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From the plans of the Surveys it also appears  
that above S<sup>t</sup>. Croix Island in Salt-point Bay, there  
are two Islands, one high and the other flat; -  
that there are three Rivers or streams, two of  
them small, one called the Waghowig, going  
Eastward, the other going to the North, & the  
third which is a great one going to the West  
which is the River Scoudiac or S<sup>t</sup>. Croix, called by Champlain  
the River of the Estchemiens. - That on going up  
this river two leagues there is a fall of water, where  
the Indians at this day carry their Canoes; - that  
re-entering the river above this portage, there are  
two branches; - that from the main River Scoudiac  
running from the westward (a) there is a portage to  
| 42/ a branch of the Penobscot, and from the north branch  
of the Scoudiac, or Cheputnatiscook River, to the River  
| 4/ S<sup>t</sup>. John.

It is also remarkable, that at the foot of the  
above-mentioned fall in the River Scoudiac, a  
greater quantity of herrings and shad is to this day  
caught in the months of May and June annually  
than in any other place upon this part of the  
Coast; - That not only ~~the~~ the Inhabitants of  
that part of the Country obtain here an annual  
supply of fish for their families, of several

(a) On the northwest angle of Capimiquady Bay - the River  
Scoudiac finds the general receptacle, and extends westerly a  
great way into the Country, 200 miles from its mouth as its  
courses are, that River comes within one mile of the  
branch of Penobscot, where there was an Indian carrying  
place from one to the other. Sullivan's History of Maine. p. 2

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barrels each, but that there are commonly taken  
and cured for exportation, between two & three  
thousand barrels annually; and many more  
might be taken, if proper preparations were  
made for the purpose, as it is a very small pro-  
portion of the fish that is intercepted here, by  
far the greatest part of them going up these  
rapids into the rivers and lakes above to dis-  
charge their spawn.

It is hoped it will not be deemed imperti-  
nent to observe here, that there is no such fishery  
in the River Magaguadavic, probably because  
the great fall of water near its entrance is  
so impetuous that the fish cannot ascend it,  
for it is a common observation that these fish  
do not resort, except in small numbers, to the  
mouth of any river which they cannot go into | 43/  
with their spawn: - The Inhabitants settled  
upon the River Magaguadavic therefore go  
annually to the River Scoudiac for their sup-  
plies of fish. (a)

It is further to be observed upon the foregoing  
description from Champlain that the land sur-  
rounding the River Scoudiac is very good, that  
there is an ancient clearing near the Falls  
which is called the Indian Field, which, it is

(a) vid. Mr. Currier's affidavit in the Appendix