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a wealth of carved detail, notably a symbolic sunburst, triangle and depiction of the Paschal Lamb, give it the appearance of a baldacchino. Over the altar table is draped the Cape Breton tartan. Calvin Presbyterian, Drummondville Loch Lomond The inland Presbyterians at Drummondville were determined to make their mark on the landscape when, in 1910, they undertook the construction of their stately temple of worship overlooking Loch Lomond. Not one but two gabled porticoes provide entrance at the corners of the west facade. Ascending the steeply pitched staircases, which already begin at mid-point on the slope up from the roadway, spiritual travellers to Calvin Presbyterian leave the ordinary world behind when arriving for Sunday services. The architecture of Calvin Presbyterian is vigorously eclectic, and it is the most grandiose of several buildings reflecting a regional building style (other, humbler structures include the nearby Zion United at Gabarus Lake and St. Andrew's at Framboise). The exceptionally wide west wall is punctuated by two rows of windows, flanked by stepped square towers hinting at distant Norman inspiration. making an incongruous backdrop for the neoclassicism of the porches. Unlike the traditional truncation of Norman towers, there is an upward extension of four-sided spires with gablets around the bases. Window openings are a veritable sampler of architectural styles, including Gothic, Romanesque, and the square type popular in Edwardian houses at the turn of the century. The south wall is an identical replication of the design of the Hallowed Timbers is on sale across Canada. Or, you can order copies by mail from Cape Breton's Magazine. See the Order Form on the opposite page. HARDCOVER • 128 PAGES 117 PHOTOS, 34 IN COLOUR \$35 Canadian, plus GST & shipping west facade, conveying a particularly imposing impression to the visitor approaching from the southwest. By contrast, the north wall is a single-storey Gothic facade, mostly undistinguishable from that of the many modest Gothic-revival churches on the Island. The richness of architectural detail at Calvin Presbyterian is echoed in the unusual (by Cape Breton standards) feature of coloured-glass panels in its many windows. Rarely is the dynamism of natural surroundings and the formalism of architectural traditions so curiously mingled as at this out-of-the-way place in the hilly country around Loch Lomond. Billy James MacNamara "SS'pXI'es\* I know a man out here, a lot of years ago, out here in the bay--he was a fisherman. Belonged over to Isle Madame there. For nearly two years, I guess, he thought he had TB. He couldn't get clear of a hoarseness and a cough he had. So this spring came, ready for fishing. He got out fishing, and he was fishing herring. And there was a Gloucester vessel or a Boston vessel came in there--Brian Hearn. He went aboard. So one of the fellows said to him, "My dear man," he said, "what in the name of God are you doing out in the boat here. You're in awful shape." He told him that he had that for over a year, year and a half. Couldn't get rid of it. "Well," he said, "I'll give you something to get rid of it. I'll tell you. It won't hurt you to try it." He said, "You've got lots of cod liver oil out here, lots of haddock, codfish." He said, "You take them, and boil them. Boil them in a little water"--he told him how to do it, a little water. He said, "When you see



bubbles coming on top, they're cooked enough. And," he said, "you drink that for two or three months. And," he said, "if you don't do that, you can take the livers and fry them. May be a little hard to eat, but you eat them." And he did. MacDonald, his name was. John R. MacDonald. He did it. Christ, I guess...it cleared him. He lived to be an old man-- not too many years since he died. See Issue 49 of Cape Breton's Magazine for a visit with Billy James MacNamara. His story about milking the chair is in the new Breton Book, *Another Night: Cape Breton Stories True & Short & Tall* • now available in bookstores right across Canada. You can also order it directly from Breton Books/Cape Breton's Magazine. See the Order Form on the opposite page.

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