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Enrolment Officer's Report
Joseph Paquette
(RIN #11371)

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Purpose of Enrolment Officer's Reports

To provide evidence to assist Tribunal in determining whether it would be reasonable to conclude that Joseph Paquette is properly considered an “Algonquin Ancestor”.

The term “Algonquin Ancestor” has been specifically defined in the Proposed Beneficiary Criteria.

Algonquin Ancestor

“Algonquin Ancestor” means

- a person who was born on or before July 15, 1897
- identified in an historic record or document dated on or before December 31, 1921
- in such a way that it would be reasonable to conclude that the person was considered to be an Algonquin or Nipissing, or a sibling of such a person
- In this definition, a sibling of a person is a person with a common Algonquin parent

Organization of Report

- Information is based on written documents in the possession of the Enrolment Office
- Four Appendices:
 - Chart of descendants of Joseph Paquette (RIN #31074)
 - Ancestor Timeline for Joseph Paquette (RIN #11371)
 - List of documents with source information
 - Images of documents with source information
- Posted on Website as Document 1

Responding and Reply Reports

- 4 submissions to Tribunal from interested parties
- Posted on website as Documents 2, 3, 6, and 7
- Enrolment Officer's responding reports posted as Document 4, 5, 8, and 9

Two Issues

- Identity of man listed on 1825 census of Algonquin Village at Lake of Two Mountains, Payette or Paquette
- Lineage of Ancestor Joseph Paquette
 - Could this ancestor be the Joseph Payette/Paquette on the census?
 - Was this ancestor considered Algonquin?

Added to Ancestor Lists

- ❖ Added to original Schedule A based on transcription of 1825 census of Algonquin Village at Lake of Two Mountains
- ❖ Never challenged. Remained on subsequent lists

Sources of Information

- Baptismal, marriage and burial records for Joseph Paquette RIN #11371, his parents, sibling, descendants, and descendants of his sibling, including PRDH family breakdown records
- Census records from Lake of Two Mountains mission, Quebec, and Ottawa Valley
- Baptismal, marriage and burial records at Lake of Two Mountains mission
- Review of local histories and other materials supplied by Respondents

Payette vs. Paquette

The 1825 census of the Algonquin village at Lake of Two Mountains mission listed head of household Joseph Payette

<i>Louis Mississainakoette</i>	8	2	1	1		1	1		1	1	1
<i>Michel Chichaybas</i>	6		2	1			2		2	1	
<i>Joseph Payette</i>	6		1	1	1		1		1	1	
<i>Jacques Commandant</i>	12	3	2	3		1			3	2	10
<i>Constant Pininsky</i>	3	1						1	-		1

Transcribed as Joseph Paquette and added to Schedule A

LAKE OF TWO MOUNTAINS

1825 CENSUS

Louis Mississainakoette

Michel Chichaybas

Joseph Paquette

Jacques Commandant

Constant Pininsky

Payette or Paquette in Oka Records

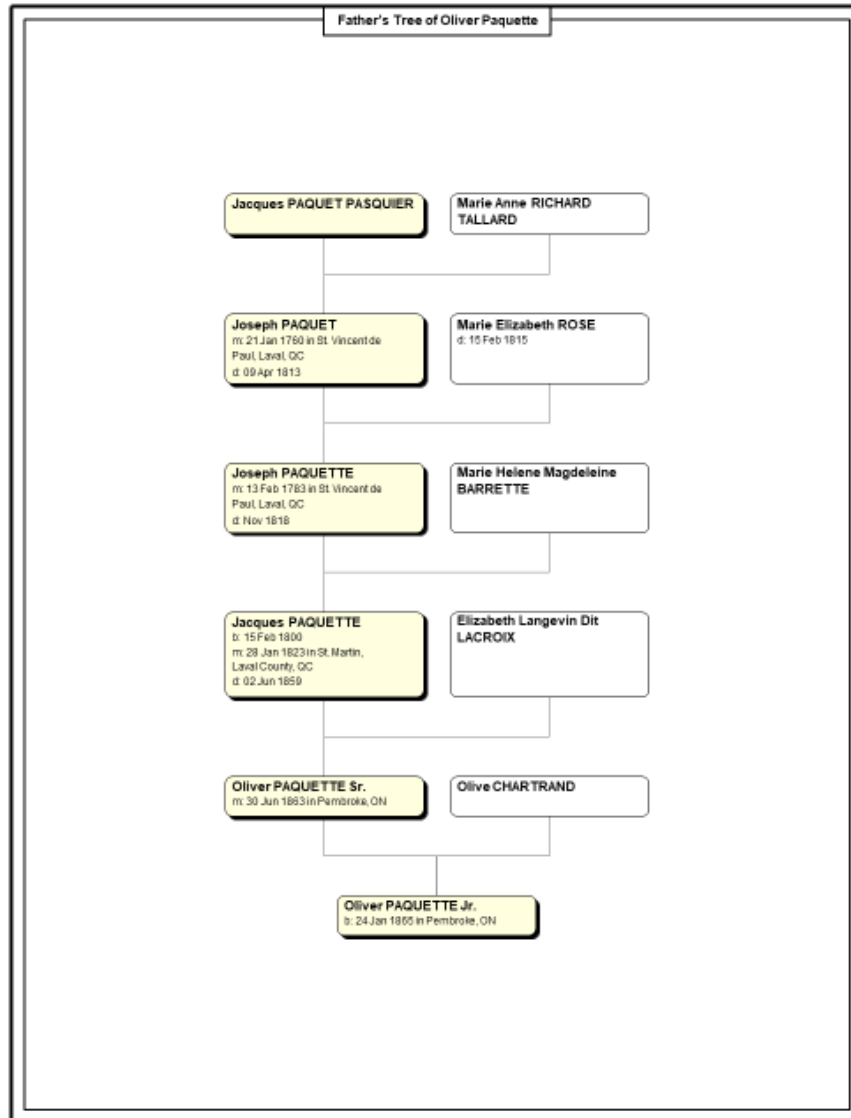
- ❑ Joseph Payette is head of 6 person household; individuals not named
 - 1 man 18 to 25, married
 - 1 man 60+ years old, not married
 - 1 woman 14 to 45, married
 - 1 woman 14 to 45, unmarried
 - 1 child 14-18
 - 1 girl <14; double counted as child 6-14 years

- ❑ No other census, birth, baptism, marriage, death or burial records were found regarding a Joseph Payette or anyone with a similar name in Lake of Two Mountains records

- ❑ No person named Joseph Paquette/Paquet/Paquette was found in any records at Lake of Two Mountains mission

Ancestor Joseph Paquette and Family

- ❑ Family of Joseph Paquette RIN #11371 and his brother Alexis Paquette RIN #31078, include several men named Joseph
- ❑ Examined these ancestral lines for evidence that individuals:
 - could be the Joseph Payette on the 1825 census
 - might have been considered Algonquin
- ❑ 5 generation family tree in Appendix 1



Joseph Paquette #11371

1761-1818

Parents: Joseph & Marie Rose

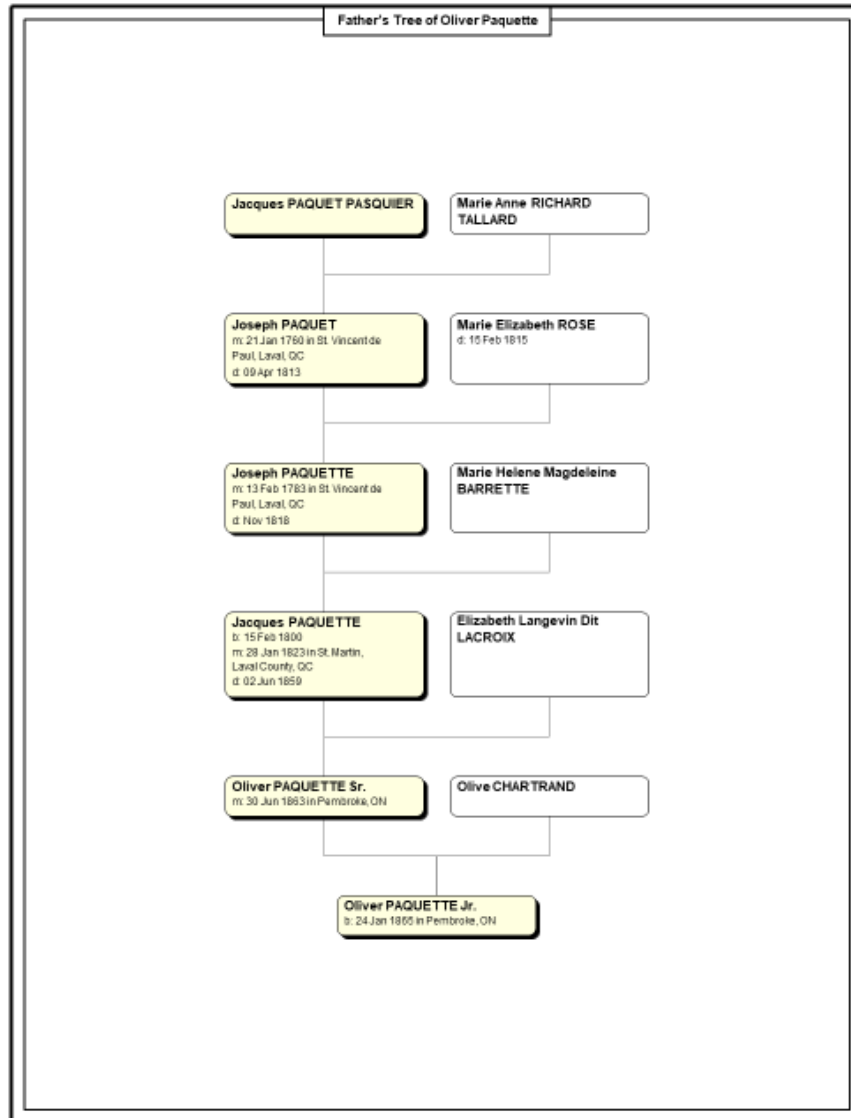
Spouse: Marie Helene Barrette

Children: incl. Jacques & Joseph

All baptisms, marriages in Laval County

No records related to Lake of Two Mountains

No records indicate Indigenous identity



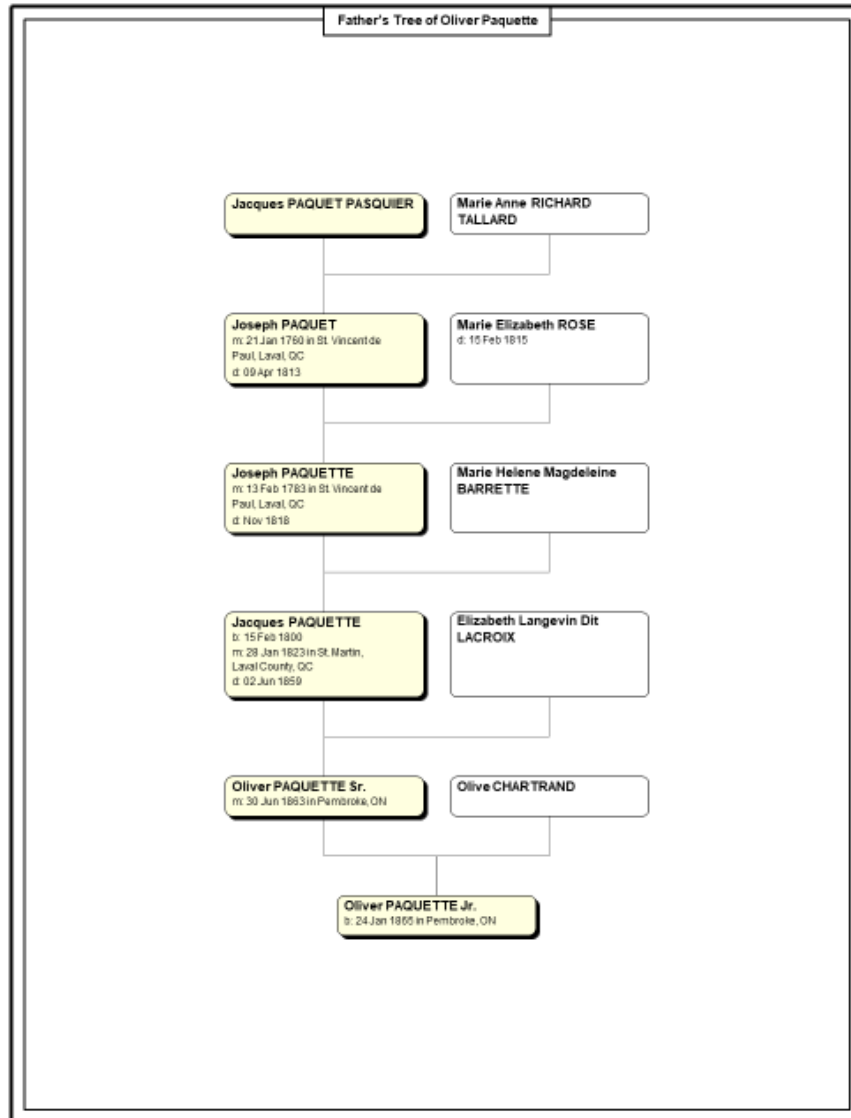
Jacques Paquette

1800-1859

Spouse: Elizabeth Langevin dit Lacroix in 1823; Tharsile Delisle dit Labreche in 1844

Children: incl. Oliver Paquette Sr. (bap. St. Scholastique, 1838; m. 1863 Pembroke)

Events at St. Martin, Laval Co.; St. Augustin & St. Scholastique, Deux Montagnes Co.; St. Jerome, Terrebonne



Joseph Paquette, Jr.

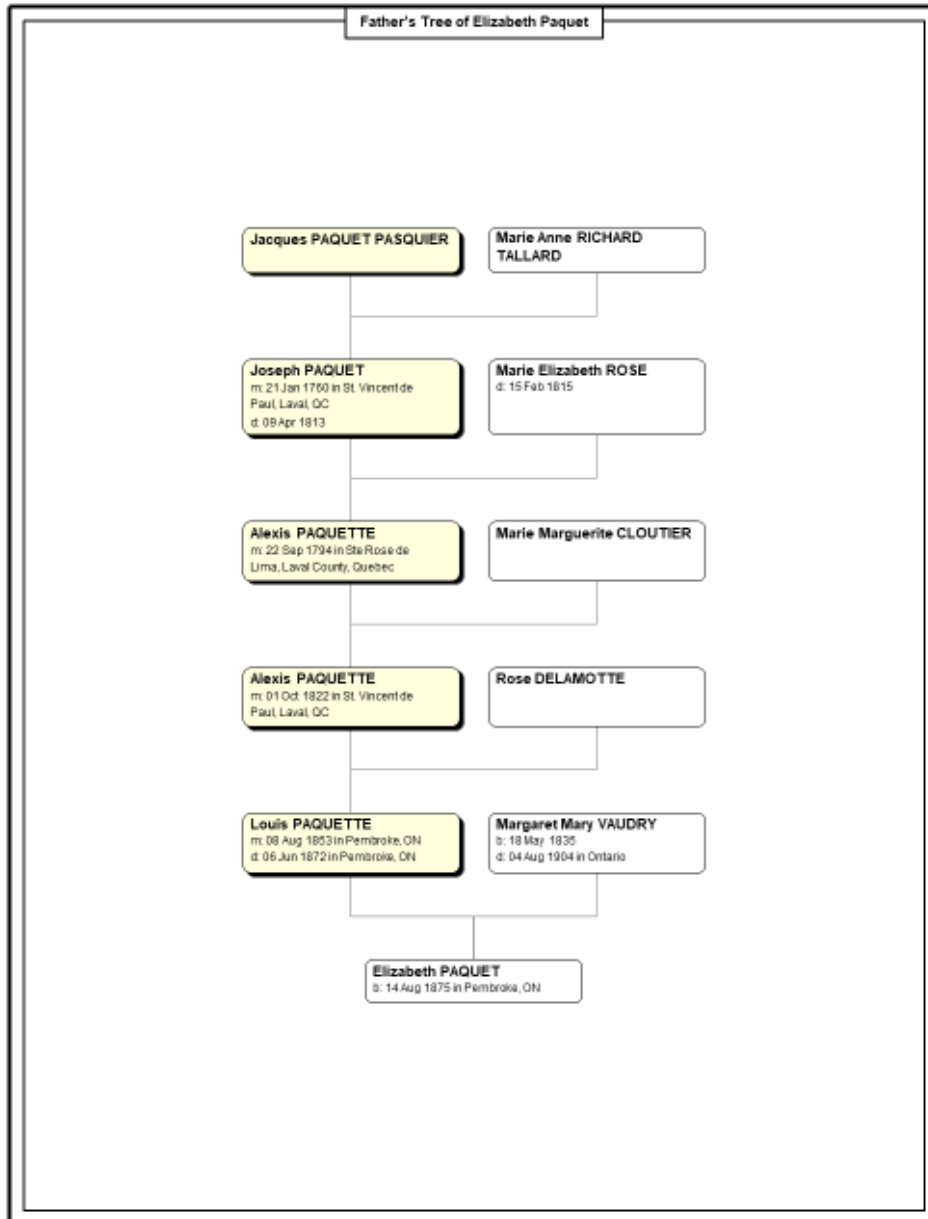
1785-1832

Parents: Joseph Paquette and Marie Helene Barrette

Spouse: Marie Louise Aube

Children: baptisms and burials of children show the parents at St. Martin and St. Vincent de Paul, Laval Co. around time of 1825 census

In 1825 would be around 40; does not fit the age range of Joseph Payette on census



Alexis Paquette #31078

1761-1818

Parents: Joseph & Marie Rose

Spouse: Marie Helene Barrette

Sons: Alexis Jr. RIN #14050 married Marie Rose Hotte. Other sons named Joseph died in infancy.

Grandson: Louis Paquet married Maria Vaudry in 1853 in Pembroke

Events at St. Rose de Lima & St. Martin, Laval Co.

Association of Paquette Ancestors to Oka

Neither Joseph Paquette #11371 (1861-1818) nor his close relatives

- His father: Joseph Paquet (d. 1813)
- His sons: Jacques (1800-1859) or Joseph (b. 1785-1832)
- His brother: Alexis (bap. 1772)
- His nephew: Alexis (c. 1800-1832)

correspond to the Joseph Payette on the 1825 census by name, by age range in 1825 (18 to 25 or over 60), or by geographic location

Association of Paquette Ancestors to Oka, cont.

All events for Joseph Paquette #11371, his brother and their sons are in St. Martin, St. Vincent de Paul, or Ste. Rose de Lima in Laval County; St. Augustin or St. Scholastique, Deux Montagnes Co.; St. Jerome, Terrebonne

No known events at Algonquin or Nipissing village at Lake of Two Mountains

Documented descendants of Joseph Paquette and his brother Alexis move into Pembroke area by 1863 and 1853, respectively

No documents that indicate Indigenous ethnicity

Family History

- Descendants of Joseph Paquette RIN #11371 or his brother submitted material related to their family history in the Ottawa Valley. None of the material demonstrated Algonquin descent through documentation.

- Material provided regarding Baptiste Paquette, a direct descendant of Joseph Paquette RIN #11371
 - Baptiste (1881-1968) lived at the “Indian Village” at Wylie
 - Son of Oliver Paquette Jr. and Marie Montreuil
 - Algonquin descent through his mother, a direct descendant of Pierre Edouard François Kakwabit
 - His branch of the Paquette family has Algonquin heritage