

be done for 2000 Franks, than for 200,000 at *English* Haven, because every Thing might be found here, that was necessary for building and fortifying a great City.

It is moreover certain, that the Greve, Shoal, or Beach here, is as large as that at *Placentia*; that the Fish are here in great Abundance; that a great deal of good Timber grows hereabouts, especially Maple, of the Black Cherry-tree, and Oaks exceeding proper both for building and masting of Ships, some being from twenty-eight to thirty-eight Feet in Height; that Marble is here common; that the Soil is for the most part good, and that upon both the *Little* and *Great Labrador*, which are but a League and an half distant, the Ground is exceeding fertile, and might contain and support a great Number of Inhabitants. In a word, this Port is only four Leagues from *Spaniards-Bay*, which is another very good Haven, where the Lands are excellent, and covered with Timber proper both for Construction and Masts. 'Tis true, they cannot fish here with Shallops, because of the West Winds which usually blow; but they may do it with small Boats, as at *Boston*.

The only Inconvenience of *Port St. Anne*, which all the World allows to be one of the finest in the New World, is, that it is not easy to come into it. This single Inconvenience, after much weighing the Matter, and half resolving now to establish here, under the Name of *Port Dauphin*, and now at *English Harbour*, by the Name of *Louisburgh*, at last determined for the latter. And as the Facility of Entrance gave this the Preference, no Cost has been spared to render