

						Burden of each.
Anno 1746.	-	-	Four Ships	-	-	$\left. \begin{matrix} 190 \\ 170 \\ 130 \\ 120 \end{matrix} \right\} \text{Tons.}$
1747.	-	-	Four Ships	-	-	$\left. \begin{matrix} 190 \\ 170 \\ 130 \\ 120 \end{matrix} \right\} \text{Tons.}$
1748.	-	-	Four Ships	-	-	$\left. \begin{matrix} 190 \\ 170 \\ 130 \\ 120 \end{matrix} \right\} \text{Tons.}$

N. B. The above-mentioned Ships only Employ has been in carrying on the Trade between the Port of *London* and *Hudson's Bay*: The Company also constantly keep several Vessels in the Bay upon Service there.

N U M B E R XVI.

Copies of INSTRUCTIONS given by the *Hudson's Bay* Company to their Officers abroad; so far as they relate to the Discovery of a North West Passage.

To Capt. Henry Kelsey, and Council, at York Fort.

June 1st, 1720.

WE also order you to send us Copies of all those Journals that have been kept by yourself and others, and what Discoveries have been made in the Voyages to the Northward; also what Number of People, and what Sort, you have met with; and what Quantity of Whale have been seen, or what other sort

of Fish are in those Parts: Likewise from whence the Flood comes, and from what Point of the Compass; and how much the Tides have flowed up and down.

To Ditto.

May 26th, 1721.

YOU acquaint us of your Design of Wintering to the Northward. We desire to know whether you mean at *Churchill* River; for we cannot approve of your Wintering farther Northward, to the Hazard of your Life, and those with you; we apprehending, if you go any time in June, you may make as much Discovery, both of Whales and other Commodities, as if you wintered to the Northward, and return by the latter end of August.—We have sent you this Year a Vessel called the *Whalebone Sloop*, *John Scroggs* Master, which we would have sent upon Discovery next Year, as soon as the Season of the Year will permit, if you can spare her to go to the Northward upon Discovery: And let them make the best of their Way towards

the Latitude of 66 and a half, Sir *Thomas Roe's* Welcome, and not to stop as they go along to view the Coast, and to make what Discovery they can coming back; but not to stay to the Northward beyond the 15th of August, so that she may be back by the Beginning of September: We mean by the first Five Days in September: And to deliver in their Journals to you at their Return; with an Account what Whales, and other Extraordinaries, they see; and not to spend their Time amongst the Indians, but to return to you, in order to your perfecting the Discovery the Year following.

To Richard Norton, and Council, at Prince of Wales's Fort.

19th May, 1725.

AND if you can by any means find out any Discovery or Matter to the Northward, or elsewhere, for the Company's Interest or Advantage, fail not to let us know every Year, with your Remarks and

Opinion thereupon; and we shall make due Improvements thereof.