

“ an hundred Fathoms deep, is a mere Fiction,
 “ and is dwindled into an Arm of the Sea three
 “ Leagues wide, full of Islands, which sur-
 “ rounded the Island they stood upon, and se-
 “ parated it from the *Low Beach*, as appears
 “ from the *Gunner's Draught* of it, which ex-
 “ actly agrees with the *Clerk's Account*, * &c.

Mr. *Dobbs* himself has here shewn of what Use this *Draught* was, to the Cause he endeavoured to support; for making the *Frozen Straits* imaginary, the Influx of the *Eastern Tides* are shut out, and by fictitious *Openings*†, the Tides are brought in from the *Western American Ocean*. And were these incontestable Facts, I must really be the vile Rascal I have been represented to that Gentleman.

As on the one Hand this Contrivance is beyond the Depth of the most artful of his Wittenesses, who has but just Cunning enough to be a *Rogue*; and, as on the other, the Design is too villainous and too fatal in its Consequences, had it succeeded, for a Gentleman of Mr. *Dobbs's Great Probity*, to be concerned in it, I know not, I must confess, what Judgment to make, and yet I am as ready to believe as any one who is *thoroughly* acquainted with him, that he was himself imposed upon; for none but the most *profligate Wretch* could (actuated by the meanest and most *pernicious Passion*) carry on the *blackest*

* I think the Detection of this *Letter* and *Draught* being a *Forgery* accounts for this Agreement.

†Vide Mr. *Dobbs's Chart*, in which an *Opening* is made (called *Rankin's*) to let in the *Tides* from the *Westward*.