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Fort Ellice (Manitoba, Canada)

Fort Ellice, originally known as Qu'Appelle River, was established in February 1794 by John Sutherland who travelled to the site from Brandon House. It was situated on the Qu'Appelle River about 12 miles from its confluence with the Assiniboine River, in present-day Manitoba near its border with Saskatchewan. Qu'Appelle River operated for the summer of 1794 and was not re-established until November 1815. A year later, it was destroyed by the North West Company and rebuilt in 1817 on the south bank of the Assiniboine River near Beaver Creek. In 1824, the post was closed to let the animal population in the region recover. The post reopened in 1831 under the name Fort Ellice. In 1890, the HBC sold the Fort Ellice store to Thomas V. Wheeler, apprentice clerk. Wheeler conducted private business at Fort Ellice until 1892.

Publications

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