

Spayne, with his trayne and familie; and especial-ly that which Don Diego Colon, viceroy under your majestie, hath in this citie, is suche that I knowe no man in Spayne that hath the lyke, by a quarter, in goodnesse, confyderynge all the commodities of the same. Lykewyse the situation thereof as beinge above the sayde porte, and altogyther of stone, and havynge many faire and large roomes, with as goodly a prospect of the lande and sea as may be devysed, seemeth unto me so magnificent and princelyke, that your magestie may bee as well lodged therein as in any of the moste exquisite builded houses of Spayne. There is also a cathedrall church buylde of late, where, as well the byshop accordyng to his dygnitie, as also the canones, are wel indued. This church is well buylded of stone and lyme, and of good woorkemanshyppes. There are further-more three monasteries bearyng the names of Saynt Dominike, Saynt Frances, and Saynt Mary of Mercedes; the whiche are well buylded, although not so curiouslye as they of Spayne. There is also a very good hospitall for the ayde and succour of pore people, whiche was founded by Michaell Passamont, threasurer to your majestie. To conclude, this citie fro day to day increaseth in welth and good order, as well for that the sayde admyrall and viceroy, with the lorde chaunceloure and counsaile appoynted there by your majestie, have theyr continuall abydnge here, as also that the rycheft men of the ilande resort hyther, for theyr moste commodious habitation and