

non-intercourse that preceded it, British wares that were much needed by the good people of Eastern Maine could be received only from a neutral port; so it was found convenient to have such a port close at hand, and the island was made to answer the purpose. It has borne other names, of which the origin is more obscure; but none more beautiful than that first given it by its French discoverers, from the shape of the waters above it on their maps—the Island of the Holy Cross.

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### Editorial.



WITH this issue which, by the way, is the second double number published during the current year, is completed the fourth volume of ACADIENSIS. In January, 1905, there will appear the first installment of an important historical work, prepared by the hand of one who has for many years lain silent in the grave, but to whose efforts, although he labored under many disadvantages, much of the credit for the interest now taken in New Brunswick history is due.

“The Judges of New Brunswick and their Times,” by the late Joseph Wilson Lawrence, edited and annotated by Alfred A. Stockton, Esq., D. C. L., K. C., etc., of St. John, will be found not only interesting, but historically valuable. The editor of ACADIENSIS considers