

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 the latitude of $46^{\circ} 53'$ North, and lies nearly west 17 or 18 leagues from Cape *St. Maries*; it is the highest and most remarkable land on that part of the coast, appearing above the rest somewhat 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. Laurence*, 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. $\frac{1}{2}$ 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 fathoms 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.

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 fathoms 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 fathoms 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.

Garden Bank, whereon is from 7 to 17 fathoms water, lies about half a mile off from *Little St. Laurence*, with *Blue Beach Point* on with the east point of *Great St. Laurence*.

Ferryland-Head lies S. W. 1 mile from Cape *Chapeaurouge*; it is a high rocky island, just separated from the main: It and Cape *Chapeaurouge* are sufficient marks to know the harbours of *St. Laurence*.

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 easternmost, lies open to the S. W. winds, which generally prevail 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 fathoms water.