

Duncan Campbell (b. before 1802)

Duncan was the son of Archibald John Campbell¹ and a Dakota woman and married a Dakota woman (Therese). His children were: Nancy (b. 1816/20; married 1st Alfred Hudson and 2nd Louis Larocque), Duncan II (b. 1816/17; married Margaret), Mary (b. abt. 1818-1844; married Charles Sweet), Jenny (b. 1823/24; married Oliver Cratte), William (b.1823/25-1855); George (b.1827/32-bef. 1855; married a Dakota woman), Madeleine (b. abt. 1833; married Philo Stone), Therese (b. 1833/35-1855) and Thomas (b. 1836/37-1855).

Duncan was wintering on the Mississippi River for Michel Cadotte in the 1809-10 season, but the next year trading above Prairie du Chien for James Lockwood (American Fur Co.). In the early 1820s he was trading on the Minnesota River and acting as interpreter for Taliaferro but by 1826 is found trading at Fort Barbour at the St. Croix Falls. In 1837 he was part of a delegation that accompanied the Dakota to Washington D.C., other interpreters included Scott Campbell, Augustin Rocque, Peter Quinn and Alexander Faribault. Duncan was back in 1838 where the Iowa Territory Census taker found him living in Clayton Co., north of the Root River.



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¹Archibald "John" Campbell: (1775-1808)

John was born in Londonderry, Muff Co., Ireland & first married Catherine Demontigny and a second marriage to a Dakota woman, who died in 1801. Their children were: John, Jeremiah, Duncan, Colin, Scott, Margaret-Pelagia (married 1st.Edward Pizanne and married 2nd.Hercules Dousman) and Nancy (1790's-1887; married John Palmer Bourke).

Archibald had been trading since 1792 and two years later is trading out of the "Little Rapids" with the Wahpetons. From 1800-06 he is a trader for the Machinac Co. but became an independent trader in 1806. In December of 1807 he is appointed the U.S. Indian Sub-Agent at Prairie du Chien, through the recommendation of Gov.Meriwether Lewis and the next year (summer 1808) he was killed in a duel with trader Redford Crawford, Campbell's former trading associate, Robert Dickson acted as Redford's second.