



The little variations of De Motte for De Monts the circumstance of the name being given to the river and the Country on its Banks, because De Motte erected a cross fifty feet high on his landing, are the strongest proofs of the authenticity of the other accounts; as this must have been the relation of some different author, and shews there was no concerted combination between them to palm upon the world a fictitious story. — The leading facts are the same. — That De Motte^(1a) obtained a commission from the King of France in 1603, that after his arrival in America, which by mistake is supposed to be in the same year, instead of the following year, ⁽¹⁶¹¹⁾ he crossed over from ^{The Bay of} Port Royal to the main land into a "Great River about twenty five leagues West from the Bay, which they called S^t. Croix".

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That "the next year the Island of Sainte Croix which was situated at the mouth of the river of that name, was abandoned by the French, and their Capital removed to the East side of the Bay of Fundy & placed at Port Royal". —

As it will hereafter appear that a Cross was erected upon the Banks of the

Scodiac, upon Indian or S^t. Andrews Point, which as it became defective was occasionally renewed, and remained standing at the peace in 1783, there can be little doubt, but the original Cross placed here was the one erected by De Motte or De Monts in 1604. (1a)

There is another very respectable Authority upon the point now under consideration (a) ~~has published in the Dutch language at Leiden in 1625 by Jacques De Laet, entitled "Nieuw en Accurate Beschrijvinge der West Indien collectie van aenschouwingen en tekenen van de diff."~~
(a) In book 2. c. 18. entitled a further description of the "places, havens & rivers lying in the great Baye Francoise & beyond it to the river Semtagouet" &c. after describing the Coast as far westward as the western point at the mouth of the Riviere S^t. Jean he proceeds. — "From thence you come to four Islands which are full of Birds and farther westward still to other Islands, & one among them six leagues great called by the Indians Manthane, and to the Southward of this Island there are several good harbours in between the Islands. — from these you come to a river in the main Land, which is called Riviere des Estchemins after the