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WHICH LED TO THE DISCOVERY OF THE HUDSON RIVER

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The booklet published in 1859 by Henry Cruse Murphy, then United States Minister at The Hague, well deserves re-printing. The commemoration, both in America and in the Netherlands, of the 300th anniversary of Hudson's third voyage, has once more drawn general attention to the details of that exploit and consequently to this work, wherein, in a manner at once clear and complete, the notices and preparations for the expedition were set forth, accompanied by important documents then first brought to light. Since, however, the issue was limited to a small number of copies, "for private distribution", the book became very scarce and remained almost unknown even to those who made a special study of the subject.

Asher, in the Introduction to his valuable and well documented monograph Henry Hudson the Navigator, 1860, complains of not having been able to secure a copy of Murphy's treatise, and his work therefore lacks some of the very important data of which that treatise makes earliest mention.

On the other hand, Murphy has contented himself with giving the English translation of some of the more important documents without supplying the original text, whilst his bibliography is not altogether satisfactory.

These facts have induced me to reprint this interesting booklet. I have reproduced all the documents, both MSS. and in print, after carefully collating them with the