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With these preliminary remarks, we will now direct attention to the Area proposed to be worked by the East Joggins Mining Company.

It has been known for years that the coal formation exposed on the Cliffs at the South Joggins, with their seams of coal extend Eastwardly as far as Styles Mine, a distance of 17 miles, (see Geological Report of Dominion for 1873-4, page 162) and the different collieries located between the two are all outcrops of some of the numerous seams shewing themselves on the Joggins A seam of coal called the "Dirty Seam," from its impurity, has been found on the Bay Shore, at the River Hebert, on the Maccan, at Bennett Mine, and at Blight and Styles Mines. Another called the "Hardscrabble," now re-christened the Cumberland, and opened at the Joggins Shore, is the same seam worked by Col. Bennett, and has been prospected at Blights and Styles'. Another seam recently has been discovered on the River Hebert by Mr. John Anderson, and is now held by Messrs. Seaman, and others. It is about half a mile below the Victoria Pit, and has been opened on the West side of the River. The Area proposed to be worked by the East Joggins Mining Company is on the East side of the River Hebert, and extends thence towards the Maccan, covering this seam for 2 1-2 miles, and from the same seam being discovered by Mr. Whitefield McCarthy on the regular strike, near the Maccan, we are assured the seam is regular, and without fault, and the Area covers it the whole distance. The Hardscrabble seam has not yet been discovered in this Area, although from its existing in workable quantity both on the West and East of it; we have reason to believe we possess that too. We refer to the subjoined diagram and map shewing the different seams of coal so far as prospected from the Joggins to Style Mines, and demonstrating the general regularity of the strata between these distant points.