

PART I.

Books Printed between the Years 1500 and 1600.

1506.

- 1 VON DEN NEWEN INSULEN und landen so yttz kurtzlichen
erfunden seynd durch den kunigh von Portigal *Leipsik.*
4to. pp. 12. Fine copy in Morocco 7l. 7s.

This excessively rare book is a German translation of Vesputius' account of his discoveries.

1508

- 2 ITINERARIUM PORTUGALLESIIUM e Lusitania in Indiam & inde
in occidentem & denum ad aquilonem. *Milan*
Folio. Fine copy in Morocco, 7l. 7s.

Translated from the "*Paese Novamente Ritrovati*," by Archangelo Madrigani, who announces it as having been made from a Portuguese original. It is reprinted in Grynæus' *Novus Orbis*, &c. 1532.

1516.

- 3 PSALTERIUM, Hebraeum, Graecum, Arabicum et Chaldaicum, cum
tribus latinis interpretationibus & glossis. *Genuæ.*
Folio. 2l. 2s.

The Polyglott Psalter, published by Justiniani, is remarkable for containing an account of COLUMBUS and his discoveries in an annotation on the 19th Psalm, "*Cœli enarrant.*"

1519.

- 4 DENCISO, MARTIN FERNANDEZ, *Suma de Geographia que trata
de todas las partidas y Provincias del Mundo, en especial de
las Indias* *Sevilla.*
Folio, black letter, 10l. 10s.

Very fine copy, extremely rare, and apparently the first book printed in Spanish, relating to America;—unknown to Robertson.

Enciso having gained a considerable sum in St. Domingo by practising law, was induced by Ojeda to join him in an expedition of discovery and conquest to the continent of America. After suffering great hardships and hair-breadth escapes, which are related by Herrera, he returned to Spain, and published this work for the instruction of Charles V. The account of America is principally from his own observations, and his account of his intimation to the Indians of Cenu to surrender to the King of Spain, one of the most singular relations that ever escaped the scrutiny of the Spanish Inquisition. In his Account of Africa, he speaks of a Nation in the Interior, skilled in the making of all sorts of Arms of iron and steel.