

earnest in it. The hint for all this, I tooke from this
booke: which in mine owne and some better Iudge-
ments; is (to say no more) as well done, and enriched
with as sure and vsfull obseruations, as any in this
kinde. I was desired by the able Author, and some
other friends; to ouer-look the written Copy of it,
and to amend the *English* here and there; in which I
did not despaire of doing something: for that, in my
yonger time, I had a little acquainted my selfe with
the *language of the Sea*. That which put me in the
head to inscribe it vnto your Names (most excellent-
ly learned *Academians*) was, for that the place of
this *Wintering*, was within a *minute* or two, of the
height of our *Cambridge*. Which my prayer to God
is, that your *Studies* may make famous.

Yours X. Z.