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when the younger folk appeared in their best bib and tucker to make their presence felt on Sunday. For instance, the young maiden who had been absent for a year or so at service in Boston, and had lately arrived on a visit to the old home, never put in an appearance before Saturday. Contrary to usual and necessary custom now-a-days on special occasions, no application for reservations was made: every fresh arrival presented himself and herself at any home, either at the solicitation of a companion or joining the crowd moving in the direction of a certain household known far and wide for its hospitality. If accommodation for the night could not be secured, at least a meal was provided, and kindly directions given respecting further convenience at a farther distance. These central depots, when taxed beyond further endurance, had at disposal subsidiary centres that.

South Shore May 17-19 June 27-29 July 12-13 August 2-10 Aquafest, South Shore Region  
Queens County Privateer Days, Liverpool Lunenburg Craft Festival, Lunenburg  
Chester Municipal Old Home Week, Municipality of Chester Y'umouth County June 28  
Atlantic Region Town Criers' Championship, July 18-20 July 21-27 August 4-9  
Dartmouth July 11-12 July 26-31 August 1-4 September 20-21 Evangeline Iyail  
May 29-June 2 Yarmouth Festival Acadian a Ste. Anne du Ruisseau, Ste. Anne du  
Ruisseau Seafest, Yarmouth Western Nova Scotia Exhibition, Yarmouth Maritime  
Old Time Fiddling Contest, Dartmouth Dartmouth's 25th Anniversary Celebrations,  
Dartmouth Dartmouth Natal Day Weekend, Dartmouth Shearwater international  
Air Show, Dartmouth August 8-17 August 17 Cape Breton July 18-Aug. 2 July 27  
August 4-9 August 13-17 The Nova Scotia Festival, Halifax May 22-24 June 27-July  
1 July 5 54th Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival, Kentville, New Minas,  
Wolfville Acadian Festival of Clare, Municipality of Clare Digby Scallop Days, Digby  
Annapolis Royal Arts Festival, Annapolis Royal Antigonish & Eastern Shore July  
10-12 Antigonish Highland Games, Antigonish July 17-21 Eastern Shore Summer  
Fair, Musquodoboit Harbour July 8-13 August 7-10 September 26-28 For more  
information call: 1-800-565-7105 The Honourable Jack MacIsaac Minister of Tourism

' /f' ACADIAN FESTIVALS AIR SHOWS ANIMAL SHOWS ARTS AND CRAFTS,  
ANTIQUENESS ART, MUSIC, THEATRE AND DANCE BARBECUES, PICNICS, GARDEN  
PARTIES, LOBSTER AND SALMON SUPPERS BAZAARS, CARNIVALS, EXHIBITIONS  
AND FAIRS BOATING AND SAILING EVENTS COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS FLOWER  
SHOWS SCOTCH CELEBRATIONS SPORTING ACTIVITIES STRAWBERRY,  
BLUEBERRY FESTIVALS & FAIRS FESTIVALS, CELEBRATIONS HARNESS RACING like the  
former, exerted themselves to the point of exhaustion; and there they in turn  
directed the stream still farther onwards. It was always a point of honor that the  
limit of capacity was reached before any applicant was turned away; and this fact  
was well understood and appreciated by the other. To return to the principal  
theme: The meetings were held in the open air, as there was no church building  
large enough to hold the crowd; also the practice of the open air service was in  
consonance with that of the old Covenanters, who believed that under the canopy  
of Heaven they got into closer touch with the Father of their spirits. At the



outskirts of the consecrated space a picket of elders was stationed to superintend the collection. Often the little wooden boxes, set on the end of stakes driven into the ground, would present a full harvest of coppers. Everybody was supposed to contribute on his or her way to a position on the hillside: poor indeed must have been the servant girl if she did not throw her mite into the treasury. And if she forgot it, she would be followed by such a threatening glower from the elders as would scare her from repeating the offence. From Thursday until Monday afternoon the religious exercises continued without intermission--the evenings, far into night, being given up to prayer, praise, and exhortation. Thursday was called the "Day of Fasting," in Gaelic "La Traisg," and as such was literally observed by the faithful, who abstained entirely from food until the afternoon, and then indulged in slight refreshment only. Friday was known as the "Question Day," "La Ceiste." After the preliminary singing and the invocation of the Divine Blessing, the minister called for the "Question." Immediately some old Christian enquirer stood up, read or quoted a Bible verse, and asked for its interpretation: the discussion following virtually involved a differential diagnosis between saints and sinners, and was so intended. The minister invariably led off in this discussion: and then, from a list of names, called upon those who were to address the assemblage. Let it be understood that no information--

Seaside Festival '86, Sheet Harbour  
Clam Harbour Beach Sand Sculpturing Contest, Clam Harbour  
Centre  
Bras d'Or Festival of the Arts, Baddeck  
30th Annual Broad Cove Scottish Concert, Broad Cove, Inverness Co.  
Nova Scotia Gaelic Mod, Cape Breton Festival  
Acadien de Petit de Grat, Petit de Grat  
Children's Festival of Nova Scotia, Halifax  
Nova Scotia Tattoo, Halifax  
Metropolitan Scottish Festival and Highland Games, Halifax  
9th international Town Criers' Championship, Halifax  
September 13 Central Nova  
June 28-July 1 July 25-Aug. 2 July 25-27 August 8-10 Pictou County  
June 26-July 1 Westville  
Dominion Days, Westville July 1-6 Trenton's 75th Anniversary  
Celebrations, Trenton July 10-13 Pictou  
Lobster Fisheries Carnival, Pictou July 27-Aug. 3  
Festival of the Tartans, New Glasgow  
Pugwash Gathering of the Clans & Fishermen's Regatta, Pugwash  
Springhill Old Home Week & King Miner Days, Springhill  
Glooscap Festival, Five Islands  
Rockhound Round-Up, Parrsboro