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July 3 - Upon their arrival, the prelate and his companions scanned every nook of the harbour to see if the Lively was waiting for them. However, Captain Foret had been so delayed at the mine and during his return trip that he only arrived in Arichat eight days after his passengers. July 4 - This time was put, in the morning, to conduct priestly business (a large number of persons came to confession), and in the evening, during the evening, the civilities of the local merchants who each wanted in turn to have the bishop to dinner. Thus the evenings were devoted to amusement or, if you wish, to boring acts of kindness, the afternoons to the business which is always heavy when missionaries meet their bishop, and the mornings were reserved for the church where one nourished his devotion and satisfied that of the faithful. July 7 - The three Scots priests who formed part of this transient reunion of the clergy, gave, on the very first day, authentic proofs of their incomparable clumsiness with respect to ecclesiastical behaviour. One, called to confession, was never able, despite our best efforts, to put on a winged surplice. The second said mass without a cassock, displaying his legs through an alb that was too thin to hide them. The third said mass with a cassock but he took care to place his bands over the amice, the alb and the stole, in the belief that things were done that way because it is usual to place the bands over the surplice. July 9 - Captain Foret entered the harbour at Arichat only on Sunday evening. He had business at home; the wind was judged to be unfavourable; it was decided that we would not leave on Monday. July 11- Although the weather was no more promising the following day, we embarked nevertheless, and even at an early hour. Leaving the harbour was as easy as could be, but no sooner were we in Manchester Bay that a thick fog and the ocean wind which had been lashing and swelling the sea for several days, caused the poor passengers to be seasick, something that is inconceivable to those who have never known this sickness. The schooner, loaded with 60 chaldrons of coal, no longer smelt of bilge which had so inconvenienced the passengers on their way to Sydney. However, despite the fact that the means to destroy the mice aboard had been insufficient, the coal itself which was used in the poorly situated steward's stores, spread an intolerable odour in the room, so much so that they were seriously inconvenienced, to the point of becoming sick, even when the rolling of the sea had diminished. The only advantage this trip had over the previous one was that Mr. Lejamtel having stayed in Arichat and Mr. Gaulin having gone on a mission to Antigonish, there only remained with the prelate Messrs Boucherville and Gauvreau in more spacious accommodation than the first time. Manchester Bay is on the mainland of Nova Scotia, on the north shore. It spreads from the great Canso passage, to the little passage or, if one wishes, to nearby Cape Canso (the Strait of Canso from the Atlantic to the Northumberland Strait). It was formerly called Chedabouctou Bay (as it is again today). The Indians and the Acadians try to keep this name alive; however, the English name prevails despite their efforts. It is 5 leagues wide, has excellent farms and is used as a market for Arichat which draws a large proportion of its food from it. Neither the bishop nor his companions



were able to admii it because of the dread' ful fog which forced them back on the day they embarked. END OF BISHOP PLESSIS' 1815 JOURNAL IN CAPE BRETON Our thanks to Robert Pichette for his trans- j lation. Part One of Bishop Plessis' 1815 Journal is in Issue 55 • also translated by| Mr. Pichette. Mr. Pich? ette is the author of Pour l'honneur de mon prince... (For the | Honour of my Prince...), 50 vignettes of Acadian history in Nova Scotia and Cape Breton Island originally aired on CBC (Radio- Canada), recently awarded "Le Prix France-Acadie 1990" in the Human Sciences Division. It is published by Michel Henry (P. O. Box 1273, Moncton, N. B. E1C 8P9) • 188 pages, \$18.95. 539-4413 539-4415 "GOOD DEALS ON GOOD CARS!" Located on the Sydney - Glace Bay Highway 1/2 mile before U.C.C.B. JONEUIM GENERAL CONSTRUCTION TILT-UP CONCRETE BUILDINGS CONCRETE STRUCTURES PRE-ENGINEERED BUILDINGS TURN-KEY PROJECTS DESIGN BUILD Riverview Drive, Sydney Fax. 539-0104 539-2222 PIPER'S TRAILER COURT Featuring: Fully Licensed Dining Room Laundromat Mini-Mart Ocean-Side Campsites Swimming Pool 929-2233 929-2067 Indian Brook on the Cabot Trail (Halfway between Baddeck and Ingonish) From either direction on the Cabot Trail, plan for comfort and welcome Piper's Old Manse GUEST HOUSE with Bed and Breakfast , OPEN YEAR ROUND ' Gas Tank Replacements & Repairs For Personal Efficient Service: Call 564-6699 Sydney Radiator New Heaters & Radiators or Repairs We Service and Ship 121 Prince Street, Sydney Anywhere on cape Breton island 20 Years a Family Business 2 Years Warranty on All Parts * We Accept VISA & MASTERCARD