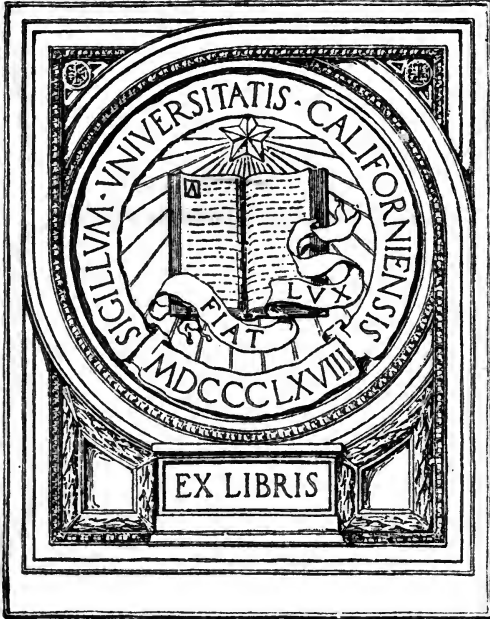


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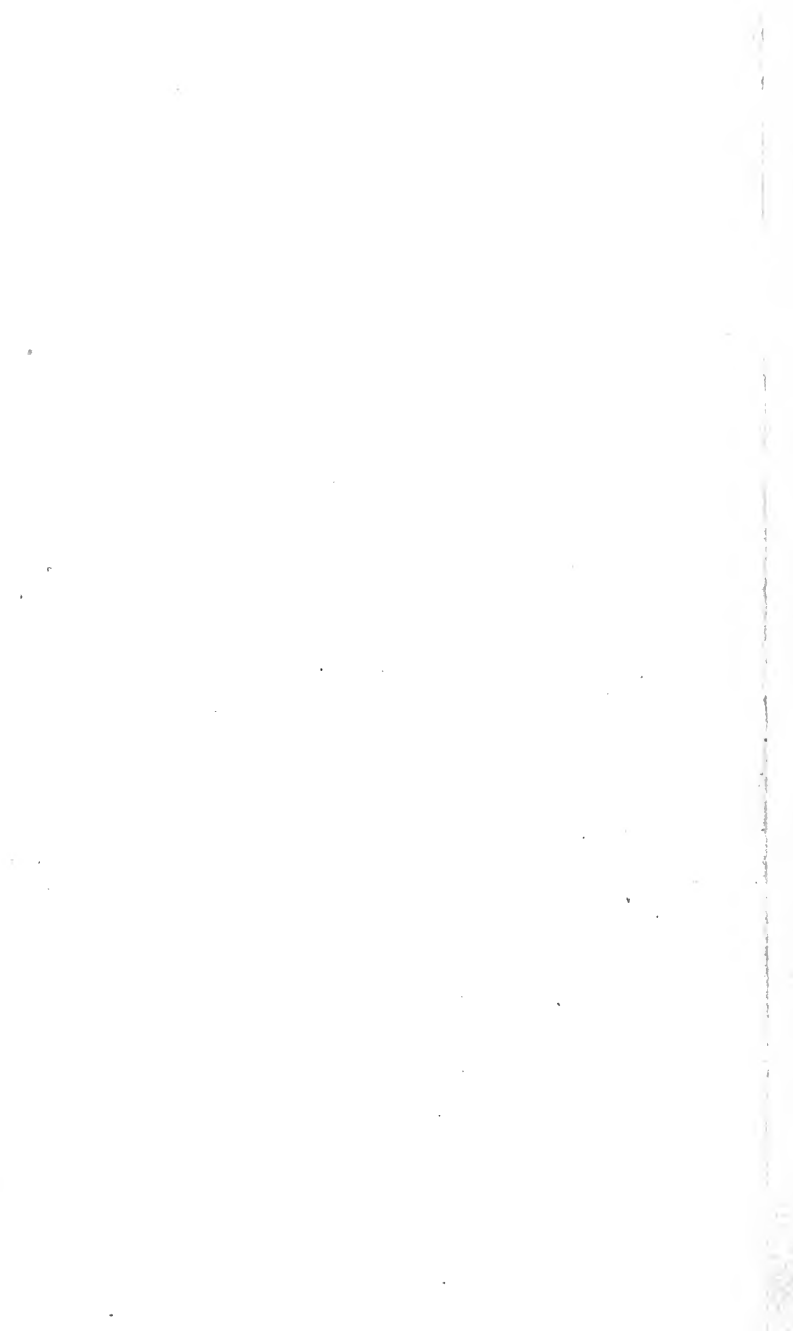
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INTRODUCTION BY THE AUTHOR

On the 4th day of December, 1862, a Royal Decree was issued by the King of Spain authorizing an official research into the old official Archives in that Kingdom. The object having been to ascertain what truth there was in the belief which for centuries had been general in Spain; that more than half of the true history of the discovery and conquest of the New World had never been published.

This important and arduous task was confided to a committee of three of the ablest men in Spain, to-wit, Don Joaquin F. Pacheco and Don Francisco de Cárdenas, members of divers royal scientific academies, and Don Luis Torres Mendoza, Attorney General of Spain. This committee at once began its labors and on the 31st. day of January, 1864, the first issue of the series was given to the world in pamphlet form. The last pamphlet was published in 1884.

The work is contained in 42 volumes of six pamphlets each, volume 33 being a General Index to the first 32 volumes. The compilers started the work in chronological order but did not succeed in compiling the documentes in that order, strictly speaking, because the documents were found scattered among millions of other papers, and that was the reason why they were published in the order in which they were found, but, in so far as it was possible so to do, in a semi-chronological order. I have followed the same method in order to have my Digest conform to the original work, thus making it easier for the student to refer to any particular document by merely citing the date and the number of the volume or document, where the number and page is not given cite the date.

The new light which these documents throw upon the history of the discovery and conquest of the New World, and the other Spanish possessions, is truly surprising. It will be seen that more than half of that history had not, prior to 1884, been known; that by reading the official reports of Columbus, and his sons, etc.; Amérigo Vespuccio, Sebastian Cabot; Cano; Magallanes; Pedro Arias Dávila, Balboa; Cortés, Pizarro, Almagro, De las Casas and the rest of those great men who discovered, conquered, christianized and civilized the New World, that these documents will make great changes in what to our day had been accepted as a complete history.

Any historian, or history student, wishing to verify narratives heretofore published as history can obtain from me a certified copy in Spanish, or in English, by paying a reasonable price for same.

That the importance and historical worth of this great work may be duly appreciated by historians, etc., I have thought it proper to reproduce in English the language used by the publishers in their Prospectus, which is also their Preface. Here it is:

“PROSPECTUS OF THE WORK OR COMPILATION
HEREIN BEGUN.”

“Our Royal Archives of the Indies embrace, and could not but embrace, the most abundant treasure in reference to the History of the New World. That is a fact that mere reason should sufficiently indicate and that the studies of authoritative persons was justified and proved. Depository of all that was done, all that was written, all that was thought, since the dawn of the discovery, one finds there the most notable title of the glory of Spain, as well as the most exact explanation, either of our char-

acter, or about one half of the events of our history. Besides that, in this Archives are found the necessary antecedents regarding the life of a hundred peoples that at present occupy the surface of the New World. Without exploiting that mine, without bringing to light those riches, one cannot precisely know what we have been and what we are now, nor can it be estimated with well founded facts what those other peoples can be, whose conditions of birth, of breeding, of education, are consigned in those records.”

“Some documents of the above mentioned Archives have been published from time to time. But if this circumstance has established their worth it has also demonstrated that those that remained in the dust could not be of lesser value. That was the twilight through which one might desire to attain the full light; it was a slight repast that ought to stimulate the appetite, so that we might hanker for a more abundant and substantial one.”

“For that full light is what we want to make; that satisfying repast is what we desire to give. The Government has authorized us, without restriction, to publish official and unofficial matter therein kept and that is interesting, up to the end of the seventeenth century; we hope to obtain a like authorization to publish other documents not embraced thereon, in case they are found in other Archives or libraries of the Kingdom or of private individuals; and we, desiring to give the world a useful work, have placed the election and arrangement of all that shall be included in ours, in the hands of two persons so eminent in political and literary matters, as are the Most Excellent gentlemen Don Joaquin Francisco Pacheco and Don Francisco Cárdenas.”

“These documents will not come out in strict chrono-

logical order, because their classification would not be easy on account of our not knowing the whole of them; but the absence of that method will be sufficiently remedied by a chronological index which we will give at the end of each volume and a general one at the end of the work.”

“We have nothing more to say. We believe that the men who love their country, in Spain, and all those outside interested in the history of humanity and for its destinies will honor and help us in the labor we have undertaken, hastening to subscribe themselves to this collection, in order that we may at once calculate the number of copies that can be conveniently printed.”

“If the public responds to our call, and accepts our efforts, we will have the satisfaction of having undertaken, and shall carry out as far as our strength permits, a work which will be as creditable to Spain, as instructive and useful for the world.”

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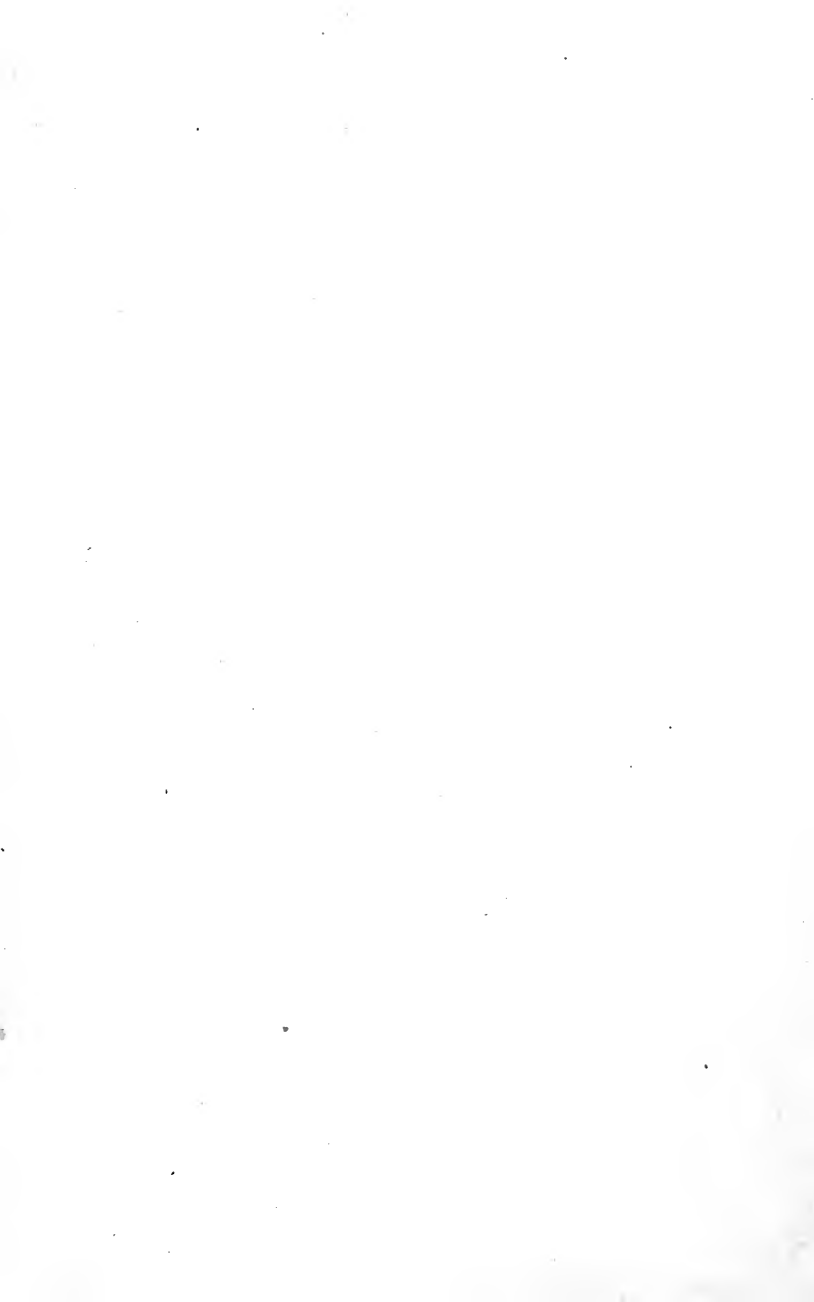
“Documents equally interesting and unknown are being brought to light; and we propose to go on publishing them every month, as far as the Archives of the Indies may furnish them; and while we are sustained in this enterprise by the benevolence of our subscribers. We rely on the same without fear, for the love of historical studies and the wish of knowing the history of our country, and of our colonies, are strong and universal at the present time.”

“Madrid, January 31st., 1864.”

I feel a natural pride in knowing that through my humble efforts we have now in New Mexico this invaluable “Collección;” in having laid the foundation and procured the material for the writing and publishing of a true, complete, accurate and authentic history of the greatest of hu-

man achievements: the discovery of the New World and the conquest and civilization of that part of the American Continent, etc., which through the efforts of Spain and the Catholic Church today sustains so many flourishing countries, which history, I hope, will one day be written by a son of our State.

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Year.

1474—

June 25, Pablo Toscanelli, Italian, writes a letter to Christopher Columbus outlining plans for the discovery of the Indies, 19, 451.

March 20. Letter to Columbus from the King of Portugal inviting Columbus to visit that Kingdom to discuss propositions formerly made by Columbus and which that King had rejected, 19, 459. -

1489—

May 12. Royal Decree issued by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella in favor of Columbus' theories, etc., regarding his discoveries, etc., 19, 460.

1492—

April 17. Contract (Capitulaciones) between the Catholic Kings and Columbus authorizing Columbus to make his first voyage of discovery, signed at Granada, Spain, 17, 572.—Royal Decree from said Sovereigns, dated same day at Granada, conferring certain privileges on Columbus and his descendants, etc., 30, 54.

April 30. Royal Decree appointing Columbus Admiral and Viceroy of all lands by him discovered, 30, 59.

1493—

———Count Cinfuentes is commanded by Royal Decree

to render Columbus all possible aid, and to extend, also, same assistance to Bishop Fonseca in things by them, or either of them, needed, 30, 64.

May 23. Ditto, giving instructions for the formation of a new Armada for Columbus, etc., 30, 66-68.—Ditto, same date, commanding F. Manrique to furnish Columbus with all arms needed, etc., 30, 70.—Ditto, same date, to Dr. Chanca to furnish Columbus anything by him desired in the preparation of his Armada, 30, 72-77.—Ditto, same date, appointing Alvaro Chief Justice of the Indies.—Royal Order authorizing the payment of the salary due Dr. Chanca, 30, 94.—Ditto, same date, directing the recovery of certain goods stolen by Diego López, 30, 96.—Ditto, same date, granting permission to Alonso Martinez to accompany Columbus in his voyage, 30, 98.—Ditto, same date, commanding Francisco Aurton and Francisco Olmedo to furnish Columbus provisions, etc., 30, 100.—Ditto, same date, and on same subject directed to Garcia de Herrera, 30, 105.—Ditto, same date, commanding Gómez Tello to provide all the bread necessary for Columbus's Armada, 30, 108.

May 26. Royal Decree commanding all Spanish authorities to allow Columbus and Bishop Fonseca to travel unmolested, etc., 30, 107.

May 28. Ditto, confirming former grants and titles made to, and conferred on, Columbus, etc., and, also, to Bishop Fonseca, 30, 109.—Ditto, same date, appointing Columbus Captain General and Governor of the countries by him discovered, and to be by him discovered, 30, 120.—Ditto, same date, authorizing Columbus to provide, by appointment, the officials necessary for the settlements made in the New World, 30, 123.—Ditto, same date, defining the powers which were to be exercised by said officials upon their entering in the discharge of their respective duties, 30, 125.

Ditto, same date, instructing Count Cinfuentes to furnish Columbus, for his Armada, with one fourth of all the monies collected in Seville by the "Casa De Contratación," 30, 127.—Ditto, same date, to said Count instructing him to furnish Columbus's Armada with other articles by Columbus deemed necessary, etc., 30, 130.—Ditto, same date, to Treasurer de la Torre instructing him to use other funds in payment of other debts. The same date the Catholic Kings issue a new Decree confirming Columbus's former appointment as Governor, etc., and enlarging his powers, 30, 131.—Ditto, same date, commanding Gómez Tello to procure all the bread necessary for Columbus's Armada, etc., 30, 144.

May 29. Royal Instructions to Columbus relative to his duties and prerogatives as Governor, etc., of the countries by him discovered, 30, 145.

May 30. Royal Instructions to Melchor Maldonado commanding him to obey the orders of Columbus and Bishop Fonseca, 30, 158.

June 1st. Royal Decree commanding Officer Pinelo to stand security for 500 measures of wheat and to deliver said wheat to Columbus for use by his Armada, 30, 159.—Ditto, same date, commanding Xoanoto Berardi to furnish Columbus other provisions for his Armada, 30, 161.—Ditto, same date, commanding Gómez Tello to collect and keep on hand an ample supply of provisions to be furnished to Columbus when he should need them, for his men and colonies, 30, 162.—Ditto, same date, Royal letter to Columbus advising him that the King of Portugal is organizing an Armada, and giving him instructions regarding his manner of procedure regarding same, 30, 164.—Ditto, same date, two Royal Decrees fixing the salary of Pisa as Treasurer of Columbus's Armada, 30, 165.

June 7. Royal Decrees commanding officials Cinfuentes and Pinelo to raise more funds for Columbus's Armada, 30, 167.—Ditto, same date, commanding J. Robles, Mayor of Jeréz de la Frontera, to deliver a good horse to Diaz de Piza, 30, 170.

June 12. Royal letter to Columbus urging him to sail without further delay and assuring him of the good wishes of the King of Portugal, 30, 171.—Ditto, same date, Memorial of Arboleda informing the Sovereigns of certain alarming rumors throughout the Kingdom, 30, 375.

June 30. Royal letter to Columbus commanding him to give Joan Aguado a good position, etc., 30, 173.—Ditto, same date, commanding Bishop Fonseca to provide Columbus's Armada with the necessary Church ornaments, and also commanding Treasurer Pinelo to pay for same, 30, 174-176.—Ditto, same date, Royal Instructions to said Fonseca relative to the equitable distribution of provisions, etc., 30, 178.—Ditto, same date, to Columbus, advising him of the result of certain matters discussed with the King of Portugal, etc., 30, 179.

August 4. Royal Instructions to Rev. Fr. Bruyil to report all important occurrences, etc., in the New World, 30, 180.—Ditto, same date, ordering Maldonado to accompany Columbus to the Indies, 30, 182.—Ditto, same date, severely reprimanding Joan de Zoria for disobeying Columbus, etc., 30, 183.—Ditto, same date, to Bishop Fonseca on the number, etc., of servants who were to be placed under the orders of Columbus, 30, 184.—Ditto, same date, commanding Bishop Fonseca to go to the City of Cádiz and publicly announce the formation of another Armada in Vizcaya, 30, 188.—Ditto, same date, to Captain General Artieta to take Bishop Fonseca's place at the City of Cádiz and, to make the announcement which was to be made by

the said Bishop regarding the formation of an Armada at Vizcaya, 30, 190.—Ditto, same date, to Columbus commenting on the troubles and quarrels between him and Joan de Zoria, 30, 192.—Ditto, same date, thanking officer Pinelo and commending him for his success in furnishing the necessary securities and funds for the Armada, 30, 197.—Ditto, same date, to Joan de Zoria instructing him to inspect the Armada which had been formed at Vizcaya, 30, 200.—Ditto, same date, to the Prior of the Franciscans to send a Priest as Chaplain of the Armada, 30, 201.

August 18. Royal Decree commanding Columbus to sail immediately and expressing regrets for his delay, etc., 30, 202.—Ditto, same date, commanding officer Pinelo to assist Columbus in his preparations to sail before the coming of winter, 30, 205.—Ditto, same date, to Bishop Fonseca, also commanding him to provide Columbus with the necessary provisions and to obey his orders in all respects, 30, 206.—Ditto, same date, commanding officer de Zoria to put himself under the orders of Columbus and to obey him in all things, 30, 209.

September 5. Royal Decree to Columbus instructing him to keep away, as far as possible from the Coast of Portugal and to make prompt reports on all discoveries made by Portugal's sailors, etc., also regarding his conduct towards Portugal's Armadas in the event of their interfering with him in any manner whatsoever, also commanding him to make accurate reports of the altitudes, etc., of all lands by him discovered, for which purpose he was commanded to take with him a well known astronomer, etc., who was to be under his orders, 30, 211.—Ditto, same date, advising Bishop Fonseca of the expected troubles with Portugal and commanding him to urge Columbus to sail at once, and, also, to tell him that the Vizcaya Armada

was to sail for Africa taking the Moor Chieftain Mulley and other Moor prisoners, etc., 30, 216.—Ditto, same date, instructing the Chaplain which was to accompany Columbus on his duties, etc., 30, 219.—Ditto, same date, to the Prior of the Franciscans commanding him to send more Friars to the Indies, 30, 220.—Ditto, same date, commanding Fr. Bruyl to follow certain instructions given to Columbus and Bishop Fonseca, 30, 221.

1494—

April 7. Royal Decree commanding Bishop Fonseca to, at once, send four vessels with as many colonists and explorers as possible to the Indies and to provide them with all the necessaries of life, etc.

June 7. Royal Instructions to Diaz Piza regarding his duties as Cashier of Columbus's Armada, etc.—Ditto, same date, setting forth copy of the Treaty made with Portugal relative to the rights of navigation and commerce which each Kingdom was to have and enjoy in Africa, etc.

Ditto, September 5, on same matter, in their respective Insular possessions.—Ditto, same date, to Bishop Fonseca commanding him to send at once to the New World the 13 vessels he had been ordered to send with provisions, colonists, etc. Also commanding him to inspect the Armada which was about to sail from Vizcaya.

September 8. Royal Communication to Bishop Fonseca rescinding the former order regarding the sailing of the said 13 vessels for the New World to the extent that only four of said vessels should be sent.—Ditto, same date, Royal Instructions to Narvaez and others relative to their fitting out an Armada, etc.

September 11. Royal Decree commanding Bishop Fonseca to keep books, etc., wherein correct accounts should be kept of all expenses incurred in fitting out expeditions,

etc.—Ditto, same date, Personal message from the Sovereigns to Columbus expressive of the Monarchs pleasure on account of Columbus's success in discovering new countries and enclosing, at the same time, a copy of the newly made Treaty with the Kingdom of Portugal and commanding Columbus to make full and detailed reports regarding his new discoveries, etc.—Ditto, same date, commanding Rev. Fr. Bruyl to persevere in his Apostolic labors in the New World.—Ditto, same date, making public the report made by Columbus on the good behavior of Dr. Chanca and Sebastian Olano.—Ditto, same date, speaking in commendatory terms of the other officers and men who had accompanied Columbus.—Ditto, same date, commanding all Spanish authorities to facilitate all things needed by Antonio Torres and his men in his Armada.—Ditto, same date, allowing free transportation from Spain to the Indies of all kinds of provisions, etc.

1495—

March 10. Report and inventory made by Columbus of the gold jewels by him found in the Island of Española.

April 7. The Bishop of Badaxos is officially notified of a new expedition composed of four vessels which is about to sail for the New World, etc.

April 9. Official proclamation relative to an expedition a certain Florentin was about to undertake for the purpose of selling a number of vessels in the West Indies.—Ditto, same date, bearing on other expected expeditions to the Indies.

April 10. Royal Instructions for the government of those wishing to go to the New World. Ditto, same date, notifying Bishop Fonseca of the appointment of *Diego Carrillo* as the successor of Columbus, in the event of Columbus death while in the Royal service.—Ditto, same date,

calling for an official report from all Treasurers of the Kingdom on the financial condition, etc.—Ditto, same date, giving instructions relative to the embargo of certain cargo containing wheat.

April 12. Royal Decree commanding the Bishop of Badajoz to proceed to Andalucía and sell at public sale all the Indians which had been sent to Spain from the New World, etc.

April, 13. Memorial to the Sovereigns for permission to send four vessels to the Indies.—Ditto, same date, authorizing Columbus to retain in his own right one eighth part of everything brought into Spain from the Indies.—Ditto, same date, granting Berardi's petition to construct twelve vessels for his own use.—Ditto, same date, directed to the Bishop of Badajoz giving him further instructions about the sale of the Indians sent to Spain by Columbus, etc.

April 14. Copy of a Royal personal communication addressed to Fernández de Córdoba.

April 19. Royal Decree making disposition of the gold brought into Spain by Alhonso Carvaxal from the New World.—Ditto, same date, Instructing Bartolomé Colon and Diego Colon to present to the Sovereigns statements of articles, etc., needed by them, etc.—Ditto, same date, instructing the Bishop of Badajoz to allow the shipment of certain articles to the Indies free of duty.—Ditto, same date, commanding all subjects to obey de Aguado.

April 19. Another Royal Decree is addressed to Bishop Fonseca bearing on the matter of free shipment of provisions to the Indies.—Ditto, same date, commanding Religious Orders to send more missionaries to the New World.—Ditto, same date, ordering the payment of certain salaries, etc., and also the purchase of grain and other pro-

visions for the Indies.—Ditto, same date, granting certain privileges and certain prerogatives to A. Caravaxal.—Ditto, same date, addressed to Columbus advising him of certain complaints which had been lodged against him, etc.—Ditto, same date, authorizing the shipment of certain quantities of quicksilver, etc., to the New World.—Same date a Royal letter is addressed to the Bishop of Badaxoz advising him of the new appointments made of officials for the New World.

May 5. Royal Decree containing the Instruction issued to certain officials on governmental matters, etc., 24, 26.—Ditto, same date, official document on the guarantees and privileges offered to persons wishing to go to the New World, 30, 219.—Ditto, same date, Diego Colon is allowed by Royal Decree, to retain, for his own use, all the gold, etc., he had brought from the New World, and advising the Bishop of Badaxoz of the contents of said Decree, 30, 350.—Ditto, same date, commanding all pilots, sailors and marines to obey the commands and orders of Joan Aguado, 30, 352.—Ditto, same date, directing the Bishop of Badaxoz to furnish Aguado with the necessary funds, etc., 30, 352, 353.—Ditto, same date, to said Bishop commanding him to make certain dispositions of the gold claimed and owned by Don Diego Colon, 30, 355.

June 1. Royal Decree commanding Columbus to grant permission to a certain number of persons to return to Spain, 30, 356.—Ditto, same date, addressed, also, to Columbus commanding him to see that all colonists at the Island of Española had all they needed and to be careful that no discrimination is practiced in the distribution of provisions, etc., among them, 30, 358.—Ditto, same date, also addressed to Columbus commanding him to send back to Spain certain persons charged with crimes, etc.,

at the first opportunity, etc., 30, 360.—Ditto, same date, also to Columbus commanding him to send Father Xorje back to Spain, 30, 361.

June 2. Royal Decree commanding the Bishop of Badaxoz to send more vessels with provisions, etc., to the Indies and, also, to have the nine Indians which Columbus had just sent to Spain placed in school that they might learn the Spanish language, 30, 362.—Ditto, same date, Instructions to Berardi relative to the orders sent to the Bishop of Badaxoz in reference to the sending of vessels and the education of the nine Indians referred to in the preceding Decree, 30, 365.—Ditto, same date, Royal letter to an official named Pablo advising him that the Bishop of Badaxoz had been instructed to furnish him with a passport to the New World and with the necessary funds, etc., for his expenses, 30, 368.

June 17. Royal answer to Berardi regarding his inquiries about the sailing of certain vessels for the New World, etc., 24, 49, also, 30, 369.

July 17. Royal instructions to the Bishop of Badaxoz commanding him to send more vessels with provisions, etc., to the New World, 24, 51.

1497—

April 23. Royal Decree by which all former grants, titles and privileges granted and conferred on Columbus are confirmed, 19, 276.—Ditto, same date, Official Statement of the grants, etc., etc., made and conferred on Columbus, 30, 435.

May 2. Royal Decree allowing Columbus to have and retain one eighth part of certain profits, etc., in the New World, 30, 446, also, by which Columbus is authorized to use certain amounts of money from the royal funds, 30, 449.—Ditto, same date, containing Royal Instructions to the

Bishop of Badaxoz and to Columbus relative to the manner and method of distributing and expending certain public monies, 30, 457.

1498—

February 22. On this date Christopher Columbus made his Last Will and Testament in which he gives instructions regarding the naming of his successor, etc., 30, 481.

1500—

January 31st. Decree issued by Don Luis Velasco, Viceroy of Perú, forbidding Spaniards from sailing to Spain from Buenos-Aires or from Brazil, 18, 298.

July 12. Royal Decree commanding the Viceroy of Perú to make full and complete report on the conduct of a certain Priest, 19, 119.

1501—

September 2. Royal Decree defining the powers conferred on Francisco Monroy as special officer, etc., 30, 517.

September 3. Royal Decree placing the Government of the Indies in the hands of Father Nicolás Dovando and defining his authority, etc., 30, 512.

September 16. Royal Decree giving authority to Diego Gómez to purchase all things necessary for the proper fortifications of the Island of Española, 30, 29.—Ditto, same date, commanding Father Alonso del Viso to remain in the Island of Española until further orders, 31, 81.—Ditto, same date, for the sending of artillery, etc., to the New World, 30, 33.—Ditto, same date, commanding all officials in the Indies charged with the payment of public monies to make reports of the amounts by them paid and on what account, etc.—Ditto, same date, commanding Gov. de Lares to audit the accounts of Bobadilla, etc., 31, 37.—Ditto, same date, commanding Treasurer Alhonso de Morales to pay certain monies to Captain Andrés Veláz-

quez, who was about to sail for the New World, 30, 39.—Ditto, same date, rescinding a former order which had been given to Bobadilla to confer certain rights, etc., on the inhabitants of the Island of Española and other Islands, 31, 41.—Ditto, same date, prohibiting the sale of fire arms to Indians in the New World, 31, 44.

September 17. Royal Decree addressed to Diego Gómez de Cervantes, Mayor of the City of Jeréz de la Frontera, to furnish certain required cargo for the named vessels, then about to sail for the Island of Española, 31, 46.

September 20. Answer from the Crown to Governor Lares relative to certain official inquiries by him made on governmental affairs, 31, 50.

September 22. Appointment of Diego Martin as Inspector of coins, etc., at the Island of Española, 31, 57.

September 26. Royal Decree authorizing Governor de Lares to wear a certain kind of paraphernalia, etc., 31, 61.—Ditto, same date, allowing the importation and exportation of merchandise to and from the Indies free of duties, etc., 31, 62.

September 27. Royal Decree prescribing the manner, etc., in which certain monies belonging to Columbus should be disposed of, 31, 72.—Ditto, same date, naming Rodrigo de Alcázar as Royal Accountant, 31, 80.—Ditto, same date, Commanding Gov. Lares to purchase a vessel, etc., 31, 84.—Ditto, same date, ordering Ximeno Brybiesca to pay to Columbus a certain sum and certain quantity of merchandize, 31, 86.—Ditto, same date, commanding other officials to return to Columbus and his brothers certain property which had been taken from them, etc., 31, 88.

October 5. Contract of Descalante for the discovery of lands in the South Sea, etc., 31, 90.

October 31. Royal Decree commanding Count Cin-

fuentes to provide a certain amount of funds for an Armada which was being formed.

Nov. 15. Royal Decree commanding Diego Gómez de Cervantes to furnish the said Armada with an extra pilot, 31, 98.

Nov. 17. Royal Decree commanding the Mayor of the City of Jeréz de la Frontera to send a certain number of Priests to the Indies, 31, 99.

Nov. 27. Royal Decree prohibiting Diego de Lepe from taking any more vessels to the New World, 31, 100.

Nov. 30. Royal Decree granting Don Diego de Lepe an extension of time for his departure, etc., 31, 102.

December 2. Royal Decree ordering the Mayor of Jeréz de la Frontera to ascertain the number and names of the Indians who murdered Cristobal Guerra, etc., 31, 204.

December 3. Royal Decree prohibiting the sale of metals, of any kind, to Indians in the New World, 31, 108.

December 9. Royal Decree granting Luis de Arriaga and others certain rights, etc., 31, 111.

December 9. Royal Decree commanding Diego Gómez de Cervantes to settle with Columbus his claim for his share in certain merchandize, etc., 31, 113.—Ditto, same date, commanding Columbus to make report to said Diego Gómez de Cervantes of the articles of merchandize still in his, Columbus's, hands, 31, 114.—Ditto, same date, commanding said Diego Gómez de Cervantes to set aside for Columbus his share in said merchandize, 31, 116.

1502—

January 3. Royal Decree commanding Diego Gómez de Cervantes to provide the necessary provisions for another Armada, etc., 31, 118.

January 17. Royal Decree authorizing the enlargement of the Armada which was being organized by Diego de Lepe, 31, 119.

February 3. Contract of Alhonso Veléz for the discovery of new lands in the New World, 31, 121.

April 3. Appointment of Joan de la Cossa as Chief Officer of the colonies, etc., in the Gulf of Huraba, 31, 129.

July 12. Contract of Joan Sánchez and Alhonso Bravo for the transportation of merchandize and other articles to the Indies, etc., 31, 132.

December 2. Royal Decree authorizing Diego Gómez de Cervantes to receive the gold, etc., shipped to Spain from the Indies, 31, 137.

1503—

January 20. Royal Instructions authorizing the building of additions to the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, 31, 139.

March 8. Contract made by Rodrigo de Bastidas for the discoveries of new lands, etc., 2, 362.

March 20. Royal Instructions defining the duties of certain officials in the Indies, etc., 31, 156.

March 29. Secret Instructions issued to Father Niculás Dovando, 31, 174.

July 4. Royal Decree notifying the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, that Dr. Escudero had been placed in charge of the Tower of "Santa Cruz," 31, 180.—Ditto, same date, containing rules, etc., for the government of said Tower, etc., 31, 182.

July 12. Authority, etc., given to Christobal Guerra, under certain conditions, for the discovery of new lands, etc., 31, 187.

August 1. Royal Decree commanding Count Cinfuentes to order the return to the Royal Exchequer of \$500 in gold, which amount had been left by a teacher who died at the Island of Española, 31, 194.—Ditto, same date, commanding all discoverers to send to Spain, under arrest, all rebellious Indians, 31, 196.

September 10. Instructions to the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville to select only the very best men from among those applying for authority to discover lands, etc., 31, 201.—Ditto, same date, commanding said officials to send two vessels to look for the lost ship "Capitana" which had been sent to Spain with gold, etc., from the New World, 31, 204.

December 20. Royal Decree commanding the residents of the Island of Española to pay to the Crown one fourth instead of one third of all the cotton raised by the Indians, 31, 206.—Ditto, same date, ordering Indians to assist the Spaniards in the cultivation of their lands and also to work for them in the mines, the Spaniards paying them a just compensation for their labors, 31, 209.

1504—

January 8. Royal Decree relative to permits to be given to persons desirous of going to the Indies, 31, 212.

February 4. Royal Decree giving the Spaniards four fifths of all the Indians captured in battle, etc., 31, 214.

February 5. Royal Decree giving the residents of the Island of Española four fifths of all the gold and silver, etc., by them discovered for the period of ten years, 31, 216.

February 14. Contract made by João de la Cossa for the discovery of new lands, 31, 220.—Ditto, same date, giving Bastidas certain grants, 31, 230.

February 15. Royal Decree, allowing free transportation of merchandize and provisions to the New World, 31, 233.

February 23. Royal Decree ordering the payment of certain sums of money to Christobal Guerra, 31, 238.

June 18. Royal Decree instructing disbursing officials not to make any further payments to Christopher Columbus, etc., 31, 240.

August 26. Royal Decree on the determination of certain propositions submitted by Dr. Matienzo and Pinelo, 31, 242.—Ditto, same date, official letter to the Crown of Spain by the King of Portugal asking permission to buy three caravels in Spain, 31, 247.—Ditto, same date, directed to Count Cinfuentes instructing him to put an end to the quarrels existing among the men of the different Armadas, 31, 248.

September 21. Royal Decree announcing the appointment of Alhonso Doxeda as Governor of certain Provinces in the New World, 31, 250.—Ditto, same date, commanding the Governor of the Island of Española to render to Governor Doxeda due recognition, respect and courteous treatment, 31, 252.—Ditto, same date, commanding Count Cinfuentes to turn over to Governor Doxeda certain funds, etc., 31, 254.

September 28. Royal Decree authorizing the sale of certain property which had belonged to Lorenzo Ahumada, 31, 256.

September 30. Contract of Governor Doxeda agreeing, under certain restrictions, to undertake the discovery of new lands, 31, 258.—Same date, Royal Decree is signed for the shipment of more artillery to the Island of Española, 31, 271.

November 20. Royal Decree ordering the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" to help Columbus in auditing and invoicing his cargo, etc., which he was getting in store for his voyage to the Indies, 31, 273.

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February 8. Royal Decree approving the report of the administration of the Governor of the Indies and authorizing the sale of certain paraphernalia which had been left by Columbus at the Island of Española, 31, 275.

February 28. Royal Decree instructing the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, to audit all the accounts which had been rendered by Columbus, 31, 279.

March 10. The contract of Alhonso Doxeda officially approved, 31, 281.

March 13. Royal Decree commanding the officials of the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, to prepare and deliver to Vincente Yañez Pinzon, for his expedition to Puerto-Rico, four caravels well provisioned, etc., 31, 283.

March 24. Another Royal Decree granting to said Vicente Yañez Pinzon certain rights and privileges as well as the necessary funds, 31, 285.

April 11. Royal Decree commanding Gonzales Gómez del Puerto to make certain payments and to lay aside 2,500 ducats for Columbus in satisfaction of expenses incurred by Columbus in his last voyage to the New World, etc., 31, 288.

April 15. Royal Decree commanding the Governor of Española to pay to Columbus the amounts which had been found to be due him, 31, 290.—Ditto, same date, appointing Pedro de Llanos as Inspector General of the Indies, 31, 292.—Ditto, same date, appointing Dr. Matienzo as Treasurer, and Ximeno Brybiesca as Secretary of the "Casa de Contratación," 31, 294.

April 16. Royal Decree appointing Christhobal Cuellar as Cashier of the Indies, etc., 31, 298.

April 17. Royal Decree reappointing Diego Márquez as Inspector General of Coins in the Indies, etc., 31, 302.

April 20. Royal Decree appointing Joan Xuares as Treasurer General of certain Islands, 31, 306.

April 24. Approval of Vicente Yañez Pinzon's contract for the discovery of new lands, etc., 31, 309.—Ditto, same date, appointing said Vicente Yañez Pinzon as Governor and Captain General of the Island of San Juan (Puerto Rico), 31, 318.

May 29. Royal Decree commanding Ochoa de Landa to pay certain amounts of money to those who had furnished Columbus with vessels during the year 1502, 31, 327.

August 11. Royal Decree commanding the officials at Seville to make settlement with Vicente Yañez Pinzon and Amérigo Vespuccio (Known erroneously in history as Americus Vespucci.—B. M. Read.) for what they claimed was due them for vessels, salary and ordinary expenses; also to send three caravels to the Governors of the Canary Island and of the Island of Española, 31, 336.

August 12. Appointment of Lope de Sosa to succeed Dr. Antonio Escudero as constructor, etc., of “Casa de Contratación” at Berbaria and authorizing him to continue the work, 31, 340.

August 25. Royal Decree ordering the auditing and payment of salaries, etc., due sailors and marines who had been employed by Columbus in some of his voyages, 31, 344.—Ditto, same date, defining the services which were to be rendered by Fr. Niculás Dovando, 31, 355.

September 16. Royal Decree commanding the Governor of the Island of Española to investigate the official records of Francisco Roldan, Ex-Mayor of the Island, 31, 358.

September 21. Royal Decree ordering the disposition of certain property attached in a case against Doxeda, 31, 360.

November 2. Royal Decree commanding the Treasurer of the “Casa de Contratación” at Seville to pay accounts found to be due to certain persons for work performed under Columbus’s orders, on his last voyage, 21, 362.

1506—

May 4. The document bearing this date is the Military Codicil of Christopher Columbus, 30, 501, 502.

June 2. Royal Decree appointing Don Diego Colon (son

of Columbus) as Admiral and successor to Columbus, etc., 30, 502.

1508—

March 23. Contract made by Vicente Yañez Pinzon and Joan Diaz with the Crown for the making of new discoveries, 22, 5.

April 30. Royal Decree commanding Governor (Father) Niculás Dovando to enforce the conditions prescribed in all grants issued to the Island of Española, 32, 5.

June 9. Contract of Diego de Nicueza and Alhonso Doxeda, etc., 22, 13, 29.—Ditto, same date, Royal Decree appointing Joan de la Cossa as Governor of Española to succeed Doxeda, 32, 43.

June 17. Royal Decree confirming certain powers which had been given to de la Cossa, 32, 46.—Ditto, same date, commanding the Governor of the Island of Española to furnish Joan de la Cossa with a residence house for himself and family and, also, with as many Indian servants as he might need, 32, 51.—Ditto, same date, conferring on Joan de la Cossa the title of Governor of the Gulf of Huraba, 32, 52.

October 21. Royal Decree appointing Admiral Don Diego Colon as Governor General of the Indies, etc., 32, 55.

December 7. Royal Decree granting certain privileges to a number of Islands in the New World, 32, 60.

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April 30. Royal Decree allowing Joan de la Cossa, Joan de Guiesedo and Pedro Martínez the use of a vessel and its provisions, etc., 31, 378.

May 1. Royal Decree containing secret instructions to Admiral Don Diego Colon, 31, 381.

May 3. Royal Decree commanding said Admiral to order an investigation of the official conduct of Governor

Alcántara and his subordinate officials, 31, 383.—Ditto, same date, relative to the duties of Admiral Diego Colon as Governor of the Indies, etc., 23, 290, see also 31, 386.—Ditto, same date,, Royal Decree commanding Fr. Nicolás Dovando to make full and complete report of his official acts as Governor to Don Diego Colon, who was to send said report to the King, 31, 410.—Ditto, same date, granting certain rights and privileges to Miguel de Pasamonte, 31, 412.—Ditto, same date, commanding Admiral Don Diego Colon to accept and keep under his care the Indians, etc., the officials of the Island of Española may turn over to him in payment of certain debts, etc., 31, 415.—Ditto, same date, commanding the Cashier of the Island of Española to make an inventory of all public property, etc., 31, 417.—Ditto, same date, instructing Governor Alcántara to appoint Overseers at the Ports of entry and to prohibit the landing of foreigners, etc., 31, 424.—Ditto, same date, commending the Treasurer of the Indies, Don Miguel Pasamonte, for his uprightness in the discharge of his official duties, 31, 432.

August 14. Royal Decree instructing the Treasurer of the Indies, said Pasamonte, to appropriate to his own use certain funds and to confer with Admiral Don Diego Colon on the best way, etc., to send Indians to Spain, 31, 440.—Ditto, same date, calling on all the Chief officers of the Indies to make reports, respectively, of their administrations, etc., 31, 443.—Ditto, same date, ordering the Fortress at Santo Domingo to be turned over to Don Miguel Pasamonte, etc., 31, 446.—Ditto, same date, to Admiral Diego Colon instructing him on the distribution of the Indians which had been delivered to him, etc., 31, 449.—Ditto, same date, containing secret instructions to the "Comendador Superior." 31, 452.—Ditto, same date, ap-

pointing Ponce de Leon Governor *ad interim*, of the Island of Puerto Rico, 31, 459.—Ditto, same date, thanking him, Ponce de Leon, for valuable services rendered the Crown, etc., 31, 461.

August 17. Royal Decree relative to the sale of gold bullion, etc., in certain parts of the Kingdom, 31, 462.

September 15. Royal Decree instructing Ponce de Leon to use his best efforts in completing the colonization of Puerto Rico, 31, 464.—Ditto, same date, commanding Governor Dovando to make remittances of gold and to assist Ponce de Leon in colonizing the Island of Puerto Rico, 31, 465.

November 12. Royal Decree commending Admiral Don Diego Colon for his zeal, etc., 31, 470.—Ditto, same date, commanding Don Bartolomé Colon to proceed to Spain from the Indies, of which place he was Governor, to be consulted, etc., on governmental matters, 21, 477.—Ditto, same date, commanding said Governor to encourage the development of the mining industry; to see that the construction of churches is attended to, and to ascertain if there is any gold to be found in the Island of Cuba, 31, 478.—Ditto, same date, placing Francisco Tapia in command of all the fortifications in the Island of Santo Domingo, 31, 483.

November 14. Royal Decree commending Admiral Diego Colon for his tact in the taking of the fortifications at Santo Domingo, 31, 487.—Ditto, same date, ordering the officials of the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, to remit certain bullion and a certain number of slaves, etc., to the place designated, 31, 508.—Ditto, same date, addressed to the Treasurer of the Indies, Miguel Pasamonte commanding him to foster the mining industry, also to render obedience to Admiral Don Diego Colon regarding

the disposition and distribution of Indians, 31, 513.—Ditto, same date, commanding Admiral Don Diego Colon to return to Francisco Velázquez a certain number of Indians, etc., 31, 519.

November 15. Royal Decree commanding Admiral Don Diego Colon to do justice unto Christobal Tapia and to return to him the lands and Indians which had been taken away from him, etc., 31, 521.

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January 22. Letter from the Bishop of Valencia relative to the coining of gold, silver, etc., 31, 525.

February 28. Royal Decree authorizing Nicueza and Oxeda to take a limited number of men to the New World, etc., 31, 529-533.

March 10. Appointment of Ponce de Leon as Captain General of the Island of Puerto Rico, 31, 535.—Ditto, same date, instructing Admiral Colon to look into the charges made against certain officials, 31, 540.

March 18. Royal Decree making public the appointment of Diego Darce as Inspector General of the Island of Puerto Rico, 31, 544.

June 15. Royal Decree directing Admiral Colon to enforce the laws referring to the good treatment of Indians and to see that the lands pertaining to them were rented, etc., 31, 547.—Ditto, same date, commanding the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, to allow no Religious to sail to the New World unless it was upon the recommendation of Dr. Matienzo, etc., 31, 551.—Ditto, same date, addressed to Ponce de Leon with instructions, etc., for the government of the Island of Puerto Rico, 31, 555.—Ditto, same date, to the officials of the "Casa de Contratacion," at Seville, on the regulation for the purchase and coinage of gold and silver bullion, etc., 31, 558.—Ditto,

same date, addressed to Isáaga relative to ore shipments from Brazil, 32, 66.—Ditto, same date, addressed to Admiral Colon instructing him to prevent the fraudulent marking of gold and coins, etc., and on matters of government, 32, 72.—Ditto, same date, Document in answer to an official communication addressed to the Crown by Admiral Don Diego Colon in which he is commanded to compel the Indians to congregate and live in Communities (Pueblos) and to admit no foreigner, except a certain Grimaldo, to the Spanish possessions. In this Royal Answer Colon is further instructed to protect the forests, etc., 32, 79.—Ditto, same date, conveying to Alhonso Doxeda the title to the Gulf of Huraba; 32, 101.—Ditto, same date, Advising Diego de Nicueza of the aforesaid grant to Doxeda, 32, 103.

July 2. Royal Decree answering Dr. Matienzo certain questions relative to certain occurrences at Melilla, etc., 32, 105.—Ditto, same date, allowing payment of his salary etc., to said Dr. Matienzo, 32, 107.

September 13. Royal Decree directing the officials of the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, to remit the gold, etc., received during the year and giving them instructions relative to the disposition of prisoners under their charge, etc., 32, 109.

December 6. Royal Decree appointing Almansa as Chief Officer of the Mint in the Island of Española, 32, 112. 1511—

February 26. Royal Instructions to Diego Darce, Inspector General of Puerto Rico, relative to his duties as such and on other matters, 32, 116.—Same date, Royal Decree regulating and defining the manner and methods of paying tithes, etc., in Puerto Rico, 32, 118.—Ditto, same date, giving Ponce de Leon explicit instructions to forbid

the landing in Puerto Rico of children, etc., of persons who had been convicted of crime, etc., 32, 120.—Ditto, same date, commanding Treasurer Miguel de Pasamonte to pay all salaries due to Cures and other Priests out of the tithes Fund, 32, 122.—Ditto, same date, addressed to the Council and Courts of Justice of Puerto Rico authorizing them to use certain funds in the construction of bridges, roads, causeways and pavements, etc., 32, 124.—Ditto, same date, commanding Admiral Diego Colon to allow, free of charge Ponce de Leon's household goods, etc., to be shipped from the Island of Española to Puerto Rico, 32, 127.—Ditto, same date, relieving the residents of the Island of Puerto Rico from paying more than one fifth of their earnings to the Crown, 32, 129.—Ditto, same date, ordering Admiral Colon to charge no freight rates or duties on provisions, etc., shipped from Española to Puerto Rico by residents of either Island, 32, 132.—Ditto, same date, granting to the inhabitants of Puerto Rico certain property rights, 32, 135.—Ditto, same date, commanding the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, to appropriate the necessary funds to defray the expenses of the Queen and Princess while there, 32, 138.

April 1. Royal Decree appointing Francisco Lyzain Cashier of the Island of Puerto Rico, 32, 140.—Ditto, same date, defining his duties and containing instructions, etc., 32, 143.

May 19. Royal Decree conferring on Joan Ampies the title of "Factor of the Island of Puerto Rico, 32, 148.

May 24. Royal Decree conveying to Admiral Diego Colon and his successors the Smelter and parcel of land at Santo Domingo, 32, 151.

June 6. Royal Decree instructing Treasurer Miguel de Pasamonte to confer with Ponce de Leon on the question

and advisability of annexing the Island of "Lo Mona" to Puerto Rico and, if annexed, to provide and establish a government for same, 32, 153.

June 15. Royal Decree commanding Ponce de Leon to turn over the government of Puerto Rico to Don Joan Cerón, 32, 164.—Ditto, same date, Royal Decree commanding Admiral Diego Colon to permit Joan Cerón to import into Porto Rico, free of charge, from Brazil a certain quantity of goods, 32, 166.

June 21. Royal Decree granting to Alhonso de la Vega a portion of land and other property in the Indies, 32, 169.—Ditto, same date, Schedule of the sums of money ordered appropriated for the Island of Española and for other purposes, 32, 180.

June 25. Royal Decree notifying Admiral Colon that the sum of \$18,000.00 which he had remitted to the Crown had been received, and giving him instructions relative to the grounds upon which he could declare war, etc., against the rebellious Indians, 32, 185.

July 2. Royal Decree instructing the Executors of the Estate of the late Father Niculás Dovando to take the necessary steps for the recovery of the property which had been left by the deceased in the Indies and other parts of the New World, 32, 198.—Ditto, same date, commanding Admiral Diego Colon to deliver 300 Indians to Don Hernando Colon, 32, 200.—Ditto, same date, addressed to said Admiral directing him to distribute the property of said Father Dovando in the manner and form in said Decree set forth, 32, 202.

July 25. Royal Decree granting equal rights and privileges to all the inhabitants of the Island of Española in mines, etc., 32, 204.—Ditto, same date, conferring on Don Joan Doviedo the Royal Title of Common Crier in the

Island of Puerto Rico, 32, 207.—Ditto, same date, containing instructions to Joan Cerón and Miguel Diaz regarding their respective duties as officials of Puerto Rico, 32, 211.—Ditto, same date, instructing Treasurer Miguel de Pasamonte to confer with Ponce de Leon on the advantage of forming a new settlement in the Island of Puerto Rico, 32, 219.—Ditto, same date, instructing Joan Cerón and Miguel Diaz to use all possible means in the pacification of Indians, etc., 32, 222.—Ditto, same date, addressed to Ponce de Leon commanding him to pacify the Indians of Puerto Rico, 32, 225.—Ditto, same date, informing Miguel de Pasamonte of the number of grants made to Porto Ricans, 32, 231.—Ditto, same date, addressed to Diego de Nicueza relative to the assistance he was to expect from Admiral Diego Colon, 32, 236.—Ditto, same date, addressed to Alhonso Doxeda relative to his application for authority to discover lands, 32, 240.

July 25. Royal Decree to the officials of the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, relative to the insurrection started by the Indians in the Island of Puerto Rico, 32, 245. Ditto, same date, addressed to Admiral Diego Colon acknowledging the receipt of \$18,000.00 and instructing him on the proper disposition of the Indians of Santa Cruz and other Islands and, also, of the manner in which said Indians should be branded, 32, 257.

July 30. Gil Dávila is appointed Cashier of the Island of Española and his duties defined, 32, 267.

August 3. Royal Decree donating to Gil Gonzales Dávila a lot, etc., in Santo Domingo, 32, 271.

August 26. Royal Decree donating to Don Hernando Colon 300 Indian servants, 32, 273.

September 9. Royal Decree thanking Ponce de Leon for remittance of gold and approving his distribution of In-

dians, sanctioning the war he declared against rebellious Indians and urging him to use his best efforts to discover and conquer other islands, etc., 32, 280.

October 5. Instructions to Judges of the Courts of Appeal in the Indies, 11, 546.—Ditto same date, October 6, 32, 284.

November 1. Royal Decree commanding Sancho de Velásquez to investigate the official conduct of Ponce de Leon as Captain General and Governor of Porto Rico, 32, 289.

November 22. Royal Decree commanding Admiral Diego Colon to send to Spain all the Indians captured, etc., etc., 32, 292.—Ditto same date, Royal Decree commanding Hernando Quirós to lay embargo on all brazilian bark which would be sent from the Indies, 32, 294.

November 26. Royal Decree commanding the authorities to apprehend Rodrigo and his brother-in-law for stealing \$3,000.00, 32, 296.

November 27. Royal Decree acknowledging receipt of official report on the arrival of three ships with gold, and advising the public at large that a letter had been sent to the King of Portugal to apprehend Rodrigo who had stolen \$3,000.00, etc., 32, 299-302.

December 23. Royal Decree authorizing the capture of Indians and their retention as slaves, 32, 304.—Ditto, same date, Royal Decree instructing Admiral Diego Colon how to remit gold bullion and money, etc., 32, 309.

No date. Franchises granted to merchants doing business in the Indies, 10, 568.—Ditto. List of arms sent to Española, 1, 36. Ditto, Inventory of necessary things for the Fortifications at Santo Domingo, 139-44.

1512—

February 22. Ordinance relative to the partition of

Indian slaves, 1, 237. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree fixing the number of Indian slaves each person could own, 10, 545. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree prescribing the manner and conditions to inherit slaves, 32, 319.

February 23. Contract of Ponce de Leon for the discovery of the Isle of Bymieni (Florida) 32, 26. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree to Admiral Diego Colon relative to the New World, 32, 322. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree giving to the captors of Indians the right of property over the captured Indians but limiting the number of slaves to 300 for each captor, 32, 329. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree commanding Miguel de Pasamonte to make report of conditions in Porto Rico and to confer with Ponce de Leon on the founding of settlements in the Island of Byrmini (Florida) 32,340. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree ordering sailing expeditions to stop at Puerto Rico and make naval demonstrations in order to intimidate the Indians, 32, 343. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree commanding Joan Cerón and Miguel Daiz to render all possible assistance to mine prospectors going to the Island of Trinidad, etc., etc., 32, 345. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree to the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" instructing them to construct caravels and to send provisions and arms to the Gulf of Darien, 32, 356.

March 20. Royal Decree to Diego de Velásquez, relative to his conquest and pacification of the Island of Cuba, 32, 369. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree to Admiral Diego Colon commanding him to provide the necessary things for the inhabitants of Cuba, 32, 372.

April 27. Document relative to the personal property of deceased persons, 32, 379. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree to Courts of Appeals of Cuba, defining their duties, etc., 32, 386.

June 5. Royal Decree commanding Attorney Velázquez to investigate the claim of Admiral Diego Colon to the land and Pueblo of Darien, 32, 390.

July 25. Royal letter of confidence addressed to the Indian Chief of Guaybana, 32, 392.

September 26. Contract of Ponce de Leon relative to the Island of Bymini, 22, 33.

June 10. Petition of Lupe Huertas for the payment of his salary as Treasurer of Cuba, 13, 843.

1514—

April 1. Letter from Diego Velázquez relative to governmental affairs in the Island of Fernandina (Cuba), 11, 412.

July 15. Document setting forth the partition of lands, etc., made by order of the Crown in the Island of Española, 1, 50.

1515—

July 31. Grant of lands made in favor of Christobal Montora, Mayor of Puerto Rico, in recognition of his services, 11, 525. Ditto, official reports on general conditions in the Island of Cuba, 11, 448.

October 1. Letter from Vasco Núñez de Balboa to the King in which he makes full report of affairs at Panamá, 5, 526.

The next official document is undated, it is a letter to the King by the Missionaries of Santo Domingo suggesting certain reforms, 1, 347.

1516—

January 28. Letter from Alhonso de la Puente and Diego Márquez purporting to be a report on governmental matters in the Darien colonies, 2, 538.

June 4. Report made to the King by the Dominican Friars in charge of the Missions in Santo Domingo, 7, 397.

September 18. Royal instructions to all the missionaries in the New World commanding them to set all the Indian slaves at liberty; 11, 258.

October 18. Letters to the Prior of the Convent of Mexorada from the Cardinal of Spain, relative to ecclesiastical and civil matters, 7, 391.

December 11. Royal Decree relative to the coinage of gold in the Island of Fernandina, 11, 285. The next document has no date, it is a letter addressed to the Cardinal of Spain by the Prior of the Convent of Mexorada relative to the administration of affairs at Barranda, 7, 387. And so is the next document, that is, it is not dated but it is a complete report of conditions, generally, and on the population in the Indies, 10, 549. The next document, also undated, is a report made by Gaspar de Espinosa on governmental matters at Panama, 2, 467. Likewise is the next document, which is a report—the best made on that point—made to the King, etc., by the first Religious who came to America descriptive of all spheres of life, etc., among the Indians, 11, 243. And the next, also undated, contains the Instructions given to Fathers of the Order of Saint Jerome relative to their duties as missionaries in the New World, 7, 437.

1517—

January 9. Decree commanding the proper officials to send to the Island of Fernandina a shipment of arms, etc., 11, 286.

January 12. Official communications to the officials at Seville on matters connected with their official duties, 11, 289.

January 20. Letter from the Frairs of Saint Jerome to the Cardinal of Spain, Ximenes, giving an account of their journey to the New World, 1, 264.

January 21. Claim of the King of Portugal for certain things which had been taken by a Spaniard named Joan Solís from the Portuguese possessions in America, 11, 291.

April 6. Royal Decree commanding the officials at Seville to report what information they might have in reference to the whereabouts of Ponce de Leon, etc., 11, 283.

June 22. Memorial from the Friars of Saint Jerome addressed to Cardinal Ximenes Cisneros asking for articles needed in the administration of Church affairs in the Island of Santo Domingo, 1, 281. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree confirming the appointment of Ponce de Leon as Governor and Captain General of Puerto Rico, 11, 297.

July 17. Report of Treasurer Miguel de Pasamonte on governmental affairs in Santo Domingo, 1, 289.

July 22. Royal Decree ordering an investigation into the accounts of Ponce de Leon, etc., 11, 293. Ditto, same date, giving instructions on the disposition, etc., of the Indian slaves owned by Ponce de Leon, 11, 295.

October 20. Report of Sancta Clara on the discovery of an Island, 11, 556. Ditto on the amount of gold smelted in the Island of Española, 11, 254. Ditto from a Dominican Father suggesting a method for the better treatment of Indians, 12, 106. Ditto, Memorial of G. Gonzales relative to a report which had been made by certain Religious of St. Jerome, 1, 290.

1518—

January 16. Report to the King by officials of Santo Domingo, 1, 353.

January 22. Letter to Emperor Charles V. from Alhonso Zuazo relative to the preparations made for his reception, etc., 1, 292. Ditto, same date, Letter from said Zuazo to Xerxes on conditions in Santo Domingo, 1, 304.

July 10. Report to the King by officials of Santo Domingo, 1, 354.

July 17. Letter from the Religious of Saint Jerome to Secretary Cobos on same matters as above, 1, 356.

October 23. Instructions given to Hernándo Cortés by Velázquez relative to the conquest of Ulua and Cozumé 12, 225.

October 23. Royal Instructions from Emperor Charles V. to the Religious of Saint Jerome relative to the government, etc., in Santo Domingo, and on church matters, 1, 298.

November 13. Contract made by Velázquez by which he was given authority to conquer a certain number of Islands, 22, 38.

December 1. Royal Decree ordering the discharge of a certain number of officials in the Island of Española whose services were no longer needed, 13, 487.

December 9. Royal Decree instructing Judge Rodrigo Figueroa on the proper method to deal with the Indians, etc., 23, 332. Same date, is a document containing a report to Emperor Charles V. made by the Friars of Saint Jerome on the state of the country generally, 1, 298. Ditto, same date, document sent to the Emperor, in the form of a Memorial, suggesting reforms in the government, etc., of the New World, 23, 310.

1519—

January 27. Testimony, etc., of the Act of Possession taken by Pedro Arias Dávila (known in history as Pedrarias also.—B. M. Read) of the Coast of the South Sea, 2, 549. Ditto, same date, relative to the possession taken by said Dávila of the Island of “Castilla del Oro,” 10, 12.

March 21. Contract of Hernándo de Magallanes and Luis Falero for the discovery of the Islands of “especeria,” etc., 22, 46.

April 7. Report to the King by Figueroa on conditions, etc., in the Island of Española, 1, 368.

May 20. Report to the King by the officials of Santo Domingo on conditions in said Island, and also on the number of residents of said Island, 1, 369.

August 5. Agreement between Hernándo Cortés and his soldiers at "La Villa Rica de la Vera Cruz," whereby Cortés was made their Governor, General, etc., and by which he was invested with the necessary authority to command and govern the future movements of the expedition against Montezuma, etc., 26, 5.

September 5. Report of Diego Velázquez to the King on the quantity of gold smelted at Santiago de Cuba, etc., 11, 429.

September 14. Report to the King by the officials of Santo Domingo on matters of government, 1, 371.

October 7. Report of Diego Velázquez on a suspicious expedition headed by Alhonso Fernández and Montejo, 12, 151.

October 12. Official report made to the King by Diego Velázquez, Guzman and by Pánfilo de Narváez regarding a ship loaded with gold which had been brought into the Island of Cuba by Montejo, 11, 435. Ditto, same date; official complaint made by Diego Velázquez against Hernán Cortés relative to Cortés's insubordination, etc., 12, 246.

October 14. Report of Gaspar Despinosa describing his expedition from Panamá into the interior of the country, 20, 5. Ditto, Official statement of the revenues collected at Santo Domingo, 1, 370. Ditto, report of Andrés Nuño relative to discoveries reported to have been made by Gil Gonzales in the Pacific Ocean, 14, 5.

1520—

January 13. Statement of Figueroa and other officials on the number of Indians liberated from slavery, etc., at Santo Domingo, 1, 374.

January 26. Official report to the Emperor on the salary paid Attorney Zuazo, 1, 374.

March 4. Letter of Attorney Ayllon reporting to the Emperor his arrival at Cuba and, also, his having notified Diego Velázquez to stop his interference, etc., with Hernán Cortés's expedition, 11, 439.

March 5. Petition of Vasco Núñez de Balboa asking for an extension of time to construct some ships in order to proceed to Acla, in the Province of Darien, 2, 556.

April 16. Record and testimony of the abandonment and depopulation of the Island of Española, 1, 376. Ditto, same date, similar report made by the officials of Santo Domingo, also on the depopulation of the said Island of Española, 1, 386.

May 19. Agreement and contract made by Fr. Bartolomé de las Casas for the discovery, settlement, etc., of "Paria," 7, 65. Ditto, same date, Royal Decree giving lands to settlers in "Paria," etc., 7, 89.

July 6. Report of Figueroa on the status of the Indians of Santo Domingo, 1, 417.

August 20. Report of the officials of Santo Domingo descriptive of the true condition of affairs in that island, 1, 377-411.

August 28. Letter of thanks from the Audiencia (tribunal) of Santo Domingo to the Emperor, 1, 413.

August 29. Official report to the Emperor by the city officials of Santo Domingo, 1, 415.

August 30. Letter from the Audiencia of Santo Domingo to the Emperor stating that Attorney Ayllon had been sent to Cuba and Yucatan to prevent an encounter, and a scandal, between the expedition sent by Diego Velázquez against Cortés and Cortés's men, 13, 332.

September 4. Ordinance of the Municipality of "Segu-

ra de la Frontera" fixing the punishment against gamblers, etc., 26, 16.

September 16. Letter from Figueroa to the Council of the Indies in closing Zuazo's report to the Emperor against Nárvaez, 1, 416.

November 10. Report of the Audiencia of Santo Domingo to the Emperor on the result of Ayllon's expedition to stop Diego de Velázquez's Armada from going against Hernán Cortés, etc., 251.

November 13. Report of Figueroa on the freeing of Indians, as per Royal Instructions, etc., 1, 421.

November 14. Letter to the Emperor from the officials of Santo Domingo relative to Indian slavery, etc., 1, 422.

November 15. Letter from official Ledesma to the Emperor describing the sad situation caused by officials in Santo Domingo, 1, 427.

November 16. Letter to the Emperor from Baltasar Castro relative to the war then going on with the Carribean Indians, 1, 429.

December 22. Military instructions given by Cortés to his officers and army relative to his conquest of Mexico, etc., 26, 19.

Figueroa's report descriptive of the kinds of people inhabiting the several Islands in the New World, 11, 321.

The next document is a collection of important data, undated document, for the history of the discovery of Santo Domingo and other parts of the New World, 14, 561.

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January 20. Royal Instructions to Gonzalo de Ocampo relative to the war then going on in some parts of the Indies, 1, 438.

February 20. Letter to the Emperor from Diego Velázquez and others relative to a remittance of gold, etc., 11, 442.—Ditto, same date, on same matters, 11, 445.

April 24. Report on the services rendered by Rodrigo de Bastidas, the Conqueror, 2, 366.

July 15. Royal Decree relative to the ownership of Indian slaves in the New World, 1, 436.

November 29. Power of attorney to Roxas from Diego Velázquez, 10, 18.

December 12. Instructions to Hernán Cortés relative to certain orders which had been given to Cristhobal Tapia, 26, 30.

The next two documents are undated, the first being a Royal Decree granting certain prerogatives to all discoverers of new lands, 2, 558. The second is a report bearing on a shipment which had been made by Pedro Arias Dávila to the New World, 14, 8.

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May 16. Inventory of gold coined and other valuables sent to Spain from the New World, 12, 252.

May 19. Inventory, also of gold, sent to Spain from the Indies, 12, 353.

October 15. Royal Decree appointing Hernándo Cortés Captain General of New Spain (México), 26, 59.—Ditto, same date, commanding him, Cortés, to deal leniently, etc., with the Indians, 26, 65.

November 13. Contract, etc., on revenues and fees due the Crown, 12, 260.

Report, undated, of G. G. Dávila of his expedition and discoveries along the Pacific Ocean, 14, 20.

Letter, undated, from Cortés to the Emperor asking for Priests to preach the Gospel in the New Spain, 12, 470.

Power of attorney, undated, given by Cortés to his father, who was in Spain, to represent him before the Emperor in the investigation of charges which had been filed against him, 12, 458.

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March 27. Contract made with E. Gómez for the discovery of "Catayo del Oriente," 22, 74.

May 28. Testimony on an information made by Bernardino Iñiguez relative to his inability to comply with his official duties because of the difficulties between Velázquez and Hernán Cortés, 12, 204.

April 24. Royal mandate forbidding Francisco de Garay from interfering in any manner with Hernán Cortés, 26, 71.

June 12. Testimony on contract made by Lucas Vazquez de Ayllon for the discovery of lands north of Española, 14, 503.—Ditto, same date, report made by Hernán Cortés of new discoveries made by him north of Española and in other places, 12, 213.

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March 10. Letter to the Emperor advising him of a remittance of gold and silver made by the officials of Santo Domingo, 1, 439.

March 20. Ordinances issued by Cortés for the government of New Spain (México) 26, 135.

October 12. Testimony taken in support of an Information filed by Manuel de Roxas, Governor of Cuba, relative to an expedition sent by Cortés to the Gulf of Higuera, 12, 268.

October 15. Letter from Cortés to the Emperor on matters related with the Church and on governmental affairs, 5, 556.

October 18. Report of the arrival of Dávila, etc., to Higuera, 14, 25.

November 6. Contract made by Rodrigo de Bastidas relative to the colonizing of certain lands, 22, 98.

Report, undated, of Castellanos on a voyage made by him

to the coast of Paria, etc., 7, 109.—Ditto, of Hernán Cortés, undated, describing the lands he had discovered, etc., 12, 277.—Ditto from the Audiencia of Santo Domingo, undated, on the extent of colonization in that Island, and also in the Gulf of Higueras (Honduras), 14, 39.—Ditto, undated, document containing instructions given by Hernan Cortés to Francisco Cortés, his nephew and Lieutenant, 26, 149.—Ditto, instructions, undated also, for the Government of the Indians, given by Hernan Cortés to Hernando Saavedra, 26, 160.

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February 25. Document granting to Pedro Moreno authority to act as judge and pacifier in certain disputes which were occurring between sailors of divers squadrons, 3, 471.

March 18. Contract of Villalobos for the discovery and conquest of new lands, 22, 116.—Ditto, same date, of G. Hernandez for the conquest of Cartagena, 22, 107.—Ditto, same date, testimony taken to establish the founding of the City of Trujillo, 14, 44.

August 4. Report of Caballero on the gold-traffic carried on by the Indians in the Island of Española, 22, 125.

August 14. Contract between Count Andiaada, Cristobal de Baro and Diego Garcia, 22, 130.

September 12. Report of Moreno's voyage to the Higueras, 14, 236.—Ditto, of Hernan Cortés, dated October 20, on the crimes alleged to have been committed at Trujillo, 2, 127, 175.

October 23. Report of Areizaga of his voyage to the Strait of Magallanes, 4, 556.—Ditto, same date, investigation of the official conduct of Moreno towards the Indians, made on petition of Cortés, 10, 541.

November 4. Royal Decree defining the duties of Ponce

de Leon (Luis) as judge of the Audiencia at Mexico, 23, 368.—Ditto, same date, Instruction to said Ponce de Leon relative to his duties as such judge, 23, 382.

November 20. Royal Decree appointing D. Salcedo as Governor of the Higueras, etc., 14, 47.

December 15. Report from Albornoz to the Emperor on the official and private conduct of Hernan Cortés, etc., 13, 45.

The next document, undated, contains recommendations made by Cortés for reforms, etc., at Yucatan, 12, 285.—Ditto, undated, instructions to Moreno to proceed to the Higueras, in search of Gil Gonzales and others who had gone on an expedition, 13, 462.—Ditto, undated, Letter from Hernan Cortés to Saavedra recommending humane treatment of the Indians, 26, 185.—Ditto, undated report of the arrest of Gil Gonzales on orders from Hernan Cortés, 12, 362.—Ditto, undated, report of an agreement made by and between Ortega, Salazar and Cherino, 28, 504.—Ditto, undated, Contract made by M. Villalobos for the colonization of the Island of "Margarita," 10, 88.
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February 10. Contract of Andia and Haro for the undertaking of new discoveries, etc., 22, 137.

February 20. Report to the Emperor on what had happened in Mexico after the departure of Cortés for Honduras, etc., 13, 32.

February 24. Contract of Joan Pacheco for the discovery of new islands, 22, 145.

February 28. Charges against Judge Gonzales Salazar by Joana Ruiz, accusing the judge of serious misconduct, etc., 26, 198.

May 3. Royal Decree commanding Pedro de los Rios,

Governor of "Castilla del Oro," to enforce the laws of the land, 23, 384.

May 13. Report of Hernan Cortés on the revolts which took place in Mexico during his absence, etc., 12, 367.

June 13. Report of Doña Aldhonsa de Villalobos relative to the population of the Island of Española, 22, 153.

July 4. Decree ordering an investigation by Ponce de Leon, attorney, of the charges made against Hernan Cortés, 26, 223.

July 6. Appointment of Marcos Aguilar to succeed Luis Ponce de Leon as prosecuting attorney in the hearing of the investigation against Hernan Cortés, 26, 226.

July 9. Contract of Serrano, Alderman, at Santo Domingo, to colonize the Island of "Guadalupe," 22, 179.

July 26. Formal appearance of Francisco Sánchez as attorney for Hernan Cortés in the hearing then going on in Spain, 26, 230.

Letter from Diego Ocaña to the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, attacking the reputation of Hernan Cortés, etc., 13, 393.

September 3. Letter from Hernan Cortés to the Emperor describing one of his voyages, etc., and, also, answering the report made against him by Luis Ponce de Leon, 12, 480.

September 9. Letter from Ocaña to the "Casa de Contratación" on the Ordinances issued by Hernan Cortés in Mexico, 13, 348.

September 11. Letter from Cortés to the Emperor advising that Monarch of the death of Luis Ponce de Leon and of his, Cortés, having assumed charge of the Government, 12, 476.

September 17. Letter from Ocaña to the "Casa de Contratación" reporting an entertainment given by Hernan Cortés in Mexico, etc., 13, 355.

September 20. Letter from official Destrada to the Emperor protesting against the appointment made by Hernan Cortés of Marcos de Aguilar as Captain General, 13, 84.

November 17. Royal Decree relative to the treatment to be accorded the Indians in the New World, 1, 450.—Ditto, same date, Document authorizing Joan Dampies to recruit men, etc., 22, 184.—Ditto, same date, Contract of Pánfilo de Narváez for the conquest of "Rio de las Palmas," 22, 224.

December 8. Contract of Francisco Montejo for the conquest of Yucatan, etc., 22, 201.

December 11. Reports of Hernan Cortés, Pánfilo de Narváez, Alvarado, De Soto and others of their discoveries, respectively, along the coast of the South Sea, (Pacific Ocean), 16, 67.—Royal Mandate for the regulation of governmental matters in the Indies, etc., 12, 123.—Report, undated, of the founding of "Frontera de Cáceres" in Honduras, etc., 14, 57.—Diary, undated, of journeys made by Bartolomé de Celada, 16, 228.—Divers reports, undated, of Sánchez Sorita, 26, 237.—Report, undated, of Ortega relative to his investigation of the charges against Salazar and Peralta.

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February 26. Royal Decree ordering a thorough search of certain vessels sent to Spain by Cortés from the New World, 13, 430.

May 8. Document containing a set of charges of contempt against Gonzalo de Guzman, 11, 457.

May 17. Document relative to the contract made by and between Rev. Fr. Hernando de Luque, Francisco Pizarro and Diego de Almagro for the conquest of Perú, the division of profits, etc. 22, 245.

July 1. Report of Diego del Castillo relative to the settlement of parts of the New World, 12, 83.

October 23. Articles of impeachment against Alvarez de Palomino for disobedience, etc, 11, 464.

December 20. Contract of Hernan Camelo for the colonization of the Bermuda Islands, 22, 247.—Report and diary, undated, of a journey made by a brigantine sent by Hernan Cortés to the South Sea, 14, 65.—Report, undated, made by Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca of the ill-fated expedition of Pánfilo de Narvaez to Florida, etc., 14, 265.—Instructions of Governor Salcedo to Roxas for the discovery of an outlet to the Nicaragua Lake, 14, 384.

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March 8. Power of attorney given by Pánfilo de Narváez to his servant Fernando Caballos, etc., 12, 86.

March 17. Letter to His Majesty from the Governor and officials of the Island of Cuba accompanying a remittance of gold, etc., 11, 468.—Ditto, same date, from the officials of the City of Santiago on things needed in Cuba, 12, 5.

March 27. Contract of Enrique Cinquer and Guillermo Sayller, a German, for the pacification of the "Provincia de Santa Maria," 22, 251.

March 30. Report of the Audiencia of Santo Domingo on reforms, etc., needed in that Island, 11, 342.

April 5. Royal Mandate ordering an investigation of the conduct of Hernan Cortés, 26, 280.

Report, undated, of a voyage made by Joan Maestre to the Gulf of Mexico and other Islands, 10, 57.

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January 11. Transcript of the litigation pending in the Court of Appeals between Hernan Cortés and the officials in Mexico relative to the ownership of lands, etc., 29, 298.

January 15. Royal Decree giving grants of lands to certain persons in the Island of Española, 1, 470.

February 4. Accusation of Maria Marceyda and others against Hernan Cortés charging him with the assassination of his own wife, 26, 298.

February 8. Royal Mandate ordering an investigation of the above mentioned accusation, 26, 352.

February 9. List of the expenses incurred and defrayed by Hernan Cortés when he sent his squadron to Honduras, 12, 386-497.

February 10. Proofs taken in the accusations made against Pánfilo de Narváez for attempting to brake jail to effect his escape, from Vera Cruz, while a prisoner under order of Hernan Cortés, 26, 287.

February 11. Proclamation of the Royal mandate ordering the taking of testimony in the cases against Hernan Cortés, 26, 353.

February 28. Testimony taken of slaves relative to their mistreatment, etc., by the Spaniards, 14, 70.

February, March and April. Document containing the testimony of all the witnesses who testified against Hernan Cortés, 26, 355.

March 8. Report of Gonzalo Guzman regarding the revolt of the Indians of Puerto Prynceipe, etc., 13, 91.—Ditto, same date, document containing the deposition of 15 witnesses against the General Inspector, 28, 281.

April 1. Royal Decree appointing Hernan Cortés Captain General of the New Spain (Mexico), 12, 379.—Same date, document containing further proofs against Hernan Cortés, 26, 513.

April 13. Report of Francisco Montejo on the riches, etc., of Yucatan and relative to conditions generally, 13, 86.

May 7. Copy of the charges against Joan Ortega growing out of the investigation made in the cases against Hernan Cortés, 29, 5.

May 8. New accusations made against Hernan Cortés, 27, 5.—Same date, document containing a report of the trial of Governor Albornoz, 28, 329.

May 10. Petition of Hernan Cortés asking for a copy of the charges filed against him, all the charges so filed, 27, 59.—Same date, document containing a petition of Saldaña soliciting the pardon, etc., of several persons who were held as prisoners, 29, 300.

May 16. Royal Decree relative to the judicial hearings against Hernan Cortés, 29, 308.

May 19. Answer of Joan Dortega to the Charges filed against him and making counter charges, 29, 9.—Same date, document containing interlocutory sentence against said Dortega, 29, 25.

May 24. Letter to His Majesty from Lope de Hurtado charging malfeasance in office by certain officials, 11, 477.

Document, undated, containing a presentation of the list of witnesses asked to be summoned in behalf of Dortega, 29, 215.

May 29. Report of Lope de Hurtado on governmental matters in Cuba, 12, 215.

July 6. Royal Decree conferring the title of "Marquez de Valle" on Hernan Cortés, and reappointing him Captain General of New Spain, 12, 381, and afterwards another Decree appointing him Captain General of the South Sea Coast, etc., 4, 572.—Same date, another Royal Decree was issued giving him, Cortés, twenty-three thousand Indians as vassals, etc., 12, 281-380. Same date, document containing a report to the Emperor from the officials of the Island of Cuba, and from officials at Vera Cruz, 14, 36.

July 26. Contract of Simon de Alcazaba for the conquering of 300 leagues of territory in the region of the Strait of Magallanes, 22, 262.—Ditto, for the discovery, by

same man, of 200 leagues of land between the strait of Magallanes and China, 10, 125.—Same date, document containing a contract made by Francisco Pizarro for the conquest of "Tumbéz," 22, 271.

July 27. Grants of land given to Hernan Cortés, 12, 376.

July 31. Royal Decree ordering the trial of the cases filed against Hernán Cortés, etc., 13, 643.

August 27. Report of Joan Zumárraga, Bishop of Mexico, on the conquest of Mexico by Hernan Cortés, 13, 104.

August 28. Instructions to the Secretary of the Emperor for the guidance of officials, etc., under his charge, 1, 414.

August 29. Appointment of Garcia de Llerna as attorney for Hernan Cortés, 27, 68.

August 31. Petition of said García de Llerna asking to be furnished with a copy of all charges made against him, etc., 27, 70.—Same date, Royal Decree ordering Docampo and Altamirano to answer the counter charges filed by Hernan Cortés against them, etc., 27, 74-75.

September 25. Charges made by Hernan Cortés against Nuño de Guzman and others, 27, 78.—Ditto, made by Cortés, against Matienzo and Delgadillo.—Same date, Document containing the legal tender of fees deposited by Hernan Cortés, 29, 318-323.

October 20. Answer of Hernan Cortés to the charges made against him, etc., by his last accusers, 27, 190.

October 27. Contract of Hernan Cortés for the discovery of the South Sea (Pacific Ocean) Islands, 22, 285.

November 5. Royal Decree authorizing Hernan Cortés to appoint Governors and other officials, etc., 12, 490.—Document containing interrogatories for a secret trial, 26,

361, 376.—Ditto to be used in the trial of the cases against Hernan Cortés, 26, 389 and 27, 301.—Ditto, document containing charges against Joan Ortiz, 29, 6.

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January 22. Report of the discoveries and conquests made by Nuño de Guzman, 14, 411.

February 15. Royal Decree requiring Dortega, to furnish certain proof in his favor, 29, 81.

March 11. Royal Decrees ordering the reimbursement of the sum of \$12,000.00 to Hernan Cortés, which amount he claimed to have lost in gambling undertakings several years before that date, 12, 510.

March 11. Judgment against Hernan Cortés for the sum of \$100,000, maravedies, etc., 12, 406.

March 22. Royal Decree prohibiting Hernan Cortés and his wife from re-entering Mexico, etc., 12, 403.

April 23. Report from the Bishop of Santo Domingo regarding the partition of lands, etc., 1, 479.

April 30. Final judgment against Ortega, 29, 150.—Ortega's appeal from said judgment, 29, 152.

May 9. Appointment of Galvarro as treasurer of lands colonized by Hernan Cortés, in the south sea, 14, 77.

June 9. Appointment of Samáno as cashier of said colonies, 14, 80.

July 8. Report of Nuño de Guzman of his journey to "Mehuacan" (today called Michoacan), etc., 13, 356.

July 12. Emperor's letter to Hernan Cortés relative to the sale of certain houses, etc., 13, 434.

September 11. Transcript of a suit against Diego Velázquez, etc., 11, 480.

November 23. Royal Decree authorizing the payment of certain sums of money to Hernan Cortés, 32, 437.

December 9. Statement of Francisco Núñez relative to the accounts of Hernan Cortés, 13, 179.

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January 15. Letter from Núño de Guzman relative to charges made against him by a Bishop and other parties, 13, 406.

January 16. Letter from Núño de Guzman reporting the voyage of Sebastian Cabot, etc., to the New World, 13, 408.

January 17. Document containing the papers filed by Hernan Cortés in a suit for the recovery of lands claimed by him, 29, 326.—Ditto, same date, Memorial to the Council of the Indies from the City of Temistitlan relative to governmental matters, etc., 29, 339.

January 18. Answer of Dr. Matienzo and Delgadillo to the allegation made against them by Hernan Cortés, 29, 341.

June 19. Rejection by Hernan Cortés's attorney of the above mentioned answer, 29, 346.—Same date, Petition from Desquivel for land, 29, 350.

January 21. Saldaña's petition, in behalf of Matienzo et al., protesting against Hernan Cortés's petition, 29, 353.

January 23. Brief filed by the attorney of Hernan Cortés combating Saldaña's contention, 29, 361.—Same date, Report made by Salmerón of his observations in matters of government, etc., in the Indies, 13, 186.

January 24. Saldaña's brief in answer to the argument of the attorney for Hernan Cortés, 29, 365-375.

January 27. Claims made by Hernan Cortés for monies due him examined, etc., by officials at Seville, 14, 395.

January 28. List of witnesses presented in behalf of Hernan Cortés, 29, 376-380.

February 4. Royal Decree ordering the disposition of the sum of \$1,915, which had been deposited as a legal tender by Hernan Cortés, 32, 442. Same date, Orders

from the Audiencia for the taking of testimony in certain causes, 29, 403.

February 23. Order from said Audiencia directing the method to be used in counting the 23,000 Indians which had been given to Cortés, 16, 548.

February 25. Petition of Doña Marina, Indian Princess (It was through the influence and assistance of this Indian Princess that Cortés was able to, in a certain sense, conquer Montezuma.—B. M. Read) asking the King of Spain for a grant of lands, etc., for herself and her children in recognition of her services to Hernan Cortés in his conquest of Mexico, 32, 444.

March 11. Royal Decree authorizing the payment of certain monies to Sebastian Cabot, 32, 449.

March 30. Letter from Attorney Salmerón to the Council of the Indies relative to the settlement of "Puebla de los Angeles" (now the City of Puebla, in Mexico), 13, 195.

April 26. Letter from the officials of Antequera acknowledging certain favors, etc., 13, 182.

May 2. Agreement between Hernando Cortés and the Audiencia of Mexico regarding the 23,000 Indian Vassals which had been given him, etc., 12, 514.

May 11. Royal Decree ordering the payment to Sebastian Cabot of his salary as Chief Pilot, etc., 32, 451.

May 16. Royal Decree commanding the Bishop of the Islands of Fernandina and Jamaica to put a stop to the litigation between the colonists of said Islands, 11, 484.

May 30. Letter from Attorney Castañeda to the King reporting the death of Governor Pedro Arias (Pedrarias) Dávila, etc., 24, 173.

June 26. Letter from Hernan Cortés's attorney relative to the litigation pending against Cortés, 29, 421.

June 29. Decree of the tribunal disposing finally of the cases against Hernan Cortés, 29, 424.

August 9. Taxes imposed on the property of Hernan Cortés in Mexico, 12, 520.

August 14. Letter from Quiroga, President of the Audiencia of Santo Domingo reporting the arrival of his successor, 13, 420.

September 3. Royal Decree placing Father Fr. Nicolás Dovando in charge of the government of the Indies, 22, 296.

September 5. Document containing the contract made by Vicente Yañez Pinzon for the discovery of lands, etc., 22, 300.

October 11. Royal Decree commanding officials of the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, to order the coinage of \$841, for Hernan Cortés in recognition of certain services, etc., 32, 453.

News (document undated) of the discovery of a city which was named "Cibola," in the Tierra Nueva (New Mexico, visited by Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca in 1536-7, and by Fr. Niza in 1539.—B. M. Read), 19, 529.

Report, undated, of the Tribunal, the Audiencia, on the vassals, Indians, belonging to Hernan Cortés, 14, 329.—Report, undated, of Carranza relative to a journey made by Núño de Guzman to "Nueva Galicia," 14, 347.—Testimony, document undated also, and report made on the war then going on between said Núño de Guzman and the Indians, 16, 363.—Transcript, undated, of the testimony taken relative to the treatment of Indians, 14, 83.
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March 12. Royal Decree authorizing a further payment to Sebastian Cabot as Chief Pilot, etc., 32, 455.

March 12. Royal Decree ordering another payment in favor of Sebastian Cabot, 32, 459.

April 26. Testimony relative to a claim made by Antonio de Garay, 12, 127.

April 30. Letter addressed to the King by the Bishop of Santo Domingo reporting his journey, etc., from the Island of Española to Mexico, 13, 206.

June 18. Royal Order relative to the litigation which had been pending against Cortés, etc., 27, 467-469.

June 28. Depositions of witnesses in matters connected with the affairs of Hernan Cortés, 29, 432.

July 4. Report or list containing a description of the jewelry and other valuables which had been given to Hernan Cortés by the Indians, 12, 153.

July 10. Report from Bishop Ramirez de Fualca to the King on the population of Santo Domingo, etc., 13, 224.

July 30. Petition of Hernan Cortés, made through his attorney, asking for a copy of certain papers, bearing on his title to lands, 29, 444.

August 5. Royal Ordinances on government, etc., 14, 516-519.—Ditto, same date, contract of Pedro de Alvarado for the discovery of Islands in the south sea, 22, 307.—Ditto, same date, Contract of Pedro Heredia for the conquest of new lands, 22, 325.

August 15. Letter to the King from the Treasurer of the Island of Cuba relative to a remittance of \$14,000.00 in gold dust, 13, 231.

August 20. Appointment of Rodrigo Sandoval as Prosecuting Attorney in certain matters, 29, 159.—Ditto, same date, Petition in behalf of Hernan Cortés praying for the return to him of certain lands, 29, 445,449.

September 18. Protest from the Bishop of Santo Domingo against the enslaving of Indians, 13, 233.

September 28. Royal Decree ordering the delivery of the Island of Flores to Francisco Pizarro, 22, 333.

October 15. Royal instructions directed to the Audiencias, etc., 14, 522.

October 21. Report made by Hernan Cortés enumerating the provinces discovered and conquered by him, 12, 554.

October 31. Royal Decree enclosing a Bull issued by the Pope confirmatory of the titles which had been given to Hernan Cortés to property of all descriptions, personal and real estate, 13, 237.

November 3. Letter to the King from the Bishop of Santo Domingo advising the King that certain officials were on their way to Spain with maps, etc., of the New World, 13, 250.

December 17. Royal Decree ordering the payment of the sum of two thousand five hundred and one dollars to Doña Marina, the Indian Princess who assisted Hernan Cortés in conquering Mexico, 32, 462.

Document, undated, containing instructions of Hernan Cortés to his attorney relating his services to the Crown of Spain and reciting the ingratitude with which he had been rewarded, etc., 13, 5.

Document, undated, containing a contract made by Pedro de Alvarado for the discovery, etc., of new lands, 14, 537.
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January 25. Letter from Hernan Cortés advising the King that he is at "Tehuantepec" constructing vessels in order to undertake the discovery of new worlds, in the South Sea, 12, 541-545.

January 28. Report of Jeronimo Dortal of his administration, as Governor, of "Curagua," 12, 246.

February, document containing the complaints made by Hernan Cortés against the officials of Oaxaca, 12, 551.

February 21. Report on the contract of Francisco de Barrionuevo for the discovery of lands in the Island of Santo Domingo, 1, 481.

March 12. Document containing the appeal taken by Roxas, Lieutenant Governor of Cuba, in his case against Guzman, the Governor of said Island, 12, 25.

May 1. Report of Pedro de Alvarado describing conditions in Nicaragua, etc., 24, 192.

June 23. Report of Dávila relative to the pacification of the peninsula of Yucatan, 14, 97.—Same date, Royal instructions countermanding the order authorizing payments to the Indian Princess, Doña Marina, 32, 471.

October 29. Itemized account of the expenses defrayed by Hernan Cortés while engaged in discoveries in the South Sea, 12, 298.

November 18. Opinion of the Audiencia of the Indies suggesting legislation for the government thereof, etc., 12, 133.

Document, undated, containing the diary of the voyage made by the vessels sent by Hernan Cortés to discover lands in the South Sea, 14, 128.

Document, undated, containing a statement of the tributes exacted by Hernan Cortés from the Indians, 14, 142.

Document, undated, containing a report on the population of the City of Puebla, 16, 556.

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January 18. Report of Pedro de Alvarado relative to the conditions in Nicaragua, 24, 204.

January 21. Royal Decree to the officials of the Mint at Seville ordering them to coin the gold and silver which had been sent from Perú as taken from Hernando Pizarro, 32, 474.

January 26-7. Royal Decree countermanding the above order, 32, 476.

March 10. Report of Núño de Guzman of the several provinces discovered and conquered by him, 13, 436.

March 13. Instructions to the officials at Seville commanding them to investigate the methods used by Sebastian Cabot in the examination of pilots and find out the fees he charged therefor, 32, 379.

April 7. Report made to Francisco Pizarro, at Panamá, of what Francisco Barrionuevo had been doing in Perú, 10, 144.

April 10. Petition in behalf of Hernan Cortés, made by his attorney requesting that a complete record of all the cases against Cortés be sent to the King, etc., 29, 481.

April 18. Document containing a contract made with Sebastian Neyterte, a German, to deliver certain jewelery to the King, etc., 32, 481.

April 21. Depositions of witnesses in behalf of Hernan Cortés, 27, 470.

May 21. Contract of Diego de Almagro for the discovery of 100 leagues of territory towards the Strait of Magallanes, 21, 338.—Same date, contract of Pedro de Mendoza for the conquest of Rio de La Plata, (now Paraguay, Uruguay and Argentina.—B. M. Read), 22, 350.

May 21. Document containing a contract of Alcázaba, relative to the colonization of certain lands, 22, 360.

June 12. Petition made by Ortega asking that the sentence pronounced against him be reviewed, 29, 160.—same date, document containing a petition by said Ortega for the admission of proofs in the form of interrogatories presented by him in his behalf, etc., 29, 171-173.

July 15. Report made to the officials of Panamá on condition of affairs at "Nueva Castilla," 10, 134.

July 19. Royal instructions to Governor Núño de Guzman for the government of his provinces, 23, 410.

July 24. Document containing a requisition made by Hernan Cortés for the return to him of certain property

which had been taken by Guzman without authority, 12, 439.

August 22. Mandate for the investigation about the result of a certain expedition sent by Hernan Cortés to the South Sea, as requested by Cortés himself, 12, 429.

September 26. Mandate forbidding Hernan Cortés from prosecuting a conquest he was then preparing to undertake, 12, 417.

September 28. Ordinances relative to management, etc., of vessels, 32, 492.

October 12. Document containing a complaint made by Diego de Almagro against Pedro de Alvarado, 10, 152.

December 17. Document containing a petition from Ortega for a copy of the charges pending against the Inspector General, etc., 29, 245.

December 24. Document containing a contract of Guierrez for the discovery, etc., of "Veragua," 22, 382.

Report, undated, relative to the conduct, etc., of German residents in Venezuela, 10, 47.

1535—

January 22. Contract of F. Lugo for the conquest of the Islands of Santa Marta (in the coast of Venezuela.—B. M. Read), 22, 406.

February 24. Document containing an official order issued by Núño de Guzman forbidding Hernan Cortés from entering Galicia provinces, 12, 448. Undated is the next document which is a complaint made against said Núño de Guzman and one against said Hernan Cortés, to the Audencia of Mexico, 13, 443.

May 23. Royal Decree authorizing the payment of 150,000 maravedies (small coin) to the mother of Sebastian Cano for services rendered by the famous navigator, Cano, 32, 507.

April 17. Royal instructions to Viceroy Mendoza, of Mexico, for the government of New Spain, 23, 423, 426.

May 20. Royal Decree commanding Hernando Colon to remit to Seville as soon as completed the map he had been ordered to prepare of all the lands, and islands, which composed the New World, etc., 32, 512.—Same date, Document containing the report of the total amount of ore coined in the City of "Cruces," 9, 503.

June 7. Letter from Núño de Guzman to the Audiencia of the City of Mexico advising that body of his departures to pacify a certain province which had revolted against his authority, 13, 414.

July 8. Document containing a report made to the King by Núño de Guzman relating the alleged invasion of his provinces by Hernan Cortés, 13, 445.

August 20. Report made by Fr. T. de Berlanga of his investigation into the conduct of Pizarro in Lima, 10, 237.—Same date is a document containing a petition made by Joan Lerma to the King imploring a pardon of his sentence of imprisonment for a debt he could not pay, 12, 44.

November 9. Official order setting for trial the case filed against Ortega, 29, 273-276-278.

Undated is the next document which contains a list of the services rendered to the King by the sons of Pedro de Fuentes, 24, 53.

1536—

March 11. Document containing the contract of Pedro de Gasco for the conquest of certain Islands, 23, 434.—Same date, document containing a contract made by Joan Despes for the conquest of "Nueva Andalucía" and other places, 22, 472.

March 13. Contract of Francisco Pizarro and Diego de Almagro relative to the government of their respective

provinces in South America and putting an end to their personal difficulties, 22, 497.

March 23. Report made by the Bishop of Leon against Rev. Fr. Bartolomé de las Casas charging him with scandalous preaching, 7, 116.

May 9. Official report on the population of Honduras, blaming Pedro de Alvarado for such depopulation, 14, 279.

May 12. Complaint made by Pedro de Alvarado against Francisco Pizarro's conduct, etc., 24, 211.

June 26. Document on the founding of San Pedro de Honduras, 16, 530.

July 7. Royal Decree for the guidance of the Bishop of the City of Cuzco in his investigation, 23, 446.

July 14. Royal instructions to Viceroy Mendoza on matters related with governmental affairs, 23, 454.

July 20. Assignment of lots and partition of lands in the City of "Gracias á Dios," (Guatemala), by its founder, Pedro de Alvarado, 15, 5.

September 11. Contract of Attorney Espinosa for the conquest of "Rio de San José," 22, 452.

November 20. Report of Pedro de Alvarado giving an account of his administration as Governor of Guatemala, 24, 236.

Memorial, undated, of Attorney Carvajal suggesting reforms, etc., 13, 501.

1537—

Letter to the Empress advising her that Caveza de Vaca and Dorantes del Castillo, survivors of the ill-fated expedition of Pánfilo de Narváez, had sailed for Spain from Vera Cruz, 14, 235.

February 13. Letter from Núño de Guzman, President of the Audiencia in Mexico, written while in jail in the City of Mexico, asking for Royal clemency, etc., 13, 450.

February 15. Letter from Hernan Cortés to the Emperor, sent to Spain by Cortés's own son, asking the Emperor to accept the services of said son of Cortés as Page to the Emperor, 2, 568.

February 26. Report of a voyage made to the Islands of Molucas by Loaysa, 5, 5.

May 24. Report of Doviedo on matters of government at the Island of Santo Domingo, 1, 505.—Ditto, same date, on an invasion of French pirates, etc., 1, 609.

August 28. Letter from Francisco Pizarro to the Bishop of Perú on the troubles and difficulties he was having with Diego de Almagro, 3, 58.

October 6. Contract of Martin Cortés, son of Hernan Cortés, with Viceroy Mendoza for the planting of 100,000 mulberry trees, 12, 563.

October 25. Report of Doviedo on his administration as Governor of Santo Domingo, 1, 522.—Ditto, same date, relative to the troubles then going on in Perú between Pizarro and Almagro (supra.), 3, 64.

November 30. Official order from Viceroy Mendoza commanding the Bishop of Michoacan to count the Indians which had been given by the Emperor to Hernan Cortés, etc., 12, 314.

December 7. Royal Decree relative to method of taxing the Indians in the New World, 18, 171.

December 9. Letter from Doviedo to the Emperor relative to aforesaid Decree, 3, 70.—Ditto, same date, letter from same to the Emperor on the arrest of Francisco Pizarro (the conqueror of Perú), and on the arrest of said Pizarro's brother, Gonzalo, 1, 529.

December 10. Report made by Viceroy Mendoza to the Emperor on the affairs, generally, in New Spain, 2, 179.

December 22. Report made by Doviedo relative to the fortresses in the Island of Santo Domingo, 1, 542.

Document, undated, containing suggestions made by Viceroy Mendoza relative to the duties of Joan de Allolas (Ayola) as Governor of the province of "La Plata," now Paraguay, Uruguay and Argentine, 10, 536.

Document, undated, containing the celebrated expedition made by Francisco Vázquez de Coronado into New Mexico, 1540, and to the Gran Quivira, written by one of his own captains, Joan Jaramillo, who accompanied Coronado, etc., 14, 304. (This expedition was made, as aforesaid, in 1540-1-2, so that one cannot understand how it happened that the document was placed by the compilers under the year 1537.—B. M. Read.)

1538—

January 29. Royal Decree commanding the conquerors of Honduras to spend part of their fortunes in populating and developing the country, etc., 14, 147.

April 16. Letter to the Emperor from Attorney Fuenmayor, of Santo Domingo, reporting a rumored invasion by the French, etc., 1, 153.—Same date, Royal Decree authorizing Pedro de Alvarado, Governor of Guatemala, to punish those of his subjects found to be rebellious, etc., 14, 550.

July 20. Letter to the Emperor from the officials of the Island of Española relative to the value of silver coins, etc., 1, 546.

September 20. Letter from Hernan Cortés to the Council of the Indies soliciting their assistance to enable him to continue his expeditions of discovery, etc., 3, 535.—Same date, petition made to the Emperor by the officials from the Island of Española for permission to introduce negroes into that island, etc., 1, 548.—Same date, Document containing the inventory of the gold, pearls, etc., sent from the Island of Española to the "Casa de Contratación," at Seville, 11, 486.

December 31. Letter to the Emperor from the Audiencia of Santo Domingo, relative to the appointment of Judges, etc., 1, 550.—Same date, Report made by Núño de Guzman on the armed invasion into his provinces made by Hernan Cortés, etc., 16, 539.

1539—

January 24. Contract of Pedro Sancho de la Hoz relative to the conquest of certain territory in Perú, 23, 5.—Same date, Report made by the Treasurer—Despinal—to the Emperor regarding the troubles and difficulties between Francisco Pizarro and Diego de Almagro, 3, 137.

February 1. Report on the government of Guatemala, etc., 24, 352.

February 10. Document containing a protest made by Vázquez Dávila against official abuses in Panamá, 3, 82.—Same date, Letter from Felipe Gutierrez to the Emperor relative to the Pizarro-Almagro embroglio and on other matters, 388.

February 28. Letter from Francisco Pizarro to the Emperor advising the Emperor of a shipment of emeralds which he, Pizarro, had sent him, to the Emperor, 3, 140.

March 10. Letter to the Emperor from the Attorney General bearing on the difficulties between Pizarro and Almagro, 3, 142.

March 14. Petition from several lawyers to the Emperor for permission to introduce negroes into Santo Domingo, 1, 557.

March 15. Report of the condition of the Fortresses in Santo Domingo, etc., 1, 558.

March 20. Letter to the Emperor from the Bishop of Cuzco on matters ecclesiastical, etc., 3, 92.

May 30. Letter from Despinal to the Emperor on the troubles, etc., between Pizarro and Almagro, 3, 148.

June 1. Report of Adelantado Montejo on conditions at Honduras and suggesting reforms, etc., 2, 212.—Same date, report on affairs at Venezuela, 24, 250, 298.

July 5. Letter from Dortal to the Emperor relative to the conduct of Attorney Castañeda, 1, 559.

July 22. Letter to the Emperor from Attorney Castañeda on the imprisonment of Attorney Frias, 1, 560.

August 4. Report of Alvarado on the affairs at Honduras, 2, 253.—Ditto, on his expedition, etc., to Santo Domingo, 24, 311.

August 15. Letter to the Emperor from Montejo complaining of the bad treatment Alvarado was giving him, etc., 24, 320.

August 16. Instructions to officials at the "Casa de Contratación," 30, 5.

August 25. Letter from Montejo against Alvarado, 2, 258.—Same date, Complaint of Montejo against Alvarado and against the Bishop of "Gracias á Dios," 13, 504.

September 2. Discovery of the "Siete Ciudades" (Cibola, Zuñi, New Mexico) by Fr. Marcos de Niza, 3, 325.

October 8. Report from the officials of Santo Domingo to the Emperor on conditions, etc., 1, 563.

October 10. Document containing a petition from Ortega relative to pending litigation instituted by him, 29, 279-281, 282, 284.

October 24. Document containing a report on the building of a new road in Guatemala, 14, 540.

October 26. Report on governmental affairs in Guatemala, 24, 333.

November 3. Document containing an official report of the conquest of Perú, etc., 3, 200.

November 13. Document relative to funds which were claimed by Montejo, etc., 13, 515.

November-18. Document containing a report from Alvarado, etc., relating to a journey of discovery, etc., 24, 399.

December 1. Pleas in the case of Bernal V. S. Ortega, 29, 287.—Same date, official report on the conduct of Castañeda, 1, 564.

Document, undated, containing a report relative to navigation to the North of the Strait of Magallanes, 5, 561.

1540—

January 15. Official report on pearl fishing, etc., 1, 565.

February 21. Document containing a report made by Viceroy Mendoza on an expedition by Coronado to "Nueva Galicia," 14, 375.

March 6. Document relative to the lands claimed by Cortés, 16, 5.

March 18. Document containing the contract of Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca for the conquest of the Province of "La Plata," now Uruguay, Paraguay and Argentina, 23, 8.

April 17. Letter from Viceroy Mendoza to the King describing an official journey of inspection through Mexico, 2, 356.

May 22. Official report to the King relative to provisions received from Caballero, 1, 566.—Ditto, same date, on money, 1, 569.

May 25. Letter to the King from the Bishop of Santo Domingo relative to Church matters, 1, 571.—Ditto, same date, from the officials of same place on the wounding of Attorney Frias, 1, 571.

June 15. Royal Decree sending Cirsthobal Baca to examine conditions, etc., in Perú, 23, 468.

June 19. Instructions to Vaca de Castro for the Collection of certain debts due the Crown, etc., 19, 59.

July 31. Document containing the contract of Benalcázar for the discovery of "Popayan," 23, 33.

July 31. Document containing the contract of P. Heredia for the discovery of lands, etc., in Cartagena, 23, 55.

August 7. Report relative to the capture of a Spanish vessel by English pirates, 1, 572.

August 20. Letter from the Bishop of Santo Domingo relative to the Tithes, etc., 1, 573.

August 22. Report of Bobadillo on his journey to Santo Domingo, 1, 574.

August. Document containing the report made by Alvarado and Padilla on new discoveries, 3, 511.

October 12. Document containing a report made by Robledo relative to a journey he made to Ancerma, 2, 267.

October 17. Royal Decree prohibiting Spaniards from entering lands under Rev. Fr. Bartolomé de las Casa's jurisdiction, 7, 146.

November 14. Document relative to said Friar's contract to pacify the Indians of certain province, 7, 149.

November 20. Contract between Viceroy Mendoza, Pedro de Alvarado and Francisco Vázquez Coronado on a division between them of the profits, honors, etc., resulting from Coronado's expedition into the land discovered and visited by Fr. Marcos de Niza (New Mexico), 3, 351.

November 29. Ditto relative to other discoveries, 16, 342.—Same date, document containing a contract made by D. Gutierrez for the conquest of Veragua, 23, 74.

December 24. Document containing the official report made by the officials of the Island of Española, 15, 75.

December 30. Ordinance providing for the payment of salaries, 1, 580.

Same Date. Document containing a complaint made by F. Gutierrez against Pizarro, 3, 202.—Document, undated, containing a report of the discovery of Antichia, by Alvarado, 2, 296.—Document, undated, containing a prop-

osition made by G. Baleta for a settlement at the Guayamas, 10, 49.—Same date, Document descriptive of the Pueblo of Ancerma, 3, 389.

1541—

January 3. Report on the fortifications at Santo Domingo, 1, 580.

January 7. Report made by Doviedo of his inspection of the Forts at the Island of Española, 11, 363.

January 28. Petition for funds to build new Forts, 1, 582.

March 5. Official orders for the government of the Indians of Nueva Galicia, 3, 369.

April 5. Document containing a set of charges made by Despinosa against Dr. Bernal, 29, 293.

April 7. Dr. Bernal's answer to the foregoing charges, 29, 295.

June 10. Document containing the steps taken in the law suits of Hernan Cortés against Núño de Guzman, de Soto and Alvarado relative to the discovery of the "Tierra Nueva," (New Land), 15, 300.

July 1. Document containing an opinion of theologians on the baptism of Indians, 3, 543.

July 4. Official acknowledgment by the officials of Santo Domingo of newly sent Royal Ordinances, 1, 583.

July 14. Letter from Diego de Almagro to the Audiencia de Panamá reporting the death of Francisco Pizarro and asking to be appointed as Pizarro's successor, 3, 204.—Ditto, from the judges and soldiers at "Ciudad de los Reyes" recommending Diego de Almagro, etc., 3, 309.

July 16. Document containing suggestions to the King on the proper manner of fortifying Santo Domingo, 1, 584-585.—Same date, another document reporting the death of Francisco Pizarro, etc., 3, 212.

July 29. Report from Figueroa on the discovery of pearls, etc., 3, 530.

September 10. Document containing a report of a hurricane at Guatemala, etc., 3, 378-386.

October 20. Full report made by Francisco Vázquez Coronado of his expedition, as far as he had gone, into New Mexico. In this report Coronado mentions "Tiguex" the "Quivira," etc, and characterizes the report which had been made by Fr. Niza, regarding the riches of these lands, as false and expresses a feeling of regret, etc., because of the failure, 3, 86,-13, 261.

October 23. Royal order making all pastures free, etc., 18, 5.

November 8. Document containing a set of charges made by Diego de Almagro against the Bishop of "Cuzco," 3, 221.

November 28. Document containing a petition from the Bishop of Santo Domingo to the King for a strict enforcement of the order among the officials of that Island, 1, 586.

December 1. Another document bearing on the death of Pizarro, 1, 587.

1542—

February 1. Letter to the King from the Bishop of Guatemala advising the King of Alvarado's death, etc., 13, 268.

July. Document containing a report made by Rodriguez describing his discoveries, etc., 14, 165.

October 2. Document containing another claim made by Hernan Cortés against Núño de Guzman, 30, 11.—Same date, another document being the answer of Núño de Guzman to the aforesaid claim of Cortés, 30, 17.—Same date, comes the Replication of Hernan Cortés to the aforesaid answer of Guzman, 30, 23-31.—The case was decided

the same month against Núño de Guzman and on the 30th of that month his appeal was filed, 30, 38.

1543—

April 11. Document containing the transcript in the aforesaid appeal of Guzman which was sent to the Council of the Indies, 30, 48.

September 23. Royal Decree prohibiting the interchanging of Indians in any of the provinces, 18, 467.—The next document is a very extensive one, it comprises one whole chapter on the charges and countercharges, etc., against the conduct of Rev. Bishop Bartolomé de las Casas, it being a full and very interesting history of that prelate's habits, etc., 7, 395.

1544—

February 13. Document being a contract made by Ocellana for the discovery, etc., of new lands, 23, 98.

February 23. Writ relative to Núño de Guzman's appeal—supra—30, 50.

March 6. Petition of Hernan Cortés for the publication of his case against Guzman, 30, 52.

May 4. Opinion of certain Friars on manner, etc., to partition lands and on other matters, 7, 526.—See also 7, 532.

May 30. Letter from the Bishop of Guaxaca relative to governmental affairs, etc., 7, 542.

June 1. Memorial of Father Maraver describing to the King the ill-treatment and sufferings of the Indians, 8, 199.—Same date, another memorial by said Father to Prince Philipp on same subject, 11, 559.

June 27. Royal Instructions to all officials in charge of Indians in the New World, 7, 394.

June 15. Document containing suggestions made by Fr. Bartolomé de las Casas for the improvement of the condition of Indians, etc., 7, 431.

November 24. Complaints against the Governor of Nicaragua, 7, 555.

1545—

January 15. Report made by Maldonado on the government of Guatemala, etc., 24, 345.

February 21. Document containing an expression of thanks from the Bishop of Mexico to Prince Philipp, 13, 531.

July 20. Report made by Maldonado and others on having complied with certain Royal Orders, 24, 352.

July 25. Opinion of Bishop Ramirez relative to the removal of the Audiencia to Guatemala, etc., 24, 393.

September 12. Document containing a contract of F. Mesa relative to settling "Monte Cristo," 23, 110.

October 20. Report of certain Priests to Bishop Bartolomé de las Casas, etc., 7, 231.

December 24. Report made by D. de Herrera on certain investigations which he had been ordered to make, 24, 397-421, 442.

1546—

Document containing a report made by Bishop Bartolomé de las Casas relative to the pacification of Indians, 7, 216.—Ditto, on the conduct of delinquents, 7, 172, 181.

Royal Decree instructing La Gasca on his duties as official in the province of Perú, 23, 507.

February 16. Document containing the authority given to said La Gasca to grant pardons, etc., 19, 201.—See also 23, 516.

1547—

January 22. Document containing the report made on the loss of the Armada which Villalobos took in 1542 to the Western Islands, 14, 151.

July 22. Contract of J. de Sanabria for settling claims pending in the province of "La Plata," 23, 118.

September 20. Official report of conditions, etc., at Guatemala, 24, 447.

1548—

Royal Decree relative to public affairs and on the discoveries made by Felipe de Hutten, 5, 518.

April 2. Document containing a suit filed by I. Lopez against Hernan Cortés, 29, 488.

April 18. Document containing a power of attorney given by Cortés and Núño de Guzman, respectively, 29, 489.

August 1. Document containing the report made by Villalobos of a voyage of discovery, etc., made by him, 5, 117.

September 24. Official report on governmental affairs in the City of "Gracias á Dios," 24, 463.

September 30. Claim made by Cortés for rents, etc., due him, 29, 493-97.

November 2. Royal Instructions for the administration of Justice, in the New World, 10, 52.

November 15. Brief filed by Hernan Cortés in his cases, 29, 503.

December 20. Document containing a protest made by Núño de Guzman against Hernan Cortés, 29, 508.

1549—

January 15. Document containing the answer of Guzman to the brief of Hernan Cortés, 29, 513.

January 20. Document containing the Rejoinder of Hernan Cortés, and additional arguments, etc., 29, 518, 521.

March 8. Document containing the application made by Núño de Guzman for an appeal, etc., 29, 533.

April 8. Document filed by Hernan Cortés in answer to the appeal of Núño Guzman, 29, 546.

April 15. Royal Order authorizing a payment of certain sums of money to Bishop Bartolomé de las Casas, 7, 239.

April 28. Judicial order commanding Núño de Guzman to file his replication to Hernan Cortés's argument within three days, 29, 553.

June 20. Additional charges made by Hernan Cortés against Núño de Guzman, 29, 563.

July 6. Document containing the permission given to Bishop Bartolomé de las Casas to make a certain presentation of facts to the King, 7, 236.

July 16. Report made by Cerrato on conditions at Guatemala, 24, 474.

December 24. Document containing a contract made by Diego de Vargas for the colonization of certain territory along both sides of the Amazon river, in South America, 23, 132.

December 29. Royal order commanding La Gasca to immediately send to the King all the gold, etc., belonging to the Crown which had been collected in Perú, 18, 328.

1550—

January 9. Document containing a grant made to La Gasca, 25, 5.

January 26. Document containing the answer made by Cerrato to the inquiries made by the King, 24, 494.

March 18. Royal Decree authorizing the children, etc., of Francisco Pizarro to recover certain properties in Spain and in the New World, 18, 7.

March 11. Decree forbidding the use of Indian peons, etc., 18, 470-71.

April 16. Ordinances for the government of New Spain, 23, 520.

May 7. Document containing the sentence rendered against Rodrigo Núño for giving liberty to certain prisoners, etc., 11, 511.

June 9. Report of T. López relative to his journey, etc., 24, 513.

July 7. Royal Decree for the teaching of the Spanish language to Indians, etc., 18, 472.

July 16. Ditto, ordering all officials and private individuals to give their liberty to their Indians, etc., 18, 474.

October 15. Report of Pedro de Valdivia of his discovery and conquest of Chile, etc., 4, 5.

November 13. Royal Decree relative to Indian slaves sent to Spain by Spaniards from the New World, 18, 9.

1551—

January 21. Royal order demanding a report from the Viceroy, etc., of Perú, 18, 475.

May 12. Royal Decree containing the grants made in favor of certain Indians—lands, etc.—18, 13.

June 8. Royal Decree relative to the taxing of Indians, 18, 476.—Same date, another Royal Decree on same subject matter, 19, 204.

July 25. Document containing a report on the conquest of Yucatan and other matters, 14, 191.

September 4. Royal Decree forbidding relatives of officials from practicing law before their relatives, etc., 19, 205.

September 14. Royal Decree relative to the collection of taxes, 18, 14.

September 25. Document containing a report made by Pedro de Valdivia regarding the settlement of Chile, 4, 69.

November 19. Decree commanding certain officials residing in Perú to marry within three years, 18, 17.—Same date, Royal letter to the Audiencia of the City of Los Reyes relative to certain events which had happened there after Bishop La-Gasca had left that country, 19, 51.

December 25. Royal Decree ordering the construction of a College at Perú for the sole benefit of Indian children, 18, 480.

1552—

May 25. Official report on the results obtained by the Missionaries in Santo Domingo, 24, 558.

June. Official report on the unsettled condition of the province of Perú, etc., resulting after the death of Viceroy Mendoza, 3, 246.

July 20. Document containing a report of the services rendered by Pedro de Valdivia in the discovery and conquest of Chile, and Perú, 4, 78.

Document, undated, containing a compilation of the laws of Perú made by Viceroy Mendoza, 8, 55.

1553—

June 12. Writ on the tribute to be paid by the Indians, 25, 17.

October 17. Report of the number of Indians given to Joan Garcia for services rendered by his father, 25, 24.

October 30. Testimony relative to the tribute aforesaid, 13, 478.

1554—

January 20. Report of Alhonso de Albarado on services he was rendering in Perú, etc., against the rebel F. Hernández, 3, 553.

March 30. Document containing a report made by Sarabia and others on the rebellion, etc., of said F. Hernández, 3, 228.

April. Ditto, on same subject matter by the Bishop of "Ciudad de los Reyes," 3, 233-242.

April 30. Detailed report of a battle fought by the loyal troops and said F. Hernández, 3, 271, 562.

May 10. Ordinances for the government of the Indies, 12, 142.—Same date, Royal Decree relative to conversions of Indians, etc., 18, 481. See also 19, 149.

July 10. Document containing suggestions made by the

Foreign Consuls at Seville to the King of Spain relative to the protection to be extended to squadrons sailing for the New World while the war was going on with France, 3, 513.

July 12. Instructions from King Don Felipe to his sister, Doña Joana, on the manner of governing the Indies, 11, 521.

August 5. Report of A. Albarado relative to a rebellion, 3, 305.

September 6. Report to the King on governmental affairs, 25, 37.

November 5. Official report on the campaign against Hernández, 3, 313.—Ditto, on sums of money set aside for the conquerors, etc., 14, 201-220.—Ditto, on the discoveries, etc., of Governor F. de Arza, 14, 463.—Ditto, Instructions to Fr. Bortolomé de las Casas, etc., 7, 241.

1555—

January 2. Report on affairs in Mexico, 7, 254.—Ditto, on same matters, 20, 175.

January 12. Report of the defeat and death of Hernández, 3, 316.—Ditto, on same matter, 3, 320.

March 10. Instructions to Hurtado de Mendoza relative to his duties as Viceroy of Perú, 23, 548.

April 4. Letter to Fr. B. de las Casas on the liberation of Indian slaves, 7, 338.—Ditto, from Fr. B. de las Casas to Fr. Miranda on same subject, 7, 290.

September 10. Report to the King on the death of Governor Don Pedro de Valdivia at Santiago de Chile, 3, 566.

November 1. Petition to his Majesty for aid to the Church of Mexico, 3, 520.—Document containing a report on the havoc caused to Havana by the French fleet, etc., 12, 49.

1556—

January 16. Royal Decree on abdication of Charles V. in favor of his son Don Philip II, 4, 390.—Ditto, from Philip II on his elevation to the Throne of Spain, 4, 393.

February. Royal Instructions to Bishop La-Gasca on his duties in Perú, 3, 563.

April 20. Report on the scarcity of provisions in the parishes of Cuba, 5, 553.

May 15. Report of the Archbishop of Mexico on the revenues of the church, etc., 4, 491.

June 17. Don Phillip II's letter to Luis Velasco, Viceroy of Mexico, on his elevation to the Spanish Throne, 4, 403.

September 15. Report of Cañete, Viceroy of Perú, to the Crown on the affairs of his government, 4, 84.—Ditto, from said Viceroy on same subject, 4, 111.

1557—

July 25. Proclamation in Lima of Don Phillip the 2nd elevation to the Throne, etc., 4, 395.

September 23. Contract of J. L. Portero for the discovery, etc., Volcan de Moxaya, 23, 269.

December 30. Contract of Rev. J. Rasquin for the conversion of Indians in "Paraguay," 23, 273.

1558—

January 12. Instructions of the Bishop of Guatemala to his priests relative to the treatment of the Indians, 4, 130.

March 1. Royal Decree ordering the payment of \$16,000.00 to Antonio de Vaca at Perú, 18, 484.

November 24. Letter from Inca Cuxi to the Agustinian Fathers relating his conversion and the conversion of all his subjects, etc., 19, 545.

December 20. Royal Instructions to Villagran, Governor of Chile on his duties as such, 23, 566.

1559—

June 12. Order for an official investigation of the officials of Perú, 19, 42.

June 12. Royal Decree on ecclesiastical matters at "Los Reyes," 19, 44.

June 12. Instructions to Viceroy of Perú relative to the "Royal Finances," 25, 50.

June 17. Decree forbidding the hiring of Indians, 19, 45.

July 12. Decree forbidding certain officials from taking their wives and children along with them while making inspection visits, etc., 19, 32.

September 4. Instructions on the reception to be given to the "Royal Seal," 18, 18.

September 8. Instructions on rules for elections, 18, 19.

September 24. Report of Viceroy Velasco on an expedition sent to colonize Florida, 4, 136.

September 24. Report of Tristan de Luna, Governor of Florida, on affairs of his government, 13, 280.

October 1. Opinion of De Vazquez on the partition of Indians, etc., 4, 141.—Document containing a report on what happened to Governor J. Rasquin's expedition to "Rio de la Plata," 4, 147.

1560—

March 3. Instructions to the Audiencias of "La Plata" relative to pending litigation, etc., 19, 209.

August 14. Contract of Attorney Ortiz relative to the "Volcan del Maxaya," 23, 144.

November 27. Decree relative to tributes, etc., of the Caciques of Perú, 18, 489.—Document containing a report of the death at "Rio Marañon" of Pedro de Urscía, etc., 4, 215.

1561—

April 24. Decree ordering yearly reports from the Audiencia at Perú, 18, 491.

September 3. Report of the expedition in search of "El Dorado," 4, 191.

October 31. Fr. Gaspar's letter to Fr. B. de las Casas asking permission to go to the "Indies," 7, 340.

1562—

February 18. Instructions on rules for the making of reports, etc., 18, 354.

March 25. Mining ordinances, etc., 8, 449.

September 22. Contract of A. Sepúlveda on discoveries, etc., 23, 166.

Document containing report of N. Cordoña on the commerce of the Indies, 11, 14.—Document containing memorial from officials at Perú, 18, 21.

1563—

January 18. Royal Decree removing an assayer, 18, 20.

March 4. Letter from Fr. B. de las Casas on his salary, 10, 86.—Ditto, asking for other aid and provisions, 19, 533.

May 20. Letter from Mexican Indian Chiefs praying for the restitution of their rights, and property, 13, 29.

May 26. Report of Diego de Ibarra on his discoveries of "Copála," also called "Toíamé," 14, 553. (Ibarra is one of the Spanish explorers who visited New Mexico.)

June 26. Royal order prohibiting the return of religious to Spain, etc., 11, 152.

July 13. Ordinances on discoveries and settlements, 8, 484.

July 19. Report of services rendered by J. B. de Magaña, 25, 59.

August 6. Royal Decree prohibiting the use of Indians as beasts of burden, etc., 18, 498.

August 16. Order prohibiting lawyers from practicing law before Judges to whom they are related, etc., 11, 137.

August 16. Order for restitution to the Crown of certain monies, etc., 18, 31.

August 16. Royal Decree ordering the construction of good roads and bridges at "La Plata," 18, 33.

August 16. Royal Instructions relative to auditing public accounts, etc., 18, 342.

August 16. Authority given Castro to spend money from the Royal Exchequer for war purposes, 18, 356.

August 16. Order for just treatment of Indians, etc., 18, 496.—Ditto, prohibiting personal service, etc., 18, 504.

August 16. Order for an official report from officials at "La Plata," 19, 206.

August 17. Letter from Fr. Carrillo to Fr. de las Casas asking for an investigation of officials, etc., 7, 344.

August 29. Decree on the boundaries of "La Plata," 18, 28.

September 25. Order from the King on the disposition of Indians, etc., 19, 208.

September 27. Decree ordering the coinage of money, 18, 358.

October 10. Letter from Martin Cortés to the King on the partition of lands in Mexico, 4, 440.

October 14. Order on recovering monies due Indians, 18, 510.

November 14. Order on the return to Spain of officials serving in America, 18, 360.

December 10. Decree on navigation of the "Pilcomayo," 18, 34.

December 22. Proofs of the services of J. de Villegas, 25, 244.

1564—

February 1. Report on the services of J. G. de Samanés, 25, 302.

February 24. Report of Valderrama on affairs at Mexico, 4, 355.

February 29. Ditto on same subject, 4, 373.

March 18. Order for the sale, etc., of certain offices, 18, 365.

May 17. Decree on the succession of Indians, 18, 168.

May 28. Decree relative to armadas, etc., 18, 36.

June 18. Decree prohibiting officials from making contracts, 18, 41.

June 26. Decree on reports of officials's accounts, 18, 330.

August 15. Decree on powers of Solicitor General, 18, 47.

August 18. Report on journey of Joan Vázquez de Coronado to Costa Rica, etc., 14, 485.

September 3. Decree on the sale of offices, etc., 18, 367.

September 6. Royal Decree for appointment of a Judge in the "Andés," 18, 48.

October 9. Royal Decree on duties of officials, etc., 18, 49.

November 20. Royal Decree for the payment of provisions to those who went to Chile, 18, 362.

December 12. Contract of Villona et al on the discovery of the "Rio Darien," 23, 224.

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March 5. Royal Decree on monies due by D. Centeno, 18, 370.

March 25. Royal Decree on tributes due, etc., 18, 373.—Ditto, on reports made to Spain, etc., 18, 375.—Ditto, on deposits made at "Sancho Reynoso." 18, 377.—Ditto, or-

dering economy, etc., 18, 379.—Ditto, ordering investigation of accounts, 18, 381.

April 8. Life appointment of J. V. de Coronado, discoverer of Costa Rica, as Governor of Costa Rica, 11, 124-128.

April 8. Royal Decree for an Alcalde at "La Plata," 18, 196.

April 20. Royal Decree on size of swords, etc., 18, 50.

May 29. Report of L. de Legaspi of happenings at the island of "Cabú," 13, 527-529.

July 29. Contract of Xorje de Quintanilla to discover a passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean, 23, 259.

August 17. Royal Decree on services of officials, 18, 53.—Ditto, on return of officials to Spain, 18, 55.

September 13. Royal Decree on lands given to individuals, 18, 56.—Ditto, for report of homes of officials, etc., 18, 382.—Ditto, on frauds committed by officials, 18, 383.—Ditto on hiring out of Indians, etc., 18, 511.—Ditto, against causing annoyances to Indians, 18, 512.

September 23. Royal Decree taxing the province of Chucuyato, 18, 59.

October 15. Petition from the clergy of Mexico relative to ecclesiastical matters, etc., 13, 283.

October 19. Royal Decree regulating voting rights, 18, 58.

December 3. Report on vacant offices in America, 11, 108.

Document containing report of Menéndez's journey to Florida, 3, 441.

Document containing report of F. Ortiz journey from La Plata to Perú, 4, 378.—Document containing report on methods used to mine quick silver, 11, 129.

Document containing report on what is to be sold for benefit of King, 11, 134.

Document containing memorial of Attorney Xarába, etc., 11, 136.

Document containing report on the fees for treasury of the Indies, 11, 39.

Document containing report of the officials of the Indies, 11, 140.

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April 18. Royal Decree on the sale of tributes, etc., 18, 62.

April 28. Ditto, on same subject, 18, 385.

August 7. Royal Decree calling for official reports, 18, 63.

August 23. Royal Decree on homesteads of officials, 18, 384.

August 26. L. Sanchez memorial on the evils in the Indies, 11, 163.

October 1. Royal letter on inheritance in Spain, 18, 72.

Document containing report of conditions in Costa Rica, 16, 328.

Document containing Royal letter making "La Plata" a district, etc., 18, 65.

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February 5. Royal Decree on the submission of Indians, 18, 514.

February 15. Royal Decree making Castro Governor of Lima, 18, 76-78.

February 15. Royal Decree on the marriage of Cristhobal Maldonado to the Incás daughter, 18, 80.

February 20. Royal Decree for a report on conditions of the hospital at La Plata, 18, 82.

March 23. Royal Decree regulating sales, etc., at La Plata, 18, 81.

September 9. Contract of J. Alvares relative to "Volcan," 23, 265.

1568—

- January 10. Report on burial of P. de Alvarado, 11, 91.
February 10. Services of P. Niño in New Granada, 16, 461.
October 28. Royal Decree relative to Indian litigation, 19, 211.
November 8. Report of the discovery of the "*Laguna de Nuevo Mexico*" by Francisco Cano (Cano was the first man to use the words "Nuevo Mexico."—B. M. Read), 19, 535.
December 31. Royal Decree for report on lots near the church of La Plata, 18, 84.

1569—

- January 2. Royal Decree for the colonizing of the province of La Plata, 18, 85.
January 23. Report of J. de Bandera on Florida, 4, 560.
January 25. Royal Decree for a report from La Plata, 18, 86.
March 20. Report of J. Orozco of his journey to the Islands of "Salomon," 11, 561.
April 1. Abjuration of Governor F. de Aguirre, 25, 362.
July 10. Contract of J. Ortiz de Zárate for the conquest of Rio de la Plata, 23, 148.
August 16. Instructions to Attorney Castro, 25, 220.
December 11. Letter from Roxel to Inestrosa on the sad state of affairs at Florida, 13, 301.—Document containing report on the conquest, etc., of Nueva Córdova, 4, 467.—Document containing order for disposition of Forts in Florida, 13, 309.

1570—

- March 8. Royal Decree on the sale of offices, 18, 388.
March 19. Royal Decree for official inspections, etc., 18, 516-517.

- March 19. Royal Decree locating a regiment at La Plata, 18, 87.
- April 5. Memorial of D. Robles on fees, etc., 11, 43.
- May 11. Royal Decree on duties of officials, etc., 18, 88.
- May 26. Royal Decree fixing salaries, etc., 18, 92.
- May 26. Royal Decree instructing Castro, etc., 18, 94.
- May 26. Royal Decree on construction of jails, etc., 18, 93.
- May 26. Royal Decree on the keeping of public accounts, 18, 390.
- June 12. Royal Decree permitting G. Gutierrez to visit Spain, 19, 21.
- July 31. Royal Decree relative to official bonds, 18, 396.
- September 15. Royal Decree relative to official acts, etc., 18, 397.
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- December 4. Royal Decree on salaries, etc., 18, 394.
- December 22. Investigation of the return to Spain from Florida of certain soldiers, 13, 309.—Document containing Memorial of D. Robles on affairs in Mexico, 11, 5.—Document containing Representation of Dr. Cáceres on the affairs of interest in the Indies, 11, 55.—Ditto by Robles on the Indians of Perú, 11, 97.—Document containing Will and Testament of Pedro Moctezuma, etc., 6, 64.
- 1571—
- March 12. Report of Toledo, Viceroy of Perú, of his official visits to that country, 19, 541.—Ditto on the idolatry of the Indians, 21, 131.
- June 26. Report on result of bad treatment of Indians, 17, 5.
- June 26. Report on the division of tributes, 17, 101.
- August 27. Ordinances for officials of "Guamanga," etc., 8, 462.

September 24. Code of laws for the government of the Indies, 16, 376.

December 11. Royal Decree relative to the contract of Ortiz. etc., 18, 96.

December 26. Royal Decree on publishing the birth of infants, 18, 97.

Document containing report of the colonists taken to Costa Rica, 15, 261.

1572—

April 1. Royal Decree granting a general pardon to prisoners, 18, 98.

July 23. Royal Decree relative to a law suit, etc., 19, 215.

August 9. Letter from Bishop Castillo of Cuba on the removal of the remains of Cristobal Eraso to Spain, 13, 538.

September 9. Letter to Juan de Zúñiga, ambassador at Rome, on the creation of the office of "Patriarch" in the Indies, 11, 154.

1573—

July 13. Royal Decree leaving but one Assayer in "Potosi," 18, 105.

July 13. Royal Decree on obedience to the ordinances, 18, 105.

July 13. Royal Decree on charges made against G. de Castro, 19, 216.

August 5. Instructions to Captain Losada on settlements to be by him made in Chile, 18, 106.

December 1. Royal Decree on procedure in Indian suits, etc., 19, 63.

December 1. Contract of D. Artieda on discoveries at Costa Rica, etc., 23, 171.—Document containing memorial on the reimbursement of money to the Marqués del Valle, etc., 13, 457.—Document containing Instructions on procedure in making settlement, etc., 17, 559.

1574—

January 12. Royal Decree on bond of J. L. Machuca, 18, 400.

January 26. Royal Decree commanding officials at La Plata to testify, 19, 222.

February 18. Royal Decree for reports on financial matters, 18, 402.

April 27. Contract of Avendaña to discover certain lands, 23, 139.

May 2. Royal Decree on a loan asked by the Crown, 18, 110.

June 15. Royal Decree calling for names of persons entitled to receive grants at La Plata, 18, 115.

July 24. Authority to Cherino to take 200 married persons to settle in Costa Rica, 15, 30.—Ditto 15, 261.

September 29. Royal Decree to officials at La Plata for report, 18, 110.

November 7. Contract of P. Alvarez to discover Estremadura, 23, 207.

December 22. Instructions to advocates of Indians, 21, 287.

1575—

January 18. Royal Decree relative to matters of finance, 18, 403.

January 24. Royal Decree ordering the Audiencia at La Plata to pass judgment on certain Ordinances, 18, 115.

January 24. Royal Decree on punishment for larceny, 18, 404.

February 10. Royal Decree prohibiting marriage in certain cases, 18, 241.

February 26. Report of Rev. J. Miranda descriptive of the country from San Martin to Santa Barbara, 16, 563.

February 27. Royal Decree on the correspondence between the Audiencia and Viceroy Toledo, 18, 280.

March 5. Royal Decree on the sales of Indian tributes, 18, 371.

April 28. Letter from P. Rivera to Viceroy Toledo on actual occurrences in Lima, 20, 136.

April 28. Contract of P. Menéndez to colonize Florida, etc., 23, 242.

1576—

February 10. Royal Decree on contract of D. López to settle "Nueva Cártaga" in Guatemala, 14, 528.

March 8. Report of Attorney Palacio to the King describing the province of Guatemala the customs of the Indians, etc., 6, 5.

March 30. Royal Decree ordering the inspection of officials, 18, 521.

October 31. Royal Decree removing Alfonso de Villascusa from the office of Secretary to the City Council of "La Paz," 19, 224.

November 27. Royal Decree on repairs to the government buildings at Santo Domingo and Española, 18, 405.
1577—

March 22. Royal Decree regulating exemptions, 19, 226.

July 15. Royal Decree on the marriage of Cristhobal Maldonado to the Indian Princess Beatriz Goya, daughter of the Inca 19, 225.

November 24. Royal Decree prohibiting the use of carriages etc., in the Indies, 18, 116.

1578—

March 4. Royal Decree on new offices created in "La Plata" by Viceroy F. de Toledo, 18, 118.—Document containing report, etc., on "Reyno de Navarra," 17, 566.

March 17. Petition of Rodrigo de Cervantes, father of Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra (author of Don Quixote) for authority to prove that his son was a noble and had been captive of the Moors at Algiers, 25, 386, (Lec. 25, 406).

July 8. Royal Decree on coinage of money in the Indies, etc., 18, 406-408, 40-525.

July 25. Certificate of Duke Sesca on the services and merits of Miguel de Cevantes Saavedra, 25, 406, (Sec. p. 386).

October 6. Royal Decree on issuance of permits to those going to the Indies, etc., 18, 121.

November 10. Royal Decree on manner of receiving service reports, 18, 119-120.

November 20. Royal Decree publishing the death of Prince Fernando, 18, 122.

December 2. Royal Decree on the conduct of Indians during mass, 18, 526.

1579—

July 22. Royal Decree for the return of J. A. Maldonado to Spain, 18, 124.

October 1. Report of G. Chavez on affairs at "Meztitlan," 4, 530-553.

1580—

January 31. Royal Decree on the succession of Indians, 18, 125.

June 3. Royal Decree on observations of moon eclipses, 18, 127-129.

September 23. Royal Decree prohibiting negroes from living with Indians, etc., 18, 136.—Ditto calling for official reports on the rites and customs of Indians, 18, 528.—Ditto on reports as to whether justice is done to Indians, 18, 529.

September 25. Report of Viceroy Martin Manriquez on the labor of Viceroys in Mexico, etc., 3, 480.

October 10. Petition of Miguel Servantes de Saavedra (author of Don Quixote), made in Algiers, reciting his captivity and sufferings, etc., 25, 408.

November 4. Royal Decree instructing the Crown's Attorney at La Plata to prosecute certain causes, 18, 465.

1581—

January 27. Royal Decree publishing the death of Queen Jane, 18, 137.

February 11. Royal Decree ordering the return of cavalry troops to Spain, 18, 138.

March 5. Royal Decree ordering a census of Indian and Spanish towns, etc., in the province of La Plata, 18, 140.

April 17. Royal Decree on newly issued mandates, 18, 141.—Ditto fixing marriagable age of Indian girls, 18, 530.

April 20. Decree of Viceroy Toledo on his return to Spain, 19, 543.

May 22. Royal Decree on kind of apparel to be worn by Judges, etc., 18, 142.

May 29. Royal Decree on obedience to Papal Bulls, etc., 18, 412.

October 7. Royal Decree ordering a report on number of foreigners, etc., 18, 143.

November 13. Royal Decree ordering report of number of officials under salary, 18, 144.

December 6. Report of Archdeacon of Quito on the misconduct of officials, 20, 160.

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Document containing Instructions on reports to be made on general description of the Indies, etc., (January 1), 24, 240.

January 8. License to Dr. Peralta to return to Spain, 18, 145.

February 10. Royal Decree to the Audiencia of La Plata on the Qualifications of Royal Solicitors, etc., 18, 147.

February 17. Royal Decree ordering the Viceroy of Perú to refund money, 18, 415.

February 18. Royal Decree to the La Plata Audiencia prohibiting intermarriage between within the 4th. degree, 18, 148.—Ditto on same subject, 18, 243; 18, 149.

April 9. Royal Decree curtailing the salaries of certain officials, 18, 150.

May 27. Royal Decree ordering report on taxes imposed on Indians at La Plata, 18, 531.—Ditto on debts of dead Indians, 18, 532.—Ditto ordering appointment of Indian Agents (Protectores), 18, 533.—Ditto to punish officials who are cruel to Indians, 18, 532-3.

August 31. Royal Decree fixing limit for termination of suits, 19, 229.

October 18. Royal Instructions to officials at "Los Charcos" regarding the vindication of personal honor, etc., 19, 230.

October 25. Report of Governor Ahumada to the Viceroy on a province he believes to be "El Dorado," 19, 547.

October 30. Royal Decree ordering the Viceroy at Perú to report on expenses, etc., 18, 537.—Document containing Testimony given in Mexico by three survivors of the expedition of Friars Agustin Rodriguez, Francisco López and Juan de Santa Maria into New Mexico. (The survivors were Pedro de Bustamante, Hernan Gallegos and Hernando Barrado who under Francisco Sánchez Chamuscado accompanied said Friars as far as Tiguex, now Bernalillo, in New Mexico, and abandoned them at Tiguex where these three priests were murdered by the Indians. These men Chamuscado et al., discovered the first mines in New Mexico. (B. M. Read), 15, 80.

1583—

March 31. Royal Decree to the Audiencia of La Plata publishing the death of Prince Don Diego, 18, 152.

May 14. Royal Decree ordering observance of new calendar, 18, 416.

May 31. Royal Decree ordering strict accountings and reforms, 18, 153.

July 19. Royal Decree ordering the sending of the Englishman Duarte Teder from Perú to Spain, 18, 158.

October 4. Royal Decree to the Audiencia of La Plata ordering the shipment of silver bullion to Spain, 18, 417.

October 4. Royal Decree same as above to officials at La Paz, 18, 418.

October 18. Royal Decree for a report on number of troops, etc., at Perú, 18, 419.

October 24. Contract offered by Cristhobal Martin for the discovery of New Mexico, 16, 277.

October 28. Royal Decree calling for a report from "Perú" on money coined, 18, 420.

November 15. Royal Decree ordering the sale of certain office, 18, 159.—Document containing report of Fray Andres de Aguirre of the discovery of Islands, 13, 545.

1584—

July 15. Royal Decree for the government of Spanish towns, 18, 176.

July 15. Royal Decree fixing places of residence for Aldermen, 18, 247.

September 5. Royal Decree to Perú officials on sale of offices, 18, 160.

October 30. Contract of Francisco Pizarro for the conquest of Perú, 19, 5.

November 14. Royal Decree to officials at "La Plata" on the collection of certain debts, 18, 420.—Ditto on payments made by certain Indians, 18, 538.

November 18. Royal Decree ordering report from officials at "Paria," 18, 539.

November 28. Royal Decree removing certain officials at "La Plata," 18, 540.

November 30. Royal Decree to punish Juan Fernandez and others for treason, 19, 321.

April 9. Royal Decree curtailing the salaries of officials, 18, 150.

May 27. Royal Decree ordering report on tax on Indians at La Plata, 18, 531.—Ditto on duties on Indians, 18, 532.—Ditto ordering appointment of Agents (Protectores), 18, 533.—Ditto to punish those who are cruel to Indians, 18, 532-3.

August 31. Royal Decree fixing limit for testimony, 19, 229.

October 18. Royal Instructions to officials "Charcos" regarding the vindication of persons, 19, 230.

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1585—

March 25. Royal Decree forbidding resignation of officials, etc., 18, 162.

October 26. Royal Decree for report on number of officials at "La Plata," 18, 163.

December 6. Royal Decree on abolishment of the office of Alcalde, 18, 541.—Ditto on appointment of Indians to office, 18, 542.

December 20. Ditto on advisability of appointing an administrator, etc., 18, 543.

1586—

January 26. Ditto to officials at "Los Charcos" prohibiting investigation of official acts of Pedro Tores de Ulloa, 18, 164.

January 26. Ditto separating negroes from Indians, 18, 164.

January 26. Ditto to officials of Chucuyto on revenue matters, 18, 421.

June 4. Ditto to officials of "Los Charcos" on expediting Indian affairs, etc., 18, 545.

July 19. Ditto repealing former decree on duties of officials, 18, 197.

October 6. Ditto on the sale of the office of Recorder, 18, 422.

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September 28. Royal Decree to officials at "La Plata" on official reports, 18, 180.

October 28. Ditto on enforcement of decisions, etc., 18, 186.

October 28. Ditto for the protection of Attorney Lopidana, 19, 233.

November 3. Ditto on resignation of officials, etc., 18, 187.

1588—

January 7. Ditto to officials at "La Plata" to stop unnecessary official visiting, 18, 188.

March 23. Ditto on official opinions asked by religious, 18, 189.

April 6. Ditto for collecting duties on quick silver, 18, 422.

May 11. Ditto prohibiting royal officials from serving as Alcaldes, 18, 167.

July 30. Ditto notifying the Audiencia of "La Plata" of the appointment of Garcia de Mendoza as Viceroy, 18, 191.

October 19. Ditto ordering an official visit to "Tucuman," 18, 192.

October 19. Ditto on partition of lands at "Tucuman," 18, 193.

October 19. Ditto on return to Tucuman of Indians taken by force and for punishment of offenders, 19, 238.

October 19. Ditto on report for sea port at "Tucuman," 19, 234.

October 19. Ditto on settlement made by Vera at "Tucuman," 19, 235.

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January 10. Royal Decree to La Plata Audiencia on removal of Alcaldes, 18, 194.

January 18. Ditto on placing the Indians in settlements, etc., 18, 463.

February 8. Ditto ordering officials to reside at headquarters, 18, 198.

February 15. Contract of Lomas Colmenares on discovery and settlement of New Mexico, 15, 54.

March 8. Royal Decree to La Plata officials on obedience to Viceroy, 18, 195.

June 21. Royal Decree repealing a former Royal Decree to Perú, 18, 203.

August 3. Ditto for report on number of settlements, etc., at La Plata, 18, 205.

August 24. Ditto relative to civil procedure at La Plata, 18, 428.

September 7. Ditto suspending for 8 years certain penalties, 18, 426.

September 13. Ditto on partition of lands in villages, etc., 18, 429.

September 15. Report of Pedro Sarmiento de Gambóa, Governor of the strait of Magallanes on settlements, etc., 5, 286.

November 6. Royal Decree ordering registration at Havana of all gold and silver shipments, 18, 423.

1590—

February 8. Ditto to La Plata officials on punishment by servitude in the galleys, 19, 236.

February 9. Ditto on report about property owned by estate of Francisco de Godoy, etc., 18, 165.—Document containing plans drawn by engineer Joan Baptista Antonelli for the reconstruction of the fortress at "San Joan de Ulúa," 13, 549.

April 25. Royal Decree to the Tribunal of "Los Charcos," merchants and passengers to take their silver to Spain, 18, 424.

May 21. Memorial of Miguel Cervantes de Saavedra (Author of Don Quixote) setting forth his services, merits, etc., at the battle of Lepanto in support of his application for appointment to a vacant office in the Indies, 25, 530.

July 16. Instructions of Garcia de Mendoza, Viceroy of Perú, to Attorney de Torres on certain duties, 6, 554.

July 27. Relación (report) of Gaspar Castaño de Sosa Lieutenant Governor and Captain General of "Nuevo Reyno de Leon of his discovery of New Mexico, 15, 191; same in No. 4, 283.

1591—

February 12. Royal Decree to La Plata officials for report on the several investigations made of charges against District Judges, etc., 18, 199.

February 27. Ditto to officials of "Los Charcos" on the enlargement of certain offices, 18, 441.

February 27. Ditto to same officials on Solicitor's office at Potosi, 18, 442.

February 27. Ditto to same officials suspending payment of taxes by Indians, 18, 549.

February 27. Ditto to officials at La Plata on price of metals, 19, 237.

March 11. Ditto to officials at Los Charcos on rules for auditing public accounts, etc., 18, 443.

March 11. Ditto to same officials on reduction of taxes levied against the Indians, 18, 550.

March 11. Ditto to same officials relieving absent and sick Indians from payment of taxes, 18, 551.

March 11. Ditto to officials of "La Plata" on investigation, etc., 19, 238.

March 17. Ditto to officials of Los Charcos on treatment of Indians exempt from taxes, 18, 552.

April 9. Ditto to same officials to gratify offended Indians, 18, 553.

August 28. Ditto to officials of "La Plata" on rules for taking depositions of witnesses, 18, 210.

August 28. Ditto to same officials for report of their respective charges, etc., 18, 211.

August 28. Ditto to Viceroy Mendoza of Perú, on his duties towards the Admiral, 18, 212.

October 19. Royal Decree ordering Viceroy of Perú to complete the pacification of the province of "Las Esmeraldas," etc., 18, 145.

November 1. Royal Decree on the sale of public offices in the Indies, 18, 214-217.

November 1. Ditto on the sale of lands at "Rio de la Plata," 18, 234.

November 1. Mandate of Perú's Viceroy on appointment of Sheriffs, 18, 429.

Document containing Royal Decree calling for delivery of quick-silver accounts, 18, 440.—Document containing appointments of R. Quiroga and Lorenzo Benal military officials for the war in Chile, 25, 535.

1592—

June 22. Letter from the King on Finances at "La Plata," 18, 221.

June 29. Royal Decree on domestic duties of married men, 18, 221.

June 29. Ditto to officials at "Los Charcos" forbidding certain officials from being present at elections, 18, 253.

June 29. Ditto to officials at "La Plata" on collections, 18, 444.

July 22. Ditto on obedience to Mandates of Viceroys, 18, 220.

September 14. Ditto to Governor of Perú on unlawful opening of Royal communications, etc., 18, 262.

September 24. Mandate of Perú's Viceroy ordering the sale of public property, 18, 546.

November 15. Royal Decree forbidding Governors, Aldermen and Justices to marry within their jurisdictions, 18, 244.

November 30. Ditto to officials of "Los Charcos" for a report regarding illegal fees charged by the Treasurers, 18, 253.

December 23. Ditto providing for the return to Spain by all who would want to go via Paraguay, 18, 229.

1593—

April 6. Royal Decree changing officials from Charcas to Granada, 18, 254.

June 9. Ditto on salary of Judges sent to "Tucuman," 18, 251.

June 9. Ditto on investigations to be made by the Governor of Tucuman, etc., 18, 251.

August 28. Ditto to Perú's Viceroy ordering the placing of public funds at certain place, 18, 445.

December 29. Ditto to officials at Los "Charcos" on cruelties to the Indians, 18, 551.

December 29. Ditto on removal of officials not Royally named, 19, 76.

1594—

January 21. Ditto to officials at "Los Charcos" to investigate conduct of Governors, etc., 18, 254.

May 31. King's letter to the President of the Audiencia commending him on his success against the Chyriguanes Indians, 18, 265.

May 31. Ditto to same on governmental affairs, 18, 446.

December 29. Ditto to Perú's Viceroy on sale of Indians, 18, 231.

1595—

June 7. Appointment of Luis de Velasco as Captain General of Perú, 18, 256.

June 7. Ditto ordering officials to provide Viceroy Velasco with things needed, 18, 259.

September 13. Ditto for report on condition of jails, etc., 19, 79.

October 15. Ditto on manner of remitting reports, 18, 279.

October 15. Ditto to officials of "Los Reyes" for report on number of Secretaries, etc., in the district, 19, 80.

November 9. Ditto to officials of "Los Reyes" to send complete report with every squadron leaving that place, 19, 81.

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February 27. Permit given to Spanish merchants by King Henry III. to export merchandise, etc., etc., 38, 12.

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1477—

October 11. Royal Decree ordering Sebastian Rodriguez and Juan Diaz to return to Martin Nieto certain stolen goods, 38, 43.

November 21. Ditto to officials at Palos and Puerto de Santa Maria to hear complaints of Alfonso Yañez Banguas against Garcia de Escandon, 38, 47.

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May 8. Appointment of Diego Colon, son of Columbus, Page to Prince Don Juan, 38, 111.—Ditto same date, commanding Juan de Peñalosa to execute the order to furnish Columbus with three vessels, etc., 38, 114.

June 20. Ditto to same on same subject, 38, 117.

June 7. Royal Decree allowing Dr Chanca's bill for attending the Princess, 38, 119.

1493—

March 19. Letter from Duke Medinaceli to the Great Cardinal Cisneros stating that he, the Duke, kept Columbus for two years at his house, and that he was the person who had sent Columbus to the Queen thus securing for Columbus the influence and means which enabled him to discover the New World and asking in return for authority to send, every year, some of his own vessels to the Indies, etc., 38, 120.

May 2. Letter from the Catholic Kings to aforesaid Duke ordering him to prepare his vessels forwith and to have same join the Armada which was being prepared againt Portugal, 38, 122.

May 7. Royal Decree appointing Gomez Tello to proceed to the Indies as Royal Collector, etc., 38, 124.

May 20. Royal Decree granting Columbus and his successors the right to add a castle and one more lion to their coat of arms, etc., 38, 128.

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May 28. Royal Decree confirming Columbus' appointment as Admiral, Viceroy and Governor of the New World, 38, 169.

May 29. Royal Instructions to Columbus relative to his second voyage and for the government of the new colony, 38, 180.

June 7. Appointment of Bernal Diaz Piza as an official in the Indies, 38, 192.—Ditto as cashier of the Armada, 38, 192.

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July 4. Report of the cost of the six vessels fitted out at Bermeo,, 38, 206.

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August 18. Royal Instructions to Columbus on the situation in Portugal, etc., 38, 219.

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September 5. Letter from Queen Isabella to Columbus commending him and asking him to send, if finished, the Ocean charts he had been commanded to make, etc., 38, 239.

September 25. Extension of the Apostolic Concessions, 38, 241.

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March 19. Royal letter on Continós Torres' expedition, etc., 38, 247-8.

April 9. Instructions given by Columbus to Mosen Pedro Margarito for the exploration of the Island of Cuba, 38, 249.

April 13. Royal letter commending Columbus's success and informing him that the vessels and provisions he had asked for had been sent, etc., 38, 258.

May. Explanations made by the Catholic Kings to Portugal relative to the agreement on the divisory lines, etc., in Africa and Spain, 38, 262.

June 21. Royal order to Fonseca for a detailed report of the expenses of Columbus' Armadas, etc., 38, 267-8.

July 4. Royal instructions for the official inspection of Vizcaya's Armada, etc., 38, 274.

July. Royal Decree ordering payment of amounts advanced by Juanoto Berardi, 38, 277.

July 5. Ditto to Fonseca relative to same man being empowered to look after the vessels to be sent to Columbus, 38, 278.

July 30. Royal orders to the University of Salamanca to send to Madrid competent astronomers, etc., 38, 280.

August 16. Letter from the King to Columbus expressive of their satisfaction with his discoveries; also enclosing copy of treaty with Portugal; calling for a report and description of his discoveries and asking him to go on or to send his brother to be presented, etc., and attend to the charting and marking of the demarcation lines, 38, 281.

August 19. Royal order to reimburse the Archbishop of Granada certain sums which he had advanced to Columbus, etc., 38, 286.

August 27. Ditto.

August 28. Royal Decree forbidding the exportation of cereals from Andalucia, etc., 38, 290.

August 30. Ditto to pay their salaries, etc., to residents of Palos, 38, 293.

September 16. Royal decree exempting from taxes, etc., articles sent from Andalucia to the Indies, etc., 38, 294.—Ditto same date, relative to litigation against Rodrigo Sanchez who had accompanied Columbus in his first voyage to the Indies, 38, 296.

October 8. Royal letter on the shipment of provisions, etc., 38, 302.

December 3. Royal letter on Fonseca's report about

having heard from Columbus, etc., 38, 313.

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February 4. Royal Decree ordering arrest of Alonso de Morales and Lorenzo Artero for infringement of the treaty with Portugal, 38, 315.

February 14. Letter from Sebastian de Olano on merchandise exchanged for gold on orders of Columbus, etc., 38, 318.

April 7. Royal order to Fonseca to send four vessels to the New World giving colonists free passage, etc., 38, 320.

April 9. Contract of Juanoto Berardi for the sending of 12 vessels with provisions, etc., to the Indies, 38, 324.—Ditto same date, ordering Fonseca to send Diego Carrillo and a learned priest in search of Columbus who were in the event of Columbus' death, to assume charge of all matters confided to Columbus, 38, 329.

April 12. Appointment of Juan Aguado as Captain, etc., 38, 334.—Ditto same date, on same subject to same man, 38, 335.

April 15. Treaty between Spain and Portugal postponing for 10 months the charting, etc., of their abutting possessions, etc., 38, 336.

April 16. Royal letter to the Bishop of Badajoz on the sale of Indians sent by Columbus to Spain, 38, 342.

October 29. Royal decree ordering the prosecution of divers persons for having violated the Portugal treaty, etc., 38, 344.—Ditto, same date, for the arrest of Juan Diaz, 38, 347.

December. Contract of Vicente Yañez Pinzon to go with his two vessels, wherever the Catholic Kings might send him, 38, 349.

1496—

January 13. Royal order to put 50 Indians under the command of Juan de Lazcano, 38, 352.

July 12. Letter from the Catholic Kings congratulating Columbus on the success of his second voyage, etc., 38, 354.

August 18. Ditto from Queen Isabella thanking Columbus for his written opinion on the voyage the Infanta Doña Juana was about to make to Flanders, 38, 355.—Ditto from same to the Bishop of Badajos to pay certain bills, 38, 357.

1497—

April 23. Royal instructions to Columbus on settling lands, etc., in the New World, 38, 358.—Ditto same date, confirming grants, etc., made in Granada to Columbus the 17th day of April, 1492.

May 6. Order exempting from duty goods, etc., going to and coming from the Indies, etc., 38, 380.

June 22. Absolute pardon granted to each and all criminals, etc., who would go at their own expense, to serve in Española under Columbus, 38, 386.

June 22. Royal Decree at request of Columbus, for attachment of 2 vessels wrongfully secured from Columbus by Pantaleon Italian and Martin Centurion, 38, 394.

October 9. Ditto on same subject, 38, 396.

1498—

January. Letter from Columbus on money due Alfonso Carvajal and Pedro Fernández Coronel, 38, 398.

February 18-19. Appointment of Hernando and Diego Colon (sons of Columbus) pages to the Queen, 38, 400.

October 16. Letter to Columbus from Mayor Ballester on the resistance offered by certain employes, 38, 402.

October 22. Letter from Columbus advising Francisco Roldan to surrender, etc., 38, 405.

October 26. Ditto from same giving Roldan a passport, 38, 407.

1499—

March 21. Appointment of Francisco de Bobadilla to proceed to Española and make investigation of the rebellion its causes, etc., etc., and making him Governor of the Indies, 38, 409-412-416-419.

August 3. Life and exclusive permit given by Columbus to Pedro Salcedo to sell soap in Española, 38, 420.

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May 6. Citation to Juan Dornelos to appear before the Kings to present arguments in pro of his application for right to discover lands, etc., 38, 424.

May 20. Royal order to prosecute certain criminals, 38, 425.

May 30. Ditto commanding Bobadilla to ascertain the number of persons in the service of the Crown in the Indies and to pay their salaries, 38, 430.

June 5. Contract of Rodrigo de Bastidas to discover lands, etc., 38, 433.

June 20. Ditto freeing in Spain the Indians sent there by Columbus and to return them to their respective countries, etc., 38, 439.—Ditto same date, contract of Alonso Velez de Mendoza for the discovery of lands other than those discovered by Columbus and Ojeda, 38, 441.

November 9. Royal instructions for officials at Palos to try honestly and fairly the cases against Diego de Lepe, 38, 451.

November 15. to the Bishop of Cordova to allow Diego de Lepe to sail, etc., to discover lands, etc., 38, 453.

December 5. Ditto to officials at Palos to do justice between Vicente Yañez Pinzon, his nephews Arias Perez and Diego Fernandez in re-charges against them by merchants at that port, 38, 454.—Ditto same date, settling a quarrel between the five sons of Martin Alonso Pinzon., 38, 457.

Memorial on provisions taken by Columbus, etc., 38, 459.

—Ditto letter from Columbus lamenting the ingratitude of the world and speaking about his arrest, etc., 38, 462.

February 4. Royal Decree ordering the arrest of Riverol, etc., 38, 464.

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March 10. Ditto allowing Alonso de Ojeda to sell in Spain, brazilian bark, etc., 38, 466.

June 8. Ditto Contract of Ojeda to continue his discoveries, etc., 38, 468.

June 10. Appointment of Ojeda as Governor of Coquivacóa, 38, 476.

June 20. Royal Decree to the Mayor at Palos to see that Diego Prieto delivers to the Pinzones one slave, etc., 38, 480.

June 21. Order to reimburse Vicente Yañez Pinzon certain sums of money, etc., 38, 482.

July 5. Contract of partnership between Alonso de Ojeda, Juan de Vergara, and Garcia de Campos to assist one another in discoveries, etc., 38, 484.

July 12. Royal decree, ordering G. Gomez de Cervantes to fit out an Armada for the Canary Islands, 38, 491.

July 29. Letter to the Catholic Kings from the King of Portugal on the voyage of Pedro Alvarez Cabral in Africa, 38, 494.

August 2. Royal order for payment of pearls, etc., 38, 508.

August 17. Ditto to the Mayor of Jerez to send married and single men to Española, 38, 509.

March 22. Description of the book of prophecies compiled by Columbus, together with a copy of a letter from him, Columbus, to Father Gaspar Greccio and another to the Catholic Kings and the answers thereto, etc., 38, 516. (This document is one of the most interesting documents in the world. It contains Columbus' own opinion, based on

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Opinion of Bautista Muñoz, 38, 540.

September 27. Royal order on City of Baeza to pay Alonso Sanchez de Carbajal his salary, 39, 5.—Ditto, same date, appointing Gaspar Grecio Secretary of the Indies, 39, 7.

October 2. Commutation of Ocampo's sentence of death to life imprisonment, 39, 13.

October 15. Permit to Vicente Yañez Pinzon to sell wheat, etc., 39, 15.

October 21. Royal order to pay Bartolome Colon his dues, 39, 17.

1502—

February. Letter from Columbus to the Pope on the success of his voyage and asking his Holiness for six priests to preach in the New World, etc., 39, 20.

March 21. Private letter from Columbus to Nicolas Ode-rigo in which he speaks that he is about to undertake his last voyage to the New World. With the letter he sends, also, some of his books and papers, 39, 32.

April 7. Ojeda's order to Captain Vergara to forthwith go to Jamaica for bread, etc., 39, 34.

May 20. Ditto to Juan López to go to Jamaica to look for Vergara, 39, 37.

December 7. Letter in Italian, written to Columbus by Di S. Georgio, 39, 39.

1503—

September 27. Letter from Queen Isabella to officials at Seville allowing Juan Vizcaino to fit out 3 vessels to go to the New World, 39, 44.

September 28. Ditto from Guerra to officials of the Royal Council on his new voyage to the New World, 39, 48.

November 15. Reappointment of Diego Colon, 39, 54.

November 27. Royal decree commanding disbursing officials to pay the Admiral certain sums, 39, 56.—Ditto, same date, on same subject, 39, 59.

1504—

January 20. Decree in the cause against de Bastidas, 39, 61.—Ditto in the cause of Ojeda, 39, 69.

February 8. Grants made to Diego Colon, 39, 100.

March. Parts of letter written by Columbus from Jamaica, 39, 104.

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October 5. Royal decree relative to a journey which was to be made by Ojeda and Pedro de la Cueva to the Indies, 39, 109.

November 17. Ditto allowing Juan Sánchez to sell merchandise in Española, 39, 111.

December 27. Letter from Columbus to Odengo on private family matters, 39, 113.

1505—

January. Memorial from Diego Colon to the King reciting the services of his father, Columbus, and asking to be appointed as successor to his said father, 39, 116.—Ditto letter from Columbus to the King endorsing his said son as his successor and praying for his appointment, 39, 118.

February 22. Certificate of payments made to Diego Colon, 39, 120-130.

February 23. Royal decree granting permission to Columbus to ride a mule, etc., 39, 121.

February 28. Royal decree to pay Vicente Yañez Pinzon a sum granted, 39, 123.

April 11. Ditto to Américo Vespucio, a concession, 39, 124.

April 24. Royal letter of naturalization in favor of Vespucio, 39, 125.

May. Letter from Columbus to the King demanding compliance of all promises made to him since his first arrival in Spain after having spent 14 years in Portugal in efforts to put into effect his scheme of discoveries. In this letter Columbus asks further for an increase of grants, rights, titles and privileges, 39, 128.

September 28. Royal decree granted on petition of Vicente Yañez Pinzon directing the Chief Admiral at Palos to forthwith decide the case of said Pinzon against a resident of the place in which Pinzon's right to a vessel was in dispute, 39, 131.

1506—

January 10. Order for payment of amounts due Don Bartolomé Colon, brother of Columbus, as balance on his dues, etc., for voyages made to the Indies, in 1502-4, 39, 133.

January. Order to pay Hernando Colon, son of Columbus, monies due him, etc., 39, 134.

May. Letter from Columbus to King Philip I, and Queen Doña Juana in which he stated that although his health is feeble he still offers them his services, 39, 136.

August 23. Royal letter to the officials of the "Casa de Contratación to fit out an Armada, etc., 39, 138.

September 15. Instructions to Américo Vespucio, 39, 140.

November 26. Royal letter to Admiral Diego Colon expressive of the King's sympathy on bad treatment accorded to him, 39, 144.

1507—

July 30. Royal passport given to Admiral Diego Colon to go to Aragon and Valencia to meet King Don Fernando, 39, 151.

August 24. Royal decree ordering the Governor of Española to pay to Columbus' son, Admiral Diego Colon, certain stipends due Columbus, etc., 39, 153.

November 13. Royal decree suspending a sentence which had been imposed on the Governor of the Indies, Niculas Ovando, 39, 156.

November 20. List of Royal Decrees sent by Tello to Amérigo Vespuccio, Joan de la Cossa and Fray Diego Madaleno, 39, 158.

1508—

March 14. Royal decree to pay Amérigo Vespuccio and Juan de la Cossa 6000 maravedis for having brought to Spain from the New World 6000 ducats, 39, 166.

April 14. Royal letter to the Order of Saint Francis to send Franciscan priests to the New World, 39, 168.

June 8. Royal decree naming Diego de Nicuesa and Alonso de Hojeda, for the term of four years, Governors of Veragua and Uragua, respectively, etc., 39, 171.

August 9. Royal decree naming Admiral Diego Colon Governor of the Indies, etc., 39, 175.

October 29. Ditto on same subject, 39, 176.

December 13. Ditto ordering appointment by the Admiral of an overseer to keep tab on all articles imported or exported from the Indies, 39, 181.—Ditto same date, to officials of the "Casa de Contratación" to extend to Admiral the same considerations, etc., which had been extended to Columbus, his father, 39, 183.—Ditto same date, suspending certain orders sent to the Admiral, 39, 185.

December 15. Royal order to pay Admiral Diego Colon certain stipends, 39, 186.

1509—

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1511—

March 18. Ordinances for the “Casa de Contratación,” 39, 191.

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October. Letter from Queen Doña Juana relative to a contract made by her deceased father, King Ferdinand, with Juan de Agramonte for the discovery of Terranova, 39, 202.—Ditto same date, on same, 39, 208.

1512—

March 20. Instructions to Courts of Justice, 39, 212.—Document relative to Vicente Yañez Pinzon and on the death of Amérigo Vespuccio, 39, 215.

March 28. Royal Decree allowing to the widow of Vespuccio a life pension of 10,000 maravedis, etc., 39, 221.—Ditto, allowing Juan Vespuccio, nephew of Amérigo Vespuccio, a salary of 20,000 maravedis as Pilot, etc., 39, 223.

August 30. Report of Portugal’s Minister to the King of Portugal on Spain’s claim to Málaga, 39, 225.

September 7. Ditto by said Minister on same subject, 39, 229.

1513—

January 20. Letter to the King from Vasco Nuñez de Balboa, from “Santa Maria del Darien,” asking for men, etc., to establish colonies and to continue his discoveries, 39, 238.

July 26. Letter from the King to the Spanish ambassador at Rome instructing him to petition the Pope for the appointment of Archbishop Juan de Fonseca as Patriarch of the Indies and Fray Juan de Quevedo as Bishop of Darien, etc., 39, 264.

July 27. Appointment of Pedrarias Dávila as Governor of "Castillo de Oro" (Panama), 39, 271.

August 2. Instructions of Pedrarias Dávila, etc., 39, 280.

September 26. Record of the grants made to residents of Española, 39, 299.

1514—

November 24. Contract between the King and Juan Diaz de Solis to make other discoveries, etc., 39, 317-321.— Document containing Royal letter to Pedrarias Dávila relative to facilitating communication between the Gulf of Darien and the Pacific Ocean, 39, 325.

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1516—

November 26. Royal decree, ordering the Council to do speedy justice in the claims of Martin Garcia de Salazar, 39, 497.—Document containing Report of Rodrigo de Colmenares on the sad ending of Nicuesa's expedition, 39, 499.

1519—

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1521—

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1523—

November 16. Royal decree on the allowance of the life pension to the widow of Vespuccio, etc., 39, 526.

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1511—

June 17. Record of the proceedings had in the litigation between the Crown and Admiral Diego Colon (hereinbefore referred to), 40, 5.

1516—

November 19. Report made by Pánfilo de Narváez, Gil Gonzales Dávila and Francisco Hernández Denciso on the discovery, topography, soil and climatic conditions of Yucatan, etc., 40, 15.

1518—

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1520—

June 7. Memorial on services rendered by Attorney Juan Rodriguez de Alarconcillo, 40, 37.

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1521—

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March 8. Letter from Antonio Sedeño to the Cardinal of Tortoso on the arrival of Francisco Velázquez at Puerto Rico, 40, 55.

July 9. Report on the services of Gines Carrion, 40, 59.

September 21. Instructions to officials at Santo Domingo relative to the rights of Admiral Diego Colon, 40, 71. 1522—

May 24. Power of Attorney from Admiral Diego Colon to Juan Garcia Caballero to collect the gold and silver belonging to Christopher Columbus, 40, 132.

1523—

March 6. Letter from the King to Count Manrique, 40, 145.

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November 12. Letter from Bishop Fonseca to the King on the arrival of two vessels loaded with gold at San Lúcar de Barrameda, etc., 40, 153.

1524—

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April 27. Letter from Fernando Colon on same subject, 40, 171.

1526—

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August 30. Letter to the King from Attorney Marcos de Aguillar reporting the death of Ponce de Leon, 40, 231. 1527—

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August 20. Letter from Luis Cárdenas on the geographical division of New Spain, 40, 273.

November 20. Letter from Diego de Albitez to the Emperor on his arrest and other matters, 40, 299.

December 10. Report of the arrival at Santo Domingo of an English ship, 40, 305.—Ditto report of Diego Garcia on his discoveries in Panamá and on having reached the lands discovered by Sebastian Cabot, etc., 40, 354. 1528—

July 15. Letter from Luis de Cárdenas making charges against Hernando Cortés, 40, 368.

October 23. Claim of Doña Maria de Toledo as guardian and mother of Luis Colon for the restoration of her rights and privileges, 40, 373.

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November 3. Letter from the King to Treasurer Pasamonte relative to finances, 40, 398. 1529—

March 6. Letter from the King to Diego Caballero on a new discovery of pearls, 40, 435.

March 9. Letter from Treasurer Pasamonte to the King on necessity of colonizing the country, 40, 439.—Ditto same date, on famine at Santo Domingo, 40, 444.

April 10. Letter from Lerma on the discovery of an ancient grave at Santa Marta, 40, 455.

April 20. Report of Pedrarias on governmental affairs, 40, 459.

April 29. Law suit brought by Nuño de Guzman against Bishop Zumárraga, 40, 468.

June 12. Letter from Espinosa to the King on the invasion of Santo Domingo by the French, 40, 561.

June 15. On invasion of Puerto Rico by the French, 40, 563.

December 21. Letter from officials of Mexico to the Council of the Indies, 41, 1.

1530—

March 6. Letter of Bishop Zumárraga of Mexico excommunicating certain officials of Mexico, 41, 3.

April 1. Verbal proclamation made in the streets of the City of Mexico by the excommunicated officials begging the pardon, etc., of Bishop Zumárraga, 41, 8.

May 30. Letter to the King by the excommunicated officials of Mexico on same, 41, 31.

1531—

August 14. Ditto from said officials on governmental affairs, 41, 40.

1533—

July 6. Royal decree relative to the excommunication of Cristobal Pedraza, 41, 139.

1534—

September 25. Ditto to the officials of the "Casa de la Contratación," at Seville. on a law suit brought by an Indian named Diego, for ill treatment, 41, 140.

1537—

December 15. Report to the King by the Augustinian Friars submitting the constitution, etc., of a religious or-

der by them just founded in Mexico, etc., 41, 145.—Ditto from Viceroy Mendoza on labors performed by the Indians in Mexico, 41, 149.

1540—

April 17. Letter from Bishop Zumárraga of Mexico to the King on church matters, 41, 161.

November 29. Royal decree for the establishment, in the City of Mexico of a hospital, etc., 41, 185.

1552—

May. Proofs of the valuable services rendered to the Crown of Spain by the noble Indian princess, Doña Marina in the conquest of Mexico, etc., 41, 188.

1548—

June 2. Letter from the Bishop of Mexico, Zumárraga to Fray Bartolomé de las Casas on ecclesiastical matters, 41, 278.

June 20. Letter from officials of the City of Mexico to the king on the death of Bishop Zumárraga, 41, 139.

1529—

July 15. Accusation of Rodrigo de Granada against several persons charging them with murder, etc., 41, 284.

October 30. Letter from J. Castellon to the King asking for arms, etc., for a fortress at Santo Domingo, 41, 289.

1530—

January 16. Report from the Governor of Santa Marta to the Bishop of Santo Domingo on matters of government, etc., 41, 293.

July 30. Report of officials of Venezuela to the King on conditions, etc., in that country, 41, 315.

1531—

April 19. Report of Garcia Lerma, Governor of Santa Marta, on the destruction by fire of that city, 41, 329.

1532—

May 16. Report on the expedition of Diego Dodaz, 41, 338.

1535—

January 22. Royal decree, on claims made by a German named Christopher Rayser as agent of another German named Neychert, for certain jewels, 41, 342.

August 7. Royal decree on contract made by two Germans named Henry Inguer and Jerome Sailer for the discovery, conquest and colonization of certain lands in the New World, 41, 344.

1537—

May 9. Letter from Gerónimo Lebron new Governor to Santa Marta, on his arrival at that place, 41, 347.— Ditto from Joan Vadillo, on his voyage to Cartagena, 41, 356-393-397.

November 20. Report on the death of Governor Pedro Fernández de Lugo, etc., 41, 421.

(No date) Report of Fray Gerónimo Descobar on the character and customs of the Indians in the Province of Popayan, 41, 438.

1532—

January 14. Royal Decree, to pay the widow of Pedrarias a sum of money for pearls sold to the Queen, 41, 493.

January 19. Ditto on same subject, to the Council, 41, 495.

May 10. Document of said widow relative to property inherited by her from her husband, 41, 497.

May 10. Letter from Francisco de Barrionuevo, Governor of Panamá, to the King on the rebellion at Perú, 41, 501.

1534—

March 10. Letter from Alvarado on his expedition to Nicaragua and on the death of Pedrarias, 41, 513.

March 13. Royal decree, to the officials at the "Casa de Contratación" to pay the daughter of Diego Alvitez 10,000 maravedis (a small copper coin of Spain, equal to 3 mills), 41, 519.

May 4. Appointment of Rodrigo Contreras as Governor of Nicaragua, 41, 521.

September 12. Transcript of mandate to officials at Seville to render all necessary assistance to the aforesaid Governor (Contreras), 41, 528.

December 7. Official letter from the Council of the Indies on the startling news relative to the troubles, etc., between Francisco Pizarro and Diego de Almagro, at Perú, 41, 530.

1535—

February 22. Letter from Fray Tomás de Berlanga, Bishop of Panamá descriptive of that country and complaining bitterly of the conduct of some of the priests who go there without permission, 41, 532.

April 26. Ditto from same giving a graphic description of the troubles and sufferings he suffered during a voyage from Panamá to Puerto-Viejo, 41, 538.

August 3. Royal Decree commanding the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, to pay to Doña Maria de Guzman, widow of Gil Gonzales de Avila, the salary, etc., due her said husband for services rendered in discoveries made in the South Sea (Pacific Ocean), etc., 41, 445.—Ditto same date. to officials in the New World, relative to the claim of Doña Maria de Guzman for salary due her deceased husband, Captain Gil Gonzales Dávila, etc., 42, 5.

August 17. Ditto to officials at Seville on the difficulties and assassinations among those who went to conquer Veragua, 42, 12.

September 18. Ditto to officials at Nicaragua to Exempt

Rodrigo de Contreras from paying duties, 43, 17.

(No date). Memorial to the Crown by the City of Nata reciting the fact that certain dukedom had been granted to Admiral Hernando Colon; that Luis Colon had deeded said dukedom to the Crown. The Memorial asks for authority to colonize same, 42, 22.

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April 10. Authority given to Miguel Sánchez to make contract with Luis Colon to conquer and colonize the dukedom of Veragua, 42, 27.

November 11. Letter from City of Nata, to Luis Colon on settlement of the dukedom of Coro Boro, 42, 31.

April 23. Ditto to same from said City on settling the dukedom of Veragua; also on the difficulties and wars in Perú between Gasca and Pizarro, 42, 35.

1559—

November 13. Royal decree granting to Francisco Pizarro, son of Gonzalo Pizarro, the right to use coat of arms, etc., 42, 38.

1531—

September 4. Letter from Charles V. to Núñez de Vela, 42, 44.

1532—

October 20. Letter to the King from Bishop Fernando Luque of Panamá offering thanks for his promotion and expressing regrets for not having accompanied Almagro to Perú, 42, 63.

1533—

August 1. Letter from Governor Espinosa to the Emperor's Secretary on Hernando Pizarro's trip to Spain to report on conditions at Perú, etc., 42, 69-72.

November 11. Letter to the King from Sebastian Benalcazar on Governor Pizarro having sent to Nicaragua for reinforcements, etc., 42, 93.

1534—

January 14. Letter from Hernando Pizarro informing the King of his arrival at San Lúcar from the New Castille (Perú, etc.,) and, further, of making a full report of the lands discovered and conquered by his father Francisco Pizarro, and also on his Hernando, having bought for the Crown more than \$200,000.00 in gold and silver, etc., 42, 96.

March 3. Affidavit of said Hernando Pizarro on the execution of a death sentence imposed by Almagro, 42, 98.

March 7. Royal decree on the receipt of the gold and silver delivered by Hernando Pizarro, 42, 100.

May 8. Letter to the King from Diego de Almagro on the conquest of Cuzco by Francisco Pizarro; on the revolt headed by Attavalcia; on his expedition to San Miguel; on the orders of Pizarro to restore order, etc., in that province which had been almost ruined by the invasion of Alvarado and on Alvarado's threat of returning with an army to destroy Pizarro, etc., 42, 104.

July 20. Letter to the King from the municipality of Jauxa on governmental matters, 42, 114.

July 27. Appointment of Hernando de Soto, by Francisco Pizarro, as his Lieutenant Governor at Cuzco, 42, 132.

September 25. Royal decree, ordering the officials of "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, to provide Hernando Pizarro with needed pilots for his voyage to Perú, 42, 135.

1535—

April 20. Royal decree, calling on all persons returning to Spain from Perú to proceed at once to Madrid to testify under oath on conditions, etc., there, 42, 137.

June 29. Letter from Francisco Pizarro to Secretary Vázquez Molina acknowledging receipt of his missive and informing him that he, Pizarro, wanted him to act as his delegate before the Emperor, 42, 139.

November 10. Claims of Pedro Gutierrez, tailor of the City of Los Reyes, against that City and its garrison, 42, 142.

June 12. Letter to officials at Seville from Blasco Núñez Vela, General of an Armada, on official matters, 42, 146.
1537—

December 20. Letter to the King from Diego Caballero on another letter sent by Governor Pizarro through the Bishop of Berlanga relative to the doings of the Armada of Blasco Nuñez Vela, 42, 152.

1539—

February 15. Letter to the King from Francisco de Chavez reporting the death of Diego de Almagro, 42, 158.

March 25. Letter to the King on the submission of Fisco, Inca, in Perú, and on new discoveries, etc., by Gonzalo Dolmos, 42, 162.—Ditto Caravajal, 42, 171.

April 17. Ditto from Gonzalo Pizarro applying for a position, an office in consideration of the valuable services rendered by him and his brother, Hernando Pizarro, in the Peruvian wars, etc., 42, 166.

July 12. Ditto, applying for office, from Cristoval Molina, 42, 168.

1540—

July 19. Royal decree, to Vaca de Castro commanding him to make full and complete report on conditions in Perú etc., so that the Crown might intelligently assign to Marquis Francisco Pizarro, 42, 175.

September 29. Letter of instructions from the Cardinal of Seville to Castro, President of the Audiencia at Lima, on governmental affairs, 42, 180.

1541—

October 28. Royal decree to Vaca de Castro, Governor of Perú to order the liberation of all Indian prisoners and

to restore to them their property, which had been confiscated, etc., 42, 184.

1542—

June 25. Letter to the King from the Ayuntamiento of the City of Los Reyes on the appointment of Castro as Judge, etc., 42, 186.

1543—

May 8. Letter to the King from the widow of Francisco Martin de Alcántara, 42, 197.

1544—

March 4. Ditto to same from Despinal, 42, 201.

1546—

September 23. Transcript of several petitions by officials of Perú asking that commissioners be sent to treat with Gonzalo Pizarro on the cessation of the war, etc., 42, 207.

September 23. Ditto on the appointment of Gonzalo Pizarro as Governor of Per&, 42, 223.

November 23. Document containing the sworn promises made by Gonzalo Pizarro to his captains regarding his acceptance of the government of Perú, 42, 241.—Ditto on the reception accorded to Gonzalo Pizarro at the City of Los Reyes the day he assumed the duties as Governor of Perú, 42, 250.

1545—

May 9. Report on the voyage of the Armada under Francisco de Orellana, etc., 42, 268-282.

June 6. Warrant for the arrest, etc., of Hernando de Pizarro, etc., 42, 291.

1546—

November 20. Transcript of the charges, etc., made by officials of the City of Los Reyes against Viceroy Blasco Núñez Vela, etc., 42, 293.

Undated document relating all occurrences and disturbances in Perú caused by the rebellion of Hernando Pizarro; the arrest of said Pizarro and his execution by Attorney La Gasca, etc., 42, 376.

1547—

May 16. Report made to the King by the Admiral on Governmental affairs at Perú, 42, 423.

December 31. Ditto from Attorney Gamboa on same subject, 42, 425.

Ditto from Hernan Vaca on the treatment of Hernando Pizarro while he was prisoner, etc., 42, 434.

1548—

May 4. Partition of Alonso de Alvarado to King Philip for recognition of his services, etc., 42, 439.

1549—

February 3. Letter to the Council of the Indies from Archbishop Loaysa asking permission to return to Spain, 42, 443.

July 24. Answer of the Council of the Indies to Archbishop Loaysa's letter, 42, 449.

1550—

May. 2. Royal Decree to the Mayor of the Village of Arévalo to take the deposition of Vaca de Castro, then a prisoner in the castle in said village, 42; 457.

1531—

April 4. Royal decree commanding Fray Francisco Tello to make report as to whether three Indian boys left in the abbey of Santa Maria de las Dueñas had been instructed in the Christian faith, 42, 462.

Ditto same date, to the officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville to pay to the Prior of the Convent of Saint Francis a certain sum for the support of the Indians educated therein, 42, 464.—Ditto, same date, to said officials to furnish said Indians school books, etc., 42, 466.

1533—

July 1. Royal decree to said officials on method to be used in calking ships, etc., 42, 468.

July 6. Ditto to said officials to prevent Attorney Cristobal de Pedraza from sailing for the Indies until the ex-communication under which he was living was removed, etc., 42, 471.

November 20. Letter to the King from the Council of the Indies reporting the fact that Garcia Manrique was then the presiding officer of the Council, 42, 473.

1534—

August 22. Royal decree, to officials of the "Casa de Contratación" at Seville, to publish the King's Mandate forbidding the newly converted heretics and their children, and grand children of persons who had been burnt at the stake from sailing for the New World, 42, 476.

August 29. Ditto to said officials on the arrival of two vessels from the New World with gold and silver treasures for the King, 42, 478.

December 11. Royal decree, to officials at Seville for a report on the necessity of compelling all pilots wishing to go to the New World to submit to an examination respecting their efficiency in the art and science of navigation, as suggested by Sebastian Cabot, 42, 481-483.

1535—

February 13. Royal decree to officials of the "Casa de la Contratación" on the sending of an Armada to pursue pirates in the seas of the west, 42, 485.

March 4. Ditto to said officials relative to the Armada about to be sent against Barbarroja, 42, 488.

Ditto same date to said officials authorizing them to use the gold and silver received at that date from Perú to defray the expenses of the Armada which was to be sent against the City of Cuzco, 42, 492.

March 9. Ditto to said officials on a contract made with Joan de Castro of London, Joan de-Astudillo, Diego Lopez Gallo and others to pay Queen Mary at Flanders 120,000 ducats, 42, 498.

June 16. Royal Decree to said officials to inspect carefully certain instruments to be used in the art and science of navigation, which had been invented by Cosmographer Gaspar Revelo, 42, 502.

July 31. Ditto to said officials on the coinage of money to defray the expenses of the Armada sent against Barbarroja, 42, 504.—Ditto, same date, to said officials relative to the sum of 800,000 ducats taken from churches, monasteries, hospitals and private individuals which the King needed to keep up the Armada sent to Cuzco, 42, 506. 1536—

December 16. Document containing a list of the houses, apartments, etc., belonging to and forming the “Casa de Contratación” at Seville, 42, 508. 1537—

September 12. Letter to the King from the officials of said “Casa de Contratación” on the printing of the book entitled “Santa Doctrina” by Rev. Fray Joan Ramirez, 42, 523.

November 8. Ditto from said officials on same subject, 42, 525-534.

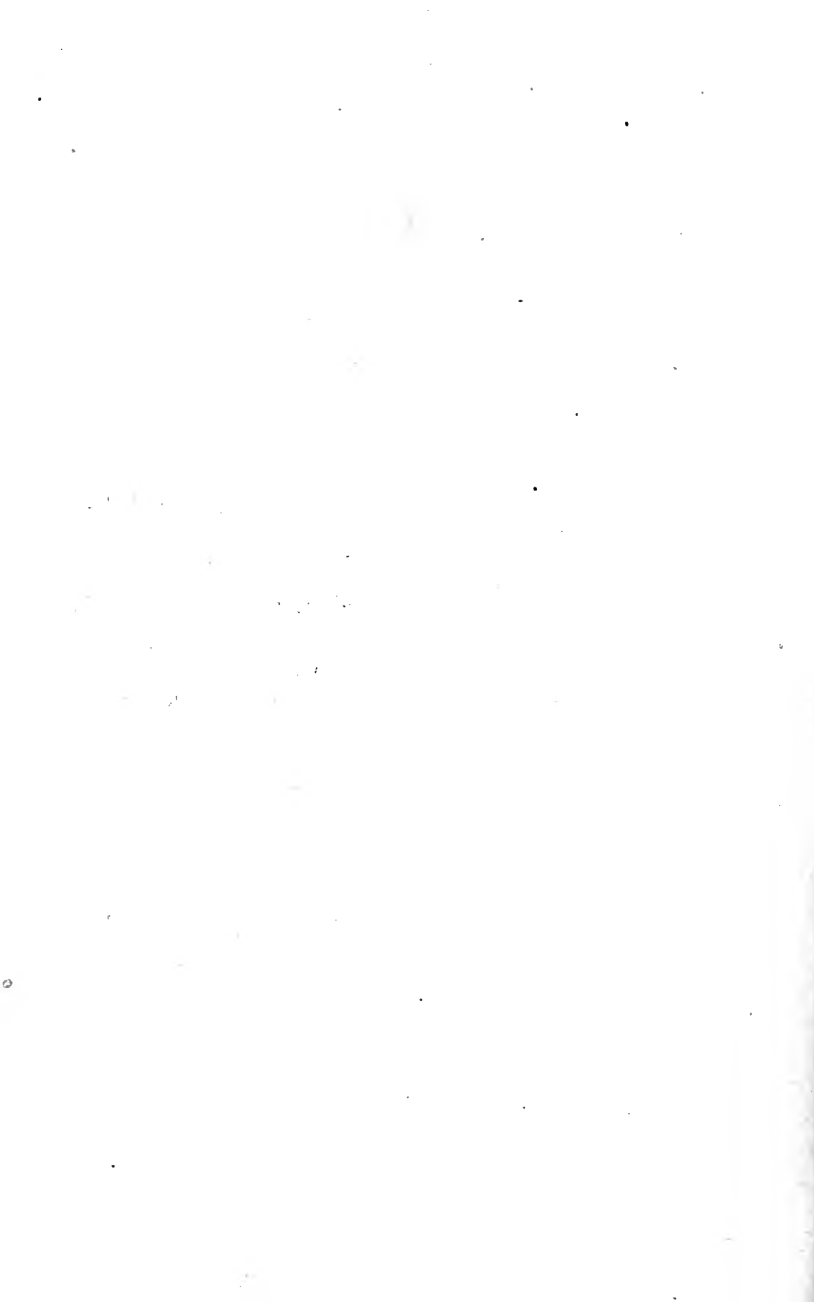
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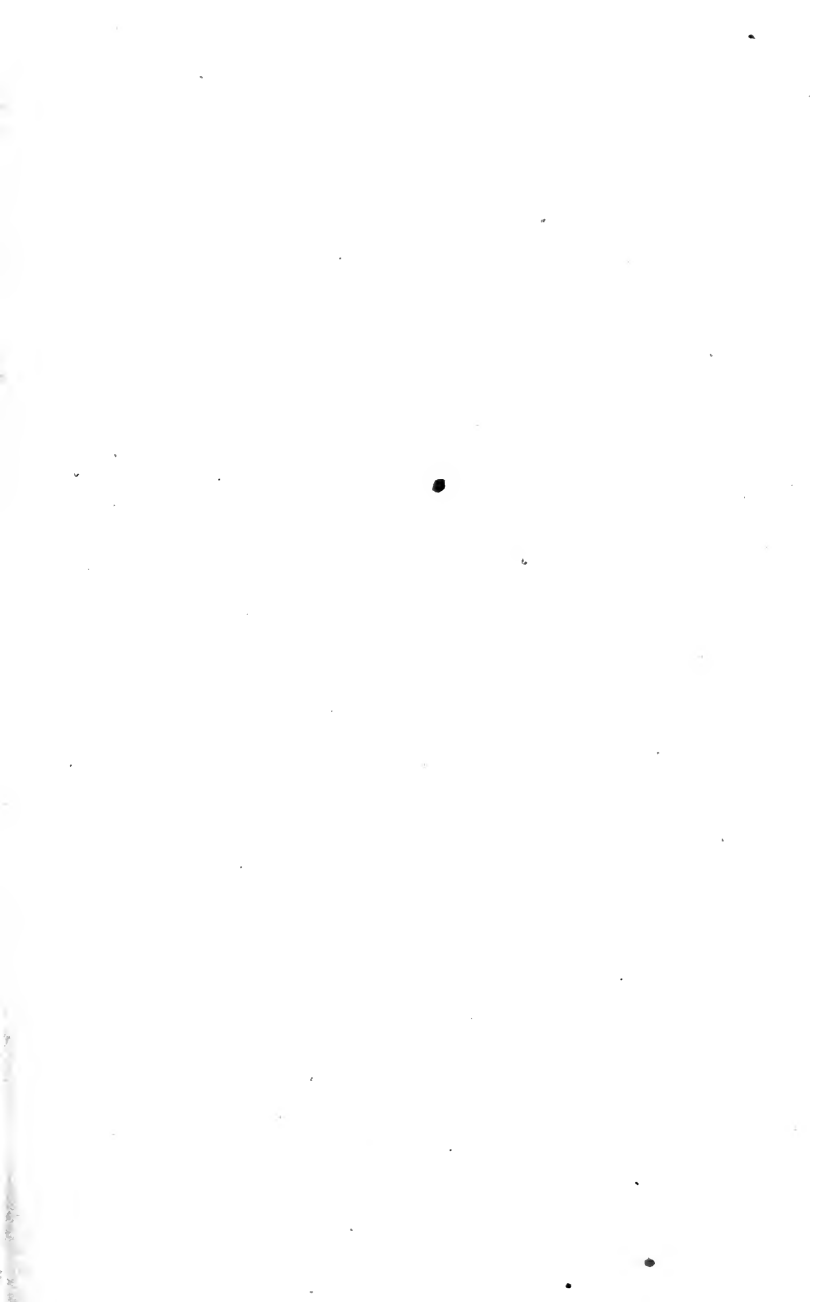
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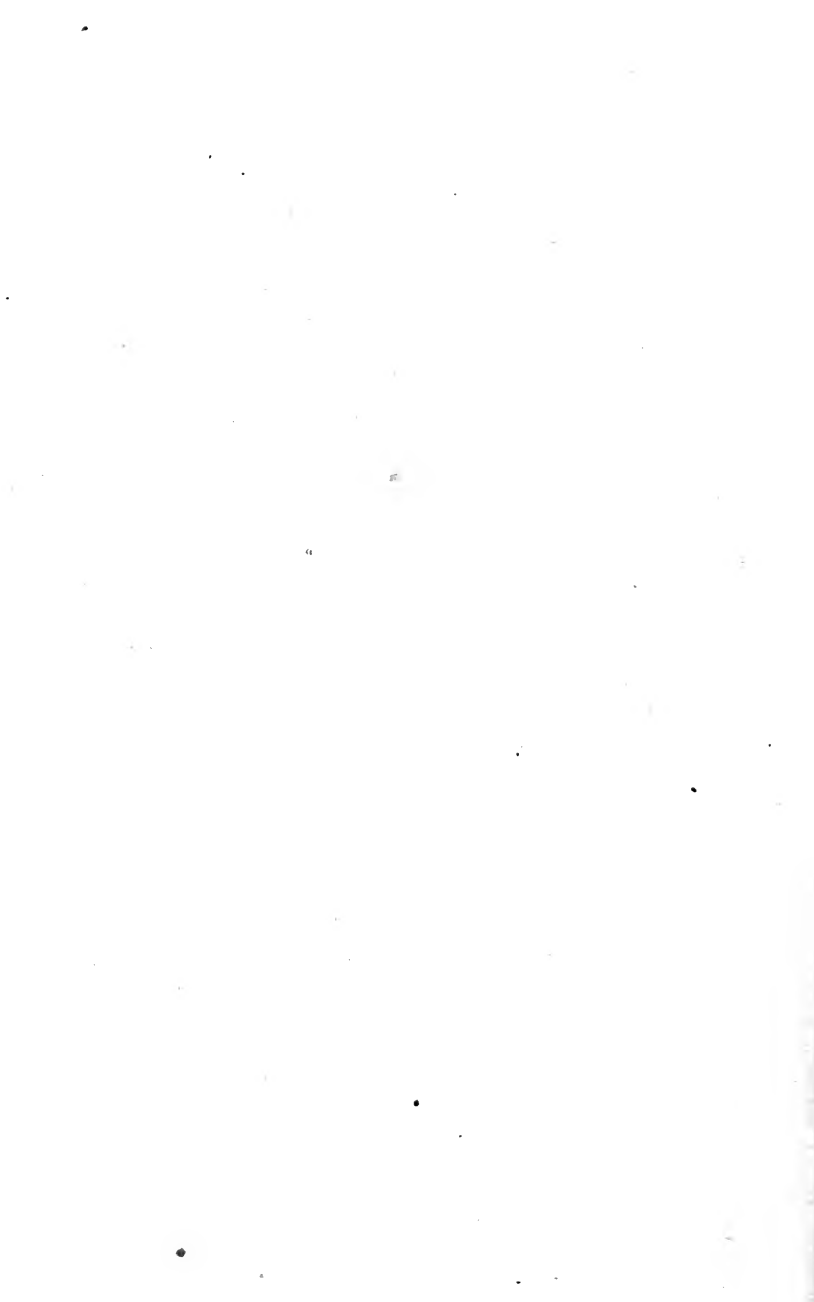


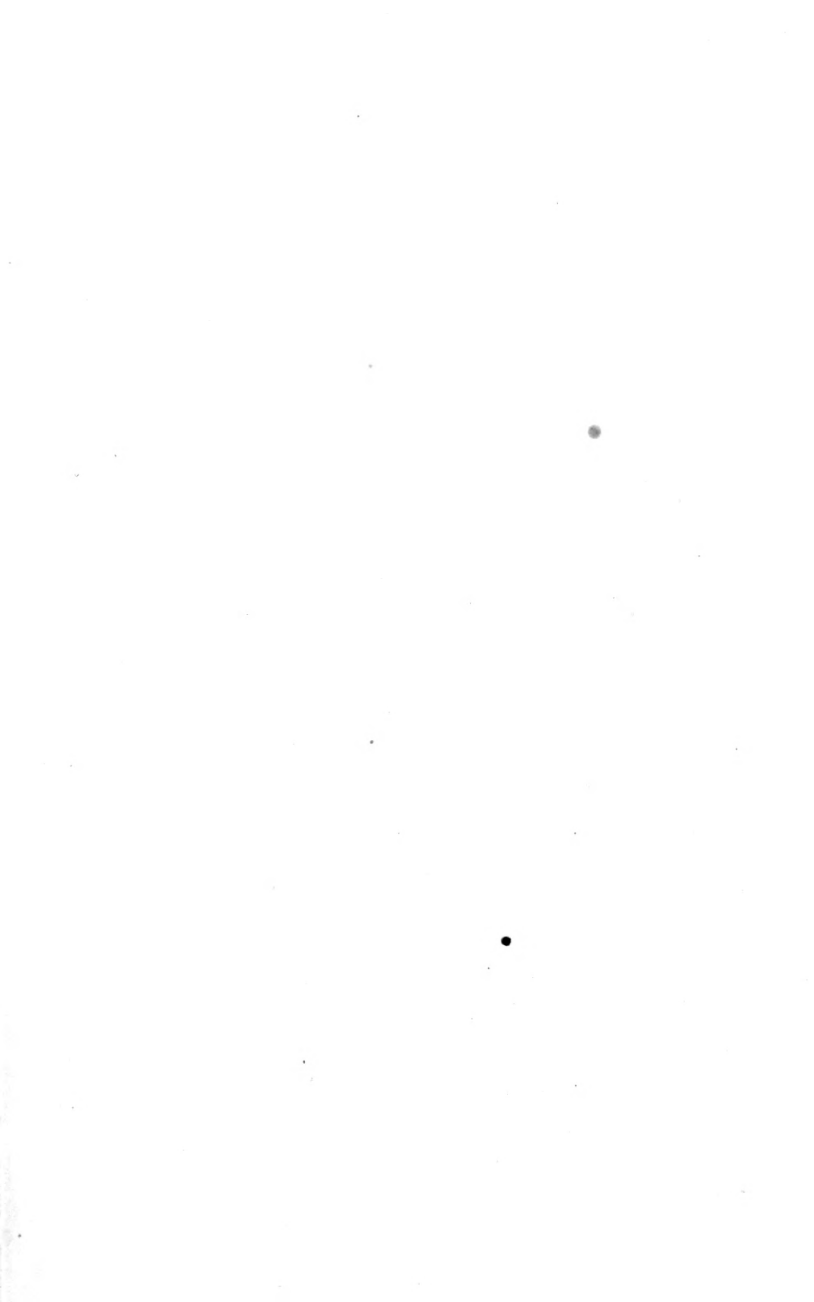
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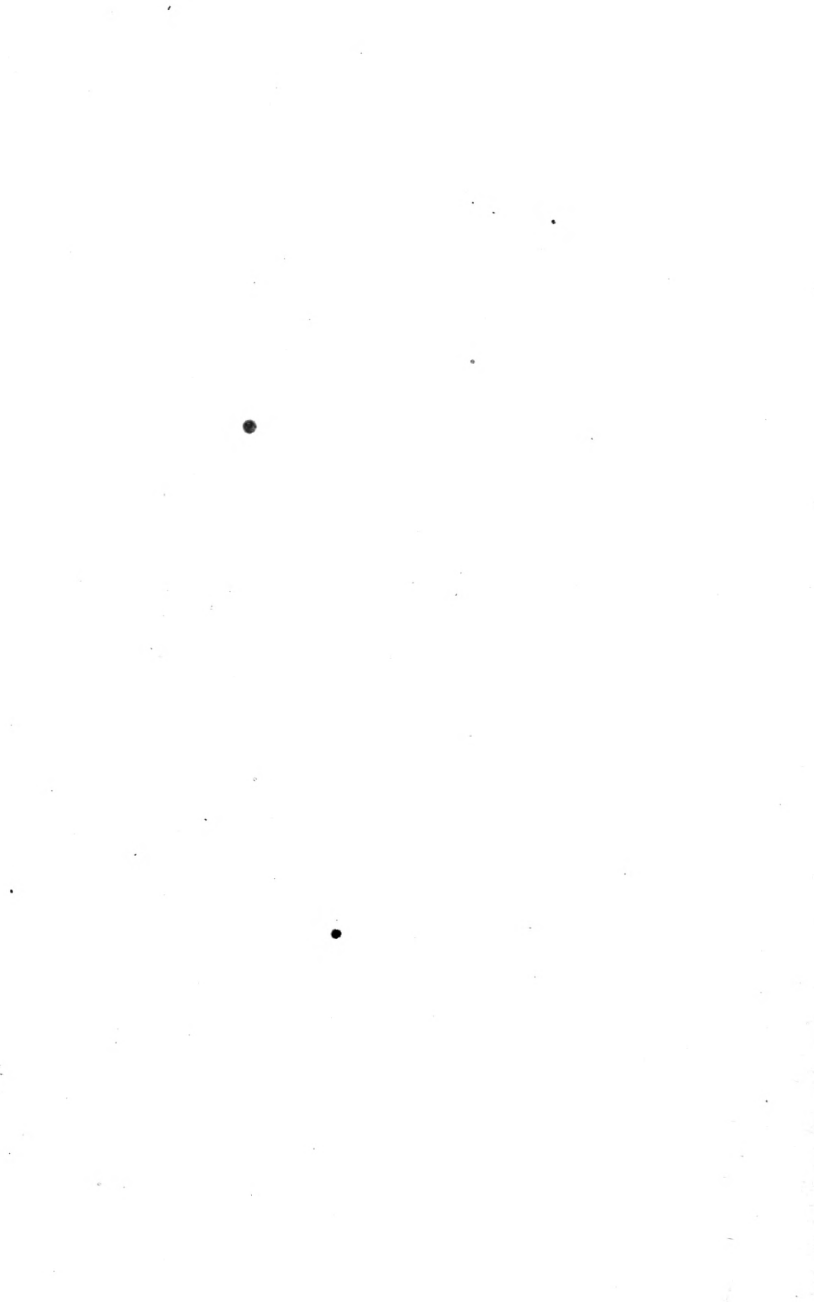
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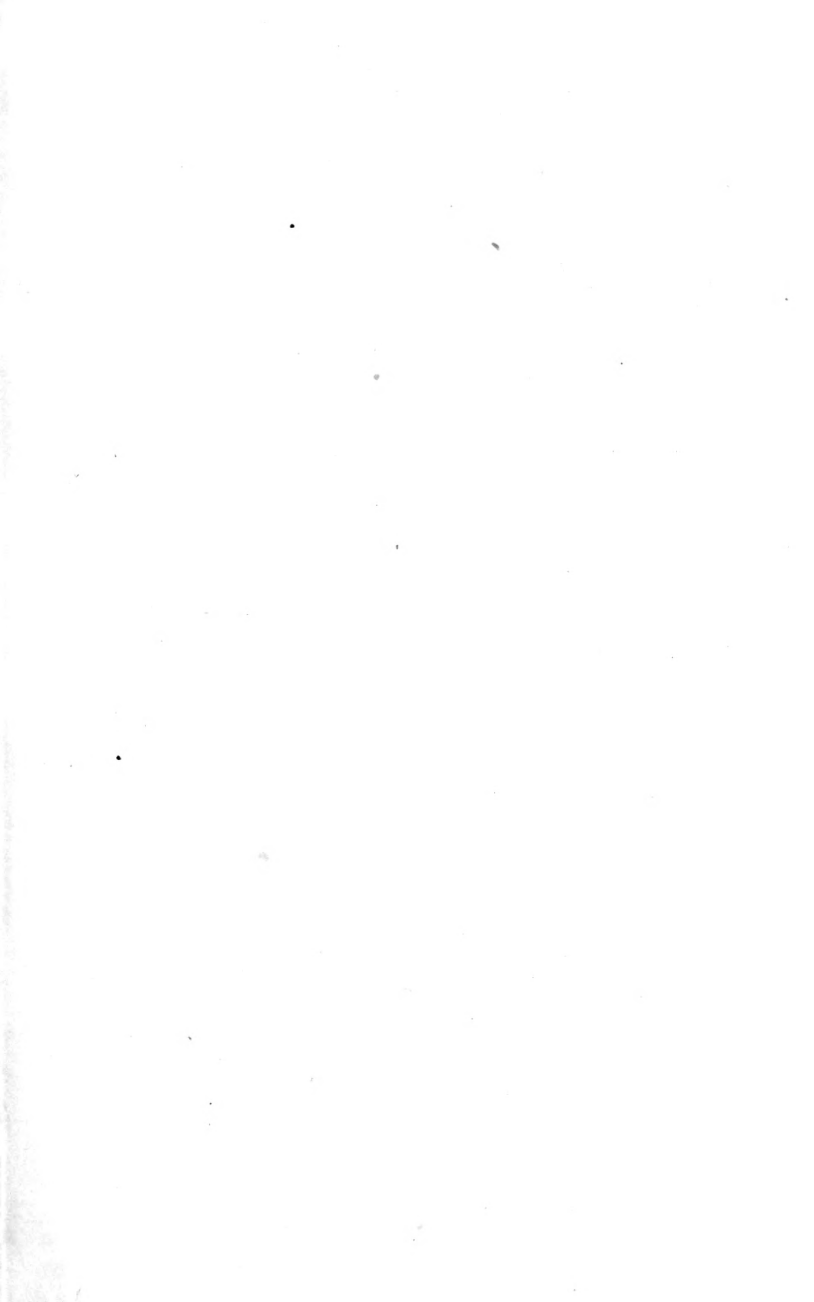


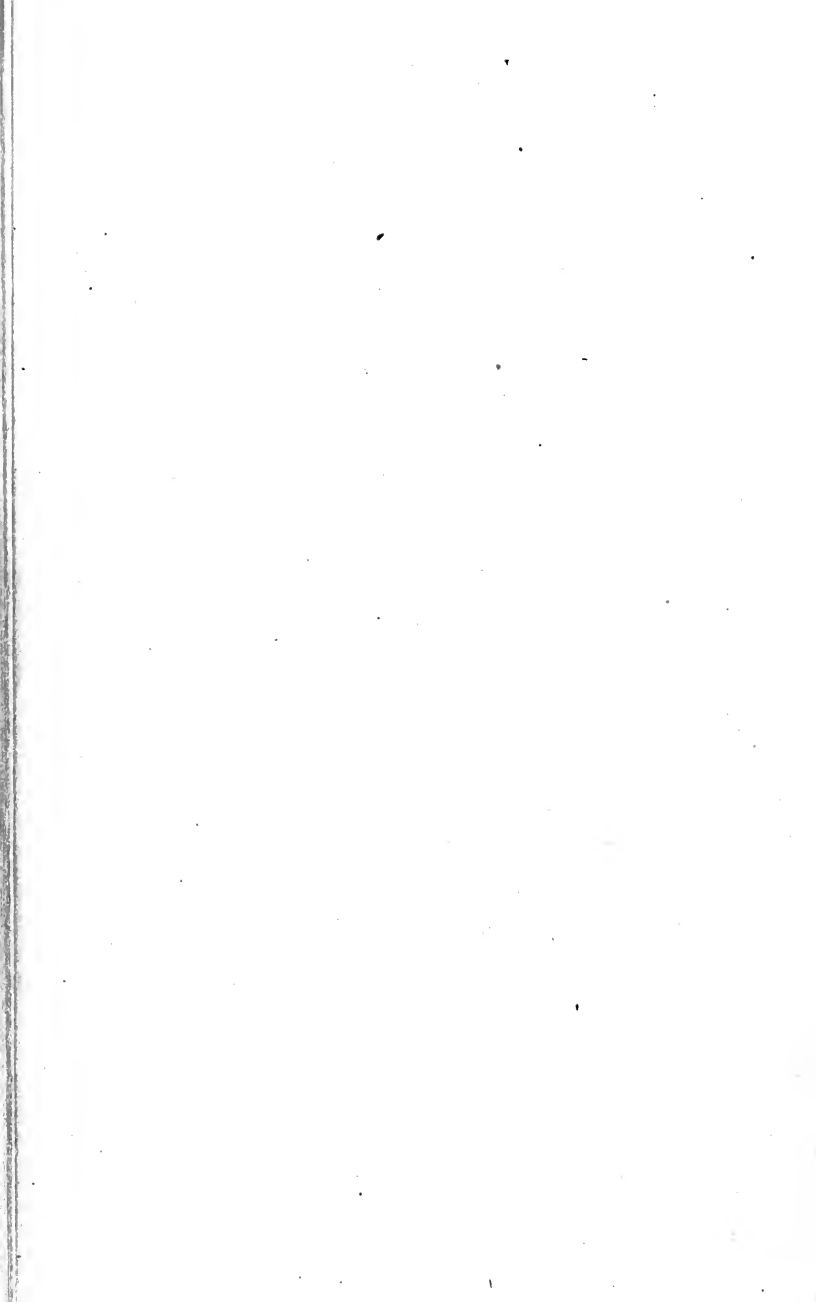














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