

Interview with Mary Traill by Joy Duncan in Victoria, B.C. on
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Topic of Interview

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Reminiscences of nursing in a
small rural town, 1918-1950.

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| 000 | General background |
| | - Born November 26, 1883, Lesser Slave Lake. |
| 051 | Trained Brantford, Ontario |
| | - Graduated 1918. |
| | - Lived Twin Lake (North of Prince Albert). |
| | - Taught children. |
| 069 | - 1918 - finished training |
| | - Returned Meskanaw and established private nursing
home 60 miles south of Prince Albert. |
| | - Converted room in family home on farm. |
| 124 | General information on cases (mostly maternity
cases) |
| | - Fees. |
| | - 16 miles from doctor. |
| | - Assistance from younger sister. |
| 207 | Nursed until 1950 |
| | - Illness. |
| | - 1949 had hernia operation. |
| | - Hospital in Kinistino by then and so did not reopen
private nursing home. |
| 238 | Comments on changes in nursing. Duties of a nurse then. |
| | - Comments on the nurse's training in her time. |
| 318 | Anecdote on interesting case (Baby born in car) |
| 413 | Extra duties around patient in the house. |

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438	Keeps in touch with the children she delivered.
460	1918 flu epidemic <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Kinistino school turned into emergency hospital.- In charge of co-ordinating volunteers.- No deaths.
585	Third person relating story (inaudible).
609	Conversation with third person (inaudible) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Called "Aunt Mary" and "Aunt Annie" by community.
683	Reminiscences on number of babies <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Anecdote re twins born, one named after her.
757	Many immigrants in area <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Experiences in homes while nursing.
809	Third person (inaudible).
836	Comments on difficulty of times for farmers (Depression) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Anecdotes re shortage of cash.- Educating children.
952	End of Interview.