NAME: THOMAS, Charles PARISH: Hudson's Bay ENTERED SERVICE: 1808 DATES: b. 9 Sept. 1793

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1812-1813 Clerk	New Brunswick	Moose	B.135/d/94
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1815-1817		Athabasca	A.16/54, fo. 87; Rich, E.E., ed. Simpson's
			Athabasca Journal
1817-1818	Cumberland House	Cumberland	A.16/54, fo. 87
1818-1819		Peace River	A.16/54, fo. 87
1819-1820 Clerk	Colville	Athabasca	A.16/54, fo. 87; B.239/d/210
1820-1821 Clerk & T	rader St. Mary's	Peace River	A.16/54, fo. 87; B.239/d/210;
			Rich, E.E., ed., Simpson's Athabasca Journal
1821-1822		Athabasca	B.154/d/17, fo. 8
1822-1823		Montreal Dept.	B.154/d/17, fo. 8
1824-1825 Clerk	Lake of Two Mountain	s Montreal Dept.	B.134/g/5
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1829-ca. 1831 Clerk	Lake of Two Mountain	s Montreal Dept.	B.134/g/7, 8; Rich, E.E., ed., Simpson's Athabasca Journal
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⁺E.E.Rich, ed., Simpson's Athabasca Journal, London: Hudson's Bay Record Society Vol. 1, 1938 (Biography, p. 471, references passim).

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In Charles Thomas journals we see frequent mention of the Pesindawatch family, Ignace Shawinasaketch and other Algonquin people and women who brought he and Hannah rabbits, a canoe and often spent social time with them so there was a friendship and camaradie and obviously they were both respected. In fact one of the Pesindawatch men got so drunk he had to spend the night at the stopping place of Charles and Hannah. This completely contrary to the angry attackds by Makwa back in 1833 whose radism for white people had Thomas labelled as "white" which we know he was not. He was Cree from Moose Factory and met Hannah Mannall later to be his wife when he was stationed at the Frederick House area.

From Charles Thomas Diary and heads of families who visited him and Hannah showing a close respectful and mutually supportive relationship.

Diary entries of Charles Thomas show his and Hannahs continued socializing and trading with the Algonquin people around the Lake. They frequently stayed over at their stopping place. From his diaries covering period for 1850-1852. Much of his journals went missing but his reference to the Algonquin and other indigenous people of the area is frequent as they traded, hunted, fished and socialized together. Hannah, it seems had a special relationship with the other women of the area from the South Shore as they often fished together, socialized and made moccasins and mitts. We

know that the Pissendawas, Amable, Stokwa and Tenaskou were all Algonquin and their spelling may have changed over time as is often the case.

February 21 – Paul Pissendawa still very unwell

February 24 – Went down to see folks bottom of Lake – Stokwa was there and Paul still ill

March 3 – Pissendawa went by on way to hunting expedition and Perrigo arrived with some flour for us

March 25 – J. Bte Pissendawa paid for 5 marten and later Old Pissendawa and Louis came down to also pay for marten

J. Bte Pissendawa and young Ignaias off for hunting but Old Pissendawa was very drunk

April 9 – Louis Laverille died at Perrigos shanty

Thursday 20th – Amable Churgin arrived from Lake of Two Mountains

19th – Pissendawa and wife up in their canoe to tell us they found the remains of our dog killed by wolves on Lac D'ore River

20th – Old Pissendawa and wife came past

May 1 – P. Micmac arrived with Narcisse and le Panne

6th – Louison Bernard and Amable Makwa came over

7th – Old Woman came

May 9 – Mother Stokwa & women up for fishing with Hannah. Margaret Tenaskou & son have measles

11^{th -} Ed La Perrrin and C Lafleur from Colls Depot arrived

21st – Makouse and wife and Paul Pissendawatche arrived and

22 - Mrs. Inise and Mrs. Mcmac and Old Pelerin arrived

24 – Sam Sunstrum and Pelerin and Perrigo came by

29th - Pissendawatch and P. Macmac came

August 21st – Joe Tenaskoue came from Lake of Two Mountains

August 23 – Ignians and Louison Perrigo and wife arrived

August 31 – Pissandawa and wife visited.

September 29, 1850 – Bibays gang, Pissendawa and wife visited

September 30 – Old Woman and Marie brought us some corn

October 4 – Hannah setting her nets near Island

October 6 – Perrigos people stayed and had 4 pike, 2 suckers and 1 sunfish

October 8 – Indians flambeauxing most of the night on the South Shore

October 9 - Pellerin came

October 13 – Red Cedar hunters stayed over to off early to hunt

October 20 - Sam Sunstrum passed by to join his wife who went up the day before yesterday with Perrigos people

October 21 – Hannah setting nets and I got 8 trout and 1 whitefish from Makwas Island

October 22 – Old Mother. Stokwa here and women fished, made moccasins.

October 23 – Mr. Morris over for night on way to the Pitwewe and Pisendawa and 3 boys started hunting

October 25 – Paul and Louison Pissendawa came home because they forgot their blankets

Old Woman traded a marten skin with me for ammunition and Payet and Tenaskow party busy spearing at Big Shoal

October 29 – Ignias and Son and Perrigo came by

November 1 – I bought Mrs. Pissendawas 3 foot canoe and paid her 6 dollars

November 4 – Had venison with our son Charles Jr., Old Mother Makwa, Joe and Simon passed by and Pelerin here for the night.

November 17 – Joe Tenaskou arrived at night and stayed over

November 18 – Hannah and girls busy making mitts and moccasins as weather is impossible to attend to nets. Maldoon and Beaudoin stayed night

November 23 – Old Mother, Pissendawa and Tyandgike up on a visit and reported that Marian Pissendawa is ill

January 25 – Ignias and wife up

February 5 – Took Pissendawa and J. Pissendawa to Round Lake with their things for a long hunting expedition

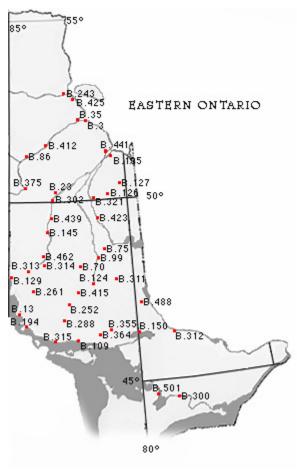
February 11 – Perrigo and Payet stayed as bad weather

February 20 - Old Pissendawa and Old Ignias and young Ignias and Montreuil here hunting

There is much more including entries about Hannah's children and references to their health, hay gathering, fishing, hunting, illness in the family, child birth complications and their own health.

Lynn Hanley – February 15, 2023.

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- B.13 Batchewana
- B.23 Brunswick House (aka Wapiscogamy)
- B.26 Cappoonicagomie (not on map)
- B.35 Chickney
- B.70 Flying Post
- B.75 Frederick House
- B.86 Henley House
- B.99 Kenogamissi
- B.109 La Cloche
- B.124 Matawagamingue (aka Mattagami, See Michipicoten)
- B.125 Merry's House (not on map)
- B.126 Mesackamy Lake
- B.127 Mesaugamee Lake
- B.129 Michipicoten
- B.135 Moose Factory

- B.145 New Brunswick House
- B.150 Nipissing Lake
- B.194 Sault Ste. Marie
- B.243 Attawapiskat
- B.252 Biscotasing
- B.261 Chapleau
- B.288 Green Lake (Lake Huron)
- B.300 Lindsay
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- B.321 New Post
- B.355 Sudbury
- B.364 Whitefish Lake (Lake Huron)
- B.375 English River
- B.412 Ghost River
- B.415 Gogama
- B.423 Island Falls (Superior/Huron)
- B.425 Kapisko
- B.439 Mattice
- B.441 Moosonee
- B.462 Peterbell
- B.488 Temagami

There was never an HBC post at Golden Lake and Charles never worked at one if there if there was. That rumour perpetuated by even some family members is erroneous. The above map is from the HBC Archives. Charles Thomas and Hannah Mannall went there to open a stopping place which was called "Charlie's Hope". It became just that, a place for people to stay coming and going from Bytown (Ottawa) to the Basin Depot (Algonquin Park) for the logging trade. It was also a place people stayed at on route to other locations such as Round Lake during long travel or winter storms or overnight if they were having a social. You also see in his bio from the HBC that the last place he worked for the HBC was at Lake of Two Mountains in 1831 and retired in 1832-33 when he ended up in Golden Lake

Obituary in the Renfrew Mercury Friday Mar 14, 1873:

"At Golden Lake, on Saturday, the 8th quite unexpectedly, at the advanced age of 80 years, Mr. Charles Thomas. He had resided at Golden Lake for a number of years, and was one of the oldest pioneers on the Bonnechere River. His father was formerly Governor of one of the Hudson Bay Company's Posts; and Mr. Thomas being possessed of a good education, held different trusts under him.

In all his dealings with the public, he earned the respect and esteem of all. He was upright and independent, honest and honorable generous and a fast friend. For his years he was a hale hearty man, and in the best of spirits; and his sudden decease has cast a gloom upon the village of Eganville, where he was better known. He was a gentleman of most kind and pleasing manners much respected in his walk of life.

For the past thirty years he kept an accurate Diary, and was preparing it for publication. It contains thrilling excitements and perilous adventures in the Northwest, and pleasing reminiscences that took place on the different chains of lakes on the Bonnechere, Madawaska &c