

215. A Dictionary of the Place-names of New Brunswick.

Since the publication of this work, a great amount of new information has come to light, and the more important of this I aim to give in the following pages. I have taken especial pains to give the best form in all cases where more than one spelling of a name is prevalent. For the sake of brevity I have omitted all settlement names whose origin is clearly implied or stated in the Settlements Monograph, and have used the following abbreviations;—*P*, means parish and the date is that of its erection, *Bull. N. H. S.* refers to the Bulletins of the Natural History Society of New Brunswick, the *Land Memorials* are the documents fully described in the Settlements Monograph, 181. The phrase "first occurs" signifies that this is the earliest use of the names I have been able to find.

Aberdeen.—No doubt so named because the settlers of *Glassville* (to include which the new parish was, of course, formed) came mostly from Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1861. But also, possibly, it may have been in honour of the then Governor of the Province, Hon. Arthur Gordon, whose family name was Aberdeen. Perhaps the name was chosen with both facts in mind.

Aboushagan.—First as *Aboushagin*, in 1803, in *Land Memorials*.

Abshaboo, not **Ashaboo** (Cooney, 169).—It is possible this point was named for Etienne Achabo, an Indian chief of Pokemouche, mentioned by Cooney, 37.

Acadia.—This name is more fully discussed in the *New Brunswick Magazine*, III, 153; in the *Educational Review*, XVI, 12; and in the *Monograph on Boundaries*, 161. The current explanation is given by Dawson, in his *Acadian Geology*, and also in the *Canadian Antiquarian* for Oct., 1876.

Acamac (formerly *Stevens* on the C. P. R.).—Recent simplification of the Indian name of South Bay. (See a few pages earlier).

Adder Lake.—Given by Garden, the surveyor, in 1838, no doubt because it is in fact the Little Serpentine,—a little serpent—an adder. The local names of the waters above this lake are fully discussed in *Bull. N. H. S.*, V., 67.

Addington.—Without doubt for Henry Unwin Addington, later Viscount Sidmouth, who in 1826 was made one of the English plenipotentiaries to treat with the Americans over the northeastern boundary. The other was William Huskisson (see *Huskisson*), and the fact that these two parishes were named in the year they were appointed makes this certain. (Moore, *International Arbitrations*, §7; also *Boundaries Monograph*, 331).