

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
<i>*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May</i>				
1843	Apprentice Clerk	Temiscamingue Moose Factory	Moose	D.5/9, fo. 239 B.135/k/1, p. 232
1844-1848(?)	Apprentice Clerk	Fort Coulonge	Fort Coulonge	D.5/12, fo. 441d-442; D.5/14, fo. 151d
1845	Apprentice Clerk	Mattawa	Fort Coulonge	D.5/16, fo. 302
1846-1847	Apprentice Clerk i/c	Lac des Allumettes	Fort Coulonge	B.134/c.61, fo. 204
1848	Apprentice Clerk	Lachine Depot		B.134/g/21, fo. 2d-3; B.134/g/22, fo. 2d-3
	Clerk	Lachine Depot		D.5/24, fo 432; B.134/g/23, fo. 2d-3
1849	Clerk i/c District	Lac des Allumettes	Fort Coulonge	D.4/69, fo. 49-49d
	Clerk	Lachine Depot		B.134/g/24, fo. 2d-3
1850-1854	Agent (assistant)	Quebec Depot	Quebec	B.134/g/24, fo. 8d-9
	Agent	Quebec Depot	Quebec	B.134/g/26, fo. 2d.3
1855-1856	Ch. Trader i/c District	Albany	Albany	B.135/k/1, p. 342
1857-1858	Ch. Trader i/c District	Michipicoten	Lake Superior	B.129/c/1, fo. 9; D.5/47, fo. 71;
		D.5/50, fo. 211		
1859	On Furlough			B.134/g/34, fo. 5d-6
1860	Chief Trader	Fort William	Ottawa River	D.4/79, fo. 194; B.134/b/16, fo. 439
1860-1861	Chief Trader i/c District	La Cloche	Lake Huron	D.r/80, fo. 821d; B.134/g/36, fo. 8d-9
1862-1864	Chief Trader i/c District	Mingan	Mingan	B.134/g/37, fo. 11d-12; B.135/k/1, p. 379
1864-1868	Chief Trader i/c District	Fort William	Ottawa River	A.11/30, fo. 558; D.8/1, fo. 462-464
1870	Retired at end of Outfit 1870			A.31/4

Father: Alexander Watt (E.239/1)

Brothers: Alexander Stewart, William Henry, Charles Clouston, Thomas Traill

See E.239/1 for family correspondence

REFERENCES:

Search Files: "Watt, James S."; "Lac Des Allumettes"

NOTES: Biography may be subject to revision as additional information becomes available

Authorship of Ft. George (Big R., James Bay) journal 1843 is attributed to J.S. Watt.

In mid to late 1840's Watt was frequently placed in charge of Fort Coulonge District on temporary basis (D.5/14, fo. 151d; D.4/69, fo. 49-49d).

Appointed Chief Trader, 27 March, 1854 (SF: James S. Watt) When Ft. William Ottawa River closed at end of Outfit 1868, Watt resided and worked for HBC in Pembroke (B.134/b/28, fo. 726). C. Rankin replaced Watt in charge of Upper Ottawa, Ft. William Section, ca. Nov., 1869 (B.134/b/29, fo. 633-632).

