

**NAME:** SIVIGNY, Joseph

**PARISH:**

**ENTERED SERVICE:**1820

**DATES:**b. 1800

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Appointments & Service

Outfit Year\*:

Position:

Post:

District:

HBCA Reference:

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

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Joseph Sivigny was engaged by the Agents of the North West Company in Montreal in the winter of 1820. According to the terms of his engagement he was to serve that company for three years in the capacity of Middleman. At the time of his engagement he was twenty years of age, and was described as of the parish of L'Assomption. After the coalition of the Hudson's Bay and North West Companies in March, 1821, his service appear to have been transferred to the Hudson's Bay Company, and on May 16, 1821, he was sent from Lachine to Fort William, on the first stage of his journey to the Athabasca District.

During the outfits of 1821-22 and 1822-23 Sivigny was stationed in the Athabasca District. At the end of outfit 1822-23 he was transferred to the Western Caledonia District, where he remained during the outfits of 1823-24 and 1824-25. On the expiry of his contract in 1824 he appears to have entered into a new engagement of service with the Company for a further two years, but at the end of outfit 1824-25 retired to Montreal, although this new contract was not due to expire until 1826.

During his period of service with the Hudson's Bay Company Sivigny was paid the following rates:

Outfit

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1821-22	700 Montreal livres 1
1822-23	800 do.
1823-24	1,000 do.
1824-25	£33. 15s. Od. Sterling

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We have found no record that Joseph Sivigny re-entered the of the Hudson's Bay Company as a contracted servant after his retirement in 1825.



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The pound sterling was worth  $26 \frac{2}{3}$  Montreal livres and the pound Halifax exchanged at 24 Montreal livres. Sivigny's wages were, therefore, at the rate of:

1821-22	£26. 5s Od. Sterling of £29. 3s. 4d. Halifax
1822-23	£30 Sterling or £33. 6s. 8d. Halifax
1823-24	£37. 10s. 0d. Sterling or £41 13s. 4d. Halifax

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