

Upon the easterly shore, or gulph of St. Laurence, is Canso gut, a safe and short passage from the British settlements to Canada river, 6 leagues long, 1 league wide; a good navigation, from the journals of Capt. Gayton anno 1746, upon a cruize to Bay Verte. About 25 leagues further is Tatamaganahou, a considerable Nova Scotia French district or settlement, and good road for vessels; 14 leagues further is Bay Verte, shallow water, but the embarquadier from Canada, to disturb us in Nova Scotia; from this are only 4 miles land carriage to the river of Chiconicto; here we may observe, that upon the Chiconicto bay side are 11 fathom tide, upon the gulph of St. Laurence or Bay Verte side, are only 4 to 5 feet tide. Further (Isle Bonaventure and Isle Percée intervening, where the French by treaty of Utrecht do rightfully cure dry cod fish) at the south entrance of the river of St. Laurence, is Gaspee, a deep bay and good harbour; here unrighteously the French dry cod fish; I observe in the late French charts published by authority, there is a territory prickt off, called Gaspee, as if not belonging to Nova Scotia or L'Accadie, ceded to Great Britain by the treaty of Utrecht; such a paper encroachment, if not attended to, may be construed after many years a just claim by prescription; such is at present the dispute between the Baltimore family of Maryland, and the Pen's family of Pensylvania concerning the old Dutch charts, and our new charts in relation to Cape Cornelius the south cape of Delaware Bay, and Cape Henlopen, 20 miles south westerly from the mouth of Delaware Bay, in running the line between the three lower counties of Pensylvania and Maryland.

Nova Scotia is divided into 10 or 12 districts; each district annually chuses one deputy to be approved by the commander and council at Annapolis; he is a sort of agent for the district, and reports the state of the district from time to time; they are in no legislative or executive capacity; the French missionaries, who are not only appointed by the bishop of Quebec in Canada, but under