

ponent infers a Probability of there being a Thoroughfare, since if there were not, the Water ought to be perfectly fresh : For that as no Salt Water went up for more than two Hours on the Flood, none should have come down after two Hours Ebb, even if the Ebb had been as long as the Flood ; but it appears to have been much swifter. And this Deponent saith, That though it is certain that a Flood Tide from the Westward in the said Inlet would have incontestibly prov'd there being a Passage through the same to the Western Ocean ; yet a Flood Tide from the Eastward does not, as this Deponent apprehends, prove the contrary ; as is evident in the Instance of the *Magellanic Streight*, where, according to the accurate Account given by Sir *John Narborough*, the Tide flows half way up that Streight from the Eastward, and is then met by another Flood from the *Western* or *Pacific Ocean*.—— And this Deponent further saith, that he never heard that the Openings call'd *Rankin's* and *Chesterfield's* Inlets were ever search'd by any Person in the *Hudson's Bay Company's* Service, or any other Person whomsoever before the Year 1747, when the same were enter'd and examin'd by the Officers belonging to the *Dobbs Galley* and *Callifornia*.—— And that he this Deponent never saw, or could hear, of any correct Chart or Search having been made of the Parts to the Northward of Latitude of 62°, 30; by any of the *Hudson's Bay Company's* Servants.