

gressiveness, that Prince Edward Island, since the advent of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to her shores in 1860, to visit and 'lodge' there, has passed through her third degree, and stands now raised before the world, a brother among the colonies of Old England, free and accepted, as she industriously labors at the architecture of her own fortunes, and worthily sits in a master's place, governing with equity and justice, and satisfying, with her good things, so that none need go away dissatisfied. It is *the want of knowledge* which stands in the way of the settlement of new countries.* This will be seen if we suppose Cabot, in 1497, navigating what are now called the Straits of Northumberland, and Seuev Doublet only in 1663, on the highest peak (perhaps T Hill) of Prince

* In a "cum privilegio" Geography and Atlas, anno 1666, by one John Speed, we find the following information, (?) which if it does not much enlighten us on the world's history, will at least teach us to feel sympathy for the world's ancient inhabitants:

"In *Ptolomy's* time (about an hundred and forty years after Christ) we hear not of either Land or Sea known more than was contained in *Asia, Africa and Europe*.

"And of that he never knew the East and North parts of *Asia*, nor the South of *Africa*, no nor the most Northerly parts of *Europe*: but placed the end of the world that way in *ultima Thule*, about sixty degrees from the *Aequator*. And Southward the other way not above 17 degrees, *Prasso permotorio*: which at this day is called *Mosambique Kecks*. So the whole latitude of the world, then known did not reach the fourth part of the Compass. In the Longitude indeed they came not so far short; yet left they just half to the soarch of their posterity. For they placed their first Meridian in the *Fortunate Islands*, and ended their reckoning in Region *Sinarum* of the *Eastern Indies*, and that is distant but 180 degrees toward the 360, which is the compass of the whole.

"But God in these later times hath enlarged our possessions, that his Gospel might be propagated, and hath discovered to us Inhabitants almost in every corner of the earth. Our later Geographers have set their mark beyond *Ptolomy's* 60 degrees Eastward. And Westward to the utmost parts of *America*. So that there are already known 340 of the earth's Longitude. Toward the North Pole we have gained more in proportion, as far as *Nova Zembla*, and the Sea is known to be navigable to the eighty-first degree: whether the rest be land or not, it never yet appeared to any (as I hear of) but an Oxford Frier by a *Magick Voyage*. He reports of a black Rock just under the Pole, and an Isle of *Pygmies*: Other strange miracles, to which (for my part) I shall give little credit till I have better proof for it than the Devil's word."