Swain, William Jr. (b. 1861)

William was the son of William Swain and Angelique Hamelin. He married Marie Monias the daughter of Moise Monias and Magdeleine Monias on January 14, 1885 at Duck Lake. William Jr. and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land in 1878. He was a member of Captain Baptiste Boucher's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance. He was also wounded during the fighting.



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