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NOVA SCOTIA.

The Publishers of this work consider that there having been so many publications giving historical information of Nova Scotia, as in New Brunswick, that lit would be of no advantage to follow in the same way, they therefore give a condensed statement of each County. The number of square miles, acres and population of each County will be found in

the alphabetical order of names.

Annapolis County, capital Annapolis Royal, the oldest County, first inhabited by the French in 1605, nearly 270 years ago. They continued in possession for 108 years. In 1713 there was a treaty formed with the English, and the country of Nova Scotia became an English possession, and for 36 years Annapolis Royal was the capital of Nova Scotia; in 1749 it yielded the honors to Halifax. Fruit culture is carried on more extensively than in any other County in Nova Scotia, the lumber business is large, also shipbuilding is carried on extensively, the fishing business is also extensive. The scenery is very fine.

Antigonish County, capital Antigonish. This is an admirable County for agriculture. Shipbuilding is carried on. It is largely inhabited by the descendants of Scotch

Highlanders.

Cape Breton County, capital Sydney. There are immense deposits of coal and several mines are profitably worked. It was at one time a separate colony. The fisheries are extensive, and large quantities of fish are shipped annually.

Colchester County, capital Truro. There are large de-

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