

advanced to the province of Panuco, and gave all these new New Spain. discoveries the name of New Spain

The same year, Don Pedrarias Davila sent the licentiate Panama. Diego de Espinoza to Panama to found a city there, or rather to remove to it the inhabitants and materials of Santa Maria la Antigua of Darien. The city of Panama has since changed its place, having been withdrawn a little to the west. The bishop assumes the title of Primate of Terraferma, although a suffragan of Lima, because Santa Maria la Antigua, which Panama has replaced, was the first Episcopal See on the mainland of the New World. This does not prevent the Archbishop of San Domingo, in Hispaniola, whose See is still more ancient, from being acknowledged as primate of all Spanish America.

1519.

On the 10th of February of that year, Hernan Cortez sailed Vera Cruz. from Havana to conquer New Spain. He landed within San Juan de Ulua, and founded on the mainland a city, which he called Villa Rica de la Vera Cruz, because he arrived there on Good Friday. This is now called Old Vera Cruz. The new city is three leagues further east, opposite the island of San Juan de Ulua. Having the same year reached Mexico, he sent Diego de Ordas to examine the volcano of Popocotapec, in the province of Tlascala.

1520.

Ferdinand de Maghaillans, better known under the name of Magellan, a Portuguese captain who had served at the siege of Malacca under the great Albuquerque, and who afterwards entered the service of the king of Spain, in consequence of some slights which he had received from the Portuguese court, proposed to the Catholic monarch the conquest of the Moluccas, and his offer was accepted. Some vessels having been assigned to him, he set sail on the 10th of August, 1519. In May of the ensuing year, he discovered an island which he called Isla de los Tuberones (Seals), the island of St. Peter, the island of Cocos, which he called the Unfortunate Islands, because he found them deserted and uncultivated. On arriving at the entrance of the famous strait which bears his name, Discovery of
Magellan's
Straits.
Terra del
Fuego