

least haue condiscended thereunto, but this error of his was acquitted in as rude a manner: for his companie putting him to death did make choice of another Captaine, and despairing of a new supplie though wanting skilfull workmen for such a purpose (necessitie sharpening their wits) they builded a little Barque which they calfatted and made fit for the Seas with the Gummes of trees which they found there in stead of Pitch, and in place of Sayles they furnished her with such linnens as they had vpon their beds, and being thus set forth (courageously ouercomming a number of admirable difficulties) did return to *France* after a desperate manner.

The dangerlesse returne, and plausible hopes of *Ribaut*, assisted by the serious perswasions of the Admirall, (the receiued opinion of whole not questioned wisdome was enough to warrant any thing that had his approbation) did moue the *French* King to send out a great number of men with a competent prouision of all things requisite vnder the charge of Monsieur *Laudonier*, who had a prosperous Voyage, and a congratulated arriual at the *French* Fort by the *Sauages* in *Florida*, but immediately thereafter hee was extremely perplexed with the vnexpected mutinies and factious offers of some whom he had carried with him, who had not gone thither intending what they pretended, out of a cleare resolution to inhabite that bounds, but did onely flee from some inconueniencies that had vexed them at home, such men as hating labour they could not industriously serue by their endeauours in a mechanike trade, so were they not capable of generous inspirations that pro- uoke magnanimitie, but habitually bred to vice were naturally enemies to vertue, which made thirtie of them taking away a Barke that belonged to the Plantation betake themselves to the Seas in hope (continuing as they had bene accustomed in naughty courses) to seize vpon a prize whereby they might incontinent bee made rich; and their designe in some measure had the projected issue, but in place of raising their fortunes (the Lord neuer blessing them