

DOCUMENT NAME/INFORMANT: MRS. FREDERICK
INFORMANT'S ADDRESS: CALLING LAKE
JOHN D'OR PRAIRIE, ALBERTA
INTERVIEW LOCATION: CALLING LAKE
JOHN D'OR PRAIRIE, ALBERTA
TRIBE/NATION: CREE
LANGUAGE: CREE
DATE OF INTERVIEW:
INTERVIEWER: DAVE CAPOT
DAN MCLEAN
INTERPRETER: LAWRENCE COURTOUREILLE
TRANSCRIBER: J. GREENWOOD
SOURCE: OFFICE OF SPECIFIC CLAIMS
& RESEARCH
WINTERBURN, ALBERTA
TAPE NUMBER: IH-272
DISK: TRANSCRIPT DISC 33
PAGES: 2
RESTRICTIONS: NONE

HIGHLIGHTS:

- This 90 year old lady describes the payment of scrip and allocation of colonies to the Metis of northern Alberta.

Inter: Did you remember about the scrip, if they were given cash or the land, because scrip is not understandable?

Answer: Some took cash and some had been given land.

Inter: You don't know how much money?

Answer: I don't now, because I was a child when this came up.

Inter: So your father took the scrip and you were included?

Answer: Yes we were five in the family. It has been a long time ago, I don't know how many years ago.

Inter: It was 74 years ago when the first treaty came. You are now pretty close to 90 years old.

Answer: They got my birth certificate when we were going to get our old age pension.

Inter: You are quite young yet, hard eh! There wasn't too much money a long time ago. There was some Metis who took colonies.

Answer: There was a lot of them who took the colonies not only some. The ones that took the colonies had been given cattle, and they raised cattle to make a living.

Inter: How did you understand that when they took these colonies and cash. Is it that you got payed in full, for taking the scrip? How did you understand?

Answer: I do not understand. I can understand Cree and I talked some French and I can speak the - so is English. My husband talked Cree, English and French, his parents were French. They've never mentioned his name. His name is Jerry Fraser. We lived in Lac la Biche. It has been a few years ago, since he died. It must have been 21 years ago since he died. He suffered before he died. Like myself I don't feel too bad, but sometimes my legs bother me, now when I walk that's why I use those. I am living alone but I have lost my mind yet.

(End of Interview)

INDEX

INDEX TERM	IH NUMBER	DOC NAME	DISC #	PAGE #
AGRICULTURE				
-cattle-raising	IH-272	MRSFREDERICK	33	2
METIS				
-colonies	IH-272	MRSFREDERICK	33	2
SCRIP				
-land	IH-272	MRSFREDERICK	33	2
SCRIP				
-money	IH-272	MRSFREDERICK	33	2