

Zano, according to his Letter, was exploring America, he was actually engaged as a Corsair, capturing a ship on her way home from the Indies. But Mr. Murphy does not give us the *date* of capture, which he would have done, if there had been any to give. The proof of this should have been upon the forefront of his book; though such proof would have been all the book needed. As it is, the teaching finds its own place in an obscure corner, only to spring upon the reader at the proper time, when warmed with suppositious doubt. There is nothing in it.

We believe, therefore, that when thoroughly discussed, the Letter of Verrazzano, like the Voyage of the Zeni, will rise above all doubt, and that the names of Ramusio and Verrazzano, the Historian and the Navigator, will alike stand together in the annals of America to the end of time.