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cause lumbered by John McAdam) became known as McAdam, and the name gradually was transferred to the Junction, the watering place being later named Maudsley (for a British capitalist interested in the road). Thus the name gradually became applied to the junction and was afterwards extended to the parish. This is probably strictly correct, and it is wholly in conformity with the method by which placenames arise.

- Madisco.—A point at Petit Rocher, according to Perley, Fisheries of N. B., 45; one of Gaudet's articles speaks of "Petit Rocher, autrement dite Madisco."
- Meductic.—This name is now applied to the modern village just south of the mouth of Eel River.
- Meductic Falls.—On the Peachey type of maps there occurs here a Gath of Medoctu, long a puzzle to me. On a recently obtained copy of that map, drawn by Sproule (mentioned later in Cartography addenda), I find it written Gall of Medoctu, which, I have no question, is a copylst's error for Fall—showing that Gath is an error for Fall or Falls.
- Memel, in Albert.—Named by a German settler from that place in Germany, as I am told by Hon. A. R. McClelan.
- Messinet Stream.—Named, no doubt, from some one of the family of a French physician of that name who settled in St. George, and whose descendants are still there, as I am told by Mr. J. Vroom. At one time I thought this word a corruption of an Indian name given in the Land Memorials of 1797, which speaks of a stream in Pennfield parish called Wasscasscinicick, the identity of which is not known to me.
- Middle Island.—The original grant of 1765 speaks of Middle Island lying off Windmill Point. (Compare Numeheal, later).
- Middle River.—This appears to have been called by Plessis in 1811 La Rivière du Milan (Journal, 114), though Mitan is, perhaps, a misprint for Milieu.
- Midgic, Westmorland.—Appears first, so far as I have found, in the Land Memorials of 1812 as Point Medjeck, though it must have been used much earlier.
- Milnagek Lake, or Island Lake.—The name and the local nomenclature of the vicinity is fully discussed in Bull. N. H. S., IV, 469.
- Milpagos.—Compare Rand's Milpagchk, "having many coves" (Reader, 100), and Milpagech, variegated (101).
- Minaqua.-See Northwest Miramichi.
- Miramichi.—The origin of this name still cludes me. Its first use in a modern form is as Mesamichi in deMonts' Commission of 1603. To the various fanciful explanations of it may be added that of M'Green.