

“ Western Coast, Southward of *Whale-cove*, for
 “ the Protection and Encouragement of those *Eski-*
 “ *maux* who lie scattered thereabout, the Foundati-
 “ on of a most extensive Fishery would be effectually
 “ laid.

“ These last *Eskimaux* subsist in Winter upon the
 “ Stock they raise in Summer, which is supposed to
 “ be Oil, Blubber, and the like ; and yet the Sea-
 “ son of the Whale-Fishery there seldom lasts above
 “ nine Weeks ; in which time they must kill a pro-
 “ digious Quantity to be able not only to lay up a
 “ Store for a long Winter, but to make a Reserve of
 “ Tuns of Oil for the Company's annual Sloop :
 “ And if this poor People can in their one Man
 “ Canoes, with such Tackling as their little Skill
 “ enables them to make of Ivory, Wood and Lea-
 “ ther, kill so many Whales in so short a Time, and
 “ in so small a Part of the Bay, there is no fixing
 “ Bounds to the Proportion, if a Fishery was carri-
 “ ed on at the Rivers, under proper Directions and
 “ Encouragement, and the Natives furnished with
 “ Harpoons, Nets, Hooks, and other Tackling
 “ made in England ; and prompted besides to exact
 “ their utmost Art and Industry, by a kind and ge-
 “ nerous Treatment.

“ The Circumference of the Bay is at least 2500
 “ Miles, with so many Rivers and Inlets all round,
 “ that a considerable River or Inlett may be allowed
 “ to every hundred Miles. In the Rivers where
 “ I resided, as much Oil, &c. might be procured,
 “ as would be sufficient to load 150 Tons of Ship-
 “ ping annually ; consequently by the same Com-
 “ putation, the whole Bay would employ 1250
 “ Tons ; and in a short time I dare say, many Hun-
 “ dreds more ; but the first Attempt must be made
 “ by those who are possessed of Judgement, Spirit,
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