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way out of the way. I started living the city life. Because, being a country boy and going in the city, there were so many things to see and so many things to do. So, you might say I started partying. I went down the wrong track. Bill chuckles. I got tangled into drinking, boozing, and dope, and everything else you can think of. And when it got tough enough up there, in London, Ontario--I was married by then, I had married Linda, who is from there. I told her, I said, "I can't take the city any more. I've got to go back home." Because I thought, by coming down here, it's going to help me. You know, back home, and back around my surroundings. So, I came back home. And I tried to work around here. But I was having the same problem here. Didn't change anything, I was having the same problem here as in Ontario, I still couldn't hold a job, and I still wasn't satisfied. Till one day I told Linda, I said, "Look, I'm working on the wharves unloading boats," I said, "I'm being called in the middle of the night to go out, I'm spending some days of 19 to 20 hours straight, and then coming home and sleeping two hours, and then going back out to work again," I said, "I've been thinking of something. If I put that much time into what I like doing, I've got to be able to make as much as what I'm making on wharves." And that was the arts. That's when I decided to take on the arts and try it out. And it was--so far, it's been the right thing to do. I kept at that, and worked sometimes till day--

a&jSay BUOY Seafood & Steak RESTAURANT | Baddeck, N.S. 295-2581 ' 1' Environnement Environnement Canada Canada Canadian Parks Service canadien light in the morning. And I didn't tire, you know. Like, on a job, you get tired. This year, I don't tire. I work till--till I've had enough. My heart's content, you know. And then I come in and sleep for awhile. And then, go back out. It's something that seems to be part of me. It's natural, you know, I see now, because I haven't drunk for years now--I quit every? thing at once. And the arts took--filled in everything I was missing. So, really, all the way along, when I really stop and think--sometimes in quiet I think: that's what was meant to be. And that's why I was so uneasy in the past. You know, couldn't hold jobs, turned to the booze, turned to this. Because I had an unsatisfied--I don't know what you'd call it--an unsatisfied soul or something. You know? But as soon as I got in the arts, it calmed me. It replaces all the things,...

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