

## **Residents of Granite Creek (1885-1886)**

### **Compiled from Lou G. Hare's Diary**

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**Note:** *Some of these names are nicknames. Several are only first or last names. Certain names have questionable and multiple spellings. There are notes taken from Lou Hare's Diary beside some of the names. Notes in italics are added by Diane Sterne. There are 159 people in this list.*

Sam Adler and his son - *Sam owned the Cariboo House Hotel*

Allen - store owner and partner with Blair

John Allen - called "chee chackos" - *newcomer* - American from Colville, Washington Territory - arrived with Col Thompson

Jack Anderson - the Swede - had a stable at Granite Creek

Charlie Ashton

Mrs. Austin - *(probably Catherine Dunn-Parker-Austin - see her Biography in the Archives section of this website)*

Barney

Alec Bauer

Jimmy Besbitt

Big Mouthed Kid of the "Arlington"

Jim Birmingham

Fred Bishe - a barber

Paddy Black

Blair - store owner and partner with Allen

Joe Blum - a Faro dealer at Granite

Bostwick

Boyce - restaurant owner

Bromley

Old Farmer Brown - skipped town to the States in June, 1886 - had a son, Bill Brown, in the U.S.

Old Busch - left town

Burse - Jackson's partner in the store at Ferguson Camp

Hoaly Caldwell

Bill Cameron

Dunc Cameron

Archie Campbell - had a mule team

Rory Campbell

Cantrell - worked with McCarty and owned a building in Granite

Carns (Cairns) - restaurant owner and partner with Tait

Cap Carter

Bill Clark

Harry Colville

Dr. Comstock - owned a drugstore in Granite and wanted a post office in it

Harry Coney

Corcier - had a restaurant and house on Government Street in Granite - it had a cellar 8 X 10 X 6 ft. deep - wrote "daily papers" *which were a type of Granite Creek newspaper*, with Jack Tappan

Alec Coutlie - saloon keeper

Buffalo Cow - prostitute - "a new white whore that is Lasher's girl"

Jack Crawley

Old Crosier - was Hamilton's partner in his claim

Johnny Cunningham - wrote a Granite Creek song with Jimmy Russell and Ginger Maney

Cap Cutu

Mike Darragh - bought a bakery at Granite Creek with Robert Scott - also Dunc Darragh mentioned (*unknown if the same person or not*)

Dister - an ex-purser on the steamers: Peerless, Kamloops, and Spallumcheen - was going to make a pack train between Nicola and Granite

Big Dolly - prostitute - arrived in Granite in the spring of 1885 and died June, 1886 - she drowned in the Skagit River while fording it on a horse

going to Hope - came to Granite with Julia "Tommy Dunn" - tended to Paul MacDonald while he was dying - she is described as: fine looking but "fleshy" at over 200 lbs.; about 22 years old; natural rosy cheeks; short, wavy hair; wore a man's straw hat and usually a blue or red mother hubbard

Dwyer - called a "dude"

Fred Edgar - arrived Friday, April 6, 1886 - walked in from Hope - had been working for the engineers at Coal Harbour all winter and quit to go to Granite. He was not happy with what he found at Granite

Johnny Edwards - saloon owner

Elliot - was the bookkeeper at Thompson & Co. store at Granite

Frank Elwin

Big Mouth Fan - prostitute

Ferguson - store owner and partner with Thompson

Joe Florence - was Coutlie's bartender

Fortney

Harry Franks - member of S.F. Co. - arrived from San Jose about June, 1885

Siwash Frazer

Frenchy - *not the Chinese "Frenchy" - could be Mose*

Carrie French - prostitute

Barney Gallagher

Jimmy Gillis - only at Granite a few weeks - was murdered in another place after he moved away

Old Man Gorman

Jackson Gregor - Hare's pal from another place

William Hamilton - arrived May 5, 1886 - used to work at Roper's Ranch a year before - had \$1,250.00 when he arrived at Granite - wanted to open a "gin mill" (*seedy saloon*)

Hawthorne - saloon owner - lived in Hare's cabin - skipped town owing \$3,000 (tried to take Hamilton's saddle but failed)

Hines - a good singer

Sam Hollis and Son

Doc Holloway - described as a "one-eyed Missourian" who was a good shot with a gun

Holmes (*Walton*) - was building a house at Granite

Mrs. Howe - skipped town

Corduroy Jack - left town

Jackson - Burse's partner in the store at Ferguson Camp - skipped the country - had a lawsuit with Thompson over a claim and returned - had a very long beard when he returned

Jamison - store owner - described as "financially embarrassed"

Neill Jenkins

Julia "Tommy Dunn" - prostitute

Big Julius - had a claim on the South Fork and reported a rich find - was a stampede of prospectors all night because of it

Old Kate - prostitute from Otter Flat - moved to Granite Creek

Larry Keene - Murphy's partner - Murphy and Larry Keene, who called himself "Harry White" skipped town

Martin Knight

Lasher - had a white prostitute called Buffalo Cow

Bill Leach

Ed LeBlanc - the Barber

Billy Leftwitch - restaurant owner in Granite

Jim Leighton - saloon keeper

Lindsay - owned Lindsay's Saloon - *Mr. Lindsay also operated a store and the Post Office*

Lochiel - pall bearer for Paul MacDonald's burial

Lorman

Low - member of the S.F. Co.

Jack Lucy (Lucey) - met Lou Hare at the Railroad camps - ran a saloon at Eagle Pass and later tended bar in the Territory of Idaho - skipped town

Johnny Macdonald - also called Jack - *possibly the same person as John McDonald* - the mailman

Paul MacDonald - died May 2, 1886 - *first burial at Granite Creek Cemetery* - had inflammation of the lungs - *a description of his burial, etc. can be found in the section for information from Lou Hare's Diary entitled "Granite Creek Burials"*

Johnny MacDonnel

Sam MacDowell - left town

Scotty MacIntyre - made cedar shakes

Hugh Madden and Mrs. Madden - ran a boarding house in Granite - records indicate Mrs. Madden skipped town. Unsure if Hugh was with her. Mrs. Madden ran a saloon in Shoshone County in the Territory of Idaho and Hugh worked at a nearby railroad camp. Twelve years later they ran Madden House Saloon in Dawson City during the Klondike Gold Rush.

Ginger Maney - *male* - wrote a Granite Creek song with Jimmy Russell and Johnny Cunningham

Jim Maney - referred to as a "noted bruiser" (*boxer*)

Billy Manning

McAdams - had the McAdams Syndicate

Dave McBeth (MacBeath) - was contracted to build three bridges on the Nicola Trail up the Otter Valley

McCarty - worked with Cantrell

Dunc McDonald - D.A. McDonald?

Jack McDowell

McGregor

Gordon McKay

McKinnon, Jack - had a cabin next to Hare's - pall bearer for Paul MacDonald's burial

Dr. McLean

Dan McMillan (McMullen)

McNicols

Frank McQuarry

Mike - replaced Mills as the night watchman

Mills - night watchman - *could be Jack Mills or his brother whose first name is unknown*

Harry Mitchell

Moffatt

Mose - a Frenchman

Hugh Munroe

Mr. Murphy - *probably Thomas Murphy* - shared a house with Lou Hare

Herman Nelson

Jimmy Nesbitt

Jim Newlands - shot by "Shorty" at Granite Creek

Bill Noble

Dennis Peon - left Granite Creek for the States

Peterson - the Swede

Pike - a gambler - skipped town

Pilking

Price - store owner - *possibly Jack Price*

Big Bob Pruden - *a description of his burial, etc. can be found in the section for information from Lou Hare's Diary entitled "Granite Creek Burials"*

Frank Rivers

Ben Rod - had a saloon almost opposite Hare's cabin - left town

Fred Roeder

Jimmy Russell - wrote a Granite Creek song with Ginger Maney and Johnny Cunningham

Crazy Sally - prostitute

Schooley - left town

Robert Scott - bought a bakery at Granite Creek with Mike Darragh

Sedgewick

Cap Shearbourne

Sheehan

Shorty - spent a winter in jail at Westminster after he shot Jim Newlands - described as a "short, stout, red-faced kid"

Old Sandy Smith - part of the Reliance Company

Billy Strong - referred to as the "restaurant man"

Swan - constable - a Dutchman

Tait - restaurant owner and partner with Carns

Mrs. Tanner - presided over The Cariboo (*House?*) - she is described on Sept. 14, 1886 as "young & thinks she is flip"

Jack Tappan - wrote "daily papers" *which were a type of Granite Creek newspaper*, with Corcier - was going to have a mule team

Taylor - raced against "the running kid" - Taylor is described as "a fine looking man, square shoulders & curly hair" - *unsure if this is the same person as Capt. Taylor who skipped town on July 31, 1886 and took Hawthorne's saddle*

Charles Thomas - a good boxer

Thompson - store owner and partner with Ferguson

Col Thompson - called "chee chackos" - *newcomer* - American from Colville, Washington Territory - arrived with John Allen

Jim Tiernay

Tunstall - *George*

Donald Walker

Mr. and Mrs. Ward - Mrs. Ward gave birth to the first white child in Granite (*Jennie*) - residents took up a collection for the baby

Jimmy West

Willard - skipped town

Dick Williams

Fred Wilson

Tom Woodland

Wortman - had a law office at Granite Creek

