The Metis of Saulteaux Village

(From the 1840 census)

In July of 1832 Father Belcourt selected a site for his mission along the Assiniboine River where a large number of Indians and Metis gathered in the spring. The mission was to be named under the protection of Saint Paul, Apostle of the Gentiles. Belcourt then returned in the spring of 1833 with Bishop Provencher's approval. He erected a chapel during the summer, but in September the site, sixty kilometers west of Red River was attacked by a group of Gros-Ventres Indians from the south. Bishop Provencher, concerned for the safety of the priest and the continued success of his work, had the mission re-located closer to St. Boniface.¹

Father Belcourt is listed as #18 on this census.

2. François Desjarlais. Born on 14 Oct 1768 in Riviere-du-Loup, P.Q. François died in St. François-Xavier Parish, Red River. François Desjarlais, was a French Canadian married to a Metis woman, he worked on the R.C. Mission land as a hired hand.

François married Francoise Roy. They had the following children:

• François Xavier Desjarlais, b. 1795, married Marie Otshikkan Outehique Bottineau.

François then married Madeleine Roy. They had the following children:

- Marie, b. 1805, married Joseph Morisseau.
- Charles, b. c. 1809.
- Suzanne, b. 1810, married Louis Gladu.
- Jean Baptiste, b. 1811, married Marie Martin.
- Antoine, b. 1818, married Louise Richard.
- Andre, b. 1822, married Josephte Fagnant. They had nine children. He was active in the 1885 Metis Resistance at Batoche along with his son-in-law, Louis Davis who had married their daughter Therese. His son Paul Desjarlais (b. 1853) fought in the Resistance in Captain Edouard Dumont's company.
- Josephte, b. 1823, married Antoine Gladu.

3. François Desjarlais Jr. was born January 2, 1820, at Red Lake Minnesota, the son of Francois Desjarlais and Marie Catherine Leclair dit Allery. He married Louise Bonneau, daughter of Francois Bonneau and Marie Favel in 1846 at St. Francois Xavier, he then married Helene Gariepy on June 6, 1853, daughter of Louis Gariepy and Josephte Ducharme in 1853 at St. Francois Xavier. He died in 1867 in St Francois Xavier district.

¹ The exact location of the first mission, known as St. Paul des Saulteaux, is difficult to pinpoint. Two reliable sources locate it on the left bank of the Assiniboine, some eighty to ninety-five kilometres from St. Boniface. If measured in river distance, the site would have been situated somewhere near St. Eustache, but if measured as-the-crow-flies, it would have been located in the vicinity of Portage la Prairie.

4. Antoine Desjarlais b. 1818, the son of Francois Desjarlais Sr. and Madeleine Roy. He married Louise Richard (b. 1821), the daughter of Francois Richard and Marguerite Saulteaux.

Children of Antoine Desjarlais and Louise Richard:

- Antoine, born September 1842, married Marie Falcon.
- Gregoire, born 1848, married Julie Pepin.
- Stanislas, born October 1849, married Marie Virginie McKay, then married Mary Jane Brosser.
- Bernard, born December 17, 1851, married Rose Sayer, then married Marie Perraeult dit Morin.
- Jean Baptiste, born August 26, 1853, married Marie Whitford.
- Euphrosine, born 1854, married Jean Baptiste Chaboyer.
- Rosalie, born March 3, 1858, married Pierre McKay, then married Francois Richard.
- Madeleine, born March 4, 1858, married Alexandre Bremner on October 3, 1878. They lived on the west half of River Lot 33 and the west half of River Lot 34 at St. Louis de Langevin. During the 1885 Metis Resistance Alexandre signed a petition protesting the 1883 Order-in-Council transferring the Metis lands at St. Louis to the Prince Albert Colonization Company. He served under Gabriel Dumont in Captain Corbet Flamant's Company.
- Charles, born February 3, 1861.
- Josephte, born September 3, 1864.
- **5. Joseph "Okitsheta" Desjarlais.** Born in 1806 in Lac La Biche, NWT, Joseph was the son of Jean Baptiste "Nesche-kapow" Desjarlais and Lizette Cardinal. In 1830 when Joseph "Okitsheta" was 24, he married La Louise "Josephte" Richard, daughter of Joseph Richard and Isabelle Saulteaux, in Baie St. Paul, Manitoba.

Their children were:

- Francois, married Henriette Wiskup Gladu Wiskeys.
- Stanislas b. 1838,
- Marie b. 1840, married François Leskok Houle.
- Antoine b. 1841. married Marie Chartrand
- Alexandre b. 1843,
- Julie, b. 1846, married Pierre Chartrand.
- Joseph b. 1849, married Marie Slater.
- Eulalie b. 1851,
- Caroline b. 1854, married Norbert Katsipelakiskesekew.
- Pierre, b. 1858 married Maria Rolette
- Patrice b. 1858 married Harriet Moore
- Isidore b. 1864,
- 6. Jean Baptiste Desjarlais b. November 1, 1811, the son of François Desjarlais and

Madeleine Roy. He married Marie Martin, daughter Francois Martin and Marguerite Racette.

Children:

- Rose, married Jean Baptiste Bonneau.
- Marie Angelique, b. 1839, married Michel Trottier.
- Madeleine, b. 1844, married Alphonse Pelletier.
- Josdeph, b. 1845, married Madeleine St. Denis.
- Mathias, b. 1847, married Melanie Pelletier.
- Thomas, b. 1850, married Madeleine Klyne.
- François, b. 1855, married Marie Josephte Pelletier.
- **7. Marcel Desjarlais.** Born c. 1808 married Brigitte Nakwestakay Cardinal before 1828. Their children were:
 - Angelique, b. 1828, married Baptiste Chartrand, then George Adam.
 - Paul, b. 1832, married Veronique Ota-ki-na-tru-kewish.
 - Marcel, b. 1836, married Betsy Desnomme.
 - Marie, b. 1837, married Pierre Ducharme, the son of Nicholas Ducharme and Genevieve (Cree)
 - Josephte, b. 1843, married Jerome Cardinal.
 - Jules, b. 1851, married Philomene Cardinal.
 - Antoine "Ome-mee" b. 1856, married Marguerite Kaayatapiyis Ayatoo-pweisk.
- **9. Paul Chartran**d b. 1801 married Louise Mazinakkamikak Their daughter Louise Chartrand b. June 1820 married Louis Chaboillez (Chaboyer). Daughter Isabelle Chartrand (b. 1826) married Pierre Richard son of François Richard Sr. and Marguerite Saulteaux.

Children:

- Jean Baptiste, b. 1810, married Louise Stevens (Saulteaux).
- Paul, b. 1812, married Josephte Cadotte.
- Michel b. 1819, married Marguerite Pangman.
- Louise, b. 1820, married Louis Chaboyer.
- Isabelle, b. 1826, married Pierre Richard.
- Pierre b. 1827, married Marie Pangman.
- **10.** Louis Chaboillez or Chaboyer; born circa 1801; married Louise Chartrand (b. 1820), the daughter of Paul Chartrand and Louise Mazinakkamikak Saulteaux, before 1838; died 28 May 1863; buried 2 Jun 1863 St. Francois Xavier.

Children of Louis Chaboillez or Chaboyer and Louise Chartrand were as follows:

- Charles Chaboyer, born circa 1838; married Charlotte Honore or Allary.
- Louise Chaboillez dit Chaboyer, born 1840 Lac Manitoba; married James Whitford; married François Laframboise.

- Pierre Chaboyer, born Mar 1840 St. Laurent; married Philomene Demontigny.
- Antoine Chaboyer, born circa 1842.
- Joseph Chaboyer, born Mar 1843 St. Laurent; married Nancy Bonneau.
- Norbert Chaboyer, born 15 Jul 1843; married Betsy Marie Pangman.
- Marie Chaboyer, born 1846 St. Laurent; married Pierre Goulet.
 Jean Baptiste Chaboyer, born circa Apr 1850 St. Laurent; married Euphrosine Desjarlais.
- Marguerite Chaboyer; born before 10 Apr 1850; buried 10 Apr 1850 St. Francois Xavier.
- Anonyme Chaboyer; born circa 10 Apr 1850; died circa 10 Apr 1850; buried 10 Apr 1850 (Lac Manitoba), St. Francois Xavier.
- Eliza Chaboyer, born 24 Apr 1851 St. Laurent; married Andre Lavallee.
- Isabelle Chaboyer, born 27 Sep 1852 St. Laurent; married Antoine Lavallee. Ambroise Chaboyer; born 28 Mar 1854; baptized 3 Jun 1854 St. François Xavier.
- Louis Chaboyer; born 29 Dec 1856 St. Francois Xavier; buried 4 Jan 1857 St. Francois Xavier.
- Marguerite Chaboyer; born 6 Nov 1859 St. Francois Xavier; baptized 7 Nov 1859
 St. Francois Xavier; buried 25 Nov 1859 St. Francois Xavier.
- Francois Xavier Chaboyer; born 7 May 1860 St. Francois Xavier; baptized 12 May 1860 St. Francois Xavier.
- **11. Antoine Ducharme**, born 1775, son of Charles Ducharme and Madeleine Cour. Antoine married Josette Villebrun before 1805, then Josette Richard before 1816. He then married Josette Mackegone before 1830. He died December 31, 1850 at St. Francois Xavier.

Child of Antoine Ducharme and Josette Villebrun:

• Josephte, born 1806, married Joseph Rochon then Louis Gariepy.

Children of Antoine Ducharme and Josette Richard:

- Louise, born 1816, married Jean Baptiste Lavallee.
- Antoine, born 1816, died December 31, 1850 at St. Francois Xavier. He married Jane Lambert.
- Francois, born in 1828 at Fairford, he married Marguerite Sanderson.

Child of Antoine Ducharme and Josette Mackegone:

- Josephte, born 1830 at Lake Manitoba, married James Lambert.
- **12. Antoine Gladu**, b. 1808-17 the son of Charles Gladu and Marguerite Ross. He married Josephte Desjarlais (b. 1823), the daughter of Francois Desjarlais and Madeleine Roy on January 1837. He then married Marie Anne Bourassa (b. 1831), the daughter of Jean Baptiste Bourassa before 1852. Antoine was a member of the Cypress Hills Metis hunting band that signed a petition for a reserve on September 30, 1878.

Children of Antoine Gladu and Josephte Desjarlais:

- Josephte, born February 26, 1839, married Charles Azure.
- Modeste, born circa 1847, married Marie Leclerc dit Allard, then married Melanie Azure.

Children of Antoine Gladu and Marie Anne Bourassa:

- Louis Josue, born June 20, 1852.
- Alexandre, born 1853, died 1871.
- Eliza, born October 10, 1858 at Pembina, married Edward Pierre Blondin, at Duck Lake on July 22, 1882. She died at age 26, on October 29, 1883.
- Isabelle, born circa 1862, married Pierre Sinclair.

13. Louis Gladu b. May 15, 1816 the son of Charles Gladu and Marguerite Ross. He married Suzanne Desjarlais b. 1810, the daughter of Francois Desjarlais and Madeleine Roy.

Children of Louis Gladu and Suzanne Desjarlais:

- Louis, born 1842, married Philomene Morissette.
- Francois, born March 1846, married Marguerite Wells.
- Pascal, born 1847, married Julie Thorn, then married Sarah Hogue.
- Felicite, born 1849, married Louison Gladu.
- Cuthbert, born August 17, 1850, married Rachel Cavalier.
- Justine, born January 11, 1852, married Peter Kirton.
- Joseph, born November 15, 1853, married Victoire Adam.
- Andre Gladu, born May 24, 1855.
- Madeleine, born February 5, 1857, married Alexandre Favel.
- Patrice, born June 8, 1860, died February 26, 1863.

16. Jean Baptiste Lavallee; Jean Baptiste Lavallee, Metis, b-1795 Lacrosse, the son of Ignace Lavallee (1760-1836) and Josephte Cree; married about 1828, Louise Ducharme, Metis, b-1805 most likely the daughter of Antoine Ducharme b-1780 and Josephte Richard.

Children of Jean Baptiste Lavallee and Louise Ducharme were as follows:

- Joseph Lavallee, born Mar 1829; married Angelique Campbell.
- Jean Baptiste Lavallee, born May 1832 St. Laurent; married Josephte Ducharme.
- Antoine Lavallee, born Aug 1835 St. Laurent; married Isabelle Chaboyer.
- Andre Lavallee, born circa Sep 1847 St. Laurent; married Eliza Chaboyer.
- Michel Lavallee; born 11 Oct 1850 St. Laurent; baptized 17 Nov 1850 St.
- François Xavier; married Elise Marcellais, daughter of Pierre Marcellais and Sophie Faille, before 1880.
- Marie Lavallee; born Nov 1853 St. Laurent, baptized 15 Mar 1854 St. Francois Xavier.

17. Antoine McLeod was married to a Saulteaux woman. They had a son, Abraham born 1825 at Duck River.

18. Mr. Belcourt.

22. Francois Richard Jr. born 1806 married Marguerite Saulteaux. He died on February 6, 1872 at St. Laurent.

Children of Francois Richard and Marguerite Saulteaux:

- Elzear Resilliorwe, married Marie Canada, the daughter of charles ducharme and Angelique Pangman.
- Josephte.
- Louise, born circa 1826, married Antoine Desjarlais (b. 1818).
- Francois, born 1838, married Marguerite Ledoux.
- François Xavier, born, January 28, 1843, married Anne Braconnier.
- St. Pierre, born August 1846, married Marie Chartrand, the daughter of Louis Chartrand and Monique Delorme.
- Isaie, born July 1850, married Julie Boucher.
- Isabelle, born March 1854, died July 19, 1876 at St. Laurent.
- Pierre, born September 6, 1856, married Adele Rocheblave.
- Marie Suzanne, born September 28, 1859, married Pierre Nabes.
- Antoine, born June 1863.

24. Francois Richard Sr. Francois Richard Sr. born 1783 married Marguerite Saulteaux before 1802, he died 1871 at St. Laurent.

Children of Francois Richard and Marguerite (Saulteaux)

- Charlotte.
- François Jr., born 1806, married Marguerite (Saulteaux).
- Louise, born 1810, married Alexandre Campbell in 1830.
- Pierre, born May 30, 1817, married Isabelle Chartrand the daughter of Paul Chartrand and Louise Mazinakkamikak.
- Marguerite, born 1819, married James Monkman.
- Mary Josephte, born 1820, married John Monkman.



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