Place-nomenclature.

The sketch of the development of our knowledge of the origin of place-nomenclature of New Brunswick, given on this page of the monograph, I find to be incomplete, and it is more accurately as follows. The earliest list of origins of place-names in New Brunswick, known to me, is a considerable list by David Owen, preserved in MS. among the Owen papers in possession of the Campobello Company. It gives origins to a large number of Indian names about Passamaquoddy, but, the author being dominated by the idea that all Indian names had been adopted by the Indians from the French, the list is quite valueless. Thus he derives Passamaquoddy from Passe en Acadie, "a way to Acadie," Grand Manan from French words meaning Great Mary, and so on, in sundry imaginings without any fact basis. The next list known to me is a very brief one, dated 1823, of Indian names on the upper St. John given along with a list of those of Maine by Moses Greenleaf, the Maine Geographer, and recently reprinted in his biography (Bangor, 1902). Then follows the important one of 1832 given by Cooney and cited on this page of the Monograph. Of later date is a short list (of some pine names) by Gesner in the New Brunswick Courier in Nov. (after the 18th), 1837, which seems to be the first appearance of several origins,-Oromocto, Nashwack, Pokiok, etc., which later became widely current. Considerably later, about 1855, a number of Indian names were collected by Dr. Robb in connection with his proposed History of New Brunswick, and the list is in his MS, now in possession of Rev. Dr. Raymond. It is, however, merely a general collection representing no critical study. Later came the various writings mentioned on this page of the Monograph. Since the publication of the Monograph I have continued my studies on the subject with results contained in synopsis in the preceding dictionary. Some of the matters of the most importance I have treated somewhat fully in articles in the Educational Review (XV, 159; XV, 204; XVI, 11 and XVI, 189) while in the first and fourth of these articles I have given Bibliographies bringing the subject down to the latter date. Since then I have published additional notes in various Bulletins of the Natural History Society of N. B. (Vol V, 47, 67, 80, 87, 180, 193, 204, 215, 226, 311, 321, 324, 332, 426, 434, 466) in collections of the N. B. Historical Society, II (scattered through Historical Geographical Documents) and in later Monographs of this series, especially in that of Origins of Settlements. A special phase of some interest is the naming of places for scientific purposes, as noted in the Bulletins, IV, 322, V, 204, 426. Dr. Raymond has also published some notes on New Brunswick names, in Hav's Canadian History Readings, 49, and Mr. George Johnson has discussed some New Brunswick