These supplies Cunningham received on board his vessel, and then started for Sable Island, where on 14th December, before being blown off his course, he had seen about thirty men making appeals for help. At that time he had been unable to render assistance, as the storm had prevented him from reaching the island. Now on his return, he found that the men had been rescued by another vessel, Mr. Mundy's generous conduct deserves to be extolled, in honour of himself and Cole Harbour.

Cole Harbour settlement is a pretty part of the township of Lawrencetown. The highway leading thither passes over some steep hills and often along the very edge of the water. There are some fine farms there, and good sea fishing. One of the first houses in the place was built by Mr. Thomas Beamish, grandfather of Dr. Thomas Beamish Akins of the Record Commission of Nova Scotia. It was part of the Maroon estate which extended across the country to Cole Harbour. The house was long and low, completely shaded by trees, and very gloomy in appearance. Col. John Stewart, a retired army officer, lived there for many years. He married a Miss

<sup>\*</sup> In an old map drawn on paper water-marked 1795, Col. Stewart's house is shown on the west side of the western boundary of Lawrencetown, and close to where Smelt Brook flows into Cole Harbour.—Ed.