

capable of navigation. The principal are, the Annapolis, running parallel with the Bay of Fundy from the township of Cornwallis, in King's county, and discharging itself into Annapolis Bay, navigable for small craft and boats the greater part of its course; the Shubenacadie, running from the Grand Lake, in the county of Halifax, dividing that county from Hants county, and falling into Cobequid Bay, receiving the tides, and navigable for upwards of thirty miles; the Avon, which receives the waters of the rivers St. Croix, Kermescook, and several others, discharges itself into the Bay of Minas, and is navigable for a considerable distance; the La Have, having its source in a chain of lakes that also feeds the Gaspereaux river, in the county of Hants, traverses the whole county of Lunenburg, and, after a course of about sixty miles, discharges itself into the harbour of La Have; the Mersey, winding from Lake Rosignol through the Queen's county, and discharging in Liverpool Harbour; the Medway, commencing in a chain of extensive lakes in the northern part of the Queen's county, and discharging itself into the noble harbour of Port Medway; the Shelburne, discharged from a chain of lakes in the northern part of that county (contiguous to the sources of the river Hubert in the county of Annapolis), and extending to within fifteen miles of the town of Shelburne, where it forms the noble harbour of that name; the Clyde which rises upwards of forty miles in the interior in an extensive chain of lakes, and is deemed one of the most beautiful rivers in Nova Scotia; the Tusket, with its numerous branches, many of which expand into lakes, the principal rising in the Blue Mountains, is navigable for shipping about ten miles, and for boats above thirty; and the St. Mary, the principal branch of which rises in College Lake, within a very short distance of the Antigonish river, and, crossing nearly the whole county of Sydney, from north to south, forms the harbour of St. Mary, where it becomes navigable for the largest vessels for about ten miles. Besides these rivers, there are several others of nearly equal magnitude and importance in all parts of the province, particularly those that run into Pictou Harbour, Cumberland Basin, and the north-eastern coast of the county of Cumberland. These several lakes and rivers beautify the scenery, enrich the soil, and afford singular facilities for internal communication.