

François Plourde *dit* Jacques. (b. 1793)

Jacques was born in 1793 at the Red River Settlement, the son of Joseph Plourde and Ursula Arbour. On November 3, 1829 he married Suzanne Dubois at St. Boniface. Plourde, his wife and five children (Adelaide, Francois Jr., André, Monique and Oliver), were members of the James Sinclair-led group of Red River Half-Breed and Metis emigrants for the Columbia. This 1700-mile trip took them from White Horse Plains to Fort Vancouver and finally Fort Nisqually. Jemmy Jock Bird acted as their guide for the part of the journey that crossed Blackfoot territory. On October 12, 1841, after a 130-day journey the group reached Fort Vancouver on the Columbia River.

In the Oregon Territory there are records that indicate the children's marriages. Monique (b. 1838 in Red River) married Pascal Paquette, May 21, 1855 at St. Louis, Oregon; Alexander (b. 1842) married Marguerite Paloquin on January 21, 1863 at St. Louis, Oregon; Albert (b. December 28, 1844 at Gervais, Oregon) married Mary Smith in 1868 at Marion County, Oregon; Basile (b. September 21, 1846 at Gervais, Oregon) married Elizabeth Barker in 1868; Ambrose (b. July 20, 1848 at Gervais, Oregon) married Katherine Boucher and Eleanor Plourde was born on July 30, 1849 in Oregon.



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