


early sailings/vitae of Samuel Murdoch

Year	Month	Day	Event	from	for	Remarks	Vocation	Age
1843	April	4	birth	in Kippford		son to Captain James Murdoch & Agnes Cumming		0
1857	January	20	FREEDOM	until	under the command of his father James Murdoch 	Port of Registry: Dumfries	boy	13
1857	June	30	FREEDOM			boy	14	
1857	July	1	FREEDOM	until		OS (=ordinary seaman)	14	
1859	June	30	FREEDOM			OS (=ordinary seaman)	16	
1859	July	1	FREEDOM	until		boy	16	
1859	December	31	FREEDOM			boy	16	
1860	January	1	FREEDOM	until		seaman	16	
1860	May	3	FREEDOM			seaman	17	
1860	June		GALOVIDIAN	until		Port of Registry: Liverpool	OS (=ordinary seaman)	17
1860	September	14	GALOVIDIAN				OS (=ordinary seaman)	17
1860	October	10	MORTON CASTLE	until	Port of Registry: Dumfries	OS (=ordinary seaman)	17	
1861	March	10	MORTON CASTLE			OS (=ordinary seaman)	17	
1861	April	12	IANTHE	until	Port of Registry: Yarmouth	OS (=ordinary seaman)	18	
1861	October	24	IANTHE			OS (=ordinary seaman)	18	
1862	April	20	LANCASHIRE WITCH	until	Port of Registry: Liverpool	AB (=able bodied seaman)	19	
1862	October	19	LANCASHIRE WITCH			AB (=able bodied seaman)	19	
1862	November	4	OC application	address: 9, Kent Street, Liverpool		application for Mate only		19
1862	November	14	mate`s certificate (=mate only)			Ordinary Competency issued		19
1862	December	23	LANCASHIRE WITCH	until	Port of Registry: Liverpool	2nd mate	19	
1863	May	27	LANCASHIRE WITCH			2nd mate	20	
1863	July	3	EXCELSIOR	until	Port of Registry: Liverpool	mate	20	
1863	December	6	EXCELSIOR			mate	20	
1864	February	26	HOUND	until	Port of Registry: Liverpool	mate	20	
1864	November	27	HOUND			mate	21	
1864	December	14	marriage	in Liverpool		to Jeanie Muirhead, daughter of Mary McMaster		21
1865	January	13	HOUND	until	Port of Registry: Liverpool	mate	21	
1865	September	4	HOUND			mate	22	
1865	September	27	HOUND	until		mate	22	
1865	October	5	birth	in Liverpool		Mary McMaster (1st sibling to William)		22
1865	December	12	HOUND			mate	22	
1866	February	21	OC application	address: 36, Bridgewater Street, Liverpool		application for Master Certificate		22
1866	March	1	master`s certificate			Ordinary competency issued		22
1867	August	10	birth	in Liverpool		James (2nd sibling to William)		24
1869	June	11	death	in Liverpool, 17, Upper Stanhope Street		Mary McMaster (aged 3 years)		26
1870	November	19	birth	in Dalbeattie		Mary Agnes (name altered to Agnes Cumming, 3rd sibling)		27
1873	February	28	birth	in Dalbeattie		William McMaster		29

LOCH URR sailings under the command of Captain Samuel Murdoch

Year	Month	Day	Event	from	for	Remarks
1873	July	31	departure	Broomielaw (Glasgow)	Sydney	
1873	November	3	arrival	Sydney		inward crew list!
1873	November	18	departure	Sydney	Brisbane	
1873	November	26	arrival	Brisbane		
1874	January	16	departure	Brisbane	London	
1874	April	29	arrival	London		Unloading West India Dock, pier 11
1874	June	2	departure	London	Auckland	
1874	September	11	arrival	Auckland		
1874	November	28	arrival	San Francisco		
1874	December	22	departure	San Francisco	Queenstown	
1875	April	18	arrival	Queenstown		
1875	April	21	departure	Queenstown	Dublin	
1875	May	31	arrival	Liverpool		
1875	August	28	departure	Liverpool	Sydney	
1875	December	2	arrival	Sydney		inward crew list!
1875	December	30	departure	Sydney	Adelaide	
1876	January	13	arrival	Adelaide		
1876	February	11	departure	Adelaide	Port Pirie	
1876	February	14	arrival	Port Pirie		
1876	February	28	departure	Port Pirie	London	
1876	July	6	arrival	Queenstown		
1876	July	13	departure	Queenstown	Plymouth	
1876	July	18	arrival	Plymouth		
1876	August	28	arrival	London		
1876	October	12	departure	London	Auckland	
1877	January	20	arrival	Auckland		
1877	March	31	birth	in Dalbeattie		Jeanie (5th sibling to William)
1877	April	17	departure	Auckland	London	
1877	April	18				fire onboard
1877	May	8				encountered severe hurricane
1877	July	29	arrival	London		
1877	September	13	departure	London	Adelaide	
1877	December	4	arrival	Adelaide		
1878	February	15	departure	Adelaide	Port Pirie	
1878	March	7	departure	Port Pirie	Falmouth	
1878	July	18	arrival	Falmouth		
1878	July	29	arrival	Liverpool		
1878	September	28	departure	Liverpool	Adelaide	
1879	January	11	arrival	Adelaide		
1879	February	17	departure	Adelaide	Minlacowie	
1879	July	31	arrival	Falmouth		
1879	August	4	departure	Falmouth	Dunkirk	
1879	August	7	arrival	Dunkirk		
1879	August	30	departure	Dunkirk	London	
1879	September	2	arrival	London		
1879	October	25	departure	London	Auckland	

Master of the
Loch Line
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mainly chartered to New Zealand Shipping Company, N.Z.S.C.

1880	February	4	arrival	Auckland		
1880	April	9	departure	Auckland	London	
1880	July	3	birth	in Dalbeattie		Samuel Jr. (6th sibling to William)
1880	July	27	arrival	London		
1880	September	24	departure	London	Auckland	
1881	January	14	arrival	Auckland		
1881	March	16	departure	Auckland	London	via Melbourne
1881	June	27	arrival	London		Loch Urr from now on under command of John Murdoch, brother to Samuel Murdoch, who previously commanded the Don Diego (?) or T.B. Ord (?)



KNIGHT COMPANION sailings under the command of Captain Samuel Murdoch

1881	October	9	departure	Liverpool	San Francisco	
1881	October	21				encountered heavy gale
1882	February	13	arrival	San Francisco		
1882	March	24	departure	San Francisco	Liverpool	
1882	July	13	birth	in Dalbeattie		Maggie Elizabeth (=Peg, 7th sibling to William)
1882	July	22	arrival	Liverpool		
1882	September	4	departure	Liverpool	San Francisco	
1882	December	29	arrival	San Francisco		
1883	February	15	departure	San Francisco	Liverpool	
1883	June	17	arrival	Liverpool		

Master of the
Knight Line



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until
1885

ESKDALE sailings under the command of Captain Samuel Murdoch

1885	February	3	departure	Liverpool	San Francisco	
1885	June	24	arrival	San Francisco		
1885	September	25	chartered	for Ireland		to load wheat/flour
1885	October	6	departure	San Francisco	Dublin	
1886	March	5	arrival	Dublin		
1886	May	8	departure	Liverpool	Sydney	
1886	July	31	arrival	Sydney		inward crew list!
1886	August	27	departure	Sydney	Newcastle (NSW)	
1886	August	28	arrival	Newcastle (NSW)		loading coal
1886	September	9	departure	Newcastle (NSW)	San Francisco	
1886	November	17	arrival	San Francisco		
	until					
1887	August	22	layed up	Sausalito		until finally chartered for Ireland loading wheat
1887	September	12	departure	San Francisco	Queenstown	
1888	January	8	arrival	Queenstown		
1888	January	14	departure	Queenstown	Hull	

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J. D. Newton & Co.



1888	January	25	arrival	Hull	
1888	March	2	departure	Hull	Newcastle (Tyne)
1888	March	7	arrival	Newcastle (Tyne)	
1888	March	31	departure	Newcastle (Tyne)	San Francisco
1888	August	3	arrival	San Francisco	
1888	August	30	departure	San Francisco	Queenstown
1888	December	26	arrival	Queenstown	
1889	January	1	departure	Queenstown	Limerick
1889	January	5	arrival	Limerick	
1889	January	29	arrival	Liverpool	
1889	May	15	departure	Liverpool	Honolulu
1889	October	23	departure	Honolulu	Portland
1889	December	27	departure	Portland	London
1890	April	25	arrival	London	



NORTHBROOK sailings under the command of Captain Samuel Murdoch

1890	July	18	departure	Sharpness (Bristol)	Melbourne	loaded with salt & vinegar
1890	October	26	arrival	Melbourne		
1890	December	2	departure	Melbourne	Wellington	
1891	January	30	departure	Wellington	London	
1891	May	2	arrival	London		
1891	June	2	departure	London	Sharpness	
1891	June	23	departure	Sharpness	Melbourne	unclear whether Samuel or John Murdoch
1891	October	2	arrival	Melbourne		
1891	November	6	departure	Melbourne	Newcastle (NSW)	
1891	November	13	arrival	Newcastle (NSW)		
1891	December	21	departure	Newcastle (NSW)	London	
1892	April	7	arrival	London		

Master of the
Northbrook Ship Co.Ltd.
Stuart & Douglas, of Liverpool



IQUIQUE sailings under the command of Captain Samuel Murdoch

1892	July	30	departure	Glasgow	Rio de Janeiro	
1892	October	1	arrival	Rio de Janeiro		
1893	March	23	departure	Antofagasta (Taltal)	Rotterdam	
1893	July	3	reported	off the Lizard		
1893	July	9	arrival	Rotterdam		
1893	August	8	departure	Rotterdam		with his son William as 2nd mate
1893	September	18	departure	Fredrickstad	Capetown	
1893	December	23	arrival	Capetown		
1893	January	12		Capetown		fire onboard
1894	February	7	departure	Capetown	Newcastle (NSW)	
1894	March	29	arrival	Newcastle (NSW)		

Master of the
Iquique Sailing Ship Co.Ltd.
Brodersen, Vaughan & Co., of Liverpool



1894	March	31		Newcastle (NSW)		trial against steward Underhurst for disobedience
1894	April	14		Newcastle (NSW)		seaman Zanotte throwing stones at Samuel
1894	April	28	departure	Newcastle (NSW)	Antofagasta (Taltal)	
1894	June	23	arrival	Antofagasta (Taltal)		
1894	November	10	departure	Iquique	Queenstown	
1895	February	20	arrival	Queenstown		
1895	February	24	passed	Prawle Point	London	
1895	February	27	arrival	Gravesend		
1895	May	17	departure	Cardiff, Roath Dock	Valparaiso	
1895	August	21	arrival	Valparaiso		
1895	December	12	departure	Iquique	the Channel	
1896	March	29	arrival	Falmouth		
1896	April	10	arrival	Cuxhaven		
1896	June	12	departure	Cardiff, Barry Dock	Monte Video (Uruguay) & Iquique	
1896	August	3	arrival	Monte Video		
1896	November			Sydney		vessel expected from Monte Video under well-known Captain Samuel Murdoch (sic.) according Sydney Daily Commercial
1896	November	22	arrival	Pensacola (Florida)	Montevideo	
1897	July	27	departure	Delagoa Bay (Mosambique)	Newcastle, NSW	
1897	September	8	arrival	Sydney		inward crew list with John Murdoch !
1897	October	22		Newcastle, NSW		trial against William Walker, tin of tallow
1897	October	23		Newcastle, NSW		ship in harbour for charter advertisement
1897	November	13	departure	Sydney	London	

GENERAL ROBERTS sailings under the command of Captain Samuel Murdoch

1902	December	31	in port	Kapstadt		attending a trial
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Samuel Murdoch resigned from actual "service" in 1906/07