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sin Phillip MacPherson, who had excited his interest in the first place. And from there he worked in various stations that the C.P.R. was building on the south line'. I think we c alur't the Crow's Nest Line. And h'.i?>flced with a carpenter that summer "c'-'t'e C.P.R. . And bought a horse and sad? dle from a neighbour. And came north across the Red Deer River to the area that had been (opened) for homesteading. It should never have been opened for agricul? ture. It was ideal pasture land and it should have been left. However, it was thrown open for homestead- ROUTE 4 The road less travelled! Discover Richmond County From Johnstown to Arichat, Louisdale to Loch Lomond, an extraordinary mixture of Acadian and Irish, Micmac and Scottish traditions welcomes the visitor. The setting is the guiet beauty of Richmond County. The culture and heritage are centuries old. We invite you to take Route 4, the road that leads through Richmond County. It is the road less travelled, and it will make all the difference in your Cape Breton Vacation, MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF RICHMOND ing. And there he cancelled--or filed, as they said-'oil, a homestead. The location being Section 18, Township 27, Range 7, West of the Fourth Meridian. Nanton is about 40-50 miles south of Calgary. But the location of my father's homestead-- remember there was no railroad at that point, it was just the open prairie--but the location would have been about 180 miles north and east--but mostly east--of Calgary, at north of the Red Deer River. I suppose because the authorities recog? nized that this would be really a grazing land--and because of climatic conditions-- they realized that 160 acres would never support a family--so there were adjacent quarter-sections (available)--so that he had 320 acres. He had the half-section of land. And there was no service water ex? cept what was called slues which contained the run-off from the spring snow. Now the nearest point of (supplies) at that time is Brooks. And everything re? guired- -food, lumber--all the necessities, had to come from Brooks--an overland trip of ninety miles with team and wagon--and forty to Red Deer River. Now negotiating OPEN ALL YEAR! Acadian Cuisine in a traditional setting Newly Renovated, Luxury accommodations in a 19th Century period setting. At Arichat on Isle Madame Call: (902) 226-2200 The convenience of modem accommodations in the charm of an historic village at St. Peter's 20 Motel Units Licensed Dining Lounge • Cable T.V. BEACHES FISHING • GOLFING HISTORIC SITES INN ON THE CANAL Come visit us at the Inn where the only thing we overlook is the beautiful Bras d'Or Lakes! Box 9, St. Peter's, N. S. BOE 3B0 ?? 1-800-535-2200 Discover Cape Breton Differently! KAYAK TOURS INSTRUCTION • RENTALS • KAYAKS • CANOES • BIKES • • OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT- LOG CABINS on the Bras d'Or Lake Ask for brochure: KAYAK CAPE BRETON R. R. 2. West Bay, N. 8. BOE 3K0 OR PHONE (902) 535-3060 QCad'dings Xmas & Crafts "SHoppe" // I'/ f Monday -Wednesday. & Saturday: 10 AM - 4 PM ' 1' Thursdays Friday: 10 AM-9 PM • Sunday: 1 PM ?? 7 PM i 9711 GRENVILLE ST. .#4 HIGHWAY • ST. PETERS Phone 535-2248 • open yearly from May 24 to December 24 3 pages of great reasons to visit Richmond County