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Geraldine and Tommy, 1949. Geraldine and Marie, 1953. the grief and aided all the grieving peo? ple in their hour of need. Their prayers and their faith held them together. Ritu? als of prayers and songs for the dead and dying continue today, as do the wakes and charity auctions which follow the funeral. Everyone comes, bringing with them their most cherished possession which is given to the auctioneer for charity. The pro? ceeds are then passed on to the family to ~ Our 23rd Year in Business - Canso Realties Ltd. Box 727 Port Hawkesbury, N. S. BOE 2V0 Phone (902) 625-0302 • We carry 300 listings of property for sale in Cape Breton and Eastem Nova Scotia. JIM MARCHAND ?? BROKER (' cover the costs of the wake and funeral and other expens? es of bringing in distant relatives. When Mi'kmag were on the road, peddling or making bas? kets, their spirituality nev? er went without nourishment. They prayed often, always be? fore meals, and said the ro? sary. They also would find a church in the town and even though it may not be a Catho? lic church, they still went to it to pray. One summer for five months, John and Harriet Lewis' fami? ly went to the Church of England, not the Catholic church they had been baptized in? to, because none was available in the town where they lived and worked. In those days, such a practice was not encouraged by the Catholic Church. So when they re? turned home, they immediately went to con? fession and confessed that they had to go to another church because a Catholic church was not handy. John and Harriet became well-known among the folks in the small village of East River Point. John's friendly nature and Harriet's warm and inviting smile were welcomed throughout the town as they made their way around with their baskets and stories. They visited people, went to church, and sold their baskets around the town. John liked music and even danced, although his wife was quite shy and did We 're really into parks and recreation. Every year, more and more people in Nova Scotia are tuming to our forests for sport and recreational enjoyment. Through multiple land-use planning activities and forestry operations, a system of access roads and woodland pathways make it easy for Nova Scotians to experience our natural beauty first hand. From hiking, biking, and skiing trails, to hunting and fishing areas, our forest manage? ment practices promote a healthy environment and create a forest legacy for future generations to use and enjoy. .. FELDMUHLE Stora... creating a Nova Scotia forest legacy. Stora Forest Industries Ltd. P.O. Box 59, Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia, Canada BOE 2V0 Tel. (902) 625-2460