

NAME: KEAN, ROBERT **PLACE OF BIRTH:** Longside, Aberdeen **ENTERED SERVICE:** 1875
[Certificate #30123]

DATES: 20 Aug. 1837-
19 Feb. 1912

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*:	Position:	Post:	District:	HBCA Reference:
<i>*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May</i>				
1874-1879	Second Mate	<i>Labrador</i>	Labrador	E.188/82-92;C.2/12-14
1884-1886	Second Mate	<i>Labrador</i>	Labrador	E.188/97-98;C.2/16
1890-1900	Second Mate	<i>Erik</i>	Labrador/Hudson Bay	E.188/15-125;C/2/17-18
1901-1903	Second Mate/Ship Keeper	<i>Pelican</i>	Labrador/Hudson Bay	E.188/169-170:C.2/18
1903, 7 March	Wrote asking to retire on pension, as his poor night vision meant he could no longer safely act as Officer of the Watch			A.10/162, fo. 349b-349cd.
1904, 1 July	As of this date he was awarded an annual pension of £55 because of his "good record of service with the Company", even though he did not fit within the Pension Scheme			A.5/183, fo. 149

Other Service:

Before 1874 he served in the *Olive Branch* of Peterhead and before 1884 in the *Stella* of London.

E.188/82 & 97

In the letter of 7 March 1903 referred to above, he wrote:

I have served in the Hudson's Bay Company's ships for upwards of 29 years, three of which I was Sloop Master on the Labrador Coast under Mr P. McKenzie, and one year I was lent to Sir Allen Young to act as Ice Master of the "Hope" in his Arctic Expedition.

