

of the Scoudiac, and the adjacent shores, recently taken
and now before the Board, we shall not only be
convinced of the identity of the places represented
in them, but shall form the most favorable
| 45 | ideas of Mr. Champlain's abilities & accuracy in
this line, of some by him, or of the person employ-
ed by him for the purpose.

This plan and the description of it by Champlain
serve also incontrovertibly to prove that L'Esca-
bot in his history speaks of the same Island & River
as the Isle and River S^t Croix.

Could any doubt be entertained after
the light thrown upon the Subject by L'Esca-
bot, the foregoing account and plan furnished by

Baron de La Motte amount to full and
complete demonstration, that this Isle in the
mouth of the Scoudiac is the true ancient Isle
Sainte Croix named by De Monts, upon which
he passed the winter of 1604, and consequently
that the river Scoudiac is the true ancient
river S^t. Croix.

It is proper to observe here that L'Esca-
bot was not with the Sieur De Monts & Champlain
in 1604, that after wintering upon the Isle S^t
Croix, the settlement upon it was abandoned
in 1605 and that L'Esca-~~bot~~ ^{probably} never
lived upon the Island, tho' he afterwards vi-
sited it, which will account for Champlain's greater
accuracy and exactness with respect to the size (46)
of the Island, distances, and other particulars, as
he passed the winter upon the Island with
De Monts.³

Before any other authorities upon this
point are proceeded to, it may not be im-
proper to remark here, that the account of
the first discovery of the Isle and river Sainte
Croix, already extracted from the History
of the District of Maine, remarkably con-
firms the fact that the river Scoudiac was
the river then called the S^t. Croix.

3. L'Esca-
bot, que le Sieur de Portneuf amena avec lui en Amerique
"a son second voyage en 1606 a fait l'histoire de ces premiers eta-
blissements. - en 1606 le Sieur de Portneuf apres avoir laisse L'Esca-
bot a Port Royal, pour suivre tous les travaux de l'habitation, visita
de nouveau ces cotes". Memo: d. Eng: & 2: Com. p. 107. 8.