

PART XXVI.

*Danish Attempts to discover a North-west Passage under Jens Munck.*

DIE XXVIste Schiff-Farth, i. e. the 26th Voyage. Description of a very dangerous Voyage, made by Captain John Mūnken in the Year 1619 and 20 . . . . with an Introduction containing an account of old and new Greenland. Francfort, Le Blon, 1640. Vignette: A man in a boat, chasing a Seabear. — Dedication to the brother of the publisher, "the very Honourable Michael Le Blon, Minister Resident of His Swedish Majesty in Great Britain," 6 pp. Preface to the Reader, pp. 1—4. — Text, p. 5—60. — Description of the plates, p. 61, 62, 64. — 10 plates, 1 map.

THIS part of our Collection opens with an account of the several attempts of the Search of a North-west passage and proceeds to state the Efforts of the Danes under Munck, referred to in the Edinburgh Cabinet Library, vol. I., p. 246 and foll., to which valuable Work I owe the following Analysis.

IN 1619 Christian IV. sent out two well-appointed vessels under Jens Munk, who had the reputation of a good seaman. He succeeded in penetrating through Hudsons Straits into the bay, whereupon he took upon himself to change the whole nomenclature of that region, imposing the names of Christian's