

be dug out of the Mine by a thousandth Part of the Trouble or Labour; and that Kingdom or Nation which hath the Means and keeps their People exercised and imployed, can never fail of being powerful and rich; whereas we see Nations and Kingdoms possess of vast natural Wealth and Swarms of People, whose Power is despised. From *Newfoundland* we have great Quantities of Skins and Furs, namely, Seal, Deer, Fox, Otter, Minx and Bear-Skins, likewise some Beaver, &c.

I shall not take upon me to make any Estimate of the Advantages arising to this Kingdom from *Hudson's Bay* and *Davis's-Streights*, being entirely unacquainted there; yet thus much I have learned, that the Trade there is extremely beneficial to all Persons concerned, even far beyond any other, in Proportion to the Sums dealt for.

Bermudas, though a small Island, or rather a great many small Islands, lies in the Latitude of $32^{\text{d}} 30^{\text{m}}$ North; Longitude from *London* 64^{d} West; and about two hundred Leagues distant from the Continent of *America*. In *Queen Ann's War* there was upwards of a hundred Sail of Brigantines and Sloops belonging to this Island; but at present I am assured that there is not above half that Number. This
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