

We had before the Winter began made some May Attempts with a Sein Net, and with pretty good Success; but were not fortunate enough to freeze our Fish, as we might have done, and is practised at the Factories. We then should have had a Supply of them all the Winter. The *Sucker* and *Tattymeg* are only to be met with in Summer, Spring, and the Fall, but never in the Winter; whereas both the *Jack* and *Matby* may be taken in Winter, by Hooks set in Holes cut in the Ice.

The twenty-eighth was the Day on which it was expected that the Ships would float out, and if not it would be to the hazard of their Voyage. The Morning of the twenty-eighth was cloudy, with the Wind blowing hard at North, which it was observed always raised the Tides; but the Ships did not float until the Evening Tide. Captain *Moor* had enter'd the Creek first, when we went to wintering, and his Ship lay uppermost; but after the *California* was moor'd, Captain *Moor* then moved his Ship, and brought her to lay ast off the *California* in order to go first out in the Spring. Which as it was ungenerous of Captain *Moor*; so the Use Captain *Moor* made of it, had like to have been an Overthrow of the Expedition as to Captain *Smith*.

The *California* floated first, and in a few Minutes after the *Dobbs*; both Ships proceeded to get out of the Creek, but the *California* could