



THE RACQUETTE—DIGBY.

of Grosse Coques, manager of the Warren Shipbuilding Company, and John McLaughlin, who owns a large store at Church Point, are dealers in dry goods, groceries, provisions and general merchandise.

RESOURCES AND MANUFACTURING PROSPECTS.

THE COUNTY has extensive forests, including pine, spruce, larch, among cone bearing trees, and oak, ash, maple, birch and beech, among the hardwood varieties. The timber is cut into lumber for ships and other building material, as well as cordwood and piling.

The soil is well adapted for mixed farming. All kinds of fruit and vegetables are raised. Apples are sold in the Dominion and English market. The Bear River cherries have become famous, and large quantities are exported annually. Plums and peaches thrive to advantage. Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, currants and gooseberries, as well as garden products of all kinds are grown.

To show farmers how to correctly treat the soil, to plant trees

and care for them, the government of 1902 established a "Model Orchard" on the farm of Herman Rice near Bear River, which has been an important factor in developing the quality of the fruit raised in the county. Dairy husbandry is receiving considerable attention. The number of cattle for dairy purposes is increasing yearly. While the farms as a rule have sheep, a great many more could be raised to advantage at the price mutton, lamb and wool is selling. The meadows along the streams produce quantities of fine hay and the marshes along the tidal waters yield quantities of salt grass for fodder. Slate, granite and gneiss exist in large quantities. Iron ore is also found and gold quartz appears in some sections.