

Discovery of a North-West Passage.

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like a Boar's Back: Near two Leagues beyond lies June. another rocky Island, the Island of *West Barra*, which is low to the Eastward and rises in a high Point to the Westward. The *East Barra* is inhabited by seven Families and a *Romish* Priest; their only Subsistence is what that small Island produces, or what they can procure by Fishing.

There was no Alteration of Weather to the 15th. Morning of the 15th, only cloudy at Times; in the Afternoon hazy at Times with Misting; little Wind which freshened towards Midnight, when it was hazy with Misting; at four the next 16th. Morning clear of Haze, but blows hard and in Squalls; at eight less Wind with Rain, at ten the Wind again increases, blowing hard also in Squalls with Misting, and a grown; Sea which Weather continued, and the Convoy, at four that Afternoon, firing three Guns (which were answered with five) left us; having behaved in a Manner as must have given Satisfaction to the whole Fleet.

The Convoy having now left us, we soon expected to separate; the *Antegoa* and *Boston* Men could not long continue that Course, and, tho' the *Hudson's-Bay* Ships were for *Resolution* as well as we, yet we did not imagine they would keep 17th. with us; and on the 17th in the Evening, we altering our Course, they kept theirs, and were in the Night so intirely separated as not afterwards to see each other for that Year.

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