

2 with two Ships, the 18. June he saw Ice, and the Southernmost part of Greenland. He sailed as high as $63^{\circ}35'$ N. Latitude in Davis' Strait. The Severity of the Weather, & mutinous Conduct of the Crew hastened his return home.

1596. The City of Amsterdam fitted out two Ships under the Command of Hemskerk and Rypt. On the 9th June they discovered Bear Island. October 2nd they landed at Spitzbergen where they wintered.

1606. John Knight was appointed to conduct a Voyage of discovery by the Russia & East India Companies; - his Ship was much injured in a Storm, and Knight perished on the Coast of Labrador.

1607 Hudson made his first Voyage, and is said to have proceeded along the Eastern Coast of Greenland as far as Lat. 82° but probably not above Lat. 80° or the furthest extremities of Spitzbergen.

1608. James Hall had already been out three Years successively viz. from 1605 to 1607 in the Danish Service on Voyages of discovery in the Northern parts, and in this fourth Voyage he was killed by a Gr. Under at a place called Rommel's Fiord on the 22nd July.

1609. A Ship called the Amity fitted out by the Russia Company and commanded by Jonas Poole was sent on a Voyage to Cherry Island and also to make discoveries towards the North Pole.

Poole sailed from Blackwall on the 1st March, and after enduring very severe cold and stormy Weather, discovered the Southern part of Spitzbergen on the 16th May having made two useless attempts to get beyond $79^{\circ}50'$ N. Latitude: - the Ice obliged him to return, and look out for fish in order to pay the Expence of the Voyage.

1610. Hudson, was again sent out by the Russia Company: -
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