Former Hudson’s Bay Company employee Scotty Gall being interviewed by NWT Archivist Richard Valpy. *NWT Archives/ N-1988-040.*

Richard Valpy: The Hudson’s Bay Company weren’t giving him a mess?

Scotty Gall: No, No. He was entirely on his own when I was there. We supplied the thing but he was contracted. He was contracted to trade with us. We gave him as good a deal as Pedersen gave him. Maybe sometimes better I thought, because he used to tell me what he used to get. And we’d keep him supplied with everything. Making sure he had an adequate supply. Staples. He didn’t go into to much of the fancy stuff. And therefore he did quite well there. He used native foods most of the time. Sealing and fishing. He still kept his own way of life.