

in Verrazzano's Letter, which, he claims, fails to mention well known things, and that, therefore, he could never have made the voyage or visited the New England coast. Amongst other omissions by Verrazzano, is that of the subject of wampum; also of tobacco and Indian names. The writer in the *Register* thinks, with Mr. Murphy, that these omissions are remarkable, and therefore refuses to believe that Verrazzano described New England from actual knowledge. But, before adopting this conclusion, we should inquire, not only what other explorers have said, but what they have not said. Various early writers do not mention either wampum, tobacco, or any Indian words. But we are finally told, that the "most remarkable omission of all" is that of the bark canoe, which Verrazzano, if he had made the voyage, must have seen covering the waters. Verrazzano does not mention the bark canoe, but does say that the natives