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all the Troops at once.) I have contrived for a better convenience of Stowage, that they be built in such a Manner as to part in Halves, lengthways; so that as many of them may be carried in one Ship upon any Expedition, as will land all her Men at once: And however odd it may appear at first View by being built in Halves, an ingenious Carpenter or Boat-Builder, I am well persuaded will soon render it practicable and easy.

I next proceed to treat of different Vessels to cover the landing of Troops in shoal Water, and their Method of Defence for the better Security of their Men; and as the greatest Part of it will consist of wooden Rowls in different Sizes, which I make no Doubt will be laughed at, at first View, as well for the Oddity as the Expence, yet be affured, when they are duly confidered, they will be found to be of excellent Service almost in every Action, not only by Way of Parapet, but will make exceeding good Floats to land Guns or Horses, or any other great Weight or Lumber: Then after having given you a short Description of a scaling Ladder, and of a Bridge to cross a Ditch; and referred to several practical Observations on landing Men; Defences when landed; and on the Security and Advancement of Troops in the Face of an Enemy. proceed to show the Usefulness of old Men of War Fand a Method how to prepare and make them do good Service after they have been for further Use in the common Way.

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