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cook aboard. I was half-cook. I don't mean cook I mean half-cook. Just the same I was keeping the men happy. I dreamed I was walking and I started counting my foot? steps. It was about 12 o'clock. I said. This is my last trip. I'm going home and I am going to build this dragger exactly. And I built it that winter. That dragger burned right in the middle of the harbour here. I took a tape and went aboard and measured it exactly the way I dreamed that I did it. All by heart. I haven't got any mathematic so I can't tell you exactly how to measure. I can't explain how to do it. I'd like to be able to explain it to a guy who wanted to build a ship like that. To build one of those boats you need to be a little wee bit of a carpenter, a good imagination and a wee bit of foolishness. It is not as hard as you think. But all the planking around these boats • there's no two planks alike. Differences in bevels, widths, lengths. If you happen to put your planking on even you'll find too much wood in the bow or amidship or in the stern. And if somebody comes along when I'm making the planking like that and happens to talk, I'm lost. Excellent Accomodations x:he MAKkIANb DINGWALL. VICTORIA COUHTY, N.S. • PhOfIK Olngw?H 4? Mrs. Chester McEvoy, Manager Now 206 Years Old ROBIN, JONES & WHITMAN, LIMITED Cheticamp, N.S. 224-2022 Inverness, N, S, 258-2362 When in Cape Breton Visit Seal Island Motel Each Room has a Scenic View of the Bras D'Or Lakes and Kelly's Mt. On Route 105 halfway between Baddeck and Sydney. Phone Boulardarie 57-3. COUNTRY LIVING AT SEAL ISLAND BRIDGE Licensed Dining Room Tom's Shell Service & Restaurant Louislx)urg 733-2616 Bonnell Furniture Limited SYDNEY AND GLACE BAY, N. S. 50 Years Serving Cape Bretoners with Fine Furniture and Appliances HmniD HOraUIHITED Your Chrysler Dealer 849-5588 McKeen Street Glace Bay Cape Breton's Maga2ine/19