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Evelyn Smith continued from page 8 And he'd be telling how hard, you know, how hard they were working, this fellow would be telling it. "Oh," he'd say, "Christy gets up at 5, and I get up a short time afterwards." And they said it was around 9 o'clock he'd get up! He had kind of forgotten that, I guess! Oh, Christy had a lot of stories about Mur? ray. It was an exciting period in her life. And we really enjoyed them at that time, and I guess that's why I remember them. (Did Aunt Christy serve as your mother, would you say?) Yes, I guess she would, really. More than Annie Mae. Annie Mae was 17 when our mother took the stroke. But Christy was an older woman coming in. And, Christy was good to us in a whole lot of ways. But she was an old maid, and she probably would be more strict than our mother would have been. I feel that way--I rather suspect. Well, I suppose she had a responsibility. And, being an old maid, maybe she didn't understand young people as much as my mother would--you know, never INN Sydney, N.S. Experience the charm of another era in this century-old mansion • t"y Accommodations with Private Bath -' ' Fine Dining by Reservation ..''y'ftemoon Tea - Open Year Round ~ Located at 259 King's Road Sydney, N.S. 539-2696 having been married. I guess Christy would be probably in her 40s then.... Oh, there were some terrible sto? ries to be told about things that went on. You know, we talk about the good old days. "Every? one was so good and so religious and all that." There were a lot of things that were wrong, too. The men seem to have been the lords, and the women were--well, they had to be obedient. And there were stories told about men who were so mean about--even about giving a lunch or a cup of tea to someone who'd come to the house, you know. Were you ever told stories like that? (No, and I'd like to know what you're talking about in more detail.) Well, there's one case up. And I can't--I'm not good at names. But this woman, a friend came to visit her in the afternoon, and she made a cup of tea and a lunch for her. And she thought that he was out in the woods, and that he wouldn't be in until later. But here he came in, with a load of wood. And the first thing he did when he walked in was go over--and you know the old stoves with the warming ovens on them -- and the teapot was put back up there. Nartz 24 HOUR SERVICE - 7 DAYS A WEEK 539-1538 1430 George St. Sydney, N. S. 539-5623 Sydney Airport • FAST FRIENDLY SERVICE • FEATURING LATEST MODEL CARS, TRUCKS, & 4'WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES • LOCAL PICKUP and DELIVERY To Resen/e a Car "'r.Etl..-i -800-263-0600 Tlie #1 way to rent a car.