

on The River Saint-Croix, be adopted to by the Ministry and the province, as a line of division? — And Why should the commissioners at Paris in 1782, be led to fix on the River Saint-Croix, as a National Boundary? —

Answer §. 59. To this Question, The Agents for the United States will answer —

First.

By examining what the meaning or intendment of Saint-Croix, as used by the parties, is. — And

Secondly.

By shewing that other circumstances than those of the patent to Sir William Alexander, produced the idea of St. Croix being a Boundary.

Name of
St. Croix.

§. 60. The translation of the words Saint-Croix, is unnecessary. Because the only Question before us, arises on its figurative or relative meaning. We find, very frequently, That Rivers

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take their names, from the appropriate name of the place; — The shores of which they lave, — and sometimes — That places derive their names from the Rivers — which pass through them. —

Instances of this kind are so frequent that it would be a mispense of time to detail them. The Board will be pleased to refer themselves to the circumstances of the River Connecticut, from whence all the settlements on the shores of that stream, have taken a general name.

The names of the Rivers Merrimack, Piscataqua, Kennebeck & Penobscot, The Delaware, — and The Hudson have had a similar effect. — And The River St. Johns, which is under our eye in this cause, will be recollected. —

§. 61. There is no doubt but that a certain Bay or River somewhere — connected with the Bay of Fundy, — derived its name from the circumstances —

St. Croix —
The name of a
Place as well
as of a River.

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