and partly to the presence of additional names omitted by the maker of the earlier map. From this time on until the appearance of Champlain's maps in 1613, many maps of the Gulf of St. Lawrence were

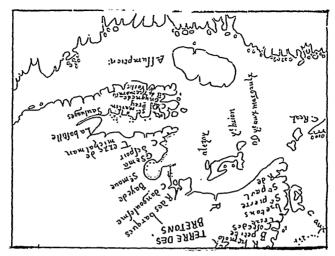


Fig. 4-Map made by Desceliers in 1546.

published, but none of them were any better, and most of them were worse, than that made by Desceliers (Figure 4). This, of course, was because there was no map-making explorer in the Gulf during that interval. These maps will give some idea of the value and difficulties of the study of old maps, a subject certain to receive from historians much more attention in the future than it has in the past.