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she knew that she was worried about some? one, but she said, "I think it is your hus? band." Frances said, "Yes." She said, "Well, you don't have to worry, he's trying to get word to you. He's within four walls." Shortly after that she got word that he was in a stalag. At the time I was going with a boy from Crathorne then. That same gypsy lady told me at that time, that we were going to break up. She said you're going to cross water, and you're going to take two children with you. I didn't even know Don existed then. Didn't I later cross water, and I brought two children with me. Wasn't that strange? She was so good at reading the cards and the crystal ball.... We had air-raid shelters all around, sirens would go off, but not too many went into them. They'd be too curious watching the dogfights in the air--the Germans and the English fighting. Then we had those big barrage balloons that were filled with gas: they were to catch the Germans when they came in. Great big ones. The planes would run into them and they'd explode. They were all over, those things up in the air. Mostly all around in England, it was the women that were on the guns; it wasn't the men that de? fended. The men were at war, except those who couldn't go. It was women on the ack-ack guns that brought them planes down. Real fighters, some of them, I'm telling you.... Leather Works by John C. Roberts Bags Buckets Visit Worlcshop and Store at • INDIAN BROOK • CAPE BRETON ISLAND BOC IHO On Cabot Trail between BaddecIHK CHOICE OF 2 CRUISES of one of th? most beautiful coastlines in Cape Breton: Historical St. Ann's HARBOUR CRUISE Bird Island ECO TOUR COAST GUARD CERTIFIED • FULL PASSENGER LIABILITY • BAR & CANTEEN • RESERVATIONS'INFO (902) 929-2563 TOLL FREE 1-877-A-PUFFIN (1-877-278-3346) ?? Box 33, Englishtown, NS BOC IHO PIPER'S TRAILER COURT Featuring: Fully Licensed Dining Room Mini-Mart Ocean-Side Campsites Swimming Pool 929-2233 929-2067 Indian Brook on the Cabot Trail (Halfway between Baddeck and Ingonish) From either direction on the Cabot Trail, plan for comfort and welcome Piper's Old Manse GUEST HOUSE with Bed and Breakfast, OPEN YEAR ROUND, . St, Ann's Bay, the Gem of Victoria County!