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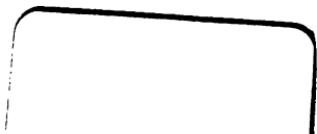
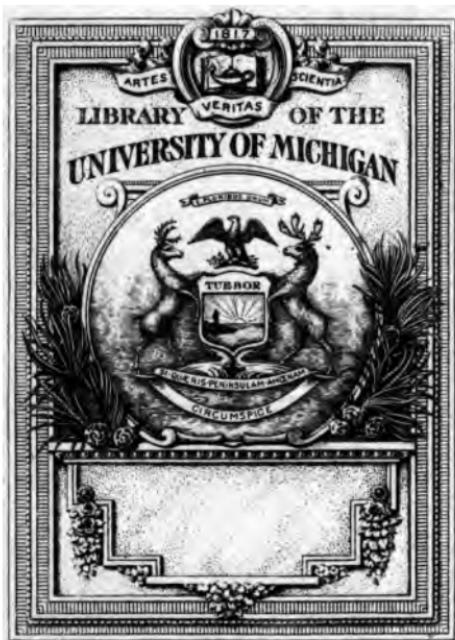
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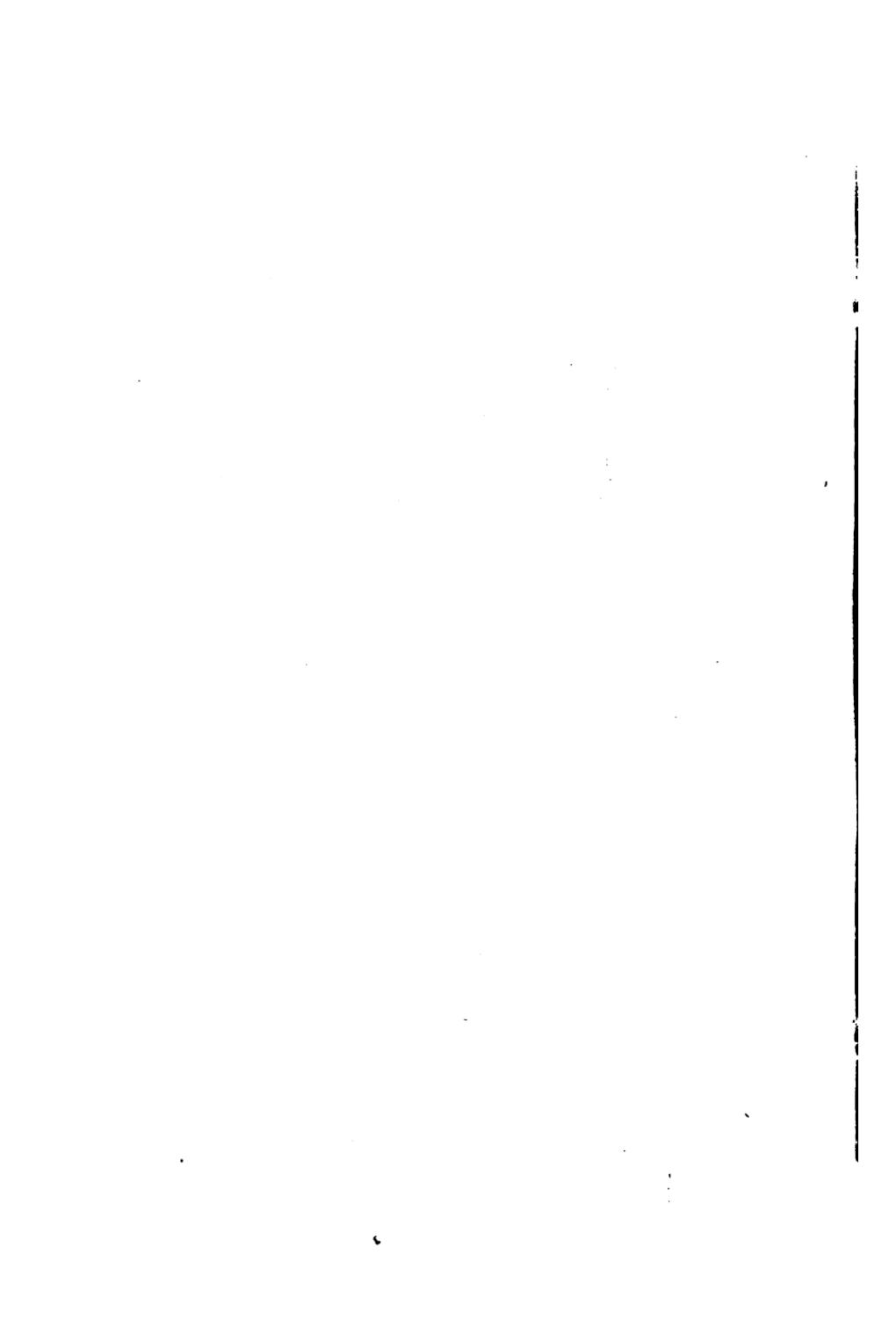
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## INTRODUCTION.



THE First Letter of Columbus, giving the earliest information of his great discovery, was translated into Latin and sent to Rome for publication immediately after his return to Spain. Original copies of the oldest four editions of this version, printed in 1493, are preserved in the LENOX LIBRARY, where they occupy a prominent place in the exhibition of rare books. The rarest, and certainly the most interesting, of these is the pictorial edition, complete in ten leaves, which is reproduced here in exact facsimile, accompanied by a literal translation. No other perfect copy is known to be extant. The curious woodcuts with which it is illustrated are supposed by some to have been copied from drawings made originally by Columbus himself. They give remarkable representations of the admiral's own caravel, of his first landing on Hayti and meeting with the natives, and of the different islands which he visited.

This copy, which was rebound in red morocco by Thompson, the English bookbinder, apparently about

sixty or seventy years ago, once belonged to Richard Heber, the celebrated bibliophile. At the sale of the final portion of his library at Paris, in October, 1836, it appeared as No. 885 of the catalogue, selling for ninety-seven francs.<sup>1</sup> It was subsequently owned by M. Guglielmo Libri, at the sale of whose library at London, in February, 1849, No. 259 of the catalogue, it was purchased by Mr. Lenox.<sup>2</sup>

The three other editions referred to have no pictorial illustrations, but they contain some slight variations. It is not known with certainty which of these is the first. In the Appendix all four editions are reprinted

<sup>1</sup> The Heber copy is thus described in Brunet's *Manuel du Libraire* (Paris, 1842), Vol. I., p. 734, second column: "Le recto du prem. f. porte les mots *Regnū Hispanie*, avec les armes de Castille: au verso se voit une planche en bois (*Oceana classis*). Au 2<sup>e</sup> f. commence *De Insulis inuentis. Epistola Christof. Colon.*, traduction datée *Kl. maii M. cccc. xcij*, et où sont placées quatre vignettes en bois. Le dern. f. contient, au recto, une figure représentant Ferdinand, roi d'Espagne, et au verso le mot *Granata*, avec les armes de cette ville."

<sup>2</sup> Three imperfect copies are known: one in the Royal Library at Munich, lacking the first and tenth leaves; a second in the Public Library at Basle, also lacking the first and tenth leaves; and a third in the Library of the British Museum (Grenville Collection), lacking the tenth leaf. The defect of the last-mentioned copy has been supplied by a facsimile leaf, presented by Mr. Lenox in 1859. There was a copy in the Brera Library at Milan, which is said to have been stolen early in the present century. As described by Bossi in his *Vita di Cristoforo Colombo* (Milano, 1818), p. 171, the ten lines of the title and the epigram at the end were ruled with red ink, the text began with an illuminated initial Q, and it lacked the tenth leaf. These peculiarities are all found in the Grenville copy of the British Museum. The statement in the reprint of *Nicolaus Syllacius* (New York, 1859), that in the title of the Lenox copy "each line has been underruled with red ink," is not correct. Only the top line has been so ruled.

side by side in ordinary type, with the abbreviations of the originals spelled out in full, in italics.

The memorable voyage which this letter describes lasted two hundred and twenty-four days, from the 3d of August, 1492, when Columbus sailed from the harbor of Palos on the southern coast of Spain, with three small caravels and about ninety men, to the 15th of March, 1493, when he returned in a single vessel to the same port. Nine days after leaving Palos he reached the Canary Islands, where he remained until the 6th of September, taking in provisions and making other preparations. On the 8th, after lying becalmed for two days, he left these islands, and steered his way directly across the Atlantic, with the expectation of reaching India or China. On the morning of Friday, the 12th of October, corresponding to the present 21st of October, he came in sight of one of the Bahama islands, where he landed and took possession in the names of the Spanish sovereigns. On the 15th he visited another island, which he named Santa Maria de la Concepcion; on the following day he reached the island Fernandina; and on the 19th, Isabella. Supposing that he was in the neighborhood of Cipango or Japan, he sailed toward the south, and on the 28th of October landed on Cuba, which he named Juana. Here he remained, exploring the northeast coast, until

December 5th, when he sailed over to Hayti, called by him Espanola. After exploring the northern shore of this island, where he lost his own vessel by shipwreck on the 24th, he sailed in the Niña for Spain on the 16th of January, 1493, reaching the Azores on the 18th of February, Lisbon on the 4th of March, and Palos on the 15th of the same month.

The news of these discoveries was soon spread far and wide. Various editions and translations were printed of Columbus's letter to the royal treasurer and secretary of the exchequer. Only a few of these, however, have come down to our times, and they are reckoned among the rarest and most expensive of books. The following list includes all that were printed in the fifteenth century, so far as known:

(1) The original folio edition in Spanish, of which the only known copy is in the Lenox Library. It was discovered in Spain in 1890, first offered for sale by Maisonneuve of Paris, and afterwards by Quaritch of London. It is complete in two leaves or four pages, addressed to the "Escribano de Racion," Luis de Santangel, and was evidently printed at Barcelona in April, 1493. Probably it is the oldest edition extant.

(2) The quarto edition in Spanish, also addressed to the "Escribano de Racion," and containing four leaves or eight pages. This was probably printed in

Spain, in 1493. The only known copy was discovered about thirty years ago in the Biblioteca Ambrosiana at Milan. A facsimile by photozincography, made from an inaccurate hand-tracing of this copy, was published at Milan in 1866, and from this facsimile two recent forgeries seem to have been copied.

(3) The edition in Latin with King Ferdinand's name alone in the title, described by Mr. Harrisse as No. 1 of his list, and by Mr. Major as No. 3. It is in four leaves or eight pages, and is supposed to have been printed at Rome by Stephen Plannck, in 1493. A reprint is given in the Appendix, from the original in the Lenox Library.

(4) The edition in Latin with the names of Ferdinand and Isabella in the title, described by Mr. Harrisse as No. 4, and by Mr. Major as No. 1, of their respective lists. It is otherwise almost identical with the preceding, page for page and line for line, and probably was printed at Rome by Plannck, in 1493. The reprint in the Appendix is from the original in the Lenox Library.

(5) The edition in Latin printed at Rome by Eu-  
charius Argenteus, or Silber, in 1493, and supposed  
by Varnhagen to be the first edition. It is complete  
in three leaves or six pages, and is reprinted in the  
Appendix from the original in the Lenox Library.

(6) The pictorial edition in Latin, reproduced here in facsimile from the unique copy in the Lenox Library, and described at the beginning of this introduction. As the same woodcuts appear in a reprint appended to the drama of Carolus Verardus, published by Bergmann de Olpe at Basle in 1494, it is supposed that this edition was also printed at Basle, by the same printer, in 1493.

(7) The edition in Latin entitled *Epistola de insulis repertis de nouo*, printed at Paris by Guyot Marchand, probably in 1493. It is in four leaves or eight pages, and contains only the name of Ferdinand in the title. The only known copy was discovered in 1873, in the Royal Library at Turin.

(8) The edition in Latin entitled *Epistola de insulis de nouo repertis*, printed at Paris by Guyot Marchand, in 1493 or 1494. It is evidently a reprint of the preceding, with which it agrees in the number of the leaves, and in containing only the name of King Ferdinand in the title. Only two copies are known, one in the John Carter Brown Library at Providence, R. I., and the other in the National Library at Paris. A facsimile is in the Lenox Library.

(9) The edition in Latin entitled *Epistola de insulis nouiter repertis*, printed at Paris by Guyot Marchand, in 1493 or 1494. It is also in four leaves, and agrees

closely with the two preceding. Two copies only are known, one in the Bodleian Library at Oxford, the other in the University Library at Göttingen. A facsimile is in the Lenox Library.

(10) The edition in Latin beginning *Epistola Christophori Colom*, supposed to have been printed at Antwerp by Thierry Martens, in 1493 or 1494. It contains only the name of Ferdinand in the title, and is in four leaves. The only known copy is in the Royal Library at Brussels.

(11) The pictorial edition in Latin appended to the drama of Verardus, published by Bergmann de Olpe at Basle in 1494. It is evidently a reprint of the separate pictorial edition, already described. There is a copy in the Lenox Library.

(12) The edition in Italian verse entitled *Questa e la hystoria della inuentioē delle diese Isole di Cannaria Indiane*, printed at Florence on the 25th of October, 1493, in four leaves. The only known copy, lacking the second and third leaves, is in the library of the British Museum. It was purchased in 1858. A facsimile is in the Lenox Library. This edition and the three following are nearly alike in contents. The version was made by Giuliano Dati.

(13) The edition in Italian verse entitled *La lettera dellisole che ha trouato nuouamente il Re dispagna*,

printed at Florence on the 26th of October, 1493. It is another edition of the preceding. The only known copy, complete in four leaves, is in the library of the British Museum. It was purchased in 1847. A facsimile is in the Lenox Library.

(14) The edition in Italian verse entitled *Isole Trouate Nouamente Per El Re di Spagna*, printed at Florence, and dated 26th of October, 1495. It is in four leaves. The only known copy is in the Biblioteca Trivulziana at Milan.

(15) The edition in Italian verse entitled *La lettera dellisole che ha trouato nuouamente el Re dispagna*, printed at Florence, and dated 26th of October, 1495. The only known copy, complete in four leaves, is in a private library in New-York.

(16) The edition in German printed at Strasburg by Bartholomew Küstler, in 1497, in seven leaves. There is a copy in the Lenox Library.

Besides the printed editions mentioned above, there are extant several manuscript copies in Spanish. One in the Archives of Simancas, addressed to the "Escribano de Racion," was printed by Navarrete in his *Coleccion de Viages* (Madrid, 1825), Vol. I, pp. 167-175. It is also described, and an English synopsis given, by G. A. Bergenroth, in the *Calendar of Letters, Despatches, and State Papers, relating to the Negotiations*

*between England and Spain* (London, 1862), Vol. I, pp. 43-48. Another manuscript, in Spanish, addressed to Don Gabriel Sanchez, was discovered by Varnhagen in the Colegio Mayor at Cuenca, and published by him at Valencia in 1858. Columbus also made a full report of his voyage in the form of a diary, which he sent to the Spanish sovereigns. The original of this has not been found, but an abridgment, or synopsis, made by Bartolome de Las Casas, is extant, and has been printed in Navarrete's *Coleccion*. The transcript of this manuscript which was probably used by Muñoz and Navarrete is now in the Lenox Library. An English translation of this "Personal Narrative," made by Samuel Kettell, was printed at Boston in 1827.

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**FACSIMILE OF THE LETTER OF COLUMBUS.**



I

# Kegnū hyspanie.



X



# Oceanica Classis



# De Insulis inuentis

Epistola Cristofori Colom (cui etas nostra  
multū debet : de Insulis in mari Indico nup  
inuētis. Ad quās perquirendas octauo ante  
mense: auspicijs et ere Inuictissimi Fernandi  
Hispaniarum Regis missus fuerat) ad Adagia  
nificum dñm Raphaelez Sanxis: eiusdē serce  
nissimi Regis Thesaurariū missa. quam nobis  
lis ac litterat⁹ vir Aliander d Losco: ab His  
pano ydeomate in latinū conuertit: tertio kīs  
Adaij. Ad.cccc.xciij. Pontificatus Alexandri  
Sexti Anno Primo.

**Q** uoniam suscep̄te prouintie rem p  
fectam me psecutum fuisse: gratū ti  
bi fore scio: has p̄stitui exarare: que  
te vnius cuiusq; rei in hoc nostro uti  
nere geste inuenteq; admoneāt. Tricesimoter  
tio die postq; Gadibus discessi: in mare Indi  
cū perueni: vbi plurimas Insulas innumeris  
habitatas hominib⁹ reperti: quaz oīm p felis  
cissimo Rege nostro: preconio celebrato ⁊ ve  
xillis extensis: cōtradicente nemine possessis  
nē accepi. primeq; earum: diui Salvatoris no  
men imposui (cuius frē auxilio) tam ad hāc  
q; ad ceteras alias quenam⁹. Eam vero Indi



Guanahany vocant. Aliaz etiā vnā quanqo  
 nouo nomine nuncupati. Qui pe aliam Insula  
 Sancte Marie Loceptiōis. aliam Fernā-  
 dinam. aliaz Ihsabellam. aliā Johanam. et sic  
 de reliquis appellari iussi. Quā primū sea Insula  
 quam dudū Johanam vocari dixi apulī-  
 mus: iuxta eio littus occidentē versus aliquā-  
 tulum processi: tamqe eam magnā nullo reper-  
 to fine inueni: ut non insulam: sed cōninentem  
 Chatay prouinciam esse crediderim: nulla tamē  
 vidēs operida municipiaue in maritimis sita cō-  
 finibus: preter aliquos vicost predia rustica:  
 cum quorū incolis loqui nequibam: quare si-  
 mul ac nos videbant surripiebat fugam. Pro-  
 grediebar ultra: existimans aliquam me vrbē  
 villasue inuenturum. Denique videns quod longe  
 admodum progressis: nihil noui emergebat: et  
 huiusmodi via nos ad Septentrionem defere-  
 bat: quod ipse fugere exoptabam: terris etenim re-  
 gnabat bruma: ad austrumqe erat in voto cō-  
 tendre: nec minus venti flagitantibus succes-  
 debat. cōstitui alios nō operiri succissus: et sic  
 retrocedens ad portum quendaz quem signa-  
 ueram sum reuersus: ynde duos homines ex no-  
 stris in terram misi. qui inuestigarent: esset ne  
 Rex in ea prouincia/vrbesue aliquc. hū per



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 huiusmodi via nos ad Septentrionem defere-  
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 retrocedens ad portum quendaz quem signa-  
 ueram sum reuersus: vnde duos hoīes ex no-  
 stris in terram misi. qui inuestigarent: esset ne  
 Rex in ea prouincia/vrbesue aliquc. hū per



tres dies ambularūt: inuenierūtq; innumerōs  
 populos t habitatōcs: paruas rī et absq; vlo  
 regimine: quapropt̄ redierūt. Interea ego iā  
 intelleixerā a qbusdam Indis: quos ibidē su-  
 sceperā: quō hmōi prouincia: insula quidem  
 erat. t sic perrexī orientē versus: ei⁹ semp strin-  
 gens littora vscg ad miliaria .cccxxij. vbi ipsi⁹  
 insule sunt extrema. hinc aliā insulā ad. orien-  
 tem prospexi: distantem ab hac Johana mili-  
 ribus. liij. quā protinus hispanam dixi: in eā  
 q; cōcessi: t dixerī iter quasi p Septentrionez  
 quēadmodū in Johana ad orientem: miliaria  
 xlxiij. que dicta Johana t alie ibidem iusule  
 q; fertiliſſime existunt. Hec multis atq; tutissi-  
 mis t latis: nec alijs quos vniq; viderim cōpas-  
 randis portib⁹: est circūdata. multi marimi t  
 salubres hanc interfluūt fluuij. multi quoq; et  
 eminētissimi in ea sunt montes. Omnes hec insu-  
 le sunt pulcrrime t varijs distincte figuris: p-  
 uie: t maxima arboz varicata sidera lamben-  
 tiū plene: q; s nūq; folijs priuari credo: qui p-  
 pe vidi eas ita virētes atq; decoras: ceu mēse  
 Alhaio ī hispania solēt ec̄: q; alie florētes: alie  
 fructuose: alie ī alio statu: fm vniuersitq; qli-  
 tatē vigebat: garriebat philomena: t alij passi-  
 res varij ac inun. eri: mēse Mouēbris q; ip̄c per  
 eas dcambulabā. Sant pterea in dicta insula  
 ij

Johana septē vel octo palmarū genera: q̄ pce  
ritate et pulchritudine (quēadmodū cetere oēs  
arbores/herbe/fructusq; nřas facile exuperat̄  
Sunt et mirabiles pin⁹/agri/ et prata vastissima/  
varie aues/varie mella/variaeq; metallæ:ferro  
excepto. In ea aut̄ quā Hispanā supra dixim⁹  
nūcupari: maximi sunt mōtes ac pulcri: vasta  
rura/nemora/ campi feracissimi/seri/ pacisq; et  
cōdendis edificijs aptissimi. Portū in hac in  
sula cōmoditas: et p̄stantia fluminū copia salu  
bitate admixta boīm:q̄ nūl̄ quis viderit: cre  
dulitatē supat. Huius arbores pascua et fruct⁹  
multum ab illis Johane differunt. Hec p̄terea  
Hispana diuerso aromatis genere/euro/me  
tallisq; abundat. cui⁹ quidē et oīm aliax quas  
ego vidi: et quaz cognitionē habeo: sc̄le vtri  
usq; sexus nudī semp incedunt: quēadmodum  
edunt in lucem. preter aliquas feminas. q̄ fas  
lio frondeve aliq: aut bombycino velo: pudē  
da operiūt: qđ ipē sibi ad id negocij parat̄. La  
rent hi om̄es (vt supra dixi) quocunq; genere  
ferri. carent et armis: utpote sibi ignotis nec ad  
ea sūt apti. nō pp̄t corporis deformitatē (cū sint  
bñ formati) s̄z qz sūt timidi ac pleni formidine.  
gestat tñ p̄ armis arūdines sole pustas: i quaz  
radicib⁹ hastile qddā ligneū siccū et in mucro  
nē attenuatū figūt: neq; his audēt uigilvti:nā

# Oceanica Classis



sepe euenit cū miserim duos vel tris homines  
ex meis ad aliquas villas: vt cū eāꝝ loquerēt-  
ur incolis: exiſſe agmē glomeratū ex Índis:  
et ybi nostros apropinquare videbat: fugam  
celeriter arripuisse: despretis a patre liberis et  
ecōtra. et hoc nō q̄ cuiplam eorū dannū aliqd  
vel iniuria illata fuerit: immo ad quoscūꝝ ap-  
puli et qbus cū verbū facere porui: quicqd ha-  
bebā sum elargit?: pannū aliaꝝ pmulta: nulla  
mihi facta versura: sed sunt natura pauidi ac  
timidi. Eteꝝ vbi se cernūt tutos: omni metu re-  
pulso: sunt ad modū simplices ac bone fidei: et  
in omnibus que habent liberalissimi: roganti q̄  
possidet inficiat nemo: qui in ipsi nos ad id po-  
scendum inuitat. Abaxiū erga oēs amore p̄-  
seferūt: dāt queꝝ magna p̄ paruis. minima lī  
re nihil oue p̄tent: ego attī p̄hibui ne tam mi-  
nima et nullū p̄cij hisce darent: vt sunt lancia/  
parapsidū / vitriꝝ fragmēta / iteꝝ clavi / ligule /  
quancq̄ si hoc poterāt adipisci: videbat eis pul-  
terima mūdi possidere iocalia. Accidit enim  
quēdam nauitā: tantū auri pondus habuisse  
p̄ vna ligula: quāti sūt tres aurei solidi: et sic  
alios p̄ alijs mīoris p̄cij: p̄fūtū p̄ blanquis no-  
uis: et qbusdā nūmis aurcis: p̄ qb̄ habēdis da-  
bāt qcqd petebat vēditor: putavnciā cū dimi-  
via et duas auri: yl̄ trigita et qdragita bombid

pondo: quā ip̄i iā nouerāt. stē arcuum/ampbo  
 re/hydrie/doliq̄ fragmēta:bombicet auro tā  
 q̄ bestie cōparabāt. qd̄ quia iniquū sane erat:  
 vetui: dediq̄ eis multa pulcra & grata q̄ mecum  
 tulerā nullo iterueniēte p̄mio: vt eos mīhi fa-  
 cili⁹ p̄ciliare:fierētq̄ xp̄icole: & vt sūt proni in  
 amoře erga Rēgē Reginā p̄ncipesq̄ nostros  
 et vniuersas gētes Hispanie: ac studeāt p̄qre-  
 re & coaceruare: eaq̄ nobis tradere qb⁹ ip̄i af-  
 fluūt. & nos magnope idigem⁹. Nullā h̄j norūt  
 ydolatriā: īmo firmissime credūt oēz vīm: oēz  
 potētiā: oīa denuq̄ bona esse ī celo: meq̄ inde  
 cū his nauib⁹ & nautis descēdisse: atz h̄j aio vbi  
 fui suscep̄tus postq̄ metū repulerāt. Nec sunt  
 segnes aut rudes: quin summi ac p̄spicacis in-  
 genij: & hoīes qui transfrētāt mare illō: nō sine  
 admiratiōe vniuscuiusq̄ rei rationē reddunt:  
 sed nūq̄ viderunt gentes vestitas; neq̄ naues  
 hmōi Ego statim atq̄ ad mare illō puenī: e pri-  
 ma insula quosdā Indos violenter arripui: q̄  
 ediscerēt a nobis: & nos p̄iter docerent ea: q̄z  
 ipsi in hisce partibus cognitionē habebant. et  
 exvoto successit: nā breui nos ip̄os: & h̄j nos:  
 tum gestu ac signis: tum verbis intellecerunt.  
 magnōq̄ nobis fuere emolumēto. vnuunt mō  
 mecum tñ qui semp̄ putant me desluisse e celo  
 q̄uis diu nobiscū versati fuerint hodieq̄ ver-

senſ. ⁊ bi erant primi: q̄ id quocūq; appellaba  
mus nunciabāt: alij deinceps alijs elata voce  
dicētes. Telenīc venite ⁊ videbitis gētes ethē  
reas. Quāobrē tā ſemīc q̄ viri: tā impuberēs  
q̄ adulti: tam iuuenes q̄ ſenes: dpoſita formi  
dine paulo ante pcepta: nos certatū viſebāt  
magna iter ſtipate caterua alijs cibū/ alijs po  
tum afferentib⁹: maxio cū amore ac beniuolē  
tia incredibili. H̄ab̄ vnaqueq; insula multas  
ſcaphas ſoldi ligni: ⁊ ſi angustas: longitudine  
tñ ac forma noſtris biremib⁹ ſimilcs: cursu aut̄  
velociorēs. Regunf remis tantū modo. H̄arū  
quedā ſunt magne: quedā parue: quedā i me  
dio pſiftunt. Plures tamē biremi que remigēt  
duodecimti tranſtriſ maiores: cū qb⁹ in oēs  
illæ insulas: que innumere ſunt: traſcif. cūq;  
bis ſuā mercaturā exercēt: et inter eos comer  
ta fiunt. Aliquas ego harū biremium ſeu ſca  
pharū: vidi q̄ vehebat ſeptuaginta ⁊ octuagin  
ta remiges. In omnib⁹ his insulis nulla eſt di  
uerſitas inter gentis effigies. nulla in moribus  
atq; loquela: quin oēs ſe intelligūt adiuicē  
que res putilis eſt ad id qđ ſereniſſimū Regē  
noſtrū exoptare precipue reor: ſc̄z eoꝝ ad ſan  
ctam xp̄i fidem pueriſonē. cui quidē quantum  
ielligere potui facilimi ſunt ⁊ pni. Diri quēs

admodū sum pgressus antea insulā Johanaꝝ  
 p rectū tramiteꝝ occasus in orientem miliaria  
 cccxxvij. fm quā viā t infuallū itineris possum  
 dicere hāc Johanaꝝ esse maiore Anglia t Sco-  
 tia sil:nanqꝫ vltra dicta.cccxxvij. passiuū milia:  
 in ea pte q ad occidenteꝝ pspectat: due :quas  
 non perī: sup sunt pvincie: quaz alterā Indi-  
 ana vocāt: cuiꝝ accolē caudati nascunt. Tē-  
 dunt in longitudinem ad miliaria. clxxx. vt ab  
 his q̄s vebo mecum Indis pcepī: qui om̄is has  
 callēt insulas. Hispane vero ambitꝝ maior c̄st  
 tota Hispania a colonna. vsqꝫ ad fontē rabidū  
 hincqꝫ facile arguit q̄ quartū eiꝝ latꝝ qd ip̄e  
 p rectā lineā occidentis in orientē traicci: mili-  
 aria p̄tinet. dxl. Hec insula ē affectāda t affe-  
 ctata nō spernēda in qua t si aliaz oīm vt diri  
 p inuictissimo Rege n̄o solenniter possessio-  
 nem accepi: earūqꝫ ī imperiū dicto Regi peni-  
 tus cōmittit: i oportuni ori t̄ loco: atqꝫ om̄i lu-  
 ero t cōmertio p̄decenti: cuiusdā magneville:  
 cui Flatuitatis dñi nōmē dedum: possessionē  
 peculiariter accepi. ibiqꝫ arcem quandaz eri-  
 gere extemplo iussi: que modo iam debet esse  
 pacta: in quā hoīes qui necessarij sunt viss: cū  
 om̄i armoz genere: t vltra annū victu oportu-  
 no reliq. Itē quādā carauellā: t p alijs p̄strue-  
 dis tā i hac arte q̄ in ceteri peritos; ac eiusdē

gnitionem: excepta quadāz insula Lhoris nūcupata : que secunda ex Hispana in Indiam transseratibus existit. quam gens quedam a finitimis habita ferocior incolit. hi carne humana vescunt. Habent predicti biremiū genera plurima: quibus in omnes Indicas insulas trahunt/depredāt/surripiūt q̄ quecūq; pñt. Nihil ab alijs differunt nisi q̄ gerunt more fēmineo longos crines. vtunq; arcub⁹ et spiculis arundineis: fixis (vt dixim⁹) in grossiori pte at tenuatis hastilib⁹. ideoq; habet feroces: quare ceteri Indi inexhausto metu plectuntur: s̄z bos ego nihil facio plus q̄z alios. Hi sunt qui coeunt cum quibusdam feminis: que sole insulam adhuc unum primū er Hispana in Indiam trahuntib⁹ habitant. He autē semine nulluz sui sexus opus exercent: vtunq; emi arcub⁹ et spiculū sicuti d eaz piugib⁹ dixi muniūt: sese laniis eneis q̄z maria apd eas copia existit. Aliam mihi insulā affirmant supradicta Hispana maiorē: ei⁹ incole carēt pilis. auroq; in⁹ alias potissimum exuberat. Ihi⁹ insule et aliaz q̄s vi di hoīes mecum porto: q̄ hoīz q̄ dixi testimoniuū phibet. Deniq; vt nr̄i discessus et celeris reuer siōis cōpēdiū: ac emolumētū breuib⁹ astringā h polliceor: me nr̄is Regib⁹ inuictissimis quo eoꝝ fultū auxilio: tantū suri datuꝝ quantum

eis fuerit opus. tñi vero aromatuz. bombicis.  
 masticis (q apud Libum dñtaxat inuenit) tan  
 tuz ligni aloes. tantum fuoz bydophilatoz  
 rum: quantu eoz maiestas voluerit exigere.  
 item reubarbaru et alia aromatuz genera: q bi  
 quos in dicta arce reliqui iā inuenisseratq in  
 uenturos existimo. q siquidem ego nullibi mas  
 gis sum moratus nisi quantu me coegerit vē  
 ti: preterq in villa flatuuitans: dū arcem cons  
 vere et tuta omnia esse prouidi. Que et si maxia  
 et inaudita sunt: multo tamē maiora forent si  
 naues mihi vt ratio exigit subuenissent. Ulez  
 multu ac mirabile hoc: nec nostris meritis cor  
 respondēs: sed sancte Christiane fidei: nostros  
 rumq Regū pietati ac religioni: quia qd hu  
 manus cōsequi nō poterat intellectus: id hūa  
 nis concessit diuinus. Soler eñ deus fuos su  
 os: quiq sua p̄cepra diligūt: etiā ī impossibili  
 bus exaudire: vt nobis ī p̄ficia p̄tigit: q ea p̄se  
 cuti sum: q hacten mortaliū vires mīme atti  
 gerāt. nā sī hāz insulaz qpiā aliqd sc̄pseft aut  
 locuti sūt: oēs pambages et plecturas nemo se  
 eas vidisse asserit: vñ ppe videbat fabula Igī  
 tur Rex et Regia p̄ncipes ac eoꝝ regna felicis  
 suna: cūcteq; alie Christianoꝝ p̄uincie Salue  
 tori dño nro Iesu xp̄o agam̄ gr̄as: q tāta nos  
 victoria muncreq donauit: celebrēt pcessiōes

peragant solennia sacra. festaq; fronde velent  
delubra. Exultet Christi terris: quae admodum  
in celis exultat: cum tot populorum pditas an  
bac animas saluatum iri preuidet. Letemur et  
nos: tu ppter exaltatione nostre fidei. tum p-  
pter reru temporalium incremeta: quoꝝ nō solu  
Hispania sed vniuersa Christianitas est futu  
ra princeps. Hec ut gesta sunt sic breuiter enar  
rata. Hale. Glisbone pridie ydus Adarci.

Cristofor<sup>o</sup> Colom Oceane classis Prefect<sup>o</sup>.

Epigrama. R. L. de Corbaria Episcopi  
Adontispaluj  
Ad Invictissimum Regem Hispaniaz

Jam nulla Hispanis tellus addēda triūphias  
Atq; parum tantis virib<sup>o</sup>/orbis erat.  
Munc longe Eois regio deprensa sub vndis.  
Auctura est titulos Betice magne tuos.  
Unde repatori merito referenda Colubo  
Gratias summo est maior habēda deo:  
Qui vincēda parat noua regna tibi q; sibi q;  
Tegs simul fortem prestat et esse piūm.

# Fernād<sup>9</sup> rex byspania



# Granata:



**TRANSLATION.**





## THE DISCOVERED ISLANDS.

Letter of Christopher Columbus, to whom our age owes much, concerning the islands recently discovered in the Indian sea.<sup>1</sup> For the search of which, eight months before, he was sent under the auspices and at the cost of the most invincible Ferdinand, king of Spain.<sup>2</sup> Addressed to the magnificent lord Raphael Sanxis,<sup>3</sup> treasurer of the same most illustrious king, and which the noble and learned man Leander de Cosco has translated from the Spanish language into Latin, on the third of the kalends of May,<sup>4</sup> 1493, the first year of the pontificate of Alexander the Sixth.

**B**ECAUSE my undertakings have attained success, I know that it will be pleasing to you : these I have determined to relate, so that you may be made acquainted with everything done and discovered in this our voyage. On the thirty-third day after I departed from Cadiz,<sup>5</sup> I came to the Indian sea, where I found many islands inhabited by

<sup>1</sup> In the other editions this part of the sentence reads: "concerning the islands of India beyond the Ganges, recently discovered."

<sup>2</sup> The name of Isabella (Heliabet) is also omitted in the title of one of Planck's editions ; it is found in the two other Roman editions.

<sup>3</sup> The correct form is Gabriel Sanchez.

<sup>4</sup> April 29th.

<sup>5</sup> A mistake of the Latin translator. Columbus sailed from Palos on the 3d of August, 1492; on the 8th of September he left the Canaries, and on the 11th of October, or thirty-three days later, he reached the Bahamas.

men without number, of all which I took possession for our most fortunate king, with proclaiming heralds and flying standards, no one objecting. To the first of these I gave the name of the blessed Saviour,<sup>1</sup> on whose aid relying I had reached this as well as the other islands. But the Indians call it Guanahany. I also called each one of the others by a new name. For I ordered one island to be called Santa Maria of the Conception,<sup>2</sup> another Fernandina,<sup>3</sup> another Isabella,<sup>4</sup> another Juana,<sup>5</sup> and so on with the rest. As soon as we had arrived at that island which I have just now said was called Juana, I proceeded along its coast towards the west for some distance; I found it so large and without perceptible end, that I believed it to be not an island, but the continental country of Cathay;<sup>6</sup> seeing, however, no towns or cities situated on the sea-coast, but only some villages and rude farms, with whose inhabitants I was unable to converse, because as soon as they saw us they took flight. I proceeded farther, thinking that I would discover some city or large residences. At length, perceiving that we had gone far enough, that nothing new appeared, and that this way was leading us to the north, which I wished to avoid, because it was winter

<sup>1</sup> In Spanish, San Salvador, one of the Bahama islands. It has been variously identified with Grand Turk, Cat, Watling, Mariguana, Samana, and Acklin islands. Watling's Island seems to have much in its favor.

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps Crooked Island, or, according to others, North Caico.

<sup>3</sup> Identified by some with Long Island; by others with Little Inagua.

<sup>4</sup> Identified variously with Fortune Island and Great Inagua.

<sup>5</sup> The island of Cuba.

<sup>6</sup> China.

on the land, and it was my intention to go to the south, moreover the winds were becoming violent, I therefore determined that no other plans were practicable, and so, going back, I returned to a certain bay that I had noticed, from which I sent two of our men to the land, that they might find out whether there was a king in this country, or any cities. These men traveled for three days, and they found people and houses without number, but they were small and without any government, therefore they returned. Now in the meantime I had learned from certain Indians, whom I had seized there, that this country was indeed an island, and therefore I proceeded towards the east, keeping all the time near the coast, for 322 miles, to the extreme ends of this island. From this place I saw another island to the east, distant from this Juana 54 miles, which I called forthwith Hispana;<sup>1</sup> and I sailed to it; and I steered along the northern coast, as at Juana, towards the east, 564 miles. And the said Juana and the other islands there appear very fertile. This island is surrounded by many very safe and wide harbors, not excelled by any others that I have ever seen. Many great and salubrious rivers flow through it. There are also many very high mountains there. All these islands are very beautiful, and distinguished by various qualities; they are accessible, and full of a great variety of trees stretching up to the stars; the leaves of which I believe are never shed, for I saw them as green and flourishing as they are usually in Spain

<sup>1</sup> Hispaniola, or Hayti.

in the month of May; some of them were blossoming, some were bearing fruit, some were in other conditions; each one was thriving in its own way. The nightingale and various other birds without number were singing, in the month of November, when I was exploring them. There are besides in the said island Juana seven or eight kinds of palm trees, which far excel ours in height and beauty, just as all the other trees, herbs, and fruits do. There are also excellent pine trees, vast plains and meadows, a variety of birds, a variety of honey, and a variety of metals, excepting iron. In the one which was called Hispana, as we said above, there are great and beautiful mountains, vast fields, groves, fertile plains, very suitable for planting and cultivating, and for the building of houses. The convenience of the harbors in this island, and the remarkable number of rivers contributing to the healthfulness of man, exceed belief, unless one has seen them. The trees, pasturage, and fruits of this island differ greatly from those of Juana. This Hispana, moreover, abounds in different kinds of spices, in gold, and in metals. On this island, indeed, and on all the others which I have seen, and of which I have knowledge, the inhabitants of both sexes go always naked, just as they came into the world, except some of the women, who use a covering of a leaf or some foliage, or a cotton cloth, which they make themselves for that purpose. All these people lack, as I said above, every kind of iron; they are also without weapons, which indeed are unknown; nor are they competent to use

them, not on account of deformity of body, for they are well formed, but because they are timid and full of fear. They carry for weapons, however, reeds baked in the sun, on the lower ends of which they fasten some shafts of dried wood rubbed down to a point; and indeed they do not venture to use these always; for it frequently happened when I sent two or three of my men to some of the villages, that they might speak with the natives, a compact troop of the Indians would march out, and as soon as they saw our men approaching, they would quickly take flight, children being pushed aside by their fathers, and fathers by their children. And this was not because any hurt or injury had been inflicted on any one of them, for to every one whom I visited and with whom I was able to converse, I distributed whatever I had, cloth and many other things, no return being made to me; but they are by nature fearful and timid. Yet when they perceive that they are safe, putting aside all fear, they are of simple manners and trustworthy, and very liberal with everything they have, refusing no one who asks for anything they may possess, and even themselves inviting us to ask for things. They show greater love for all others than for themselves; they give valuable things for trifles, being satisfied even with a very small return, or with nothing; however, I forbade that things so small and of no value should be given to them, such as pieces of plates, dishes and glass, likewise keys and shoe-straps; although if they were able to obtain these, it seemed to them like getting the most

beautiful jewels in the world. It happened, indeed, that a certain sailor obtained in exchange for a shoe-strap as much worth of gold as would equal three golden coins; and likewise other things for articles of very little value, especially for new silver coins, and for some gold coins, to obtain which they gave whatever the seller desired, as for instance an ounce and a half and two ounces of gold, or thirty and forty pounds of cotton, with which they were already acquainted. They also traded cotton and gold for pieces of bows, bottles, jugs and jars, like persons without reason, which I forbade because it was very wrong; and I gave to them many beautiful and pleasing things that I had brought with me, no value being taken in exchange, in order that I might the more easily make them friendly to me, that they might be made worshippers of Christ, and that they might be full of love towards our king, queen, and prince, and the whole Spanish nation; also that they might be zealous to search out and collect, and deliver to us those things of which they had plenty, and which we greatly needed. These people practice no kind of idolatry; on the contrary they firmly believe that all strength and power, and in fact all good things are in heaven, and that I had come down from thence with these ships and sailors; and in this belief I was received there after they had put aside fear. Nor are they slow or unskilled, but of excellent and acute understanding; and the men who have navigated that sea give an account of everything in an admirable manner; but they never

saw people clothed, nor these kind of ships. As soon as I reached that sea, I seized by force several Indians on the first island, in order that they might learn from us, and in like manner tell us about those things in these lands of which they themselves had knowledge ; and the plan succeeded, for in a short time we understood them and they us, sometimes by gestures and signs, sometimes by words ; and it was a great advantage to us. They are coming with me now, yet always believing that I descended from heaven, although they have been living with us for a long time, and are living with us to-day. And these men were the first who announced it wherever we landed, continually proclaiming to the others in a loud voice, "Come, come, and you will see the celestial people." Whereupon both women and men, both children and adults, both young men and old men, laying aside the fear caused a little before, visited us eagerly, filling the road with a great crowd, some bringing food, and some drink, with great love and extraordinary goodwill. On every island there are many canoes of a single piece of wood ; and though narrow, yet in length and shape similar to our row-boats, but swifter in movement. They steer only by oars. Some of these boats are large, some small, some of medium size. Yet they row many of the larger row-boats with eighteen cross-benches, with which they cross to all those islands, which are innumerable, and with these boats they perform their trading, and carry on commerce among them. I saw some of these row-boats or canoes

which were carrying seventy and eighty rowers. In all these islands there is no difference in the appearance of the people, nor in the manners and language, but all understand each other mutually; a fact that is very important for the end which I suppose to be earnestly desired by our most illustrious king, that is, their conversion to the holy religion of Christ, to which in truth, as far as I can perceive, they are very ready and favorably inclined. I said before how I proceeded along the island Juana in a straight line from west to east 322 miles, according to which course and the length of the way, I am able to say that this Juana is larger than England and Scotland together; for besides the said 322 thousand paces, there are two more provinces in that part which lies towards the west, which I did not visit; one of these the Indians call Anan, whose inhabitants are born with tails. They extend to 180 miles in length, as I have learned from those Indians I have with me, who are all acquainted with these islands. But the circumference of Hispana is greater than all Spain from Colonia to Fontarabia.<sup>1</sup> This is easily proved, because its fourth side, which I myself passed along in a straight line from west to east, extends 540 miles. This island is to be desired and is very desirable, and not to be despised; in which, although as I have said, I solemnly took possession of all the others for our most invincible king, and their government is entirely committed to the said king, yet I especially took possession of a certain large town, in a very con-

<sup>1</sup> From Catalonia by the sea-coast to Fontarabia in Biscay.

venient location, and adapted to all kinds of gain and commerce, to which we give the name of our Lord of the Nativity. And I commanded a fort to be built there forthwith, which must be completed by this time; in which I left as many men as seemed necessary, with all kinds of arms, and plenty of food for more than a year. Likewise one caravel, and for the construction of others men skilled in this trade and in other professions; and also the extraordinary good will and friendship of the king of this island toward us. For those people are very amiable and kind, to such a degree that the said king gloried in calling me his brother. And if they should change their minds, and should wish to hurt those who remained in the fort, they would not be able, because they lack weapons, they go naked, and are too cowardly. For that reason those who hold the said fort are at least able to resist easily this whole island, without any imminent danger to themselves, so long as they do not transgress the regulations and command which we gave. In all these islands, as I have understood, each man is content with only one wife, except the princes or kings, who are permitted to have twenty. The women appear to work more than the men. I was not able to find out surely whether they have individual property, for I saw that one man had the duty of distributing to the others, especially refreshments, food, and things of that kind. I found no monstrosities among them, as very many supposed, but men of great reverence, and friendly. Nor are they black like the Ethiopians. They have

straight hair, hanging down. They do not remain where the solar rays send out the heat, for the strength of the sun is very great here, because it is distant from the equinoctial line, as it seems, only twenty-six degrees. On the tops of the mountains too the cold is severe, but the Indians, however, moderate it, partly by being accustomed to the place, and partly by the help of very hot victuals, of which they eat frequently and immoderately. And so I did not see any monstrosity, nor did I have knowledge of them any where, excepting a certain island named Charis,<sup>1</sup> which is the second in passing from Hispana to India. This island is inhabited by a certain people who are considered very warlike by their neighbors. These eat human flesh. The said people have many kinds of row-boats, in which they cross over to all the other Indian islands, and seize and carry away every thing that they can. They differ in no way from the others, only that they wear long hair like the women. They use bows and darts made of reeds, with sharpened shafts fastened to the larger end, as we have described. On this account they are considered warlike, wherfore the other Indians are afflicted with continual fear, but I regard them as of no more account than the others. These are the people who visit certain women, who alone inhabit the island Mateunin,<sup>2</sup> which is the first in passing from Hispana to India. These women, moreover, perform no kind of work of their sex, for they use bows and darts, like those I have described

<sup>1</sup> Identified with Dominica.

<sup>2</sup> Supposed to be Martinique.

of their husbands ; they protect themselves with sheets of copper, of which there is great abundance among them. They tell me of another island greater than the aforesaid Hispana, whose inhabitants are without hair, and which abounds in gold above all the others. I am bringing with me men of this island and of the others that I have seen, who give proof of the things that I have described. Finally, that I may compress in few words the brief account of our departure and quick return, and the gain, I promise this, that if I am supported by our most invincible sovereigns with a little of their help, as much gold can be supplied as they will need, indeed as much of spices, of cotton, of chewing gum (which is only found in Chios), also as much of aloes wood, and as many slaves for the navy, as their majesties will wish to demand. Likewise rhubarb and other kinds of spices, which I suppose these men whom I left in the said fort have already found, and will continue to find ; since I remained in no place longer than the winds forced me, except in the town of the Nativity, while I provided for the building of the fort, and for the safety of all. Which things, although they are very great and remarkable, yet they would have been much greater, if I had been aided by as many ships as the occasion required. Truly great and wonderful is this, and not corresponding to our merits, but to the holy Christian religion, and to the piety and religion of our sovereigns, because what the human understanding could not attain, that the divine will has granted to human efforts. For God is

wont to listen to his servants who love his precepts, even in impossibilities, as has happened to us on the present occasion, who have attained that which hitherto mortal men have never reached. For if any one has written or said any thing about these islands, it was all with obscurities and conjectures; no one claims that he had seen them; from which they seemed like fables. Therefore let the king and queen, the princes and their most fortunate kingdoms, and all other countries of Christendom give thanks to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who has bestowed upon us so great a victory and gift. Let religious processions be solemnized; let sacred festivals be given; let the churches be covered with festive garlands. Let Christ rejoice on earth, as he rejoices in heaven, when he foresees coming to salvation so many souls of people hitherto lost. Let us be glad also, as well on account of the exaltation of our faith, as on account of the increase of our temporal affairs, of which not only Spain, but universal Christendom will be partaker. These things that have been done are thus briefly related. Farewell. Lisbon, the day before the ides of March.<sup>1</sup>

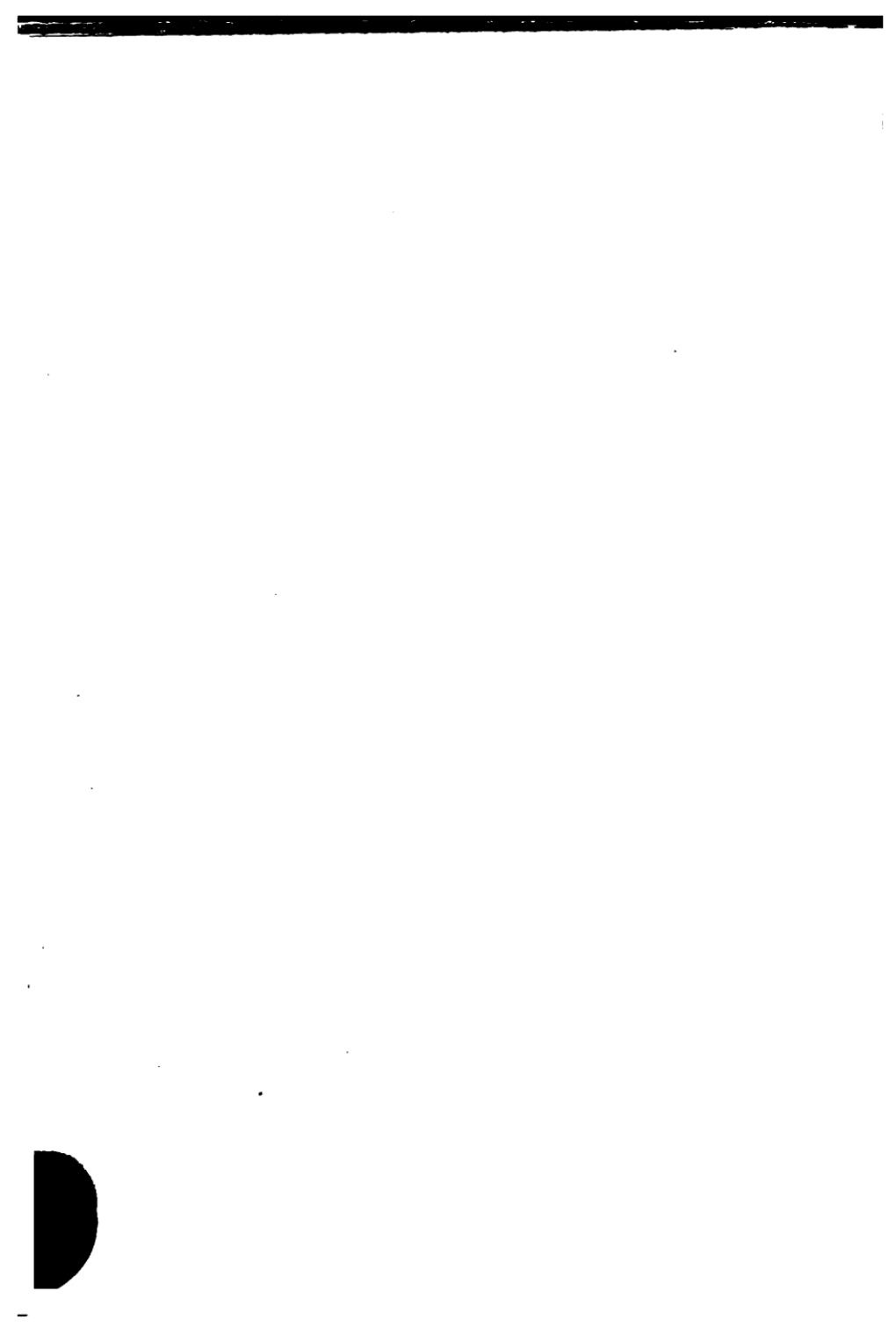
Christopher Columbus, admiral of the Ocean fleet.

<sup>1</sup> March 14th, 1493.

Epigram of R. L. de Corbaria, bishop of Monte  
Peloso.

To the most invincible King of Spain.

No region now can add to Spain's great deeds :  
To such men all the world is yet too small.  
An Orient land, found far beyond the waves,  
Will add, great Betica, to thy renown.  
Then to Columbus, the true finder, give  
Due thanks ; but greater still to God on high ;  
Who makes new kingdoms for himself and thee :  
Both firm and pious let thy conduct be.



**THE EARLIEST FOUR EDITIONS IN LATIN  
OF THE FIRST LETTER OF COLUMBUS.**

[THE ILLUSTRATED EDITION.]

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¶ Epistola Christofori Colom: cui etas nostra multum debet: de || Insulis Indie supra Gangem nuper inuentis. Ad quas perquiren || das octauo antea mense aufpiciis *et* ere inuictissimorum Fernandi || ac Helisabet Hispaniarum Regum missus fuerat: ad Magnificum dominum || Gabrielem Sanches: eorundem serenissimorum Regum Tesau- || rarium missa: Quam generosus ac litteratus vir Leander de Cosco ab || Hispano idiomate in latinum conuertit: tertio Kalendas Maij. M. cccc. || xc. iij. Pontificatus Alexandri Sexti Anno Primo. ||

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Quippe aliam Insu || lam Sancte Marie Conceptionis. aliam Fernan- || dinam. aliam Hysabellam. aliam Iohannam. *et sic* || de reliquis appellari iussi. Quamprimum in eam In- || fulam quam dudum Iohanam vocari dixi appuli || mus: iuxta eius littus occidentem versus aliquan- || tulum processi: tamque eam magnam nullo reper || to fine inueni: vt non insulam: sed continentem || Chatay prouinciam esse crediderim: nulla tamen || videns oppida municipiaue in maritimis sita con- || finibus: preter aliquos vicos et predia rustica: || cum quorum incolis loqui nequibam: quare si || mul ac nos videbant surripiebant fugam. Pro || grediebar vltra: existimans aliquam me vrbem || villasue inuenturum. Denique videns quod longe || admodum progressis: nihil noui

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 alima<sup>1</sup> Ioanam. et sic de reliquis appellari iussi. || Cum-  
 primum in eam Insulam quam dudum Ioanam vocari  
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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *aliam*.

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emergebat: et || huiusmodi via nos ad Septentrionem defere || bat: *quod* ipse fugere exoptabam: terris et enim re || gnabat bruma: ad austrumque erat in voto *con-* || tendere: nec minus venti flagitantibus succe- || debant. constitui alias non operiri successus: et sic || retrocedens ad portum quendam quem signa- || ueram sum reuersus: vnde duos homines ex no- || stris in terram misi. qui inuestigarent: effet ne || Rex in ea prouincia, vrbefue aliquae. Hi per || [Seventh page begins:] tres dies ambularunt: inuen- runtque innumeros || populos et habitationes: paruas tamen et absque vlo || regimine: quapropter redierunt. Interea ego iam || intellexeram a quibusdam Indis: quos ibidem fu- || sceperam: *quod* hujusmodi prouin-

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hujusmodi via || nos ad Septentrionem deferebat: *quod* ipse fugere exoptabam: terris || etenim regnabat bruma: ad Austrumque erat in voto contendere: || [Second page begins:] nec minus venti flagitantibus succedebant. constitui alias non ope || riri successus: et sic retrocedens ad portum quendam quem signauem || ram sum reuersus: vnde duos homines ex nostris in terram misi: qui || inuestigarent effet ne Rex in ea prouincia vrbefue aliquae. Hi per || tres dies ambularunt inuenientque innumeros populos et habita || tiones paruas tamen et absque vlo regimine: quapropter redierunt. || Interea ego iam intellexeram a quibusdam Indis quos ibidem fu- || sceperam *quod* hujusmodi prouincia insula quidem erat: et sic perrexeram ori || entem

emergebat: *et hujusmodi* via nos ad sep || tentriōnem deferebat: *quod* ipse fugere exoptabam: terris etenim regna || bat bruina:<sup>1</sup> ad Auſtrumque erat in voto contendere: nec minus ven- || ti flagitantibus succedebant. constitui alios non operiri successus: *et* sic || retrocedens ad portum quendam quem signaueram sum reuersus: vn || de duos homines ex nostris in terram misi qui inuestigarent effet ne || Rex in ea prouincia vrbesue aliue Hi per tres dies ambulauērunt || Inueneruntque innumeros populos *et* habitationes paruas tamen || *et* absque vlo regimine: quapropter redierunt. Interra<sup>2</sup> ego iam in- || telleixeram a quibusdam Indis quos ibidem sūccep- peram *quod hujusmodi* pro- || [Second page begins :]

1 Misprint for *bruma*.2 Misprint for *Interea*.

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cia: *insula quidem* || erat. *et* sic perrexī orientem ver-  
 fus: *eius semper strin* || gens littora *vsque* ad miliaria.  
 cccxxij. vbi ipsius || insule sunt extrema. hinc aliam insu-  
 lam ad orient- || tem prospexi: distantem ab hac Iohana  
 milia- || ribus. liij. quam protinus Hispanam dixi: in  
 eam- || que concessi: *et* direxi iter quasi per Septentrio-  
 nem || quemadmodum in Iohana ad orientem: miliaria ||  
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*latis*: nec alijs quos *vnquam* viderim compa- || randis  
*portibus*: est circumdata. multi maximi *et* || salubres  
 hanc interfluent fluuij. multi quoque *et* || eminentissimi  
 in ea sunt montes. Omnes he insu || le sunt pulcerime

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *insule*.

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 in ea sunt montes. Omnes || hæc insulae sunt palcher-  
 rimæ *et* varijs distinctæ figuris: *peruiae: et ma-* || *xima*  
*arborum* varietate fidera lambentium plenæ: quas

uincia insula quidem erat: *et* sic perrexii orientem versus eius sem- || per stringens littora usque ad miliaria cccxxij vbi ipsius insule sunt || extrema: hinc aliam insulam ad orientem prospexi distantem ab hac || Ioana miliaribus. liij. quam protinus Hispanam dixi in eamque con- || cessi *et* direxi iter quasi per Septentrionem quemadmodum in Io || ana ad orientem miliaria. lxiiiij. que dicta Ioana *et* alie ibidem || insule quam fertilissime existunt. Hec multis atque tutissimis *et* la || tis nec alijs quos vñquam viderim comparandis portubus est circun || data multi maximi *et* salubres hanc interfluent fluuij multi quoque || Et eminentissimi in ea sunt montes Omnes he insule sunt pulch || errime *et* varijs distincte figuris: perue: *et* maxima arborum varietate || te fidera

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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *protinus*.

*et varijs distinete figuris: per- || uie: et maxima arborum varietate fidera lamben || tium plene: quas nunquam folijs priuari credo: quip- || pe vidi eas ita virentes atque decoras: ceu mense || Maio in hispania solent esse: quarum alie florentes: alie || fructuose: alie in alio statu: secundum vniuscuiusque quali || tatem vigebant: garriebat philomena: et alij passae || res varij ac innumeri: mense Nouembris quo ipse per || eas deambulabam.* Sunt preterea in dicta insula || [Eighth page begins:] Iohana septem vel octo palmarum genera: que proce || ritate et pulchritudine (quemadmodum cetere omnes || arbores, herbe, fructusque) nostras facile exuperant || Sunt et mirabiles pinus, agri, et prata vastissima, || variae aues, variae mella, variaque metalla: ferro || ex-

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nunquam folijs || priuari credo. Quippe vidi eas ita virentes atque decoras: ceu men || se Maio in Hispania solent esse: quarum aliae florentes: aliae fructuo- || sae: aliae in alio statu secundum vniuscuiusque<sup>1</sup> qualitatem vigebant. garrie- || bat philomena et alij passeres varij ac innumeri mense Nouembris || quo ipse per eas deambulabam. Sunt preterea in dicta insula Ioha || na septem vel octo palmarum genera que proceritate et pulchritudine || quemadmodum caeterae omnes arbores: herbæ: fructusque nostras facile exu- || perant. Sunt et mirabiles pinus agri et prata vastissima. variae aues. || variae mella. variaque metalla ferro excepto. In ea autem quam Hispa || nam supra diximus nuncupari

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for vniuscuiusque.

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 sta rura. nemora. campi feracissimi feri pascique *et* con-

cepto. In ea autem quam Hispanam supra diximus || nuncupari: maximi sunt montes ac pulcri: vasta || rura, nemora, campi feracissimi, seri, pacisque<sup>1</sup> et || condendis edificijs aptissimi. Portuum in hac in || fula commoditas: et prestantia fluminum copia salu || britate admixta hominum: quod nisi quis viderit: cre- || dulitatem superat. Huius arbores pascua et fructus || multum ab illis Iohane differunt. Hec preterea || Hispana diuerso aromatis genere, auro, me- || tallisque abundat. cuius quidem et omnium aliarum quas || ego vidi: et quarum cognitionem habeo: incole vtri || usque sexus nudi semper incedunt: quemadmodum || eduntur in lucem. preter alias feminas. que fo- || lio frondeue aliqua: aut

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *pascique*.

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*facere potui: quicquid habebam sum elargitus: pan || num aliaque permulta nulla mihi facta versura: sed sunt natura pa || uidi ac timidi. Ceterum vbi se cernunt tutos omni metu repulso: sunt || admodum simplices ac bonae fidei et in omnibus quae habent liberalissi- || mi: roganti quod possidet inficiatur nemo: quin ipsi nos ad id poscen || dum inuitant. Maximum erga omnes amorem prae se ferunt: dant quaeque ma || gna pro paruis: minima licet re nihiloue contenti. ego attamen prohibui ne || tam minima et nullius precij hisce darentur: vt sunt lancis. parapsidum. || vitriique fragmenta. item clavi ligulae: quanquam si hoc poterant adipisci || videbatur eis pulcherrima mundi possidere iocalia. Accedit. enim. quen- || dam nauitam tantum auri pon-*

nulla michi facta versura: sed sunt natura || paudi ac timidi. Ceterum vbi se cernunt tutos omni metu repulso: || sunt admodum simplices ac bone fidei *et* in omnibus que habent li || beralissimi: roganti *quod* possidet inficiatur nemo: quin ipsi nos ad id || poscendum inuitant Maximum erga omnes amorem pre se ferunt || Dant queque magna pro paruis: minima licet re nichiloue contenti. || ego attamen prohibui ne tam minima *et* nullius precij hisce daren || tur: vt sunt lancis parapsidum. *vtrique*<sup>1</sup> fragmenta. item clavi ligu- || le: quamquam si hoc poterant adipisci videbatur eis pulcherrima mun- || di possidere iocalia Accidit. *enim*. quendam nauitam tantum auri pon || dus habuisse pro vna ligula

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *vtrique*.

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mihi facta versura: sed sunt natura pa || uidi ac timidi. Ceterum vbi se cernunt tutos omni metu repulso: sunt || admodum simplices ac bone fidei *et* in omnibus que habent liberalissi || mi: roganti *quod* possidet inficiatur nemo: quin ipsi nos ad id poscen || dum inuitant. Maximum erga omnes amorem pre se ferunt: dant queque ma || gna pro paruis: minima licet re nihiloue contenti. ego attamen prohibui ne || tam minima *et* nullius precii hisce darentur: vt sunt lancis. parapsidum. || *vtrique* fragmenta. item clavi ligule. quamquam si hoc poterant adipisci || videbatur eis pulcherrima mundi possidere iocalia. Accidit. *enim*. quen || dam nauitam tantum auri pondus habuisse pro vna ligula quanti || sunt tres aurei solidi. *et* sic alios pro aliis



si hoc poterant adipisci: videbatur eis pul || cerrima mundi possidere iocalia. Accidit enim || quendam nauitam: tantum auri pondus habuisse || pro vna ligula: quanti sunt tres aurei solidi: et sic || alias pro alijs minoris precij: presertim pro blanquis no || uis: et quibusdam nummis aureis: pro quibus habendis da || bant quicquid petebat vendor: puta vnciam cum dimi || dia et duas auri: vel triginta et quadraginta bombicis || [Eleventh page begins:] pondo: quam ipsi iam nouerant. item arcuum, ampho || re, hydrie, dolijke fragmenta: bombice et auro tam || quam bestie comparabant. quod quia iniquum fane erat: || vetui: dedique eis multa pulchra et grata que mecum || tuleram nullo interueniente premio: vt eos mihi sa- || cilius conciliarem: fierentque

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dus habuisse pro vna ligula quanti || sunt tres aurei solidi. et sic alias pro alijs minoris precij: presertim || pro blanquis nouis: quibusdam nummis aureis: pro quibus habendis da || bant quicquid petebat vendor: puta vnciam cum dimidia et duas || auri: vel triginta et quadraginta bombicis pondo: quam ipsi iam || nouerant. item arcuum. amphorae. hydrie. dolijke fragmenta bom || bice et auro tanquam bestiae comparabant. quod quia iniquum fane || erat vetui: dedique eis multa pulchra et grata que mecum tuleram nullo || interueniente premio: vt eos mihi facilius conciliarem fierentque Christicolae || [Fourth page begins:] et vt sint proni in amorem erga Regem Reginam principemque no- || stros et vniuersas gentes Hispaniae ac studeant perqui-

quanti sunt tres aurei solidi *et* sic alios || pro alijs minoris precij prefertim pro blanquis nouis: quibusdam num || mis aureis: pro quibus habendis dabant quicquid petebat vendi || tor: puta vnciam cum dimidia *et* duas auri: vel triginta *et* quadragin || ta bombicis pondo: quam ipsi iam neuerant<sup>1</sup> item arcum. ampho || re. hijdre. dolijke fragmenta bombice *et* auro tanquam bestie compara || bant. quod quia iniquum fane erat vetui: dedique eis multa pulchra || *et* grata que mecum tuleram nullo interueniente premio: vt eos michi facilius conciliarem fierentque Christicole *et* vt sint proni in amorem erga || Regem Reginam principemque nostros *et* vniuersas gentes His- || panie ac studeant per-

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *nouerant*.

## [PLANNCK'S "FERDINAND AND ISABELLA" EDITION.]

minoris precii: prefertim || pro blanquis nouis: quibusdam nummis aureis: pro quibus habendis dabant quicquid petebat vendor: puta vnciam cum dimidia *et* duas || auri: vel triginta *et* quadraginta bombicis pondo: quam ipsi iam || nouerant. item arcum. amphore. hydrie. dolijke fragmenta bom-||bice *et* auro tanquam bestie comparabant. quod quia iniquum fane || [Fourth page begins:] erat vetui: dedique eis multa pulchra *et* grata que mecum tuleram null || lo interueniente premio. vt eos mihi facilius conciliarem fierentque || Christicole *et* vt sint proni in amorem erga Regem Reginam principemque || nostros *et* vniuersas gentes Hispanie ac studeant perquirere co- || aceruare eaque nobis tradere quibus ipsi

*Christicole: et vt fint proni in || amorem erga Regem Reginam principesque nostros || et vniuersas gentes Hispanie: ac studeant perquire- || re et coaceruare: ea que nobis tradere quibus ipsi af- || fluunt et nos magnopere indigemus.* Nullam hij norunt || ydolatriam: immo firmissime credunt omnem vim: omnem || potentiam: omnia denique bona esse in celo: meque inde || cum his nauibus et nautis descendisse: atque hoc animo vbi || fui susceptus postquam metum repulerant. Nec sunt || segnes aut rudes: quin summi ac perspicacis in- || genij: et homines qui transfretant mare illud: non sine || admiratione vniuscuiusque rei rationem red- dunt: || sed nunquam viderunt gentes vestitas: neque naues || hujusmodi Ego statim atque ad mare illud per-

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rere: coacer || uare ea que nobis tradere quibus ipsi affluunt et nos magnopere in || digemus. Nullam iij norunt hydolatriam: immo firmissime credunt || omnem vim: omnem potentiam: omnia denique bona esse in coelo: meque || inde cum his nauibus et nautis descendisse: atque hoc animo vbique || fui susceptus postquam metum repulerant. Nec sunt segnes aut ru- || des: quin summi ac perspicacis ingenij: et homines qui transfre- || tant mare illud non sine admiratione vniuscuiusque rei rationem red- || dunt: sed nunquam viderunt gentes vestitas neque naues hujusmodi. Ego || statim atque ad mare illud perueni e prima insula quosdam Indos || violenter arripui: qui ediscerent a nobis et nos pariter docerent || ea: quorum ipsi in ijsce partibus cog-

quirere: coaceruare ea<sup>que</sup> nobis tradere quibus || ipsi affluunt et nos magnopere indigemus Nullam ij norunt hijdo || latriam: immo firmissime credunt omnem vim: omnem potentiam || omnia denique bona esse in coelo: meque inde cum his nauibus et nau || tis descendisse: atque hoc animo vbique fui suscep<sup>tus</sup> postquam metum || repulerant Nec sunt signes<sup>1</sup> aut rudes: quin summi ac perspicacis || ingenij: et homines qui transfretant mare illud non sine admirati || one vniuersitate rei ratione reddunt: sed nunquam viderunt gentes vesti- || tas neque naues hujusmodi Ego statim atque ad mare illud perueni e pri || ma insula quosdam Indos violenter arripui. qui ediscerent a nobis || et nos pariter docerent ea: quo-

1 Misprint for segnes.

2 Misprint for vniuersitate.

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affluunt et nos magnope || re indigemus. Nullam ii norunt idolatriam: immo firmissime cre || dunt omnem vim: omnem potentiam: omnia denique bona esse in celo: meque || inde cum his nauibus et nautis descedisse: atque hoc animo vbique || fui suscep<sup>tus</sup> postquam metum repulerant. Nec sunt signes aut ru- || des: quin summi ac perspicacis ingenii: et homines qui transfre- || tant mare illud non sine admiratione vniuersitate rei rationem red- || dunt: sed nunquam viderunt gentes vestitas neque naues hujusmodi. Ego || statim atque ad mare illud perueni e prima insula quosdam Indos || violenter arripui: qui ediscerent a nobis et nos pariter docerent || ea quorum ipsi in iisce partibus cognitionem habebant: et ex voto || successit: nam breui

ueni: e pri || ma insula quosdam Indos violenter arri-  
 pui: qui || ediscerent a nobis: et nos pariter docerent  
 ea: quorum || ipsi in hisce partibus cognitionem habe-  
 bant. et || ex voto succeſſit: nam breui nos ipſos: et  
 hij nos: || tum gestu ac signis: tum verbis intel-  
 lexerunt. || magnoque nobis fuere emolumento. veniunt  
 modo || mecum tamen qui ſemper putant me defi-  
 luſſe e celo || quamuis diu nobifcum versati fuerint ho-  
 dieque ver- || [Twelfth page begins:] ſentur. et hi erant  
 primi: qui id quoconque appellaba || mus nunciabant:  
 alij deinceps alijs elata voce || dicentes. Uenite venite  
 et videbitis gentes ethē || reas. Quamobrem tam *femine*  
*quam* viri: tam impuberis || *quam* adulti: tam iuuenes  
*quam* feſes: deposita formi || dine paulo ante *concepta*:

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 nos ipſos et ij nos tum gestu ac signis tum || verbis  
 intellexerunt: magnoque nobis fuere emolumento: ve-  
 niunt || modo mecum: qui ſemper putant me defi-  
 luſſe e coelo: quamuis diu || nohifcum<sup>1</sup> versati fuerint  
 hodieque versentur. et ij erant primi qui || id quo-  
 conque appellabamus nunciabant: alij deinceps alijs  
 elia- || ta voce dicentes: Uenite venite et videbitis  
 gentes aethereas. Quam || ob rem tam *feminae* *quam*  
*viri*: tam impuberis *quam* adulti: tam iuuenes || *quam*  
 feſes deposita formidine paulo ante *concepta* nos cer-  
 tam viſe || bant magna iter stipante caterua alijs  
 cibum alijs potum affe- || rentibus maximo cum amore

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *nobifcum*.

*rum ipsi in iste partibus cognitionem ha-* || *bebant. et ex voto succedit: nam brevi nos ipsos et iij nos tum gestu || ac signis tum verbis intellexerunt: magnoque nobis fuere emolu-* || *mento: veniunt modo mecum: qui semper putant me desiluisse de || coelo: quamuis diu nobiscum versati fuerint hodieque versentur: et ij erant || primi qui id quocunque appellabamus nuntiabant: alij deinceps alijs || elata voce dicentes. Uenite venite et videbitis gentes ethereas Quam || [Fourth page begins:] ob rem tam feminine quam viri: tam impuberis quam adulti: tam iuuenes || quam fenes. deposita formidine paulo ante concepta nos certatim vise || bant magna inter<sup>1</sup> stipante caterua alijs cibum alijs potum*

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *iter.*

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*nos ipsos: et ii nos tum gestu ac signis: tum || verbis intellexerunt: magnoque nobis fuere emolumento: ve-* niunt || *modo mecum qui semper putant me desiluisse e* celo: *quamuis diu || nobiscum versati fuerint hodieque versentur. et ii erant primi qui || id quocunque appellabamus nuntiabant: alij deinceps alijs elata || ta voce dicentes: Uenite venite et videbitis gentes ethereas. Quam || ob rem tam feminine quam viri: tam impuberis quam adulti: tam iuuenes || quam fenes deposita formidine paulo ante concepta nos certatim vise || bant magna iter stipante caterua: alijs cibum: alijs potum affe- || rentibus maximo cum amore ac beniuolentia in-* credibili. *Habet || vnaqueque insula multas scaphas solidi ligni: et si angustas. lon- || gitudine tamen ac for-*



nos certatim visabant || magna iter stipante caterua  
 alijs cibum, alijs po || tum afferentibus: maximo cum  
 amore ac beniuolen- || tia incredibili. Habet vnaque  
 que insula multas || scaphas solidi ligni: et si angus-  
 tas: longitudine || tamen ac forma nostris biremibus  
 similes: cursu autem || velociores. Reguntur remis tan-  
 tummodo. Harum || quedam sunt magne: quedam  
 parue: quedam in me- || dio consistunt. Plures tamen  
 biremi que remigent || duodeviginti transtris maiores:  
 cum quibus in omnes || illas insulas: que innumere  
 sunt: traiicitur. cumque || his suam mercaturam exer-  
 cent: et inter eos comer- || tia fiunt. Aliquas ego har-  
 rum biremium seu sca- || pharum: vidi que vehebant  
 septuaginta et octuagin || ta remiges. In omnibus his

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 autem velo- || ciores. Reguntur remis tantummodo.  
 Harum quaedam sunt magnae: || quaedam paruae:  
 quaedam in medio consistunt. Plures tamen biremi  
 quae || remiget duodeviginti transtris maiores: cum  
 quibus in omnes illas || insulas: quae innumerze sunt:  
 traiicitur. cumque ijs suam mercatu- || ram exercent et  
 inter eos comertia fiunt. Aliquas ego harum bi- ||  
 remium seu scapharum vidi que vehebant septuaginta  
 et octuaginta re || miges. In omnibus ijs insulis nulla  
 est diuersitas inter gentis || effigies: nulla in moribus  
 atque loquela: quin omnes se intelligent || [Fifth page

affe- || rentibus maximo cum amore ac beniuolentia incredibili. Habet || vnaqueque Infula multas scaphas solidi ligni: *et si* angustas longi || tudine tamen ac forma nostris biremibus similes: curfu autem ve || lociores. reguntur remis tantummodo. Harum quedam sunt magne || quedam parue: quedam in medio consistunt. Plures *tamen* biremi || que remiget duodeviginti transstris maiores: cum quibus in omnes || illas insulas: que innumere sunt: traiicitur cumque ijs suam merca || turram exercent *et* inter eos comertia fiunt. Aliquas ego harum bi- || remium seu scapharum vidi que vehebant septuaginta *et* octuaginta || remiges. In omnibus ijs insulis nulla est diuersitas inter gentis || effigies: nulla in moribus atque loquela: quin omnes se intelligunt ||

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 in moribus || atque loquela: quin omnes se intelligunt  
 adinuicem: || que res perutilis est ad id quod serenissi-  
 mum Regem || nostrum exoptare precipue reor: scilicet  
 eorum ad san || ctam Christi fidem conuerzionem. cui  
 quidem quantum || intelligere potui facilimi sunt et  
 proni. Duxi quem- || [Thirteenth page begins:] admou-  
 dum sum progressus antea insulam Iohanam || per rectum  
 tramitem occasus in orientem miliaria || cccxxij. secun-  
 dum quam viam et interuallum itineris possum ||  
 dicere hanc Iohanam esse maiorem Anglia et Sco || tia  
 simul: nanque vitra dicta. cccxxij. passuum milia: || in  
 ea parte que ad occidentem prospectat: due: quas ||  
 non petij: super sunt prouincie: quarum alteram Indi ||

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*begins:]* adinuicem: quae res perutilis est ad id quod  
 serenissimum Regem nostrum || exoptare praecipue  
 reor: scilicet eorum ad sanctam Christi fidem conuer-  
 zionem. || cui quidem quantum intelligere potui facil-  
 limi sunt et proni. Duxi || quemadmodum sum pro-  
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 occasus in orientem miliaria. cccxxij. secundum quam  
 viam et || interuallum itineris possum dicere hanc  
 Iohanam esse maiorem || Anglia et Scotia simul: nam-  
 que ultra dicta. cccxxij. passuum milia in || ea parte  
 quae ad occidentem prospectat duae: quas non petij:  
 super || sunt prouinciae: quarum alteram Indi Anan-  
 vocant cuius accolae cau || dati nascuntur. Tenduntur  
 in longitudinem ad miliaria. clxxx. vt || ab his quos veho

ad inuicem: que res perutilis est ad id quod ferentissimum Regum nos || trorum exoptare precipue reor: scilicet eorum ad sanctam Christi fidem con- || uersiōnem cui quidem quantum intelligere potui facilimi sunt et pro || ni Dixi quemadmodum sum progressus antea insulam Ioanam || per rectum tramitem occasus in orientem millaria<sup>1</sup> cccxxij. in quam || viam et interuallum itineris possum dicere hanc Ioanam esse maius || rem Anglia et Scotia simul: namque ultra dicta cccxxij. passuum milia in || ea parte que ad occidentem prospectat due. quas non peti: super sunt || prouincie: quarum alteram Indi Anan vocant cuius accolae caudati || nascuntur. Tenduntur in longitudinem ad miliaria. clxxx.

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *miliaria*.

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fidem conuersio- || nem. cui quidem quantum intelligere potui facilimi sunt et proni. || Dixi quemadmodum sum progressus antea insulam Ioanam per re || ctum tramitem occasus in orientem miliaria. cccxxii. secundum quam viam || et interuallum itineris possum dicere hanc Ioanam esse maiorem || Anglia et Scotia simul. namque ultra dicta. cccxxii. passuum milia in || ea parte que ad occidentem prospectat due: quas non peti: super || sunt prouincie: quarum alteram Indi Anan vocant cuius accolae cau || dati nascuntur. Tenduntur in longitudinem ad miliaria. clxxx. vt || ab his quos veho mecum Indis percepi: qui omnis has callent insulas. Hispane vero ambitus maior est tota Hispania a Colonia usque || ad fontem ravidum Hincque fa-

Anan vocant: cuius accolae caudati nascuntur. *Ten* ||  
*duntur* in longitudinem ad miliaria. clxxx. vt ab || his  
*quos* veho mecum Indis *percepi*: qui *omnis* has || cal-  
 lant insulas. Hispanae vero ambitus maior est || tota  
 Hispania a cologne *vsque* ad fontem rabidum || Hinc-  
 que facile arguitur *quod* quartum eius latus *quod* ipse ||  
*per* *rectam* *lineam* occidentis in orientem *traieci*: mili ||  
 aria *continet*. dxl. Hec insula *est* affectanda *et* affe- ||  
*ctata* *non* *spernenda* in qua *et* *si* aliarum omnium vt  
*dixi* || *pro* *inuictissimo* *Rege* *nostro* *solemniter* *possessio-* ||  
*nem* *accepi*: *earumque* *imperium* *dicto* *Regi* *peni-* || *tus*  
*committitur*: *in* *oportuniori* *tamen* *loco*: *atque* *omni* ||  
*lu* || *cro* *et* *commertio* *condecenti*: *cuiusdam* *magne*  
*ville*: || *cui* *Natiuitatis* *domini* *nomen* *dedimus*: *posse-*

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 Colonia *vsque* || ad fontem rabidum. Hincque facile  
 arguitur *quod* quartum eius latus || *quod* ipse *per* *rec-*  
*tam* *lineam* occidentis in orientem *traieci* miliaria ||  
*continet*. dxl. Haec insula *est* affectanda *et* affectata  
*non* *spernenda* || *in* *qua* *et* *si* aliarum omnium vt *dixi*  
*pro* *inuictissimo* *Rege* *nostro* *solem* || *niter* *possessionem*  
*accæpi*: *earumque* *imperium* *dicto* *Regi* *penitus* ||  
*committitur*: *in* *oportuniori* *tamen* *loco* *atque* *omni*  
*lucro* *et* *commerciali* || *condecenti* *cuiusdam* *magnæ*  
*villæ*: *cui* *Natiuitatis* *domini* *nomen* *de-* || *dimus*: *pos-*  
*sessionem* *peculiariter* *accepi*: *ibique* *arcem* *quandam* ||  
*erigere* *extemplo* *iussi*: *quæ* *modo* *iam* *debet* *esse* *per-*

vt ab his || quos veho mecum Indis percepit: qui omnis has callicant insulas. || Hispane vero ambitus maior est toto Hispania a Colonia vsque ad || fontem ravidum Hincque facile arguitur *quod quartum* eius latus quod ipse per rectam lineam occidentis in orientem tracieci miliaria continet || net. dxl. Hec insula est affectanda et affectata non spernenda in *qua* || et si aliarum omnium ut dixi pro inuictissimo Rege nostro solenniter || possessionem accepi: earumque imperium dicto Regi penitus committi || tur: in oportuniori tamen loco atque omni lucro et commertio condecen || ti cuiusdam magne ville: cui Natiuitatis domini nomen dedimus: posse || sessionem peculiariter accepi ibique arcem quandam erigere ex tem || plo iussi que modo iam debet esse

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cile arguitur *quod quartum* eius latus || *quod ipse* per rectam lineam occidentis in orientem tracieci miliaria || continet. dxl. Hec insula est affectanda et affectata non spernenda || in *qua* et si aliarum omnium ut dixi pro inuictissimo Rege nostro solenniter || niter possessionem accepi: earumque imperium dicto Regi penitus || committitur: in oportuniori tamen loco atque omni lucro et commertio || condecenti cuiusdam magne ville: cui Natiuitatis domini nomen de- || dimus: possessionem peculiariter accepi: ibique arcem quandam || erigere exemplo iussi: que modo iam debet esse peracta: in *qua* ho || mines qui necessarii sunt visi cum omni armorum genere et ultra an || num victu oportuno reliqui. Item quandam carauellam et pro

sionem || peculiariter accepi. ibique arcem quandam  
 cri- || gere extemplo iussi: que modo iam debet esse ||  
 peracta: in qua homines qui necessarij sunt visi: cum ||  
 omni armorum genere: et ultra annum victu oportu ||  
 no reliqui. Item quandam carauellam: et pro alijs  
 construen || dis tam in hac arte quam in ceteris peritos:  
 ac eiusdem || [Fifteenth page begins:] insule Regis erga  
 nos beniuolentiam et familiā || ritatem incredibilem.  
 Sunt enim gentes ille amabiles || admodum et benigne:  
 eo quod Rex predictus me frā || trem suum dici gloria-  
 batur. Et si animum reuoca || rent: et his qui in arce  
 manferunt nocere velint: ne || queunt: quia armis ca-  
 rent: nudi incedunt: et nimium || timidi. ideo dictam  
 arcem tenentes: duntaxat possunt || totam eam insulam

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acta: in qua ho || mines qui necessarij sunt visi cum  
 omni armorum genere et ultra an || num victu oportuno  
 reliqui. Item quandam carauellam et pro alijs || con-  
 struendis tam in hac arte quam in caeteris peritos: ac  
 eiusdem in- || sulae Regis erga eos beniuolentiam et  
 familiaritatem incredibilem || Sunt enim gentes illae  
 amabiles admodum et benignae: eo quod Rex || pre-  
 dictus me fratrem suum dici gloriabatur. Et si animum  
 reuocarent et || ijs qui in arce manferunt nocere velint.  
 nequeunt: quia armis ca- || rent: nudi incedunt et ni-  
 mium timidi: ideo dictam arcem tenentes dun || taxat  
 possunt totam eam insulam nullo sibi imminente discri-  
 mine popu- || lari. dummodo leges quas dedimus ac  
 regimen non excedant. In omnibus || ijs insulis vt in-

pacta:<sup>1</sup> in qua homines qui necef || farij sunt visi cum omni armorum genere et vltra annum victu opor || tuno reliqui. Item quandam carauellam et pro alijs construendis || tam in hac arte quam in ceteris peritos. ac eiusdem insule Regis erga || eos beniuolentiam et familiaritatem incredibilem Sunt enim gen || tes ille amabiles admodum et benigne: eo quod Rex predictus me fra || [Fifth page begins:] trem suum dici gloriebatur. Et si animum reuocarent et ijs qui in || arce manferunt nocere velint nequeunt: quia armis carent: nudi in || cedunt et nimium timidi: ideo dictam arcem tenentes duntaxat possunt || totam eam insulam nullo sibi immidente discrimine populari. dum || modo leges quas dedi-

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *peracta*.

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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *acquiescit*.

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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for Hispana.

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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *Indi*.<sup>2</sup> Misprint for *Hispana*.<sup>3</sup> Misprint for *Indicas*.

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<sup>3</sup> Misprint for *Hispana*.

<sup>2</sup> Misprint for *grossiori*.

<sup>4</sup> Misprint for *spiculis*.

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 me nostris Regibus inuictissi || mis paruo eorum ful-

<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *Hispana*.

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 mis paruo || eorum fultum auxilio: tantum auri datu-  
 rum quantum || [Seventeenth page begins:] eis fuerit  
 opus. tantum vero aromatum. bombicis. || mafticis (que  
 apud Chium duntaxat inuenitur) tan || tumque ligni  
 aloes. tantum feruorum hydrophilato- || rum: quantum  
 eorum maiestas voluerit exigere. || item reubarbarum et  
 alia aromatum genera: que hi || quos in dicta arce  
 reliqui iam inueniſſe: atque in- || uenturos existimo.  
 quandoquidem ego nullibi ma- || gis ſum moratus niſi  
 quantum me coegerunt ven- || ti: preterquam in villa  
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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *inuictissimis*.<sup>2</sup> Misprint for *Aromatum*.

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tum auxilio: tantum auri daturum quantum eis fue- ||  
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<sup>1</sup> Misprint for *inuenitur*.

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 ferunt aut locuti || sunt: omnes per ambages et coniec-  
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 ac eorum regna felicissima cuncteque alic Christianorum  
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Cristoforus Colom Oceane classis Prefectus. ||

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Christoforus Colom Oceanæ classis Praefectus. ||

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Christoforus Colom Oceane classis Prefectus. ||

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lufij ||

Ad Inuictissimum Regem Hispaniarum ||

Iam nulla Hispanis tellus addenda triumphis: ||

Atque parum tantis viribus, orbis erat. ||

Nunc longe Eois regio deprensa sub vndis. ||

Auctura est titulos Betice magne tuos. ||

Unde repertori merito referenda Columbo ||

Gratia: sed summo est maior habenda deo: ||

Qui vincenda parat noua regna tibique sibiique: ||

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Ad In || victissimum Regem Hispaniarum : ||

Iam nulla Hispanis tellus addenda triumphis. ||  
Atque parum tantis viribus orbis erat. ||  
Nunc longe eois regio deprensa sub vndis. ||  
Auctura est titulos Betice magne tuos ||  
Unde repertori merito referenda Columbo ||  
Gratia: sed summo est maior habenda deo. ||  
Qui vincenda parat noua regna tibique sibique ||  
Teque simul fortem prestat et esse pium. ||

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Ad Inuictissimum Regem Hispaniarum. ||

Iam nulla Hispanis tellus addenda Triumphis ||  
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Nunc longe Eois regio deprensa sub vndis. ||  
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