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*Garrya* commemorates an Englishman, Nicholas Garry (c. 1781-1856) who was Deputy-Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company from 1822-1835 after his supervision, as a director, of the amalgamation of the Company with the North West Company in 1821. This genus name recognizes the assistance he provided for plant collecting expeditions made by the Scottish botanist, David Douglas (1798-1834), especially in the Pacific north-west. In actual fact his name crops up in plant common names too (garry oak or Oregon white oak, *Quercus garryana*) and also in some Canadian place names (particularly in the west), including Fort Garry. Unfortunately his Deputy-Governorship came to a sad conclusion when in 1835 he began to lose his mind and from 1839 until his death in England his affairs had to be administered for him.