

and in his Distress was afraid it might die with him, and therefore mention'd it in his Postscript for the Public Good ; but the Company upon his Return having establish'd their Trade by the *Cape of Good Hope*, prosecuted it no farther, being content, like other Companies, with their present Trade without further Risque. —

If to this is added the only Attempt made by the *Hudson's Bay Company*, if it can be said to be properly theirs, as it was against their Inclination, but forced upon them by Governor *Knight* one of their Number (after threatening them that he would apply for another Charter, if they would not fit him out for the Discovery) when they fitted out two Ships, under the Command of *Barlow* and *Vaughan*, two of them Captains, *Knight* himself above 80 Years old, going with them, upon Information he had from the Natives North of *Churchill*, of the Streight, Passage, and fine Copper Mine upon it ; — it appears that he expected to find it at *Corbet's Inlet*, near *Pistoll Bay* ; for when *Scrags* was sent Northward in 1722, to find out what was become of those Ships, he saw some broken Yards and Blocks floating near *Pistol Bay*, Eastward of *Corbet's Inlet*, and the *Eskimaux* in Possession of Part of the Wreck *Marble Island* ; which is a great Presumption that *Knight* expected the Passage and Copper Mine to be thereabouts ; and probably one of the Ships might have got into it, or through it, and have been afterwards lost ; for if both had been lost in the Bay, within 70 Leagues of *Churchil Factory*, it is highly probable some of them might have been saved, and have got to *Churchill* or to some of the Northern *Indians* in amity with the *English*, who would have inform'd the *English* at the Factory of their Misfortune. —

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