

## *The Epistle Dedicatory.*

table to the Vndertakers and Posterities, as well in matters of wealth, as also the meanes for increase of defence and Power; which will the better goe forward, when your Maiesties subiects are made acquainted, with what facility it may be vndertaken; and so to worke the more effectuall impression in them, when they shall vnderstand, that it is an Iland, nere as spacious as *Ireland*, and lieth so farre distant from the Continent of *America*, as *England* is from the neere part of *France*, and nere halfe the way between *Ireland* and *Virginia*, and the most part of it about foure degrees neerer the South, than *England*, and hath becne already well approued by diuers of your Maiesties Subiects as haue liued there many yeeres, that the Countrey is very healthfull and pleasant in the winter. How commodious and beneficially that Land may be peopled with small charge, and proue profitable to the Vndertakers, and not hurtfull to any of your Maiesties Subiects, the following Discourse will make it plainly appeare. And if your Maiesties Subiects put it in triall to vndertake; I trust, God will giue a blessing to the successe; whereof I haue onely made a true and plainc Relation of the truth: if I should write other then the truth, there are a great number of people that haue often traded to that Countrey, whom I suppose will be ready to disproue me.

Thus being loth to be too tedious, I most humbly commend to God, and to your Maiestie, my induors, the successe thereof, and my poore selfe,

*Your Maiesties most humble  
and faithfull Subiect,*

**Richard Whitbourne.**