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"The Moll Rock bears from Point Verde N. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. distant two miles, and from Moll Point nearly S.W. three-quarters of a mile. There are only 12 feet of water on this rock, with 10 fathoms around it.

"The land from Cape St. Mary to Placentia is of moderate height, and nearly even; but, to the northward of it, the land is high and uneven, with several peaked hills.

"When bound to Placentia, after you have passed Cape St. Mary, the course from Point Breme to the Outer Virgin Rock is N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. distant 12 miles; and thence to Point Verde N.E. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. $5\frac{1}{2}$ or 6 miles. Before you get the length of the Virgins, if the weather be clear, you will see Point Verde, a long low point under the high land of Signal Hill and Castle Hill. The latter is remarkable by its having an old fortification on its summit, which may be seen a great way off at sea.

"When you have gotten the length of the Virgin Rocks, you must steer to the northward, till you bring the old fort on Castle Hill on, or open, to the northward of, Point Verde. It bears from Point Verde E. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. This mark will bring you to the northward of the Gibraltar Rock; you may then steer for the road, taking care not to come nearer Point Verde than two cables' length; as a flat runs off to the northward, with only 12 and 15 feet of water on it. The soundings of the road are regular; from 6 to 3 fathoms, sandy bottom; but the deepest water is on the north side, as there are 5 and 6 fathoms close to the rocks. On the south side the water is shoal, as there are not more than 12 feet, at 100 fathoms from the shore. The best anchorage for ships of a large draught of water is abreast of Freshwater Bay, at about one quarter of the distance from the north shore; where you will have 5 or $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, with sandy bottom. Point Verde will then bear W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N., and the outer point of Signal Hill N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. The whole bay has a sandy bottom, and good holding-ground.

"The tide rises 7 or 8 feet; it is felt but little in the Road, but runs 4 or 5 knots in and out of the harbour. Here it flows on the full and change days of the moon at 9 h. 15 m. in the morning. The variation of the compass in the road, by observation on the 22d of August, 1800, was 22 deg. 40 min. W." It is now about 24°

MAGNETIC BEARINGS AND DISTANCES OF PLACES ON THE EAST SIDE OF PLACENTIA BAY, AS TAKEN IN 1800.

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From Cape St. Mary to Point Breme N. 14° E. or N. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. 7	
the south side of Red Island N. 22 E. or N.N.E. 34	
From Point Breme to the Virgin Rocks N. 48 E. or N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. 12	
the south side of Red Island N. 14 E. or N. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. 28	
From the Virgin Rocks to Point Verde N. 61 E. or N.E. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. $5\frac{1}{2}$	
Point Latina N. 46 E. or N.E. 12	
the south side of Red Island N. 1 E. or North 16	
From Point Verde to Point Latina N. 29 E. or N.N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. 6	
the south side of Red Island N. 21 W. or N.N.W. 14	
From Point Latina to the south side of Red Island N. 43 W. or N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. 11	

NORTHERN PART OF PLACENTIA BAY.—Point Latina lies about 5 miles to the northward of Placentia Road; between which are several sunken rocks lying along the shore, about half a mile off. A large mile to the eastward of Point Latina lies Point Roche, off which a shoal stretches nearly one-third of a mile.

From Point Roche $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. is the entrance of LITTLE PLACENTIA HARBOUR, which extends W. by S. above $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and is near half a mile broad. Here is good anchorage in a cove on the north shore, which may be known by the west point being woody: off the east point of the cove lies a shoal nearly one-third of the distance across; in the cove are 7 or 8 fathoms of water.

From Point Latina to SHIP HARBOUR the course is East $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles; this harbour extends N.N.E. $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and is a quarter of a mile wide. The anchorage is in a cove on the west side, in 10 fathoms, about a mile from the entrance.

FOX ISLAND is small and round, and lies N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. 3 miles from Point Latina, and N.W. by W. a league from Ship Harbour Point, which is a low stony Point, lying about