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impossible to get near it. So, we kept go? ing along the side of the ship, with no in? tentions in the world to try and go aboard. But one of our trips along the side of her, we looked at a rope coming down from one of the lifesaving boats--a big rope practical? ly as stout as your wrist. I told Fraser to row in to see if that rope was tied, for what reason I don't know. So Fraser went in, I stood up in the bow of the boat, and I caught the rope and put my weight on it and away the boat went from under my feet, and there I was dan? gling in the air. So I said to myself, "John Angus, you better move." And move I did--up as fast as I could go. But every time I would get close to the boat, the rope would slip and down I would go. Some? times I would go as far as my feet going in the water. Some more times I would go about half way. I tell you, I was getting tired and getting scared. I came to the conclusion that someone was still aboard, and was doing that to see if I would go back in the neck. There wasn't a track (a footprint) around the coil of rope. There was around an inch or two of snow on the deck, and not a track anywhere. Then I walked over to the coil of rope to have a closer look at it, and there was nothing in the world that I could see that was keeping that rope in the coil. There's an explanation for everything, but Ronie's boy wasn't go? ing to look for it then. Right then, along with the hair rising on the back of my neck and on the top of my head, there was a big yellow strip running down my back. Richmond County's Route 4 "I took the road less travelled by... ... and that has made cdl the difference." -Robert Frost Where was the boat? There was no way for him to find me--the only light we had was the small light in my pocket. So the boat was out. Eventually I made the lifesaving boat. I stayed there about 10 minutes without I moving. I mean, I couldn't move--I was too tired. When I got some of my strength back, I took out my flashlight and shone it around. I couldn't see anyone. Then I went in aboard the big ship, and I made a holler. And sure enough, someone an? swered me, but I couldn't tell where it was coming from. Then I shone the light on the coil of rope, and my blood went cold, the hair stood up on the back of my WHILE IN St. Pe'te"e STOP -574 v & ENIOY OUR WARM UNIQUE HOSPITALITY THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY & COUNTY Discover Cape Breton Differently! KAYAK TOURS INSTRUCTION • KAYAKS • CANOES • BIKES • LOG COTTAGES on the Bras d'Or Lake PRIVATE & SCENIC Ask for brochure: KAYAK CAPE BRETON R. R. 2, West Bay, N. S. BOE 3K0 FAX or PHONE (902) 535-3060 Some Things In Life Are Perfect. "Lady of Dundee" sailing to Dundee Resort Marina. Your Perfect Cape Breton Vacation Is At Dundee Resort. Picture yourself having a perfect Nova Scotia Dundee Resort has recently expanded the vacation this year in Cape Breton at Dun- ." lodge to include an additional 60 rooms, dee Resort. Perfect surroundings are com-// some with fireplaces or Jacuzzis. Along bined with the perfect selection of ac-highlands with their 40 one- and two-bedroom tivities for you. With a championship cottages, Dundee Resort has accom- 18-holegolfc is located right Bras d'Or Lakes sailing, tennis, i swimming in our indoor a outdoor pools. Plus, super? vised kids' activities like soccer, volley-ball, arts & crafts, and much more. f,



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