

salute to the governor, for as yet there was no fort erected; they contrived however to return an equal number, having a few pieces of cannon fixed before the store-houses. We found riding here, the Nassau and Southampton East Indiamen. We continued at this place till near the middle of May, when having completed our stock of water, and taken in stores of various kinds, and as much live-stock as we could find room for, we took up our anchors and made sail, but our wind failed us before we could clear the bay, and we were obliged to come-to again. The following day we were more fortunate; and having stood out to sea, pursued a southerly course for some time to avoid falling in with any ships of the enemy, which, notwithstanding the edict that was issued, might give us more trouble than we wished to experience.

After a passage of near sixteen weeks, we arrived at Stromness, where we were
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