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for many years, has had a very fine stone placed on it in recent years by a great-grandson, Thomas E. Ross, the present owner of the pioneer farm. Thus Mr. Ross has very fittingly preserved for posterity a memorial to a remarkable pioneer in these words: In Memory of "The Little Woman" Henriette LeJeune Wife of James J. Ross (Pioneer) The First White Woman to Settle In North East Margaree Born in France 1743 Died in Margaree 1860 Fought with the French in the Second Siege of Louisburg 1758 Administered Smallpox Vaccine Brought with Her from France To the Settlers of This Valley Benefactress of All Both White And Indian Erected by Her Great Grandson Thomas E. Ross

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