

where we have no Soundings, much Ice, great Fogs, with strong Tides, and various Currents.

This is the principal Matter that I can think of at present; had not my Indisposition prevented me, I should, before this Time, have drawn up some further Account of our Voyage, but I have nothing material worth imparting to you further, except a Chart of the whole Bay and the Straits, which will be engraved in a little Time, for you already have my Journals and Observations, as well as the Accounts of those that attempted the Discovery before me.

I am very much obliged to you for your kind Wishes, and all the Favours you have conferred on me, and am as yet quite uncertain as to what their Lordships intend to do for me; they treat me with great Respect, and such as I have the Honour to know, to wit, my Lord *Winchelsea*, Lord *Baltimore*, and Admiral *Cavendish*, have all promised me their Favours. I am,

SIR, *Your most obedient*  
*bumble Servant,*

January 174 $\frac{2}{3}$ .

CHRISTOPHER MIDDLETON.

To A. D——, Esq;

XVII.

DEAR SIR, *Lisburn, January 22, 174 $\frac{2}{3}$ .*

IN my last to *Samuel Smith*, I inclosed one for Lord *Carteret*, open for your Perusal, upon our Scheme of opening a Trade to the Bay, to which I refer you; and in *Sam's* Letter hinted at what I discovered from your Journal at large; that you have made a much greater Progress in the Discovery of the Passage, than you imagined when there; and that from the Lights I have got from your