

spruce fir ; pine ; cedar ; tackamahacka, or juniper ; white thorn ; elli, and wild cherry trees, with strawberries, raspberries, gooseberries, cranberries, and many other fruits. There are fine orchards belonging this town. The soil seems rather of a stronger clay than any we have yet seen, and some places rather rocky.

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL, adjoining the township of Granville, lies West from Halifax one hundred and thirty miles ; and when in the possession of the French (who kept a garrison in it) was the capital of Nova-Scotia, and in a very flourishing condition ; a great trade being carried on, and money and provisions were in great plenty. About seventy years ago it fell into the hands of the English. When Halifax was built, which is about twenty years ago, they removed the soldiers from the garrison at Annapolis, to the fort at that place : The trade went along with them, and has ever since been on the decline. The forts seem to be tumbling to ruins. This town is as finely situated for trade as any in the country : It stands at the head of a fine basin, six miles over ; where ships of any burden may ride in the greatest safety : It runs for above fifteen miles through a narrow passage betwixt two mountains, called Annapolis Gut, and empties itself into Fundy Bay, where it is about a mile wide ; so that the township extends fifteen miles down the basin, four the bay, and upwards of twenty miles above the town, through which runs a fine navigable river, which comes upwards of seventy miles out of the country. On both sides of the river several families are settled, chiefly from New-England. They were sent by the government, most of them were soldiers and very poor. On their first settling they were supplied with a years provisions. They were entire strangers to cultivation,