

of Sea-calves and Whales; and this Fishery might be the more easily carried on, because the Coast is full of natural Harbours, many of which are fit for receiving the largest Vessels, and might be easily fortified.

Nova Scotia has many Rivers, some of them now navigated for a long Course by the Natives. But for Bays, Harbours, and convenient Creeks, it is inferior to no Country in the known World. The *Cape Sable* Shore, which lies next to the fishing Banks, is peculiarly happy in this Respect.

The Bay of *Chebucto*, and the River that falls into it, bid fair, in the Opinion of some, to become, in time, the principal Port of *Nova Scotia*, and the Seat of its Metropolis. There is, over Land, good Communication by Wheel-carriage with the Bay of *Minas*, at present the chief Settlement of the *French*, with the Rivers of *Cobaquid* and *Pisaquid*, and the best easterly Parts of the Province. It is true, *Annapolis Royal* lies upon a fine Bason, and is more commodious for large inland Vent and Consumption: But the Country round it is bad, and the Tides of the Bay of *Fundy* render the Navigation difficult.

Upon the opposite, or westerly Shore of the Bay of *Fundy*, are the Rivers of *Pasamaquady* and *Holy Cross*, being about 17 Leagues N. W. from the Gut or Entrance of the Bason of *Annapolis*. The River of *Holy Cross*, or *St. Croix*, (as the *French* call it) was the old Boundary laid down betwixt *Nova Scotia* Government and *Sagadobock*, formerly the Duke of *York*'s Property, but now annexed to the *New England* Government of *Massachusetts*'s Bay.

Further northward, upon this Shore is the River of *St. John*, 10 Leagues distant from the Gut of *Annapolis*. This is a very useful River,
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