

CANADIAN HISTORY NOTES.

PERIOD OF DISCOVERY.

1001-1534.

1. **Leif Ericson.**—In the year 1001, Leif Ericson made his way from Iceland to the western continent touching at parts now known as Newfoundland and Massachusetts. He, however, formed no permanent settlements in the New World.

2. **Christopher Columbus.**—In 1492, Christopher Columbus, a Genoese sailor, aided by Queen Isabella of Spain, discovered America, while in search of a western route to the East Indies. The first land touched was **San Salvador**, one of the West Indies.

3. **John Cabot.**—In 1497, Henry VII. of England, sent out to the New World John Cabot, who discovered Newfoundland, Labrador, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. In the next year, accompanied by his brother **Sebastian**, he sailed along the coast from Labrador to Florida, laying claim to the whole country in the name of the King of England.

4. **Gaspard Cortereal.**—In 1500, Gaspard Cor-