

This iceberg has drifted in from the Atlantic and could be lodged on bottom. These ice masses are believed to come from the west coast of Greenland and take up to 3 years to make the journey to the Labrador - Newfoundland Coast. At the north end of Newfoundland the topography flattens and become more arctic in vegetation. Photo 720803-13 of Griguet. At L'Anse au meadow (meadow modified from medusae which is a jelly fish) found a very exciting setting of the early (1000 years ago) Viking community. It is characterized by meadows of grass, a small flowing stream thru the center of the community, an ocean front, a small harbor and a ridge to west as a NW windbreaker. It is believed that the shoreline 1000 years ago was much higher than today, possibly to base of exposed rocks on ridge. Took several photographs:

720803-14 wall forms (of cut slabs of tundra) before excavation showing walls, a door way & an adjacent room.

720803-15 elevation of room with forge. Large rock an anvil.

720803-16 a room

720803-17 small creek running thru site. Should be checked carefully for artefacts. 720803-17a at village to NE

720803-18 shoreline, blue flowers and distant view of Viking site

720803-19 fishing wharf. near village to east.

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720803-26 see berg to E of Viking site.

720803-21 Iceberg in Atlantic.

720803-22 wood pile at village E of Viking site. 720803-23 village E of Viking site

arrived St. Anthony. From L'Anse au meadow to St Anthony (an angle or pairs) counted 18 rows - no crows. Drove to light house on south side of bay. Photo 720803-24 of steep cliffs just S + W of the light house. 720803-24 + 25

Left St. Anthony (the Grenfell hospital most impressive in such a far north setting). On return to St Barbe passed over the extensive boulder field at mileoge 270 which represents the approx. center of this unusual field of rock. There is a feeling of recent activity in this area and may represent a recent disaptarom of a glacial tongue. It is claimed that the top of the mountain range to S is flat and tundralike. Returned to St Barbe and camp there. Enroute in evening along coast on way to St Barbe photo 720803-28 of pond and wrecked ship at beach.

Bay,
St. Barbe, Newfoundland, Canada

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Min temp last night 47°F., light rain occasionally.
Left at 8:15 P.M. at 56319