tant circumſtances which I had before often heard them relate; which muſt be attributed, either to their confuſion upon appearing before ſo awful an aſſembly, or to their having a dependance upon the Company, and an expectation of being employed again in their ſervice. I will beg leave to give one inſtance of this deficiency:

ARTHUR SLATER mate of one of the Company's ſloops in the Bay, being with Chriſtopher Baniſter, a witneſs, ſaid, that "Longdon and "Hay ought to be hanged for laying down, "in a draught of a diſcovery, places in Hud-"ſon's-Bay which they never ſaw or knew "anything of": and Baniſter reprimanding Hay for laying down thoſe places upon conjecture without having ſeen them; Hay anſwered, "Peugh, it ſignifies nothing; it will "never be known": but Baniſter ſaid nothing of this before the committee. I could produce many more inſtances of the ſame failure in point of evidence: but the reader will eaſily obſerve the difference between that which was produced before the committee, as related in their report; and the account contained in the following pages.

ON the other hand the Company's defence was made principally from journals and letters, which could not lie under the ſame diſadvantages; and thoſe produced, were only ſuch as were calculated to ſet their affairs and conduct in the moſt favourable light.