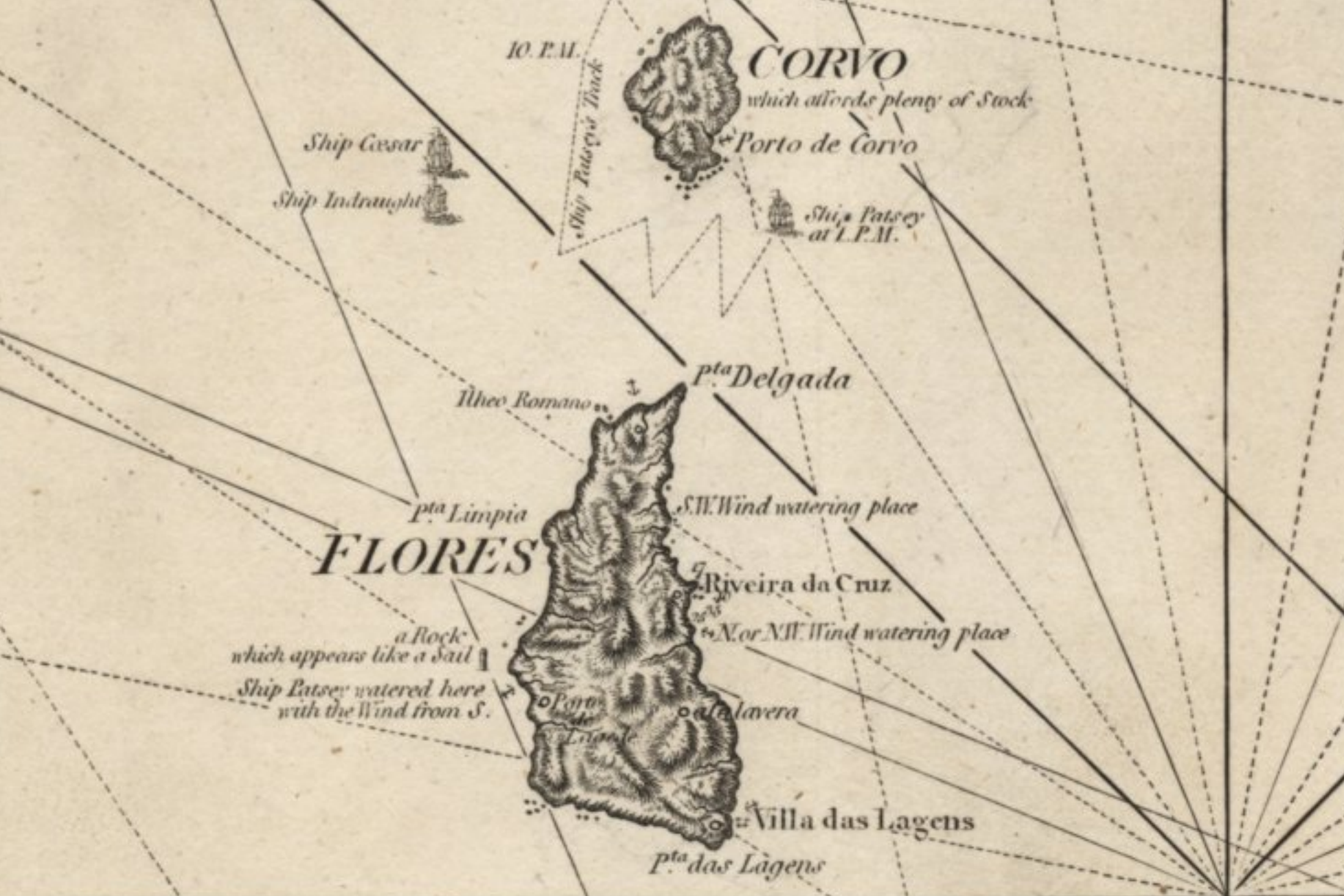
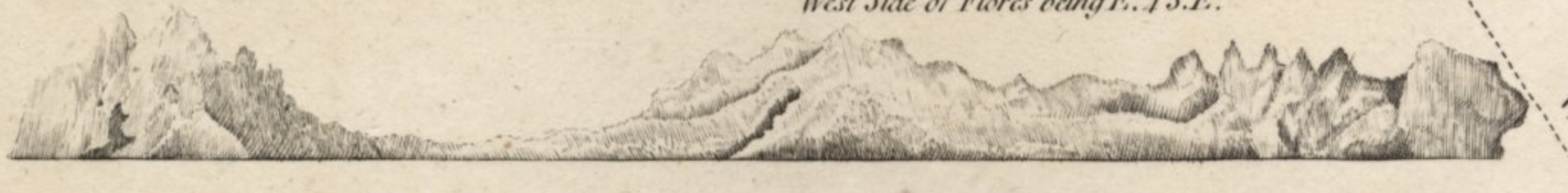


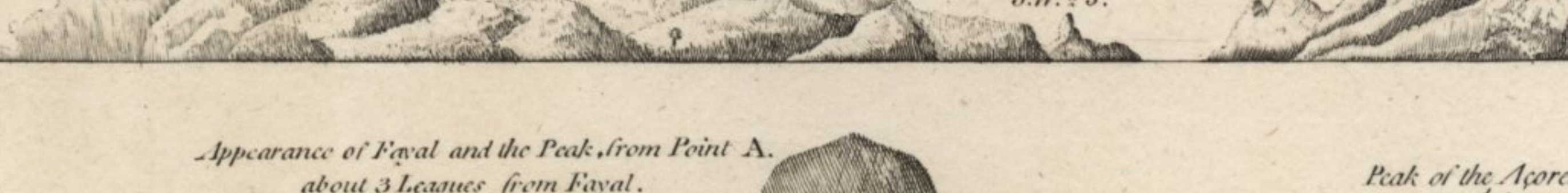
Observation on THE FORMIGAS
 by Capt^l Nath. Simpfon 1783.
 These Rocks have been so dreaded by Navigators that some have been so or so Leagues out of their Course to avoid them, in most charts, you will find them laid down as very dangerous, and the channel between them and S^o Maria called Little Passage is represented as not frequented by Shipping. On the said Island of S^o Maria, I was detained in coming from America, and being then within two Leagues of the Formigas, I hoisted my boat out in order to explore them. From the Ship towards the Rocks I kept sounding the East End of S^o Maria bearing from the Ship W by S distant one League. The Formigas, as you approach them, appear broad-fall, breakers flying higher than a Ship's mast head, although a calm. The sea run from the Westward to an opportunity of Landing on the East Side of the Rocks; but could find no soundings with fifty fathom Line, till within thirty yards of the Rocks. They bear from the Island of S^o Maria N.E. by N. distant about three Leagues, extending from North to South about three quarters of a Mile. Clove along Side of the Formigas is seven fathom water. The highest Rock is from the surface of the water about sixty feet perpendicular. We sounded from the Rocks towards S^o Maria but could find no bottom with 150 Fathom Line, till within a quarter of a Mile from the Island, which proves that through the Little Passage the whole Tides of England might run a broad without the least danger.



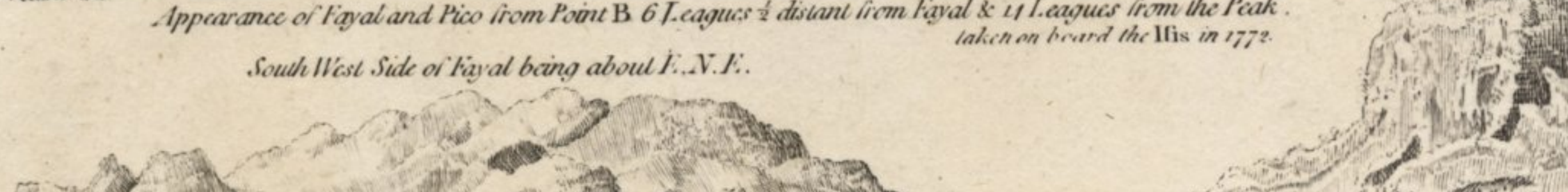
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 West Side of Cerro being E. N.E. West Side of Flores being E. S.E.



Appearance of Cerro and Flores, Cerro being at 4 Leagues Distance, and Flores at 7 Leagues.
 East Side of Flores being S. S.W. East Side of Cerro S.W.W.



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 Peak of the Açores, seen at 13 Leagues Distance in clear Weather.



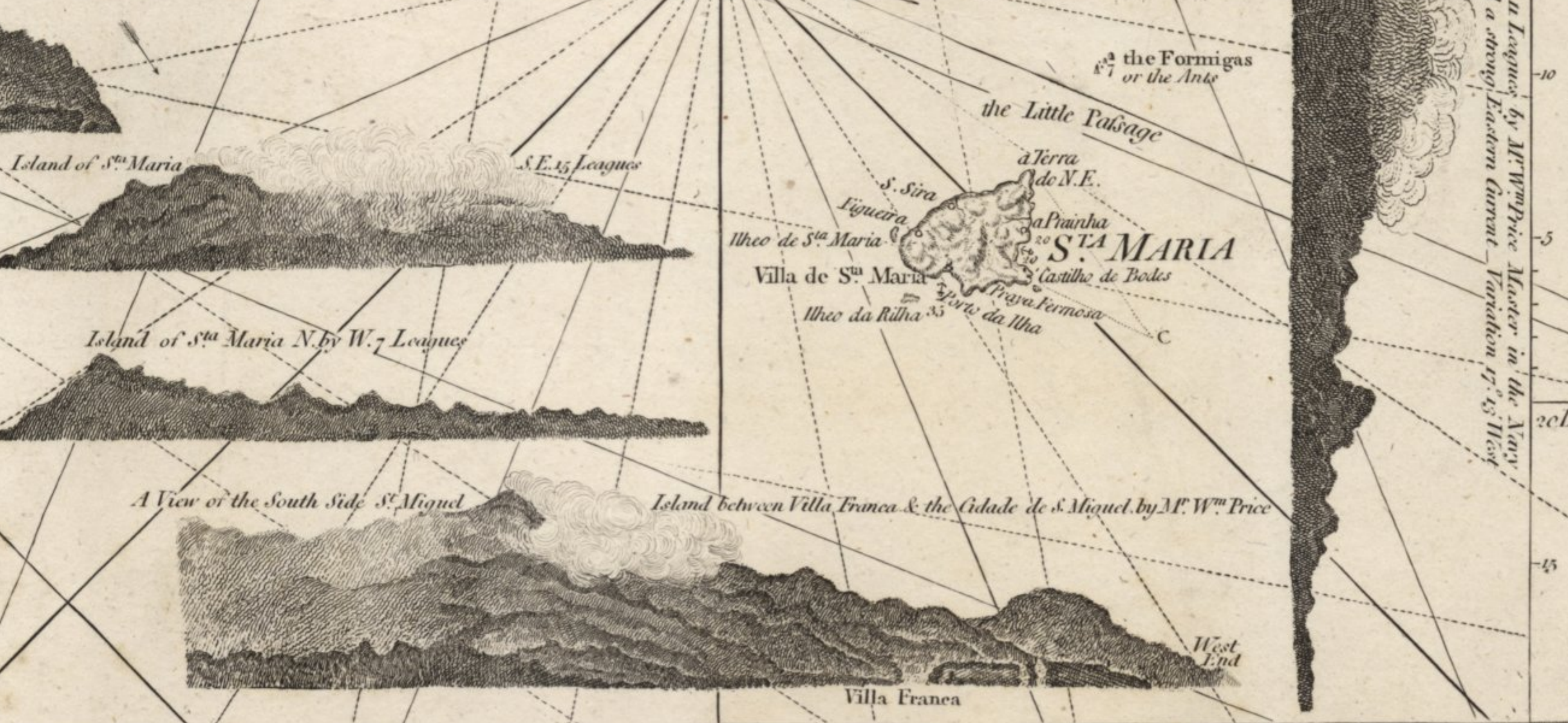
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Appearance of S. Maria from Point C, 4 Leagues distant from the East Cape, East Side.
 South East Island W. N.W.



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