

from a very high Mountain, for near twenty Leagues W. S. W. with broken Lands on each Side, with a Tide of Flood coming from the Westward, yet this he would impose upon the Publick for a Fresh-Water River; and what was seen from the Mountain was only Fresh-Water Lakes, with Water-falls or Cataracts falling from it, into the River where the Ships lay; because a Ripling was seen betwixt an Island and a low Point through which the Tide had a rapid Course, yet all beyond these Islands, where the Channel was five or six Leagues wide, was upon a Level, and united with the Strait in which the Ships lay, yet upon this Discovery's being made, and reported to him under the Hands of the Lieutenant and Master, he, without consulting his Officers, sailed out of his River, and went away North Easterly to look for the Passage, until he was embayed in *Repulse Bay* in $66^{\circ}. 40'$. and then went ashore, and gave out that he saw a Strait, close frozen over from Side to Side, five or six Leagues wide, and eighteen Leagues long, running South-East into *Hudson's Strait*; yet this he was obliged to make his Passage for the Whales, and Tide to flow through, which raised all the Tides on the West Side of the Bay; he having allowed that no Whales came in through *Hudson's Strait*, or were seen in other Parts of the Bay, all that were seen being only amongst the Inlets, and Islands, on the North-West Side, from 62° . near Cape *Eskimaux* to $65^{\circ}. 40'$. in *Wager Strait*.

When he returned from his pretended frozen Strait, which was only a small Channel three Leagues