

CHAPTER III.

RENEWED EFFORTS AT COLONIZATION.—LOSS OF THE BROTHERS ROBERVAL.—INDIVIDUAL ENTERPRIZES.—HENRY IV.—CHAMPLAIN'S EXPEDITION.—THE SIEUR DE MONTS.—ACADIA.—CANADA.—CHAMPLAIN'S CHOICE OF LOCATION.—SUMMARY OF EVENTS TILL 1663.

Two years after the death of King Francis, Roberval organized another expedition to Canada, but on the voyage out, himself and brother, with all their followers, perished at sea ; an event which caused all projects of the kind to be looked on unfavorably.

Religious dissensions were then rife in France, and Admiral Coligny, who was himself a chief of the Huguenots as well as a patriotic man, resolved on founding an asylum in America for his co-religionists, upon whom pressed the rigors of a cruel persecution. Attempts of the kind were made in different sections of the New World, but through mismanagement or other cause, they failed of becoming permanent settlements. An establishment of the kind had existed in Florida for three years, when the Spanish King sent a fleet to "fight the heretics and prevent them from establishing their worship in America ;" and accordingly the