James Morwick (1778-1865) and a native woman (fl.1794) / Sarah Labiston (1800-1872)¹

JAMES MORWICK
BORN: 1778 Harray, Orkney Islands, Scotland²
MARRIED: To a native woman³
   A second time to Sarah Labiston⁴
DIED: 1865⁵

NATIVE WOMAN
BORN: ?

SARAH LABISTON
BORN: 1800 Rupert’s Land and the metis daughter of ? Labiston (metis) and Margaret ? (metis)⁶
DIED: 13 Jan. 1872⁷

1. The child of James Morwick and a native woman

1. Jane Morwick
   Born: 1794 Rupert’s Land⁸


²Alice M. Johnson, ed., Saskatchewan Journals and Correspondence 1795-1802 (London: The Hudson’s Bay Record Society, 1967), 39 n.3.

³National Archives of Canada (hereafter cited as NAC), Department of the Interior Affidavits 1870 to 1885, RG 15, microfilm reel C-14933 (Jane Spence), and NAC, Kipling Collection, MG 25 G 62, Red River Genealogies, fol. 1002.


⁵Ibid.

⁶NAC, reel C-14931 (Sarah Morwick).

⁷Ibid.

⁸Ibid., reel C-14933 (Joseph Spence).
Baptized: As an adult 17 June 1822 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^9\)
Married: 17 June 1822 Fort Garry, Assiniboia to James Spence, born 1779 Orkney Islands, Scotland. He was buried 3 Nov. 1857 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^10\)
Died: 23 Mar. 1874\(^11\)

**Children:**

1. James Spence
   - Born: 1813\(^12\)
   - Baptized: 17 June 1822 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^13\)
   - Buried: 10 May 1823 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^14\)

2. William Spence
   - Born: 1815\(^15\)
   - Baptized: 17 June 1822 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^16\)
   - Buried: 27 May 1823 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^17\)

3. Nancy Spence
   - Born: 1821\(^18\)
   - Baptized: 17 June 1822 St. John's, Assiniboia\(^19\)
   - Buried: 25 May 1823, St. John's, Assiniboia\(^20\)

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\(^9\)NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1002.

\(^10\)Ibid.

\(^11\)NAC, reel C-14933 (Joseph Spence).

\(^12\)NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1003.

\(^13\)Ibid.

\(^14\)Ibid.

\(^15\)Ibid.

\(^16\)Ibid.

\(^17\)Ibid.

\(^18\)Ibid., fol. 1002.

\(^19\)Ibid.

\(^20\)Ibid.
4. Isabella Spence: baptized 17 June 1822 St. John’s, Assiniboia
5. Betsy Spence: baptized 17 June 1822 St. John’s, Assiniboia
6. Robert Spence: baptized 17 June 1822 St. John’s, Assiniboia
7. Joseph Spence: baptized 17 June 1822 St. John’s, Assiniboia

8. David Spence
   Born: 5 Sept. 1824 St. John’s, Assiniboia
   Married: 14 Feb. 1844 St. John’s, Assiniboia to Catherine Hallet, born 1824 Rupert’s Land and the metis daughter of Henry Hallet (metis) and Catherine Parenteau (metis). She was baptized: 18 Oct. 1824 St. John’s, Assiniboia

   Children:
   1. James Spence: baptized 7 Dec. 1844 St. John’s, Assiniboia
   2. John Spence
      Born: 14 Apr. 1848 St. James, Assiniboia
      Married: To Ellen McNab, born 1848-1849 and the metis daughter of Charles McNab (metis) and Marie Ann McLeod. She was married a second time to George Atkinson.
      Died: 3 July 1874 Poplar Point, Manitoba

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21Ibid.
22Ibid., fol. 1003.
23Ibid.
24Ibid., fol. 1004.
25NAC, reel C-14933 (David Spence).
26NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1004.
27NAC, reel C-14933 (Catherine Spence).
28NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 427.
29Ibid., fol. 1004.
30NAC, reel C-14933 (David Spence).
31NAC, reel C-14931 (Marie Anne McNab), and NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1004.
32NAC, reel C-14933 (David Spence).
33Ibid.
Children:

1. Thomas James Spence\textsuperscript{34}
2. David Charles Spence\textsuperscript{35}

3. Ellen Spence
   Born: 1 Jan. 1852 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{36}
   Baptized: 23 Jan. 1852 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{37}
   Married: To George Brown\textsuperscript{38}

4. Isabella Spence: baptized 7 Jan. 1855 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{39}

5. David Spence
   Born: 9 Feb. 1857\textsuperscript{40}
   Baptized: 26 Dec. 1858 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{41}

6. Jane Spence: born 26 May 1859 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{42}
7. Mary Ann Spence: born 8 Aug. 1861 Poplar Point, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{43}
8. Harriet Spence: born 17 June 1864 Poplar Point, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{44}
9. William Spence: born 13 July 1866 Poplar Point, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{45}

\textsuperscript{34}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{35}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{36}Ibid., reel C-14925 (Ellen A. Brown).
\textsuperscript{37}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1004.
\textsuperscript{38}NAC, reel C-14925 (Ellen A. Brown).
\textsuperscript{39}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1004.
\textsuperscript{40}NAC, Alphabetical index to affidavits 1870-1885, microfilm reel T-4687.
\textsuperscript{41}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1004.
\textsuperscript{42}NAC, reel C-14933 (David Spence).
\textsuperscript{43}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{44}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{45}Ibid.
9. Jane Spence
   Born: 1827 Rupert’s Land\textsuperscript{46}
   Married: 28 July 1846 St. John’s, Assiniboia to Antoine Hallet\textsuperscript{47}
       A second time 6 July 1854 St. John’s, Assiniboia to William Simonson,
       born 1819 Orkney Islands, Scotland and the son of George Simonson\textsuperscript{48}

   **Children** (with William Simonson):
   1. Jane Simonson: born 1856 Manitoba\textsuperscript{49}

10. Catherine Spence: baptized 19 Dec. 1829 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{50}

2. The children of James Morwick and
   **Sarah Labiston**

   1. Jane Morwick
      Born: 1819 Rupert’s Land\textsuperscript{51}
      Married: 27 Dec. 1836 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia to James Setter,\textsuperscript{52} born 1810 Rupert’s Land and the metis son of Andrew Setter (Oradian) and Margaret Spence (metis).\textsuperscript{53} He was baptized 28 Jan. 1821 St. John’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{54} and died 1857.\textsuperscript{55}

      **Children**:
      1. Sarah Setter
         Born: 1841 St. Clement’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{56}

\textsuperscript{46}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 1004.
\textsuperscript{47}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{48}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{49}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{50}Ibid., fol. 1003.
\textsuperscript{51}NAC, reel C-14933 (Jane Setter).
\textsuperscript{52}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 962.
\textsuperscript{53}Sprague and Frye, table 1 no. 2936, and NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 962.
\textsuperscript{54}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{55}Sprague and Frye, table 1 no. 2936.
\textsuperscript{56}NAC, reel C-14930 (Sarah McDonald).
Married: 7 Jan. 1858 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia to John McDonald, born 1834 St. Clement’s, Assiniboia and the metis son of Kenneth McDonald (Scottish) and Elizabeth Calder (metis)\textsuperscript{58}

Children:
1. Jane McDonald: baptized 7 Aug. 1859 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{59}
2. Eliza McDonald: baptized 1861 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{60}
3. William McDonald: born 1864\textsuperscript{61}
4. Ann McDonald: born 1866\textsuperscript{62}
5. Helen McDonald: born 1868\textsuperscript{63}

2. Nancy Setter
   Born: 1845 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{64}
   Married: 4 July 1866 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia to Kenneth McDonald, born 1845 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia and the metis son of Kenneth McDonald (Scottish) and Elizabeth Calder (metis)\textsuperscript{66}

Children:
1. George McDonald: born 19 Dec. 1862 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{67}
2. Emma McDonald: born 16 Jan. 1867 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{68}

\textsuperscript{57}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 641.
\textsuperscript{58}NAC, reel C-14930 (John McDonald).
\textsuperscript{59}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 641.
\textsuperscript{60}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{61}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{62}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{63}Sprague and Frye, table 4 no. 3332.
\textsuperscript{64}NAC, reel C-14930 (Nancy McDonald).
\textsuperscript{65}NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 641.
\textsuperscript{66}NAC, reel C-14930 (Kenneth McDonald).
\textsuperscript{67}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{68}Ibid.
3. Ann Harriet McDonald
   Born: 25 Oct. 1869 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{69}
   Died: 1872 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{70}

4. James McDonald: baptized 20 Nov. 1871 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{71}

2. James Morwick
   Born: 25 Feb. 1821 Rupert’s Land\textsuperscript{72}
   Married: To Margaret Thompson, born 30 Sept. 1837 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia and the metis daughter of Andrew Thompson (Scottish) and Mary Daniel (metis)\textsuperscript{73}

   Children:
   1. Robert Morwick: born 1856\textsuperscript{74}
   2. Peter Morwick: born 5 Oct. 1856 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia\textsuperscript{75}
   3. Isabel Morwick: born 1858\textsuperscript{76}
   4. William Morwick: born 1866\textsuperscript{77}
   5. Alexander Morwick: born 1869\textsuperscript{78}

3. John Morwick
   Born: Feb. 1826 Rupert’s Land\textsuperscript{79}
   Married: To Sarah ? (metis)\textsuperscript{80}

\textsuperscript{69} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{70} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{71} NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 641.
\textsuperscript{72} NAC, reel C-14931 (James Morwick).
\textsuperscript{73} Ibid. (Margaret Morwick).
\textsuperscript{74} Sprague and Frye, table 4 no. 3225 [Murwick].
\textsuperscript{75} NAC, reel C-14931 (Peter Morwick).
\textsuperscript{76} Sprague and Frye, table 4 no. 3225.
\textsuperscript{77} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{78} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{79} NAC, reel C-14931 (John Morwick).
\textsuperscript{80} Ibid. (Mary Ann Morwick).
Children:
1. Mary Ann Morwick: born 23 July 1858 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia

4. Robert Morwick
   Born: 1839 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia
   Married: 4 July 1866 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia to Ann McDonald, born 1848 Manitoba and the metis daughter of Kenneth McDonald (Scottish) and Elizabeth Calder (metis). She was baptized 29 Feb. 1848 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia.

Children:
1. Sarah Jane Morwick
   Born: 1866 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia
   Died: 20 Mar. 1872

5. George Morwick
   Born: 1842 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia
   Married: To Mary Atkinson, born Mar. 1835 Rupert’s Land and the metis daughter of George Atkinson (metis) and Nancy Kipling (metis)

Children:
1. Jane Sarah Morwick
   Born: 15 Nov. 1858 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia
   Died: 12 Apr. 1875

2. Mary Morwick: born 15 May 1860 St. Andrew’s, Assiniboia

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81Ibid.
82Ibid. (Robert Morwick).
83NAC, Kipling Collection, fol. 642.
84NAC, reel C-14931 (Robert Morwick).
85Ibid.
86Ibid. (George Morwick).
87Ibid. (Mary Morwick).
88Ibid. (George Morwick).
89Ibid.
90Ibid.
3. Elizabeth Morwick: born 15 June 1863 St. Andrew's, Assiniboia
4. John Thomas Morwick: born 5 Jan. 1868 St. Andrew's, Assiniboia
5. George Morwick: born 25 Mar. 1870 St. Andrew's, Manitoba

6. Sarah Morwick
7. Thomas Morwick
8. Peter Morwick
9. Alexander Morwick

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91Ibid.
92Ibid.
93Ibid.
94Ibid. (Sarah Morwick).
95Ibid.
96Ibid.
97Ibid.