

and after what manner they are to be applied to the Purposes before-mentioned, shall be the Business of the remaining Pages, which it is hoped will give full Satisfaction to every candid Reader.

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**THIRD PART:**  
COMPREHENDING,

*Such ARGUMENTS, drawn from Matters of Fact, as serve to shew the great Probability of a Passage by the North West into the South Seas, notwithstanding the same was not actually discovered in the Last Expedition.*

**A**S in the first Part, the Motives which originally excited the Hopes of discovering a *North West* Passage, have been sufficiently explained, and insisted upon; and in the second Part a distinct Account has been given, how far the Expectations entertained of finding a Passage in certain Parts, have been examined, and found to be without Grounds; I come next to insist particularly on those Reasons that seem to persuade us still, that such a Passage may yet be found; and that there is nothing absurd, or even improbable, in supposing that, with no great Expence, the finding it may be successfully attempted; and that too without exposing such as are sent upon this Expedition, to any extraordinary Dangers, or excessive Fatigues. These Reasons shall be chiefly drawn from Matters of Fact, which fell immediately under my own Notice and Observation in the last Expedition; and which, as I shall sincerely relate, I flatter myself it will appear, that I am no Way misled by any sanguine Expectations of my own, as with the utmost Truth I can affirm, that there is nothing farther from my Intentions, than in any Degree to mislead others.

It is a Fact so well established, as not to be drawn in Question, that in Countries of narrow Extent, which are either Peninsulas or Islands, there are no Trees, but only a kind of Bushes and Underwood; notwithstanding that, on the Continent

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