



CUSTOMS GUARD HOUSE, VALPARAISO, CHILI.

CHAPTER XVI.

SOCIETY ISLANDS TO JUAN FERNANDEZ AND VALPARAISO (CHILI).

Leave Tahiti—Parting scenes—Westerly winds—Sounding and trawling—Juan Fernandez in sight—Picturesque scenery—Robinson Crusoe—Anchor in Cumberland Bay—The tablet at Crusoe's look-out—The Settlement past and present—Leave Juan Fernandez—The run to Valparaiso—Arrival and anchor off the city—The city and harbour—Swinging ship for magnetic corrections.

OCT. 3rd.—This morning steamed out clear of the reefs, and so had the parting view of Tahiti. The breeze freshened in our favour, and steam was dispensed with. When a good offing had been made, a course was shaped south-east, and beautiful Tahiti, with its imposing and irregular outline of hills and