

There is on the table, the Journal of Colonel Church, contained in his letter to Mr Dudley, Governor of the Province of Massachusetts-bay in 1704, wherein he gives ~~that~~ ^{an} account, that he went from Mount Desert in his whale boats, entered Passamaquoddy-bay at the west passage, had divers skirmishes with the French Inhabitants on the Island, went up to the falls, & destroyed the settlements there, and a great quantity of dried fish, brought away a number of prisoners, &c.

This was done ninety four years ago. There is no man who is acquainted with the appearances which ninety years will cast upon the ruins of slight habitations, but who will conclude, that all the appearances of antiquity which are proved by Mr Wright & Pagan, in the strength of expression, necessarily flowing from honest, but interested feelings, might have been placed on the ruins made by Colonel Church in 1704.

The various & multiplied settlements at Passamaquoddy, the accidents & destructions attendant on the numerous wars, which have been recited, actually to have existed there, supported by the most authentic history, and the natural & reasonable effects ascribed to them are to be treated as chimera's — whilst the unnatural, nay the impossible hypothesis of permanent well founded houses, erected by the wandering Demons, in the place of his professedly temporary residence, is to be taken as the Oracle of Truth.

But the reasonings are before the honorable Board, and the path of Truth is lighted as with a Sun beam.

For if the fullest evidence was produced that the River Scoodiac was in fact called the Saint Croix by the ancient voyagers, it has since lost that name. The Magaquadava has long assumed it, & was known by it to the Commissioners who formed the Treaty of Peace. — The