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ABOUT the year 1749, an effort was made by the late Arthur Dobbs, Esq. and several other patriotic gentlemen, to lay open the trade to Hudson's Bay, so that the people of these kingdoms at large might partake of it. Application was accordingly made to the House of Commons ; and during the investigation of the business, many petitions were presented to the House from the trading part of the nation, praying that the exclusive right, held by charter, by the Company, might be annihilated. The at-

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