

A NEW INTERLUDE and a mery of the nature of the
iiij. elementes declaryinge many proper poyntes of
Phyllosophy Naturall and of Dyvers Straunge Landys
and of Dyvers Straunge Effectes and Causis.

The only copy now known to exist of this little volume of
verse, which was probably printed in London between 1510 and
1520, is in the British Museum.

It has been reprinted in Dodsley, *Select Collection of old
English plays*, (Hazlitt edition, I. 1-50), (10801.30 2); and by
the Percy Society, edited by Halliwell, vol. xxii, 1848,
(132.5 22).

The passages "containing the first allusion to the American
discoveries yet found in English literature" are on pp. 28-33 of
the Percy Society edition.

They have been reprinted in NICHOLLS, *Cabot*, 91-98, (3074 17.)
where it is suggested that "the Experyens herein depicted was
none other than Sebastian Cabot himself." Also reprinted in
WINSOR, *America*, III. 14-16 (208.1 3); PAYNE, *America*,
230-241, (208.9.1); and by HALE, *Amer. Antiquarian Society*,
21 October 1865, 29-30, (040.8.6).

AMERICAN HISTORY LEAFLETS.

Documents describing the voyage of John Cabot in
1497.

In *American History Leaflets*, (New York, Lovell), No. ix.
May, 1893, pp. 14. (238.17.)

Edited by Professor Edward Channing of Harvard. Con-
tains good texts of all the important sources for the 1497 voy-
age.

ARBER.

The first Three English Books on America.
[? 1511]-1555 A. D. Being chiefly translations,
compilations, &c., by Richard Eden, edited by Ed-
ward Arber.—Birmingham, 22 June, 1885. H.
pp. xlviii+408. 4to.

This volume contains the interlude of the *Four Elements*,
and the translation of Munster, *Treatyse*, 1553, and of Martyr,
Decades, 1555, entered below under EDEN.

AYALA.

[Dispatch from Pedro de Ayala, the junior Spanish
ambassador in England, to Ferdinand and Isabella,
dated (London) 25 July, 1498.

The original document, written in cipher, is at Simancas (*Patro-
nato Real, Capit. con Inglaterra*. Leg. 2, fo. 198.)

An English translation is in BERGENROTH, *Calendar (Spain)* I.
no. 210, 176-177; omitting an important passage given in HAR-
RISSE, *Cabot*, 396, (3774.2).

The passages referring to "another Genoese like Columbus" are
reprinted in MARKHAM, *Journals*, 208-209; in HALE, *Am. An-
tiquarian Society Proceedings*, 21 Oct. 1865, p. 25-26; PROWSE,
Newfoundland, 29, (205.15); *Histor. Mag.* xlii. 134-135, (250.1.13);
NICHOLLS, *Bristol*, iii. 296-7.