

our Fisheries, when from our 'own Labour only, after having paid great and large Freights, and by that Means giving an Employment to a great Number of Men and Shipping, here is a real Treasure of a hundred and third eight thousand Pounds *per Ann.* added to the Riches of our Kingdom; every Penny of this, as well as the Freight and Commissions which are earned by our own People, and which (it is not to be doubted) are near one third of the whole more, is remitted to *Great-Britain*; the whole Sum not is less than a hundred and seventy two thousand five hundred Pounds. This Trade hath increased lately above one third Part; and it is thought that this Increase hath been in a great Measure owing to the Trade carried on by the *New-England* People to the *French* Islands, whereby they can obtain Rum and Molosses as cheap or rather cheaper than they used to purchase them at *Barbadoes*, before the Peace of *Utrecht*; whereas, since that Time, the Prices of Rum and Molosses, in our Islands, is raised to near double the Price they then sold at, or what the *French* sell for now. The Whale Fishery produces annually from eleven to thirteen hundred Tons of Oyl, including what is made by *New-England* Men at *Cape Fear* in *Carolina*, (where I have seen three *New-England*