella Bella		B.226/b/46,vol.2, fo. 12, 96, 192, 288, 380

**An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May*

*He was engaged in April 1875 to replace postmaster, Archibald Napier, who had committed suicide on 28 March by taking strychnine.

B.226/b/46, vol. 1, fo. 179

In a note dated 6 July 1881, Chief Factor William Charles described him as: "A good occupant, though uncertain, never knows how long he wants to remain, steady & sober."

D.38/6b, fo. 43

In Nov. 1882 the Company planned to close Bella Bella & Bella Coola. Clayton rented the premises and carried on business on his own account.

B.226/b/46,vo.2, fo. 375, 456

Wife: Elizabeth Orten (m. 18 March 1890)

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The Photograph Collections has several photos of the Clayton family provided by Grant Edwards.

See also Elizabeth Clayton's diary, 1895-1909

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