

King, and by the Charter of William and Mary, a part of the province of Massachusetts Bay; that province extended its Government over it, in 1716, by the following resolution viz.

Government
extended by
Massachusetts.

"June 26th 1716, In Council,
"Resolved, That for the more convenient
"administration of Justice all the lands,
"families and settlements within this
"province to the eastward of the province
"of Maine, shall be annexed to the County
"of York, and shall be part of the same to
"all intents and purposes, until this
"Court shall take further order; any law,
"usage or custom, to the contrary notwith-
"standing." Concurred by the Representatives.
"Consented to by W.^m Tailor."

Idea of
preserving the
Country as part
of New England.

§. 71. When by the treaty of Utrecht, the
whole of Acadie or Nova-Scotia was re-
stored to the French King; and the same
again was surrendered by the Treaty of
Ryswick.

Ryswick. The British Ministry, as has be-
fore been proved, entertained ideas of
yet holding the Country as far east as
St Croix. This, they could not have done
under the idea of a Grant to Sir William
Alexander, for the land was never within
his boundary, and that Grant had
been long laid aside. But they must
consider the Charter of William & Mary
as preserving all the New-England-
territory, under the idea of including
the Grant to the Duke of York, which,
by its Charter was to begin at a place
called St Croix, next adjoining to
New-England Scotland

§. 72. Here then, as the Agents for The Saint Croix
United States conceive the true idea of The Boundary
of the
the St Croix being considered as a Duke of York's
boundary, may be found, and that Patent.
it will be idle to resort to the Grant
to Sir William Alexander on the Subject.
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