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For Navigating on Part of the

South Coast of Newfoundland,

WITH

A CHART thereof,

Including the ISLANDS of

St. PETER's and MIQUELON,

And a particular ACCOUNT of the

Bays, Harbours, Rocks, Land-Marks, Depths of Water, Latitudes, Bearings, and Distances
from Place to Place, the Setting of the Currents, and Flowing of the Tides, &c.

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DIRECTIONS

FOR

Navigating on Part of the South Coast of NEWFOUNDLAND.

N.B. All Bearings and Courses hereafter-mentioned, are the true Bearings and Courses, and not by Compass.

Cape *Chapeaurouge*, or the Mountain of the *Red Hat*, is situated on the West side of *Placentia Bay*, in Cape the Latitude of 46deg 53' North, and lies nearly West 17 or 18 Leagues from Cape *St. Maries*; it is the **Chapeaurouge**.

highest and most remarkable Land on that Part of the Coast, appearing above the rest something like the Crown of a Hat, and may be seen in clear Weather 12 Leagues.

Close to the Eastward of Cape *Chapeaurouge* are the Harbours of *Great* and *Little St. Laurence*. To sail into *Great St. Lawrence*, which is the Westernmost, there is no Danger but what lies very near the Shore; taking Care with Westerly, and particularly S.W. Winds, not to come too near the *Hat Mountain*, to avoid the Flerrys and Eddy Winds under the high Land. The Course in is first N.W. till you open the upper Part of the Harbour, then N.N.W. half W. The best Place for great Ships to Anchor, and the best Ground is before a Cove on the East-side of the Harbour in 13 Fathom Water. A little above *Blue Beach Point*, which is the first Point on the West-side; here you lie only two Points open: You may Anchor any where between this Point and the Point of *Low Beach*, on the same Side near the Head of the Harbour, observing that close to the West Shore, the Ground is not so good as on the other Side. Fishing Vessels lay at the Head of the Harbour above the Beach, sheltered from all Winds.

Harbours
of St.
Laurence

To sail into *Little St. Laurence* you must keep the West Shore on Board, in order to avoid a sunken Rock which lies a little without the Point of the *Peninsula*, which stretches off from the East-side of the Harbour: You Anchor above this *Peninsula*, (which covers you from the Sea Winds) in 3 and 4 Fathom Water, a fine sandy Bottom. In these Harbours are good Fishing Conveniencies, and plenty of Wood and Water. Ships may Anchor without the *Peninsula* in 12 Fathom good Ground, but open to the S.S.E. Winds.

Sauker-Head lies 3 Miles to the Eastward of Cape *Chapeaurouge*, it is a pretty high round Point, off which lie some sunken Rocks, about a Cable's Length from the Shore.

Sauker
Head.

This Bank whereon is from 7 to 17 Fathom Water, lies about half a Mile off from *Little St. Laurence*, with *Blue Beach Point* on with the East Point of *Great St. Laurence*.

Garden
Bank

Ferryland head lies S.W. 1 Mile from Cape *Chapeaurouge*, it is a high rocky Island, just seperated from the Main; it and Cape *Chapeaurouge* are sufficient Marks to know the Harbours of *St. Laurence*.

Ferryland
Head.

West 5 Miles from *Ferryland-Head*, lies the Bay of *Laun*, in the Bottom of which are two small Inlets, called *Great* and *Little Laun*. *Little Laun*, which is the Eastermost, lies open to the S.W. Winds, which generally prevails upon this Coast, and therefore no Place to Anchor in. *Great Laun* lies in about N. by E. 2 Miles, is near half a Mile wide, whereon is from 14 to 3 Fathom Water. To sail into it, you must be careful to avoid a sunken Rock, which lies about a quarter of a Mile off from the East Point. The best Place to Anchor is on the East-side, about half a Mile from the Head, in 6 and 5 Fathom; the Bottom is pretty good, and you are shelter'd from all Winds, except S. and S. by W. which blow right in, and cause a great swell. At the Head of this Place is a Bar Harbour, into which Boats can go at half Tide; and Conveniences for a Fishery, and plenty of Wood and Water.

Bay of
Laun.

Off the West Point of *Laun Bay* lay the Islands of the same Name, not far from the Shore; the Westernmost and outermost of which lie W. Southerly 10 Miles from *Ferryland-head*; near a quarter of a Mile to the Southward of this Island is a Rock whereon the Sea breaks in very bad Weather: There are other sunken Rocks about these Islands, but they are no ways Dangerous, being very near the Shore.

Laun
Islands.

This Bay which lies open to the Sea, lies 3 Miles to the Westward of *Laun* Islands; off the East Point are some sunken Rocks near a quarter of a Mile from the Shore.

Taylor's
Bay.

A little to the Westward of *Taylor's Bay* there stretches out a low Point of Land, called *Point Aux Gaul*; off which lies a Rock above Water, half a Mile from the Shore, called *Gaul Shag Rock*; this Rock lies West three quarters South 5 Leagues from *Ferryland-Head*, you have 14 Fathom close to the off Side of it, but between it and the Point are some sunken Rocks.

Point Aux
Gaul.

From *Point Aux Gaul Shag Rock*, to the Islands of *Lamelin* is West three quarters N. 1 League, between them is the Bay of *Lamelin*, wherein is very shallow Water, and several small Islands, and Rocks both above and under Water, and in the Bottom of it is a Salmon River.

Lamelin
Bay.

The two Islands of *Lamelin* (which are but low) lie off the West Point of the Bay of the same Name, and lie West three quarters South, 6 Leagues from the Mountain of the *Red Hat*; but in steering along Shore make a W. by S. Course good, will carry you clear of all Danger. Small Vessels may Anchor in the Road between these Islands in 4 and 5 Fathom, tolerably well shelter'd from the Weather: Nearly in the Middle of the Passage going in between the two Islands, is a sunken Rock, which you avoid by keeping nearer to one Side than the other, the most Room is on the East-side. The Eastermost Island communicates with the Main at Low-water, by a narrow Beach, over which Boats can go at High-water, into the N.W. Arm of *Lamelin Bay*, where they lay in safety. Here are Conveniences for a Fishery, but little or no Wood of any Sort. Near to the South Point of the Westernmost Island is a Rock pretty high above Water, called *Lamelin Shag Rock*; in going into the Road between the Islands, you leave this Rock on your Larboard Side.

Lamelin
Islands.

These Ledges lay along the Shore, between *Lamelin Islands* and *Point May*, which is 3 Leagues, and are

Lamelin

very Dangerous, some of them being 3 Miles from the Land. To avoid these Ledges in the Day-time, you **Ledges.** must not bring the Islands of *Lamelin* to the Southward of East, until *Point May*, or the Western extremity of the Land bear N. by E. from you; you may then steer to the Northward with safety, between *Point May* and *Green Island*. In the Night, or foggy Weather, you ought to be very careful not to approach these Ledges within 30 Fathom Water, lest you get intangled amongst them. Between them and the Main are various Soundings from 16 to 5 Fathom.

All the Land about Cape *Chapeaurouge* and *Laun*, is high and hilly close to the Sea; from *Laun Islands* **Observations.** to *Lamelin* it is of a moderate Height; from *Lamelin* to *Point May*, the Land near the Shore is very low, with sandy Beaches, but a little way inland are Mountains.

The Island of St. *Peter's* lies in the Latitude 46 Degrees 46 Minutes North. West by South near 12 Leagues **Island of** from Cape *Chapeaurouge*, and West by South half South 5 Leagues from the Islands of *Lamelin*; it is **St. Peter's.** about 5 Leagues in circuit, and pretty high, with a craggy, broken, uneven Surface. Coming from the Westward, as soon as you raise *Gallantry Head*, which is the South Point of the Island, it will make in a round Hommock like a small Island and appears if seperated from St. *Peter's*. On the East-side of the Island, a little to the N.E. of *Gallantry-Head* lay three small Islands, the innermost of which is the largest, called *Dog-Island*; within this Island is the Road and Harbour of St. *Peter's*; the Harbour is but small, and hath in it from 12 to 20 Feet Water; but there is a Bar across the Entrance, whereon there is but 6 Feet at Low-water, and 12 or 14 Feet at High-water. The Road which lies on the N.W. Side of *Dog-Island* will admit Ships of any Burthen, but it is only fit for the Summer Season, being open to the N.E. Winds; you may lay in 8, 10, and 12 Fathom, and for the most Part is a hard rocky Bottom, there is very little clear Ground; Ships of War commonly Buoy their Cables; the best Ground is near the North Shore. Going in or out, you must not rainge too near the East-side of *Boar-Island*, which is the Eastermost of the three Islands above-mentioned, for fear of some sunken Rocks which lie East about 1 Mile from it, and which is the only Danger about St. *Peter's*, but what lay very near the Shore.

This Island is of a small circuit, but pretty high, and lies very near the N.E. Point of St. *Peter's*; between **Island of** them is a very good Passage, one-third of a Mile wide, wherein is 12 Fathom Water. On the North-side of **Columbo.** the Island is a Rock pretty high above Water, called *Little Columbo*; and about a quarter of a Mile N.E. from this Rock is a sunken Rock, whereon is 2 Fathom Water.

The Island of *Langley*, which lies on the N.W. Side of St. *Peter's*, is about 8 Leagues in Circuit, of a **Island of** moderate and pretty equal height, except the N. end, wich is a low Point with Sand Hills along it; it is flat a **Langley.** little way off the low Land on both Sides of it, but all the high Part of the Island is very bold too, and the Passage between it and St. *Peter's* (which is 1 League broad) is clear of Danger. You may Anchor on the N.E. Side of the Island, a little to the Southward of the *Sand Hills*, in 5 and 6 Fathom, a fine sandy Bottom, sheltered from the Southerly, S.W. and N.W. Winds.

From the North Point of *Langley*, to the South Point of *Miquelon* is about 1 Mile; it is said that a few **Island of** Years since they join'd together at this Place by a Neck of Sand, which the Sea has wash'd away and made **Miquelon.** a Channel, wherein is 2 Fathom Water. The Island of *Miquelon* is 4 Leagues in Length from North to South, but of an unequal Breadth; the Middle of the Island is high Land, called the high Land of *Dunn*; but down by the Shore it is low, except Cape *Miquelon*, which is a lofty Promontory at the Northern extremity of the Island.

On the S.E. Side of the Island, to the Southward of the high Land, is a pretty large Bar-Harbour, called **Dunn** *Dunn Harbour*, which will admit Fishing Shallops at half Flood, but can never be of any Utility for a **Harbour.** Fishery.

Miquelon Rocks stretches off from the East Point of the Island, under the high Land 1 Mile and a quarter to the Eastward, some are above and some under Water; the outermost of these Rocks are above Water, **Miquelon** and you have 12 Fathom close to them, and 18 and 20 Fathom 1 Mile off. N.E. half N. 4 or 5 Miles from **Rocks and** these Rocks lie *Miquelon Bank* whereon is 6 Fathom Water. **Bank.**

The Road of *Miquelon* (which is large and spacious) lies at the North-end, and on the East-side of the **Road of** Island, between Cape *Miquelon* and a very remarkable round Mountain near the Shore, called *Chapeaux*: **Miquelon.** Off the South Point of the Road are some sunken Rocks, about a quarter of a Mile from the Shore, but every where else it is clear of Danger. The best Anchorage is near the Bottom of the Road in 6 and 7 Fathom, fine sandy Bottom; you lay open to the Easterly Winds, which Winds seldom blow in the Summer.

Cape *Miquelon*, or the Northern extremity of the Island is high bluff Land; and when you are 4 or 5 **Cape** Leagues to the Eastward or Westward of it, you would take it for an Island, by reason the Land at the **Miquelon.** Bottom of the Road is very low.

The *Seal Rocks* are two Rocks above Water, lying 1 League and a half off from the Middle of the West- **Seal Rocks** side of the Island *Miquelon*; the Passage between them and the Island is very safe, and you have 14 or 15 Fathom within a Cable's Length all round them.

This Island which is about three-quarters of a Mile in Circuit, and low, lies N.E. 5 Miles from St. *Peter's*, **Green Island.** and nearly in the Middle of the Channel, between it and *Point May* on *Newfoundland*; on the South-side of this Island are some Rocks both above and under Water, extending themselves 1 Mile and a quarter to the S.W.

Description of Fortune Bay.

Fortune Bay is very large, the Entrance is form'd by *Point May* and *Pass Island*, which are 12 Leagues N. by E. and S. by W. from each other, and it is about 23 Leagues deep, wherein are a great many Bays, Harbours, and Islands.

The Island of *Brunet* is situated nearly in the Middle of the Entrance into *Fortune Bay*, it is about 5 **Island of Brunet.** Leagues in Circuit, and of a tolerable Height; the East-end appears at some Points of view like Islands, by reason it is very low and narrow in two Places. On the N.E. Side of the Island is a Bay, wherein is tolerable good Anchorage for Ships in 14 and 16 Fathom, shelter'd from Southerly and Westerly Winds; you must not run too far in for fear of some sunken Rocks in the Bottom of it, a quarter of a Mile from the Shore; opposite this Bay on the South-side of the Island, is a small Cove, wherein small Vessels and Shallops can lay pretty secure from the Weather, in 6 Fathom Water; in the Middle of the Cove is a Rock above Water, and a Channel on each Side of it. The Islands laying at the West-end of *Brunet*, called *Little Brunets*, afford indifferent Shelter for Shallops in blowing Weather; you may approach these Islands, and the Island of *Brunet*, within a quarter of a Mile all round, there being no Danger but what lay very near the Shore.

Plate Islands are three Rocks of a moderate Height, lying S.W. 1 League from the West-end of *Great Plate Brunet*. The Southermost and outermost of these Rocks, lay W. by S. half S. 11 Miles from Cape **Plate Islands** *Miquelon*, and in a direct Line between *Point May* and *Pass Island*, 17 Miles from the former and 19 from the later; S.E. a quarter of a Mile from the *Great Plate* (which is the Northermost) is a sunken Rock, whereon the Sea breaks, which is the only Danger about them.

There are several strong and irregular Settings of the Tides or Currents about the *Plate and Brunet Islands*, which seem to have no dependency on the Moon, and the Course of the Tides on the Coast. **Observations**

The Island of *Sagona*, which lies N.N.E. 2 Leagues from the East-end of *Brunet*, is about 3 Miles and a half in circuit, of a moderate Height, and bold too all round, at the S.W. end is a small Creek that will admit **Island of Sagona.** Fishing Shallops; in the Middle of the Entrance is a sunken Rock which makes it exceeding narrow, and difficult to get in or out, except in fine Weather.

Point May is the Southern Extremity of *Fortune Bay*, and the S.W. Extremity of this Part of **Point May.** *Newfoundland*; it may be known by a great black Rock, nearly joining to the Pitch of the Point, and something higher than the Land, which makes it look like a black Hommock on the Point; near a quarter of a Mile right off from the Point, or this round black Rock, are three sunken Rocks, whereon the Sea always breaks.

Near 2 Miles North from *Point May*, is *Little Dantzic Cove*, and half a Leag. from *Little Dantzic* is *Great Dantzic Cove*; these Coves are no Places of safety, being open to the Westerly Winds; the Land about **Dantzic Coves.** them is of a moderate Height, bold too, and clear of Wood.

From *Dantzic Point* (which is the North Point of the Coves) to *Fortune* the Course is N.E. near 3 Leagues; **Fortune.** the Land between them near the Shore is of a moderate Height, and bold too; you will have in most Places 10 and 12 Fathom two Cables Length from the Shore, 30 and 40 one Mile off, and 70 and 80 two Miles off. *Fortune* lies North from the East-end of *Brunet*, it is a Bar Place that will admit Fishing Boats at a quarter Flood; and a Fishing Village situated in the Bottom of a small Bay, wherein is Anchorage for Shipping in 6, 8, 10, and 12 Fathom; the Ground is none of the best, and you lay open to near half the Compass.

Cape of *Grand Bank* is a pretty high Point, lying 1 League N.E. from *Fortune*; into the E. ward of the Cape **Grand Bank.** is *Ship Cove*, wherein is good Anchorage for Shipping, in 8 and 10 Fathom, shelter'd from Southerly, Westerly, and N.W. Winds. *Grand Bank* lies E.S.E. half a League from the Cape, it is a Fishing Village, and a Bar Harbour, that will admit Fishing Shallops at a quarter Flood; to this Place and *Fortune* resort the Crews of Fishing Ships, who lay their Ships up in Harbour *Briton*. From the Cape of *Grand Bank* to *Point Enragee*, the Course is NE. a quarter E. 8 Leagues, forming a Bay between them, in which the Shore is low with several sandy Beaches, behind which are Bar Harbours that will admit Boats on the Tide of Flood, the largest of which is *Great Garnish*, 5 **Great Garnish.** Leagues from *Grand Bank*, it may be known by several Rocks above Water laying before it, 2 Miles from the Shore, the outmost of these Rocks are steep too, but between them and the Shore are dangerous sunken Rocks. To the Eastward, and within these Rocks is *Frenchman's Cove*, wherein you may Anchor **Frenchman's**

with small Vessels, in 4 and 5 Fathom Water, tolerably well shelter'd from the Sea Winds, and seems a convenient Place for the Cod Fishery: The Passage in is to the Eastward of the Rocks that are the highest above Water; between them and some other lower Rocks laying off to the Eastward from the East Point of the *Cove*, there is a sunken Rock nearly in the Middle of this Passage, which you must be aware of. You may Anchor any where under the Shore, between *Grand Bank* and *Great Garnish* in 8 and 10 Fathom Water, but you are only shelter'd from the Land Winds.

Cove.

Anchorage.

Point Enragee is but low, but a little way in the Country is high Land; this Point may be known by two Hommocks upon it close to the Shore, but you must be very near, otherwise the Elevation of the high Lands will hinder you from discovering them; close to the Point is a Rock under Water.

Point

Enragee.

From *Point Enragee* to the Head of the Bay, the Course is first N.E. a quarter E. 3 Leagues to *Grand Jervey*; then N.E. by E. half E. 7 Leagues and a half to the Head of the Bay; the Land in general along the South-side is high, bold too, and of an uneven Height, with Hills and Vallies of various extent; the Vallies for the most Part clothed with Wood, and water'd with small Rivulets.

Seven Leagues to the Eastward of *Point Enragee*, is the Bay *L'Argent*, wherein you may Anchor in 30 or 40 Fathom Water, shelter'd from all Winds.

Bay

L'Arjent.

The Entrance of Harbour *Millee* is to the Eastward of the East Point of *L'Argent*; before this Harbour and the Bay *L'Argent* is a remarkable Rock, that at a Distance appears like a Shallop under Sail. *Harbour Millee* branches into two Arms, one laying into the N.E. and the other towards the E. at the upper Part of both is good Anchorage, and various Sorts of Wood. Between this Harbour and *Point Enragee*, are several Bar Harbours in small Bays, wherein are sandy Beaches, off which Vessels may Anchor, but they must be very near the Shore to be in a moderate Depth of Water.

Harbour

Millee.

Cape Millee lies N.N.E. half E. 1 League from the afore-mentioned *Shallop Rock*, and near 3 Leagues from the Head of *Fortune Bay* is a high reddish barren Rock. The wedth of *Fortune Bay* at *Cape Millee* doth not exceed half a League, but immediately below it, it is twice as wide, by which this Cape may be easily known; above this Cape the Land on both Sides is high, with steep craggy Cliffs. The Head of the Bay is terminated by a low Beach, behind which is a large Pond or Bar Harbour, into which Boats can go at quarter Flood. In this and all the Bar Harbours between it and *Grand Bank*, are convenient Places for building of Stages, and good Beaches for drying of Fish, for great Numbers of Boats.

Cape

Millee.

Grand L'Pierre is a good Harbour, situated on the North-side of the Bay, half a League from the Head, you can see no Entrance until you are abreast of it; there is not the least Danger in going in, and you may Anchor in any Depth from 8 to 4 Fathom, shelter'd from all Winds.

Grand

L'Pierre

Harbour

English Harbour lies a little to the Westward of *Grand L'Pierre*, it is very small, and fit only for Boats and small Vessels.

English

Harbour.

To the Westward of *English Harbour* is a small Bay called *Little Bay de Leau*, wherein are some small Islands, behind which is shelter for small Vessels.

Little Bay

de Leau.

This Harbour is situated opposite *Cape Millee*, to the Westward of *Bay de Leau*; it is but a small Inlet, yet hath good Anchorage on the West-side in 9, 8, 7, and 5 Fathom Water, sheltered from the S.W. Winds.

New

Harbour

Harbour *Femme*, which lies half a League to the Westward of *New Harbour*, lies in NE. half a League, it is very narrow, and hath in it 23 Fathom Water, before the Entrance is an Island, near to which are some Rocks above Water: the Passage into the Harbour is to the Eastward of the Island.

Harbour

Femme.

One League to the Westward of *Harbour Femme*, is a small Cove called *Brewer's Hole*, wherein is Shelter for Fishing Boats; before this Cove is a small Island near the Shore, and some Rocks above Water.

Brewer's

Hole.

This Harbour is situated one Mile to the Westward of *Brewer's Hole*, before which are two Islands, one without the other; the outermost, which is the largest is of a tolerable Height, and lies in a Line with the Coast, and is not easy to be distinguished from the Main in sailing along the Shore. To sail into this Harbour, the best Passage is on the West-side of the outer Island, and between the two; as soon as you begin to open the Harbour, you must keep the inner Island close on Board, in order to avoid some sunken Rocks that lay near a small Island, which you will discover between the NE. Point of the outer Island, and the opposite Point on the Main; and likewise another Rock under Water, which lays higher up on the Side of the Main; this Rock appears at Low Water. As soon as you are above these Dangers, you may steer up in the middle of the Channel, until you open a fine spacious Bason, wherein you may Anchor in any Depth from 5 to 17 Fathom Water, shut up from all Winds, the Bottom is Sand and Mud. In to the Eastward of the outer Island, is a small Cove fit for small Vessels and Boats, and Conveniencies for the Fishery.

Harbour

la Conte.

This Harbour lies 4 Miles to the Westward of Harbour *La Conte*, and N.E. by N. 5 Leagues from *Point Enragee*; it may be known by a small Island in the Mouth of it, called *Gull Island*; and half a Mile without this Island, is a **Long Harbour.** Rock above Water, that hath the Appearance of a small Boat. There is a Passage into the Harbour on each Side of the Island, but the broadest is the Westermost. Nearly in the middle of this Passage, a little without the Island is a Ledge of Rocks, whereon is two Fathom Water; a little within the Island on the S.E. Side are some sunken Rocks, about two Cables length from the Shore laying off two sandy Coves; some of these Rocks appear at Low-water. On the N.W. Side of the Harbour, two Miles within the Island is *Morgan's Cove*, wherein you may Anchor in 15 Fathom Water, and the only Place you can Anchor, unless you run into, or above the *Narrows*, being every where else very deep Water. This Harbour runs five Leagues into the Country, at the Head of which is a Salmon Fishery.

A little to the Westward of *Long Harbour*, is *Bell Bay*, which extends three Leagues every Way, and contains several Bays and Harbours. On the East Point of this Bay, is *Hare Harbour*, which is fit only for small Vessels and Boats, before which are two small Islands, and some Rocks above and under Water. **Bell Bay, and its contain'd Bays & Harbours. Hare Harbours.**

Two Miles to the Northward of *Hare Harbour*, or the Point of *Bell Bay*, is *Mall Bay*, being a narrow Arm, laying in NE. by N. 5 Miles, wherein is deep Water, and no Anchorage until at the Head.

Rencontre Islands lies to the Westward of *Mall Bay*, near the Shore; the Westermost, which is the largest, hath a Communication with the Main at low Water; in and about this Island are shelter for small Vessels and Boats. **Mall Bay. Rencontre Islands.**

Bell Harbour lies one League to the Westward of *Rencontre Islands*: The Passage into the Harbour is on the West Side of the Island; in the Mouth of it, as soon as you are within the Island, you will open a small Cove on the E. Side, wherein small Vessels anchor, but large Ships must run up to the Head of the Harbour, and Anchor in 20 Fathom Water, there being most Room. **Bell Harbour**

Lally Cove lies a little to the Westward of *Bell Harbour*, it is a very snug Place for small Vessels, being covered from all Winds behind the Island in the Cove. **Lally Cove.**

Lally Head is the West Point of *Lally Cove*, it is a high bluff white Point; to the Northward of the Head is *Lally Cove back Cove*, wherein you may anchor in 16 Fathom Water. **Lally Cove. Back Cove.**

Two Miles to the Northward of *Lally Cove Head*, is the Bay of the East, and Bay of the North, in both is deep Water, and no Anchorage, unless very near the Shore. At the Head of the North Bay is the largest River in *Fortune Bay*, and seems a good Place for a Salmon Fishery. **Bay of the East, and Bay of the North.**

The Bay of *Cinq Isles* lies to the Southward of the North Bay, and opposite to *Lally Cove Head* there is tolerable good Anchorage for large Ships on the S.W. Side of the Islands in the Bottom of the Bay. The North Arm is a very snug Place for small Vessels; at the Head of this Arm is a Salmon River. **Bay of Cinq Isles.**

A little to the Southward of the Bay of *Cinq Isles* is *Corben Bay*, wherein is good Anchorage for any Ships in 22 or 24 Fathom Water. **Corben Bay.**

South East about two Miles from *Lally Cove Head*, are two Islands about a Mile from each other, the North Eastermost is called *Bell Island*, and the other *Dog Island*, they are of a tolerable Height, and bold too all round. **Bell & Dog Islands.**

Between *Dogg Island*, and *Lord and Lady Island*, which lies off the S. Point of *Corben Bay*, is a sunken Rock, (somewhat nearer to *Lord and Lady*, than *Dogg-Island*) whereon the Sea breaks in very bad Weather, and every where round it very deep Water. About a quarter of a Mile to the Northward of the North-end of *Lord and Lady* Island, is a Rock that appears at low Water.

Bande de La'rier Bay lies on the West Point of *Bell Bay*, and NNW. half W. near 3 Leagues from Point *Enragee*, it may be known by a very high Mountain over the Bay, which rises almost perpendicular from the Sea, called *Iron-Head*. *Chappel Island*, which forms the East-side of the Bay is high Land also. The Harbour lies on the West-side of the Bay, just within the Point, formed by a narrow low Beach, it is very small, but a snug Place, and conveniently situated for the *Cod Fishery*. There is a tolerable good Anchorage along the West Side of the Bay from the Harbour up towards *Iron Head* in 18 and 20 Fathom Water. **Bande de La'rier Bay and Harbour.**

The Bank of *Bande de La'rier*, whereon is not less than 7 Fathom, lies with the Beach of *Bande de Lourier* Harbour, just open of the West Point of the Bay, and *Boxy Point* on with the North End of St. *Jaques* Island. **Bande de La'rier Bank.**

Two Miles to the W. ward of *Bande de La'rier*, is the Harbour of St. *Jaques*, which may be easily known by the Island before it. This Island is high at each End, and low in the Middle, and at a Distance looks like two Islands, it lies N. 30d. E. 8 and a half Leagues from the Cape of *Grand Bank*, and N. E. by E. 7 Leagues from the East-end of *Brunet*. The Passage into the Harbour is on the West Side of the Island; there is not the least **St. Jaques.**

Danger in going in, or in any Part of the Harbour; you may anchor in any Depth from 17 to 4 Fathom.

Two Miles to the Westward of St. *Jaques*, is the Harbour of *Blue Pinion*, it is not near so large, or so safe as that of St. *Jaques*; near to the Head of the Harbour on the West Side is a Shoal, whereon is two Fathom at Low Water. **Blue Pinion.**

A little to the Westward of *Blue Pinion*, is *English Cove*, which is very small, wherein small Vessels and Boats can Anchor; before it, and very near the Shore is a small Island. **English Cove**

Boxy Point lies SW. by W. a quarter W. two Leagues and a half from St. *Jaques* Island, NNE. near 7 Leagues from the Cape of *Grand Bank*, and NE. half E. 13 Miles from the East End of *Brunet* Island; it is of a moderate Height, the most advanced to the Southward of any Land on the Coast, and may be distinguished at a considerable Distance; there are some sunken Rocks off it, but they lay very near the Shore, and are no ways dangerous. **Boxy point.**

NNE. three Miles from *Boxey Point* is the Harbour of *Boxy*; to sail into it you must keep *Boxy Point* just open of *Fryer's Head* (a black Head a little within the Point) in this Direction you will keep in the middle of the Channel between the Shoals which lay off from each Point of the Harbour, where the Stages are; as soon as you are within these Shoals, which cover you from the Sea Winds, you may anchor in 5 and 4 Fathom Water, fine sandy Ground. **Boxy Harbour.**

West 1 Mile from *Boxy Point* is the Island of St. *John's*, which is of a tollerable Height, and steep too, except at the N.E. Point, where is a Shoal a little way off. **St. John's Island, Head, Bay and Harbour.**

N.W. half a League from St. *John's Island* is St. *John's Head*, which is a high, steep, craggy Point. Between St. *John's Head* and *Boxy Point*, is St. *John's Bay*, in the Bottom of which is St. *John's Harbour*, wherein is only Water for Boats. **Harbour.**

On the North-side of St. *John's Head* are two rocky Islands, called the *Gull* and *Shag*; at the West-end of these Islands are some sunken Rocks. **Gull and Shag.**

One League and a half to the Northward of St. *John's Head* is the *Great Bay de Leau*, wherein is good Anchorage in various depths of Water, sheltered from all Winds. The best Passage in is on the East-side of the Island, laying in the Mouth of it; nothing can enter in on the West-side but small Vessels and Shallops. **Great Bay de Leau.**

To the Westward of *Bay de Leau*, 3 Miles NNW. from St. *John's Head* is *Little Bay Barrysway*, on the West-side of which is good Anchorage for large Ships in 7, 8, or 10 Fathom Water; here is good Fishing Conveniencies, with plenty of Wood and Water. **Little Bay Barrysway.**

Harbour Briton lies to the Westward of *Little Bay Barrysway*, North 1 Leag. and a half from the Island of *Sagona*, and N. by E. from East-end of *Brunet*. The two Heads, which from the Entrance of this Harbour or Bay are pretty high, and lay from each other E.N.E. and W.S.W. above 2 Miles; near the East Head is a Rock above Water, by which it may be known: There are no Dangers in going in until you are the Length of the South Point of the S.W. Arm, which is more than a Mile within the West Head; from off this Point stretches out a Ledge of Rocks N.E. about two Cables Length; the only Place for King's Ships to Anchor is above this Point, before the S.W. Arm in 16 or 18 Fathom Water, mooring nearly East and West, and so near the Shore as to have the East Head on with the Point above-mentioned; the Bottom is very good, and the Place convenient for Wooding and Watering. In the SW. Arm is Room for a great Number of Merchant Ships, and many Conveniencies for Fishing Vessels. **Harbour Briton.**

Opposite to the S.W. Arm is the N.E. Arm or *Jerseyman's Harbour*, which is capable of holding a great number of Ships, securely shelter'd from all Winds. To sail into it you must keep the Point of *Thompson's Beach* (which is the Beach Point, at the Entrance into the S.W. Arm) open of *Jerseyman's Head*, (which is a high bluff Head at the North Entrance into *Jerseyman's Harbour*) this Mark will lead you over the Bar in the best of the Channel, where you will have 3 Fathom at Low-water; as soon as you open the Harbour, haul up North, and Anchor where its most convenient in 8, 7 or 6 Fathom Water, good Ground, and shelter'd from all Winds. In this Harbour are several convenient Places for erecting many Stages, and good Beach room. *Jerseymen* generally lay their Ships up in this Harbour, and cure their Fish at *Fortune* and *Grand Bank*. **Jerseyman's Harbour.**

From *Harbour Briton* to the W. end of *Brunet*, and to the *Plate Islands*, the Course is S.W. by S. 6 Leagues and a half to the Southermost *Plate*. From *Harbour Briton* to *Cape Miquelon* is S.W. a quarter W. 10 Leagues. From the West Head of *Harbour Briton* to *Cannaigre Head*, the Course is W. by S. Distant 2 Leagues; between them are *Gull-Island* and *Deadman's Bay*. *Gull-Island* lies close under the Land, 2 Miles to the Westward of *Harbour Briton*. *Deadman's Bay* is to the Westward of *Gull-Island*, wherein you may Anchor with the Land Winds. Between *Harbour Briton* and *Cannaigre Head*, is a Bank stretching off **Gull Island, and Deadman's Bay.**

from the Shore between 2 and 3 Miles, whereon is various Depths of Water from 34 to 4 Fathom. Fishermen say that they have seen the Sea break in very bad Weather, a good way without *Gull-Island*.

Cannaigre Head which forms the East Point of the Bay of the same Name, lies North Easterly 3 Leagues and a half from the West-end of *Brunet*; it is a high craggy Point, easy to be distinguished from any Point of view. From this Head to *Basstarre Point*, the Course is W. by N. half N. 2 Leagues, and likewise W. by N. half N. 3 Leagues and a half to the Rocks of *Pass Island*; but to give them a Birth make a W. by N. Course good. Between *Cannaigre Head* and *Basstarre Point* is *Cannaigre Bay*, which extends itself about 4 Leagues Inland, at the Head of which is a Salmon River. In the Mouth of the Bay lay the Rocks of the same Name above Water, you may approach these Rocks very near, there being no Danger but what discovers itself. The Channel between them and the North Shore is something Dangerous, by reason of a range of Rocks which lie along Shore, and extend themselves 1 Mile off.

Cannaigre Harbour which is very small, with 7 Fathom Water in it, is within a Point on the South-side of the Bay, 5 Miles above the Head: The Passage into the Harbour is on the S.E. Side of the Island, lying before it. Nearly in the Middle of the Bay, abreast of this Harbour, are two Islands of a tolerable Height, on the South-side of the Westernmost Island, which is the largest, are some Rocks above Water.

This Cove is on the N.W. Side of the Bay, bears North, Distance about 4 Miles from the Head, and East 2 Miles from the W. end of the *Great Island*. In it are good Fishing Conveniences, and Anchorage for Vessels in 6 and 5 Fathom Water, but they will lay open to the Southerly Winds. Between the S.W. Point of this Cove and *Basstarre Point*, which is 5 Miles Distance, lays the Range of Rocks beforementioned.

Basstarre Point which forms the West Point of *Cannaigre Bay*, is of a moderate Height, clear of Wood, and bold too, all the way from it to *Pass-Island*, which bears N.W. by W. 1 League from *Basstarre Point*.

The Land on the North-side of *Fortune Bay* for the most Part is hilly, rising directly from the Sea, with craggy, barren Hills, which extends 4 or 5 Leag. Inland, with a great Number of Rivulets and Ponds. The Land on the South side of *Fortune Bay*, has a different Appearance to that on the North-side, being not so full of craggy Mountains, and better clothed with Woods, which are of a short brushy kind, which makes the face of the Country look green.

Pass Island lies N. 16deg 30' East 7 Leagues and a half from *Cape Miquelon*, it is the N.W. extremity of *Fortune Bay*, and lies very near the Shore, is more than 2 Miles in circuit and is pretty high. On the S.W. Side are several Rocks above Water, which extend themselves 1 Mile from the Island, and on the N.W. Side is a sunken Rock at a quarter of a Mile from the Island; the Passage between this Island and the Main, which is near two Cables Length wide, is very safe for small Vessels, wherein you may Anchor in 6 Fathom, a fine sandy Bottom. This Island is well situated for the Cod Fishery, there being very good Fishing Ground about it.

In the Night time, or in foggy Weather, Ships ought to place no great Dependance on the Soundings in *Fortune Bay*, lest they may be deceived thereby, for you have more Water in many Parts near the Shore, and in several of its contained Bays and Harbours, than in the middle of the Bay itself.

Description of Hermitage Bay.

From *Pass Island* to *Great Jervis Harbour*, at the Entrance into the Bay of *Despair*, the Course is N. by E. a quarter E. near three Leagues; and from *Pass Island* to the West End of *Long Island*, the Course is NNE. 8 Miles, between them is the Bay of *Hermitage*, which lies in ENE. 8 Leagues from *Pass Island*, with very deep Water in most Parts of it.

The two *Fox Islands*, which are but small, lie nearly in the middle of *Hermitage Bay*, 3 Leagues and a half from *Pass Island*; near to these Islands is good Fishing Ground.

Hermitage Cove is on the South-side of the Bay, opposite to *Fox's Islands*. To sail into it, you must keep between the Islands and the South Shore, where there is not the least Danger; in this Cove is good Anchorage for Shipping in 8 and 10 Fathom Water, and good Fishing Conveniences, with plenty of Wood and Water.

Long Island, which separates the Bay of *Despair* from *Hermitage*, is of a triangular Form, about 8 Leagues in Circuit, of a tolerable Height, is hilly, uneven and barren. The East Entrance into the Bay of *Despair* from *Hermitage Bay*, is by the West-end of *Long Island*; about half a Mile from the S.W. Point of the said Island, are two Rocks above Water, with deep Water all round them.

This Harbour lies on the South-side of *Long Island*, 2 Miles and a half from the West-end; before which is

an Island, and several Rocks above Water, there is a narrow Passage into the Harbour on each Side of the **Island Harbour.** this Harbour is formed by two Arms, one laying into the North, and the other to the Eastward; they are both very narrow, and have in them from 42 to 7 Fathom Water; the East Arm is the deepest, and the best Anchorage.

This Harbour, wherein is 6 Fathom Water, lies near 2 Miles to the E. ward of *Long Island Harbour*, is also **Round Harbour.** in *Long-Island*; it will only admit very small Vessels, by reason the Channel going in is very narrow.

Harbour Picarre lies N. by W. half a League from *Little Fox Island*, (which is the Westermost of *Fox Islands*) to sail into it you must keep near the West-point to avoid some sunken Rocks off the other, and anchor in the first Cove on the East-side in 9 or 10 Fathom, sheltered from all Winds. **Picarre.**

This Harbour, which is but small, lies near the East-point of *Long-Island*; at the Entrance is several rocky **Galtaus.** Islands. The best Channel into the Harbour is on the West-side of these Islands, wherein is 4 Fathom Water, but in the harbour is from 15 to 24 Fathom. Here are several Places proper for erecting of Stages; and both this Harbour and *Picarre* are conveniently situated for a Fishery, they laying contiguous to the Fishing Ground about *Fox Islands*.

Between the East-end of *Long Island* and the Main, is a very good Passage out of *Hermitage Bay*, into the Bay of *Despair*. **Passage of Long Island**

Description of the Bay of Despair.

The Entrance of the Bay of *Despair* lies between the West-end of *Long Island* and *Great Jervis Island*, (an Island in the Mouth of the Harbour of the same Name) the Distance from one to the other is 1 Mile and a Quarter, and in the Middle between them is no Soundings with 280 Fathoms.

Great Jervis Harbour is situated at the West Entrance into the Bay of *Despair* is a snug and safe Harbour, **Great Jervis Island.** with good Anchorage in every Part of it, in 16, 18 or 20 Fathom, though but small will contain a great Number of Shipping, securely sheltered from all Winds, and very convenient for wooding and watering.

There is a Passage into this Harbour on either Side of *Great Jervis Island*, the southermost is the safest, there being in it no Danger but the Shore itself. To sail in on the North-side of the Island, you must keep in the middle of the Passage, until you are within two small Rocks above Water near to each other on your Starboard-side, a little within the North Point of the Passage; you must then bring the said North Point between these Rocks, and steer into the Harbour, in that Directions will carry you clear of some sunken Rocks which lie off the West Point of the Island; these Rocks appear at Low-water. The Entrance into this Harbour may be known by the East-end of *Great Jervis Island*, which is a high steep craggy Point, called *Great Jervis Head*, and is the North Point of the South Entrance into the Harbour.

This is an Arm of the Bay of *Despair*, which extends to the Northward 5 Leagues from *Great Jervis North Bay.* *Island*. In this Bay is very deep Water, and no Anchorage but in the small Bays and Coves which are on each Side of it. At the Head of the Bay of the East, which is an Arm of the North Bay, is a very fine Salmon River, and plenty of various Sorts of Wood.

To the Northward of *Long Island*, the Bay of *Despair* extends itself to the NE. about 8 Leagues, whereon **Eagle Island.** are several Arms and Islands. The first is *Eagle Island* laying on the North-side of *Long Island*, about half a Cable's Length from the Shore; a little to the Eastward of it is a small Cove, wherein small Vessels can Anchor in 5 Fathom Water; off the E. Point of this Cove are some sunken Rocks, the outermost of which lay a quarter of a Mile from the Shore, and appears at half Ebb.

This harbour lies on the North-side of *Long Island*, 2 Miles above *Eagle Island*, in and before which **Frenchman's Harbour.** Vessels may anchor in various Depths of Water; about a Cable's length to the Eastward of the West Point of the Harbour is a sunken Rock whereon is 8 Feet Water; a little way further to the Eastward is a small Island not far from the Shore, near to which is a Rock that just Covers at high Water.

On the North-side of the Bay, opposite to *Long Island*, lies the *Isle Bois*, it is near 3 Leagues in Length, **Isle Bois.** and of a tolerable Height; the Passage on the North-side of it (called *Lampadois Passage*) is very safe, but very deep Water.

This Island lies nearly in the middle of the Bay, between the East-end of the Isle of *Bois* and *Long Island*, **Fox Island.** it is of a round Form, pretty high, and bold too all round.

The *Isle Riches* lies off the East-end of the Isle of *Bois*, it is about a Mile in Circuit, and pretty high; on the **Isle Riches.** East-side of it are some small Islands, and some sunken Rocks quite a-cross from the Island to the Main,

so that in sailing up the Bay of *Despair*, you must leave this Island on your Starboard-side.

This is an Arm of the Bay laying in to the Eastward from the Isle of *Riches*, it is very narrow, and counted a good Place for a Salmon Fishery; its Banks are stored with various Sorts of Wood. **Little River.**

This is a small Bay which lays North from the East-end of the Isle of *Bois*, in which are some sunken Rocks near the Head. **Bay Rotte.**

From the Isle of *Riches* the Bay extends itself to the Northward about five Miles, commonly called the Bay or River of *Conne*, then branches into two Arms, one still tending to the North, and the other to the Eastward; the Water is very shallow for some Distance from the Head of both. About these Arms, and the Bay of *Conne*, are great Plenty of all Sorts of Wood, common to this Country, such as Firr, Pine, Birch, Witch-Hasle, Spruce, &c. **Bay of Conne.**

All the Country about the Entrance into the Bay of *Despair*, and for a good Way up it is very mountainous and barren, but about the Head of the Bay it appears to be pretty level, and well cloathed with Wood. **Observations.**

Between St. *Laurence* and Point *May*, an ESE. Moon makes high Water at the Islands of St. *Peters* and *Miquelon*, and in all Parts of *Fortune Bay* a S.E. Moon makes High Water. In the Bay of *Despair* a SE. by S. Moon makes High Water; in all which Places it flows up and down, or upon a perpendicular Spring Tides 7 or 8 Feet; but it must be observed that they are every where greatly governed by the Winds and Weather. **On the Tides.**

The Currents on the Sea Coasts from Cape *Chapeaurouge* towards St. *Peter's*, sets generally to the SW. On the South-side of *Fortune Bay* it sets to the Eastward, and on the North-side to the Westward. **Currents.**

The South West, and Westerly Winds generally blow in the Day during the Summer, and about the Evening they die away; and in the Night you have Land Breezes or Calms. **Winds.**

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