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that's the guy that helped unload the liquor. His name was Humbert. That's true. Three or four or five hundred dollars I got out of the trip anyways, because I'd done all the navigation. The fella that owned the boat, I don't know what money he made down there. I went home and I met the wife and I said, "Lord Jesus, I got to change my life in some way or another." So I changed. That's how I met the wife. (But how did you meet the wife?) She was a serving girl, she was housekeeping. A fella lost his wife and he had a bunch of kids and she was keeping house for him. That's how I met her. She was looking after his kids. Put her in the family way and we got George Prosser married. I married in May and I on their way left home again. I was only married about a month or so, but I went back on the island • took the wife on the island • and I left home. I was gone all summer again. She said to me when I got home, "If this is the way you're going to live, you got to count me out." So I had to stay. I stayed home and took over the old fishing boat that my father owned--and that's what I made a living off of then. (I'm almost afraid to ask you • Was she the first woman you ever saw, or was it love at first sight?) {George laughs.} If you turn that thing off.... There's always a way to sneak around the old man. I was going with one steady when I was only four • 'teen years old. The poor little girl. But like I said, nobody knew too much about it. In them days you had it hid away. In the wintertime you'd take a shovel with you and dig a hole in the snow. That was where you done your courting. I was only twenty years old when I married the wife, you know. I married the wife and I got settled down. Not too much, but I settled down anyway. I kept on going till she got after me. One way or the other I had to slow down. She helped a lot. with Don Nugent, to the Legion oh. She reared up the whole family. I never was home for my kids. From the time I left Newfoundland, I never spent a Christmas with them. Until I joined the Navy.... Shipped me down to Sydney here on the Shore Patrol, and I done five and a half years sleeping home, which I hadn't done for four years. Sleeping home. Thanks to Adeline and Donald Luckie for their hospitality and help in telling this story.

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