

BOOK.I.

OF DISCOVERIES IN THE WEST UNTIL 1519.

CHAPTER I.

Of the alleged discovery of America by the Northmen in the eleventh, by the Welch in the twelfth, and by Nicholas and Antonio Zeno in the fourteenth century.

CHAPTER II.

Of Christopher Columbus; his plan for reaching India by a route to the west; the fate of his applications to the Court of Portugal from 1470 to 1484, and afterwards to the Court of Spain till 1492; a squadron then fitted out.

CHAPTER III.

Of the first voyage of Columbus to the west; his departure on the 3d of August 1492; discovery of land in the West Indias on the 12th of October in that year; and return to Spain in March 1493.

CHAPTER IV.

Of the second voyage of Columbus; discovery of other isles in 1493 and 1494; settlement at La Navidad destroyed and City of Isabella built.