

"to form a Council for the management of the
"civil affairs of the Province and accordingly
"in April 1720 did appoint twelve Councillors

"Col. Phillips with advice and consent of his
"Council is empowered to grant lands under
"certain limitations, but in general at P. Sta
"ling per ann: per acre quit-rent. (a)

"Nova Scotia is divided into 10 or 12 dis-
"tricts; each district annually chooses one de-
"puty to be approved by the Commander and
"Council at Annapolis; he is a sort of agent
"for the District, and reports the state of
"the district from time to time." (b)

We come now to the point of inquiry
more immediately under consideration, whe-
ther the territory of Nova Scotia, annexed in
jurisdiction to the Province of Massachusetts
Bay by the Charter of 1691, was not bounded
westerly by the same river S. Croix, which
formed a part of the original western
boundary of Nova Scotia in the Charter to
Sir William Alexander in 1621.

(79) That this must have been the case
is obvious from the very name of the terri-
tory. - It has been already observed, and
it is a truth beyond all contradiction (c)

(a) Doug: 1. Vol. 328, 9. - (b) Ib. 333. (c) vid ante p.

that until the grant passed to Sir William
Alexander in 1621, no Province, Country, Terri-
tory, District or place whatsoever in America
was ever called or known by the name of No-
va Scotia & that this Grant defined the limits
of the territory or Province to be called by
that name for ever thereafter; - when there-
fore Nova Scotia was included in the subse-
quent grant or charter of 1691. it must
have been included under the same limits
or boundaries, as no other boundaries are
assigned ^{to it} in the Charter; - And no Country
or territory called Nova Scotia, had ever had
any specific limits assigned to it different
from those in the grant to Sir William
Alexander.

If it shall be said that the name
of Nova Scotia, after the year 1621. commu-
nicated itself to the whole Country of Acadia (a)
as far as Penobscot or Kennebec, according to
the different claims at different times, of
the French, as to the extent of Acadia, &
which appears to have been the case by the
terms Nova Scotia or Acadia, being used as
meaning the same territory in the treaty

(a) "Acadia has been stretched and contracted at different times,
"as the French found it to serve their interests". Hutch. 2. v. p. 110.