

second article of the treaty of peace, & consequent-ly this part of the western boundary of Nova Scotia, in the Grant, is precisely the same with the corresponding eastern boundary of the United States, in the Treaty.

Thus the first principle stated in this argument is established beyond all contradiction, "That, by the second article of the treaty of peace, it was intended that no part of the Province of Nova Scotia should be thereby ceded to the United States, but that the Province of Nova Scotia according to its ancient and ~~former~~ limits should be & remain a part of the territories and dominions of His Majesty, as His Majesty had before that time held & possessed the same."

And this Principle being established, the necessity of examining into & ascertaining precisely the ancient boundaries of the Province of Nova Scotia, in the manner that it has been done, is clear & obvious, & the result of that examination, compared with the boundaries in the treaty of peace, thus serves in its turn to confirm the principle.

This principle being evident from the words of the treaty of peace itself, no explanation of the treaty by either party, inconsistent with

this true and obvious intention of it can be received, consistently with any of the rules and principles of the laws of nations universally acknowledged and admitted as obligatory in such cases, as has already been made to appear, and will be more fully shown in a more particular reply to the arguments advanced in support of the claim of the United States.

From the foregoing facts & arguments the undersigned Agent feels himself warranted in concluding, that the River Scoudiac is the River truly intended under the name of the River Sth Croix in the treaty of peace and forming a part of the boundary therein described, and, that the northwest angle of Nova Scotia intended by the treaty is that angle which is formed by a line drawn due north from the furthest source or spring of the western or main branch of this river Scoudiac to the Highlands de- scribed in the treaty.