

SUMMARY

OBSERVATIONS AND FACTS,

Shewing the Prospect of Success

In Attempts to discover

A NORTHERN PASSAGE

TO THE

PACIFIC OCEAN.

THE late renewal of an offer of reward for discovering a Northern Passage into the Pacific Ocean, seeming to call upon every Person, conversant in the Subject, to contribute to its performance consistently with the grand view of the Legislature; the Writer of these pages thinks it a duty to bring in his mite, and hopes to prove from authentic sacts and practical observations, that a successful event may considently be expected from a well-conducted enterprise.

It is generally known, that the first Voyage to the East Indies was made some time about the end of the fifteenth century, round by the Cape of Good Hope. That track ever since followed, has often been attended with danger and distress, from violent storms raging in those seas, more or less throughout the

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