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bour was black with people skating: horse races and everything; iceboats and God knows what. The ice was always occupied, but it wasn't ice like this. There was no snow on it most of the time. See, it was good ice. I seen skating myself from here to River Bourgeois it was nothing. Go right across the Passage, cripes. But you very seldom see them winters now. Now {there's different things that they have. Make your stay in Cape Breton UNFORGETTABLE! *OcXSSh09-' INN Beautiful overnight guest rooms with private bath • and full hot breakfast ANTIQUE FURNISHINGS (902) 539-2696 ~ OPEN YEAR ROUND ~ Centrally located in Sydney, NS at 259 King's Road The world has changed so much now that you won't go and skate on the har? bour. The parents will pay a certain fee for their children to go and skate in a skating place like Haw? kesbury and them places. They pay Industrial Cape Breton Board ot Trade Serving homes and businesses throughtiout Cape Breton Island ,''MiBB ' • • i'' .''M j'''' Maple Leaf Products of SYDCO' 38 Lewis Drive Sydney River 539-6444 FURNACE OIL • STOVE OIL • DIESEL • GAS • LUBRICANTS ENERGY FUELS to go skating now. (But they wouldn't skate on the harbour?) No, sir. No, it's too cheap! See, that's true. I never went to Boston for fish. I made 8 trips to Boston because most of my people were there. The ones older than me were all in Boston. (Brothers and sisters.) Yeah, yeah. One of them was an engineer, he was working for the Boston Sand & Grav? el. And he used to unload sandsuckers, you know. They used to go and dig sand and then they'd take that ashore and make roads and everything, see. Two of them were on an oil tanker. And another one was working for years--a machinist. I used to go and visit them. I wanted to see what it was like. The fellow I was chumming with, I was getting \$43 a month and he was getting \$100 a month. So I went to Newport, Rhode Island, where my father was fishing. My brother took me, you know, he knew I was kind of green, see. So we took the train. We went there over? night. And they had a big shed with a lot of beds. And they had a cookhouse there. They'd go with the boat fishing, trapping. They'd have a trap all around and they'd surround fish and then they'd purse that underneath and then they'd get a big bag of fish and load the boat. I don't know if you're famil- iar with that. They have a striker boat and the striker boat goes and flaps to keep the fish in the one place, see, while they were surrounding. (What does he flap with?) Just with his oars, you know, to frighten the J fish so then they'd stay in, see, so I they wouldn't get out. And after that they have what they call a purse line. A purse line is a line that goes all around on the bot- IrjbijAAqmci We plan it all for you. 794-7251 158 QUEEN ST., NORTH SYDNEY 86