

A. D 1577. *Sir Francis Drake, with five Ships and Parks, and 164 Men, began his famous Voyage round the Globe; sailing thro' the aforementioned Streight of Magellan to the Coasts of Peru, New Spain, Mexico and California; returning to England by the East Indies and Cape of Good Hope. Capt. John Winter was separated from Sir Francis upon their Entrance into the South Sea, and by Storms was forc'd back again into the Streights of Magellan thro which he repass'd home, being the first that sail'd from the Pacifick into the Atlantick Ocean through these Streights. Ladrillar, a Spaniard, being sent from Chile to attempt this Passage, was driven back by Storms and the approach of Winter Anno 1579. the Viceroy of Peru, thinking that Sir Francis Drake was sail'd to the Magellan Streights, equipt Don Sarmiento in the Port of Lima with two Ships to pursue him. This Spaniard coasted Chile and Patagonia, entring the Streights, and so passed to Brasil. Sarmiento upon his return to Spain, perswaded Philip II, to send two Colonies to plant and fortifie in the Streights of Magellan, in order to prevent and obstruct the Navigations, Depredations, or Settlements of the English and Dutch in those Parts; but they all miscarried partly by Shipwrack, partly by Famine, and the Barbarities of the Patagons. This happen'd in the Years 1584, 1585, 1586. The Project was contrary to the Advice of the Duke of Alva.*

*Sir Francis in the Magellan Streight saw several of the Patagons, or Inhabitants, in their Canoes and Huts; their Boats were made of the Barks of*