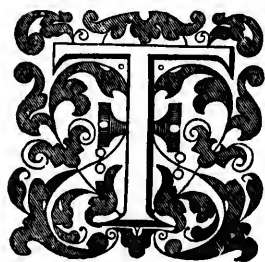




AN
ENCOVRAGEMENT
TO COLONIES.



He sending forth of Colonies (seeming a novelty) is esteemed now to bee a strange thing, as not onely being about the courage of common men, but altogether alienated from their knowledge, which is no wonder, since that course though both ancient, and vsuall, hath beene by the intermission of so

many ages discontinued, yea was impossible to be practised so long as there was no vast ground, howsoever men had beene willing, whereupon Plantations might haue beene made; yet there is none who will doubt but that the world in her infancy, and innocency, was first peopled after this manner.

The next generations succeeding *Shem* planted in *Asia*, *Chams* in *Africke*, and *Iaphets* in *Europe*: *Abraham* and *Lot* were Captaines of Colonies, the Land then being as free as the Seas are now, since they parted them in euery part where they passed, not taking notice of natives with-
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