

A Discourse of

Lastly, they may make Salt there (as hath
beene said before) under three pence the bu-
shell; whereas it stands them in, who bring
it thither, at the least twentie pence the bu-
shell.

The Necessi-
tie of this
plantation.

Now concerning the Necessarie of this
imployment, and the like, there are two
principall inducements: the one whereof,
is the decay of Trade; the other, the over-
abundance of people. The decay of
Trade is so apparent, and the remedies
thereof so hopelesse, considering the warres
thoroughout Christendome; as these times
doe fitly seeme to parallell the dayes of king
EDWARD the sixt, wherein such difficultie
was then found in everie place for the
venting of the English cloathes, as by an
Order of State it was decreed that shippes
should bee sent forth under the conduct of
Sir Hugh Willoughby and Richard Chan-
cellor, for the discouerie of new countries, ly-
ing towards the Northeast, whereby the
commodities of England might that way
bee dispersed: which designe succeeded so
happily, that although Sir Hugh Willoughby
lost