

For if *Bylot's*, and *Baffin's* Account be true, that a S. S. E. Moon makes high Water at the Northwest End of *Hudson's* Strait, and a S. by E. Moon at *Cape Comfort*, how could that Tide if it entred the Strait you observed from the Mountain, to the Northward of *Cape Comfort*, and was but 20 Leagues long, be eight Points longer in making high Water, where you were embay'd, where a W. by S. Moon made high Water: This makes it a' Doubt to me, whether it could be from that Tide.

This would make me incline to think if it be from any easterly Tide, it should be from that in *Cumberland* Inlet, where at *Cumberland* Isles, 60 Leagues from the Entrance, in about 66° —it flowed four or five Fathoms by *Davis's* Account; and he said a S. W. by W. Moon, made high Water, but it was there check'd by another Tide which came from the South-west. But to this, there is another Difficulty from *Fox*, who found Lord *Weston's* *Portland* in $66^{\circ} 47'$, which must have been betwixt your new Strait which was in that Latitude and *Cumberland* Isles; and he says the South-eastern Tide followed him so far from *Hudson's* Strait.

These Difficulties I should be glad to have your Opinion upon; and whether you think we ought to discredit their Accounts here, as well as at the *Welcome*, tho' they had more Time here to make regular Observations; or whether, as a great deal of what you pass'd must have been Islands or broken Lands, there might not be some Passages thro' these Straits, North and South, as at *Cape Hope*; where you pass'd the Strait from whence that Tide might flow from the North-Westward; and those Headlands being to the North-Eastward of you, the Tide wou'd return to you from the Eastward. For I observe from *Baffin*, that the Lands to the Westward of this Bay, are very far to the North-Eastward of the