

Place-nomenclature.

Point de Bute.—Occurs as Point Debuté in Fisher's Sketches of 1825, 61; and apparently in a document of 1788 mentioned by Trueman; also in its present form in the Willard Diary of 1755 in possession of the Lancaster (Mass.) Public Library.

Pokesuedie Island.—As *Pocsuedier I* on a plan of 1816. It is Little Pokesuedie Island, locally *L'Îlet*, which is *I à Zacharie* on old Indian plans. Pronounced locally Poke-su-die (the u as in duke, and accent on the second syllable).

Pokemouche.—In the Crown Land Office is a large-scale plan entitled, "Sketch of the Upper Parts of the River Pocomouch," by William Ferguson, 1811, which gives a number of Indian names as follows:—

Pilpudmoe Brook, the present Caribou Creek; *Waganchitch* Brook, the present Peter's Brook; *Chicichickoe* Rivulet, the present Pelletier Brook (on the south side above Peter's Brook); *Ranamagauch* Brook, the present Maltempec. This map will be reproduced in my article upon "The History of Pokemouche," in *Acadiensis*, Vol. VI.

This map also applies the *Pte. de la Croix* to two points, the northern one at Upper Pokemouche (opposite Rivers Point), and that between Maltempec and the main Pokemouche. Presumably these mark the sites of Indian burial grounds.

The Micmac name of Trout Brook on the Upper Pokemouche (8 or 9 miles above head of tide on N. side) has been given me by the intelligent old Micmac, Joe Prisk, of Bathurst, as *Mat-wee-ka-be-jeehk*, meaning "porcupine was hanging."

Pokomoonshine Brook.—This name occurs also in Piscataquis County, Maine, and also in the Adirondacks (see Forest and Stream, May 18, 1901, 384, and the same, June 22, 1901). It is, no doubt, of Indian origin, but the aboriginal form and meaning seem unknown.

Pollet River.—Occurs as *Paullets River* in Land Memorials of 1791.

Ponwauk.—The deadwater on the St. Croix, from below King Brook to Kendrick's Rips, above Chapedneck Falls. Said by the Indians to mean "place of quiet water," as I am told by Mr. Irving Todd, who knows the place well. Perhaps the word has some relation with Penniac.

Poodiac.—A Post-office in Kings County; name of imported Indian origin. Its origin has been explained to me, and I have no doubt, correctly, by a resident, Mr. S. H. F. Sherwood, who wrote me that it was suggested by Poodie, a suburb of Portland, Maine. Asked for more detailed information, he wrote me as follows: "The office was established over 30 years ago. At that time we sent several names that we considered decent, but each was rejected at Ottawa as being already the name of an office in the Dominion, and we became discouraged. About that time there was a young lady visiting here who had been in Portland. She said the people there had a habit when anything annoyed them of wishing it 'tother side of Poodie.' She had also acquired the phrase. She suggested that we call the office