

BOOK II.

VOYAGES TO AND ALONG THE ATLANTIC COAST OF NORTH AMERICA FROM 1520 TO 1573.

CHAPTER I.

Of the voyages of Luke Vasquez d' Aylon to Florida in 1520 and 1524 ;
and that of Juan Ponce de Leon in 1521.

After Florida came into possession of the English, a small volume, of one hundred and two pages, was published at London in 1763, entitled

“An account of the first discovery and natural history of Florida, with a particular detail of the several expeditions and descents made on that coast, collected from the best authorities, by William Roberts, illustrated by a general map and some particular plans, together with a geographical description of that country by T. Jeffreys, geographer to his majesty.”

This account was published at a period when the settlement of Florida was under the consideration of the English government, and it was supposed would be of service to such ships as might be sent thither. Mr. Jeffreys considered his geographical description of the sea coast, in a much nearer degree accurate,