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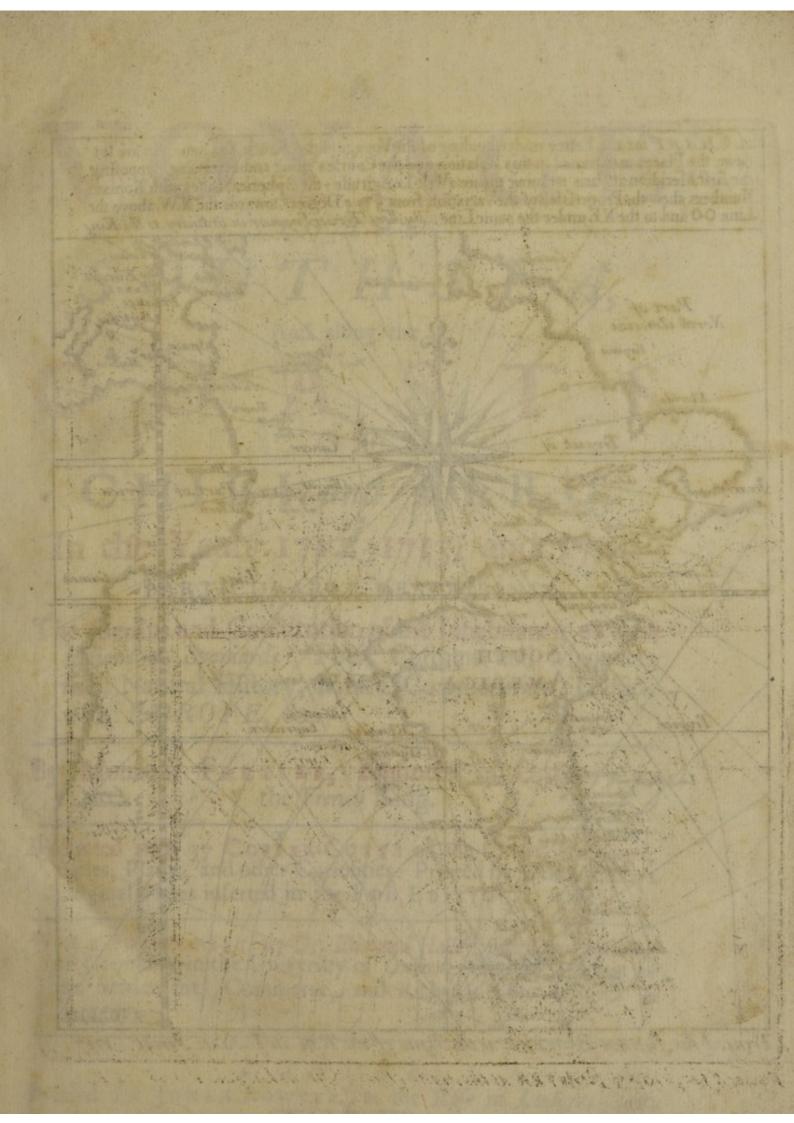


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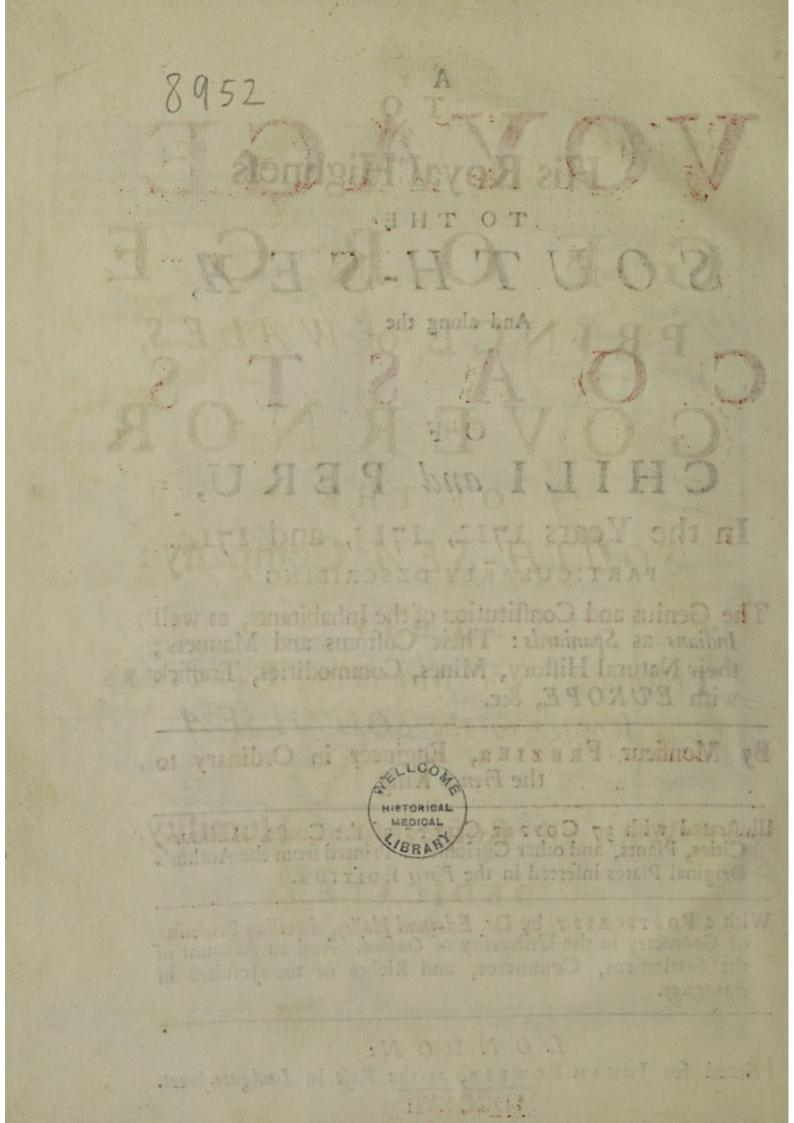
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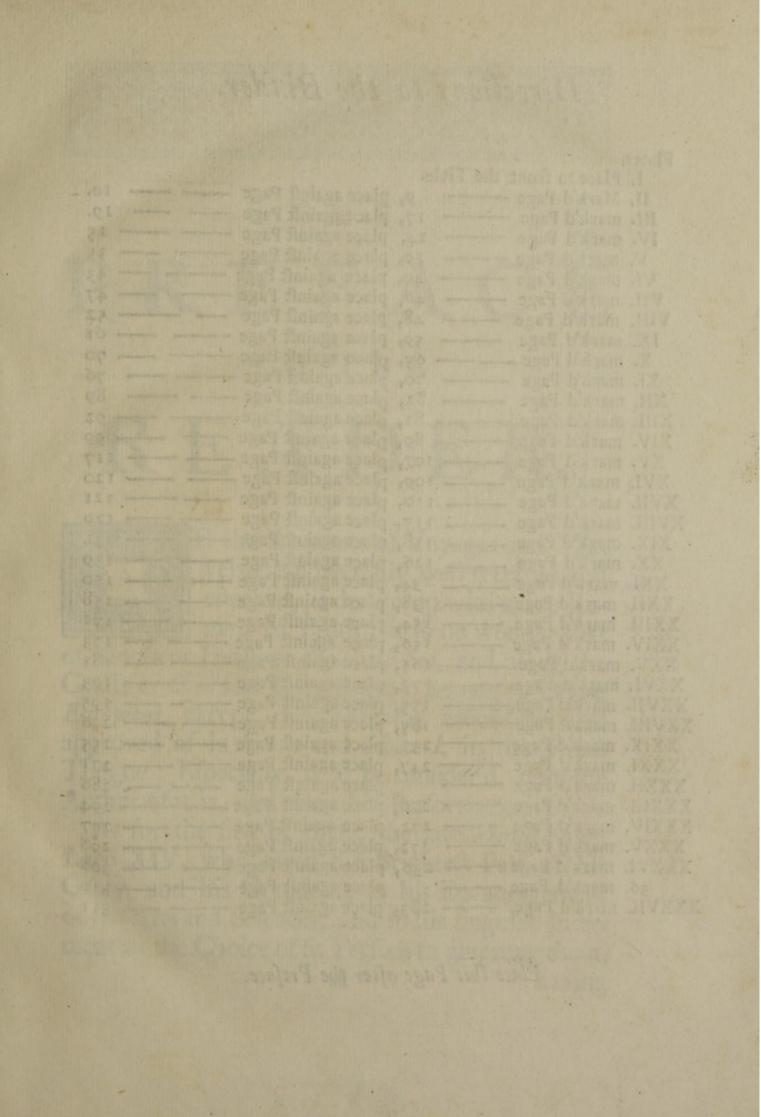
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## PREFACE

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## READER.

S the Accounts of Voyages and Travels are universally well received and esteem'd, if drawn up with a due Regard to Truth; it is no wonder that

of Monsieur Frezier to the South Sea, and along the Coasts of Chili and Peru, so little known to all the Europeans except the Spaniards, should be well approved of in France and Holland, in the French Tongue: Especially, if it be consider'd, who the Author of it is, and what his Performance.

As for the first of these, the late French King, Lewis XIV. who owed the Brightest Part of his Glory, and his Grandeur, to his Encouragement of the Arts and Sciences, and to his singular Judgment in the Choice of sit Persons to improve them,

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having been at a vast Expence to support his Grandfon upon the Throne of Spain, thought this a proper Opportunity of getting a full Information of the least known Parts of the Spanish West-Indies, before the French, as well as all other Nations, should be excluded those Seas by a Peace. For this end, he pitch'd upon our Author, an experienced Engineer and Mathematician in his Service, whom he knew to be every way qualify'd to make Hydrographical Observations for the Use of Mariners. and for the Correction of the Charts; and also to take exact Plans of the most considerable Ports and Fortresses along the Coasts whither he was going; to direct to their best Anchorages, and to point out their respective Dangers; (things which might hereafter be of great Use to the French, if a War should happen to break out again between the two Nations) And this Gentleman he fent at his own Charge on board a Merchant-Ship, in the Year 1712, to pass as a Trader only, the better to infinuate himself with the Spanish Governors, and to have all Opportunities of learning their Strength, and whatever else he went to be inform'd of. And we find in his Dedication of this Work to the Regent of France, that he had so well executed the late King's Defign, that upon his Return that Great Prince made Monsieur Frezier explain to him the Plans he had drawn, and fignify'd his Approbation of them both by gracious Expressions, and by a generous Reward. his

his Most Christian Majesty dying before the Book was ready to appear in the World, the Duke of Orleans, who now governs the Kingdom, was pleas'd to permit our Author to address it to him: And the Account he gives him of it, is, that it is a Collection of the Observations which he ' made in Navigation, on the Errors of the Maps, and the Situation of the Harbours and Roads he ' had been in; together with a Description of the 'Animals, Plants, Fruits, Metals, and whatfoever the Earth produces of Curious, in the richest 'Colonies in the World; and lastly, a most exact 'Account of the Commerce, Forces, Government, and Manners, as well of the Creolian Spaniards, 'as of the Natives of the Country, whom he treats with all the Respect which is due to 'Truth.

Neither must we omit any thing that is of Use in the Author's Preface, where he is more particular; and especially as to the Difference between this Work and Father Feüillée's Journal. He tells us, that that Learned Monk apply'd himself chiefly to Astronomy, Botany, and other Parts of Natural Philosophy; whereas Monsieur Frezier's Business hath been to take Plans, and to bring the Navigators acquainted with the Seasons, general Winds, Currents, Rocks, Shelves, Anchorages, and Landing-Places, where-ever he came. It must not therefore seem strange, that the Plans of those two Authors

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Authors do no better agree: But Monfieur Frezier produces several Instances of the Father's Mistakes: The Mouth of the Bay of La Conception (fays he) is made too wide in Feuillée's Plan by almost the Half; the Streets of Callao are all confounded; and the Bastion of S. Lewis hath a defenceless Face, tho' there is a Line of Defence fichante upon the Spot. These last Faults are not, however, to be imputed to him: The Addition of ' several Works, which were never inserted in any other Defign than that of the late Monfieur Rossemin, Engineer of the Place, shews, that they ' are not his, but the Copyer's, from whom I had also the same Plan and the Defigns. In that of the Road of Callao, he makes the Town, which doth not really exceed 600 Toifes, as big as the Isle of S. Laurence, which is almost 4000 Toises. Lastly, he himself owns, that in his Plan of Lima, the Quarter call'd Malambo falls short of a fixth Part, whereas that Quarter makes at least a fixth Part of the Town; that of Cercado is placed without the Inclosure, tho' it is really within it; and he reckons the Bastions but 25. when there are 34. Not to mention other Plans, whose Imperfections are of less Consequence. Moreover, that Father places Arica and Ylo under ' the same Meridian, within eight Seconds of Time, or two Minutes of a Degree; whereas I know by my own Observation, that those Ports, which are about

about 28 or 30 Leagues distant one from the other, lie S. E. and N. W. on the Globe, which

causes a Difference of at least a Degree.

For the rest, our Author acquaints us, that his Plans (except three, viz. of Callao, Valparaiso, and Copiaçò) are drawn by the same Scale, that so their Proportion may be seen at once; and that he hath been more particular in his Relation of the Customs and Manners of the Indians, and of their Mines, and Methods of working them; so that his Book and Father Feüillée's have very little in common.

To speak Truth, this last-mention'd Part of Monsieur Frezier's History is so very New and Curious, that it might alone be thought a sufficient Motive to the Translation, and Publishing of it in English, had it wanted the Recommendation of the Judicious, which it doth not: For, after the Privileges granted by the Spaniards to our South-Sea Company, of trading in those distant Countries, and the Settlement of English Factories by their Confent at Vera Cruz, Cartagena, Panama, Portobelo, and Buenos Ayres, (to bring home Gold and Silver, no doubt) What could be of so great Advantage to the English, as an Account of the Manner of discovering, opening, and working their Mines?

Before we entirely bid Adieu to Monsieur Frezier's own Abstract of his Work, we cannot but take Notice how unaccountable it seems, that a

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Track, or Sign, or Foot-step, either of the Wor-ship of a Deity, or of the Cohabitation of Men, as in all other known Parts of the World; but that they should content themselves with living separately under a fort of Hutts made of the Branches of Trees.

Upon the whole matter, we have taken due Care to have a just Translation of this Useful Work: And lest any Blunder might be made in copying Monsieur Frezier's Plans, &c. (which too commonly happens in Affairs of this nature) we have at a considerable Expence procured a Number of Cutts printed from the Original Plates at Paris, by that Author's Permission; the French Explanations whereof being render'd into English, and inserted at the Foot of their proper Pages, the Reader will at the same time understand them with Ease, and have the Satisfaction that the Plates are true and genuine.

One Objection doth indeed lie against Monsieur Frezier, arising perhaps from his Ambition to be thought to correct the General Sea-Chart of our Country-man Dr. Halley, Savilian Professor of Geometry in the University of Oxford; but besides that the Reputation of this Chart is establish'd by the Experience of our Navigators in most Voyages, beyond the Power of Monsieur Frezier to hurt it; we must remember that our Author is a French.

man: And therefore we need give no farther Account of their Difference, than is contain'd in the Letter subjoin'd, which Dr. Halley was pleas'd on that Occasion to write to us; and in the Postscript at the End of M. Frezier's Book.

What follows that, being a Relation of the Jefuites Settlement and Commerce in Paraguay, which are sometimes mention'd in the Course of Monfieur Frezier's Voyage, we judg'd it not improper to give it a Translation from the Edition printed in Holland, and to annex it to ours in English.

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Mr. Bowyer, vie been sweet stolered ba A ; man Am glad to bear you have undertaken to print, in English, the Voyage of Mr. Frezier to and from the Coasts of Peru and Chili. Our People are very much unacquainted with those Seas; and those that are, commonly want either Will or Language to inform the World properly of what they find worth Notice, and of what may be of Use to those that shall bereafter make the like Voyages. The French have the Faculty of Setting off their Relations to the best Advantage; and particularly your Author has informed us, in a very instructive manner, of several things that are not only very entertaining; but also what may be of eminent Service to us, either in case of Trade or War in the Seas be describes. On this account I cannot doubt but your Design must answer your Expectation, especially since you bestow on the Book so elegant an Edition. But however it may have pleased me in other Respects, I find myself obliged to desire of you the Liberty to Subjoin a Small Postscript in Defence of my Chart of the Variation of the Compass, (whereby I hoped I had done Service to the Sailors of all Nations ) against the groundless Exceptions of your Author, who seems to seek all Occasions to find Fault, and is otherwise unjust to me. If you please to grant me this Favour, you will, without any Prejudice to yourself, very much oblige

Your very bumble Servant,

To Mr. Jonah Bowyer Thefe.

Edm. Halley.



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## VOYAGE

TO THE

### SOUTH-SEA.

HE Structure of the Universe, which is naturally the Object of our Admiration, has ever also been the Subject of my Curiosity: From my very Infancy I took the greatest Pleasure in all such Things as could advance me in the Knowledge of it: Globes, Charts, and

Books of Travels were my singular Delight: I was scarce capable of observing Things by myself, when I undertook a Journey into Italy: The Pretence of studying afterwards serv'd me to travel through some Part of France; but being at length six'd, by the Employment I have had the Honour to obtain in the King's Service, I thought there was no more Expectation of indulging my Inclination to travel, when his Majesty was pleas'd to permit me to lay hold of the Opportunity that then offer'd, of seeing Chili and Peru.

I embark'd at S. Malo, in the Quality of an Officer, aboard a Ship of 36 Guns, 350 Tons Burden, and 135 Men.

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Men, call'd the S. Joseph, commanded by the Sieur Duchêne Battas, a Man commendable for his Experience and Knowledge in Marine Affairs, and for much Understanding and Activity in Trade, which was very suitable

to our Design.

On Monday, November 23, 1711, we fet fail from the Port of S. Malo, in Company with the Mary, a small Vessel, of 120 Tons Burden, commanded by the Sieur du Jardais Daniel, who was to serve for our Storeship. We went to lie for a fair Wind near Cape Frebel. under the Cannon of the Castle de la Latte, in the Bay de la Frenaye, where we anchor'd the same Day; but

we waited in vain for near two Months.

The Tediousness of so long a Stay, the Sharpness of the Winter, then well advanc'd, the Wind, the Cold, and the Rain, which I must be expos'd to every other four Hours, during the Watches we kept alternatively Day and Night without Interruption, according to the Custom of the Sea; and the Inconveniency of a Merchantship, in which a Man scarce knew where to bestow himfelf, began to make me fensible of the Hardships of a Sailor's Life, and how opposite it was to that Quiet and Retiredness which are requisite for Study and Meditation,

\*- jam inde my greatest Delights ashore \*. In short, I soon saw the \*b adolescen- utmost of Missortunes in a Shipwreck which happen'd

Ego hancele- before our Eyes. Here follows an Account of it.

mentemvitam It is first to be observ'd, That most of the Ships that urbanam & fail from the Port of S. Malo, come to an Anchor in the Road of Frenaye, which is but four Leagues from it to Secutus sum, the Westward, either to wait for a fair Wind, or to ganatum isti pu- ther their Crews, which do not go aboard till the last Minute. On the 9th of December there were five Ships, Uxorem nun- the Count de Girardin, the Michael-Andrew, the Hunter, Ter. Adel. the Mary, and we; when the Chevalier de la Vwho commanded the Great-Britain, a Privateer of 36

Guns, came at Six in the Evening, and dropp'd his Anchor near us; but the Buoy-rope, which thro' Neglect

was

was still fast aboard, having hinder'd it from taking hold, Shipureck. the Ebb carry'd the Ship near to a Shoal that is at the Foot of the Fort de la Latte, before they could drop another: That same held them during the Ebb, within a Pistol Shot from the Rock; but upon the Return of the Flood, the Violence of the Current foon cast them upon that Shoal. The Captain perceiving himself in that inevitable Danger, fir'd several Guns to desire Assistance of the other Ships in the Road. Every one fent Men to his Affistance with all possible Expedition, to bring him off; but it prov'd in vain, the S. E. Wind rifing, and driving out so violently to Sea with the Tide, that no Boat could come up to the Ship; and the Boat belonging to the Count de Girardin was drove so far out of the Bay, that it could not return aboard its own Ship that Night; that of the Hunter was cast away, and had it not been for ours, the Men had been loft. At length, about Midnight, the Ship struck, and was stav'd in so short a time, that the Crew was fav'd with much Difficulty, at the Foot of the Castle; only three Men being drown'd, among whom was an Officer.

The next Morning we still saw the dismal Hull of the Ship lying on its Side, beaten by the Waves, which in twenty four Hours drove it all away in Shivers. It is easy to imagine, what dismal Research all Men made upon that fatal Spectacle; especially myself, who was making my first Essay of Navigation in a Voyage of two

Years at the least.

We had lain there twenty seven Days in almost con-Return to tinual foul Weather, the Wind not permitting us to put S. Malo. out to Sea, when Orders were brought us from our Owners \* to return to S. Malo, for fear of being surpriz'd \* The Broby some English Vessels, which were to attack us there, there Vincent of which they had receiv'd Advice. Accordingly we hamel return'd thither on Sunday the 20th of December, and continu'd there till the 6th of January of the ensuing Year 1712.

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Second Sailing from S. Malo. That Day, the Wind coming about to the East, we sail'd the second time from the Road of Rance; but no sooner were we out of the Mouth of the Road, than we were oblig'd to come to an Anchor, for fear of running, during the Night, upon the Rocks, near which Ships must pass to go into the Channel. The Wind was at N. N. E. and a rolling Sea made us pitch so violently, that the Cable snap'd as soon as the Anchor had taken hold. Thus were we oblig'd to go and anchor again at the Mouth of the Bay de la Frenaye, where we had an ill Night.

The next Morning we sail'd, to look for our Anchor, with the Mary, to which the like Accident had befallen; and she found hers, but ours was lost, because the Buoy was slipp'd away. Whilst we were looking for it, a Calm came upon us, and then we anchor'd a third time, a League and half from the Castle de la Latte, to wait till the Wind, which shifted every Moment,

would fix at some Point.

At Break of Day we would have fail'd out to Sea, but our Cable appearing to have been gnaw'd within thirty Foot of the Anchor, it was thought fit to cut it, and fetch another at the Town, and make good the Anchor we had loft; and therefore we drew near, making a Waft with our Colours. We made a Signal, by firing a Gun, that we wanted Assistance; and then return'd to anchor a fourth time since this second Coming out, under the Castle de la Latte. Immediately two Officers were sent away to setch what we wanted; which they did the next Morning.

We lay there eight Days longer, waiting for an East Wind, nothing worth noting befalling us. That time we spent in stowing the Ship, which being too heavy upwards, could not carry much Sail, as we had found by Experience the Day we came out the second time.



#### PART I.

## Containing the Passage from France to Chili.



T length, after having suffer'd much by the Weather, which was foul and contrary, the Wind came to E. by S. We immediately sail'd to pass thro' the great Channel between Rochedowvre and Guernsey, and by that Means to get into the Middle of the English Channel,

to avoid the Enemy's Privateers, who us'd to infest the Coast of Bretagne. We pass'd thro' successfully during the Night, having, about Ten, had a Sight of Roche-

douvre about a League to the S. W. of us.

Some Hours after, we discover'd, by the Moon Light, a Ship which observ'd us narrowly. We immediately put up our Fights, and made ready to engage, being persuaded that it was a Fersey Privateer; but he durst not attack us, and fell aftern, so that before Day we had lost Sight of him.

The three Days following we faw feveral others, of whom we got clear without fighting, by our good

working.

The East Wind, which blew very fresh, at length carry'd us out of the most dangerous Parts, and set us out of the Channel. In the Latitude of 40 Degrees we had a Gust of Wind astern, from the North and N. N. E. which would scarce permit us to carry our Mizzen reef'd. The Mary not being able to keep up with us, we were oblig'd to drive without any Sail; and in that Posture we ran near three Leagues an Hour.

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During that Time, we discover'd a small Ship, which we judg'd to be a Portugueze from the Island of Madera; but the Sea ran too high, and we had too much Business of our own, to go about to take Prizes. However, that Wind did us no other Harm, than breaking down our Lar-board Gallery; but on the contrary, caus'd us to make much Way. No sooner were we come into the Latitude of 32 Degrees, than we found a delightful Sea, and Trade-winds from the N. and N. E. which, without disturbing the Sea, drove us along with their agreeable Freshness, and caus'd us to rid much Way with

great Eale.

After a stormy dismal Scason, we enjoy'd the Plea-

fure of a fine Climate, and of fair ferene Days, when we discover'd Land, towards the Evening, bearing S.E. and by E. about 15 Leagues distant. It was a fresh Satisfaction to us, to know we were near the Island of Palma Illand. Palma; and more particularly to me, who, by my Reckoning, found myself at that Distance exactly; not that I ought to ascribe that Exactness to my own Skill, it being the Effect of Chance and of the Calculation of the two first Lieutenants, who took Care to keep the Account by the Log; but because the rest, who knew I had never learnt Navigation, nor been at Sea, could not be persuaded, that, with a little Help of the Mathematicks, a Man can do the same that those of the Profession do Mechanically, without being able to give any Geometrical Reason for the meanest of their Performances.

Remarks on the Log-line. It is true, that four or five Observations of the Sun's Meridian Altitude, set us very right; ever since our coming out, we found our selves, for the most part, less advanc'd than our Reckoning. I was of Opinion, that the said Error was occasion'd by the Division of the Log-line, to which our Navigators use to allow only 41 Foot and 8 Inches from Knot to Knot, for the third Part of a League, making the Sea League to contain

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15000 French Foot; wherein they are grosly mistaken, if a Degree contains 57060 Toises, or Fathoms, and the Sea League 2853 of those of the Chatelet at Paris, as the Gentlemen of the Academy measur'd it, by the King's Order, in the Year 1672; for, according to that Calculation, the League containing 17118 Foot, the Log-line ought to have, between every Knot, to answer the Half-minute Glass, 47 Foot, 6 Inches, and 7 Tenths. According to this Principle, the Knots being too short, I did not wonder that we made less Way than appear'd by our Reckoning; we could not but make one Ninth

and 11 Parts, that is, about one Tenth lefs.

I was confirm'd in this Opinion on the 31st of January, when, having run about 100 Leagues since the last Observation, I found eight Leagues and one Third too much in the Reckoning, and others found more; but in the Process of the Voyage, I was sensible of the Uncertainty of the Log, which Experience and good Sense are to correct, according to the Manner of Casting it, and the Inequality of the Wind, which rarely continues in the same Degree of Force during the Interval of two Hours that the Log is not cast. The Setting of Currents unknown, is still another Cause of Uncertainty; so that it often happen'd, that the Log-table answer'd exactly with the Latitude observ'd; and at other times it fell out, that instead of retrenching, they were fain to add to it.

There were some also, who relying on their Reckoning, question'd whether it was really Land that had been
seen on the Wednesday Evening; when on Thursday, the
4th of February, we again discover'd Land at E. and
by S. which was not question'd to be the Island Hierro, Hierrossand.
or Ferro, by the Latitude observ'd, and our Run from

the Island of Palma, which was very exact with the Distance between those two Islands.

Being sure of the Place we were in, we stood for the Islands of Cape Verde, with a gentle Gale at N. E. and N. N. E. which in three Days carry'd us to the Tropick, where

where the Calms began to make us fensible of extreme Heats. They lasted but three Days, being now and then mitigated by a little Freshness from the West to the South.

Flying Fishes. In those fine Climates we began to see Flying Fishes, which are as big as large Pilchards, or Herrings; their Wings are nothing but long Fins; they ferve them to fly no longer than they are wet. We often took some of them that fell into the Ship, or on the Chains; they are delicious and well tafted.

Dorado's.

The Enemies of these Fishes are the Dorado's, or Gilt-heads, who continually purfue them, and with fuch a Bait they are easily taken. They are so very greedy, that if a counterfeit Flying Fish be made with Linnen, or any fuch Thing, they fuffer themselves to be deceiv'd, tho' they bite at no other Bait. By that Means we took the first I ever faw, and I could never have done admiring their Beauty. On their Scales appears the brightest Lustre of Gold intermix'd with Shadowings of Azure, Green and Purple, than which nothing more beautiful can be imagin'd. The Tafte of their Flesh is not anfwerable to that Beauty, tho' it is good enough, but iomewhat dry.

Green Clouds.

My Inclination to Painting caus'd me to take Notice, under the Tropick, of some Clouds beautifully green at Sunfetting: I had never feen any thing like it in Europe, nor have I fince feen any of fo sprightly a delicate Colour.

In 21 Degrees, 21 Minutes Latitude, and 21 Degrees, 39 Minutes Longitude, West from the Meridian of Paris, we found the Sea very white, for the Space of five or fix Leagues; and casting the Lead, found no Bottom at 40 Fathoms; after which, the Sea recovering its usual Colour, we suppos'd we had pass'd over some shallow Place, which is not set down in the Charts.

For fome Days we had a little fresh Air at N. W. which is not usual in those Parts; after which, the North and N. N. E. Gales brought us into the Latitude of 17 Degrees,

Degrees, 40 Minutes, where we lay by a Night, know-

ing we were near the Islands of Cape Verde.

Accordingly, the next Day, being the 15th of Fe-Cape Verde bruary, we discover'd a very high Land cover'd with a Islands. Fog, and the next Day distinctly perceiv'd that it was the Mand of S. Nicolas, and afterwards the Island of S. Lucy, which bore S. S. W. from us.

We stood about to have Sea-room at Night, and hav- A light Sea. ing run eight Leagues N. E. and by E. we thought we faw Rocks by the Brightness of the Sea, which in those Parts glitters very much; that is, it is, during the Night, very light and sparkling, in case the Surface be never so little agitated by Fishes, or by Ships; so that the Ship's Way looks like Fire. I could scarce have believ'd this Effect of the Motion of the Sea-water, if I had not seen it, tho' I had before read the Accounts given of it by Physicians, particularly Robault, who also adds Reasons why it glitters more in hot Countries than elsewhere. However that is, we flood about, if I mistake not, on account of a Shoal of Fish, and ran 14 Leagues W. and by N. and about Three in the Afternoon, we perceiv'd, thro' the Mist, the Island of S. Lucy, to the Southward, about a League and half distant.

An Hour after, we discover'd that of S. Vincent, which we only knew by Guess, as well as the other Islands before-mention'd, because none of our Men had feen them on the North-side. Then it was that I became sensible of the Usefulness of the Draughts of Lands in the Latitudes where they are generally look'd for; Marks to however, this may be known by a low Land stretching know the Land out at the Foot of the high Mountains towards the N.W. by. next the Island of S. Anthony, and by a little Sugar-loaf Rock, which appears at the Mouth of the Bay, West of the Island, about two Cables Length from the Shore.

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Anchoring at the Island of S. Vincent, one of those of Cape Verde.

the Clock, enter'd the Channel between the two Islands of S. Vincent and S. Anthony, with a fresh Gale at N. N. W. and N. and ran along within Musket-shot of the little Rock to gain upon the Wind; it is very clean. At that Distance we found 27 Fathom Water: They say there is a Passage next the Land, and that it has 17 or 20 Fathom Water. In turning that little Island, Ships are expos'd to great Squawls or Gusts of Wind, which come down from the Mountain at N. E. Some Ships of Monsieur du Guay's Squadron lost their Roundtops there, and among them the Magnanimous, which was oblig'd to put in.

See Plate I.

At length we anchor'd in the Creek, in ten Fathom Water, the Bottom a fine Sand and Gravel, S. and by E. fomewhat Easterly of the little Island, and East of the Star-board Point going in. At the same time the Mary came

#### Plate II. Page 10. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Bay of the Island of S. Vincent, near the Coast of Africa, West of Cape Verde, in 16 Degrees 50 Minutes of Northern Latitude, facing the Island of S. Anthony.

Partie de l'Isle de S. Vincent, Part of the Island of S. Vincent.

Marais, A Marsh.

Bois, A Wood! Aigade, The Watering-place.

Anfe ou l'on va feiner, A Creek for fishing.

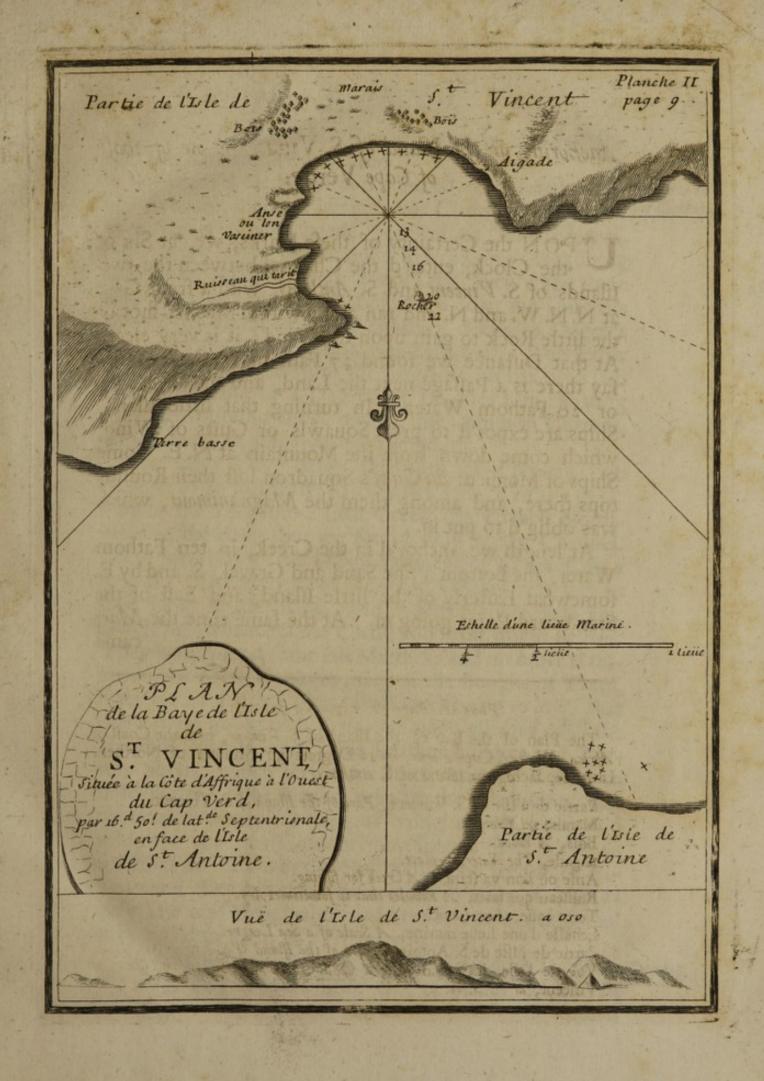
Ruisseau qui tarit, A Rivulet that is sometimes dry.

Terre basse, Low Land.

Echelle d'une lieue marine, A Scale of a Sea League.

Partie de l'Isle de S. Antoine, Part of the Island of S. Anthony.
Vue de l'Isle de S. Vincent, à O.S.O. A Prospect of the Island of

S. Vincent, at W. S. W.



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ter, the Bottom an owzy Sand.

We reach'd the Island of S. Vincent very exactly with Remarks on our Account, because in those fine Climates, where the the Reckening. Weather is always serene, we had an Observation almost every Day, which differ'd from our Reckoning five or six Minutes South every Day, even when there was a Calm; whence I conjectur'd, that the Currents carry'd us so far: On the contrary, from 19 Degrees Latitude, the Computation was before us. This Error might also proceed from the Log-line, as has been said before, because in a Day of 45 Leagues Run, abating four, I still found above one for the common Current,

which drove us fomewhat to the South.

The next Day, being the 16th of February, we thought to go and water in a Rivulet, which runs a great Part of the Year into a little Creek, the farthest Northward in the Bay; but we found only a dry Channel. Being furpriz'd at the Disappointment of so necessary a Recruit, a Detachment of Men and Officers was fent to feek fome in the Island, and whether there was any Dwelling, whence fome Cattle and Fruit might be had. They only found some salt Marshes, and no other Habitation but a few Cottages made of the Boughs of Trees, fitter for Beafts than Men, the Doors being so low, that there is no going into them but upon all four: All the Houshold-goods were some Leather Budgets and Tortois Shells, which ferv'd for Seats, and for Veffels to hold Water. The Blacks, who are the Inhabitants, had abandon'd them, for fear of being carry'd away and fold, tho' by our Colours they should have taken us for English. Two or three of them were seen stark-naked, and they hid themselves in the Woods as soon as they faw our Men, who could never come near, tho they call'd to them in a friendly manner.

At length, after long Search, at the South Point of Watering: the Bay, they found a little Gut of Water, which ran

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down from the Crags to the Sea: They dug to make it run the better, and gather enough Water to lade it up. Thus we made our Provision in two Days, tho' with Trouble enough to get it aboard, because the Sea is very rough there. This perfectly fresh Water was none of the best; but in seven or eight Days stunk so much, that it was a great Punishment to be obliged to drink it.

Whilst some water'd, others wooded, 200 Paces from the Watering-place. It was a fort of Tamarind, which

was easy enough to fell, and near the Shore.

S. Anthony Mand.

Wood.

We had put up English Colours, with the Pendant at the Main-mast, and had fir'd a Gun by way of Signal of Friendship, to induce the Inhabitants of the Island of S. Anthony, which is but two Leagues from thence, to come to us; but whether they mistrusted the Contrivance, or that the Fog obstructed their perceiving of us distinctly, they came not. We only saw a Fire, which feem'd to answer that made by our Waterers, in the Night, on the Shore. However, the S. Clement of S. Malo. with its Pink, having anchor'd at the same Place, was visited by the Inhabitants of S. Anthony, who for their Money brought them Beeves, Goats, Figs, Bananas, Lemons, and very fweet Wine. They fay there may be about 2000 Persons of both Sexes, and of all Colours and Conditions, in the Island; and that, above the Anchoring-place, there is a little Fort, with four Pieces of Cannon, in which there is a Portugueze Governor.

As for us, we had no other Refreshment than what we got by Fishing; whereof there is great Plenty in the Bay of S. Vincent, tho' there is only one Creek lying between two little Points towards the E.S. E. where the Sean can be us'd, because in other Places the Shore is rocky; but Amends may be made with the Hook, for there is an infinite Number of Fish, as Mullets, Rock-fish, Manchorans, Pilchards, Grunters, white-tooth Longbeaks, and a fort which have a Rat's Tail and round Spots all over them. Here is the Figure of one of those

Plate XI.

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we took, which was fix Foot long, and is very like the Petimbuaba of Brafil, mention'd in Margrave, p. 148. There are also sometimes taken Bourses, or Purses, a most beautiful sort of Fish, described in the Voyage of Monsieur de Gennes, by the Sieur Froger. In the Tortois Season, there are prodigious Numbers of them, as appears by the infinite Quantity of their Shells and Skeletons that lie along the Shore. The Inhabitants of the Island of S. Anthony come every Year to take and dry them, trading with, and feeding on them. In short, there are even great Numbers of Whales.

We could have wish'd to have found some Game to refresh us after our hard Fare at Sea, but there is scarce any in that Island; nor so much as a Beast, except wild Asses, and Goats on the Tops of the Mountains, hard to be come at; some few Pintados, and no other

Birds.

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Nor had we better Fortune as for Fruit, the Soil being so barren that it produces none; only in the Valleys there are little Tufts of Tamarind Trees, a few Cotton and Lemon Trees: However, I there saw some curious Plants, as the Tithymalus arborescens, or branch'd Spurge; Plants. the Abrotanum mas, or the Male Southernwood, of a most sweet Scent, and a beautiful Green; a yellow Flower, the Stem whereof has no Leaves; the Palma Christi, or Ricinus Americanus, by the Spaniards in Peru call'd Pillerilla; and they affirm, that the Leaf of it, apply'd to the Breasts of Nurses, brings Milk into them, and, apply'd to their Loins, draws it away; the Seed of it is exactly like the Indian Pine-apple Kernel; in Paraguay they make Oil of it; abundance of Housleek of leveral forts, some of which have thick round Leaves like an Hazel-nut; Coloquintida-apples; Limonium maritimum, very thick; Lavender without any Scent; Doggrais, Gc. we were to the Southward of the Line, the foolin Center

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Ambergrease. Near the little Island very good Ambergrease is found, and the Portugueze have fold it to some French Ships, and

among the rest to the S. Clement.

As no Refreshment was to be found in that Island, we fet fail to get some in that of S. Anthony; but the Wind blew too fresh at N. E. and the Sea ran too high to fend Boats; so that we set our Course to get out of the Channel that is form'd by those two Islands. In passing along, we perceiv'd the Anchoring-place towards the S. W.

Soon after we discover'd, farther on, Land at a great Distance, which we took for the Island Fuego, or Fogo; but the next Morning, after having run about 45 Leagues S. and by E. in the Night, we spy'd a Fire, and when it was full Day a very high Land, which bore from us N. E. and by E. about five Leagues distant, on the Top whereof there appear'd fome Smoak.

The Situation of that Land made us take it for the Island Brava, but the Smoak inclin'd us to fancy it was that of Fuego, or Fogo. If so, the Islands of Cape Verde must be wrong laid down in Vankeulen's Sea-Atlas,

which we follow'd.

However, we still made the Best of a good fresh Gale at N. E. which carry'd us within two Degrees of the Equinoctial, where we had two calm Days, with some little Air from W.S. W. to South; after which, a little Gale at S. S. E. having carry'd us on into 40 Minutes Latitude, and 23 Degrees 50 Minutes Longitude, from the Meridian of Paris, we tack'd, for fear of falling in too near the Coast of Brasil, where the Currents set to the N. W. We stood S. E. and by E. and the next Day, being the 5th of March, steering S. and by E. cut the

Pass the Line. Line with a small Gale at W. S. W. at 355 Degrees from Teneriff.

> The next Day, when it was no longer doubted that we were to the Southward of the Line, the foolish Ceremony

mony of Ducking at the Line, practis'd by all Nations, was not omitted.

The Persons to be so serv'd, are seas'd by the Wrists Ducking. to Ropes stretch'd fore and aft on the Quarter-deck for the Officers, and before the Mast for the Sailors; and after much Mummery and Monkey Tricks, they are let loose to be led one after another to the Main-mast, where they are made to swear on a Sea-chart, that they will do by others as is done by them, according to the Laws and Statutes of Navigation; then they pay to save being wetted, but always in vain, for the Captains themselves

are not quite spar'd.

The dead Calm, which afforded the Men Leisure to duck one another, expos'd us for four Days successively to excessive Heats, without advancing, during that time, above 20 Leagues in our Course, by the Help of some little shifting Air; but a little Gale at S.E. and E.S.E. by Degrees carry'd us from that scorching Climate, and into 16 Degrees of South Latitude, without any Squawls or Rain, the Weather holding clear and serene. The Wind coming to N.E. and then to N.W. brought us some Showers of Rain, cloudy Weather, and some Hours Calm, for three Days, till we came into 23 Degrees

and a half Latitude, and 36 of Longitude.

When we were between 21 and 22 Degrees of South Latitude, and 34 or 35 of Longitude, we saw abundance of Fowl, and believ'd we were not far from the Island of the Ascension. We cast the Lead without finding Ground, and had no Sight of it, nor of that of the Trinity, which, according to some Charts drawn by Hand, we should be near, in 25 Degrees and a half of South Latitude, where the Wind vary'd to the Southward with Intervals of Calm; but at length, being forwarded by a small Gale at S. S. E. N. E. and E. we in three Days arriv'd at the Island of S. Katharine, on the Coast of Brasil, exactly according to our Account, whereof these are the Particulars.

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Remarks on the Calculation.

The next Day after our Departure from S. Vincent, our Account was somewhat before us; the next Day. on the contrary, we outstripp'd it; but the 26th of February, after having taken an Observation in 5 Degrees 54 Minutes, we found ourselves 8 Leagues farther to the Southward than we imagin'd, tho' two Days before we had found 9 Degrees 45 Minutes by Observation. The Mistake still continu'd on the same side, with those Marks of Currents which are call'd Channels of Tides. till towards 9 Degrees South of 5 or 6 Minutes, according to the Extent of the Day's Run, without reckoning the Correction of the Log-line. From 9 to 13 Degrees there was less than from 13 to 17; and the Difference was the more confiderable, because we drew near Land, so that we found one Day we had fail'd 25 Leagues, when the Computation made but 16.

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It is plain, that these Errors were occasion'd by the Currents which set us to the Southward: Whether it be directly to the South, to the S. E. or to the S. W. cannot be positively known; but the most reasonable Conjecture, in my Opinion, is, that they must set to the S. W. or S. S. W. because they are so determin'd by the Position of the Coast of Brasil. This Experience reduces to a small Extent the Remark made by Voogt, who in his Waggoner, printed in Vankeulen, says, The Current on the Coast of Brasil, from March till July, sets violently along the Shore to the Northward; and from December till March, the South-current ceases; where if it be true as to the North-part of that Coast, it is not regular for the South-part from 10 Degrees of South Latitude, a little out at Sea.

It may nevertheless be objected against my Conjecture, that if the Currents did set S. W. they would carry the Ships that come from the South-Sea nearer to the Coast of Brasil; but Experience shews, that from Sibald's Islands, there is found an Error of 2 or 300 Leagues contrary to the Draught to that Coast, or the Island of

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Fernando de Noronha; therefore the Currents cannot set to the S. W.

To this I answer, 1. That the Currents which set along the Coast of Brasil, coming to meet the new Lands of Sibald's Islands and Staten Land, turn off to the Eastward, as several Ships have found by Experience; after which, they sometimes fall into another Channel of Currents, which sets to the Coast of Guinea. There needs no more than casting an Eye on the Charts of the Coasts of Africa and of South America, to be sensible of the Likelihood of this

Conjecture.

2. These Errors proceed from the Charts, as shall be said in its Place, and particularly those of Pieter Goos, which our Navigators make most use of. This Error of Position is not always perceiv'd upon making the Coasts of Brasil coming from Europe, because Ships are often carry'd thither by the Currents, as I have just now observ'd; and that not knowing whether their Bent is to the East or to the West, they often do not correct the Leagues, as we almost all of us did in our Voyage, following therein the Example of most of the Dutch; so that it is not to be wonder'd that we found those Charts good which they have made by their Journals.

Be that as it will, it is certain, that from the Island of S. Vincent to that of S. Katharine, we ran above 60 Leagues to the Southward, beyond our Computation, tho' we had an Observation almost every Day, and took our Precautions upon our Error; and yet notwithstanding all that, we arriv'd at the Island of S. Katharine the 31st of March, exactly with our Points on Pieter Goos's Chart, about ten Leagues more or less, one from another: Where it may be inferr'd, that if we had given way to the Westward, we had ran far in upon the Land, as has happen'd to most French Ships

bound for the South-Sea.

Tuesday, March the 3 oth, believing ourselves to be near Land, we sounded about Six in the Evening, and sound 90 Fathom Water, the Bottom Sand, Owze, and Shells;

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two Leagues and half more to the Westward we had ten Fathom less, and pass'd the Night, heaving the Lead

every two Hours, the same Depth and Bottom.

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At Break of Day we saw Land, being six Leagues West of our second Sounding: We soon knew the Island of Gal, by its Shape and some little white Spots which are taken for Ships at a Distance, and by little Rocks or Islands that are near it; and it then bore W. and by S. from us, about eight or nine Leagues distant. We heav'd the Lead, and sound 55 Fathom Water, the Bottom sine Sand, and owzy. At length we had an Observation, a League and half from that Island to S. and by E. and about three Leagues East from the North-point of S. Katharine's Island; the Latitude 27

See Plate MI. Degrees, 22 Minutes South. Thus it appear'd to us.

A League and half farther West, we found 20 Fathom Water, the Bottom owzy Sand, more gray than before: We continu'd heaving the Lead at equal Distances, the Depth of Water decreasing regularly, to six Fathom, the Bottom gray Owze, where we came to an Anchor, between the Island of S. Katharine and the Continent, the Island of Gal bearing N. E. and by E. about three Leagues distant, in a Line with the two most Northerly Points of S. Katharine, and the N. and by E. Point of the Continent.

## Touching at the Island of S. Katharine, on the Coast of Brasil.

THE next Day, being the first of April, the Captain sent our Boat and that of the Mary, with arm'd Crews, to find out a proper Place to water at, and the Dwellings of the Portugueze, to get some Refreshments. The Sieur Lestobec, second Captain, went at the same time in the Yawl, with three Officers, of which Number I was one, to discover whether there were no Ships of the Enemy at anchor in the Creek of Arazatiba, which is on the Continent, West of the South Point of the Island.

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At our first Approach, we found a very convenient Watering-place at a forfaken Dwelling, a Quarter of a League E. S. E. from the Ship. Being affur'd of that Comfort, we proceeded farther along a little Point of Land, where we found a House that had been abandon'd some Hours before, as we guess'd by the hot Ashes. It was very surprizing to us, by that Means, to perceive the Jealoufy of the Inhabitants.

Plate III. Page 18. described in English.

An exact Chart of the Island of S. Katharine, on the Coast of Brafil, in 27 Degrees, 30 Minutes, South Latitude.

A. Our Lady's Chappel.

B. Dwellings.

D. The Island of the Sick, or, according to others, the Three Kings.

C. Our watering Place Echelle d'une Lieue, A Scale of a Leagne.

Anse de Guarupa, The Greek of Guarupa. Ce renvoi est orienté comme le grand Plan, This Compartiment answers

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Coast of Brasil. R. de Patos, The River of Geefe.

R. de bonne Eau, River of good Water:

Marais où est la chasse aux Bœufs, The Marsh where they hunt Beeves, Port des Barques Portugailes, The Port for the Portugueze Barks.

Marais, A Marsh.

Anse de Arazatiba, The small Bay, or Creek of Arazatiba.

Isle Alvoredo, The Island Alvoredo. Islot Pleury, The little Floury Island. Islots, Small Islands.

Mouillage, Anchoring-place. Bon Port, A good Harbour.

Anse de Tujuca, ou Toujouqua, The little Bay, or Greek of Tujuca, er Toujouqua.

Goulet, The narrow Channel, or Passage. Isle aux Perroquets, The Island of Parrots. Isle de S. Catherine, S. Katharine's Island.

Point du Nord, The North Point.

I. de Gal, The Island of Gal.

Echelle de trois Lieues Marines, A Scale of three Sea-Leagues.

Nota que le partie du Nord, &c. Note, That the Northern Part from the narrow Channel, or Passage to the Island of Gal, was taken Geometrically, the rest by the Compass and Estimation.

Vue de la Partie du Nord de L'Ille de S. Catherine, A Prospect of the

Northern Part of the Island of S. Katharine.

tants, because we had made a Signal as Friends, which Captain Salvador had agreed on a Year before, with the Sieurs Roche and Besard, Captains of the Joyeux and the Lysidore, who had anchor'd at Arazatiba, being a white Pendant under an English one, at the Main-mast; but we had err'd in firing but one Gun instead of two. Besides, they were otherwise frighted by the News of the Taking of Rio de Janeiro, which Monfieur du Guay Trouin had lately posses'd himself of, and ransom'd, to revenge the Insolence of the Portugueze towards the French Prisoners of War, and their Commander Monsieur le Clerc. In short, as we were going to feek other Dwellings that had People in them, we faw three Men coming towards us in a Piragua, being fent by the Governor or Captain of the Mland, to desire us not to land at the Dwellings; that, having been discover'd to be French, the Women, in a Fright, were already fled to the Mountains; that, if we would do them no Harm, they would let us partake of the Provisions and Refreshments they had, as they had done to other French Ships which put in there before. We receiv'd those Messengers kindly, and sent them aboard our Ship in the Boat belonging to the Mary, attended by ours, which we quitted to go and view the Anchoring at Arazatiba, as has been faid.

Plate III.

See the Chart We first pass'd thro' a little Streight, about 200 Fathom of the Island, wide, form'd by the Island and the Continent, where there is but two Fathom and a half Water. Then we began to discover fine Dwellings on both Sides, to which we went not, because we had promis'd the Messengers not to go. We founded all the Way we went, but never found Water enough for a Vessel of six Guns. We coasted along several fine Creeks of the Island, till Night coming upon us, we were oblig'd to put in to Land. Chance led us into a little Creek, where we had the good Fortune to find Water, and a little Fish we took very seasonably, to which a sharp Appetite was the best Sawce in the World. There we spent the Night upon our Guard against the Tigers,

with which all those Woods swarm, and whose fresh Track we had newly feen on the Sand. At Break of Day, we still advanc'd half a League farther, to discover whether any Ship was at Anchor at Arazatiba, and faw none. One of our Officers, who had put in there two Years before, with Monsieur de Chabert, shew'd us a Point of low Land, where there are Herds of wild Bullocks; but we were not well provided to attempt that Sport, and yet we stood much in need of it, for there are none on the North-part of the Island; so that it would be much more advantageous to put into the South-part, if Ships were safe there; but when it blows hard at East, E.S.E. and S.E. there is Danger of being cast away, as happen'd to the S. Clement and his Pink, in 1712: They there lost their Boat, with 14 Men, and were themselves at the very Point of perishing, tho' there was no Wind, being only beaten by the dreadful Surge of the Sea. This Road is in about 27 Degrees 50 Minutes Latitude, West of the South-point of the Island of S. Katharine. To the Eastward of the little Flowry Island, is a Creek, in which there is very good Water, and little green Oysters, of a delicious Taste. At our Return, we fell into that little Creek, and two others more Northward, and went into an abandon'd Dwelling, where we loaded our Yawl with fweet Oranges, Lemons, and large Limes. Opposite to this, near the Continent, is a little Island, behind which is a small Port, where the Governor of the Mand generally keeps a Bark for the Use of the Inhabitants; but for the most part it only serves to carry on the Trade of Dry'd Fish, which they send to Lagoa and Rio de faneiro.

The Portugueze, who had seen us pass by with English Colours at our Yawl, without landing at their Dwellings, at our Return came to meet us in their Piragua's, to offer us Refreshments. We accepted of their Offers, and to oblige them, gave them Brandy, a Liquor they are very fond of, tho' they generally drink nothing but Water. At length, we got to our Ship about Midnight, where we

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found the Governor Emanuel Mansa, with some Portugueze, who had brought Refreshments. After having treated him handsomly aboard, he was saluted by way of Huzza.

His kind Reception fo far reconcil'd the Inhabitants, that every Day they brought us Piragua's full of Fowl, Tobacco and Fruit. While we were making that little Excursion in our Yawl, the Ship was wash'd and tallow'd; 18 Pieces of Cannon were put into the Hold to make it lie more foug in the Water, confidering the rough Parts we were to pass beyond the Southern Lands. We also brought it nearer to the Island of S. Katharine, for the more easy watering; and because the Tides are very sensible, tho' not very regular, or little known, and the Sea does not rife or fall above five or fix Foot, we moor'd E. N. E. and W.S. W. 200 Fathom from a little Island, which bore from us S. S. E. the Island of Gal bearing from us N. E. and by N. about four Leagues distant, half cover'd by the fecond Point of the Island of S. Katharine, which is the most Northerly. After we had very commodiously made good Wood and excellent Water, we waited some Days for the Beeves, which the Portugueze had sent for to Lagoa, 12 Leagues from the Mand: But on the 9th of April, perceiving they still demanded more Time to bring them, we thought it not convenient to lose more Time, because the Seafon was already somewhat advanc'd, to turn Cape Horn, a Place to be dreaded, for the contrary Winds and foul Weather there met with in Winter; therefore, the next Day, being Sunday, we put out to Sea. Before we proceed on our Voyage, it will be proper, in this Place, to fay something of the Island of S. Katharine.

## The Description of the Island of S. Katharine.

THE Island of S. Katharine stretches North and South, from 27 Degrees, 22 Minutes, to 27 Degrees, 50 Minutes. It is a continu'd Grove of Trees, which are all the Year green: There are no Places in it passable, besides what

what have been clear'd about the Dwellings; that is, 12 or 15 Spots scatter'd about here and there along the Shore, in the little Creeks facing the Continent. The Inhabitants settled on them are Portugueze, some European Fugitives, and a few Blacks: There are also some Indians, who come voluntarily to serve them, or taken in War.

Tho' they pay no Tribute to the King of Portugal, they are his Subjects, and obey the Governor or Captain he appoints to command them, if there be Occasion, against European Enemies, and the Indians of Brafil; with which last they are almost continually at War, so that they dare not go under 30 or 40 Men together, well arm'd, when they penetrate up the Continent, which is no less embarass'd with Forests than the Island. That Captain commonly commands but three Years, and is subordinate to the Governor of Lagoa, a small Town 12 Leagues distant from the Island to the S. S. W. He had at that Time 147 Whites within his District, some Indians and Free Blacks, Part whereof are dispers'd along the Shore of the Continent. Their usual Weapons are Hunting-hangers, Bows and Arrows, and Axes: They have but few Firelocks, and feldom any Powder; but they are sufficiently fortify'd by the Woods, which an infinite Quantity of Brambles of several Sorts render almost impenetrable; so that having always a fure Retreat, and but little Houshold-stuff to remove, they live easy, without any Fear of being robb'd of their Wealth.

In short, they are in such Want of all Conveniencies for Life, that none of those who brought us Provisions would be paid in Money, putting more Value upon a Bit of Linnen or Woollen-stuff to cover them, than on a Piece of Metal, which can neither maintain nor defend them against the Weather, being satisfy'd with a Shirt and Breeches for all Cloathing, the greatest Beaux adding a colour'd Vest and a Hat. Scarce any Man has Shooes or Stockings, yet they must cover their Legs when they go into the Woods; then the Skin of a Tiger's Leg is a Stocking ready made.

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Neither are they more dainty in their Food, than in their Apparel; a little Maize, or Indian Corn, some Potatoes, Fruit, Fish, and Game, being mostly Monkeys, fatisfies them. Those People, at first Sight, appear wretched; but they are, in Reality, happier than the Europeans; being unacquainted with the Curiofities and fuperfluous Conveniencies fo much fought after in Europe, they are fatisfy'd without thinking of them. They live in a Tranquillity which is not diffurb'd by Taxes, or the Inequality of Conditions: The Earth, of its own Accord, furnishes them with all Things necessary for Life; Wood and Leaves. Cotton and the Skins of Beafts, to cover themselves and lie on: They covet not that Magnificence of Lodgings, Houshold-stuff, and Equipage, which only stir up Ambition, and for some Time cherish Vanity, without making a Man ever the more happy. What is still more remarkable, is, that they are fenfible of their Happiness, when they see us feek for Plate with so much Fatigue. The only Thing they are to be pity'd for, is, their living in Ignorance: They are Christians it is true, but how are they instructed in their Religion, having only a Chaplain of Lagoa, who comes to fay Mass to them on the principal Festivals of the Year? However, they pay Tythe to the Church, which is the only Thing exacted from them.

In other respects, they enjoy a good Climate, and a very wholsome Air: They seldom have any other Distemper besides that they call Mal de Biche, which is a Pain in the Head, attended with a Tenesmus, or continual Desire of going to Stool without doing any thing; and they have a very simple Medicine for it, which they look upon as a Specifick, which is, to apply to the Fundament a little Lemon, or else a Plaister of Gun-powder dissolved in

Water.

They have also many Medicines of the Simples of the Country, to cure other Distempers that may seize them. Sassafras, the Wood so well known for its good Scent, and for its Vertue against Venereal Distempers, is so com-

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mon there, that we us'd to cut it to burn! The Guayacum, which is also us'd for the same Purposes, is not any scarcer. There is very fine Maiden-hair, and many Aromatick Plants, known by the Inhabitants for their Uses. The Fruit-trees there are excellent in their several Kinds: The Orange-trees are at least as good as in China: There are abundance of Lemon, Citron, Guayava, Cabbage, and Banana Trees; Sugar-canes, Melons, Water melons, Turnsoils, and the best Potatoes in the World.

There I first saw the Shrub that bears the Cotton; and, having been long desirous to see it, I drew one Branch, to

preserve the Idea of it.

## Of the Cotton.

THE Cotton-tree, or Shrub, which Botanists call Gos-See Plate IV. sipium, or Xilon arboreum, is a Shrub which seldom rises above ten or twelve Foot: Its large Leaves have sive Points, and are pretty like those of the great Maple, or the Sycomore; but the little ones, that is, those which are nearest the Fruit, have only three Points. Both of them are somewhat thick, and of a deep Green.

The Flowers would be like those of the Mallow call'd Paste-rose, if they were somewhat more open, and of the same Colour. They are supported by a green Cup, compos'd of three triangular jagg'd Leaves, which enclose them

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## Plate IV. Pag. 25. explain'd in English.

F. Ripe Cotton.

A. The great Leaf with five Points.
B. The little Leaf with three Points.
C. Flowers or Blossoms differently shewn:

D. The Cup of triangular Leaves. E. The Bud parting into four Cells.

G. A Seed cover'd with Cotton. H. A Seed stripp'd of the Cotton.

I. The Cell of one of the Tufts before it is ripe.

Note, That this Draught represents half the Bigness of the natural Size.

but very imperfectly: They are yellow at the top, and

streak'd with red below.

The Flower or Blossom is succeeded by a green Fruit like a Rose-bud, which, when full ripe, grows as big as a little Egg, and divides into three or four Cells, each of them fill'd up with between eight and twelve Seeds, almost as big as Pease, which are wrapp'd up in a filaminous or thready Substance, known by the Name of Cotton, which proceeds from all their Surface, grows white, and causes those Cells to open as it ripens, so that at last the Tusts of it break loose, and drop of themselves. The Seeds are then quite black, and full of an oily Substance of an indifferent good Taste, said to be very good against the Bloody-slux.

This Cotton-tree differs very much from that which they cultivate at Malta, and throughout the Levant, and which is only a little annual Plant; that is, it must be sown and renew'd every Year, for which Reason it is call'd Xilon berbaceum: Besides, its Leaves are roundish, and notch'd, and much about the Bigness of those of Mallows.

To part the Seeds from the Cotton, they have a little Instrument consisting of two Rowlers, as thick as a Finger, which turning contrary Ways, pinch the Cotton and draw it away by Degrees. The Seed, which is round and thick cannot pass between the Rowlers, so that it is stripp'd, and drops down as soon as the Cotton is pass'd thro'.

They say, those Cotton-trees are of the lesser Sort, because on the Continent there are some taller and thicker than our Oaks, which bear a Leaf like the former. They bear the Silk Cotton, which is very short; but it is a Sort

they call Houatte.

Dampier has drawn another Sort there is in Brafil, call'd Momou. This is what he fays of it: "The Flower or "Blossom is compos'd of little Filaments, almost as fine as "Hairs, three or four Inches long, and of a dark Red; but the Tops of them are of an Ash Colour: At the Bottom

Bottom of the Stem there are five Leaves narrow and

" fliff, fix Inches long.

In the Woods there are also Mahault, or Mangrove-Plants. trees, the Bark whereof confifting of very long Fibres, ferves to make Ropes of. There is a Tree very fingular for its Figure, which has given it the Name of the Flambeau, or Prickly-candle: Its Leaves are actually made like a Branch of four Candles; that is, the Bottom of it is a Cross rounded at the Angles: They grow like those of the Raquette, one out of another: They are from eight to fifteen Foot long, and produce a Fruit which much refembles a Fig, or green Walnut. There are abundance of them in Peru, being fix-fided, as Father du Tertre has reprefented them in his History of the Caribbee Islands. The Manzanilla Tree is somewhat more rare there: It is one of the most venomous Trees that are known, producing an Apple beautiful to the Eye, which is Poison. From its Bark proceeds a fort of Milk, whose Venom Seamen have often Experience of: If in cutting of Wood to burn, they happen to light upon this, and that the faid Milk flies on their Faces, or that they handle the Wood, immediately the Part swells, and pains them for several Days. When the Manzanilla's drop into the Sea, and the Fishes eat them, their Teeth turn yellow and they become poisonous.

The Fishery is plentiful in many little Creeks of the Fishery. Island, and of the Continent, where there is Conveniency for casting a Net. We there took Fishes from four to five Foot long, very delicious, somewhat shaped like Carps, whose Scales were larger than a Crown Piece. Some have them round, and they are call'd Mero's; others have them square, and are call'd Salemera's in Portugueze, and Piraguera's by the Indians. There is a smaller Sort call'd Quiareo, which have a Bone in the Head exactly like a great Bean; not to mention an infinite Number of Mullets, Carangue's, Machorans, Rock-fish, Grunters, Gurnets,

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Sword-fish. Plate XVII.

We one Day took there a Sword-fish, which is a very singular Sort, having on its Head a flat Bone full of Points on both Sides, which ferves to defend it against the Whales, as we once faw on the Coast of Chili; and it has another thing peculiar, which is, a Humane Mouth and another Humane Opening.

Sea-borfe. Plate XVII.

Tho' the Sea-horse be sufficiently known in Europe, There insert the Figure of one I took with a Hook, drawn from its natural Bulk.

Games.

Game is no less plentiful than the Fishery; but the Woods are of such difficult Access, that it is almost impossible to purfue it into them, and to find it when kill'd. The most common Birds are the Parrots, very good to eat: They always fly by two and two, very near one another. A Sort of Pheasants, call'd Giacotins, but not so delicious to the Taste. Ouara's, a Sort of Fishers, all red, of a beautiful Colour: Others smaller, of a most agreeable Mixture of the liveliest Colours, call'd Saiguida's. There is also a very peculiar Bird, that has a large Beak, more beautiful than Tortois-shell, and a Feather instead of a Tongue: It is the Toucan, describ'd by Froger, and by Father Feiillee, p. 428. The common Game of the Inhabitants, is the Monkey, on which they feed for the most part: But the best of all for Ships that put in, is the Hunting of Beeves, whereof there are great Numbers on the Continent, near Arazatiba, as has been said before.

Seven Leagues to the Northward of the Island of S. Ratharine, there is a Creek, where the Portugueze generally keep them, and whither the Boat of the S. Clement went See Plate III. for them. Near to it, is the Port of Guarupa, which the fame Boat discover'd, shelter'd from all Winds, as may be feen by the Plan which was given me. It is hard to be known, because without, it only looks like a great Creek, at the End whereof, is the little Mouth of the Harbour. We not knowing where to find Beeves, and the Portugueze, who, as they faid, had fent for them to Lagoa, staying too long, we sail'd, as has been said, on Sunday

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the 10th of April; but the Wind would not permit us to get out, so that we were oblig'd to come to an Anchor again, almost in the same Place where we were at first.

We succeeded no better the next Day, making several. Trips between the Island and the Continent, still founding, and found much the same Water. We view'd very near a little Creek on the Starboard-fide coming in, where there is good Anchorage in five or fix Fathom Water, under Shelter from all Winds, and a little River of good Water, commodious for Ships that anchor near the first little Island, which is on the Larboard coming in, in a fandy Creek of the Island of S. Katharine, call'd, on the Plan, Islot aux Perroquets, or, The little Island of Parrots. In tacking, we discover'd the great Creek of Toujouqua, into which a great River falls: The Mouth of the Creek feems narrow, and, on the South-side of it, there are flat Rocks. Not being able to get out of the Channel, we were oblig'd to come to an Anchor S. W. and by S. of the Island of Gal, about a League and half distant, and W. N. W. of the first Point of the Island of S. Katharine, at half a League Distance.

At length, on Tuesday the 12th, we got out, with a Departure fresh Gale at North, and N. N. E. which came about to from the S. W. and grew calm. The Winds vary'd almost continu-Island of ally, till the Latitude of 40 Degrees, where the fresh North S. Katharines and N. E. brought on such a thick Fog, that we were oblig'd, even in the Day-time, to fire Guns every now and then, to keep the Mary near us. A Calm, interrupted by a small Gale at N. N. E. and S. E. succeeded, and the

Fog fell again in 43 Degrees and a half.

In this Latitude, and that of Cape Blanc, being 46 Degrees, we saw abundance of Whales, and of new Birds like Pigeons, their Plumage mix'd white and black, very regularly; for which Reason our Sailors call them Da-Damiers, miers, that is, Chequers, or Draught-boards; and the Spaniards, Pardela's. They have long Beaks somewhat hook'd, and in the Middle of them two Holes for Nostrils; their Tails spread, look like Furbelo-Scarves of Second-mourning.

Error in the Charts.

Being always upon our Guard against the Currents, and the Errors in the Dutch Charts, which place Cape Blanc four Degrees more to the Westward than it really is, as has been observ'd by all the Ships that have put into S. Katharine, whence they have taken their Point, we began to found at 43 Degrees, 30 Minutes Latitude, and, according to my Computation, 52 Degrees, 33 Minutes Longitude, finding no Bottom; but in 46 Degrees, 50 Minutes Latitude, and 58 Degrees, 8 Minutes Longitude, we found 85 Fathom Water, the Bottom gray Sand mix'd with reddish. I reckon'd we were then 50 Leagues from Cape Blanc, by a Manuscript Chart of Grifon, Master of Navigation of S. Malo; that is, 321 Degrees, 52 Minutes Longitude, from the Meridian of the Island Ferro or Hierro; or 323 Degrees, 32 Minutes, from that of Teneriff; which agreed well enough with the Soundings of some Ships which had feen that Cape. Whence it may be concluded, that, without regard to its exact Longitude, it is wrong laid down with respect to that of S. Katharine. It has been effectually observ'd, that the Desart Coast, or of the Patagons, does not lie S. W. and S. W. and by W. as we fee it in the Charts, but S. W. and by S. and S. S. W. which has brought many Ships into Danger. About 13 Leagues to the S. W. beyond our first Sounding, we found 75 Fathom Water; four Leagues farther on, still holding the same Course, we had 70, then 66, the Bottom still the fame, as far as 49 Degrees and a half Latitude, where, in 75 Fathom, it was mix'd with Gravel, Owze, broken Shells, and little black and yellow Stones. In 50 Degrees, 20 Minutes, the Sand grows a little blackish, 60 and 65 Fathom Water. Still standing S. W. within some small Difference to the South, or West, in order insensibly to draw near the Coast at 52 Degrees, 30 Minutes Latitude, and 65 Degrees, 45 Minutes Longitude, the Sand was gray, mix'd with little black and reddish Stones, in 55 Fathom Water. The Night between the 5th and 6th of May, we lay by, for Fear of ranging too near the Land, and

and with good Reason; for the next Morning we found the Sea much chang'd, and about the Evening we disco-Arrival at ver'd a Low-land very plain, and five or six Hillocks like the Island of Islands, which bore W. S. W. nine or ten Leagues distant. Tierra del Some took it for Cape Virgins, on the Credit of Journals, which place it in 52 Degrees, 30 Minutes, tho' it be more to the Northward in the Charts; but that Opinion did not answer our last Observation of Latitude. It is much more likely that it was the Cape of the Holy Ghost in Tierra del Fuego. We heav'd the Lead, and found 36 Fathom Water, the Bottom a black Sand, mix'd with little Stones of the same Colour.

The next Day, being the 7th, we distinctly saw Tierra del Fuego, which we coasted along, at sour or sive Leagues Distance. It is indifferent high, craggy in Precipices along the Shore, and appears wooded in Tusts: Over that sirst Coast appear high Mountains, almost ever cover'd with Snow. The Bearing of that Coast of the Island Fuego, may be ascertain'd to N. W. and by N. and S. E. and by S. in respect of the World, from the Streight of Magellan to that of le Maire, correcting a Half Rumb, or 23 Degrees of Variation N. E.

Having traced Tierra del Fuego till within five or fix Leagues of Streight le Maire, we lay by, about four Leagues out at Sea, during the Night, in order to pass it the next Day. We had there 40 Fathom Water, the Bottom large clean Sand, as in Roads. That Night we felt heavy Blasts at S. W. by Squawls, or Gusts, which brought us Snow and Sleet from the Mountains up the Country: However, we fell off but little, a certain Sign that the Current was not violent, or that it set towards the Wind, which is not very likely, by Reason of the opposite Bearing of the Coast.

Sunday the 8th of May, we fail'd for the Streight of Streight le le Maire, and easily knew it by three uniform Hills, call'd Maire diftere Brothers, contiguous to one another, in Tierra del Fuego, over which, there appears an high Sugar-loaf

Mountain

Mountain cover'd with Snow, lying farther up the

Country.

Plate V.

About a League to the East of those Hills appears Cape S. Vincent, being a very low Land; then a second little Cape call'd Cape S. James; tho' I have Reason to believe, that Cape S. Vincent is much more to the North; and that the Cape to which they have given that Name, is Cape S. James, grounding this my Opinion on very ancient Spanish Manuscript Charts, perhaps taken from the Disco-

very of the Nodales.

When bearing N. N. W. and North from those little low Capes, as we drew near, we discover'd Streight le Maire (which they cover'd with Staten-land) opening by little and little, till at length, being three Quarters of a League East from the first of them, all the Opening appears. This Remark is necessary, to make fure of the Streight; because many Ships, and lastly, the Incarnation and the Concord, thought to have gone thro' there, tho' they were to the Eastward of Staten-land, and they only faw it on the West-side, being deceiv'd by the three Hills like the Three Brothers, and some Creeks like those of Tierra del Fuego.

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No sooner were we got to the Eastward of Cape S. Vinthe Streight, cent, than we found a strong and rapid Tide, as it were in a Torrent, which made us pitch so violently, that the Boltsprit-Topsail dipp'd in the Water; but having been inform'd of the Course of the Tide, which is six Hours, or fix and a half, we had taken the Time that it might favour us, and ranged along the Coast of Tierra del Fuego, within a League and a Quarter of it at farthest. We enter'd fuccessfully with the Flood, which runs rapidly to the Southward, and divides itself into two Currents; one of which takes along the Streight, which is but fix or feven Leagues wide; and the other fets along Staten-land to the Eastward.

About the Middle of the Streight is Port Maurice, a little Creek, about half a League wide, at the Bottom whereof,

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on the North-side, is a little River, where very good Water

may be had, and easy Wooding.

Next to this, a Quarter of a League more to the Southward, is a Bay about a Quarter of a League wide, and much deeper, which some take for Port Good Success, and others for Valentine's Bay, where there is Conveniency of Wood and Water, and even of a white and light Wood,

whereof Top-masts might be made.

It is likely, that the Port of Good-Success ought to be the first Creek going out, after having turn'd Cape Gonzales, or of Good-Success. The Name itself seems to decide the Question that might be made, about the Situation of Valentine's Bay and this; because it was really good Success for the Nodales, who made the Discovery, that they had pass'd Streight le Maire, and found beyond it a good Bay, where they might anchor in Sasety. Be it as it will with the Name, several Ships, and lastly, the Queen of Spain, commanded by Brunet, put in there on the 6th of November, 1712, and anchor'd at the Mouth, in ten Fathom Water, an owzy Bottom: He water'd there in a little River

Plate V. p. 33. explain'd in English.

Streight le Maire, At the Extremity of South America, between Tierra del Fuego and Staten-Land, in 55 Degrees, 45 Minutes of South-Latitude. Echelle de cinque Lieues Marines, A Scale of five Sea-Leagues.

Route, The Ship's Way.

Cap Gonzales, ou de Bon succés, Cape Gonzales, or of Good-Success.

Baye Valentin, Valentine's Bay.

Partie de l'Îsle ou Terre des Estats, Part of the Island of Staten-Land. Partie de l'Îsle ou Terre du Feu, Part of the Island of Tierra del Fuego. Baye de Bon succés, The Bay of Good Success.

Nord de l'aimant declinant au N. E. de 24 deg. The North-Point of the Compass inclining 24 Degrees Eastward.

Autre vue plus pres, Another nearer View.

A, A Sugar-Loaf Hill up the Country.

1, 2, 3, Three Hills call'd the Three Brothers.

Vue de reconnoissance du detroit de Maire, The View or Prospect by which to know Streight le Maire.

Levé à la Bussole & par estime, 8 May, 1712, Frezier; Taken by the Compass and by Estimation, May the 8th, 1712, Frezier.

on the Starboard-side within; it look'd a little reddish, but became clear and good. They also wooded there, and faw fome Trees fit to make Top-masts. The Savages who came to fee, did them no Harm: They are quite naked, tho' in a very cold Country. Some of them cover their Privities with the Skin of a Bird, and others their Backs with that of some Beast, as Froger represents those of Magellan's Streights: They are almost as white as the Europeans. The S. John Baptist, commanded by the Sieur de Villemarin, of S. Malo, reports the same of those they saw in Streight le Maire, in May, 1713. Being becalm'd in the Middle of the Streight, and the Tide having drove him very near the Land, two Piragua's of Savages from Tierra del Fuego. came aboard: They shew'd a strange Affection for any red Thing, and at the same Time an extraordinary Boldnefs; for the first of them that came up, spying a red Cap on the Head of an Officer, who came to receive him, fnatch'd it off daringly, and put it on his Arm; another feeing the red Comb of the Fowl, tore it off to carry away; they would have taken away an Officer's red Breeches in the Boat: In short, they appear'd robust, better shaped than the Indians of Chili: The Women they had with them, handsomer, and all of them great Thieves. Their Piragua's were made of the Barks of Trees, few'd together very artificially. They defpis'd all that was offer'd them to eat, and shew'd great Dread of the Cannon, near which they made Grimaces like Men in a Fright; it is likely, because they had seen some Ships fire, that put in. In short, one of Brunet's Officers told me, that he having shot a Sea-Gull with his Piece, the Savages all fell down in a Fright.

About Noon, being to the Eastward of Valentine's Bay, the Tide turn'd against us, and we could not stem it with a good Gale at S.W. which afterwards grew boisterous, with such dreadful Squawls and Gusts, that they brought the Gunwale to, under two Courses reef'd; yet it was requisite to carry more Sail to turn Cape S. Bartholomew,

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which is the Southermost of Staten-Land. We stood S. S. E. by the Compass, and yet our Course was scarce E. and by S. the violent Stream of Ebb carrying us away, as it fets along the South-Side of Staten-Land, and returns that Way into Streight le Maire. At length we turn'd that Cape, and at the Close of the Night it bore N. W. from us, about two Leagues distant; but the Weather growing rempestuous, we were oblig'd to lie by, under a Mainfail back'd and reef'd, in great Fear for our Lives, knowing we were so near Land, and to the Windward of it. Then the most Undaunted took up serious Thoughts; for it may be faid, we only expected the Moment we should be drove on the Coast, in a dark Night, and dreadful Weather, without any Hope of being able to help ourselves. The Charts threatned inevitable Shipwreck; but, to our Happiness, Staten-Land on the South-Side, does not bear E. S. E. and W. N. W. as laid down in the Charts, but lies E. and W. in respect to the Globe, and inclines a little to the North, near Cape S. Bartholomew, as we had obferv'd before Night. In short, lying by, we must have fallen off E. and by S. in respect of the Globe, and accordingly should have inevitably perish'd.

To this might be answer'd, that the same Current which carry'd us along the Coast of Staten-Land, might hinder our driving so much to N. E. as we should otherwise have done, because it must run as the Coast does, near the Land, and keep us at the same Distance. This Opinion would be probable, if other Ships had not better than we, observ'd the Position we speak of. Besides, it is evident that we drove very much to the East; for about Nine in the Morning, the Weather clearing up a little, we saw no more Land, tho' we could not be above two Leagues South, or S. E. from it at most, if it extends 13 or 14 Leagues from the Streight, as those who have coasted it,

affure us.

Whilst we were beginning to chear up and rejoyce for having escap'd being wreck'd, we were under much Un-

Accident befallen the Mary. easiness for the Mary, which we had left, at the Close of the Night, to the Leeward of us, and fallen off within about a League of the Coast; but our Joy was complete, when we espy'd her again the next Morning. She had suffer'd by the soul Weather; her Whipstaff had been broke, and her Beak-head shatter'd. A Calm succeeding, after that horrid Tempest, we had the Opportunity of sending Carpenters aboard her, to put her into a Condition to endure the Beating of the Sea, of which she had, till then felt but a small Trial

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The Wind afterwards coming from N. N. W. to N. N. E. North about, a fresh Gale, we, in 24 Hours, recover'd Part of the Way we had lost lying by. From 43 Degrees and a half, to 57, we had had no Easterly Winds, and scarce any fair Days, but changeable and foggy Days, the Winds still ranging from North to South, West about, blowing fresh, excepting from 46 Degrees to 50, where we had two Days of gentle Wind. This Blast at N. N. E. was the more agreeable to us, because we did not expect any from thence; and it carry'd us from a Place where we had been in great Danger.

That good Wind started to S. E. in a violent manner, and obliged us to lie by some Hours; but it fell a little, and we took the Advantage of it for 24 Hours, well enough satisfy'd to endure the vehement Cold it brought, and the Tossing of a dreadful Sea, which still carry'd us on in our Course. It soon came back to South, and S. S. W. so violent, that we could scarce carry our two Courses

reef'd.

May the 14th, being in 58 Degrees, 5 Minutes Latitude, and 64, or 61 of Longitude, we lost Sight of the Mary. We fancy'd she had tack'd to stand Westward; we tack'd an Hour after, in Quest of her, but in vain: We saw her no more till we came to La Conception.

The 17th, the Wind being at S. W. we stood, during the Night, S. E. and by S. for sear of falling in upon Barnevelt's Islands, which some Manuscript Charts place

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in 57 Degrees Latitude, because the Fog, the high Wind, and the rolling Sea, would not have permitted us to recover it, if we had fallen to the Leeward: 24 Hours after, the Wind came more to the Southward, and we bore

away N.W.

We reckon'd ourselves in 57 Degrees and a half Latitude, Anen Meand 69, or 66 of Longitude, when the Wind blowing teor. hard, and the Weather being foggy, about half an Hour after One in the Morning, the Starboard Watch saw a Meteor unknown to the oldest Sailors aboard; being a Light differing from that of the Ancients, call'd Castor and Pollux, and from Lightning; which lasted about half a Minute, and gave some little Heat. That unusual Appearance in the cold Weather, and a high Wind, scared most of the Men, who shut their Eyes; and they speak of it only as a Flash of Lightning, the Brightness whereof appear'd even thro' the Eye-lids; the others, who were more bold, affirm'd they had seen a Ball or Globe of a bluish Light, and very bright, about three Foot Diameter, which vanish'd among the Main-Top-Mast Stays.

All the Men look'd upon it to presage a Storm: I did not like that Prophecy, the Weather was bad enough to sear worse; for, besides that, it was cold, and the Sea ran Mountain-high: We had Wind a-head, which obliged us to tack every Moment, without gaining any thing in Longitude. However, the three next Days did not prove worse: The 4th, we lay by some Hours reef'd; but the Wind, which had vary'd from West to S. S. W. being come about to N. W. the Weather grew mild and clear'd up a little. The 23d and 24th, we got out of 59 Degrees, 58 Minutes Latitude, where we had stuck a long Time. The 25th, we were oblig'd to lie by some Hours,

and the 26th were becalm'd.

I began then to flatter myself with the Hopes, that we should soon be out of those dreadful Parts, because we reckon'd we were pass'd the Longitude of Cape Horn nine or ten Degrees, that is, near 200 Leagues, when there

there came up fuch a violent Wind at N. W. and W. N. W. and fuch a dreadful Sea, that we were obliged to strike our Mizzen-Yard and Top-Mast to the very utmost. Being difgusted and tired with such a long Voyage, it griev'd me to the Heart that I had expos'd myself to such Hardships. being not only sensible of the present Evils, but in Fear for what was to come, if, as had hapned to feveral other Ships, we should be obliged to return and winter in the River of Plate, dreadful for its bad Anchorage, the Gusts of Wind, the Sand-Banks, and the Shipwrecks forne of our Officers had been in. I compared the easy Life of the most wretched Persons ashore, with that of a Man of some Consideration aboard a Ship in a Storm; the fine Weather we had in Europe about the 27th of May, with those dark Days, which were not above fix Hours long, and afforded us no more Light than a fine Moonshine-Night; the Beauty of the Fields adorn'd with Flowers, with the Horror of the Waves that swell'd up like Mountains; the sweet Repose a Man enjoys on a green Turf, with the Agitation and perpetual Shocks of so violent a Rolling, that unless a Man grasped something that was well made fast, there was no standing, sitting or lying; which had held us for near a Month, without Intermission: All this, added to the Remembrance of the terrible Night at Streight le Maire, did so dispirit me, that I was overcome with Grief, and then bethought myself of the Complaints of Europa, Horace, L. 3. Ode 27. 6 Sat. 6. L. 2.

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Carpere flores?

O Rus! quando ego te aspiciam? quandoque licebit
Nunc veterum libris, nunc somno, & inertibus horis
Ducere sollicita jucunda oblivia vita?

It was our good Fortune that the Storm lasted but 24 Hours; after which, a N. W. Wind coming up by the West,

West, and then a South to E. S. E. a fresh Gale, which is rare in those Parts, we got into 51 Degrees Latitude, and 84, or 82 of Longitude, according to our Computation; so that we could make Use of the S. W. and S. S. W. Winds, which are there most frequent. Three fair Days gave us Leisure to breathe after so much Trouble. The last of them, being the 2d of June, we saw, at our Larboard Watch, at Two of the Clock in the Morning, a Light run A Meteors from our Mizzen-Pendant to the Main-Stay, where it vanish'd in a Moment.

The next Day, the Wind, which had shifted about from S. E. to N. E. by the South and West, after having blown violently at E. N. E. quite flatted there to a Calm, the Sea running very high, and then for three Days more took a different Turn, from North to South by the East, sometimes a fresh Gale, and sometimes a gentle Blast, and ceas'd at S. and by W. in about 45 Degrees Latitude, in a Calm, the Sea very rough. In fine, after having for two Days bore up against a strong Surge of the Sea coming from the North, by the Help of the East and South Winds, we came into 40 Degrees, 40 Minutes Latitude, where we were much furpriz'd to fee Land 50 Leagues sooner than we Land unexexpected, according to the Manuscript Chart of S. Malo, pettedly difwhich we had found better than the Dutch, as far as cover'd. Streight le Maire. In short, having found that Pieter Goos thrust back the Coast of the Patagons 60 Leagues too far Westward, in respect to Brasil, we had laid it aside; yet, according to his Longitude, we here came upon the Land very exactly with our Ship.

The Manuscript Charts I have here spoken of, have been Remarks on corrected on the Side of Cape Blane, and of Streight the Computate le Maire, by the Journals of the S. Malo Ships, that have tion. sail'd into the South-Sea; all which agree well enough about the Longitude of them both. I know not whether this general Agreement may form a certain Opinion, for there are visible Currents all along the Coast. From 32 to 35 Degrees Latitude, we advanc'd a little less than our

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Computation: That might be occasion'd by an Error in the Log; but, on the other hand, from 37 to 41, we advanced more to the Southward by fix or feven Leagues in 50; and three Days after, 16 Leagues and a half in a Computation of 70, that is, about a Quarter, afterwards diminishing; fo that in about 49 Degrees, 50 Minutes, the Observations agreed very well with the Computation to Streight le Maire, which I found in the Longitude of 61 Degrees, 35 Minutes, answering to the 318 Degrees, 25 Minutes from the Island of Hierro, or Ferro, or 316 Degrees, 40 Minutes from the Meridian of Teneriff. From thence, I question whether the Charts could be corrected with good Reason, as to the Longitude of Cape Horn and the Coast of Chili; for the Ships that have ranged the same, affure us, they found Currents that drove them to the Eastward, at the same Time that they reckoned they had gain'd Ground to the Westward. Hence proceeds that Difference among the Sea-Charts, which allow 100 Leagues from the Streight to Cape Horn; whereas those that are Manuscript, allow only 40 or 50. This is very certain, that it is but in 55 Degrees, 50 Minutes Latitude, or 56 Degrees at the utmost; tho' in all the printed Sea-Charts it is laid down in 57 and a half, or 58 Degrees. As to the Distance between that Cape and the Coast of Chili, it is still less known, because few Ships have ranged the Coast of Tierra del Fuego on that Side. Prudence will not permit any to expose themselves to it, because the Winds generally come up from S.S.W. to West, so strong, that they might force them on the Coast. However, there is a Channel by which they might escape into the Streight of Magellan. That Channel was accidentally discover'd on the 25th of May, 1713, by the Tartane S. Barbe, as shall be faid in another Place.

According to the Astronomical Observation of Father Feüillee, who places La Conception in 75 Degrees, 32 Minutes,
30 Seconds Longitude, that is, 25 Leagues more Westerly
than the Manuscript corrected Charts, supposing that of
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Streight le Maire, as I have mention'd it before, and 35 Leagues farther East than those of Pieter Goos, our Error was but of about 30 Leagues. It is certain, as has been faid, that the Night we came out of that Streight, we fell off confiderably to the Eastward, not only because the next Day we had no Sight of Land, but also because we found ourselves eight Minutes more to the North, upon a Computation of ten or twelve Leagues. Two Days after, in about 57 Degrees, 26 Minutes Latitude, we, on the other hand, found ourselves 22 Minutes more South, upon a Run of 70 Leagues. Afterwards, we were not fenfible of the Currents for a long Time; for, after having been feven Days without an Observation, almost continually in foul Weather, tacking, lying-by, and running 80 greater Leagues in Longitude, we in 59 Degrees, 20 Minutes, found no Difference; and scarce any, three Days after, in 55 Degrees, 40 Minutes: But not having feen the Sun in eight Days, we found ourselves 27 Minutes more to the Southward than our Computation. This was in 53 Degrees, 6 Minutes Latitude, and perhaps 84, or 82 of Longitude.

According to this Error and the former, there feems to Conjecture abe Reason to conjecture, that there are two formal Cur-bout Currents.

rents, the one along the South-Sea, and the other along the North-Sea. This last must set from S. Katharine to Tierra del Fuego, S. S. W. and from the Streight S. E. and E. S. E. being determin'd to that Coast by the Coast of the Patagons, afterwards by the new Land of Sibald's Islands, and that of Tierra del Fuego and Staten-Land. That in the South-Sea must pretty near follow the Bearing of the Land, from Cape Pillars to Cape Horn, and from thence turn off East and E. N. E. along Barnevelt's Islands and Staten-Land, as Experience has shew'd us. It also follows, that there must be some little Current drawn by that of the Land's End, in the South Part of Chili, which likewise is agreeable to Experience; for when we made Land, we were still 20 Minutes South of our Computation.

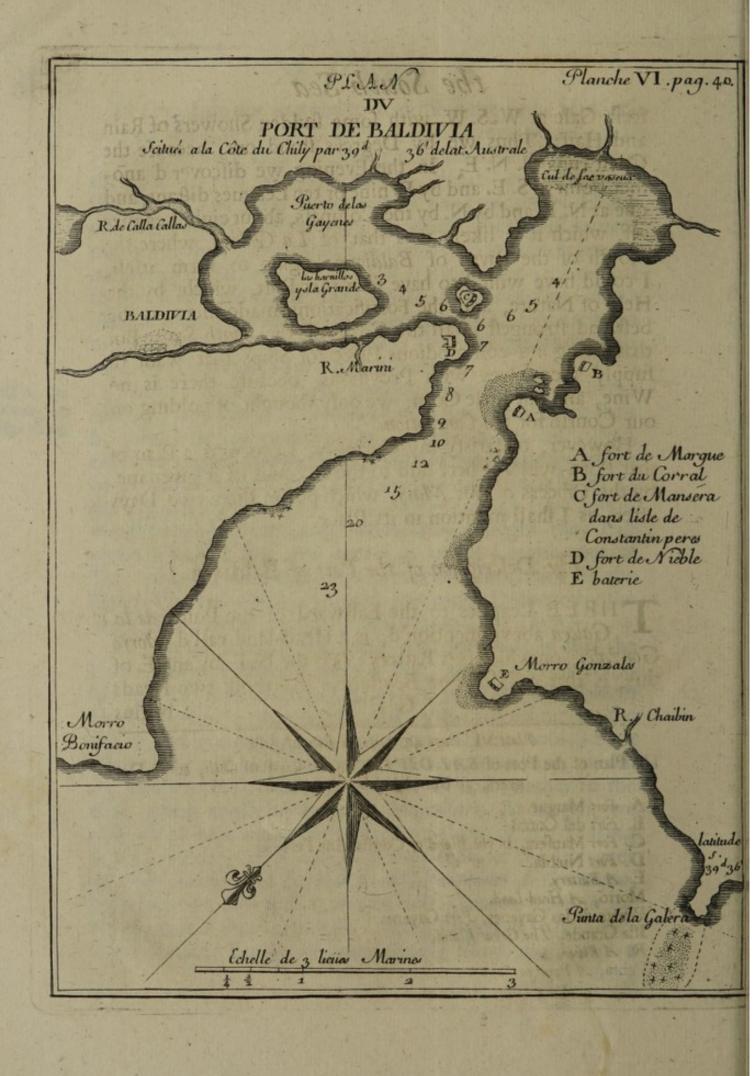
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In fine, I do not pretend to determine the particular Setting of the Currents: They are not always of an equal Force, and near Land; fome particular Cause may alter them, as is easy to comprehend. What I can affirm, is, that near Cape Horn they must set towards the N. E. for our Mary sound herself upon the Island of Diego Ramirez, not only when she reckoned herself 40 Leagues from it, according to Pieter Goos, where it is thrust back 30 Leagues to the Westward farther than where the Manuscript Charts place it; but even when she reckoned herself two Degrees more to the South, tho' perhaps she was mistaken, and took the Barnevelt's for Diego Ramirez.

Advice for turning of Cape Horn. Thus every Ship which, coming from the East, designs to turn Cape Horn, is always to take one Half more than he thinks he has occasion for, of the South and West, either in regard that the Winds are always Westerly, or to be provided against the Currents that may set it back, as has actually happen'd to several Ships, which have found themselves upon the Land, when they thought they had weather'd the Cape, and were 40 or 50 Leagues out at Sea; whence, doubtless, has proceeded the Error in the Dutch Charts, which lay down too much Distance by the one Half between Streight le Maire and Cape Horn.

Be that as it will, we were very fortunate in that the Land was not cover'd with a Fog, and the West Wind strong; for at Break of Day, as we were standing North by the Compass, that is, N. and by E. according to the Globe, we were going to run upon a Point, which bore from us N. and by E. three or four Leagues distant, which we took for that of Vallena, because we had another to the East, which might be that of S. Marcellus. At length, we observ'd three or four little Islands a-stern of us, bearing S. S. E. which in all Probability were those of the Entrance of Chili, which the Spaniards call Farellones de Carelmapo, by which we had pass'd within half Cannon-Shot in the Night, and it was very dark. Being surprized to find ourselves so near Land, we immediately stood about with a fresh

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fresh Gale at W.S.W. with some sudden Showers of Rain and Hail: Thus we by Degrees stood out, because the Coast runs N. N. E. In the Evening we discover a another Point at S. E. and by E. nine or ten Leagues distant, and one at N. E. and by N. by the Compass, about eight Leagues off, which it is likely was that of La Galera, where the Mouth of the River of Baldivia begins to form itself. I could have wish'd to have seen that Port, which, by the Help of Nature, and the Fortifications made there, is the best and strongest in all the Coast of the South-Sea: But that being no commodious Place for Ships that want to supply themselves with Provisions, because there is no Wine, and but little Corn, we only thought of holding on our Course for La Conception.

However, to fatisfy my Curiofity, I procur'd a Plan of that Port, which I here add to the Account of it given me, by the Officers of our Mary, which put in there two Days

after, as I shall mention in its Place.

# The Description of the Port of Baldivia.

THREE Leagues to the Eastward of the Point de la Plate VI.

Galera above-mention'd, is a Head-land call'd Morro

Gonzales, on which is a Battery: To the N.E. by and E. of this, is that call'd Morro Bonifacio. At those two Heads

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Plate VI. Page 43. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Port of BALDIVIA, on the Coast of Chili, in 39 Degrees, 36 Minutes of South Latitude.

A. Fort Margue.
B. Fort del Corral.

C. Fort Mansera, in the Mand of Constantine Perez.

D. Fort Niebla. E. A Battery.

Morro, A Head-land.

Puerto de las Gayenes, Port Gayenes.

R. A River.

Punta, A Point or Cape.

Echelle de trois Lieues Marines, A Scale of three Sea-Leagnes.

begins the Mouth of the River of Baldivia, which may be about four Leagues wide in that Place; but the two Coasts drawing together towards the S.S.E. form only a Gullet about half a League wide, the Entrance whereof is defended by four Forts, two on each Side; and more particularly by the first on the Larboard-Side, call'd Fuerte de Niebla, close under which, Ships must pass, to avoid the Sand-Banks, which reach out to the third Part of the Channel from the Foot of Fort Marga, being that on the Starboard-Side. If it be defign'd then to come to an Anchor in the Port of Corral, they must come rounding towards the Starboard up to the Fort of the same Name, to anchor in four Fathom Water. If they will go up to the Town, that is, to the nearest Part of it, they must also pass by Fort Niebla, and that of Mansera, which is on the Island of Constantine Perez, ranging along the South-Side of a great Island, behind which, within the Continent, is a Port so commodious, that they there land Goods on a Bridge, or Key, without the Help of Boats.

From the Port of Corral, Boats have a shorter Way by half, along the Channel form'd by that great Island and the Land on the Starboard-Side. Ships do not pass that Way, for Fear of the Sands there in the Middle of it. Wheresoever a Ship anchors, it is safe against all Winds, because the Anchorage is good, the Bottom being a hard Owze, and there is no Sea, unless near the Port of Corral when the North-Wind blows. There is commodious Watering every where, and abundance of Wood, not only for Fewel, but also Timber to build Ships. The Soil there, when till'd, is extraordinary fertile for Grain and Pulse: Grapes indeed do not ripen, but the Want of Wine may be supply'd with Cyder, as in some Provinces of France; for there is such a Multitude of Apple-Trees, that there are

little Woods of them.

The Advantageousness of that Port, has prevail'd with the Spaniards to erect several Forts to defend the Entrance against Strangers, because they look upon it as the Key of

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the South-Sea. In short, the Dutch would have settled there, to secure a Resting-Place, in order to facilitate their entring the South-Sea. In 1643, they made themselves Masters of it; but Want, Diseases, and more particularly the Death of their General, having weaken'd them, they were oblig'd to withdraw themselves, and abandon their Baggage and 30 Pieces of Cannon, upon Advice of the Succours sent against them by the Marquis de Mansera, Viceroy of Peru.

At this Time there are above 100 Pieces of Cannon, Artillery, crossing one another, at the Entrance: Fort Mansera has 40, that of Niebla 30, that of Marga 20, and that of

Corral 18, most of them Brass.

That this Port may not want Men, the Whites of Peru Garrison. and Chili, condemn'd to Banishment for any Crime, are fent thither; fo that it is in the Nature of a Galley. There they are employ'd about the Fortifications, and other Uses of the Garrison, which is composed of none but such People, who are made Soldiers and Officers even during the Time of their Punishment. The Viceroy is to fend 300000 Crowns a Year, to keep up the Fortifications and maintain the Garrison. That Supply is call'd Real Situado, in which are included the Provisions, and Stuffs to cloathe them. Tho' that Sum be not exactly furnish'd, the Prefident of Chili never fails to fend a good Supply every Year; of which the Governors make fo confiderable an Advantage, that this Post is the most fought after of any, on Account of the Revenue; tho' it ought to be difagreeable, by reason of the ill Company there is in it, and very tirefome during fix Months of continual Rain every Winter.

The Town has also been re-peopled by banish'd Persons, and bears the Name of its Founder Peter Baldivia, after the Indians had ruin'd the first, built there. It is at present reckoned to contain 2000 Souls; is enclos'd with Walls to the Land, and defended by 12 Pieces of Cannon, which are 16 Pounders. It has one Parish-Church, and a House

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of the Jesuites. The first Foundation was in the Year 1552, in a Plain, about four or five Fathom above the Surface of the Sea. Hard by, was a Fort to keep the Indians in Awe; but those People, tired with the tyrannical Government of the Spaniards, who made them work in the Gold Mines, which are there very plentiful, exacting of them the Value of 25 or 30 Crowns a Day for every Man, at length shook off that heavy Yoke, kill'd Baldivia, according to Ovalle, with a Club; and, according to the Tradition of the Country, cast melted Gold into his Mouth, saying, Gorge yourself with that GOLD you so much thirsted after. After which, they razed the Fort, and plunder'd the Town.

It is now rebuilt a little higher up the Land, on the Bank

of the River.

Seven Leagues from thence, to the N. N. E. a Fort has been erected on an Eminence, call'd las Cruzes, or, The Crosses, in which there are two Pieces of Cannon, carrying Six-Pound Ball, and a Garrison of 20 Men, to prevent Excursions from the remoter Indians, who are not subdued. But enough has been said of a Place which I know only by Information from others: Let us return to our Voyage.

Lest the Winds should drive us down upon the Coast of Baldivia, we always endeavour'd to stand out, and with good Reason; for the Wind did come to W. S. W. and N. N. W. blowing so hard, that we could carry none but Main-Sail and Fore-Sail. A calm Interval brought it on again with more Violence at N. W. so that we were oblig'd to lie by: Then it came about to W. N. W. a fresh Gale,

with some Squawls, and Flashes of Lightning.

The 15th of June, the Wind vary'd from W. S. W. to

South, a fmall Gale, and calm.

The 16th, we discover'd Land at East, about 12 Leagues distant. Some Hours after, we knew the Island of S. Mary, which is low, and almost plain. It is about three Quarters of a League in Length, from North to South.

S. Mary Island.

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To the S. W. of it, is a little Island, and at W. N. W. a Rock, which is feen at a Distance. On the N. E. Side of it is faid to be a dangerous Bank, and another to the N. W. which stretches out near half a League; therefore few think fit to make use of the Anchoring-Places which are to the North and South of a Point it has next the Land, as also because there is but little Water.

When we had pass'd by S. Mary, it was not long before Tokens of La we descry'd those the Spaniards call Tetas de Biobio, that is, Conception, The Dugs of Biobio, which are ten Leagues distant to the N.E. They are two contiguous Mountains, almost uniformly high and round like Dugs; fo difcernible, that it is impossible to be mistaken in them. Night coming upon us, we lay by at about four Leagues Distance W. S. W. from thence, and the next Morning found ourselves exactly in the same Place; by which we perceiv'd that there was neither Current nor Tide.

At Noon we had an Observation W. by S. from the Dugs, See Plate VIE. and found 36 Degrees, 45 Minutes Latitude, which is the exact Polition, with respect to 11 Degrees Variation N. E. Thus they appear at East; these are of that Sort of Sights of Land as vary little, tho' feen from feveral Points of the Compais.

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Plate VII. Page 47. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Bay of La CONCEPTION, on the Coast of Chili, in 36 Degrees, 43 Minutes of South Latitude.

Echelle d'une Lieue Marine, 2853 Toises, A Scale of a Sea-League, being 2853 Fathoms.

Ruisseau qui traverse la Ville, A Rivulet that runs thro' the Town.

Baffe, A Shoal.

Nord de l'aimant declinant de 10 D. au N.E. The North Point of the Compass, inclining 10 Degrees to the N. E.

Nord du monde, The due North.

Mamelles de Biobio, Two Mountains call'd the Dugs of Biobio.

Vue de reconnoissance de la Concepcion, How the Land appears upen making La Conception.

Alto de Talcaguana, The High Land of Talcaguana.

Puerto de S. Vicente, Port S. Vincent.

Tetas de Biobio, The Dugs of Biobio, as above.

Being affured of the Place where we were, by such certain Tokens, we made for the Port of La Conception, dissinguishible by the Island of Quiriquina, two Leagues North of the Dugs. That Island is somewhat lower than the Continent, with which it forms two Passages: That to the W. S. W. is not very good for large Ships, tho passable in Case of Necessity; but unless well known, it is dangerous venturing along a Ridge of Rocks, which advances far towards the Middle of it.

The N. E. Passage, being half a League wide, and clear of any Danger, we enter'd the Bay at Night, and very opportunely; for the N. W. Wind shifting to E. N. E. would have hinder'd us turning the Island half an Hour later. We anchor'd in 15 Fathom Water, the Bottom soft black Owze, South of the Point call'd Herradura, on the Continent, and S. E. and by S. of that of Quiriquina, which, with that above-named, forms the Entrance.

At Noon we had an Objervation W. by S. from the Dugt, Seplant



Arto de Talengana, The Fight Land of Talengana.

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### PART II.

# Containing the Voyage along the Coasts of Chili and Peru.



HE next Morning, being the 18th of June, after having sent the Yawl to see whether any Ships were at Anchor at Talcaguana, a thick Fog obstructing our Sight, we weigh'd, to go up thither; saluted the Town with seven Guns, and, according to Custom, it return'd us none.

However, we proceeded, carrying little Sail, and founding all the Way, towards our Yawl; which, after having view'd the Ships at Anchor, had posted herself with a Signal to shew she was a Friend, and brought us into bad Anchorage. It surpriz'd us very much to find only three Fathom Water, and then somewhat less; but at length, the Water deepening, we moor'd North and South, in four Fathom and a half Water, the Bottom owzy as before, two little Points of the Peninsula of Talcaguana bearing N. and by W. from us, upon a Line from each other, and the Creek of the Three Maids N. W.

To the Southward of us lay two French Ships, which had put in, in order to go and trade along the Coast: One of them was of Marseilles, call'd the Mary-Anne, commanded by the Sieur Pisson, of Villafranca, in the County of Nice; and the other call'd the Concord, commanded by the Sieur Pradet Daniel, of S. Malo, detach'd from Monsieur du Guay's Squadron, who had sent him laden with Booty from Rio de Janeiro.

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Whilst we were taken up enquiring for News, and all the Bay of La rejoicing to be in a Port, after so long a Voyage, the Sea, Conception. which the North Wind had swollen very high, sell off to such a Degree, that our Keel touch'd a-stern: Then we perceiv'd that we were upon the Tail of a Shoal which appear'd to the N. N. E. about a Cable's Length distant. We immediately fell to tow off to the Southward: The common Concern made all Men work with Vigour; and having at length found five Fathom Water under the Ship, we moor'd N. N. E. and S. S. W. with much Trouble; for, besides the holding of the Anchors sunk in the Owze, which could not be weighed without much Labour, we

had the Inconveniency of a vast heavy Rain.

## The Description of the Bay of La Conception.

BY the Relation of this Accident it appears, that there are Marks to be observed for coming to an Anchor in the Bay of La Conception, tho' it be beautiful, and two Leagues wide from East to West, by three from North to South. There are but two good Anchoring-Places in Winter, to be under Shelter from the North Winds, which are violent, and much to be apprehended during five Months in the Year. The one of them is at the South Point of Quiriquina, in ten or twelve Fathom Water, a Cable's Length from the Shore: This, tho' very good, and shelter'd from those Winds, is not much frequented, because too remote from the Town and from the Continent.

Marks to aword the Shoal. The other is at the Bottom of the Bay, near the Village of Talcaguana, in five or fix Fathom Water, the Bottom fost black Owze. To come to this, Care must be taken to avoid the Tail of the Shoal I have just spoken of, which stretches out a Quarter of a League E. S. E. from what appears at Low-Water, where there are but three Fathom. To shun it, a Ship drawing near the Land on the Starboard-Side, is to keep a little low uneven Cape at the End of the Bay,

Bay, open with a little Hill of the same Height, lying somewhat higher up the Land, that is, the Cape of Estero de Talcaguana, with the Western Part of the little Hill of Espinosa: And if, at the same Time, the South Point of Quiriquina be kept in a Line with the West Part of the Mand, you are exactly at the End of the Tail; then you draw near to the Houses of Talcaguana, till having closed Quiriquina by the Point de la Herradura, you may then come to an Anchor under Shelter from the North Wind. Care is also to be taken not to come too near Talcaguana, for Fear of a Shoal which is within a Cable's Length of the Shore. This is the only Place of Safety while the North Winds prevail; but in Summer you may anchor before the Town, N. W. from the Castle; or, which is the same Thing, S. E. from the South Point of Quiriquina, closing it with the outward Cape of Talcaguana; or before Irequin, a good Quarter of a League from the Shore, for Fear of the Rocks. There is every where Conveniency for Wooding and Watering, and even for Building of Ships. In Summer Boats go easily a-shore; in Winter the Case is quite alter'd.

The next Day after our Arrival, the second Captain was sent to compliment the Oidor, or Judge, and ask Leave to buy such Provisions as we had Occasion for, which was immediately granted; so that two Days after we fix'd a Store-House in the Town, and put a-shore at Talcaguana five or six Sailors sick of the Scurvy, who recover'd in a few Days. Thus, in our Passage, which lasted five Months to a Day, we lost not one Man, and had but sew sick. It is true, it was time to put in, for several Men declin'd, and we wanted Fewel; but we soon found wherewith to supply all our Wants. La Conception is most certainly the best Place of all the Coast to put in, for all that a Ship can want, and for the Quality of the Provisions to be had there: And tho' the Town be in Reality no other than a good Village, there is agreeable Company enough to di-

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vert the Irksomness of a Ship, in being continually with the same Persons.

The Description of the Town of Penco, or La Conception.

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from the Indian Name of the Place, (Pen signifying to find, and co Water) is seated on the Coast of Chili, on the Edge of the Sea, at the Bottom of a Road of the same Name. On the East Side of it, in 36 Degrees, 42 Minutes, 53 Seconds of South Latitude, and perhaps in 75 Degrees, 32 Minutes, 30 Seconds of Longitude West, or distant from the Meridian of Paris, according to Father Feüillee's Observation.

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#### Plate VIII. Pag. 52. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Town of La CONCEPTION, or PENCO, on the Coast of Chili, in 36 Deg. 45 Min. of South Latitude. Frezier, 1712.

Vuë de Penco, a Prospect of the Town of Penco.

#### Churches.

3. The Cathedral.

2. The Fesuites.

3. San Juan de Dios, Or, S. John of God.

4. S. Dominick.

5. S. Francis.

6. S. Augustin.

7. The Mercenarians:

8. The Hermitage.

#### Places of Note.

A. The Square, or Market-Place.

B. The Council-House.

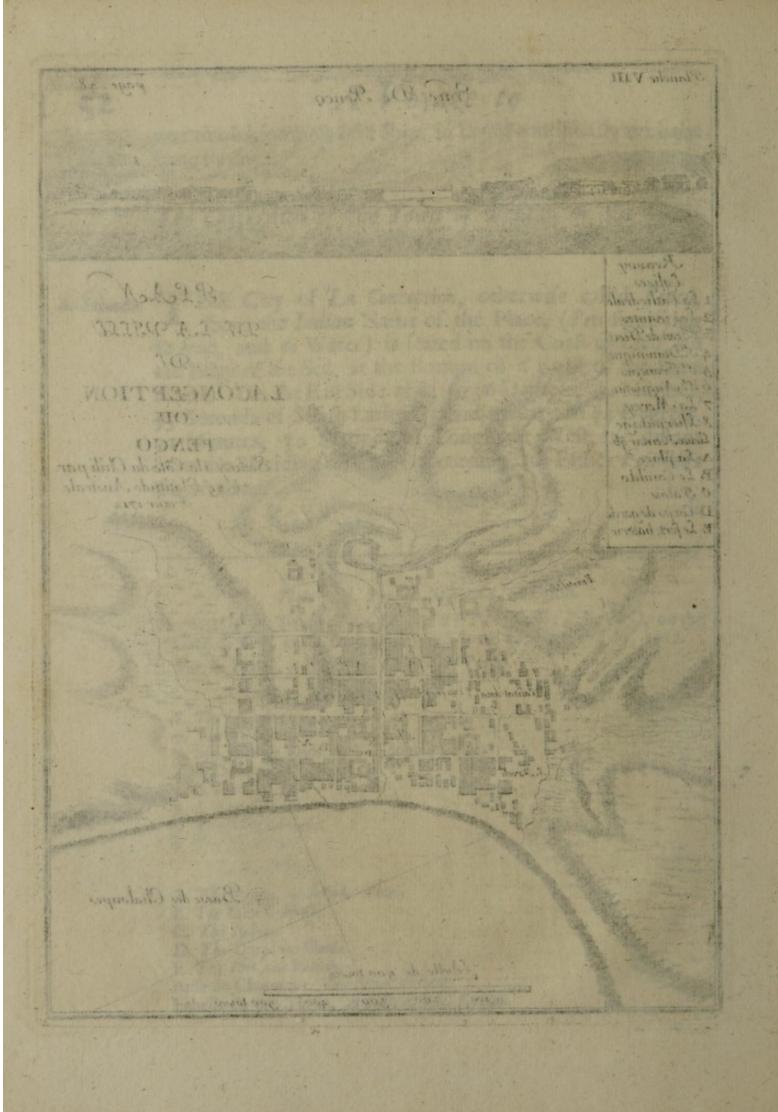
C. The Palace.

D. The Corps du Garde. E. The Fort and Battery:

Baffe de Chaloupes, The Shoal of Boats.

Echelle de 500 Toises, A Scale of 500 Fathom.





It was founded in the Year 1550, by Peter Baldivia, Founder. the Conqueror of Chili, after he had subdued the neighbouring Indians. He there erected a Fort, to secure a Retreat against them; but that General being kill'd, as has been said above, Lautaro, Chief of the Indians, made himself Master of ir, and afterwards Caupolican utterly destroy'd it. A Supply sent from Santiago, settled the Spaniards there again; but Lautaro expell'd them a second Time: At last, the Viceroy of Peru having appointed his Son Don Garcia Hurtado de Mendoza, Governor of Chili, in the room of Baldivia, fent him by Sea with Recruits of Men. He, under Colour of coming to conclude a Peace, posses'd himself, without any Trouble, of the Island of Quiriquina, whence he fent Men to build a Fort, on the Top of the Hills of La Conception, into which he put eight Pieces of Cannon.

At this Time there are no Remains of any Fort: The Town is open on all Sides, and commanded by five Eminences, among which, that of the Hermitage advances almost to the Middle, and overlooks it all. There is no Fortifications, other Defence but one low Battery, on the Edge of the Sea, which only commands the Anchoring Place before the Town, which is a good Quarter of a League from it, to the N. W. But besides that, it is not large, being only 35 Fathom in Length, and five in Breadth. It is in a bad Condition, one Half of it without any Platform, and but indifferently built with Rubbish.

The Cannon are in no better Condition: There are Artillery. nine of Brass, of irregular Bore, from 17 to 23 Pound Ball, that is, from 18 to 24 Spanish, whereof there are four mounted on scurvy Carriages. The greatest Pieces are 13 Foot and a Half long, 7 Foot and a Half from the Muzzle to the Trunnions, and 5 Foot 9 Inches from the Trunnions to the Ball: All the Touch-holes of these Guns are so wide, that they have been fain to fill them up with Iron. They were cast at Lima, in the Years 1618 and 1621.

At the Entrance into the Court of the House or Palace of the Oidor, or Judge, who commonly supplies the Place of a Governor, they have mounted two Four-Pounders near the Corps du Garde, which makes the Lest-Wing of the Court. This Want of Fortifications is not made good by Men and able Officers.

Military Go-

The Maestre de Campo, or Colonel, is a general Officer for all Martial Affairs without the Town. He is commonly one of the Inhabitants, who has no Experience, whom the Prefident of Chili appoints for three Years: Under him is a Lieutenant-General to the President, a Major, and Captains. The Troops he commands are not numerous; reckoning only the Whites, they cannot make a Body of above 2000 Men, ill arm'd, both of the Town and Country about it; whereof there are two Companies of Foot, the rest being all Horse. They were all in the King's Pay, who allow'd for maintaining of 3500 Men, as well for the Defence of the Town, as of the advanc'd Posts and Garrisons, which the Spaniards call Presidios: But that Pay has fail'd for 14 Years past, and all Things are there in Disorder, the Soldiers having been obliged to disperse themselves up and down to get their Living; so that if the Indians should have a Mind to revolt, they would find the Spaniards defenceless, and, as it were, a-sleep, because they are at Peace. However, they have feveral little Forts, or little Intrenchments, in which they have fome Pieces of Cannon, and some of the Militia and Indian Friends, when they think fit.

Advanced Posts.

The farthest advanced of all those Posts, is that of Puren, 15 Leagues beyond the River of Biobio. 'A little more inward is that of Nascimento, or the Nativity, and towards the Coast of Arauco, the Walls whereof are almost quite fallen. In this there are six Pieces of Cannon, twelve Pounders, and four Four-Pounders, all without Carriages. Then along the River, is that of S. Peter, on this Side the Biobio, three Leagues from La Conception. Higher up, are Talquemahuida, S. Christopher, S. Joanna, and Tumbel.

Those

Those of Boroa, Coloe, Repocura, Imperial, and Tucapel, are destroy'd and abandon'd, and have had no Being but in

our Maps, for 100 Years past.

The Spaniards indifcreetly neglect the Defences they might have against the Revolts of the Indians, whose Power they have been sensible of, and who only want an Opportunity to destroy them, whatsoever Appearance of Peace

there be among them.

The Incursions of those People have occasion'd the re-Civil Governmoving of the Royal Court of Chancery, which had been ment-establish'd at La Conception in the Year 1567, to the City of Santiago. At present, since the Reign of King Philip V. there is only one Oidor, that is, a Judge of the Court, who performs the Functions of Governor, or Corregidor, and Chief in the Administration of Justice; the Court, that is, the Civil Government of the City by the Spaniards, call'd Cabildo, being composed of six Regidores, or Aldermen, two Alcaldes, in the Nature of Bailiss, one Royal Ensign, an Alguazil Mayor, or Head Sergeant, and one Depositary-General: All these Places are elective, and last but a Year. Their Dress is black, with a Golilla, or little Band standing out-right forwards, a Cloak and a Sword, after the Spanish Fashion.

The same Insurrections of the Indians, which remov'd Church Gofrom La Conception the Court of Royal Chancery, brought vernment,
thither the Episcopal See, which is there at present; since
the Indians posses'd themselves of the City call'd La Impevial, where it was establish'd, the Bishop withdrew himfelf to La Conception. His Diocese extends from the River
of Maule, being the Boundary of that of Santiago, to Chiloe,
which is the most Southern Province inhabited by the Spaniards and Christian Indians. He is Suffragan to the Archbishop of Lima, and his Chapter consists but of two Canons

and some Priests.

Few Persons well qualify'd, presenting themselves to be made Priests, he is obliged to conferr Orders on such as have but a small Knowledge in Grammar, and so little, that some can scarce read the Mass. It is easy to judge whether such ignorant Shepherds are capable of instructing their Flocks, and consequently how the *Indians* are instructed, whom the *Spaniards* are obliged to teach their Religion,

when they are in their Service.

The Religious Men, excepting the Jesuites, are still more unlearned than the Clergy, and much addicted to Libertinism, which the too great Veneration the People have for their Habit, very much facilitates: I can here infert a Fragment of the Sermon which was made at the Dominican Monastery, on the Festival of their Patriarch, whilst we lay at Talcaguana. The Fryar, who made the Panegyrick, enlarged very much upon the Friendship there was between S. Dominick and S. Francis, whom he compared to Anteros and Cupid: Then, contrary to his own Interest, he affirm'd, That S. Francis was the greatest Saint in Heaven: That when he came into that Heavenly Abode, the Bleffed Virgin finding no Place worthy of him. withdrew a little from her own, to make room for him between herfelf and the Eternal Father: That S. Dominick coming to Heaven, S. Francis, his Friend and faithful Witnels of his Sanctity upon Earth, would, out of Humility, have given him the one Half of his Place; but that the Blessed Virgin, by those Offers, guess'd he was a great Saint, and would not have him share in his Friend's Place; therefore she withdrew a little farther, to allow an entire Place for him; fo that those two Saints now sit between her and the Eternal Father. Let no Man believe I have invented this Story for my Pastime; there are Witnesses of three Ships who can testify the Truth of it. What Impression must such a Discourse make on the Minds of the People, and more particularly of the Indians? No doubt but that they will look upon the Apostles as inconfiderable Persons in the Sight of God, when compared with those two Founders of Orders; for those People are of a dull Comprehension in Matters of Religion.

# Of the Indians of Chili.

ABOUT La Conception there are few Indians true Christians, besides those who are subject to, and in the Service of the Spaniards: And it is to be doubted whether they are fo, any farther than being baptized, and that they are instructed in the essential Points of Religion. This is true, that they carry the Worship of Images almost to Idolatry: They take so great an Affection to them, as often to carry them Meat and Drink, judging no otherwise of Things than by what affects the Senses; so hard is it for them to conceive that there is a Soul in Man, which can be separated from the Body. If Care is not taken to make them comprehend, that by enjoying the heavenly Blifs, the Saints behold in God what is doing here below, that by that Means hearing our Prayers they intercede for us, and that their Images are no other than Signs made use of to represent to us their Actions; it is not to be thought strange that they should carry them Meat and Drink, since, feeing them magnificently clad and incens'd by the Spaniards, they imagine they must also have Food to nourish them, and that the Smoak of the Frankincense is not sufficient to support them.

The Indians on the Frontiers, especially along the Coast, seem well enough inclined to embrace our Religion, if it did not prohibit Polygamy and Drunkenness; nay, some of them will be baptized, but they cannot overcome themselves as to those two Points. The Bishop of La Conception, Don Juan Gonzales Montero, going a Visitation in his Diocese, in 1712, was expected beyond the River Biobio, by above 400 Indians, who, fancying that he came to take away their Wives, were positively for murdering of him. It was absolutely necessary, in order to save himself, to undeceive and assure them that he would not offer any Violence to them. I enquired carefully after their Religion, and was inform'd that they have none. A Jesuite

fuite of Sincerity, Procurator of the Missions the King of Spain maintains in Chili, affured me, That they were perfect Atheifts: That they worship'd no fort of Thing, and made a Jest of all that could be said to them as to that Point: That in Reality their Fathers made no Progress therein, which does not agree with the Lettres Edifiantes, written by the Missioners, Vol. 8. where it is faid, That they converted many at Nahuelhuapi, in 42 Degrees Latitude, and 50 Leagues from the Sea, among the Puelches and the Poyas, in the Year 1704. Nevertheless, they penetrate very near to the Streights of Magellan, and live among those People without receiving any Harm from them: On the contrary, those Indians have a fort of Veneration for the Missioners; but they may, in Process of Time, make some Advance, because they defire the prime Caciques to give them their eldest Sons to be instructed. They breed up a certain Number of them in their College of Chillan, whose Pensions the King is to pay; and when grown up, they fend them back to their Parents, instructed in the Christian Religion, and bred up to Spanish Literature; fo that there are at present some Christians among them, and who are fatisfy'd with one Wife.

One Sign that the *Indians* of *Chili* have no Religion, is, That never any fort of Temples nor Idols have been found among them for their Worship, as is still to be seen in several Parts of *Peru*, especially at *Cusco*, where the Temple of the Sun is still to be seen; and if there be some Appearance of Divination among them, it is no other than the Use of the Fish, that frequently serves them. There are some who believe there is another Life, for which they put into the Monuments of the Dead, Meat, Drink; and Cloathing. The *Spanish* Curates have not abolish'd that Gustom among those who are Christians: As it turns to their Account, they supply the Place of the Dead Per-

fon, as has been seen at Talcaguana.

The Wives of those who are not Christians, stay several Days by their Husbands Graves to cook for them, to

pour Chicha on their Bodies, that is, their Liquor, and to fit their Equipage as for undertaking a very long Journey. It is not hence to be concluded, that they have any Notion of the Spirituality of the Soul, or of its Immortality: They look upon it as something corporeal, which is, to go beyond the Sea to Places of Pleasure, where they shall abound in Meat and Drink: That they shall there have several Wives, who will bear no Children, but will be employ'd

in making them good Chicha, in serving them, &c.

However, this they believe very confusedly, and many of them look upon it as a Conceit of their own framing. Some of the Spaniards imagine, that this Notion has been instill'd into them by a Corruption of the Doctrine which S. Thomas the Apostle taught, on the other Side of the Cordillera, or Ridge of Mountains which separates Chili from the Inland of South America; but the Reasons on which they ground their Belief, that the faid Apostle and S. Bartholomew came into that Province, are so wretched,

as not to deserve being mention'd.

The Indians of Chili have no Kings or Sovereigns among Their Gothem to prescribe Laws to them: Every Head of a Family vernment. was Master in his own House; but those Families increasing, those Chiefs are become Lords of many Vasfals, who obey, without paying them any Tribute: The Spaniards call them Caciques. All their Prerogative confifts in commanding in Time of War, and in exercising Justice. They fucceed in that Dignity by the Right of Eldership, and every one of them is independent of any other, and absolute Master in his own Dominions. I do not only speak of those who are Savage, or Unconquer'd, but even of those who are reckoned Subdued; for tho', by a Treaty of Peace, they have consented to own the King of Spain for their Prince, they are not obliged to pay him any other Acknowledgment, but a Supply of Men to repair the Fortifications, and defend themselves against the other Indians. The Number of these is reckon'd to be 14 or 1500.

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It is not so with those who are subdu'd, and call'd Yanaconas; these being Tributaries to the King of Spain, to whom they pay the Value of ten Pieces of Eight yearly, either in Silver or Commodities: And they are also employ'd in the Service of the Spanish Families, to whom his Catholick Majesty, either as a Reward for their brave Actions, or Service, or for Money, grants a Number of Indians, who are obliged to attend them as Servants, and not as Slaves; for, belides their Diet, they are to pay them 30 Crowns a Year; and if they will not ferve, they are free from it upon paying their Master ten Crowns, which is call'd Encomienda. Their Age to serve is from 16 to 50; above and under they are exempt from it: Besides, the Indians thus given in commendam, the Spaniards in Chili only have some in their Service who are Slaves, bought of the free Indians, who freely sell them their Children for Wine, Arms, Utenfils, &c. This being an Abuse connived at, contrary to the King's Ordinances, they are not Slaves like the Blacks; those who buy, cannot fell them again, unless it be privately, and with the Slave's Consent, who, by means of a Letter, call'd De Amparo, that is, of Protection, may demand his Liberty. To this end, there is in every Town, and in the Court at Santiago, a Protector of the Indians, to whom they make Application.

By reason also of the Toleration or Connivance, the Sons of Slaves do not follow the Fate of the Mother, as is ordain'd in Justinium's Institutes, when the Father is a Servant in Commendam; because the latter being permitted. the Advantage is to accrue to him preferable to the other. The Mixture of Spanish Blood makes those free whom the Father will own; and entitles the Meftices, that is, the Sons of a Spaniard and an Indian Woman, to wear Linnento yas mid yaq ot bosildo ton sas y

To know the Original of this fort of Slavery, we must look back to the Conquest of Peru. The private Persons who are the first Authors, ought, by their Contract with the King of Spain, to have the Indians as Slaves during their whole Life; after which, they were to fall to the eldeft of the Family, or to their Wives, in case they died without lifue. There was some Shew of Justice in that, not only to reward them for their Susferings and Bravery, but also because they had undertaken and carry'd on that War at their own Charge. However, because they treated their Slaves inhumanly, some good People taking Compassion on those Wretches, earnestly represented to the Court of Spain, that they abused them, not only by excessive Exactions, but also that they exercised the utmost Cruelties on their Persons, even to the killing of them.

This Excels was taken into Consideration; and, to redress it, the Emperor Charles V. King of Spain, in the Year 1542, sent Blasco Nunnez Vela unto Peru, as Viceroy, with Orders to cause the Indians to be discharged of the Impositions laid on them, and restored to their Liberty. But the principal Wealth of the Colonies consisting in the great Number of Slaves, especially among the Spaniards, who scorn to labour, most of them resused to obey those Orders, which they thought too severe; and the Execution whereof would, in some Measure, have reduced them to Beggary: They would not, therefore, acknowledge the new Viceroy, which occasion'd those bloody Civil Wars, which we have at Length in Zarate.

At last, to make the Servitude of the Indians the more easy, and not ruin the Spaniards, the King seiz'd on those whose Masters died, and afterwards gave them to his Officers, and to several others, upon the Conditions above-

mention'd.

That Servitude of Encomienda has been the Occasion of the bloody Wars the Spaniards have had with the Indians: They were willing to acknowledge the King of Spain for their Sovereign; but, as Men of Sense, they would preserve their Liberty. And upon these Conditions the last Peace was concluded, about 25 or 30 Years ago; for tho' those People seem Savages to us, they know very well how to agree about their common Interest: They assemble with

the Elders, and those who have most Experience; and if they consult about any Martial Affair, they, without Partiality, make choice of a General of known Merit and Valour, and punctually obey him: By their Conduct and Bravery, they formerly hinder'd the *Ingas* of *Peru* from coming among them, and put a Stop to the Conquest of the *Spaniards*, whom they have confined to the River *Biobio*, and to the Ridge of Mountains, call'd *La Cordillera*.

Affemblies of Indians.

The Manner of their Assemblies consists in carrying into a good Plain, chosen for that Purpose, a great Quantity of Liquor; and when they have begun to drink, the Eldest, or he who on some other Account is to make a Speech to the rest, undertakes to lay before them the Matter in hand, and delivers his Opinion with much Solidity; for they are said to be naturally eloquent: After which, the Resolution is taken by the Plurality of Votes, and publish'd by Beat of Drum; three Days are allow'd to consider on it, and if in that Time no Inconveniency be found, the Project is infallibly put in Execution, after confirming the Resolution, and settling the Means to bring it to Essect.

Those Means are within a very small Compass; for the Caciques furnish their Subjects with nothing to make War: They only give them Notice, and every Man brings with him a Bag of Meal, either of Barley or Indian Corn, which they put into Water, and live upon it many Days. Each of them has also his Horse and Arms always in a Readi-

ness;

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D. Spanish Guards appointed to prevent Diforders.

E. Pivellea, A Whifile, or Pipe.

F. Paquecha, A Drinking-Diff with a long Beak.

G. Coulthun, A Drum.

H. Thouthouca, A Trumpet.

A. An Indian of Chili, in the Posture of Playing at La Sueca, a Sort of Bandy.

B. An Indian Woman holding the Liquor for her Husband. C. Cahouin touhan, or an Indian Festival or Rejoycing.



A jndien du Chili en Macuñ jouant ala Sueca, jeu de croce
B jndienne en Choñi. C. Calionin touhan ou fête des jndiens
D Gardes Espagnoles pour empecher le desordre. E Tivellca ou Sifflet
F Paquecha ou tasse a bec. G. Coulhun ou tambour, H. Thouhouca outrompette

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ness; so that they form an Army in a Moment, without any Expence; and, to prevent any Surprize, there is always, in every Caziqueship, on the highest Eminence, a Trump, or Instrument made of a Bull's Horn, which can be heard two Leagues about. As soon as any Accident happens, the Cacique sends to sound that Horn, and every Man knows what is in Agitation, to repair to his Post.

"Our Poverty, said the Scythians to Alexander the Great, "will always be more active than your Army laden with the Spoils of so many Nations; and when you will think us very remote, you will find us at your Heels; for with the same Celerity we pursue and say from our

" Enemies.

Their usual Weapons are Pikes and Lances, which they Their Arms. dart with extraordinary Dexterity. Many of them have Halberts, which they have taken from the Spaniards; they have also Axes and Broad-Swords, which they buy of them, wherein the latter fail in Point of Policy; for it is to be fear'd lest they be some day scourged with their own Rods: They also, but seldom, make use of Darts, Arrows, Clubs, Slings, and Leather Noofes, which they manage fo dextroufly, that they take hold of a Horse, Noofing of where-ever they please, in his Career. Those who want Horses. Iron for their Arrows, make use of a Sort of Wood, which being harden'd at the Fire, is not much inferiour to Steel. By long waging War with the Spaniards, they have got Coats of Mail, and all Sorts of Armour; and those who have none, make it of raw Hides, which is Proof against a Sword, and has this Advantage over the other, that it is light, and less cumbersome in Fight; in short, they have no Uniformity in their Weapons, but every Man makes use of those he is most expert at.

Their Manner of Fighting is, to form Squadrons in Files of 80, or 100 Men, some arm'd with Pikes, and others with Arrows intermix'd; when the foremost are broken, they succeed one another so quick, that it does not appear that ever they gave Way. They always take

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care to secure a Retreat into the Bogs, or Morasses, where they are fafer than in the best Fortress. They march to Battle in a very fierce Manner, by Beat of Drum, with their Weapons painted, their Heads adorn'd with Plumes of Feathers; and before they engage, the General commonly makes a Speech; after which they all beat with their Feet, and give hideous Shouts, to encourage one ano-

ther to fight.

When they are obliged to fortify themselves, they make Palifadoes, or elfe only entrench themselves behind great Trees: Before them, at certain Distances, they dig Pirs, the Bottoms whereof they fet full of Stakes upright, with Briars, and cover them with Turf, to impose upon their Enemies. Unhappy those who fall into their Power! for they tear them, draw out their Hearts, which they cut in Pieces, and wallow in their Blood like wild Beafts. If it happens to be a Man of any Note, they put his Head upon the Point of a Pike, afterwards drink out of the Skull, and at last make a Dish of it, which they keep as a Trophy; and of the Leg Bones they make Flutes for their Rejoycings, which are only dismal Drunken Bouts, and last as long as the Drink they have brought. This Debauch is so pleasing to them, that those who are Christians, celebrate, or rather prophane, the Festivals of their Religion in that Manner.

Festivals. I was Witness of a Festival the Slaves of an Encomienda, belonging to two Spaniards of the Name of Peter, kept on the Day of the Name of their Masters, in the Village of Taleaguana, near which we lay at Anchor. After hearing Mass, they mounted on Horseback to ride at a Fowl, as they ride at a Goofe in France, with this Difference, that they all fall upon him who bears away the Head, to take it from him, and carry it to him in Honour of whom the Festival is kept. Running at full Speed, they jostled to get it from him, and gather'd up, as they ran, all that they threw down. After that Course, they alighted to dine; the Entertainment confisting of a great Number

of Dishes, made of Calabashes, or Gourds, which they call Mate, placed in a Ring on the Grass, full of Breadsteep'd in a Liquor made of Wine, and Maiz, or Indian Wheat. Then the Indians, who treated, brought each of the Guests a Bomboo Cane, about 18 or 20 Foot long, garnish'd with Bread, Flesh and Apples, made fast about it: Then having mov'd with a Cadency about the Meat, a little red Standard, with a white Cross in the Middle, was given to him that was appointed to make the Compliment to the Indians; they, on their part, deputed one to answer him, who made such a long Discourse of Compliments, that it lasted above an Hour: I ask'd the Reason, and was told, it was the Essect of their Style, which is so disfuse, that to talk of the most inconsiderable Thing, they go back to its very Original, and make a thousand need-

less Digressions.

When they had eaten, they mounted on a Sort of Scaffold made like an Amphitheatre, the Standard being in the Middle, and the others with their long Canes by it. There, being adorn'd with Feathers of Ostriches, Flamenco's, and other Birds of sprightly Colours, stuck round their Caps, they fell to finging to the Sound of two Instruments, made of a Piece of Wood, with only one Hole bored through it; blowing in which, either stronger or more gently, they form'd a Sound more or less sharp, or Aat. They kept Measure alternatively with a Trumpet made of a Bull's Horn, fastned to the End of a long Cane, the Mouth of which had a Pipe, that founds like a Trumpet. They fill'd up this Symphony with some Strokes of a Drum, whose heavy and doleful Sound was answerable enough to their Mien; which, in the Height of their Exclamations, had nothing in it that was gay. I observ'd them attentively on the Stage, and did not, during the whole Festival, see one smiling Countenance among them.

The Women gave them Chicha to drink, being a Sort of Beer, of which more hereafter, with a Wooden Instrument about two Foot and a half long, consisting of a Handle-

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Cup at one End, and a long Beak at the other, with a winding Channel cut along it, to the end the Liquor may run out gently into the Mouth through a little Hole bored in the Bottom of the Cup or Dish at the Head of the Channel. With this Instrument they make themselves as drunk as Beasts, singing without Intermission, and all of them together; but in so unartificial a Tone, that three Notes would suffice to express the Whole.



The Words they sing have also neither Rhyme nor Cadency, nor any other Subject than whatsoever occurrs to their Fancy: Sometimes they recount the History of their Ancestors; sometimes they speak of their Family, and sometimes say what they think sit of the Festival, and of

the Occasion of celebrating it, &c.

This fame Track holds on Day and Night, as long as they have any thing to drink, which does not fail till after some Days; for besides that he, in Honour of whom the Festival is kept, is obliged to provide much Liquor; every one of those who celebrate it, whether invited or not invited, brings fome. They fometimes drink and fing ten or fifteen Days fucceffively, without ceasing: Those who are overcome with Drunkenness, do not therefore give out; when they have flept in the Dirt, and even in Ordure, they remount their Theatre to fill up the vacant Places, and begin a-fresh. We saw them relieve one another after this Manner Day and Night, a heavy Rain and stormy Wind no way making them defift, for the Space of thrice 24 Hours; those who have not Room on the Theatre, sing below, and dance about it with the Women, if it may be call'd Dancing, to walk two and two, bowing and standing upright again somewhat hastily, as it were to leap, without ever taking their Feet off the Ground; they alfo

also dance in a Ring almost like us. This Sort of Diverfion, which they call Cabouin Touban, and the Spaniards Borrachera, that is, Drunkenness, is so pleasing to them, that they do nothing of Moment without it; but they take care to appoint Part of their Men to guard them, whilst the rest get drunk and divert themselves. Those who are Christians cannot prevail upon themselves to quit that Sport, tho' the Sins it occasions are represented to them daily: In short, then it is that Quarrels are revived; and it is affirm'd, that they referr it to those Meetings to take Revenge of their Enemies, to the end that, being drunk, they may appear the more excufable for the Murders they commit. Others make themselves so extremely drunk, and for so many Days successively, that they burst, as happened at the Festival I speak of; because, besides the Chicha, they had much Wine.

Notwithstanding these frequent Debauches, they live Their Confiwhole Ages without any Distempers; so strong are they, and tution and used to the Inclemencies of the Air: They endure Hunger Food.

and Thirst a long Time in War and Traveling.

Their common Food at their own Homes is a Sort of Earth-Nuts, or Roots, or Taupinambours, which they call Papas, of a very infipid Taste, Maiz, or Indian Corn in the Ear, only boil'd or roasted, Horses and Mules Flesh, and scarce ever Beef, which they say gives them the Gripes. They eat the Maiz several Ways, or only boil'd in Water, or parch'd among Sand in an Earthen-Pot, and afterwards ground into Meal mix'd with Water. call Oullpo, when it is potable; and Rubull, when made into thick Hasty-pudding with Pepper and Salt. For grinding of the Maiz, after it is parch'd, instead of a Mill, they have oval Stones about two Foot long, on which, with another Stone eight or ten Inches long, they crush it on their Knees by Strength of Arm: This is the common Employment of the Women. Of this Meal they make Provision to go to the Wars, as has been faid; and this is all their Provision. When they come to a Place where there there is Water, they mix it in a Horn call'd Guampo, which always hangs at the Pommel of their Saddles, and thus

eat and drink without stopping.

Their Drink.

Their common Drink is the Chicha we have spoken of; they make several Sorts of it: The most common is that of Maiz, or Indian Corn, which they steep till the Grain bursts, as if it were to make Beer; the Best is made with Maiz chew'd by old Women, whose Spittle causes a Fermentation like that of Leaven in Dough. In Chili, much is made of Apples, like Cyder: The strongest, and most valued, is that which is made of the Berries, or Seeds of a Tree call'd Ovinian; it is much like that of the Juniper in Bigness and Taste; it gives the Water a Tincture like Burgundy Wine, and a strong Taste, which makes them drunk for a long Time. Their Manner of Eating among themselves, is to lie along on their Bellies, supporting themselves with their Elbows in a Ring, and to make their Wives serve them. The Caciques begin to make use of Tables and Benches, in Imitation of the Spaniards.

Their Colour.

Their natural Colour is dark, inclining to Copper-Colour, wherein they differ from the Mulatto's, which proceeds from a Mixture of Whiteness and Blackness: This Colour is general throughout all America, as well North as South; whence it is to be observed, that it is not the Nature of the Air they breathe there, or of the Food the Inhabitants use, but a particular Affection of the Blood; for the Descendents of the Spaniards, who are settled there, and marry'd to Europeans, and have continued unmix'd with the Chilinians, are of a finer and fresher White and Red, than those in Europe, tho' born in Chili, fed almost after the same Manner, and commonly suckled by the Natives of the Country.

The Blacks they carry thither from Guinea, or Angola, do also retain their natural Colour from Father to Son,

when they keep to their own Kind.

It is not so with the Air of Brasil and the French Islands: The Creolians, tho' born without any Mixture of Blood, lose there that ruddy Whiteness of the Europeans, and take a Sort of Lead-Colour. Here no other Alteration is perceiv'd, but that which is occasion'd by the Mixture of the several Kinds, very common in the Spanish Colonies, much in Chili, but more particularly in Peru; where, among 30 Faces, scarce two can be found of the same Colour; some come from Black to White, as the Mulatto's; others fall from White to Black, as the Zambo's, Sons of Mulatto's, and Blacks: Some come from the Indian Colour to White, as the Mestizo's; and others fall from the Mestizo to the Indian; and then each of these Mixtures causes others ad infinitum.

From what has been said, it seems lawful to believe, that, among the Children of our common Parent, God has formed three Sorts of Colours in the Flesh of Men; the one white, another black, and a third of a reddish Colour, which has something of the one and of the

other.

The Scripture does not perhaps mention this last Kind; but there is no Doubt but that it speaks of the Second, in the Person of Chus, Noah's Grandson, signifying Black, whence the Abyssins and the Inhabitants of Chusistan, or Churistan, are derived, because of the Resemblance of the Name. This Opinion appears to me more probable, than to ascribe the Colour of the Indians to some peculiar Diseases, as some Physicians have fancy'd.

Be that as it will, the *Indians* of *Chili* are well shaped: Shape and They have large Limbs; their Stomach and Face broad, Hair, without any Beard, not agreeable; their Hair as coarse as a Horse's, smooth or lank, wherein they also differ from the Blacks and from the Mulatto's; for the Blacks have no Beard or Hair, but a very short soft Wool, and the Mulatto's have always short Hair, and much curl'd. As for the Colour of the Hair, that of the *Indians* is generally

black, and it is rare to find any inclining to fair, perhaps because they often wash their Heads with Quillay, of

which I shall speak hereafter.

Puelches.

The Puelches cut their Hair to their Ears, and have extraordinary small Eyes, which makes the Women hideous. All of them naturally have none or very little other Beard besides Whiskers, which they pull up with Pincers made of Shells.

There are some among those of the Plain, who have a white Complexion, with a little Red in the Face: These are descended from the Women taken in the Spanish Towns they destroy'd, as Angol, Villarica, Imperial, Tucapel, Baldivia, and Osomo, where they carry'd all away, Laity and Religious, by whom they had Children, who still retain some Assection for the Nation of their Mothers, which is the Reason that they are almost always at Peace; such as those toward Arauco, tho' their Country is the Theatre of War made by their Neighbours. Since that time, no Monasteries of Nuns have been permitted, except at Santiago. However, the Bishop of La Conception will build one there, without apprehending the like Prophanation.

Their Habits.

The Habit of the Indians is so plain, that they are scarce cover'd: They wear a Wastecoat or Jerkin, which reaches to the Waste, so closed, that there is only the Hole for the Head, and one Arm to put it on, which they call Macun; a Pair of Breeches open down the Thighs, scarce cover their Nakedness. Over all, in rainy Weather, or for a more decent Garb, they have a fort of square long Cloak like a Carpet, without any Shaping, in the Midst of which is a Slit to put their Heads through: On the Body it looks almost

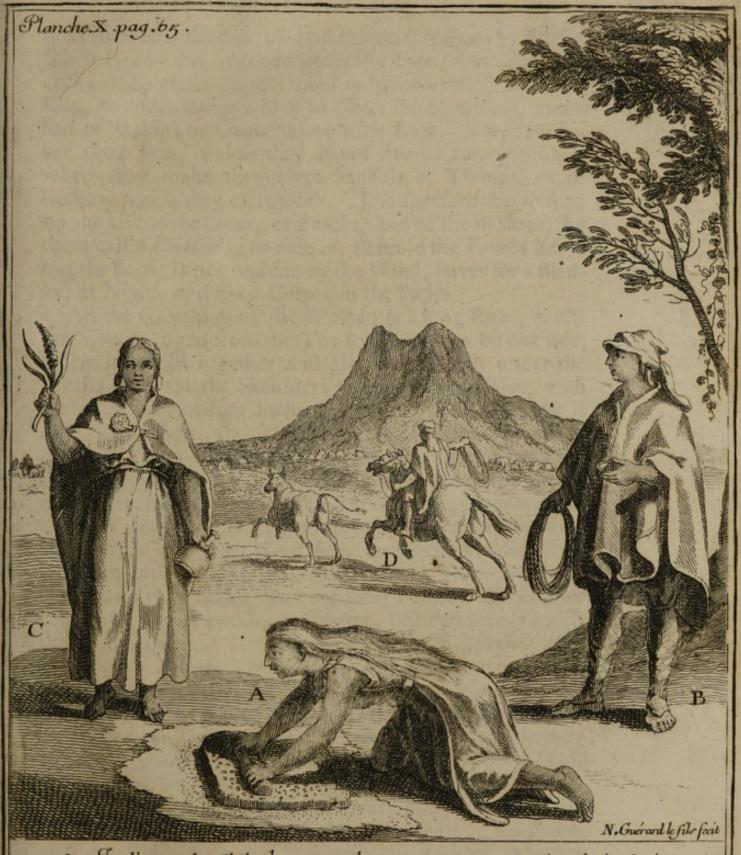
Plate X. Page 70. explain'd in English.

A. A Chilinian Indian Woman grinding Maiz, or Indian Corn, to make Meal.

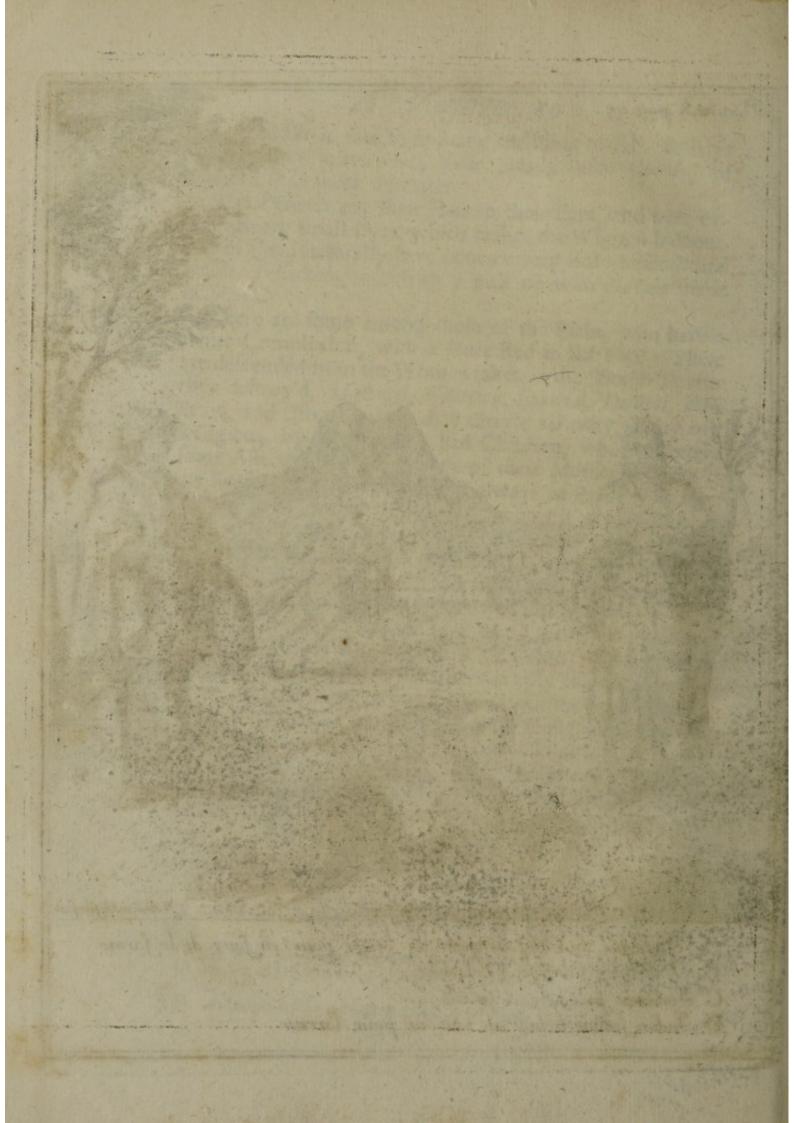
B. An Indian in his loofe Garment, call'd Poncho and Buskins.

C. An Indian Woman in her Chonni and Iquella, the Names of her Cloak and Coat.

D. An Indian casting a Noose at a Bull, to stop him.



A Indienne du Chily broyant du mays pour en faire de la farine:
B Indien en Poncho et Polainas
C Indienne en Choñi et yquella
D Indien jettant le lais au taureau pour l'arreter



Their Heads and Legs are generally bare; but when Necessity or Decency obliges them to be cover'd, they have a Cap, to which hangs a Flap to cover the Shoulders, and a fort of Buskins or Gamashes on their Legs. Very few cover their Feet, unless they happen to be among Stones, when they make themselves Sandals of Thongs, or of Rushes, which they call Ojota's. The Spaniards have taken up the Use of the Chony, or Poncho, and of the Buskins, by them call'd Polaina's, to ride in, because the Poncho keeps out the Rain, is not undone by the Wind, serves for a Blan-

ket at Night, and for a Carpet in the Field.

All the Cloathing of the Women is a long Robe, without Sleeves, open from the Top to the Bottom on one fide, where it is held together and girt with a Sash under the Breasts, and on the Shoulders by two Silver Hasps, with Plates of three or four Inches Diameter. This Garment is also call'd Chony, and is always blue, or else of a dark gray, inclining to black. In the Towns, they wear over it a Petticoat, and a Veil on their Heads; and in the Country, a little square Piece of Stuff call'd Iquella, the two Sides whereof are made fast on the Breast with a great Silver Pin, which has a flat Head four or five Inches diameter, by them call'd Toupo. They have long Hair, often in Tresses on their Backs, and cut short before; and at their Ears Silver Plates two Inches square, like Pendants, which they call Oupelles. The Romans wore such, hanging with a Hasp. See Gaspar Bartolini Thom. de inauribus veterum lyntagma. Amstel.

Their Dwelling is never any other than a Cottage made of the Boughs of Trees, large enough to shelter a Family together, having nothing but a little Chest and Sheep-Skins to lie on: They do not stand in need of much Room. They do not use Keys to secure what they have, Honesty is religiously observed among them; but among the Spaniards they are not so nice, especially the Puelches, who are expert Thieves. All their Houses are scattered up and down:

down: They never draw together to live fociably, wherein they differ from the Peruvians; so that, throughout all Chili, there is not a Town or Village of the Natives of the Country to be seen. Nay, they are so little fix'd to the Place they take up for their Habitation, that, whenfoever they take a Fancy to remove, they either abandon, or carry their Houses elsewhere: Whence it is, that the Art of making War on them, does not confift in going out to find them, but in taking Post in the Midst of their Country, with a small Number of Troops, obstructing their Sowing, destroying their Corn, and driving away their Cattle. This way of living dispers'd up and down, makes the Country look like a Defart; but, in reality, it is very populous, and their Families are very numerous. As they have many Wives, so they have also many Children, wherein their Wealth consists, because they sell them, especially the Daughters, who are bought for Wives: Thus they become perfect Slaves, whom they fell again, when they do not like them, and put them to the hardest Labour. The Men only hough the Land once a Year to fow their Indian Corn, French Beans, Lentils, and other Grain they feed on; and when they have done, they meet their Friends, drink, get drunk, and rest. Then the Women sow, water, and gather in the Harvest. She who lies with the Master, dresses his Meat that Day, takes care to treat him well, and to faddle and bridle his Horse; for they are so little used to walk a-foot, that tho' they are to go but 200 Paces they will ride; and they are excellent Horsemen: They go up and down fuch steep Places, that our European Horses would not be able to stand on them without any Burden. When obliged, upon a Rout, to fly into the Woods, they place themselves under the Bellies of the Horses, to prevent being torne by the Boughs of the Trees. In short, they perform on Horseback, all that we are told extraordinary of the Arabs, and perhaps they out-do them. Their Saddle is a double Sheep's Skin, which ferves them to lie on in the Field. Their Stirrups are square wooden Boxes or Cafes

Cases for the Feet, such as the Spaniards use of Silver upon

Solemnities, which are worth 4 or 500 Crowns.

It is true, that their Horses being come from Europe, they have imitated their Furniture, making that of Wood or Horn, which they saw made of Iron or Silver. Considering the prodigious Number there is at present throughout all that Continent, it is amazing that they should have multiply'd so much in less than 200 Years, that those which are not extraordinary beautiful, are not worth above two or three Crowns at La Conception; and yet, as has been said before, the Indians eat many; and when they ride, they take so little Care of them, that many of them burst.

The Indians, to keep the Account of their Flocks, and Knots instead preserve the Memory of particular Affairs, make use of Writing.

of Knots in Wool, which by the Variety of Colours and Knitting, serve instead of Characters and Writing. The Knowledge of those Knots, which they call Quipos, is a Science and a Secret which Parents do not reveal to their Sons, till they think themselves near their End; and as it often happens, that for want of a ready Wit, they do not comprehend the Mystery, those Knots occasion them to mistake, and so become of no Use. To fupply the Want of Writing, they employ those who have good Memories, to learn the History of their Country, and to recite it to others. Thus they preserve the Memory of the ill Usage of the Spaniards towards their Ancestors, when they subdued them, which perpetuates their Aversion for them: But when they are put in Mind of the Advantages they afterwards gain'd over those Strangers, whom they drove from five Towns they had built in their Country, their natural Fierceness revives, and they only wish for an Opportunity to drive them again from La Conception: But as long as they fee French Ships coming and going, they dare not take off the Mask, being perfuaded that they would afford the Spaniards considerable Affistance. Being themselves haughty, they unwillingly bear with the Vanity of those who would command them;

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yet they know how to dissemble, and trade with them for Beeves, Goats and Mules, receive them in their Houses, and entertain them as Friends.

Their Trade. A French Man, who had gone with a Spaniard to trade among the Puelches, an Indian Nation hitherto not subdued, and inhabiting the Ridge of Mountains, call'd La Cordillera, told me how they managed it. They go directly to the Cacique, or Lord of the Place, and appear before him without speaking a Word; then he breaking Silence. fays to the Merchant, Are you come? Then he answering, I am come. What have you brought me? replies the Cacique. I bring you, rejoins the Spaniard, some Wine, (a necessary Article) and such a Thing; whereupon the Cacique fails not to fay, You are welcome. He appoints him a Lodging. near his own Cottage, where his Wives and Children bidding him welcome, each of them also demand a Present, which he gives, tho' never so small. At the same time the Cacique, with the Horn-Trumpet, before spoken of, gives Notice to his scatter'd Subjects of the Arrival of a Merchant, with whom they may trade: They come and fee the Commodities, which are Knives, Axes, Combs. Needles, Thread, Looking-glasses, Ribbons, Gc. The best of all would be Wine, were it not dangerous to supply them wherewith to make themselves drunk; for then they are not fafe among them, because they are apt to kill one another. When they have agreed upon the Barter, they carry the Things home without paying; so that the Merchant delivers all without knowing to whom, or feeing any of his Debtors. In short, when he designs to go away, the Cacique orders Payment, by founding the Horn again: Then every Man honestly brings the Cattle he owes; and because those are all wild Beasts, as Mules, Goats, and especially Oxen and Cows, he commands a sufficient Number of Men to conduct them to the Spanish Frontiers. By what has been faid, may be observ'd, that as much Civility and Honesty is to be found among those

People, whom we call Savages, as among the most police

and well-govern'd Nations.

That great Number of Bullocks and Cows, which is Trade of La confumed in Chili, where abundance are flaughter'd every Conception. Year, comes from the Plains of Paraguay, which are cover'd with them. The Puelches bring them through the Plain of Tapatapa, inhabited by the Pehvingues, or unconquer'd Indians, being the best Pass to cross the Mountains call'd La Cordillera, because divided into two Hills, of less difficult Access than the others, which are almost impassable for Mules. There is another 80 Leagues from La Conception, at the Burning-Mountain call'd La Silla Velluda, which now and then casts out Fire, and sometimes with so great a Noise, that it is heard in the City. That Way the Journey is very much shortned, and they go in six Weeks to Buenos-Ayres.

By these Communications, they yearly make good all the Herds of Beeves and Goats, which they slaughter in Chili by thousands, for Tallow and Lard, made by trying up the Fat and the Marrow of the Bones; which, throughout all South-America, serves instead of Butter or Oil,

not used by them in their Sauces.

The Flesh they either dry in the Sun, or in the Smoak, to preserve it, instead of salting, as is used in France. These Slaughters also afford the Hides, and especially the Goats Skins, which they dress like Morocco Leather, by them call d Cordovanes, and sent to Peru to make Shooes, or for other Uses.

Besides the Trade of Hides, Tallow, and Salt Meat, the Inhabitants of La Conception deal in Corn, with which they every Year lade eight or ten Ships, of 4 or 500 Tuns Burden, for the Port of Callao, besides the Meal and Bisket they supply the French Ships with, which take in Provisions there, to proceed to Peru, and to return to France. All this would be inconsiderable for so sine a Country, if the Land were well improved: It is extraordinary fertile, and so easy to till, that they only scratch it with a Plough,

for the most part made of one single crooked Branch of a Tree, drawn by two Oxen; and tho' the Grain is scarce cover'd, it seldom produces less than a hundred fold. Nor do they take any more Pains in Pruning their Vines to have good Wine; but, as they know not how to glaze the Jars they put it into, they are fain to pitch them, which, together with the Taste of the Goat Skins in which they carry it about, gives it a Bitterness like Treacle, and a Scent to which it is hard for Strangers to accustom themselves.

Fruit.

Their Fruit grows after the same Manner, without any Industry on their part in Grafting. Apples and Pears grow naturally in the Woods; and, confidering the Quantity there is of them, it is hard to comprehend how those Trees, fince the Conquest, could multiply, and be diffused into fo many Parts, if it is true that there were none before, as they affirm.

Derries.

See Plate XI. They there plant whole Fields with a Sort of Straw-Chili Straw- berry Rushes, differing from ours, in that the Leaves are rounder, thicker, and more downy. The Fruit is generally as big as a Walnut, and fometimes as a Hen's Egg. of a whitish Red, and somewhat less delicious of Taste. than our Wood Strawberries. I have given some Plants of them to Monsieur de Jussieu, for the King's Garden, where Care will be taken to bring them to bear.

> Besides these, there is Plenty in the Woods of our European Kind. And in short, all manner of Garden-Product. among us, grow there plentifully, and almost without any Trouble; and some are also to be found in the Fields, without cultivating, as Turneps, Taupinambours

Endive of two Sorts, Go.

Aromatick:

Plate XI. Page 76. explain'd in Engliss. Frutilla, Being the large Strawberry of Chili, drawn after its natural Bigness. Nancolahui, On the Mountain- Flax.



the South-Seat Aromatick Herbs are thereing less common; small and zort est large Balm, Tanfey, Camomile, Mint, and a Sort of Pi- ?" tofella; or Monte-Ear, which has a Scent fornething like that of Wormwood, cover the Fields. The Alkakenmary cand having a Scent like the Queen of Hungary's Water who indign call it Palebir It is perhaps a Sort of Comesa Africana Values Odores and 1884 asimism many vo-Roles grow naturally on the Hills switten work well planted; and sidential tomisquesty with moves there will either less priestly than in Duine the Bare Lear Lear to AND WHICH IS THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY. dignificant and the Line and Doct Lote Caule County armore level of the comment and the state of the comment of the co Constitution of the constitution and account THE MENT TO THE DESIGNATION STORY adoriging the Land of the section Which when which the standard mountain Charles iner in attangues, police When any Man happens war refrancisco Primarline anguera from the manustration of contractions mund windles. Si down white who de From du Char deserve don michia natur le.

Aromatick Herbs are there no less common; small and Aromatick large Balm, Tanfey, Camomile, Mint, and a Sort of Pi-Plants. tofella, or Mouse-Ear, which has a Scent fomething like that of Wormwood, cover the Fields. The Alkakengi, the Fruit whereof is more odoriferous than in France; a Sort of small Sage, which grows up to a Bush, the Leaf whereof, in Shape, fomewhat refembles Rofemary; and having a Scent like the Queen of Hungary's Water, the Indians call it Palghi: It is, perhaps, a Sort of Coniza Africana Salvia Odore, and must contain many volatile Principles, if we may judge by the Scent and Tafte. Roses grow naturally on the Hills, without having been planted; and the most common Sort that grows there, is either less prickly than in France, or has no Prickles at all. There is also in the Fields, a Flower like that Flower de Lys, which in Bretagne they call Guerneziaises, and Father Feiillee, Hemorocalis floribus purpurascentibus striasis; the Indian Name of it is Liuto, and not Lietu, as he fays. There are of them of several Colours; and, of the fix Leaves which compose it; there are always two Copple crown'd. Of the Root of this Flower dried in an Oven, they make a very white Meal, and Paste for Confectionary.

In the Gardens, they cultivate a Tree bearing a white Floripondio. Flower, shaped like a little Bell, call'd Floripondio. Father Flower. Feiillée calls it, Stramonoides arboreum oblongo & integro folio fructu levi; the Scent of it is extraordinary sweet, especially in the Night: It is eight or ten Inches long, and four Diameter at the Bottom; the Leaf is downy, and a little more pointed than that of the Walnut-tree: It is an admirable Dispeller of certain Tumors, or Swellings; for which Use they have also a Sort of Hedera Terrestris, or Ground-Ivy, call'd by the Spaniards, Yerba de los compan-

nones.

When any Man happens to have a violent Fall, which Quinchamaoccasions him to bleed at the Nose, they have an infallible it Herb.
Remedy for it; which is, to drink the Decoction of a Plate XVIII.
Herb call'd Quinchamali, being a Sort of Santolina, or
Dwarf

Dwarf Cypress, bearing a yellow and red Flower, as here represented. The other small Medicinal Herbs, which we have in France, are also very common there, as Maiden-Hair; and especially some like that of Canada; Mallows, Marshmallows, Mercury, Foxglove, Polypody, Mullen, Milfoil, Crane's-Bill, both ordinary and scented, Silverweek, and many more unknown to me, and peculiar to the Country.

Herbs for Dying.

Besides the Medicinal Herbs, they have others for Dying, in such Manner that the Colour will not come out with often washing in Soap. Such is the Root of the Reilbon, a Sort of Madder, the Leaf whereof is smaller than ours; they, like us, boil the Root in Water to dye Red. The Poquell is a Sort of Gold Button, or Abrotanum famina folio virente vermiculato, Female Southernwood with green checquer'd Leaves, which dyes Yellow, and holds as well; the Stem of it dyes Green. The Annil is a Sort of Indigo. which dyes blue: Black is dy'd with the Stem and the Root of the Panque, the Leaf whereof is round and plaited, like that of the Thorn-tree; it is two or three Foot Diameter, tho' Father Feuillée, who calls it Panke Anapodophili folio, confines it to ten Inches. When the Stem is Reddish, it is eaten raw, to cool the Body, and it is very aftringent; they boil it with the Maki and the Gouthiou, Shrubs of that Country, to use it for dying Black, which is beautiful, and does not rot Stuffs, as the European Black does. This Plant is only found in Marshy Places.

Aromatick Trees.

The Woods are full of Aromatick Trees, as several Sorts of Myrtle; a Sort of Laurel-tree, the Bark whereof smells like Sassaphras, and sweeter; Boldu, the Leaf whereof smells like Frankincense, and the Bark has a biting Tafte, with somewhat of the Flavour of Cinnamon: But there is another Tree which bears that very Name, tho' differing from the East-India Cinnamon, and has the same Quality; the Leaf of it is like that of the great Laurel-tree, only a little longer. Virgil feems to have described it in his Georgicks, Lib. 2.

Ipfa ingens arbos, faciemque simillima lauro, Et, si non alium late jactaret odorem, Laurus erat. folia haud ullis labentia ventis; Flos apprima tenax; animas, & olentia Medi Ora fovent illo, & senibus medicantur anbelis.

### Thus English'd by Mr. Dryden.

Large is the Plant, and like a Laurel grows, And did it not a different Scent disclose, A Laurel were; the fragrant Flowers contemn The stormy Winds, tenacious of their Stem. With this the Medes to lab'ring Age bequeath New Lungs, and cure the Sowrness of the Breath.

This Tree among the Indians is dedicated to the Ceremonies of Peace. When they concluded the Peace with the Spaniards, in the Year 1643, they kill'd many of the Country Sheep, of which we shall speak hereafter; they dipp'd into their Blood a Branch of this Cinnamon, which the Deputy of the Caciques deliver'd into the Spanish Ge-Ceremony at neral the Marquis de Baydes's Hand, in Token of Peace. making Peace. This Ceremony, tho' practis'd by Savages, is not without an Example in Holy Writ, Exod. Chap. xii. and S. Paul to the Hebrews, Chap. ix. says, When Moses had spoken every Precept to all the People according to the Law, he took the Blood of Calves and of Goats, with Water, and Scarlet Wool, and Hyssop, and sprinkled both the Book and all the People, faying; This is the Blood of the Testament which God hath enjoined unto you.

There is a very common Tree, called Listi, the Shade Listi veno= whereof causes the Bodies of those who sleep under it to mons Tree,. fwell, as happen'd to a Sea Officer, who had flept some Hours in the Shade of the said Tree; his Face swell'd so high, that he could not fee. To cure this Distemper, they take an Herb call'd Pellboqui, being a Sort of Rindweed, or Ground-Ivy, or Winter-Cherry, which they pound with

good for the Dropfy.

with Salt, rub the Person with it, and the Swelling goes off in two or three Days, so that nothing of it remains. There is al-Peumo Tree, so a Tree call'd Peumo, a Decoction of whose Bark is very good against the Dropsy; it bears a Fruit of a red Colour, and like an Olive; the Timber of it may be used for building of Ships; but the best for that Use is the Roble. being a Sort of Oak, the Bark whereof is like Cork; the Wood is hard, and lasts long in the Water. Along the River Biobio there are abundance of Cedars, not only fit for Building, but to make excellent Masts. The Difficulty of conveying them along the River, which has not Water enough for a Ship at the Mouth, is the Reason why no Use can be made of them. Bamboo Canes are very common every where.

Wild Fonl

The Plains swarm with an infinite Number of Birds, especially Ring-doves, abundance of Turtles, Partridges, but not so good as in France; Snipes, Ducks of all Sorts; one of which they call Patos reales, which have a Comb on the Beak, Curlews, Teals, Pipelienes, somewhat refembling those Water-Fowls we call Sea-Gulls, having a red, strait, long Bill, narrow as to Breadth, and flat as to Thickness, with a Streak of the same Colour over the Eyes, and their Feet like the Offriches, they are well tafted; Parrots, Pechicolorado's, or Robin-Red-Breasts, which fing finely; some Swans, and those they call Flamenco's, whose Feathers the Indians value very much, to adorn their Caps on Festivals, because they are a beautiful white and red, a Colour they are very fond of. The Diversion of Shooting is there interrupted by certain Birds, which our People call Criards, that is, Shriekers, because, when they fee a Man, they fet up a Cry, and flutter about him. making a Noise, as it were to give Notice to the other Birds, who fly away as foon as they hear it: They have above the Joint of each Wing, a red Point standing up an Inch long, which is hard, and as sharp as a Cock's-Spur, which ferves them to fight with other Birds.

We one Day, in a Marsh, took one of that Sort of Am-Penguins. phibious Creatures call'd Penguins, larger than a Goose; instead of Feathers, it was cover'd with a Sort of gray Hair, like that of the Seals, or Sea-Wolves; their Wings are also very like the Fins of those Creatures. Several Travelers have spoken of them, because they are very common about the Streights of Magellan. See it drawn

from the Life, Plate XVI.

There are such Multitudes of Seals, or Sea-Wolves, Seals, above-mention'd, that all the Rocks about the Island of Quiriquina are often cover'd with them. They differ from the Northern Sea-Wolves, in that the others have Paws, whereas these have two Fins, stretching out almost like Wings towards their Shoulders, and two other little ones which close up the Tail. Nature has, however, at the Ends of the two great Fins, preferv'd fomething like Paws; for there are four Talons that terminate the Extremities; perhaps they use them to go ashore, where they are much delighted, and whither they carry their Young, whom they feed with Fish, and cherish very tenderly, as is reported. There they make a Noise like Calves, for which Reason, in feveral Relations of Voyages, they are call'd Sea-Calves; but their Head is more like a Dog's than any other Beaft's, and therefore with good Reason the Dutch call them Sea-Dogs. Their Skin is cover'd with very smooth thick Hair, and their Flesh is very oily, and ill-tasted, so that none but the Livor is usually eaten: However, the Indians of Chiloe dry, and lay up Provision of it for their Sustenance: The French Ships draw the Oil from it for their Use. They are very eafily taken, there being no Difficulty in coming near to them both on the Land and in the Water; and they are kill'd with one Blow on the Nofe. There are feveral Sizes of them: In the South they are as big as large Mastive Dogs; but in Peru there are some 12 Foot long. Their Skins ferve to make Floats, being blown full of Air, in-Read of Boats; but at La Conception, the Fisher-Men only bind together three Faggots of light Wood, with Leather Thongs,

Thongs, in such manner that the Middlemost may be a little lower than the other two, and go out to Sea on them. The properest Wood for that Purpose, is the Stem of a fort:

of Aloes, fix or feven Foot long.

Fish.

When Ships put in at Talcaguana, they go a fillring in the Estero, which is a little River at the Bottom of the Bay on the same Side. There they take abundance of Mullets, large Soles, Rovalo's, a delicate Sort of Fish like a Pike. having a black Streak on the Back; a Sort of Gurnards, call'd all along that Coast Peze Rey, that is, King Fish, because of its Delicaey.

Gold Mines.

La Conception is seated in a Country abounding in all Things, not only to supply the Necessities of Life, but also containing infinite Wealth: All about the City there is Gold found, especially 12 Leagues to the Eastward, at a Place call'd Estancia del Rey, the King's Station; where, by washing, they get those Bits of Gold, which the Spaniards call Pepitas, that is, Grains; there have been some found weighing eight or ten Marks, (note a Mark is eight Ounces) and extraordinary fine. Formerly much was got about Angol, which is 24 Leagues off; and if the Country were inhabited by laborious People, it might be had in a thousand Parts, where they are satisfy'd there are. good Washing Places; that is, Lands, whence it is taken. by only washing, as shall be observ'd hereafter.

call'd La Cordillera, there is an infinite Number of Mines. of all Sorts of Metals and Minerals; and, among the reft, on two Mountains, which are only 12 Leagues from the Pampas de Paragury, and 100 Leagues from La Conception. Copper Mines. In one of them they have discover'd Mines of pure Copper, fo fingular, that there have been found in them Grains. or Lumps of above a hundred Quintals Weight, (note that a Quintal is a hundred Weight.) The Indians call one of those Mountains Payen, that is, Copper; and Don. John Melendes, who made the Discovery, call'd it S. Fosph. He drew thence one Piece of 40 Quintals Weight,

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If they penetrate as far as the long Ridge of Mountains,

of which he was, during my Stay at La Conception, ma-

king fix Field-Pieces, all Six Pounders.

There are Stones, which are partly Copper quite form'd, and partly imperfect Copper; for which Reason they say of that Place, that the Earth there breeds, that is, that Copper is there daily form'd. \* In that Mountain there is also \* Job xxviii. Lapis Lazuli.

The other Mountain adjoining, by the Spaniards call'd molten out of Cerro de Santa Ines, or S. Agnes's Hill, is remarkable for its the Stone.

great Plenty of Load-stone, which composes almost the Load-stone.

whole Body of it.

In the next Neighbouring Mountains, inhabited by the Sulphur and Puelches, there are Mines of Sulphur and Salt. At Talca-Salt. guana, at Irequin, and in the very City, there are excellent Coal Pits, without digging above a Foot or two: The Inhabitants do not know how to make their Advantage of it; they were much surprized to see us dig up Earth to make Fire, when we laid in Provision for our Forge.

Whilst we lay there, News was brought by Land from Revolt at Chiloe, that the Indians there had revolted, and had kill'd Chiloe. 60 Spaniards of both Sexes. In short, those poor Slaves being made desperate by the Cruelty of the Spaniards, and particularly of the Governor, who exacted of each of them a certain Quantity of Cedar Planks, which is the Wood they trade with to Peru and Chili, and other Tyrannies, mutiny'd and kill'd thirteen or fourteen Spaniards, and a Woman: But the Spaniards took a cruel Revenge; for, drawing together, they flew all they met, and went into the very Islands to seek out and destroy them. It was said they kill'd above 200, to regain their Reputation and the Authority of the Whites, who are but a small Number in Comparison of the Indians; for they do not reckon that there are in that Province above 1000, or 1200 Men, able to bear Arms; and there are, at least, ten Times as many Indians, but they are naturally fearful and tractable, and know not how to make their Advantage of the Supineness of the Spaniards, who are ill arm'd, and have only one little Fort, call'd Chacao, which is always ill provided with Warlike Stores; for as to the Town of Castro, the Strength of it is compared to that of La Conception: However, it would import them to have some Force in those Islands, because, if the European Nations would make any Enterprize in the South Sea, it would be easy to possess themselves of them; bating Wine, they would there find all necessary Refreshments and Provisions; and there is also much Ambergrise found.

The Indians of the Country about Chiloe are call'd Chono's: They go stark-naked, tho' in a very cold Climate,
and among Mountains; they only cover themselves with
a Skin cut square, without any other sitting, two Corners
whereof they cross over their Stomach; one of the other
two comes upon their Head, and the other hangs down in

a Point on their Back.

Giants, if it Farther up the Country is another Nation of Indian Gibe true that ants, whom they call Caucahues: They being Friends to there are any. the Chono's, some of them now and then come with them to the Dwellings of the Spaniards of Chiloe. Don Pedro Molina, who had been Governor of that Island, and some other Eye-Witnesses of the Country, told me, they were near four Vara's high, that is, about nine or ten Foot. These are the same they call Patagons, who inhabit the East Coast of the Desart Country ancient Travels have taken Notice of, which has afterwards been represented as a Fable, because Indians have been seen in the Streights of Magellan, who did not exceed the Size of other Men: And this is what deceiv'd Froger, in his Relation of the Voyage of Monsieur de Gennes; for some Ships have at the same

time seen both Sorts. In July, 1704, the Men belonging to the James of S. Malo, commanded by Captain Harrington, saw seven of those Giants in Gregory Bay: Those of the S. Peter of Marseilles, commanded by Carman of S. Malo,

faw six, among whom there was one who bore some Mark of Distinction above the rest. His Hair was platted in a Net Cap made of the Guts of Birds, with Feathers

quite

quite round his Head: Their Garment was a Bag of Skins, with the Hair inwards: Along their Arms, in the Sleeves, lay their Quivers full of Arrows, some of which they gave them, and help'd them to bring their Boat ashore. The Sailors offer'd them Bread, Wine and Brandy, but they would not taste any: The next Day they saw from aboard the Ship, 200 of them in a Body. Those Men, tho' larger, are more sensible of the Cold than the others; for the smaller Size have no other Cloaths but a single Skin on their Backs.

What I have here deliver'd upon the Testimony of Perfons of Credit, is so agreeable to what we read in the Relations of the most famous Travelers, that I am of Opinion, it may be believ'd, without the Guilt of an Over-Credulity, that there is in that Part of America, a Nation of Men much exceeding us in Stature. The Particulars of Time and Place, and all the Circumstances attending what is faid about it, feem to carry a sufficient Character of Truth to overcome the natural Prejudice we have on the other Side. The Extraordinariness of the Sight may perhaps have occasion'd some Exaggeration in the Measure of the Height; but if we ought to regard it as guess'd at, and not taken exactly, we shall find that they differ very little from one another. The Reader will give me leave, in order to justify what I have here advanced, to collect in this Place, what is to be found dispers'd in several Books relating to this Subject.

Anthony Pigafeta, to whom we are indebted for the Jour-Ozorius de nal of Ferdinand Magalhanes, or, as we call him, Magellan, rebus Ematells us, That in the Bay of S. Julian, in the Latitude of nuelis regis about 49 Degrees and a half, the Spaniards saw several Gi-Lusitaniae, ants, so tall, that they did not reach up to their Wastes. He speaks, among others, of one, who had the Figure of a Heart painted on each Cheek: Their Weapons were

Bows and Arrows, and they were clad in Skins.

Bartolome Leonardo de Argensola, in the first Book of his Ciertos Gi-History of the Conquest of the Molucco Islands, says, That gantes de man the Palmos, the same Magellan, in the Streight that bears his Name, took some Giants who were above 15 Spans high, that is, 11 Foot, 3 Inches of our Measure; but they soon died, for

want of their usual Sustenance.

Consta por The same Historian, in his third Book, says, That the oras que ti- Men of Sarmiento's Ships, sought with Men that were ene cada uno above three Yards high, that is, about eight Foot of our destos mas de Measure: The first time they repuls'd the Spaniards; but thes varas de the second, the latter put them to Flight, with such Precipitation, that, to make use of the Spanish Expression, A Musication, that, to make use of the Spanish Expression, A Musication, says he, the Books of Knight-Errantry have good Reason to represent Giants as Cowards. However, I have heard the Inhabitants of Chiloe say, that the Caucabues were

as brave as they were tall.

Die 7 Maii, We find a Circumstance much to the same Purpose, but 1599.

Quorum ut conjectura dabat longit. Leagues within the Streight of Magellan, saw seven Pirato aut 11 pe-gua'r, or large Indian Boats, sull of Giants, who might dum erat. Hist. Antip. and who were so frighted at the Fire-Arms, that they Vasto ac pro-were seen to tear up Trees to shelter themselves against cero corpore the Musket-Balls.

funt pedes 10 Oliver de Noort, who enter'd the Streight some Months vel 11 equante. Hist. Am. after Sibald, saw Men ten or eleven Foot high, tho' he had

2. also seen others of our Size.

\*Conspexe-George Spilbergen entring the Streight of Magellan, the runt autem ibi ad terram 2d of April, 1715, saw, on Tierra del Fuego, a \* Man of de Fogue im- a prodigious Height, who was got upon a Hill, to see the

manis admo-Ships pass by.

dum & horrendæ longitudinis hoTendæ longitudinis hoTendæ longitudinis hoTendæ longitudinis hoTendæ longitudinis hoTendæ longitudinis hoYear, being in Port Desire, in about 47 Degrees and a half
minem.

Latitude, his Men found on the Mountain, Heaps of Stones
placed in such Manner, as gave them a Curiosity to see
what they cover'd, and found Humane Bones between ten
and

and eleven Foot long, that is, nine or ten French Measure,

to which all the former are to be reduced.

I have thought fit to make this little Digression, to justify a Matter of Fact which is suspected of Falshood, tho' the reading of Holy Writ and Historians, and the Examples of Giants we often enough fee born and living among us, ought to dispose us to believe something extraordinary.

I return to the Account of my Voyage.

They added to the News of the Revolt of the Indians of Chiloe, that a French Vessel, which put into that Island, had supply'd the Spaniards with Powder against the Indians. That Circumstance made us believe it was the Mary. which we lost about Cape Horn; but we understood soon

after, that she was put into Baldivia. At last, on the 8th The Mary of August, she came and join'd us at La Conception.

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They inform'd us, that, after having run thro' much foul Weather, they had found themselves on the Island of Diego Ramirez, at the Time when they reckon'd themfelves 80 Leagues to the Westward of it, by the Manufcript Charts, and 60 Leagues by the Printed, and two Degrees more to the Northward than they really were: But having corrected their Errors upon that View of Land, they had arrived very exactly at Baldivia, by Pieter Goos's Charts; which confirms the Conjectures I made before, in relation to the Currents.

Notwithstanding the continual Rains, we had already laid in our Provisions when the Mary arriv'd; it only remain'd to do the same for her; when, the Oidor or Judge of La Conception receiv'd Orders from the President of Chili to oblige all the French Ships that were in the Road, upon what Pretence soever, to depart, and that within four Days at the farthest; but those Orders were not much regarded, being given on Occasion of a notable Piece of Gallantry. The Concord did not fail till the 19th of July for Valparaiso, and the Mary Anne the 20th for Hilo; and we staid there some Days longer to make an End of our Bufinels.

In the mean time, the fair Weather began to succeed the Winter Rains and Winds, and the Hope of Trade could not detain us at La Conception, because, besides that the two Ships above-nam'd, had furnished the City with what little Goods it had Occasion for, Champloret le Brun, Captain of the Assumption, had been there ever since the 24th of June, endeavouring to fell as much as would pay for his Provisions; so that we thought of failing, to go and trade in Peru.

## Departure from La Conception.

INTE fail'd out of the Bay of La Conception, on the 30th

of August, uncertain what Place to refort to; nothing

but the Defire of receiving some Information made us put into Valparaiso, where, nevertheless, we stay'd above eight Months. By the Way, we had continually the Winds con-Windward of trary, weak or variable: We also observ'd, contrary to what is usual, that there are in these Parts fair and serene Days at the Time when the North-Wind prevails. Six Days after our Departure, we discover'd the Head call'd Morro del Obispo, or, The Bishops Head-land, two Leagues

> without running far out to Sea. At five in the Evening, it appear'd to us thus:

> It being then late, we would not venture to go into Valparaifo by Night, tho' the Opening of the Road is very wide; we took a Trip out to Sea, and the next Morning making Land again, law the same Head-Land, which alters but little, because it is high and round like a Bell.

> to the Southward of Cape Curaoma, which is generally made in order to get to the Windward of Valparaifo, to the end that the strong Breezes at S. and S. W. may not drive Ships from that Port, which it would be hard to recover,

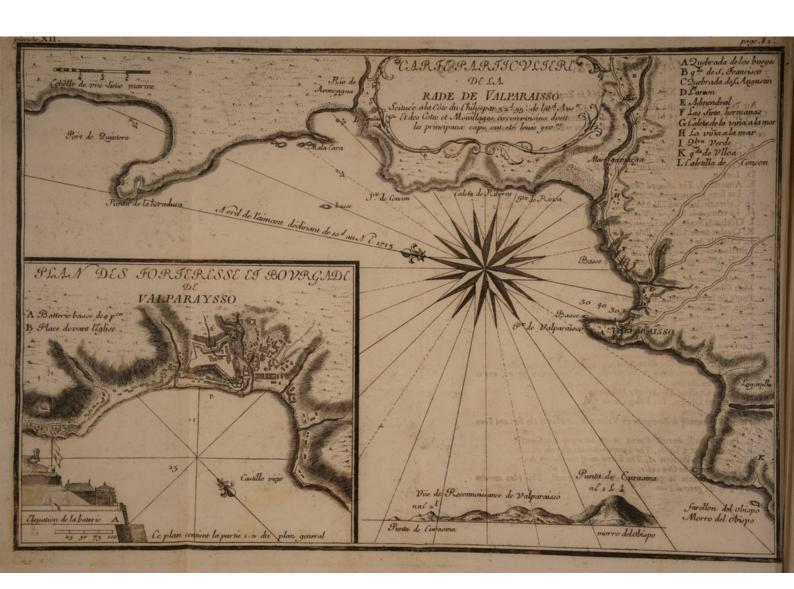
> After turning Cape Curaoma, two Leagues to the N. E. and by E. appears the Point of Valparaiso, which with that Cape forms the Creek of Lagunilla, where no Ships anchor, because the Bottom is naught.

Land difcover'd to the Valparaifo.

Plate XII.

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### Plate XII. Page 89. expluin'd in English.

An exact Chart of the Road of VALPARAISO, on the Coast of Chili, in 32 Degrees, 55 Minutes of South Latitude; and of the adjacent Coast and Anchoring Places, the principal Capes whereof were Geometrically taken.

A. Quebrada de los Bueyes, The Break of Oxen.

B. Punta de S. Francisco, Point S. Francis.

C. Quebrada de San Augustin, The Break of S. Augustin. D. Larion.

E. Almendral, The Almond Grove.

F. Las fiete hermanas, The Seven Sifters.

G. Caleta de la vinna à la Mar, The Greek of the Vineyard next the Sea.

H. La vinna à la Mar, The Vineyard next the Sea.

I. Quebrada verde, The Green Break. K. Quebrada de Ulloa, Ulloa's Break.

L. Caletilla de Concon, The little Greek of Concon. Echelle d'une Lieue Marine, A Scale of a Sea-League.

Rio de Aconcagua, Aconcagua River. Rio de Margamarga, Margamarga River. Port de Quintero, Quintero Port. Mala Cara, Ugly-Face Island.

Punta de la Herradura, Horseshooe Point.

Baffe, A Shoal.

Punta de Concon, Concon Point. Caleta de Riberos, Riberos Geek. Punta de Rinca, Rinca Point.

Punta de Valparaiso, Valparaiso Point.

Lagunilla, The little Lake.
Punta de Curaoma, Curaoma Point.

Vue de la Reconnoissance de Valparaiso, Thus Valparaiso appears, and is to be known from the Sea.

Morro del Obispo, The Bishop's Head-Land. Farellon del Obispo, The Bijhop's Great Rock.

Plan des Forteresse & Bourgade de Valparaiso, A Plan of the Fort and Town of Valparaiso.

A. Batterie basse de neuf Pieces, A low Battery of nine Guns.

B. Place devant l' Eglise, The Square before the Church.

Elevation de la Batterie A, The Elevation of the Battery A.

that is, to the Eastward, not to draw

Castillo viejo, The Old Castle.

Ce Plan contient la partie 1-2 du Plain General, This Plan contains Part 1-2 of the general Plan.

## Description of the Bay of Valparaiso.

Point, Ships must range close along the Shoal, which shews itself within about half a Cable's Length from the Shore, for getting to the Windward. That Rock is very safe, for we have seen a Spanish Ship in a Calm, within a Boat's Length of it, without touching. When Ships keep too far from it, they are obliged to make many Trips to recover the Anchoring-Place, as happened to us. We came to an Anchor on the 5th of September, in 27 Fathom Water, the Bottom gray Owze, inclining to an Olive Colour, the Point of Valparaiso, bearing N. E. and by N.

Anchoring at lour, the Point of Valparaiso, bearing N. E. and by N. Valparaiso. the white Battery W. S. W. and Cape Concon N. and by E. As soon as our Anchor was down, we saluted the Fort with seven Guns, and it answer'd with one. We found in the Road the Concord, and seven Spanish Ships lading

Corn for Callao.

Those Ships generally run in so close to the Shore, that they have three Anchors on the Land, made fast to Stones, or Piles, and at that distance they still have eight or ten Fathom Water; that Way of making fast is very good, because in the Summer, every Day regularly about Noon, the Breezes come up at S. W. and S. fo ftrong, that they make the best Anchors give way. However, Care must be taken of a Shoal, that is within a Cable's Length of the Shore, near the Battery call'd Castillo Blanco, or, The White Castle, on which there is not above thirteen or fourteen Foot Water at the Ebb. The Assumption commanded by Champloret touch'd there lightly one Day, because the Sea rises and falls fix or feven Foot. In other respects, the Bay is very fafe, and Ships may turn and anchor every where from fifty to eight Fathom Water; only Care must be taken when they take a Trip towards the Siete Hermanas, or Seven Sisters, that is, to the Eastward, not to draw nearer the Shore than two Cables Length and a half, opposite to

a little running Water, cross'd by a great reddish Road; in that Place there is a Shoal, on which there is no more than

two Fathom and a half Water.

Ships generally anchor only in that Nook of the Road which is before the Fort, for the Conveniency of Trade, and the more Safety; yet after all, that Road is quite naught in Winter, because the North Winds which blow in at the Mouth, without any Opposition, make the Sea there so boisterous, that Ships have been sometimes forced ashore. The South Winds are no less Violent there in Summer; but as they come over the Land, they make no Sea, and in case they should force Ships from their Anchors, they can only be drove out to Sea. state of the state of the

The next Day after our Arrival, the Captain went to pay his Respects to the Commander in Chief, call'd Governador de las Armar, Governor of Arms, for so he is distinguish'd from the President of Chili, who is call'd Plain Governor. It was then Don John Covarrubias, a Man of Birth, who having ferv'd in Flanders, had much Kindness for the French; tho' he is subordinate to the President, he owns him not by that Name, but by that of Captain

General of Chili.

The Fort where he commands, is of little Moment, as Description well because it is ill built, as because the Road it defends of the Fort. is near other Creeks, which afford the same Conveniencies as that, Such an one is that of Quintera, which is defenceless, and but five Leagues from it. True it is, that the Bay of Valparaiso, as nearest to the Capital, is the most frequented in all Chili; for which Reason, it has been thought fit to secure it against any Insults of the English and Dutch, who have often ranged along those Coasts. Formerly, there was only a little Battery level with the Water, but within these last thirty Years they have built the great Fortress, at the Foot of the Mountain: It stands on an Eminence of an indifferent Height, cross'd towards the S.E. and N. W. by two Streams, which form two natural Ditches between twenty and twenty-five Fathom deep, N 2

# A Voyage to

### Plate XIII. Page 92. explain'd in English.

### The Profile of the Fort of VALPARAISO, by the Line A. B.

I. The Key before the Battery.

2. The low Battery, call'd Castillo Blanco, or the White Castle.

3. The Stairs and Ascent to go up to the Fort under Cover of the Epaulments.

4. The Corps du Garde.

3. The Place for Setting up the Colours.

6. The Port. 7. The Chappel.

3. The Corps du Garde.

9. The Magazine. 30. The Rampart.

- 11. The Port next the Mountain. 12. The Half-Bastion over the Town.
- 13. The Rivulet that supplies the Place with Water.

### The Profile by the Line C. D:

A. The Break of S. Augustin.

B. The Berm, or Foreland about the Fort. C. The Flank of the Bastion of S. Augustin.

D. The Faces of the Demi-Bastions. E. The Flank of the Demi-Bastions.

F. The Gate in the Middle of the Curtin next the Mountain.

G. The Corps du Garde. H. Magazines and Lodgings.

1. The Brook. K. The Cleft.

L. The Curate's Honfe.

M. The Houses of the Town.

Echelle des Profils double du celle du Plan, The Scale of the Profiles, being double that of the Plan.

### The Prospect next the Anchoring-Place.

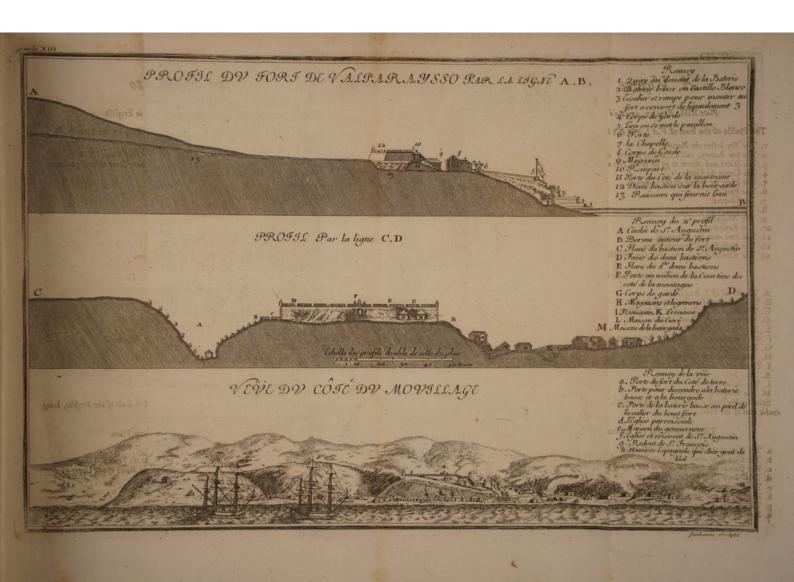
2. The Gate of the Fort, on the Land-Side.

b. The Gate to go down to the Low Battery and to the Town.

c. The Gate to the Low Battery, at the Foot of the Stairs of the Upper

d. The Parish-Church: e. The Governor's House.

The Church and Monastery of S. Augustin. g. The Redans, or indented Work of S. Augustin. h. Spanish Ships lading Corn.



hank down almost to the Level of the Sea. Thus it is abfolutely parted from the Neighbouring Eminences, which

are a little higher.

The Side next the Sea is naturally to freep, that there is no going up without much Difficulty, and on the Land Side, or next the high Mountain, it is defended by a Direh, which croffes from one Stream to the other, and thus cuts off the Enclosure of the Fortress something near to a Squares off the Situation of the Place would not permit the thaking of a regular Fortification, it cannot properly be called any other than Walls of intenchment, following the Compais of the Height, which hank one anothers but very little, and sometimes not at all. At the Middle of the Wall, which is above the Town, there is a little Reden, or indented work, of seven Eathorns in Frent, which reaches or she wall.

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are a little higher.

The Side next the Sea is naturally so steep, that there is no going up without much Difficulty, and on the Land Side, or next the high Mountain, it is defended by a Ditch, which crosses from one Stream to the other, and thus cuts off the Enclosure of the Fortress something near to a Square. The Situation of the Place would not permit the making of a regular Fortification; it cannot properly be call'd any other than Walls of Intrenchment, sollowing the Compais of the Height, which slank one another but very little, and sometimes not at all. At the Middle of the Wall, which is above the Town, there is a little Redan, or indented Work, of seven Fathoms in Front, with a Guerite, or Sentinel's Box.

The opposite Side, which is above the Stream of S. Augustin, is only defended by the Flank of a Demi-Bastion, which forms a dead Angle, the Face whereof makes too oblique a Defence. The Side next the Mountain, consists of a Courtin of 26 Fathoms, and of two Demi-Bastions of 20 Fathoms Face and 11 Flank, fo that the Line of Defence is but of 45 Fathoms. All this Part is built with Brick, rais'd 25 Foot in height on a Berm, or Foreland, being a small space of Ground between the Wall and the Moat. The Depth of the Dirch is about ten Foot, and its Breadth three Fathoms towards the Salliant-Angles, whence it has its Defence to the Angle of the Epaule, or Shoulder of the Bastion. It is dug, or cut, in a soft Rock, which has been made a little fleep at the two Ends, to render it inaccessible by way of the Streams. The Parapets are but two Foot and a Half thick, and the rest of the Enclosure of the Place is only a Piece of Masonry made up of Rubbish, weak enough. There is no Rampart but on the Land-Side, to cover the Fortress, and hinder its being overlook'd by the Mountain, which rifes gently: But the Misfortune is, that the Flanks can be batter'd in Reverse, that is, on the Backs

Backs, and the Curtins and Faces enfiladed, or fcour'd along their whole Length by neighbouring Eminences within Musket-Shot, fo that it is very easy to render them uscless. At the Foot of the high Fort, adjoining to the Town, is a Battery of nine Pieces of Cannon, rais'd thirteen Foot high, on a Key of the same Height, whence they can fire upon the Anchoring-Place level with the Water: But besides that it has no Defence from its Position, it is commanded by all the Parts about. It is call'd Castillo Blanco, or White-Castle, because it has been whitened, that it may be feen at a Distance. Behind that Battery, are the Gate, the Stairs, and the Ascent, which lead from the Town to the Fortress along a Way cover'd with a Piece of Wall; and higher up, a Boyan, or Branch of a Trench, the Epaulment whereof does not cover the Gate of the Body of the Place, which is all open to the Road.

In the Middle of the Curtin, on the Side next the Mountain, is another Gate, to which they climb up out of the Ditch for want of a Drawbridge. That Way passes the Conduit of Water drawn from the Stream of S. Augustin for the upper Fort, which might be easily cut off, and the Garrison could have no other but that of the Rivulet, which runs from the Bottom of the Stream of S. Francis through the Middle of the Town. Thus we see how little the Fortress of Valparaiso is to be fear'd, if Men were landed, as may be done in fair Weather, at that open Shore, which is at the Bottom of the Road, at the Place call'd Almendral,

where the Cannon can scarce do any Harm. It all all all

In the low Battery there are 9 Brass Guns, from 12 to 18 Pound Ball, Spanish Weight, whereof no two can fire upon that Landing-Place; and the rather, for that it is almost half a League distant. In the Upper-Fort there are five, from six to twelve Pound Ball, and two little Drakes, making in all 16 Brass Guns. I must here take Notice by the By, that this Artillery was put into a Condition to be of Use by the Carpenters of Boisloret, Captain of the Ship te Clerc, in the Year 1712: But had not the Governor been more

Cannon.

siz Rolary.

more grateful than the Prefident of Santiago, for the Service he did the Spaniards, he had been the first at feeling the Exactness of the Work on Account of a little Difference

in trading.

At the Foot of the Fortress, in a little Gut, or narrow Valparaiso Space, is the Borough or Town of Valparaiso, confisting Town. of about a hundred poor Houses, without any Order, and of several Heights; it also stretches out along the Sea, where the Stores of Corn or Granaries are. As little as the Place is, there are, besides the Parish, two Monasteries; the one of Franciscans, and the other of Augustins. Of 150 Families there may be in the Place, there are scarce 30 of them Whites; the rest are Blacks, Mulatto's, and Mestizo's. The Number of Men able to bear Arms there is very inconsiderable; but the Neighbouring Dwellings, or Farms, upon the first Signal from the Fortress, furnish fix Troops of Horse, mounted at their own Expence; most of whom have no other Arms but Swords, which the Whites always wear at the vileft Employments. Upon Notice given by the Sentinels kept along the Coast, they are very regular in drawing together, at least, some Part of those Troops, when a Ship appears which is not thought to be Spanish built. We have often heard a Shot in the Night by way of Alarm, upon the least Suspicion, and without Clafs; they kept it with as much, nay, bonnon year

Some Days after our Arrival, the fecond Merchant of our Ship obtain'd Leave of the President to go to Santiago,

on the Bufiness of Trade.

During that Interval, the S. Charles, a French Ship Ship cafe bought by the Spaniards, was cast away on the most Ea- away. sterly Island of John Fernandes, 80 Leagues West from Valparaifo, as it was coming to lade Bacallao, or Salt Cod, of which some French Men had a Fishery there, under the Direction of one Apremont, formerly one of the King's Guards. Sailing along the Coast, the Ship struck on a Shoal, so near the Land, that all the Men were faved. Some of them ventur'd to come in their Boat to Valparaiso, to defire

desire of the Governor to send a Ship to fetch off the Fishermen left on the Island, and lade what dry Fish they had. Upon our Offers of Service before made to the President, he desired our Ship Mary for that effect; but she being incumber'd with Goods, we could not grant it; so that he was obliged to send the S. Dominick, a Spanish Ship newly come from Callao to lade Corn, which sail'd the 1st, and return'd the 14th of October.

John Fernandes Mand.

That most Easterly Island of John Fernandes would be very fruitful, if cultivated: There is no Want of Wood and Water; there are wild Swine and Goats, and a prodigious Quantity of Fish: The Road where Ships anchor has a good Bottom, but there is much Water close under the Shore. There the English and French Buccaniers often had their Retreat, when they were ranging the Coast about the Year 1682.

The great Plenty of Commodities the Country was furnish'd with at the Time of our Arrival, and the low Price they bore, made us resolve not to sell, till the Trade was somewhat more advantageous; which reduced us to a tire-some Idleness, and made us seek out for some Diversion. The Festival of the Rosary came on the 2d of October,

which entertain'd us eight Days successively.

Festival of the Rosary.

This Festival among the Spaniards is one of the first Class; they kept it with as much, nay, I dare say, more Veneration, than those of the most sacred Mysteries of our Religion: For solemnizing of it, there were Illuminations on the Eve, and Fireworks, consisting of some Sky-Rockets, made in Canes instead of Cartridges, and several Volleys of Chambers. The three next Days a private Person entertain'd the Publick with a Bull Feast, which I thought did not much satisfy my Curiosity. We saw nothing there that was worth looking at, but only a Man astride on one of those mettled Animals, with Spurs, the Rowels whereof were four Inches Diameter, after the Country Fashion. That Engagement was persorm'd in a Place hemm'd in with Scassolds, fill'd with as many Peo-

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ple as there were Inhabitants, who are much delighted with that Sport. The three next Days they acted Plays in the same Place, before the Gate of S. Francis's Church, by Candle-light, in the open Air. It would be hard to relate the Subjects, so much they vary'd and changed; to speak properly, they were no other than Interludes of Farces, mixed with Dancing of several Sorts, well enough perform'd, and even fine, after the Manner of the Country, bating the Symphony, which consisted in only one Harp, and some Guitars; but that which made their Recitative ridiculous, and no way edifying, was an impertinent Mixture they made of the Praises of our Lady of the Rosary, with downright Bussonry, and Obscenities not clean couch'd.

After this Festival, being tired with seeing nothing con-Dangerous tinually but a Village, I bethought me of seeing the Ca-going to pital of the Country, of which the Inhabitants gave me Santiago.

great Accounts; but it being requisite for that Purpose to have the President's Leave, which I would not ask, for fear, lest, being acquainted with my Profession, he should resuse it me, I pretended to go away to embarque at La Conception, with a French Captain, who was returning to France. The great Credit he had given the President, had purchased him his Friendship; so I went with him under that Pretence to Santiago, as it were only taking it in my Way, without fearing to be stopp'd, and sent back with Fetters at my Heels, as had happen'd to some French Men, who went thither without Leave. A Privateer Captain, who having lost his Ship at Buenos Ayres, was passing through Santiago towards the South Sea, to endeavour to embarque on some French Ship, was imprison'd upon no other Account.

It might be here ask'd, why the French, who go to Sant-Reasons why. iago, are so ill used. There are two Reasons for it: The first, because, by the Laws of Spain, Strangers are forbid entring the Colonies of the South Sea; the second and chiefest is, because the Merchants of the City, among

whom

whom the President must be reckoned, complain, that the French carry Goods thither, which they fell cheaper than the Shops, and by that means ruin their Trade; fo that I was to take double Precautions.

Road from Valparaifo te Santiago.

We set out from Valparaiso on the Eve of All Saints, and pass'd the great Road of Zapata. I was much amazed the first Day's Journey, to see not only that it must be perform'd without drawing Bit, but that at Night we must lie in the open Field, for want of a House, tho' I had been promis'd a good Lodging; but I was inform'd, that what they call Alojamiento, or Lodging in Chili, only fignifies a Place where there is Water and Pasture for the Mules. However, we had pass'd within half a Quarter of a League of Zapata, which is a Hamlet, and the only one there is in 30 Leagues traveling; but it is not the Custom of the Country to lie in Houses.

Zapata Mountain.

Poangue Vale.

Cuesta de tain. Podaguel. River.

The next Morning we pass'd over the Mountain of Zapata, which is very high; and after croffing the Vale of Poangue, where a little River runs, which is dangerous in Winter rainy Weather, we pass'd another Mountain more difficult than the former, call'd La Cuesta de Prado, and Prado Monn- went to lie at the Descent on the other side, on the Bank of the little River of Podaguel. During those two Days, we scarce saw any Lands till'd; all the Plains are desart; they are only full of a Sort of Thorny Trees, which make the Roads very incommodious.

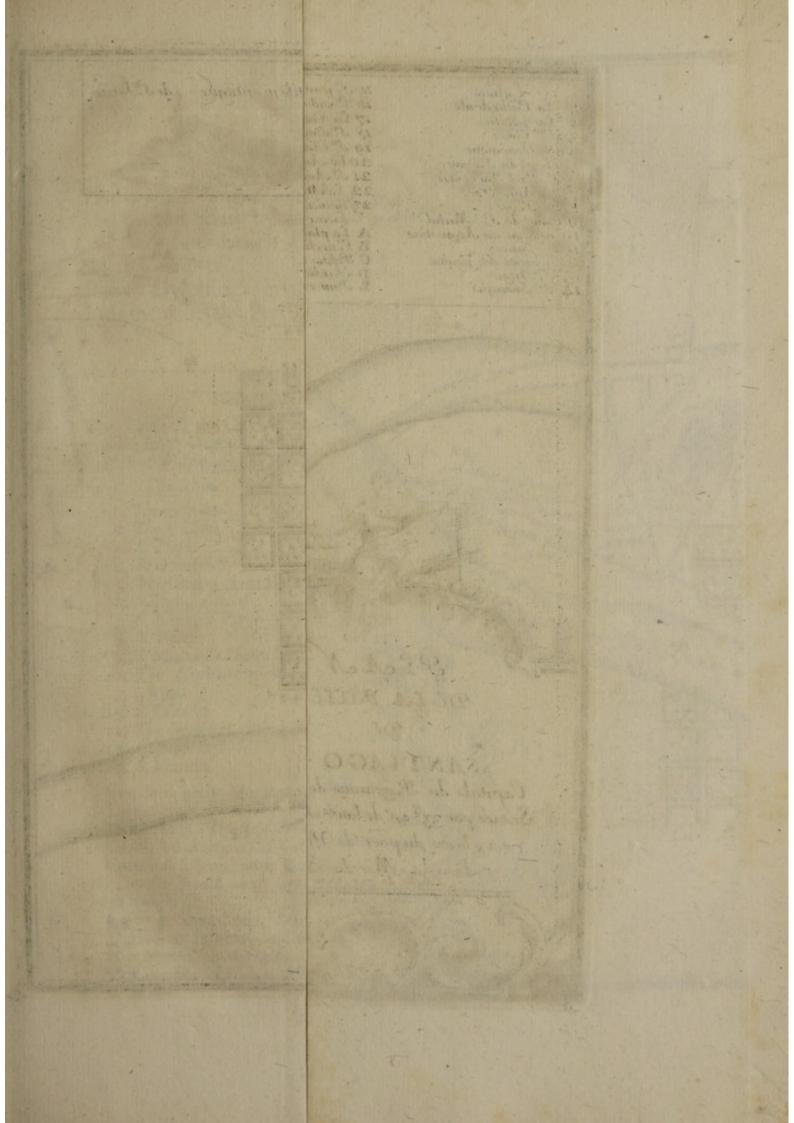
> At length, on the 20th of October in the Morning, we arrived at Santiago, which was but four Leagues from our Lodging beyond Podaguel. Thus I reckon'd that it is eight and twenty Leagues from Valparaiso, tho' Herrera

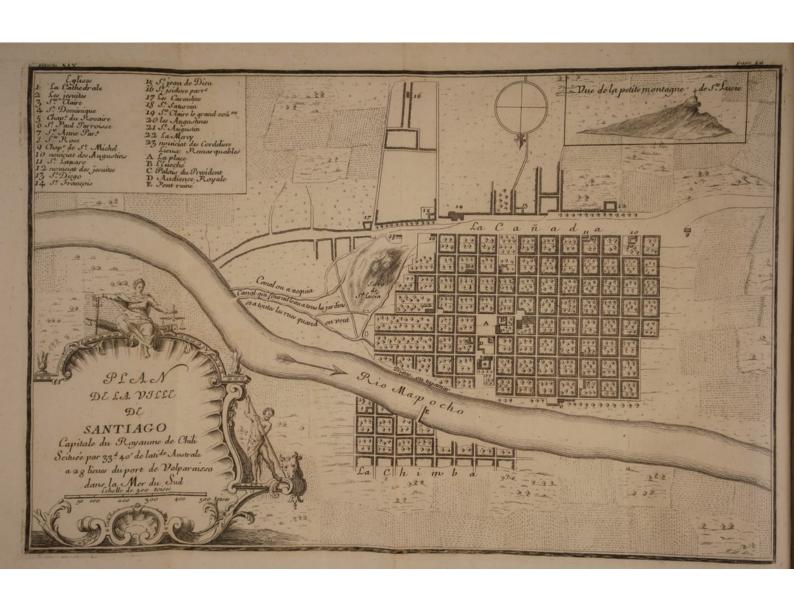
reckons but fourteen.

The Description of the City of Santiago, Capital of Chili.

Situation.

THE City of Santiago, or S. James the Apostle, is feated in 33 Degrees 40 Minutes of South Latitude, at the West Foot of the Chain of Mountains call'd La Cordillera





Morth to South: It stands in a beautiful Plain of above 25 Leagues Surface, closed to the East by the Foot of the Cordillera Mountain, on the West by the Mountains of Prado and Poangue, on the North by the River of Colina, and on the South by that of Maypo.

It was founded by Peter de Baldivia, in the Year 1541. Foundation. That Conqueror of Chili having found a great Number of Indian Dwellings in the Vale of Mapocho, by it made a

Judgment of the Fertility of the Soil; and the delightful
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Situation

Plate XIV. Page 99. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the City of SANTIAGO, Capital of the Kingdom of Chili, in 23 Degrees, 40 Minutes of South Latitude, 28 Leagues from the Port of Valparaifo, in the South-Sea.

Churches.

- 1. The Cathedral.
- 2. The Jesuites.
- 3. S. Clare.
- 4. S. Dominick.
- 5. The Chappel of the Rofary.
- 6. S. Paul, a Parish.
- 7. S. Anne, a Parish. 8. S. Rose.
- 9. S. Michael's Chappel.
- 10. The Noviciate of the Augu-
- 11. S. Lazarus.
- 12. The Noviciate of the Jefuites.
- 13. S. James.
- 14. S. Francis.

- 15. S. John of God.
- 16. S. Isidore, a Parish.
- 17. The Carmelites.
- 18. S. Saturninus.
- 19. S. Clare, the Great Monastery.
- 20. The Augustins. 21. S. Augustin.
- 22 The Mercenarians.
- 23. The Noviciate of the Francis-

Places of Note.

- A. The Square.
- B. The Bijhop's Palace. C. The President's Palace.
- D. The Royal Court.
- E. Arnin'd Bridge.

Vue de la petite Montagne de S. Lucie, A Prospect of the little Hill of S. Lucy.

La Cannada, The Reed Ground.

Canal, ou Azequia, A Canal, or Trench.

Canal qui fournit l'eau à tous les Jardins, & à tous les Rues quand on veut, The Canal or Trench which Supplies all the Gardens with Water, and the Streets, when thought fit.

Cerro de Santa Lucia, S. Lucy's Hill.

Digue, ou Tajamar, A Dike, or Fence, against the Water.

Rio Mapocho, Mapocho River. La Chimba, A Place so call'd. 100

The Plan.

Situation of the Place seeming to him proper to execute the Design he had of building a Town, he caus'd the Plan of it to be mark'd out in Squares, like a Draught-Board, by the same Measures as those of Lima, that is, 150 Varas, or Spanish Yards, or 64 Fathoms on each Side; whence came that Measure call'd Quadra, which they use in that Country to divide the Till'd Land, as it were into Acres. Each of those Squares of Houses was divided into sour Parts, call'd by them Solares, for every Person to have a commodious Apartment. In short, tho' in Process of Time, that Space has been divided into several Parts: They have still so much Room, that there is scarce a House in the Town without a Court before it, and a Garden behind.

Waters.

The Town is water'd on the East Side by the little River of Mapocho, which is swell'd in Summer by the melting of the Snow on the Mountain call'd La Cordillera, and by the Rains in Winter: However, it is, for the most part, fordable. Being very rapid, its Water is almost always foul; but the Inhabitants, who have no other, take care to filtrate, or strain it through a Sort of Stones sit for that Purpose, especially at the Time when the Snows thaw, because it is then unwholsome, if not cleans'd: They might, nevertheless, without any great Trouble, bring Water from the Neighbouring Springs, which are not above half a League from the City.

Dyke and Trenches. To prevent Inundations when the River overflows, they have built a Wall and a Dyke, by means whereof they at all Times convey Rivulets or Trenches to water their Gardens, and to cool the Streets when they think fit; an inestimable Conveniency to be found so naturally in few Cities in Europe. Besides these small Trenches, they draw larger Streams to drive the Mills there are in several Parts of the City, for the Conveniency of each Quarter.

Streets.

The Streets are laid with the four Cardinal Points of the Horizon, North, South, East and West. They are five Fathoms wide, exactly in a Line, and neatly paved with small Stones, divided in the Nature of Furrows, by others larger,

Bull

larger, crossing both Ways at equal Distances, and leaving in the Middle about two Foot and a half of running Water, to wash or cool them when they please. Those which run East and West, receive their Waters from the first Canals of the River; and those which cross from North to South from those which run in the Middle of the Squares of Houses a-cross the Gardens and the Streets, under little Bridges, whence it is caus'd to flow out. Were it not for that Relief, the Gardens would produce Nothing, for Want of Rain, during eight Months in the Year; whereas, by this Means, the City affords all the Delights of the Country, in relation to Fruit and Herbs; in the Day the cool Shade, and at Night the sweet Scents of Orange-Flowers and Floripondio's, which persume the Houses.

The Earthquakes, which are there frequent, have much Earthquakes.

endamaged the City; and among them, those of 1647 and 1657: The first of them was so violent, that it almost overturn'd the whole, and left such unwholsome Vapours in the Air, that all the Inhabitants died, except about 3 or 400. Since that Time there has been some little Alteration in the Plan, by the enlarging of the Monasteries; some of which have extended themselves beyond the strait Lines: However, it is still so open, and well distributed for the Conveniency of the publick and private Persons, that if the Houses were raised above the Edge of the Street, and of a better Structure, it would be a very agreeable City.

Much about the Middle of it is the great Square, call'd Royal Square. Plaça Real, or the Royal Square, made by the Suppression of one Quarter, the Surface whereof contains 4096 Fathoms, besides the Breadth of sour Streets; so that there are eight Avenues leading into it. The West Side contains the Cathedral and the Bishop's Palace; the North Side, the President's new Palace, the Royal Court, the Council House, and the Prison: The South Side is a continued Row of Portico's, or uniform Arches, for the Conveniency of Merchants, with a Gallery over it to see the

Bull Feasts: The East Side has nothing peculiar. In the midst of the Square is a Fountain, with a Brass Bason.

Houses and Churches.

The Structure of the Houses is the same as is used throughout all Chili; they have only a Ground Floor, built with unburnt Bricks, excepting that here they are hand-somer than elsewhere, and the Churches richer in gilding; but all the Architecture is of an ill Taste, excepting that of the Jesuites, which is a Latin Cross, arch'd, on a Dorick Order; they have all a small open Place before them for the Conveniency of Calashes and of Processions: Most of them are built with Brick; there are some of regular Stone, as also of small Stone, which they have from a small Rock that is at the East End of the City, call'd S. Lucy's Hill, from the Top of which there is an entire View of all the City and Parts adjacent, which afford a very agreeable Landskip.

Towns in Chili.

This City is the Capital of Chili, a large Kingdom, but fo ill peopled, that in 400 Leagues Extent from North to South, there are scarce five Towns better than our good Villages, not including that we are speaking of. Those Towns are Castro in the Island of Chiloe, La Conception or Penco, Chillan, Coquimbo or La Serena, and Copiapo: There is a 6th beyond the Mountain call'd La Cordillera. which is Mendoza. The best Boroughs are Maule, Valparailo, Quillota, Aconcagua, and S. John de la Cordillera, where there are very rich Silver Mines; but which cannot be wrought above four Months in the Year, because of the Snows. Throughout all the rest, there are only Farms, which they call Estancias, so remote from one another, that the whole Country, as I have been inform'd from good Hands, cannot raise 20000 Whites fit to bear Arms. and particularly Santiago 2000; the rest are all Mestizo's Mulatto's, and Indians, whose Number may be three Times as great, without including the Friendly Indians beyond the River Biobio, who are reckon'd to amount to 15000. whose Fidelity is not to be depended on.

Number of Inhabitants.

What may be said in general of the Strength of the Spa-Military niards in that Country is, that their Military Power is Power. composed of Men who are much scatter'd about, not difciplin'd, and ill arm'd; that the North Part of Chili is almost desart, and that the conquer'd Indians in the South Part are not well affected towards that Nation, whom they look upon as their Tyrants, whose Yoke they would willingly shake off; and in Couclusion, that the Spaniards have no Fortifications in their Lands, where they may fecure themselves, unless they fly to the Mountains; and against a Maritime Force, they have none but those of Baldivia and Valparaiso; the one full of Men, who are Prifoners, and the other ill built, and in a bad Condition. I do not here reckon the Fort of Chacao, in the Island of Chiloe, which does not deferve that Name, either on Account of its Structure, or its Stores.

The Governor of the Kingdom has his usual Residence The Governor at Santiago. The Sieur de Fer rely'd too much on ancient Relations, and was mistaken in the Discourse he inserts in the last Chart of the South-Sea, where he says, The President resides at La Conception. Formerly, those who were zealous for the King's Interest, liv'd at La Conception, or on the Frontiers of Arauco, to carry on the Conquests over the Indians; and they are obliged to go thither every three Years; but at present they save themselves the Trouble, because they are at Peace with those Indians, and that the

Royal Allowance call'd Situado is not paid.

The Governor also takes the Title of President and the Royal Captain-General, on account of his two Employments of Court. the Sword and Gown, and from the latter he derives his Name, as presiding in the Royal Court, composed of sour Oidores, or Judges, two Fiscals, or Attorneys General, one of whom has the Charge of Protecting the Indians and the Affairs of the Croisade; also an Alguazil Mayor de Corte, or Head Serjeant of the Court, the Chancery-Secretary, Reporters, &c. There lies no Appeal from a Judgment upon a Writ of Error, or Review upon a Royal Decision.

Decision, which only takes Cognisance of Matters of Moment, or such as have been before decided in other Courts.

unless it be to the Royal Council of the Indies.

The City Council.

Lesser Matters are decided in the Council-House, which like that of La Conception is composed of two Alcaldes, a Royal Enfign, an Alguazil Mayor, or Head Serjeant, one Depository-General, and six Regidores or Aldermen, the one half whereof are Encomendaderos, or fuch as have Indians committed to them, others only Inhabitants, and others call'd Proprietors, because they have bought their Employments, the Badge whereof is a Wand fix or feven Foot long.

President.

Tho' the President is subordinate to the Viceroy of Peru, the Distance very much lessens the Subordination; so that he may be look'd upon in Chili as a Viceroy himself. for the seven Years his Government lasts. He that was then in the Post was call'd Don John Andres Ustaris, formerly a Merchant in Sevil, who, tho' he had changed his Condition, had not changed his Inclination or Occupation; for notwithstanding the Laws of the Kingdom, he traded publickly with the French, who have considerably rais'd his Fortune by the great Credit they have given him. It is true, he has fairly made Satisfaction, a Thing to be commended in a Country where a Man may abuse his Authority, where they borrow with more Ease than elsewhere, but do not pay fo well.

Church Go-Vernment.

The Ecclefiastical State, as well as the Secular, has a Dependence on Lima, the Metropolis of Peru; but the Bishop's Power is very much circumscribed; first by the Laws of the Country, which do not allow him the Dispofal of any Cure; he has only a Right to present three Perfons, of whom the Prefident chooses one in the King's Name, whatfoever Month it is in; fo that even the Pope has not his Turn, as in Europe: Secondly, the Religious. Men pretend to encroach upon the Functions of Curates, which the Jesuites think they have a Right to perform wherefoever they please, not to mention an infinite Number

they were making a particular Theological Treatise at the Time when I was at Santiago; for which Reason the Parish Churches are little resorted to there: There are three besides the Cathedral, being S. Paul, S. Anne, and S. Isidore, whose Churches are the smallest, and the most neglected. There are eight Monasteries of Men, three of Franciscans, two of Jesuites, one of the Mercenarians, one of the Brethren of S. John of God, and one of Dominicans, which are the only Orders established throughout all Chiu: There are five of Nuns, one of Carmelites, one of Augustins, one of Queazels, a Confraternity of the Rule of S. Augustin, and two of Poor Clares: All these Communities are numerous, and in some of them there are above 200 Persons.

The Tribunal of the Inquisition of Chili is also settled Inquisition.

there; the Commissary General resides at Santiago, and his Officers, as those call'd Familiares, and Commissaries are dispers'd through all the Towns and Villages subordinate to him. They employ themselves upon the Notions of Sorcerers true or false, and certain Crimes, the Cognizance whereof belongs to the Inquisition, as Polygamy, &c. For as for Hereticks, I am fure none fall into their Hands. They there study so little, that they are not subject to run aftray through too much Curiofity; only the Defire to distinguish themselves from others by an honourable Title, makes some Church-men learn a little School Divinity and Morality, to bear the Name of Licentiate, or Doctor, which the Dominicans and the Jesuites can conferr by a Privilege obtain'd from the Popes, tho' there be no University establish'd at Santiago; but these Titles are to be had of them fo eafily, that there are some among the Licentiates who know little Latin, which they do not look upon as necesfary for attaining the Sciences.

Whilst I was taken up in viewing and getting acquainted with the City of Santiago, an Affair happen'd, which ob-Unlucky Acliged me to withdraw. The Boat belonging to the Ship, cident.

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call'd the Virgin of Grace of S. Malo, which had put into La Conception, in her Way back to France, being laden with some Goods to be set ashore, occasion'd some Difference between the French and the Corregidor's Guards, who opposed it. The faid Corregidor resenting that Opposition, went away to the Ship's Store-house, follow'd by the Mob. and plunder'd it; but a French Man firing a Piece that was charged with small Shot, unfortunately kill'd a Soldier. All the French then in the Town were committed to Gaol, Search being made for them from House to House. Captain immediately sent an Officer to the President, to complain of that Violence, and demand Justice. Advice made some Noise at Santiago; and the Spaniards naturally hating our Nation, tho' we be never so little. Blame-worthy, among them our Crimes are look'd upon as enormous: I therefore thought it convenient to withdraw myfelf, whilst the President and Council gave Judgment against the unfortunate Strangers, and condemn'd them to pay a Fine of 9000 Pieces of Eight.

## The Gold Mines of Tiltil.

HE earnest Desire I had to see Gold Mines, and new Places, made me take the Way of Tiltil, which is only two Leagues round about, to return to Valparailo. That Country is somewhat less defart than the other of Zapata: There are now and then some Till'd Lands to be feen; and tho' there is a very uncooth Mountain to pals. there are none of those troublesome Defiles among the Thorny Trees, where a Man is torne on every Side. I ar-Tikil Village rived at Tiltil, a small Village seared a little above half way up a high Mountain, all full of Gold Mines; but besides that they are not very rich, the Stone of the Mine, or Mineral, is very hard, and there are few Labourers, fince others richer have been discover'd elsewhere; as also, because the Mills want Water four Months in the Year. When I pass'd that Way, there were five of those Mills, which. the

and Mines.

Lakel Villa

the Spaniards call Trapiches, being made much after the Manner of those used in France to grind Apples for Cyder: They consist of a Trough, or great round Stone, about five or six Foot Diameter, with a circular Channel cut in it 18 Inches deep. This Stone is bored in the Middle, to let through the long Axle-tree of an Horizontal Wheel plac'd on it, and fet round with Half Pitchers, on Mills which the Water falls to make it turn; by that Means there comes to roll along the Circular Channel a Milstone, placed upright, and answering to the Axle-tree of the great Wheel. That Mill-stone is call'd Volteadora, or, that turns about; its usual Diameter is three Foot four Inches, and its Thickness ten, or fifteen Inches: Through the Center of it runs an Axle-tree, fix'd into the Main-tree, which caufing it to turn vertically, grinds the Stone taken from the Mine, which those Country People call the Metal, and we, according to Founders Terms, the Ore. Some of it is white, some reddish, and some blackish; but most of it shews little or no Gold to the Eye.

When the Stones are a little broken, they put to them a How the Gold certain Quantity of Mercury, or Quickfilver, which chings is extracted.

to the Gold the Mill has separated from the Stone it has ground: Then they let fall into the Circular Trough a Stream of Water, rapidly convey'd along a little Channel, to dissolve the Earth which it forces out at a Hole made for that Purpose. The Gold incorporated with the Mercury sinks to the Bottom, and is detain'd there by its own Weight: They grind in a Day half a Caxon, that is, 25 Quintals, or hundred Weight of the Ore; and when they have done grinding, they gather up that Paste of Gold and Quicksilver which lies at the Bottom of the deepest Part of the Trough; they put it into a Linnen Bag to squeeze out the Mercury, as near as they can; then they put it to the Fire for the rest to evaporate: And this is what they call Oro en pinna, or Gold clung together like a Pine-Apple.

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Refining.

In order to clear the Gold quite from the Quickfilver it is still impregnated with, the Lump must be run, and then they know the exact Weight, and the true Fineness. It is not done any otherwife there; the Weightiness of the Gold, and the Facility of its making an Amalgama, or Paste with the Mercury, makes the Dross immediately part from it. This is an Advantage the Gold Miners have over those of Silver; they every Day know what they get; whereas the others sometimes do not know it till two Months after, as shall be faid in another Place.

Gold weight.

The Weight of Gold is regulated by Castellano's, and a Castellano is the hundredth Part of a Spanish Pound Weight: It is divided into eight Tomines; just six Castellano's and two Tomines make an Ounce. It is to be observ'd, that the Spanish Weight is 6 ; per Cent. less than the French Standard.

Finenels.

The Finenels of the Gold is reckon'd by Quilates, or Carats, limited to 24 for the highest; that of the Mines

I speak of, is from 20 to 21.

Product of Gold.

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According to the Nature of the Mines, and the Richness of the Veins, every Caxon, or 50 Quintals, that is, hundred Weight, yields four, five, or fix Ounces; when it yields but two, the Miner does not make good his Charges, which often happens; but he has also sometimes good Amends made him, when he meets with good Veins; for the Gold Mines are, of all those which produce Metals, the most unequal; they follow a Vein, which grows wider, then narrower, and sometimes seems to be lost ina fmall Space of Ground. This Sport of Nature makes the Miners live in hopes of finding what they call the Purfe, being the Ends of Veins, forich, that they have fometimes made a Man wealthy at once; and this same Inequality

\* Gold hath sometimes ruins \* them, which is the Reason, that it is more of many, and rare to fee a Gold Miner rich than a Silver Miner, or of their Destru- any other Metal, tho' there be less Expence in drawing it ction was pre-from the Mineral, as shall be said hereafter: For this Rea-Eccl. xxxi. 6. fon also the Miners have particular Privileges; for they

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pays only a 20th Part to the King, which is call'd Covo, from the Name of a private Person, to whom the King made that Grant, because they used before to pay the Fifth, as they do of Silver.

The Gold Mines, like all others of what Metal foever, To whom belong to him who first discovers them. There needs Minesbelongs. nothing but prefenting a Petition to the Magistrates to have them adjudg'd to him. They measure on the Vein 80 Vara's, or Spanish Yards in length, that is, 246 Foot, and 40 in breadth, for him it is adjudg'd to, who chooses that Space as he thinks fir. Then they measure 80 more, which belong to the King; the rest goes to the first Claimer, according to the same Measure, who disposes of it as he pleases. That which belongs to the King, is fold to the highest Bidder, who is willing to purchase an unknown and uncertain Treasure. Farthermore, those who are willing to labour themselves, easily obtain of the Miner a Vein to work on: What they get out of it is their own, paying him the King's Duty, and the Hire of the Mill, which is so considerable, that some are fatisfy'd with the Profit it yields, without employing any to work for them in the Mines.

Formerly the Practice was otherwise, and there were Ancient Framore Formalities in adjudging the Mines in Germany, as slice, as to may be seen in Agricola, L. 4. He who had made a Dis-Mines. covery, signify'd the same to the Intendant of the Mines, who repair'd to the Place with another Officer and two Witnesses, to examine the Claimer, where his Mine was, which he was obliged to point out, and, at the same time, to swear that it was his own: Then the Intendant assign'd him, for his Part, a certain Extent, containing two Acres and a half, according to the Custom of the Country. Then he measur'd one for the Prince, another for the Princess, a Third for the Master of the House, a Fourth for the Cup-Bearer, a Fifth for the Chamberlain, and lastly, he kept one for himself.

Departing.

Rich Stream. Departing from Tiltil, I continued my Journey for Valparaifo. On the Descent of the Mountain on the West Side, they shew'd me a Stream, where there is a rich Lavadero, or Place for washing of Gold. They there sometimes find Bits or Lumps of pure Gold, which weigh about an Ounce; but the Water failing in the Summer, they cannot work there above three or four Months in the more by certain I okens that there in Year.

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Natural Cru- The same Day I proceeded to Limache, a Village, where a Tree was found, the Figure whereof Father Ovalle gives, in his Relation of the Missions of Chili. There is such another at Rincan, two Leagues W. N. W. from Santiago. It is a Cross form'd by Nature, on which is a Crucifix of the same Wood, as it were in Bass Relief! The Carvers have spoil'd it, by having touch'd up several Parts; for there is now no feeing what it was when first found.

Another.

Don Francisco Antonio de Montalvo, mentions such a Tree found in the Year 1533, at Callacate, in the Territory of Caxamalca, in the Kingdom of Peru, on the Day of the Invention of the Holy Cross. Don John Ruiz Bravo, who discover'd it, having left it, it was again found in the same Place in 1677, on the Day of the Exaltation of the Cross: If these Circumstances are true, they have something miraculous. This Crofs is 22 Foot long, and 15 in the Arms, whereof the Thickness of the Tree takes up a third Part. From its three Extremities, Branches sprout out, which form fo many more little Croffes.

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Bad Travel- At length I arrived at Valparaifo, displeas'd with traveling in that Country, where neither Houses nor Provisions, nor Places to lodge, are to be found; fo that Travelers must carry fo much as their very Beds, unless they will \* Note, That comply to lie like the Natives on the Ground, upon Sheeps the Pasture a- Skins, with the Sky for their Canopy. It is true, that long the Road way of traveling has this Advantage, That Rablais's Quar-Order of the ter of an Hour, that is, when the Reckoning is to be paid, does not disturb a Man \*.

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To make amends for not having seen the Ore ground at Tiltil, I went, some Days after my Return, to see Gold taken by washing, near Palma, sour Leagues E. and by S. from Valparaiso, where the Jesuites had Men at work for them.

They dig in the Bottom of Streams, in the inward An-Washinggles, which are form'd in Process of Time, where they flace for judge by certain Tokens that there may be Gold; for it does not appear to the Eye where it is. To facilitate this Digging, they let a Rivulet into it, and whilft it runs, they turn up the Earth, to the end that the Current may diffolve and carry it away the better. At length, when they are come to the Floor of Earth where the Gold is, they turn off the Stream to dig by Strength of Arms: That Earth they carry on Mules to a little Bason, made in the Shape of a Smith's Bellows, into which they turn a little rapid Stream of Water to dissolve it; and to the end it may the better foak in and loofen the Gold that is mix'd with it, they continually stir it about with an Iron Hook, which also serves to gather the Stones, and these they throw out of the Bason with their Hands. This Precaution is necessary, to the end they may not stop the Water-Course, which is to carry all away, except the Gold, whole great Weight makes it fink to the Bottom of the Baion, among a fort of fine black Sand, where it is not much less hid than in the Earth, if there are no Grains at least as big as a Lentil. There are often larger found; and at the Washing-Place I speak of, they had found some of three Marks Weight, that is, twenty four Ounces. However, I do not question but that abundance of small Particles of Gold run out at that Channel from the Bason, which might be easily remedy'd. In Turingia, and on the Rhine, to fave that Lofs, they lay on the Channel some Linnen, Woollen, or Horses or Ox Hides, to the end that the small Grains of Gold may stick there; and afterwards they wash the skins to recover it. Thus the People of Colchis gather'd it, having laid the Skins of Beafts in the hollow Parts

Parts of Springs, which gave occasion to the Poets to invent the Fable of the Golden-Fleece carry'd off by the Argonauts.

At last, after turning off the Water, they gather up that Sand which remains at the Bottom of the Bason, and put it into a great Wooden Platter, in the Middle whereof is a little Hollow or Depth of about a Quarter of an Inch: They stir and turn it with their Hands in Water, so that all the Earth and Sand there, runs over the Edges, only the Gold, which that little Motion of the Hand cannot sufficiently remove, remains at the Bottom in Grains bigger or smaller than Sand, of all sorts of Shapes, pure, clean, and of its natural Colour, without adding any other Help of Art.

This Way of getting Gold is much more beneficial, when the Earth is indifferently rich, than working at the Mines. The Expence is but small; there is no need of any Mill, nor of Quicksilver, nor of Crows, and other Instruments, to break the Veins with much Labour; a few Shovels sometimes made of the Blade Bones of Oxen are

sufficient to dissolve the Earth that is wash'd.

Almost all the Streams in Chili have Earth, whence Gold may be drawn, only the greater or lesser Quantity makes the Difference. It is commonly reddish, and small on the Surface; at about the Depth of a Man, it is mix'd with Grains of coarse Sand, or Gravel, where the Bed of Gold begins; and, digging deeper, there are Layers of Stony Bottom, as it were a moulding Rock, bluish, mix'd with abundance of yellow Straws, which a Man would be apt to take for Gold, but which, in Reality, are no other than the Marcassite, or yellow Fire-stone, so small and light, that the Current of the Water carries them away. Below those Beds of Stone no more Gold is found; it seems to be detain'd above, as having fallen from a higher Place.

Opinion about Gold.

The most learned Men in the Country ascribe this Mixture of Gold with the Earth to the universal Flood, which overturn'd the Mountains, and consequently broke up the

Mines,

Mines, and loosed the Gold, which the Waters drove into the lower Grounds, where it has continued to this Day.

This Opinion, which Mr. Woodward has very much en-Disprov'd. forc'd, is not well grounded on Scripture; which, instead of speaking of such Overturning, seems, on the contrary, to signify to us, that the Deluge made very little Alteration on the Surface of the Earth, since the second Time that Noah let go the Dove, she brought back an Olive Branch. It may perhaps be alledg'd, that it was a Piece that floated of a Tree torne up, or broken, since, according to the Report of Travelers, there are no Olive Trees about Mount Ararat, where the Ark rested, according to Tradition. Tho' that were so, it is at least likely, that the third Time she found something to subsist on, since she did not return, by which the Patriarch understood that the Waters were dry'd.

Without going back to such remote Times, I am of Another Opi-Opinion, that the Winter Rains alone may have caused the nion. same Effect; they are so heavy in Chili during the Months of May, June, July and August, and the Ground is so little supported by Rocks, that every Day there are new Breaks, or Channels, form'd and enlarged on the Declivity of the Mountains, which visibly sink in an Infinity of

feveral Places.

The frequent Earthquakes have also, doubtless, occa-Reinforc'd. fion'd great Alterations in that Country. Acosta tells us of one, which in Chili overturn'd whole Mountains; the falling of which stopp'd the Course of Rivers, and turn'd them into Lakes, and made the Sea run several Leagues beyond its Bounds, leaving the Ships upon dry Ground.

This Reason will not fit other Countries, where Gold More No-Dust is found, as in the Rivers of Guinea, and Parts adja-tions. cent; it may be supposed, with the Author of the Book, entitul'd, Curiositates Phiolosophica, Lond. 1713, that the Mountains have been overturn'd by a Fermentation; and that the Mines, not yet rightly form'd, burst, and in Process of Time ran into the lower Parts, such as the Chan-

Tho' we are not rightly inform'd of the Manner how great Movements or Alterations have been made in the Earth, yet there is no Reason to doubt of them, when we observe some Bodies that are found out of their natural Place, and particularly Shells. I have seen a Bank of them in the Island of Quiriquina, sive or six Foot high, parallel with the Surface of the Sea, enclosed within an Eminence of Earth above 200 Foot high. Such Observations have been long since made in Europe, which have found the Learned much Employment, without being able to assign sufficient Reasons for it.

More probable Opinion.

It may also be supposed with many of the Natives of the Country, that the Gold is form'd in the Earth, even without any Mineral Vein; grounding their Opinion on this, that after many Years Gold has been found in the Earth that had been wash'd, as many Persons report it of the Washing-Places of Andacol, near Coquimbo. We shall exa-

mine this Opinion elsewhere.

Be it as it will, it is certain that those Washing-Places are very common in Chili; that the Negligence of the Spaniards, and the Want of Labourers, leave immense Treasures in the Earth, which they might easily enjoy; but as they do not confine themselves to small Advantages, they only apply themselves to the Mines, where a considerable Profit is to be found: If any such new Discovery is made, they all run thither. Thus have we seen Copiapo and Lampanguy peopled all on a sudden, and so many Workmen drawn thither, that in two Years they had crected six Mills at the latter of those Mines.

Lampanguy Mines.

The Mountain of S. Christopher of Lampanguy is near the Cordillera Ridge of Mountains, in about 31 Degrees of South Latitude, 80 Leagues from Valparaiso. In the Year 1710 many Mines were discover'd there of all Sorts of Metals, Gold, Silver, Iron, Lead, Copper and Tin, which overthrows the Arguments of the Author above-mention'd, who thinks that all the said Metals cannot be found in the

fame.

fame Place; but Experience proves the contrary, for Gold

and Silver are often seen mix'd in the same Stone.

The Gold of Lampanguy is from 21 to 22 Carats fine, the Ore is there hard; but two Leagues from thence, on the Mountain of Llaoin, it is foft, and almost crumbling; and there the Gold is in such fine Dust, that no Sign of it appears to the Eye.

It may be said in general, that all the Country is very Trade of rich, and that the Inhabitants are nevertheless very poor in Chili. Cash, because, instead of working at the Mines, they are satisfy'd with the Trade they drive of Hides, Tallow, dry'd

Flesh, Hemp and Corn.

The Hemp comes from the Vales of Quillota, Aconca-

gua, La Ligua, Limache, and other Places.

The Vale of Quillota is nine Leagues N. E. and by N. Quillotz from Valparaiso; it is one of the first Places where the Spa-vale.

niards began-to make Settlements, and to meet Indians, who opposed the Progress of their Conquests: That Opposition made that Vale and the River of Chili, which crosses it, samous; and as the first Names of a new Country are those which happen to be most taken Notice of, this same was afterwards given to all that great Kingdom, which Chili, why so the Spaniards call Chile, and Foreigners, corruptly, Chili. call'd. Her-This is, doubtless, the true Etymology of the Name, which rera, Dec. 7. some Historians derive from an Indian Word, signifying Cold, according to them; for, in short, that Name would be very improper for so agreeable and temperate a Country as that is.

Be that as it will, the Vale of Quillota did so abound in Indian Strategold, that General Baldivia thought sit to erect a Fortugemothere for the Security of the Settlement, and to curb the Indians he employ'd to get the Gold; but they posses'd themselves of it by a very ingenious Stratagem. One of them, on an appointed Day, carry'd thither a Pot sull of Gold Dust, to excite the Curiosity and Covetousness of the Garrison-Soldiers. In short, they all soon gather'd about

Garriton-Soldiers. In short, they all soon gather'd about that little Treasure; and whilst they were busy contending about

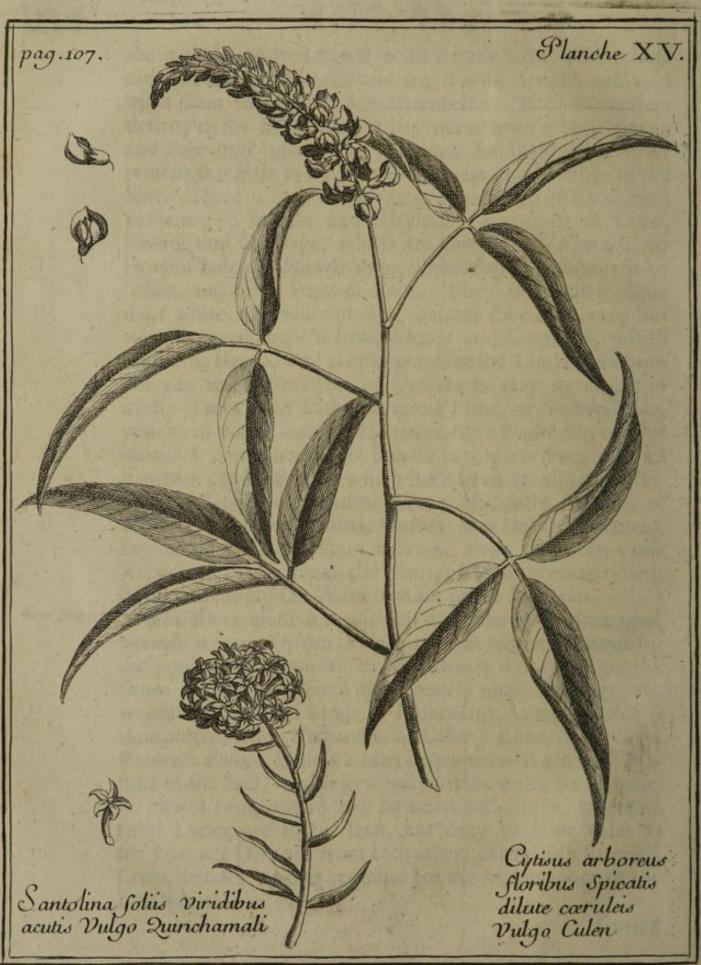
about their private Interest to divide the same, an Ambuscade of Indians, conceal'd and arm'd with Arrows, rush'd in upon them, and found them defenceless. The Victors then destroy'd the Fort, which has never been rebuilt fince; and they have given over fearthing for Gold there. At present that Vale is only remarkable for the Fertility of the Soil: There is in it a Village of about 150 Whites, and perhaps 300 Indians and Mestizo's, who trade in Corn, Hemp, and Cordage, which are carry'd to Valparaifo, to rig and lade the Spanish Ships; which thence transport it to Callao, and other Parts of Peru. They make their Cordage white, and without Tar, because they have none but what is brought them from Mexico and Guayaquil, which burns the Hemp, and is only good for the Timber of Ships. For the rest, the Plain of Quillota is very agreeable in itself: I was there at the Carnaval Time, or Shrove-Tide, which, in that Country, falls about the Beginning of Autumn. I was charm'd to behold such great Plenty of all European choice Fruits, which have been transplanted thither, and answer to Admiration; especially Peaches, of which Trees there are little Groves, that are never pruned, nor have any other Care taken of them, than to cause Trenches, drawn from the River of Chili, to water their Roots, to supply the Want of Rain in the Summer.

Corn Country.

The River of Chili is also call'd the River of Aconcagua, because it comes from a Vale of that Name, famous for the prodigious Quantity of Corn carry'd from it yearly. From thence, and from the Country about Santiago, towards the Cordillera Ridge of Mountains, comes all that is transported from Valparaiso to Callao, Lima, and other Parts of Peru. Unless a Man be acquainted with the Nature of the Soil, which generally yields 60 or 80 for one, he cannot comprehend how to defart a Country, where no till'd Lands are to be seen, but only in some Vales at ten Leagues Distance from each other, can furnish so much Corn, besides what is requisite for the Maintenance of the

Inhabitants.

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During the eight Months we stay'd at Valparaiso, thirty lis Great Ships sail'd from thence laden with Corn, the Burden of Cheapness. each of which may be reduc'd to 6000 Hanegas, or 3000 Mules Burden, which is enough to feed 60000 Men a Year. Notwithstanding that great Exportation, it is very cheap there, the Hanega weighing 150 Pounds, being sold from 18 to 22 Royals, which is about 9 or ten Livres French, a very inconsiderable Price for that Country, where the smallest Coin is a Silver Piece of sour Sols and a Half French, which may be compared to two Liards, or an Half-Penny, with respect to the Division and Value. But as it does not rain there for eight or nine Months in the Year, the Land cannot in many Places be till'd, where there are no Brooks.

However, the Hills are cover'd with Herbs, among Plants, which there are many Aromatick, and Medicinal. Among the latter, the most famous with the Inhabitants of the Country is the Cachinlagua, a Sort of small Centaury, which seem'd to me more bitter than the French, and confequently more full of Salt, reckon'd an excellent Febrifuge. The Viravida, a Sort of Sempervive, the Insusion whereof was used with great Success by a French Surgeon for curing of a Tertian Ague. There is also a Sort of Senna, exactly like that which is brought us from Seyde, or Sidon in the Levant; for want of which, the Apothecaries at Santiago make use of this, which the Indians call Unoperquen; it is somewhat smaller than the Mayten, a Tree of that Country.

The Alvahaquilla, in the Indian Culen, is a Shrub which Sweet Basil. has the Scent of our Sweet Basil, and contains a Balm of great Use for Sores, whereof we saw a wonderful Effect at Plate XV: Trequin, on an Indian, whose Neck was deeply ulcerated. I also had Experience of it on myself. The Flower of it

is

Plate XV. Page 117. explain'd in English.

The Quinchimali Plant, a Sort of Dwarf Cypress, with sharp green Leaves.

The Plant Culen, being the Shrub call'd Cytisus Arboreus, or the large.

Cytisus, with Flowers like Ears of Corn, of a pale Blue.

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is long, growing up like an Ear of Corn, of Colour white inclining to Violet, and is of that Sort which is put into

the Number of Leguminous.

Harillo.

Another Shrub call'd Harillo, different from the Harilla of Tucuman, serves also for the same Use: It has a Flower like Broom, and the Leaf very small, of a strong Scent, somewhat inclining to that of Honey: It is so full of Balm,

that it is all glutinous.

Payce.

The Payco, is a Plant of an indifferent Size, the Leaf whereof is very much jagg'd; it smells strong of a rotten Lemon; its Decoction is a Sudorifick, very good against Pleurifies. They have also much Bastard Rosemary, which

has the same Effect.

Palqui.

The Palqui is a Sort of very stinking Walwort, having a yellow Flower, and ferves to cure the Scurf, or Scald-Thoupa. Heads. The Thoupa is a Shrub like Horfe-Tongue, the

Flower of it long, of an Aurora Colour, refembling that of Birthwort. Father Feuillee, who gives the Figure of it. calls it Rapuntium spicatum foliis acutis; from its Leaves and Rind proceeds a yellow Milk, wherewith they cure fome Ulcers: In other respects they pretend it is a Poison, but not so sharp as he says, for I have handled and felt it without finding any Harm. The Bisnagas so well known

in Spain for making of Pick-tooths, cover the Vales about

Bisnagas.

Valparailo; this Plant is very like Fennel.

Quillay.

The Quillay is a Tree, the Leaf whereof somewhat refembles that of the green Oak; its Bark ferments in Water like Soap, and is better for washing of Woollen Cloaths, but not for Linnen, which it makes yellow. All the Indians make use of it for washing their Hair, and to cleanse their Heads instead of Combs; it is thought to be that

which makes their Hair fo black.

Coco Tree.

The Coco Tree has Leaves much refembling those of the Date Palm Tree; it bears a Cluster of round Coco Nuts, as big as little Walnuts, and full of a white oily Substance, good to eat. The Country about Quillota furnishes Lima with them to preserve, and to entertain the

Children. This Fruit is wrap'd up in several Coverings; that which is about the Shell, is a Rind like that of green Walnuts, by which they are knotted together like a Bunch of Grapes. Another Rind wraps up the whole, which opens when yellow and ripe, into two large Hemispheroides, three Foot long, and one in Breadth, according to the Quantity of Fruit it contains. Father Ovalle says, these Trees never produce Fruit single, but that there must be a Female by the Male, but the Inhabitants told me the contrary.

The Fruit Trees carried thither from Europe, answer in Great Fertile? that Country to perfection; the Climate is so fertile when the Ground is water'd, that the Fruit is coming forward all the Year. I have often seen the same on one Apple-tree, which we here see in Orange-Trees, that is, Fruit of all different Ages or Growths, in Blossom, knotted, form'd

Apples, half grown, and quite ripe, all together.

A League and a Half N. E. from Valparaiso, is a little Wood. Vale called La Vina à la Mar, or the Vineyard next the Sea, where there are not only Trees sit for Fewel, whereof Ships lay in their Store, tho' somewhat remote, but also to make Planks and Ledges; and going up four or sive Leagues farther, there is Timber sit to build Ships. We there cut Planks of a Sort of Bay-Tree, the Wood whereof is white and very light; of Bellota, another white Wood; of Peumo, which is very brittle; and of Rauli, which is the best and fastest. For Knee Timbers, there is the Mayten, the Wood of it is hard, reddish and fast. Champloret le Brun, Captain of the Assumption, whilst we were there, built a Bark of 36 Foot in the Keel, of the same sorts of Wood.

In the same Places is found the Molle, which the Indians Molle. call Ovighan, or Huinan, the Leaf of it is almost like that of the Acacia, its Fruit is a Cluster of little red Berries, like the Dutch Gooseberries, bating that these turn black as they ripen; it tastes of Pepper and Juniper. The Indians make Chicha or Drink of it, as good and as strong or stronger.

stronger than Wine: The Gum of the Tree dissolv'd serves for a Purge. From this Tree they draw Honey, and they also make Vinegar. A little Incision being made in the Bark, there owzes from it a Milk which is said to cure the Web that grows on the Eyes; of the Heart of its Sprigs, they make a Water which clears and strengthens the Sight: Lastly, the Decoction of its Bark makes a Cossee Colour Tincture inclining to red, wherewith the Fishermen of Valparaiso and Concon dye their Nets, to the end the Fish may discern them the less.

Pleats of blown Skins.

Plate XVI.

In order to cast their Nets in the Sea, those Fishermen make use of Floats instead of Boats, being great Bags made of Seal's Skins, fill'd with Wind; fo well few'd, that a very confiderable Weight will not force any of it out, for there are some made in Peru, which will carry twelve Quintals and a Half, or fifty Arrova's, which is twelve Hundred Weight and a Half: The Manner of fewing them is peculiar, they pierce the two Skins put together with an Awl, or a Bone of the Fish call'd Pezegallo, and into every Hole they put a Wooden Pin, or Fish Bone, on both which they cross wet Guts over and under, to stop the Passage of the Air exactly. They tie two of those Blown Bags together, by means of certain Staves laid over them both, in fuch manner that the Fore-part be brought nearer than the Hind-part, and on that a Man ventures out, with a Pagay, or an Oar with two Paddles, or Blades, and if the Wind can help him, he puts up a little Cotton Sail:

Plate XVI. Page 120. described in English.

A. The Figure of a Float, made of the Skins of Sea-Wolves, or Seals, sew'd up, and blown full of Air, like Bladders.

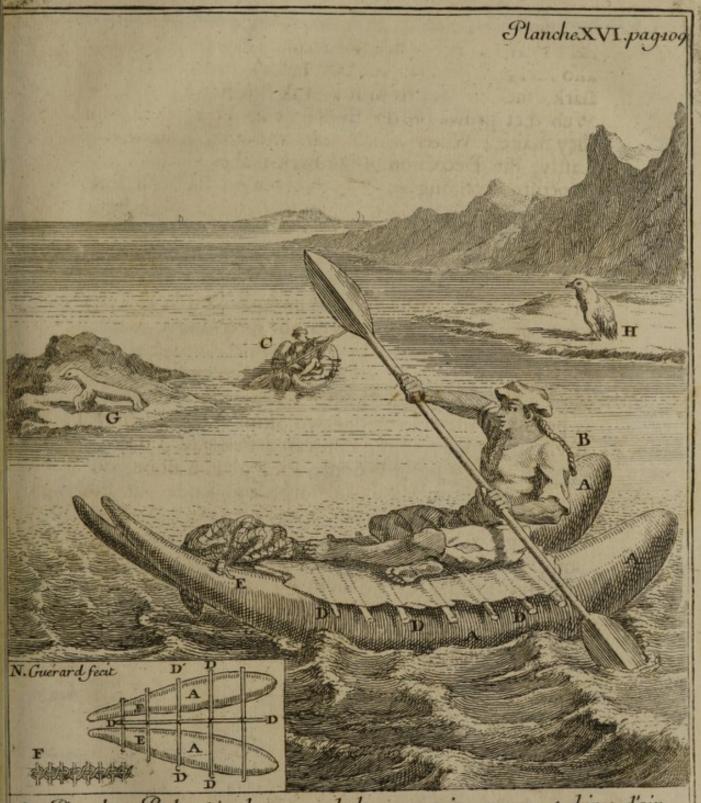
B. An Indian on a Float, Seen Side-way.

C. Another View fronting.

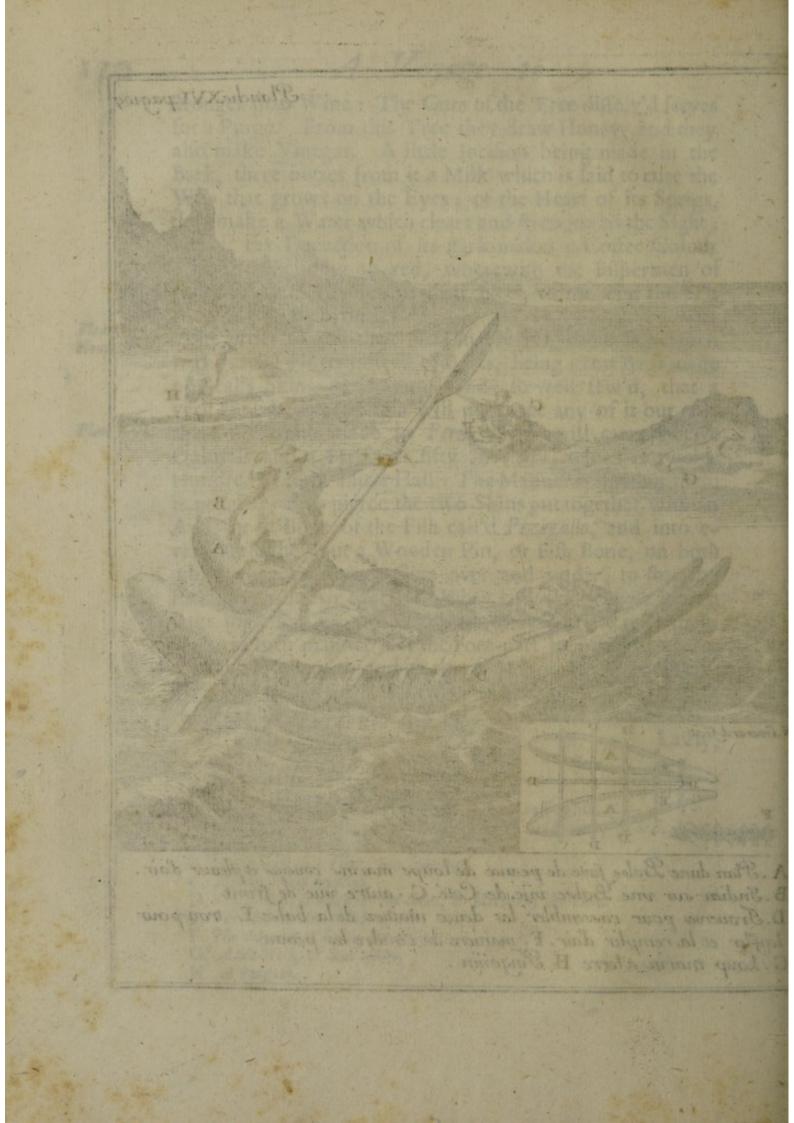
D. Cross Pieces to unite the two Sides, or Halves of the Float.

H. A Penguin.

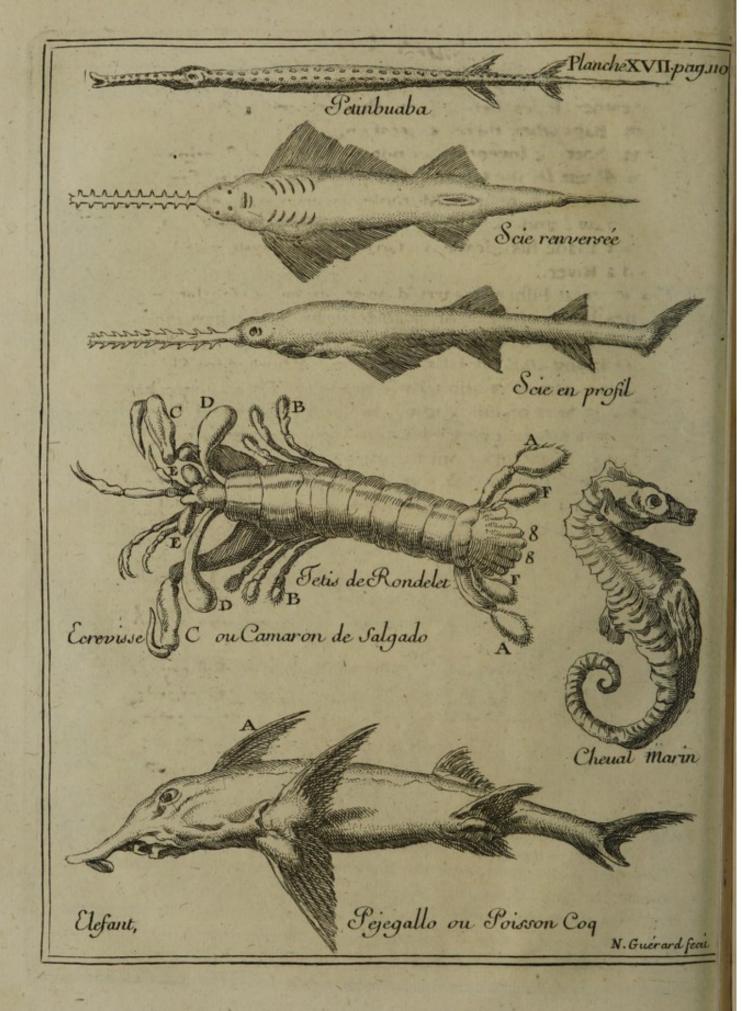
E. The Hole to blow it full of Air. F. The Manner of sewing the Skins. G. A Sea-Wolf, or Seal ashore.



A. Plan dune Balse saite de peaux de loups marins cousues et pleines d'air. B. Indien sur une Balse viie de Coté. C. autre viie de front D. Trauerses pour rassembler les deux moitiez de la balse E trou pour lensler et la remplir d'air. F. maniere de Coudre les peaux G. Loup marin a terre H Pingoiun.



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Lastly, to make good the Air that may get out, he has two Leather Pipes before him, through which he blows

into the Bags when there is Occasion.

That Sort of Invention is not new in our Continent: When Alexander the Great pass'd the Oxus and the Tanais, Part of his Troops cross'd those Rivers on Hides fill'd with Straw; and S. Jerome, in his Epistles, tells us, that Malchus made his Escape on Goats Skins, with which he cross'd a River.

The great Fishery is carry'd on at Concon, a Hamlet two Fishery. Leagues N. and by E. from Valparaiso by Sea, where there is a Creek into which the River of Aconcagua, or of Chili, which runs by Quillota, falls. There is Anchorage for Ships, but the Sea almost continually runs high: There they take Corbinos, a Sort of Fish known in Spain, Tollos and Pezegallos, which they dry to send to Santiago, which is also served with fresh Fish from thence.

The last of them takes its Name from its Shape, be-Pezegallo; cause it has a Sort of Comb, or rather a Trunk, which has Plate XVIII given Occasion to the Creolians to call it Pezegallo, that is, Cock-Fish. The French call it Demoiselle, or Elephant, because of its Trunk, which is here to be seen, as I drew it by the Life; that mark'd A. is a Point so hard, that it may be made use of instead of an Awl to pierce the dryest Hides.

In the Bay of Valparaiso, there is a plentiful Fishery of Fisher.

all Sorts of good Fish, as Pezereyes, delicate Gurnards,

Soles as above spoken of, Mullets, Ce. not to mention an infinite Number of other Fishes that come in their proper Sea
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Plate XVII. Page 121. explain'd in English.

Petinbuaba, A Fish so call'd.
Scie renverse, A Saw-Fish turn'd on its Back.
Scie en Profil, The Profile of the same Fish.
Ecrevisse, &c. A Sea-Crab, or Craw-Fish.
Cheval Marin, A Sea-Horse.
Reze Gallo, ou Poisson Coq, The Cock-Fish.

fons, as Pilchards, and a Sort of Cod, which comes upon the Coasts about the Months of October, November and December; Shads, large Pikes, a Sort of Anchovies, whereof there is sometimes so great a Multitude, that they take whole Baskets full of them on the Surface of the Water.

I here represent a particular Sort of Crab, like that which Rondelet calls Tetis in Greek; and Rumphius, l. 1. c. 4. of his Natural History, Squilla Lutaria, the Colours whereof were extraordinary sprightly, and of singular Beauty; the two oval Fins A. were of the finest Blue that could be feen, edg'd with little Shaggs or Fringes of a Gold Colour; the Legs or Claws B. the like; the Defences C. were of the same Blue; D. represents two transparent Wings. or Fins; E. the Eyes; F. two Fins, inclining to Green, edg'd also with Jaggs, or Fringe; the Shell is of a Musk Colour, and the Extremities 8 are of a Flesh Colour, edg'd white; under the Head are 6 other Legs, or Claws doubled, which do not appear, the Extremities whereof are round, flat, blue and edg'd like the other Parts, with gilded Jaggs or Fringes.

Butchers Meat is not so good there, as at La Conception, especially in Summer. Most of the Sheep have four Horns, and sometimes five or fix; I have seen somethat had seven, four on the one Side, and three on the other; or three on

each Side, and one in the Middle.

The like may be faid of the Game, the wild Fowl is not well tasted there: However, about the farther Ends of Streams, there are abundance of Partridges, but they are dry, and almost insipid. The Wood Pigeons are there bitter, and the Turtle Doves are no Dainty. We one Day kill'd a Bird of Prey, call'd a Condor, that was nine Foot Bird of Prey. from the end of one Wing to the end of the other, and had a brown Comb, or Creft, but not jagg'd like a Cock's. The Fore-Part of its Throat is red, without Feathers like a Turky, and they are generally large and strong enough to take up a Lamb. In order to get them from the Flock, they draw themselves into a Circle, and advance towards

Butchers Meat.

Seven horned Sheep.

Wild Foul.

Condor,

them with their Wings extended, to the end that being drove together, and too close, they may not be able to defend themselves; then they pick them out, and carry them off. Garcilasso says, there are some in Peru sixteen Foot, from the Point of one Wing to the other, and that a certain Nation of Indians adored them.

I must not here omit a Creature of so singular a Sort, that Pulpo, if feen without moving, it is taken for a Piece of a Branch frange Creat of a Tree, cover'd with a Bark like that of a Chefnut Tree. It is as thick as a Man's little Finger, fix or feven Inches long, and divided into four or five Knots or Joints, which grow fmaller towards the Tail, which, as well as the Head, looks like no other than a broken Piece of a Bough of a Tree: When it stretches out its six Legs, and holds them close towards the Head, one would take them for so many Roots. and the Head for a broken Vine Branch. The Chilinians call it Pulpo, and fay, that if it be handled with the naked Hand, it benums it for a Moment, without doing any farther Harm; which makes me believe, it is a Grashopper of the same Kind as that Father Du Tertre has drawn and described by the Name of Cogsigrue, in the History of the Caribbee Mands; with this Difference, that I did not obferve it had a forked Tail, nor the two little Excrescences like Points of Pins, which he gives to his Coafigrue. Besides, he does not mention a little Bladder the Pulpo has, full of a black Liquor, which makes very fine Ink to write with. Be that as it will, this is doubtless the Arumazia Brafilia of Margrave, 1. 7. Pag. 251.

We also took at Valparaiso two monstrous and hairy Monstrous Spiders, like those which Father Du Tertre has drawn, which Spiders. he says are full of a dangerous Poison: However, these

are not reckon'd so in Chili.

We continued eight Months at Valparaiso, during which Earthquakes. Time, there was nothing remarkable: There were several Earthquakes, especially in the Months of October and November, on which we shall make some Remarks elsewhere.

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The Commissary General of the Franciscans in the West-Indies, who came from Europe by the Way of Buenos Ayres, arrived there towards the latter End of the Year 1712; the Fortress upon his Arrival, saluted him with three Guns, and the same at his Departure on the 10th of January. When he embark'd in the Road for Lima, all the French Ships saluted him with seven Guns each, by the Governor's Order. By this may be judg'd, in what Esteem Religious Men are with the Spaniards, since even those in Command endeavour to cultivate their Friendship.

Reception of Nuns.

Some time after, four Capucin Nuns also arriv'd from Spain, by the way of Buenos Ayres, and embark'd on the 13th of January for Lima, to settle and govern a Monastery of their Order that had been founded and built there. They were saluted by the Fort, and all the Ships that were in the Road, with seven Guns, a remarkable Epocha for the Annals of the Sisters of the Order of S. Francis. At their Arrival at Lima, they were received by the whole City in Procession, and with as much Solemnity as could have been done for the King.

The 22d of the same Month, the S. Clement, a Ship of sifty Guns, commanded by the Sieur Jacinte Gardin of S. Malo, arrived from La Conception, with its Pink of twenty Guns. It carry'd Spanish Colours and Pendants, as having the King of Spain's Licence to trade along the Coast, for 50000 Crowns. It brought the Oidor, or Judge, Don Juan Calvo de la Torre, who was retiring to Santiago, being weary of struggling continually with the bad Inclination of the People of La Conception, where he had been

Governor.

General of the South-Sea.

On the 8th of April, the General of the South-Sea, Don Pedro Miranda, arrived from Buenos Ayres, to go and take Possession of his Post at Lima. The Fort saluted him with five Guns at his Arrival, and the same at his Departure: Then all our Ships saluted him with seven Guns, and the Spanish Ships with as many as they had.

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For the rest, all that was remarkable in relation to Ducking our Ship, was the Ducking of a Sailor, for having abfented himself from on board, for twelve Days, contrary to the Orders given.

The 26th of January, the same Ponishment was insticted on another Sailor convicted of a Thest, which he confels'd; the next Day he was whipp'd at the Main-mast, instead of being duck'd at the Yard-Arm, as is used at Sea.

The 6th of the same Month, the Mary being leaky, was carreen'd, and only tarr'd, for want of other Necessaries.

On Maundy Thursday, the Augustins gave the Sieur Maundy-Duchesne the Key of the Tabernacle of their Church, in Thursday. which the bleffed Sacrament was kept: That is a Custom cunningly invented by the Religious Men, to case themselves of the Expences they are obliged to be at on that Day. They do a Lay-man the Honour of giving him that Key to wear 24 Hours, hanging about his Neck with a broad Gold Ribbon, or Galoon; in Return for which, and in good Manners, the Keeper is obliged to present the Monastery with a Quantity of Wax; to treat the Monks, notwithstanding the Penitential Time; and besides, to perform some other Act of Generosity towards them. The same Night, after a Sermon of the Sorrows of the Virgin Mary, they perform'd the Ceremony of taking our Saviour down from the Crofs, having a Crucifix purpofely made, in the same Manner as might be done to a Man. As they drew the Nails, and took off the Crown of Thorns, and other Instruments of the Passion, the Deacon carry'd them to an Image of the bleffed Virgin, clad in Black; fo contrived, that the took them in her Hands, and kis'd them one after another. At last, when he was taken down from the Cross, he was laid with his Arms folded, and his Head strait, into a stately Bed, between two white Sheets laced, and under a rich Damask Counterpoint; about the Bed, there is costly carv'd Work gilt, and set with abundance of Candles. In most of the Parish Churches throughout Peru, and those of the Mercenarians, such Beds

are kept for this Solemnity, which is call'd Entierro de Christo, the Funeral of Christ. In this Posture he was carry'd through the Streets by Candle Light; several Penitents, who went in the Procession, were cover'd with a Linnen Frock, or Bag, open at the Back, who scourged themselves so that the Blood trickled down the naked Part, which may be call'd an ill-contriv'd Devotion; for according to Tertullian's Opinion, we are not to mortify our Flesh to the shedding of Blood. Gerson to that Purpose quotes the First Verse of the Fourteenth Chapter of Deuteronomy, Te are the Children of the Lord your God, ye shall not cut yourselves; and according to the Hebrew, ye shall not tear yourselves, for this the Idolaters did. That Custom had

Mift. des Fla- tear yourselves, for this the Idolaters did. That Custom had prevail'd in France, but the Parliament of Paris prohibited publick Whippings, by a Decree made in the Year 1601.

They say, that at Santiago they hire Comforters to stay the Zeal of that Sort of Whippers, who vye with one another in lashing themselves. Others who were not inclined to tear themselves in that Manner, attended the Solemnity with a heavy Piece of Timber laid on their Necks, their Arms being extended on it in the Form of a Cross, and sast bound to it; so that not being able to set right the unequal Weight, which sometimes sway'd them to the Right, and sometimes to the Lest, others were sain now and then to support them, and to balance that unwieldy Weight; most of these last were Women, and the Procession lasting somewhat too long, notwithstanding that Assistance, they sunk under the Burden, so that they were forced to unbind them.

During the whole Night, the Ships in the Road fired a Gun every feven Minutes successively, till the next Morn-

ing, when the Ceremony of the Monument ended.

After having careen'd the Mary, we made Show of sending her to Peru, to see whether the Spaniards would not be brought to buy; but they scarce offer'd the Price that was current at Peru, so that we continued eight Months at Valparaiso, without selling any thing but a few Trisses to purchase

Coquinido

Maxago Pil

Paris.

that the Peace would be foon concluded, and that no more Ships coming from France, we could not fail of retrieving the Trade, and making our Advantage of the last Opportunity of coming into those Seas. On these vain Notions, the Captains, Gardin, Battas, and le Brun, agreed among themselves for three Months, engaging to one another, upon Forseiture of 50000 Crowns, not to sell their Goods under a certain Price agreed on in their Contract; but all those Precautions did not prevail on the Merchants.

At length, Winter beginning to bring on the North Winds, we one Day found by Experience how high those Winds, tho' then weak, made the Sea run in the Road; by which we guess'd what would be in foul Weather, and did not think fit to stay any longer there, to avoid running any Hazards.

Departure from Valparaiso.

17 E fail'd from Valparaiso on Thursday the 11th of May 1713, to go and winter at Coquimbo, where Ships are fafe from all Winds. A fresh Gale at South, which had carry'd us out, held but 24 Hours; then the North Wind came upon us so violent, that one Day, in that which they call the Pacifick Sea, we were obliged to take in all our Sails during eight Hours, the Sea running high, the Weather dark, with Thunder and Lightning. A Remark against Father Ovalle, who fays, there is never any in Chili; however, every Night regularly the Weather grew fairer, even to a Calm: Thus that Passage, which is usually perform'd in 24 Hours, held us nine Days. At length the Wind coming again to South, we made the Bay of Tongoy Bay: Tongoy, remarkable for a little Hill, call'd Cerro del Guana- Cerro del quero, and for a Point of Low-Land, call'd Lengua de Vaca, Guanaquero or Nears-Tongue, which closes that Bay to the Westward. Lengua de The Land of the Coast, tho' indifferently high, looks at Vaca Foins.

25 or 30 Leagues Distance out at Sea, as if it was overslow'd, verflow'd, the high Mountains over it appearing always cover'd with Snow; which is a sensible Effect of the Roundness of the Sea, which appears considerably in so. fmall a Distance.

Coquimbo Bay how known.

When a Ship has Sight of the Bay of Cognimbo, it is eight Leagues to the Southward of Coquimbo, and must keep up with the Land to fee the Mouth of the Bay, and get to the Windward, the South and S. W. always prevailing there, except two or three Months in Winter. Short of it, about three Quarters of a League to the Windward, is

Herradura Greek.

the Mouth of a little Creek, call'd La Herradura, or the Horse-shoot, about two Cables Length wide: Next to the Leeward appear three or four Rocks, the largest of

Paxaro Nin- them, which is farthest out at Sea, call'd Paxaro Ninno, is. 30 Rock. Tortuga. Foint.

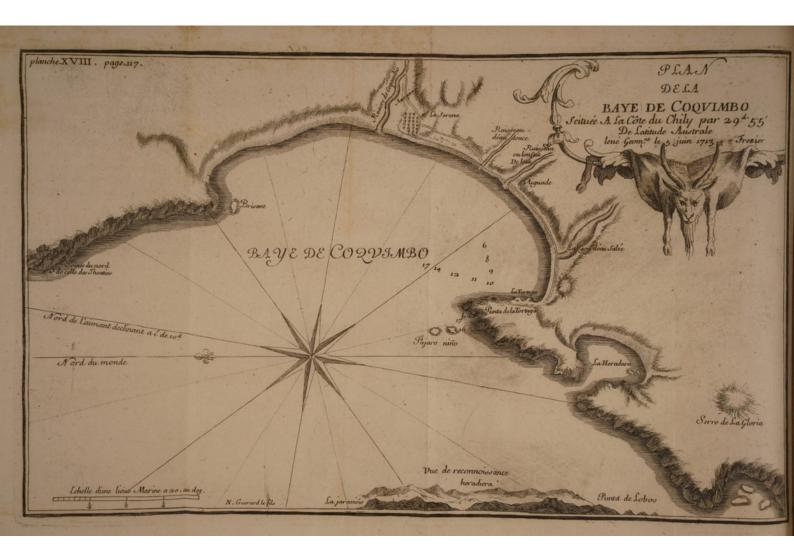
the third Part of a League N.W. and by N. from Point Tortuga, being the Starboard Point of the Continent that closes. the Port of Coquimbo. To the Southward of that first Rock, which lies in the Latitude of 29 Degres, 55 Minutes, is a little Island somewhat smaller, between which and the Continent is a Passage of 17 Fathom Water, but very narrow, through which some French Ships foolishly pass'd; for the Mouth of the Bay is about two Leagues and a half. wide, and without any Danger.

## Description of the Bay of Coquimbo.

T is true, that by reason the Winds blow continually. from S. to S. W. it is convenient to keep close to the: Starboard Point, and run close under the aforesaid Rock, call'd Paxaro Ninno, which is clear within a Boat's Length, to gain, at the fewer Trips, the good Anchoring Ground, call'd the Port, which is within half a Cable's Length of the West Shore. There they anchor from fix to ten Fathom Water, the Bottom black Sand, near a Rock ten or twelve Foot long, which rifes five or fix Foot above the Water, shaped like a Tortois, from which it takes its Name. Ships are shelter'd from all. Winds. by,

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by closing the Starboard, or Tortuga Point, with the Larboard Point, so that the Land appears on all Sides, and there is no rolling Sea; only 25 or 30 Ships can enjoy that Benefit, and tho' the Bay is large, and the Bottom is every where good, Ships are no where so well and easy; for next the Town, there is less Water and less Shelter than in the Port.

If in entering or coming out, a Ship should happen to Caution about be becalm'd, Care must be taken not to come to an An-Anchoring. thor near the Rock Paxaro Ninno, in 40, or 45 Fathom Water, because the Bottom is full of Rocks, which cut the Cables, or else so engage the Anchors, that they cannot be weigh'd by the Buoy Rope. The Solide, a Ship of fifty S Guns.

Plate XVIII. Page 129. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Bay of COQUIMBO, on the Coast of Chili, in 29 Degrees, 55 Minutes of South Latitude, taken Geometrically the 5th of June 1713, by Monsieur Frezier.

Riviere de Coquimbo, Coquimbo River.

Azequia, A Trench.

La Serena, The Town So call'd.

Ruisseau d' eau douce, A Rivulet of fresh Water.

Ruisseau où l'on fait de l'eau, A Rivulet where Ships water.

Aiguade, The Watering-Place.

Brifant, A Rock.

Point du Nord à 2 l. de celle des Theatins, The North Point two Leagues from that of the Theatins.

Baye de Coquimbo, Coquimbo Bay. Lagon d'eau falée, A Salt Water Lake.

Nord de l'aimant declinant a E. de 20 D. The North Point of the Compass inclining East 20 Degrees.

Nord du Monde, The due North.

La Tortuga, or the Tortois, A Place so call'd.

Punta de la Tortuga, Tortois Point. Paxaro Ninno, An Island so call'd, La Herradura, The Horse shoos.

Cerro de la Gloria, The Hill of Glory.

Echelle d'une lieue Marine à 20 au deg. A Scale of a Sea League, after the Rate of 20 to a Degree.

Vue de reconnoissance, So the Land shews by which the Port is known. Punta de Lobos, The Point of Sea-Wolves, or Seals.

Guns, commanded by Monsieur de Ragueine, lost two An-

chors there in April 1712.

In the Port there is the Conveniency, not only of riding at Anchor very near the Shore, as still as in a Bason; but besides in Case of Need, a Ship of twenty four Guns may be careen'd on the Tortuga Rock above-mention'd, where there is twelve Foot Water at low Ebb quite close to it; some French Ships have made use of it to that Purpose.

Inconveniances in the Port.

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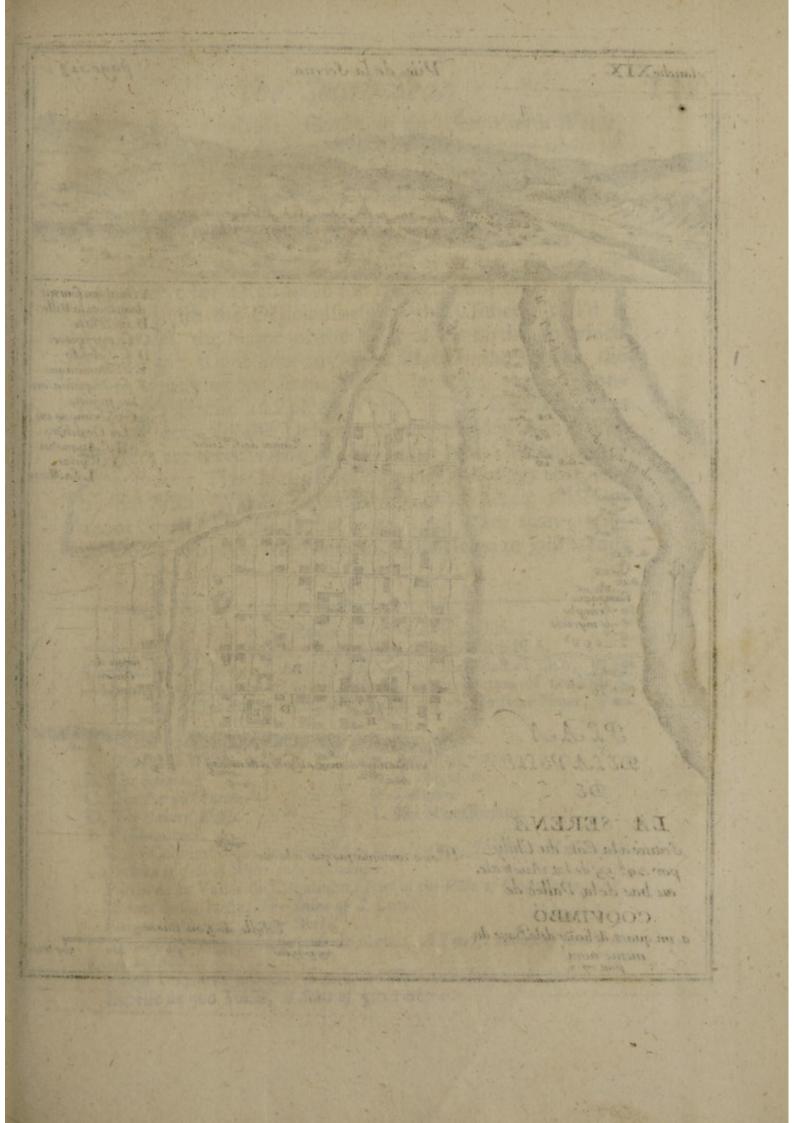
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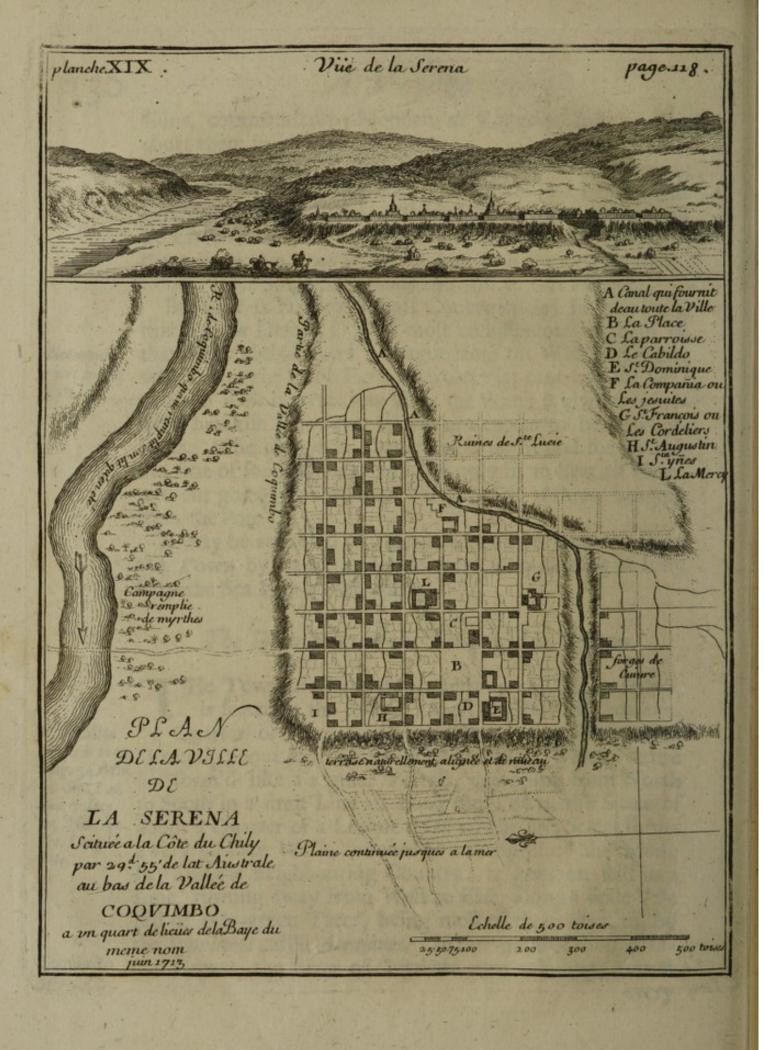
But as it is rare to find all Conveniencies in one Port, this has its Defects: The most considerable of them is, that Ships anchor there a League from the Watering-place. which is to the E. N. E. in a Rivulet that runs into the Sea; and tho' it be taken at low Ebb, the Water is always fomewhat brackish; however it does not appear to be unwholsome. The second is, that there is no Wood for Fewel, but that of some Bushes, which is only fit to heat an Oven, without going far into the Vale, which is three Leagues from the Port.

It may be reckon'd as a third, to be two Leagues from the Town by Land, and that there is no landing at it by Sea, the Sea is so rough there.

## The Description of the Town of La Serena.

He Town of Coquimbo, otherwise call'd La Serena, is feated at the lower Part of the Vale of Coquimbo. \* a Quarter of a League from the Sea, on a little rifing F. Feüillée places it in 29 Ground, about four or five Fathoms high, which Nature Deg. 54 Min. has form'd like a regular Terrafs, extending from North to South in a strait Line all along the Town, the Space of and 7 Deg. about a Quarter of a League: On it, the first Street forms 35 Min. 45 Sec. Longia very pleasant Walk, whence is a Prospect of the whole Bay and the neighbouring Country; it goes on still in a Line, turning away from West to East, along a little Vale full of ever-green Trees, being most of them Myrtles, by the Spaniards call'd Arrayanes. In the midst of those plea-Coquimbo fant Groves, the River of Coquimbo runs winding, almost every





every where fordable, supplying the Town with Water, and freshning the adjacent Meadows, after having made its Escape from among the Mountains, where in its Passage it fertilizes several fine Vales, whose Soil refuses no Sort of

Tillage.

Peter Baldivia, who made Choice of this curious Situation, in the Year 1544, to build a Town on, which might serve for a Retreat in the Passage from Chili to Pera, ravish'd with the Deliciousness of the Climate, call'd it La Serena, the Name of the Place of his Birth, to which it had more Right than any other Place in the World, the Name signifying the Serene; and, in short, there is continually a serene and pleasant Sky. That Country seems to have retain'd the Delights of the Golden Age: The Winters are there warm, and the sharp North Winds never blow there: The Heat of the Summer is always temper'd by refreshing Winds, which come to moderate the Heat about Noon; so that all the Year is no other than a happy Union of Spring and Autumn, which feem to join Hands

> Plate XIX. Page 131. described in English. Vue de La Serena, A Prospect of LA SERENA.

The Plan of the Town of LA SERENA, on the Coast of Chili, in 29 Degrees, 55 Minutes of South Latitude, at the Bottom of the Vale of Coquimbo, a Quarter of a League from the Bay of the same Name, June

A. A Trench which supplies all the

Town with Water.

B. The Square. C. The Parish Church.

D. The Council House.

E. S. Dominick.

F. The Jesuites.

G. The Franciscans. H. S. Augustin.

I. S. Agnes.

L. The Mercenarians.

R. de Coquimbo qui ne remplit son lit qu'en êté, The River of Coquimbo, which is full of Water only in Summer.

Partie de la Vallée de Coquimbo, Part of the Vale of Coquimbo.

Ruines de Ste Lucie, The Ruins of S. Lucy.

Forges de Cuivre, Copper Works.

Terrafle naturelment alignée & de niveau, A Terrafs naturally form'd in a Line, and level.

Plaine continuée jusques à la mer, A Plain extending to the Sea.

Echelle de 500 Toises, A Scale of 500 Fathoms.

Flowers and Fruits; so that we may, with much more Truth, say of it what formerly Virgil said of a certain Province in Italy, Georg. 1. 2.

Hic ver assiduum, atque alienis mensibus æstas, Bis gravidæ pecudes, bis pomis utilis arbos: At rapidæ Tigres absunt, & sæva Leonum Semina.

Thus English'd by Mr. Dryden.

Twice breed the Cattle, and twice bear the Trees,
And Summer Suns recede by flow Degrees.
Our Land is from the Dread of Tygers freed,
Nor nourishes the Lyon's angry Seed.

No wild Beafts, nor venomous Creatures. This last Commendation of being free from wild Beasts and venomous Creatures, is due, as the Inhabitants say, to all the Kingdom of Chili, where they lie at all Seasons in the open Air, without fearing any Poison. Nevertheless, what-soever Father Ovalle may say of it, I have seen Toads at La Conception, Snakes and monstrous Spiders at Valparaiso; and, lastly, white Scorpions at Coquimbo. It is likely, all those Creatures are of a different Nature from ours in Europe; for there is no Instance that ever any body was hurt by them.

Plan of the Town. The Plan of the Town is answerable enough to the Advantages of Nature; the Streets are all exactly strait in a Line from one End to the other, like Santiago, answering to the four Cardinal Points of the Horizon, from East to West, and from North to South. The Quarters or Squares they form, are also of the same Dimensions, with each a Rivulet running through it; but the small Number of Inhabitants, the Foulness of the Streets which are not pav'd, the Meanness of the Houses made of Mud Walls, and Thatch'd.

Thatch'd, make it look but like a Plain, and the Streets like the Walks in Gardens; and in short, they are set round with Fig, Orange, Olive, Palm-Trees, Gc. which

afford them an agreeable Shade.

The most considerable Part of it is taken up by two Churches, &co, Squares and fix Monasteries of Dominicans, Augustins, Franciscans, Mercenarians and Jesuites, without reckoning the Parish and the Chappel of S. Agnes. Formerly there was a Church of S. Lucy, on an Eminence of the same Name, which runs out in a Point to the Middle of the Town: It is of the same Height as the first Terrals, and commands all the Town by reason of the Lowness of the Houses, which have only a Ground Floor. From thence, as it were from an-Amphitheatre, appears a curious Landskip, form'd by the Town, the Plain which reaches down to the Sea, the Bay and its Mouth. All the Quarter of S. Lucy was formerly inhabited; but fince the English and other Pyrates plunder'd and burnt the Town, it has not been rebuilt, any more than the South Part: This has happened twice within forty Years.

The Discovery of the Mines of Copiapo, and the Vexati-Copiapo ons of the Corregidores, or Chief Magistrates, daily contri- Mines. bute towards unpeopling of it; tho' those Mines are near a hundred Leagues from Coquimbo by Land, several Families are gone thither to fettle; fo that at present there are not above two hundred Families, and at most, three hundred Inhabitants. Men fit to bear Arms, not including the Neighbourhood. In those few Houses, there are some of the Fair Sex of a pleafant and obliging Conversation, which adds very much to the other Delights of the agreeable Place and Climate.

The Fertility of the Soil keeps abundance of People in Product and the Country, in the Vales of Elques, Sotaquy, Salfipued, Trade. Andacol, Limari, &c. whence they bring Corn to load four or five Ships, of about 400 Tuns Burden, to fend to Lima. They also supply Santiago with much Wine and Oil, reckon'd the best along the Coast: These Provisions, together with some few Hides, Tallow, and dry'd Flesh, are all

the Trade of that Place, where the Inhabitants are poor, by reason of their Slothfulness, and the few *Indians* they have to serve them; for that Country is one of the richest in the Kingdom, in all Sorts of Metals.

Hac eadem argenti rivos ærisque metalla Ostendit venis, atque auro plurima sluxit. Virg. Geo. 2.

Thus English'd by Mr. Dryden.

Our Quarries deep in Earth, were fam'd of old For Veins of Silver, and for Ore of Gold.

Plenty of Gold.

In Winter, when the Rains are somewhat plentiful, Gold is found in almost all the Rivulets that run down from the Mountains, and it would be found all the Year if they had that Help. Nine or ten Leagues to the Eastward of the Town, are the washing Places of Andacol, the Gold where-of is 23 Carats fine; the Work there always turns to great Advantage when there is no want of Water. The Inhabitants affirm, that the Earth breeds; that is, that Gold is continually growing, because 60 or 80 Years after it has been wash'd, they find almost as much Gold as they did at first. In that same Vale, besides the Washing-Places, there are on the Mountains so very many Gold Mines, and some of Silver, that they would employ 40000 Men, as I have been inform'd by the Governor of Coquimbo: They propose to set up Mills there out of hand, but they want Labourers.

Copper Mines.

The Copper Mines are also very common, three Leagues N. E. from Coquimbo: They have wrought a long Time at a Mine, which supplies almost all the Coast of Chili and Peru with Utensils for the Kitchin; it is true, they use sewer of that, than of Earthen Ware or Silver. They there give eight Pieces of Eight per Quintal, or Hundred Weight for Copper in Ingots, which is an inconsiderable Price in respect of the Value of Silver in the Country. The Jesuites have another Mine sive Leagues North from the City, on a Mountain

Mountain call'd Cerro Verde, or Green Hill, which is high and shaped like a Sugar-loaf; so that it may serve for a Land-Mark to the Port. There is an infinite Number of others, which are neglected for want of Sale. It is affirm'd, that there are also Mines of Iron and of Quicksilver.

I must not here omit some Particulars of the Country, which I was told by the Guardian of the Franciscans at Coquimbo. The first of them, That ten Leagues to the Southward of that Town there is a blackish Stone, from which slows a Spring only once a Month, at an Opening like un-Strange to that humane Part, whose regular Flowing it imitates, and Spring. that Water leaves a white Track on the Stone.

The second is near that they call La Hazienda de la Marquesa, or the Marchiones's Estate, six Leagues East from the Town: There is a gray Stone of the Colour of Lead Remarkable Ore, as smooth as a Table, on which there is exactly drawn Stone. a Buckler and a Head-Piece, both red, the Colour sinking deep into the Stone, which has been purposely broken, in

some Places, to see it.

The third, that in aValethere is a small Plain, on which Singular if a Man falls asleep, when he awakes he finds himself Plain. swollen, which does not happen some few Paces from thence.

The Port of Coquimbo being no Place of Trade for European Commodities, of which not above the Value of 12
or 15000 Pieces of Eight can be fold in a Year, the French
Ships refort thither only for fresh Provisions, Wine and Provisions.
Brandy. The Beef is there somewhat better than at Valparaiso, and much about the same Value of eight or ten
Pieces of Eight a Beast. There are Partridges, but they
are insipid: On the other hand, the Turtle Doves are very
delicious; there are abundance of Ducks in a little Pool
near the Port. The Fishery is plentiful enough in the Bay,
yielding abundance of Mullets, Pezereyes, Soles, and a
Sort of Fish without Bones, very delicious, call'd Tesson,
and peculiar to that Coast; but there is no good casting

A Voyage to

of a Net, because the Shore is full of Stones; the Sea is

rough and breaking.

Plantse

The Plants in these Parts are almost the same as at Valparaifo. The Paico is there smaller, and more aromatick, and consequently a better Sudorifick. There is abundance of a Sort of Stone-Fern, which they call Doradilla, the Leaf whereof is all curl'd; they drink the Decoction of it to refresh themselves after the Fatigue of Traveling, and hold it in great Esteem for cleansing the Blood. There is a Sort of Lemon Balm, which lasts all the Year, call'd Lacayota; they make it run up the Tops of Houses, and it is an excellent Preserve. There is great Plenty of that they call Algarroba, being a Sort of Tamarind, bearing a very rosiny Bean; the Cod and Grain whereof dry'd, pounded, and in Infusion, serve to make very good Writing-Ink, adding to them a little Copperas; it is also call'd Tara, from its Resemblance with the Cod of that Plant, tho', in Reality, it be somewhat different.

In this Climate we begin to see a Tree, which does not grow in any other Part of Chili, and is peculiar to Peru; it is call'd Lucumo: The Leaf of it somewhat resembles that of the Orange-Tree and the Floripondio; the Fruit is also very like a Pear, which contains the Seed of the latter; when ripe, the Rind is a little yellowish, and the Flesh of it very yellow, almost of the Taste and Consistence of a new-made Cheese: In the midst of it is a Kernel, exactly like a Chesnut in Colour, Hairiness and Substance, but

bitter, and good for nothing.

our Board, very delicions, call'd to loss,

Poisonous Plant.

Lucumo Tree.

In the Valley, near the Ridge of Mountains call'd La Cordillera, is a Herb, which, when young, may be eaten as Sallad; but when beginning to grow large, it becomes fo deadly a Poison for Horses, that as soon as they eat it they become blind, swell, and burst in a short Time.

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# DEPARTURE from COQUIMBO.

The Author goes a-board another Ship.

HE little Likelihood there was that the Sieur Duchene should sell his Goods at the Price he demanded, and the Resolution he had taken to wait till the Peace was proclaim'd, defigning to stay the last on the Coast, flattering himself that no more Ships would come from France, prevail'd with me to take fuch Meafures as might be agreeable to his Majesty's Orders, who limited the Leave he had been pleas'd to grant me, for performing this Voyage, to two Years; being persuaded that the S. Joseph would be still two Years longer on the Coast, and upon its Voyage.

I embarqued on board a Spanish Ship, call'd the Jesus Mary Foseph, laden with Corn for Callao, commanded by Don Antonio Alarcon, in order to come to some of the French Ships that had done trading, and would fuddenly return to France. The Opportunity was favourable, because we were to touch at the Ports resorted to, call'd

Puertos Intermedios, or Ports in the Way.

The 30th of May we set Sail to get out of the Bay of Coquimbo; but a Calm taking us without, the Current carry'd us in again, and we anchor'd in 17 Fathom Water E. S. E. of the Rock Paxaro Ninno. The next Day the same Thing befell us, and we came to an Anchor again.

It is no easy Matter to get out of that Bay, unless a Ship Directions for fets out with a good Land Breeze, which generally blows getting out of only from Midnight till Day. No Man must expose him-the Bay of Coquimbo. felf to be becalm'd a little without the Mouth of the Bay, because the Currents, which set to the Northward, drive Ships in between the Islands of Pajaros, or Birds, and the Continent that is beyond the Point of the Theatins. Those Mands are seven or eight Leagues to the N. W. of the Compass, or N. W. and by N. of the World, in respect to Point Tortuga. It is true, that with a fair Wind a Man might

might get off, because there is a Passage; but besides that it is dangerous, and little frequented, the Tides set upon the Islands, where some Spanish Ships have perish'd: For which Reason, if the Land Breeze is not fix'd, a Ship must not go out but with the S. S. W. Breeze, and run some Leagues W. N. W. to get enough to Seaward of those Islands, which the Spanish Pilots shun as a Shoal in a Calm, and the more, for that the Tides are not known to be regular. However, I do not think the Case is the same for the inner Part of the Bay: I thought I observ'd that the Delay was not that of the Moon's passing to the Meridian, but perhaps of the Third Part, or of a Quarter of an Hour. I do not affirm any thing as to this Particular: Such an Observation would require several Months to be satisfy'd.

At length, on the 7th of June about Four in the Morning, we got out with the Wind at East. At Noon I took an Observation West of the Rock Paxaro Ninno, which I found to be in 29 Degrees, 55 Minutes of South Latitude, as has been said before. The Breeze coming up, we in the Night pass'd by the Island Choros, which is four Leagues North from those of Paxaros, and even thought in the Dark

that we had some Sight of it.

The next Morning we found ourselves four Leagues N. W. and by N. of the Island of Channaral, join'd to the Continent by a Bank of Sand, which the Sea covers with a North Wind: It is four Leagues from the Island of Choros, and 16 from Point Tortuga. This Island is almost

plain, and very fmall.

Four or five Leagues farther Northward, they shew'd me a white Spot near a Break, call'd Quebrada bonda, or the Deep Break, above which there are rich Copper Mines.

Afterwards, towards the Evening, we descry'd the Bay of Gnasco, where there is good Anchorage in 18 or 20 Fathom Water, very near the Land. That Port is not frequented, because there is no other Trade but that of a private Person, who takes Copper out of the Mines. It is

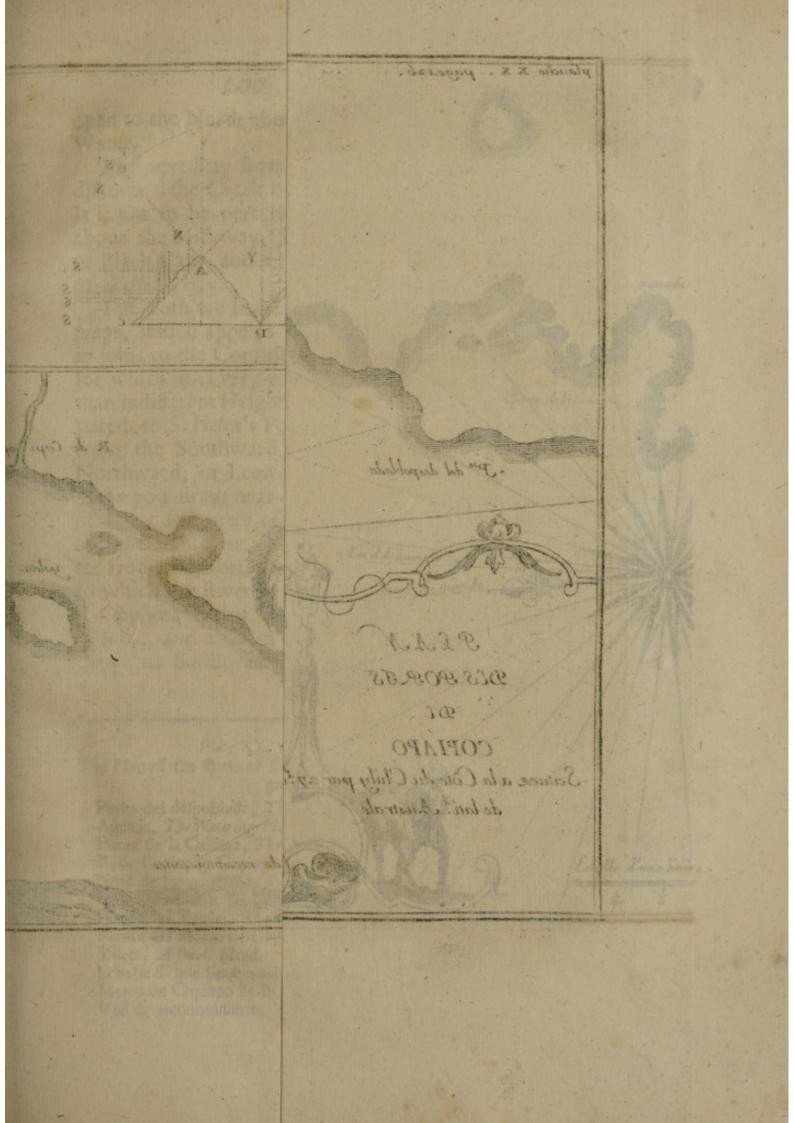
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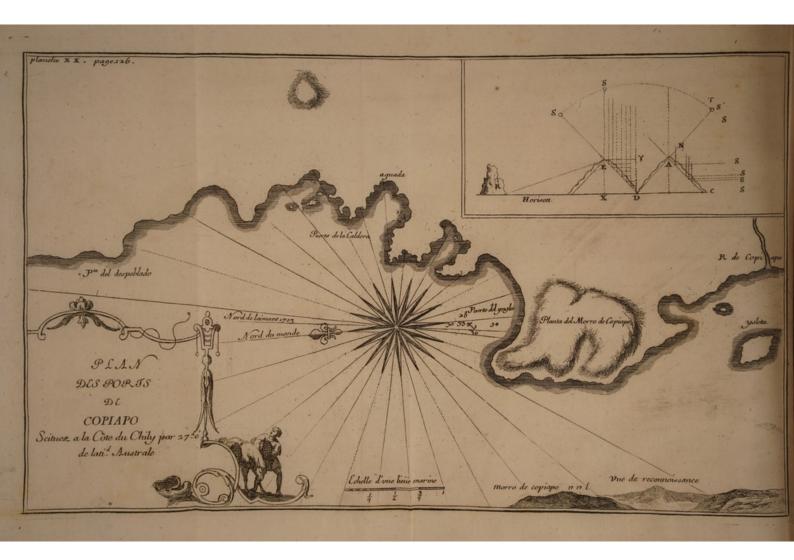
Choros Island.

Channaral Mand.

Quebrada honda Break.

Guafco Bay.





open to the North about a League wide, and there is good Water.

The next Day from four or five Leagues out at Sea we Potoral discover'd the Creek of Totoral, where there is Anchorage: Creek. It is not to be perceiv'd any otherwise, than that it lies about the Mid-way, between a Cape call'd Cerro Prieto. or Black Cape, and a low Point, which is the Southermost

of the Salt Bay.

The 10th we had Sight of the Head call'd Morro de Co-Morro de piapo, which appears at a Distance like an Island, because Copiapo it joins to the Continent by a very low Neck, or Point, Head. for which it is very remarkable. That Head is of a less than indifferent Height, in 27 Degrees Latitude; it is compared to S. Helen's Point in Peru: It appears thus, feen plate XX. from the Southward, and but little different from the Northward, or Leeward.

As you draw near it, there appears a little low Island of about a Quarter of a League Diameter, between which and the Continent they fay there is Anchorage under Shelter from the North, towards the Bottom of the Creek in-

to which the River of Copiapo falls.

Opposite to that Creek we were thwarted by the North Currents. Winds, and a Calm made me observe, that the Currents drove us Southward; which confirms what the Spanish T 2 Pilots

Plate XX. Page 139. explain'd in English. The Plan of the Ports of COPIAPO, on the Coast of Chili, in 27 Degrees of South Latitude.

Punta del despoblado, The Point of the Defart Country.

Aguada, The Watering-Place. Punta de la Caldera, The Point of the Kettle.

R: de Copiapo, Copiapo River.

Nord de l'aimant, The North Point of the Compass.

Nord du Monde, The true North Point.

Puerto del Yngles, The Englishman's Port.

Planta del Morro de Copiapo, The Plan of the Headland of Copiapo.

Ysleta, A small Mand.

Echelle d'une lieuë marine, A Scale of a Sea League.

Morro de Copiapo N. N. E. The Headland of Copiapo N. N. E.

Vue de reconnoissance, The View to know the Port by.

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Pilots fay, that when the North Wind blows, they go like the Wind.

Puerto del Ingles Greek.

At length the South Wind coming up again, we put in at Night, and anchor'd in a Creek, which they call Puerto del Ingles, the English Man's Port, because a Pyrate of that Nation was the first that anchor'd there. We rode in 36 Fathom Water, the Bottom Sand and Shells, N. E. and by N. of the Head of Copiapo, and S. and by E. of the Starboard Point of Caldera, the nearest. I went the next Day to sound in that Creek, and sound a Rocky Bottom towards the Head, and much Water; and, on the contrary, a Sandy Bottom, and less Water on the North-side.

#### Description of the Port de la Caldera.

TUESD AY the 13th we fail'd for the Port de la Caldera, which is parted from the former by a Point of Land, before which there is a Rock, which we coasted within Pistol-Shot, and so held on along the Starboard Shore, which is very clear, in order to gain upon the Wind, and get into the Anchoring Place, without being obliged to make several Trips. In Conclusion, we came to an Anchor without shifting our Sails, in 10 Fathom Water S. E. and by E. of the most advanced Land on the Starboard Side, the low North Point bearing N. and by E. three Leagues distant. There we unladed a little Corn for the Town of Copiapo, and laded Sulphur, which we found upon the Shore, where it had been laid against our coming.

This Port is secured against the South Wind; but in Winter, tho' the North Winds are no longer violent in that Latitude, the Sea runs high. It is the nearest to Copiapo, but little frequented, because it affords no Conveniency: Wood is very scarce there, and they must go five or six Leagues up the Vale, thro' which the River runs, to get it. The Watering-Place is bad; it is taken in a Hollow 50 Paces from the Edge of the Road, where a little brackish

Water meets: There is no Dwelling about it, but only a Fisher-

Anchoring.

Wooding, ... Watering, &c.

a Fisherman's Cottage, at the Bottom of the N. E. Creek. The Town is 14 Leagues distant Eastward, the shortest Way by the Mountains, and 20 Leagues the common Road, which keeps the Course of the River; the Mouth whereof is five Leagues to the Southward of La Caldera, as has been faid.

All the Shore of La Caldera is cover'd with Shells, especially that Sort they call Locos \*; so that Dampier is in \* See Plate the wrong to fay, that there is no Shell-Fish all along that XX. Coast.

Copiapo is an open Town, the Houses whereof do not Account of stand in any Order, but scattering up and down. The the Borough Gold Mines that have been discover'd there within six Years of Copiapo. past, have drawn some few People thither; so that at prefent there may be above 900 Souls. This Increase of the Number of Spaniards has occasion'd an Order for dividing. the Lands, by which they take from the poor Indians not only their Lands, but their Horses also, which the Corregidor, or chief Magistrate, sells to the new Comers for the King's, or rather for his Officers Advantage, under Colour of making more easy the Settlements of those who improve the Mines. There are Mines directly above the Gold Mines Town, and others at two or three Leagues Distance, whence of Copiapo. they bring the Ore on Mules to the Mills, which are within the Town. In the Year 1713, there were fix of those they. call Trapiches, and they were making a seventh of that Sort which they call Ingenio Real, the Royal Engine, with Hammers, or Pounders, of which we shall speak elsewhere, which can bruise or grind 12 times as much as the Trapiches, that is, fix Caxones, or Chefts, a Day, each Cheft there yielding 12 Ounces, more or less; it must yield two to pay the Cost; the Ounce of Gold is there sold for 12 or 13 Pieces of Eight caft.

Besides the Gold Mines, there are about Copiapo many Mines of all? Mines of Iron, Brass, Tin, and Lead, which they do Sorts. not think fit to work: There is also much Load-stone, and Lapis Lazuli, which the People of the Country do nos know

know to be of any Value; these are 14 or 15 Leagues from Copiapo, near a Place where there are many Lead Mines. In short, all the Country is there full of Mines of Sal Gemm, for which reason sweet Water is there very scarce: Saltpeter is no less plentiful, being found in the Vales an Inch thick on the Ground.

Sulphur.

On the high Mountains of the Chain call'd La Cordillera, 40 Leagues E.S.E. from the Port, there are Mines of the finest Sulphur that can be seen: It is taken pure from a Vein two Foot wide, without needing to be cleans'd. It is worth three Pieces of Eight a Quintal, or hundred Weight,

at the Port, whence it is carry'd to Lima.

Rofin.

At Copiapo they have also a little Trade of Stuff for paying of Ships, being a Sort of Rolin coming from a Shrub, the Leaf whereof is like Rosemary; it proceeds from the Branches, and from the Berries, which they cast into large fquare Cakes two Foot long, and ten or twelve Inches thick: It is very dry, and only good to use instead of Glazing, for the Earthen Jars in which they keep Wine and Brandy; it costs five Pieces of Eight the Quintal, or hundred Weight, in the Port. In other respects the Country is barren, scarce yielding enough to subfift the Inhabitants, who have their Provisions from about Coquimbo.

Guanacos Beafts. Bezoar Stones.

In the Mountains of this Country there are abundance of Guanaco's, a Sort of Creature between a Camel and a wild Goat, in whose Bodies the Bezoar Stones are found; formerly of fuch Value in Phylick, that they were worth their Weight in Silver; but now it has been found out that Crab's Eyes and other Alkalis can serve instead of them; they have loft much of their Value in France; however the Spaniards give great Rates for them still.

Between Copiapo and Coquimbo, which is 100 Leagues, there is no Town nor Village, but only three or four Farms; and between Copiapo and Atacama in Peru, the Country is Great Defart. so hideous and defart, that the Mules starve for want of

Grass and Water. In eighty Leagues Length there is but one River, which runs from Sun-rifing till it fets, perhaps because

because that Planet melts the Snow, which freezes again at Night; the Indians call it Anchallulac, that is, the Hypocrite. Those are the dreadful Mountains which divide Chili and Peru, where the Cold is sometimes so excessive, that Men are frozen up, their Faces looking as if they laugh'd; whence, according to some Historians, the Name of Chili is derived, fignifying Cold; tho' beyond those Mountains the Country is very temperate. We read in the History of the Conquest of Chili, that some of the first Spaniards who pass'd it died there, sitting upright on their Mules. A much better Way has been now found out along the Sea-Coast.

The Sulphur we were to lade being brought aboard, we Departure set sail on Sunday the 18th of June for Arica; but the from Copia-Calms and North Winds kept us within Sight of Land for Po. some Days: The Owner of the Ship and the Spanish Captain being concern'd at that Delay, perform'd, with the Sailors, a nine Days Devotion to S. Francis Xaverius, from whom they expected a Miracle, which was not wrought at the appointed Time; they were fo enraged at it, that they loudly declared they would no more pray to the Saints, fince they did not vouchsafe to hear them. The Captain then address'd himself to a little Image of the blessed Virgin, which he hung at the Mizzen-Mast, and often said to it, My dear Friend, I will not take you down from hence, till you give us a fair Wind; and if it happen'd that our Lady of Bethlem did not perform, he hung there our Lady of Mount Carmel, of the Rosary, or of the Solitude, or Affliction; whence may be inferr'd after what Manner most Spaniards honour Images, and what Confidence they repose in them.

At length a fresh Gale at S.S.E. carry'd us into the Latitude Cobija Ports. of 22 Degrees 25 Minutes, which is that of Cobija, the Port to the Town of Atacama, which is 40 Leagues up the Country. It is to be known by this Land-mark, that from Morro Moreno, or the Brown Head-land, which is ten Leagues to the Windward, the Mountain goes on rifing till

it comes directly over the Creek where it is, and from thence it begins to lower a little; so that the same is the highest Part of the Coast, tho' but little: This Mark is more certain than that of the white Spots seen there, because there are many all along that Coast.

Not Safe.

Tho' we did not put in there, I will not omit inserting what I have been told by the French who have anchor'd there: They say it is only a little Creek, a third Part of a League in Depth, where there is little Shelter against the South and S. W. Winds, which are the most usual on the Coast.

They who will go ashore, must do it among Rocks, which form a small Channel towards the South, being the only one where Boats can come in without Danger.

Cobija Village.

The Village of Cobija, consists of about sifty Houses of Indians, made of Sea Wolves, or Seal's Skins. The Soil being barren, they generally live upon Fish, and some little Indian Wheat and Topinambours, or Papas, brought them from Atacama in Exchange for Fish. In the Village, there is only one little Rivulet of Water, somewhat brackish, and all the Trees are sour Palm, and two Fig-trees, which may serve for a Land-mark to the Anchoring-place. There is no Grass at all for Cattle, but they are obliged to send their Sheep to a Break towards the Top of the Mountain, where they find some Sprigs to subsist on.

This Port being destitute of all Things, it has never been frequented by any but French; who to draw the Merchants to them, have sought the nearest Places to the Mines, and the most remote from the King's Officers, to facilitate the Trade, and the Transporting of Plate and Commodities. This Port is the nearest to Lipes, and to Potosi, which is nevertheless above a hundred Leagues distant, through a Desart Country; the Road whereof is thus: From Cobija they must travel the first. Day 22 Leagues without Wood or Water, to come to the little River of Chacanza, the Water where of is very Salt.

whereof is very Salt.

Next, they must travel seven Leagues to find the like again: In short, it is the same River under a different Name. Then

Road from Cobija to Potofi.

Chacanza River. Then nine Leagues to Calama, a Village of ten or twelve Calama Villadians; two Leagues short of it, they pass through a lage.

Wood of Algarrovos, or Carobs, being a Kind of Tamarinds.

From Calama to Chiouchiou, or the Lower Atacama, fix Chiouchiou Leagues; being a Village of eight or ten Indians, 17 Leagues village. South from the Upper Atacama, where the Corregidor, or chief Magistrate, of Cobija resides.

From Chiouchiou to Lipes is about fixty Leagues, which Defart Road. are travel'd in seven or eight Days, without meeting any

Dwelling; and there is a Mountain of twelve Leagues,

without Wood or Water, to be pass'd.

Lipes is a Place of Mines, as the Spaniards call it Assi-Lipes Mines. ento, that is Settlement, which have for many Years yielded much Silver; without reckoning the Settlements of other lesser Mines in the Neighbourhood, as Escala, Aquegua, and S. Christopher, where there are six. Lipes is divided into two Parts, at least half a Quarter of a League distant from each other; the one call'd Lipes, and the other Guaico. Guaico In these two Places, including the People that work at the Mines. Bottom of the Hill where the Mines are, there may be about 800 Persons of all Sorts. That Hill is in the midst between Guaico and Lipes, all full of Mouths of Mines; one of which is so deep, that they came to the Bottom of the Rock, under which there was Sand and Water, which they call'd the Antipodes.

From Lipes to Potofi is about seventy Leagues, which they travel in fix or seven Days, without meeting in all

that Way above two or three Indian Cottages.

Potosi is that Town, so famous throughout all the World Potosi Town for the immense Wealth sormerly drawn from thence, and and Mines. Still taken out of the Mountain, at the Bottom of which it stands: There are reckon'd to be above 60000 Indians and 10000 Spaniards, or Whites; the King obliges the Neighbouring Parishes to send thither a certain Number of Indians yearly, to work at the Mines, which is call'd Mita. The Corregidores, or chief Magistrates, cause them

to fet out on the Feast of Corpus Christi. Most of them take their Wives and Children with them, who are feen to go to that Servitude with Tears in their Eyes, and with Repugnance; however, after the Year's Duty, there are many who forget their Habitations, and continue settled at Potofi, which is the Occasion of that Place's being so populous make

The Mines are much decreas'd of their Value, and the Mint does not coin one Quarter of what it did formerly : There were once 120 Mills, at this time there are only 40; and for the most part, there is not Employment for half of them. TO DOD WITH DESIGN

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That Place is said to be so cold, that formerly the Spanish Women could not lie-in there, but were obliged to Conceited Re- go twenty or thirty Leagues from thence, to avoid being exposed to the Danger of Dying with their Infants; but now some lie-in there. That Effect of their Tenderness was look'd upon as a Punishment from Heaven, because the Indian Women are not subject to that Inconveniency: The other Particulars of that Town are to be found in feveral Relations. Having pass'd Cobija, we were becalm'd in 21 Degrees

Pavellon Mand.

Latitude, near the little Island call'd Pavellon, because it looks like a Tent; the upper Half black, and the lower white. Behind that Island, on the Continent, is a little Creek for Boats: On that Coast there are Beasts, which the Inhabitants call Lions, tho' much differing from those of Africa. I have seen their Skins stuff'd full of Straw, the Lions of Pe- Head whereof somewhat resembles a Wolf and a Tiger, but the Tail is less than that of either of them. These Creatures are not to be fear'd, for they fly from Men, and do Harm only among the Cattle. We continued two Days becalm'd, near the Island Pavellon, without being sensible of any Current.

Carapucho Head-land. Iquique Mand.

Some small Gales set us forward to the Land's Head call'd Carapucho, at the Foot whereof is the Island of Iquique, in a Creek where there is Anchorage, but no Water;

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the Indians who live on the Continent are obliged to go and fetch it ten Leagues from thence, at the Break of Pillagua, with a Boat they have for that Purpose; but as it sometimes happens, that the contrary Winds keep them back, they are then obliged to fetch it five Leagues by Land, at the Rivulet of Pica.

The Island of Iquique is also inhabited by Indians and Guana, what Blacks, who are there employ'd to gather Guana, being a it is. yellowish Earth thought to be the Dung of Birds, because besides that it stinks like that of the Cormorants, there have been Feathers of Birds found very deep in it: However it is hard to conceive, how so great a Quantity of it could be gather'd there; for during the Space of a hundred Years past, they have laden ten or twelve Ships every Year with it, to manure the Land, as shall be observ'd lower; and it is scarce perceivable that the Height of the Island is abated, tho' it is not above three Quarters of a League in Compass; and that belides what is carry'd away by Sea, they load abundance of Mules with it for the Vines and plow'd Lands of Tarapaca, Pica, and other Neighbouring Places; which makes some believe, that it is a peculiar Sort of Earth: For my part, I am not of that Opinion; for it is true, the Sea Fowls are there so very numerous, that it may be faid without romancing, that the Air is fometimes darken'd with them. In the Bay of Arica, infinite Multirudes of them are feen, rendezvouling every Morning about ten o' Clock, and every Evening about fix, to take the Fish which at that time comes up to the Surface of the Water, where they make a Sort of regular Fishery.

In the Year 1713, Silver Mines were discover'd twelve New Mines. Leagues from Iquique, which they defign'd to work out of hand; it is hoped they will be rich, according to all Ap-

pearance.

From Iquique to Arica, the Coast is all the Way very coasts and high and clear, Ships must run close along it, for fear currents. lest the Currents, which in Summer set N. and N. W. should drive them out to Sea. However, it is also true,

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that in Winter they sometimes fer to the Southward, as

we and several others have found by Experience.

Camarones and Vitor Breaks.

Next to the Break of Pissagua is that of Camarones. which is larger; and four Leagues to the Windward of Arica, is that of Vitor, where there is Wood and fresh Water: It is the only Place where the Ships anchoring at Arica can be supply'd with them.

know Arica.

When come within about a League of the Break of Camarones, the Head-land of Arica begins to appear, which looks like an Island, because it is much lower than the Coast towards the Windward; but when come within three or four Leagues of it, then it is known by a little low Island that is before it like a Rock, and by its Steepness, wherein none can be mistaken, because beyond it is a low Coast. It is in 18 Degrees 20 Minutes of South Latude.

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Arica Head- This Head-land on the West Side is all white with the Dung of the Sea Fowls call'd Cormorants, who there gather in fuch Numbers, that it is quite cover'd with them : This is the most remarkable Place of all the Coast. When the Weather is fair, there may be feen up the Land the Mountain of Tacora, which seems to rife up to the Clouds. forming two Heads at the Top; near which is the Way that leads to La Paz. The Air there is so different from what is breath'd before, that those who are not used to pass it, suffer the same Dizziness in their Heads, and Qualms in their Stomachs, that People do usually at Sea.

# Description of the Road of Arica.

Plate XXI.

Ntering the Road of Arica, Ships may coast the Island of Guano, which is at the Foot of the Head-land within a Cable's length, and go and anchor N. and by E. of that Ifland, and N. W. from the Steeple of San Juan de Dios, distinguishable by its Height, from all the Buildings in the Town: There is nine Fathom Water, the Bottom tough Owze, little out of Danger from the Rocks under Water, which

in several Places of the Road cut the Cables: There is no Shelter from the South and S. W. But the Island Guano

fomething breaks the Swelling of the Sea.

As it is advantageous on that Account, it is offensive for the Stench of Birds Dung that covers it, and the more, because it lies directly to the Windward of the Ships; it is even thought, that it makes the Port unwholsome in Summer; but it seems to be more likely, that the Distempers of that Season are the Effect of the great Heats which the Winds cannot temper; because the Course of the Air is stopp'd by the North Coast, which forms a Gut of Sand and Rocks continually burning.

However, the Water Ships take in is good enough, tho' Odd Waterit be had after an odd Manner. When the Tide ebbs, ing. they dig about half a Foot deep in the Sand on the Shore,

from whence it falls off, and from those so shallow Cavities they take good fresh Water, which keeps well at Sea.

The Shore being full of great Stones, having little Wa-Landing Plater, and always rough, the Boats cannot come to fet any cest thing ashore, but only in three little Creeks, or Guts, the best of which is that at the Foot of the Headland. To enter it, they must pass between two Rocks, and coast along that on the Starboard Side, among Stones: It is bare at low Water, and may be perceiv'd at high: When Boats have pass'd it, they turn short to the Larboard Side, steering directly to the first Houses; and thus they enter the great Creek, the Bottom whereof is almost upon a Level, and there is so little Water at low Ebb, that Canoes are not assoat, and Boats laden touch at high Water; so that, to prevent their being staved, they are obliged to strengthen the Keel with Iron Bars.

To obstruct the Landing of Enemies in that Place, the Fortifications. Spaniards had made Entrenchments of unburnt Bricks, and a Battery in the Form of a little Fort, which flanks the three Creeks; but it is built after a wretched Manner, and is now quite falling to Ruin: So that the said Village deserves nothing less than the Name of a strong Place given it

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by Dampier, because he was repuls'd there in the Year Dampier's false Account. 1680. The English being convinced of the Difficulty of landing before the Town, landed at the Creek of Chacota. which is to the Southward of the Head-land, whence they, march'd over the Mountain to plunder Arica.

Those Ravages, and the Earthquakes which are frequent there, have at last ruin'd that Town, which is at present no other than a Village of about 150 Families, most of them Blacks, Mulattoes and Indians, and but few Whites. On the 26th of November 1605, the Sea being agitated by an Earthquake, suddenly slooded and bore down the greatest Part of it; the Ruins of the Streets are to be feen to this Day, stretching out near a Quarter of a League

Plate XXI. Page 150. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Road of ARICA, on the Coast of Peru, in 18 Degrees. 29 Minutes of South Latitude.

Village de S. Michel de Sapa, The Village of S. Michael de Sapa.

Vallee d' Arica, The Vale of Arica.

Ruiffeau, A Rivulet. Morne, The Head-land. 10 1007 9111

Anse de Chacota, Chacota Bay.

Isla del Guano, Guano Island. Rade de Arfea, Arfea Road.

Echelle d'une lieue Marine, A Scale of a Sea League.

Vue de Reconnoissance de Arica, The Prospect to know Arica by.

The Plan of the Town of ARICA, which contains great Part of 1-2 of the general Plan.

D. Juan de Mur, Don John de Mur.

S. Francois, S. Francis. Marais, The Marsh.

Partie du Morne, Part of the Head-land.

Ruines du Corps de Garde, Ruins of the Corps de Garde.

Passage des Chaloupes, The Way for the Boats.

Isla de Guana, Guana Island.

A. S. Mark's Parish.

B. The Square.

C. The Mercenarians.

D. S. John of God. E. The Fort.

F. The Ruins of the Entrenchments.

G. The Magazines of Guarra.

H. Project de S. Francois, The Plan of S. Francis.

I. Guis, or Channels.

K. Watering-Place on the Edge of the Sea, in the Sand.



from the Place where it now stands. What remains of the Town is not subject to such Accidents, because it is seated on a little rising Ground, at the Foot of the Headland: Most of the Houses are built with nothing but Fascines, of a Sort of Flags or Sedge, call'd Totora, bound together, standing end-ways with Leather, Thongs and Canes crossing them; or else they are made of Canes set upright, and the Intervals fill'd up with Earth. The Use of unburnt Bricks is reserved for the stateliest Houses, and for Churches: No Rain ever falling there, they are cover'd with nothing but Mats, which makes the Houses look as if they were Ruins, when beheld from without.

The Parish Church is handsome enough, being of the Churches. Invocation of S. Mark: There is a Monastery of seven or eight Mercenarians, an Hospital of the Brothers of S. John of God, and a Monastery of Franciscans, who were coming to settle in the Town, after having destroy'd the House they had half a Quarter of a League from it, tho' in the

pleasantest Part of the Vale, and near the Sea.

The Vale of Arica is about a League wide next the Sea; Arica Vale. all a barren Country, except the Place where the old Town stood, which is divided into little Meadows of Clovergrass, some Spots of Sugar-canes, with Olive and Cottontrees intermix'd, and Marshes full of the Sedge, used as above to build Houses: It is thrust in to the Eastward, growing narrower that Way. A League up is the Village of S. Michael de Sapa, where they begin to cultivate the Agi, that is, Guinea Pepper, which is sown throughout Agi Guinea all the rest of the Vale; and there are several scatter'd Pepper. Farms, which have no other Product but that Pepper. In that little Space of the Vale, which is very narrow, and not above six Leagues long, they sell yearly of it to the Value of above 80000 Crowns.

The Spaniards of Peru are so generally addicted to that Trade of Assort of Spice, that they can dress no Meat without it, tho rica. so very hot and biting, that there is no enduring of it, unless well used to it; and as it cannot grow on the Puna,

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that is, the Mountain Country, abundance of Merchants come down every Year, and carry away all the Guinea Pepper that grows in the Vales of Arica, Sama, Taena, Locumba, and others ten Leagues about; whence it is reckon'd there is exported to the Value of above 600000

Considering the Smalness of the Place, it is hard to believe that fuch vast Quantities should go from them; for, excepting the Vales, the Country is every where so parch'd up, that there is no green to be feen. This Wonder is produced by means of that Bird's Dung, which, as was faid before, is brought from Iquique, and fertilizes the Earth Great Ferili- in such Manner, that it yields 4 or 500 for one, of all Sorts of Grain, Wheat, Indian Corn, &c. but particularly the Agi, or Guinea Pepper, when they know how to manage

and a Monaltery of Francicans, who werthirs

When the Seed is sprouted, and fit to be transplanted, the Plants are fet winding, that is, not in a strait Line, but like an S, to the end that the Disposition of the Furrows. which convey the Water to them, may carry it gently to the Foot of the Plants; then they lay about each Plant of Gainea Pepper as much Guana, or Birds Dung, abovemention'd, as will lie in the Hollow of a Man's Hand. When it is in Blossom, they add a little more; and, lastly, when the Fruit is form'd, they add a good Handful, always taking care to water it, because it never rains in that Country; otherwise, the Salts it contains not being disfolv'd, would burn the Plants, as has been found by Experience. For this Reason it is laid down at several Times with a regular Management, the Necessity whereof has been found by Use, by the Difference of the Crops produced.

For carrying of the Guana, or Dung, to the Lands, Llamas, Sheep they generally, at Arica, make use of that Sort of little Camels, by the Indians of Peru call'd Llamas; by those of Chili, Chillebueque; and, by the Spaniards, Carneros de la Tierra, or the Country Sheep. Their Heads are small in

Cultivating of Guinea Pepper.

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Proportion to their Bodies, something resembling both a Horse's and Sheep's Head; the upper Lip, like a Hare's, is cleft in the middle, through which they spit ten Paces from them against any that offend them; and if that Spit- See Plate tle falls on their Faces, it makes a reddish Spot, which is often follow'd by an Itching. Their Necks are long, bowing downwards like the Camels, towards the fore Part of the Body, which would well enough refemble them, if they had a Bunch on the Back. The Figure I here infert may ferve to explain what is wanting in this Description: Their Height is from four Foot to four and a half.

They generally carry only a hundred Weight, and walk Their Burden; holding their Heads up, with wonderful Gravity and Ma-Food, &c. jesty, so regular a Pace, that no Beating will make them go out of it. At Night, it is impossible to make them move with their Burden; they lie down till it is taken off, to go and graze: Their common Food is a Sort of Grafs, somewhat like the small Rush, bating that it is a little finer, and has a sharp Point at the end; it is call'd Ycho: All the Mountains are cover'd with nothing elfe; they eat little, and never drink, fo that they are Creatures eafily kept. Tho' they have Cloven Feet like Sheep, yet they make use of them in the Mines to carry the Ore to the Mill; as foon as loaded, they go without any Guide to the Place where they are used to be unloaded. Above the Foot they have a Spur, which makes them fure-footed among the Rocks, because they make use of it to hold, or hook by. Their Wool has a strong Scent, and even disagreeable; it is long, white, gray and ruffet in Spots, and very fine, tho' much inferiour to that of the Vicunna's.

The Vicunna's are shaped much like the Llamas, bating Vicunna's that they are smaller, and lighter: Their Wool being ex- how taken. traordinary fine and much valu'd; they are sometimes hunted after such a manner as deserves to be related. Many Indians get together to drive them into some narrow Pass, where they have made Cords fast across, three or four Foot from the Ground, with Bits of Wool and Cloth hanging at them. The Vicunna's coming to pals, are so frighted

at the Motion of those Bits of Wood and Cloth, that they dare not go any farther; so that they press together in a Throng, and then the Indians kill them with Stones made fast at the End of Leather-Thongs. If any Guanaco's happen to be with them, they leap over the Cords, and then all the Vicunna's follow them: The Guanaco's are larger and more corpulent; they are also call'd Viscacha's.

Guanaco's.

Alpaques useful Crea-Istres.

There is another Sort of Black Creatures like the Llamas. call'd Alpaques, whose Wool is extraordinary fine, but their Legs are shorter, and their Snout contracted, so that it has some Resemblance of a human Countenance. The Indians make several uses of those Creatures; they make them carry a Burden of about a hundred Weight; their Wool serves to make Stuffs, Cords and Sacks; their Bones are used to make Weavers Utenfils; and lastly, their Dung. ferves to make Fire to dress Meat, and to warm them.

of Arica.

Former Trade Before the last Wars, the Armadilla, or little Fleet, composed of some Ships of the King's and of private Persons, reforted every Year to Arica, to bring thither the European Commodities and Quick-silver for the Mines of la Paz, Oruro, la Plata, or Chuquizaca, Potofi, and Lipes; and then carry'd to Lima the King's Plate, being the Fifth of what Metal is drawn from the Mines; but fince no more Galeons come to Portobelo, and the French have carry'd on the Trade, that Port has been the most considerable Mart of all the Coast, to which the Merchants of the five Towns above, being the richest in Mines, resort. It is true, that the Port of Cobija is nearer to Lipes and Potosi, than Arica; but being so defart and barren, that there is nothing to be had for Men or Mules to Sublist, they choose rather to go some Leagues farther, and be fure to find what they want; besides that it is not a very difficult Matter for them to bring their Plate thither privately in the Mass, and to compound with the Corregidores, or chief Magistrates, to save paying the Fifth to the King.

The Manner of taking the Silver out of the Mines:

OR,

The Management of the Ore to reduce it into Masses.

Masses of Silver, made of dry'd Amalgama, or Paste, before form'd by the Mixture of Quick-silver, and the Dust of Silver taken out of the Mines, as I am going to relate.

After having broken the Stone taken out of the Vein of Ore, they grind it in those Mills with Grind-stones abovemention'd, or in the Ingenios Reales, or Royal Engines, Royal Enwhich consist of Hammers or Pounders, like the French gines. Plaister-Mills. They have generally a Wheel of about 25 or 30 Foot Diameter, whose long Axle-tree is set with smooth Triangles, which, as they turn, hook or lay hold of the Handles of the Iron Hammers, and lift them up to a certain Height, from whence they drop at once at every Turn, and they generally weighing about 200 Weight, fall so violently, that they crush and reduce the hardest Stone to Powder, by their Weight alone. They afterwards fift that Powder through Iron, or Copper Sieves, to take away the finest, and return the rest to the Mill. When the Ore happens to be mix'd with some Metals, which obstruct its falling to Powder, as Copper, they then calcine it in an Oven, and pound it over again.

At the little Mines, where they use none but Mills with Wetting the Grind-stones, they, for the most part, grind the Ore with Ore.

Water, which makes a liquid Mud, that runs into a Receiver; whereas, when it is ground dry, it must be afterwards steep'd, and well moulded together with the Feet

for a long Time.

To this Purpose, they make a Court, or Floor, where Moulding they dispose that Mud in square Parcels, about a Foot thick, and Mixeach of them containing half a Caxon, or Chest, that is 25

X 2 Quintals,

Quintals, or Hundred Weight of Ore; and these they call Cuerpos, that is, Bodies. On each of them they throw about two hundred Weight of Sea, or common Salt, more or lefs, according to the Nature of the Ore, which they mould and incorporate with the Earth for two or three Days. Then they add to it a certain Quantity of Quickfilver, squeezing a Purse made of a Skin into which they put it, to make it fall in Drops, with which they fprinkle the Body or Mass equally. According to the Nature and Quality of the Ore, they allow to each Mass ten, fifteen, or twenty Pounds; for the richer it is, the more Mercury it requires to draw to it the Silver it contains; so that they know not the Quantity but by long Experience. An Indian is employ'd to mould one of those square Parcels eight times a day, to the end that the Mercury may incorporate with the Silver; to that effect they often mix Lime with it, when the Ore happens to be greafy, where Caution is to be used; for they say it sometimes grows so hot, that they neither find Mercury nor Silver in it, which feems incredible. Sometimes they also strew among it some Lead, or Tin Ore, to facilitate the Operation of the Mercury, which is flower in very cold Weather than when it is temperate; for which Reason, at Potosi and Lipes, they are often obliged to mould the Ore during a whole Month, or a Month and half; but in more temperate Countries the Amalgama is made in eight or ten Days.

Fire used in Some Places.

To facilitate the Operation of the Mercury, they in some Places, as at *Puno* and elsewhere, make their *Buite-rons*, or Floors on Arches, under which they keep Fires, to heat the Powder of the Ore for 24 Hours, on a Pavement of Bricks.

Esaying.

When it is thought that the Mercury has attracted all the Silver, the Essayer takes a little Ore from each Parcel apart, which he washes in an Earthen Plate, or a Wooden Bowl, and by the Colour of the Mercury found at the Bottom of the Bowl, knows whether it has had its Essect; for when it is blackish, the Ore is too much heated, and then they add

more Salt, or fome other Drug: They fay that then the Mercury dispara, that is, shoots, or slies away; if the Mercury is white, they put a Drop under the Thumb, and pressing it hastily, the Silver there is among it, remains sticking to the Thumb, and the Mercury slips away in little Drops. In Conclusion, when they perceive that all the Silver is gather'd, they carry the Ore to a Bason into which a little Stream of Water runs, to wash it, much in the same Washing of nature as I have faid they wash the Gold, excepting that the Ore. this being only a Mud, without Stones, instead of a Hook to stir it, an Indian stirs it with his Feet, to dissolve it. From the first Bason it falls into a second, where another Indian is, who stirs it again, to dissolve it thoroughly, and loosen the Silver: From the second it passes into a third, where the same is repeated, to the end that what has not funk to the Bottom of the first and second may not escape the third.

When all has been wash'd, and the Water runs clear, Separating of they find at the Bottom of the Basons, which are lined with the Mercury. Leather, the Mercury incorporated with the Silver, which they call La Pella. It is put into a Woolen Bag, hanging up for some of the Quickfilver to drain through; they bind, beat, and press it as much as they can, laying a Weight upon it with flat Pieces of Wood; and when they have got out as much as they can, they put that Paste into a Mould of Wooden Planks; which, being bound together, generally form the Figure of an Octogon Pyramid cut short, the Bottom whereof is a Copper-plate, full of little Holes. There they stir, in order to fasten it; and when they design to make many Pinna's, as they call them, that is Lumps of various Weights, they divide them with little Beds, or Layers of Earth, which hinder their coming together. To that end the Pella, or Mass, must be weigh'd, deducting two Thirds for the Mercury that is in it, and they know within a small Matter what neat Silver there is.

They then take off the Mould, and place the Pinna, or Separating of Mass, with its Copper Base on a Trevet, or such-like In-the Mercury.

Strument,

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Thrument, standing over a great Earthen Vessel still of Water, and cover it with an Earthen Cap, or Covering, which they again cover with lighted Coals; which Fire they feed for some Hours, that the Mass may grow violent hot, and the Mercury that is in it evaporate in Smoak; but that Smoak having no Passage out, it circulates in the Hollow that is between the Mass and the Cap, or Covering, till coming down to the Water that is underneath, it condenses and links to the Bottom, again converted into Quicksilver. Thus little of it is lost, and the same serves several Times; but the Quantity must be increased, because it grows weak: However, they formerly consumed at Potosi 6 or 7000 Quintals, or Hundred Weight, of Quicksilver, every Year, as Acosta writes, by which a Judgment may be made of the Silver they got.

Way of Heating. Plate XXII.

There being neither Wood nor Coals throughout the greater Part of Peru, but only that Plant they call Ycho, before spoken of; they heat the Masses by Means of an Oven placed near the Desazogadera, that is the Machine for drying the Silver and separating the Mercury, and the Heat is convey'd through a Pipe, which violently draws it, as may be seen in this Figure.

Casting and paying the Fifth.

When the Mercury is evaporated, there remains nothing but a spungey Lump of contiguous Grains of Silver, very light, and almost mouldring, which the Spaniards call La Pinna, and is a Contraband Commodity from the Mines, because, by the Laws of the Kingdom, they are obliged to carry it to the King's Receipt, or to the Mint, to pay the Fifth to his Majesty. There those Masses are cast into In-

gots,

#### Plate XXII. Page 158. explain'd in English.

- A. Liamas, or Sheep of Peru.
- B. Trapiche, or a Mill to grind Ore.
- C. Buiteron, or a Court to mould the Ore.
- D. Basons to wash it.

- E. The Plan of the Instrument to draw off the Quick-silver.
- F. The Profile of the Same. G. The Mass of Silver.
- H. The Furnace to Separate the Quicksilver.



A Clamas ou moutons du Berou

E Plan de la desazogadera

F Profil de la desazogadera

B Trapiche ou moulin a minerai F Profil de l C Buiteron ou cour ou lon petri le minerai G La pigne

D Bassins a lauer

HFourneau abirer le vifargent



E Plan de la donacegadora E Profit de la donacegadora

gots, on which the Arms of the Crown are stamp'd, as also those of the Place where they were cast, their Weight and Quality, with the Fineness of the Silver, to answer the Measure of all Things, according to an ancient Philo-

sopher.

It is always certain, that the Ingots, which have paid the Frands. Fifth, have no Fraud in them; but it is not so with the Pinnas, or Masses not cast: Those who make them, often convey into the Middle of them Iron, Sand, and other Things, to increase the Weight; so that in Prudence they ought to be open'd, and made red-hot at the Fire, for the more Certainty; for if falsify'd, the Fire will either turn it black or yellow, or melt more easily. This Tryal is also useful to extract a Moisture they contract in Places where they are laid on purpose to make them the heavier. In short, their Weight may be increas'd one Third, by dipping them in Water when they are red-hot; as also to separate the Mercury, with which the Bottom of the Mass is always more impregnated than the Top: It also sometimes happens that the same Mass is of Silver of different Fineness.

The Stones taken from the Mines, the Ore, or to speak Ore, in the Language of Peru, the Metal from which the Silver is extracted, is not always of the same Nature, Consistence, or Colour; there is some white and gray, mix'd with red or bluish Spots, which is call'd Plata blanca, white Silver; the Mines of Lipes are most of them of this sort. For the most part there appear some little Grains of Silver, and even very often small Branches extending along

the Layers of the Stone.

There are some on the other hand, as black as the Dross Other Sorts of Iron, in which the Silver does not appear, call'd Negrillo, that is blackish; sometimes it is black with Lead, for which Reason it is call'd Plomo Ronco, that is, coarse Lead, in which the Silver appears if scratch'd with something that is harsh; and it is generally the richest, and got with least Charge; because instead of moulding it with Quicksilver, it is melted in Furnaces, where the

Lead evaporates by dint of Fire, and leaves the Silver pure and clean. From that fort of Mines the Indians drew their Silver; because having no use of Mercury, as the Europeans have, they only wrought those whose Ore would melt, and having but little Wood, they heated their Furnaces with the Tcho above-mention'd, and the Dung of the Llamas, or Sheep, and other Beafts, exposing them on the Mountains, that the Wind might keep the Fire fierce. This is all the Secret the Historians of Peru speak of, as of fomething wonderful. There is another fort of Ore like this, as black, and in which the Silver does not appear at all; on the contrary, if it be wetted and rubb'd against Iron, it turns red, for which Reason it is call'd Rosicler, signifying the Ruddiness of the Dawn of Day; this is very Rich, and affords the finest Silver. There is some that glitters like Talk, or Ifinglass; this is generally naught, and yields little Silver, the Name of it is Zoroche. The Paco, which is of a yellowish Red, is very fost, and broken in Bits, but feldom rich; and the Mines of it are wrought only on account of the Easiness of getting the Ore. There is some Green, not much harder than the last, call'd Cobrisso, or Copperish, it is very rare; however, tho' the Silver generally appears in it, and it is almost mouldring, it is the hardest to be managed, that is, to have the Silver taken from it. Sometimes, after being ground, it must be burnt in the Fire, and several other Methods used to feparate it, doubtless because it is mix'd with Copper. Lastly, there is another fort of very rare Ore, which has been found at Potofi, only in the Mine of Cotamifo; being Threads of pure Silver, entangled or wound up together like burnt Lace, fo fine, that they call it Aranna, Spider, from its Refemblance to a Cobweb.

What Mines are richest. The Veins of Mines, of what fort soever they be, are generally richer in the Middle than towards the Edges; and when two Veins happen to cross one another, the Place where they meet is always very rich. It is also observed, that those which lie North and South are richer than those which

fallen

which lie any other way. Those which are near Places where Mills can be erected, and that are more commodiously wrought, are often preferable to the richer that require more Expence; which is the Reason that at Lipes and Potosi, a Chest of Ore must yield 10 Marks, being 8 Ounces each Mark, of Silver, to pay the prime Charges; and at those of the Province of Tarama 5 pay them.

When they are rich, and fink downwards, they are sub-Mines flooded, ject to be flooded; and then they must have recourse to Pumps and Machines, or else drain them by those they call Socabones, being Passages made in the side of the Mountain for the Water to run out at, which often ruin the Owners by the excessive Expence they insensibly draw them

into.

There are other ways of separating the Silver from the Other ways of Stone that confines it, and from the other Metals that are separating. mix'd with it, by Fire, or strong separating Waters, made use of at some Mines where I have not been, and where they make a sort of Ingots, which they call Bollos; but the most general and usual Method being to make the Pinnas, or Masses above-mention'd, either for Easiness, or to save Fire and other Ingredients; the Curious may have Recourse to Agricola's Treatise of Minerals, where what is practised at the Silver Mines in Germany is related. See also Cesalpin, Cesius, Kentmant, Etker, Eucelius, Van Helmont, and Quercetan.

When we examine in what manner the Silver is mix'd silver how with the Stone, in Grains or long Slips like Straws, sepa-form'd. rated by great Intervals of meer Stone, or else in fine Dust mix'd with the same Stone, it looks as if Nature had form'd them both at the same Time, and many are of that Opinion. However, if we may believe the Spaniards, the Silver is daily form'd anew in certain Parts of the Mines, not only in the solid Stone, but even in external Bodies, which have been long since put into them. Experience has verify'd this Opinion in the Mountain of Potosi, where they have dug so much in several Places, that several Mines have

fallen in and bury'd the Indians that were working in them, with their Tools and Props to keep up the Earth. In process of time they have again dug the same Mines, and have found Threads of Silver in the Wood, the Skulls and Bones,

running through them as they do in the Vein it felf.

This matter of Fact is reported by so many several Perfons, that it cannot be look'd upon as an Invention. fieur Chambon, in his Treatise of Metals, tells us something very like this, which may nevertheless be suspected Strange Rela- to be magnify'd. He tells us, That in a Mine of Gold and Silver, in Hungary it is likely, they affured him, that they had found three human Figures, of the same Matter of which the Veins of the Mine are composed; and that tho" the faid Figures had been bruis'd and broken by the Hammers and Wedges, what was taken up had been fo well put together, that there was no occasion to question their having been Men. That those Figures had their peculiar Mineral Veins, that the inward Head, and all the Bones were of pure Gold, and that was the Reason why those Figures had been destroy'd.

> Palist, in his Treatise of Metals, tells us of such another Phænomenon. He affirms he saw a Stone of Lapis Calaminaris, in which there was a Fish of that same Substance; he adds, that in the Country of Mansfeld, abundance of Fishes

are found converted into Metal.

It is also an undoubted Matter of Fact, that much Silver Silver grows. has been found in the Mines of Lipes, which had been wrought long before. I know they answer to this, that formerly they were fo rich, that the smaller Quantities were not regarded; but I much question whether Men would voluntariy lofe what they had, when it was to cost but very little Labour: If to these Facts we add, what. has been faid of the Washing-Places of Adacol, and of the-Mountain of S. Joseph, where the Copper is form'd, there will be no longer Occasion to doubt, that Silver and other Metals are daily form'd in certain Places. Experience daily shews it in relation to Quick-silver, if it be true that

Another.

it

it breeds in the Earth, or in a Cellar, by putting in a Mixture of Sulphur and Saltpeter, as Monsieur Chambon affirms.

Besides, there want not Natural Philosophers, who place Metals, Metals among Vegetables, and pretend that they proceed Vegetables. from an Egg; an Opinion which nevertheless does not please all Men, and to maintain which, they alledge Facts

that are too wonderful to be eafily believ'd.

Theophrastus affirms, that in the Island of Cyprus, there grows a fort of Copper very like Gold, which being sow'd in Bits, shoots like a Plant. Paliss says, that in Hungary a very fine fort of Gold has been seen, which winding about a certain Plant like Fibres, increas'd from time to time. See John Webster's Metallographia, London.

The Ancient Philosophers, and some of the Modern, Metals not have ascribed to the Sun the Forming of Metals; but besides formed by the

an infinite Depth, a Man may undeceive himself in regard to this Opinion, by reflecting on an indisputable matter of

Fact, which follows.

About 30 Years ago, a Flash of Lightning sell on the Prov'd by a Mountain of Ilimanni, which is above La Paz, otherwise good Instance. call'd Chuquiago, a Town in Peru, 80 Leagues from Arica; it beat down a Part of it, the Pieces or Shivers whereof, found scatter'd about the Town and Country adjoining, were full of Gold, and yet the Mountain has been Time out of Mind cover'd with Snow. Therefore the Heat of the Sun, which has not been strong enough to thaw the Snow, could not have the Power to form the Gold that was under it, and which it has cover'd without any Intermission.

This Fact farther proves, that we are here misinform'd as to the Country of the Mines; for Vallemon, in his occult Philosophy, says, 'That Mines are known or discover'd, when there is a white Frost on the Ground, and there is none on the Veins of Metals, because they exhale dry and hot Vapours, which hinder it from freezeing

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ing there; and that for the same Reason the Snow does not lie long there. If that be true in some Places, it is not so in Peru, nor at the Silver Mines of S. John in Chili, which are cover'd with Snow eight Months in the Year.

How Metals are form'd. I, who cannot admit of any Conjectures but such as are grounded on Experience, should be more inclinable to ascribe the Formation of Metals to subterraneous Fires; and without troubling myself about the Central Fire of certain Philosophers, I should not want Proofs to make it appear, that all that Part of America is sull of them, as appears by the burning Mountains, which from time to time are there seen to break out and slame; such are those of Arequipa, Quito, and Chili, which are in the Mine Country. Nor is it impossible that those of Mexico should have some share in it, tho' to Appearance somewhat remote; for there is no Reason why the Earth may not be compared to a Charcoal Kiln, where one Hole is sufficient to give Air and preserve the Fire in the opposite Side.

This Heat being well establish'd, it must give Motion to the Salts, the Sulphurs, and the other Principles the Earth contains, and which may be Ingredients in the Composition of Metals, and being exagitated and rarify'd like a Vapour, insinuate themselves into the Pores of the Stone, and particularly those of the Piles of Rock, like a Plate or strange Body, enclosed in Heterogeneous Masses. There that Exhalation fixes itself, and condenses like Wax, by the Disposition of the Pores it is forced into. We have a sensible Experience hereof in Mercury, which becomes Volatile in Smoak, as has been observed before, and condenses again when it returns to the Water. If that Metal can be reduced to the Consistence of the others, as Chymists pretend, the Consecture appears to be well grounded.

Pretences of Chymists. " or congeal'd.

"2. Christian I. Elector of Saxony, converted Mer"cury, Copper, and other Metals, into real Gold and
"Silver; and Prince Augustus, about the Year 1590, with

" fome

### the South-Sea.

" some of a certain Tincture, converted 1604 times as " much Mercury into Gold, which went through all Tryals,

Goan. Kunkeli Observationes, Lond. 3. Zweifer, in his Book entitled, Pharmacopaia Regia, " Part 1. Cap. 1. fays, that the Emperor Ferdinand III. " having with his own Hands made two Pounds and a " half of good Gold of three Pounds of ordinary Mercury, " by Means of a certain Philosophical Tincture, caus'd a " Medal to be made of it; on the one Side of which was " an Apollo, with an Inscription certifying that Transmu-" tation; and on the Reverse he prais'd God, for having " communicated to Men some Part of his Divine Know-" ledge, which may be better seen in the Original Latin

" Words, which I have here inferted.

fed do I son beholden for this Thought only to the Ob.

About the Apollo.

DIVINA METAMORPHOSIS.

On the Reverse.

RARIS

HÆC VT Then follow'd, HOMINIBUS NOTA

EXIBITA PRAGE

EXT ARS ITA RARO IN

LVCEM PRODIT

LAVDETVR DEVS

IN ETERNVM IN PRESENTIA QVI PARTEM INFINITE

SAC. CÆS. MAIESTAT SVÆ SCIENTIÆ ABIEC FERDINANDI TISSIMIS SVIS CREATV CATW

oc very Mules that pals along thole Places, the much "In English thus: The Divine Metamorphosis, or Trans-" mutation, perform'd at Prague, on the 15th of Janu-" ary, in the Year 1648, in the Presence of the sacred Im-" perial Majesty of Ferdinand III. Then on the Reverse: " As this Art is known to few Men, so it seldom appears

ce abroad. God be prais'd for ever, who has communi-" cated Part of his Divine Knowledge to his most abject " Creatures. The Comedy is of one a yell a syoda

The same Zweifer takes care to observe that the said "Gold was very good, not at all Sophistical, and that the

Emperor was too sharp a Man to suffer himself to be imposed of poled upon by any artful Substituting of Natural Gold,

" instead of that he made.

I will not here fall into the Dreams of those Searchers after the Philosophers. Stone; nay, I will believe, notwithstanding all the most plausible Stories they tell us, as above. in the Words of Zweifer, upon the Experiments that have been seen made, that they are fraudulent Sleights of Hand, which have gain'd Reputation to that vain Employment; but tho' they have not attain'd the Degree of the Perfection of Gold, it is still certain that they have imitated it very well with Mercury. This is sufficient to establish my Opinion about the Formation of Metals. May it not be thence inferr'd, that the Mechanism of Nature in those Productions differs from this only, in that it is more perfect? I am beholden for this Thought only to the Obfervation I have made of the feveral Sorts of Ore that have fallen into my Hands, tho', in the main, it be something agreeable to that of Messieurs Vossius and Vallemont, who look upon the subterraneous Fires as the first Principle for the Formation of Metals.

Exhalations

Be that as it will, it is certain that there are continually of the Mines. Strong Exhalations coming from the Mines. The Spaniards, who live over them, are obliged frequently to drink of the Herb of Paraguay, or Mate, to moisten their Breasts, without which they are liable to a Sort of Suffocation. The very Mules that pass along those Places, tho' much less steep and mountanous than others, where they trip it away, are forced to stand almost every Minute to recover their Wind. But those Exhalations are much more fensible within; they have such an Effect on Bodies that are not used to them, that a Man who goes in for a Moment, comes out as it were benumb'd, or blafted with fuch a Pain in all his Limbs, that he is not able to stir, which often lasts above a Day; and then the Remedy is to carry the Difeas'd Person back into the Mine. The Spaniards call that Di-Remper Quebrantabuessos, that is, Bone-Breaker. Even the

Indians, who are used to it, are obliged to relieve one ano-

ther alternatively, almost every Day.

It has also happened sometimes, that in working in certain Parts of the Mines, pestilential Exhalations have broke out, which have kill'd the Workmen upon the Spot; so that they have been forced to abandon them. For the same Reason in those Hungarian Silver and Gold Mines, which are clayish and so glutinous, that they are obliged Clayish Mines to make good Fires to dry them; the Workmen are oblig'd to get out immediately. Those Sorts of clayish Mines are in all Likelihood very rare in Peru; for I have never heard of them.

The Indians, to preserve themselves against the ill Air Coca Preserve they breathe in the Mines, are there continually chewing vative.

Coca, a Sort of Betele, and they pretend that without it

they could not work there.

The Mines which at present yield most Silver, are those of Oruro, a little Town eighty Leagues from Arica. In the Year 1712, one so rich was found at Ollachea, near Rich Mines. Cusco, that it yielded 2500 Marks, of 8 Ounces each, out of every Chest; that is, almost one fifth Part of the Ore; but it has declined much, and is now reckon'd but among the ordinary Sort. Next to these are those of Lipes, which have had the same Fate. Lastly, those of Potosi yield little, and cause a great Expence, by reason of their great Depth.

As for Gold Mines, they are very rare in the South Part Gold Mines of Peru; there are none but in the Province of Guanuco rare in Peru. towards Lima; in that of the Chichas, where the Town of Tarija is, and at Chuquiaguillo, two Leagues from La Paz, and other Places there-about, which for that Reason are in the Indian Tongue call'd Chuquiago, signifying a House, or Farm of Gold. There are there, in short, very plentiful Washing-places, where Grains of Virgin or Pure Gold have been Large Grains found of a prodigious Magnitude; two among the rest, of Gold. one of which, weighing 64 Marks and some odd Ounces, (the Mark, as has been often said, being eight Ounces) was

bought by the Count de la Moncloa, Viceroy of Peru, to present it to the King of Spain; the other fell into the Hands of Don John de Mur in 1710, whilst he was Corregidor, or chief Magistrate of Arica. This is shaped like an Ox's Heart in little, and weighs 45 Marks, that is 360 Ounces, of three different Degrees of Fineness; to the best of my Remembrance of 11, 18, and 21 Carats, which is very remarkable in the same natural Mass.

Land of Mines cold and barren.

All the Places above-mention'd where there are Mines, are so cold and barren, that the Inhabitants of them are obliged to feek their Provisions from the Coast. The Reason of that Barrenness is plain, if we consider the bad Exhalations which continually iffue from the Mines, as has been observ'd before, they certainly containing Salts and Sulphurs

contrary to the Vegetation of Plants.

Others in ces.

If those Places are inhabited, it is only in regard to their temperatePla- great Wealth, which draw thither all the Necessaries of Life; however, there is no Want of Mines towards the Coast, in more temperate Places, as appears by that newly discover'd at Iquique: It is even pretended, that there are Mines in all the Mountain's about Arica, but that they are not rich enough to be at the Expence of working them.

Salt Mines, Sec.

In the same Mountains there is an infinite Number of Mines of Salt; and some of the fine Lime-stone for making of Plaister of Paris; as also certain Spungey Stones, serving to filtrate or strain Water, and a Sort of transparent Alabaster, used in some Places instead of Glass for Windows.

Plants.

In other respects they are all barren; no Green is to be feen there but what is down in the Vales. In that of Arica there is Jalop, the Root whereof is of great Use in Physick; there is also China Root and Mechoacan, which the Inhabitants, if I mistake not, call Jongni. There is also the Molle Tree, spoken of in the Article of Valparaiso; the Tara Tree, somewhat resembling the Acacia; the Fruit of it, which is a Cod like the French Beans, serves to make Writing-Ink, as has been faid of the Algarroba, or Carob. On the Mountains near La Paz, there is a Sort of Moss, call'd

call'd Hiareta, which being put into the Fire, makes a Smoak which immediately blinds those whose Eyes it reaches; it also yields a Gum, which is of good Use in some Distempers.

### Removal to another Ship.

AFTER having waited above a Month at Arica, for an Opportunity to profecute my Voyage, I embarqued on the 8th of August on a little Ship of 150 Tons, commanded by Monsieur de Russy, who was bound for Hilo, and thence for Callao, to join its Commandant the Great Holy Ghost.

The same Day a Suspension of Arms for four Months, Suspension of between the European Crowns was proclaim'd, and an Or-Arms. der to the Corregidores, or chief Magistrates, to seize and confiscate the Effects of the French that were in Peru and Chili, and to oblige them to embarque, in order to return

to France.

The same Express also inform'd us, that an English Privateer had taken a Spanish Ship laden with Sugar, near Guayaquil, and that he had put half his Men into the Prize, which was said to be of 24 Guns: The Viceroy sent Captain S. Juan, Commander of the S. Rose in quest of him; but the Ship being cast away on the Coast, he found only two or three Men.

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THE 10th of August in the Morning, we sail'd with Difficulty of a small Gale at N. E. the Land Breeze, which is ge-getting clear nerally expected in order to get out of the Creek of Arica, of Arica. where the Tides often drive down and detain Ships in calm Weather, for several Days, towards the Inlet of Quiaca, for they always set that Way. Most Ships are made sensitible of the Difficulty of getting out, because the Land Breeze which holds from Midnight till Day, is succeeded by

by that from S.W. being too foon to turn the Head-land of Sama, lying W. N. W. from that of Arica, and the more for that the Tides fensibly come from above; and for this Difficulty in turning of it, on our Chart it is call'd the Devil's Head-land. By good Fortune the Land Breeze carry'd us far enough out to Sea, not to apprehend any thing during a Calm that lasted five Days, because the Tides were not then very strong: In case of being too much forced back towards the Land, and no possibility of working up again, there is the Remedy of being able to come to an Anchor a League to the Southward of Quiaca, in 30 or 40 Foot Water; the Bottom greenish Owze, like an Olive Colour, in some Places mix'd with Sand.

Marks to know Hilo by,

At length, after eight Days spent in failing thirty Leagues, we arriv'd at Hilo, on the 18th of August: That Road is to be known to the Windward, by a plain Point of Land, low in Comparison of the high Mountains. From five or fix Leagues distance to the Sea-ward, it looks almost like an Island; that is it which they call the Point de Coles, at the End whereof is a very low Rock, which feems to rife higher as you draw nearer to it.

## Description of the Road of Hilo.

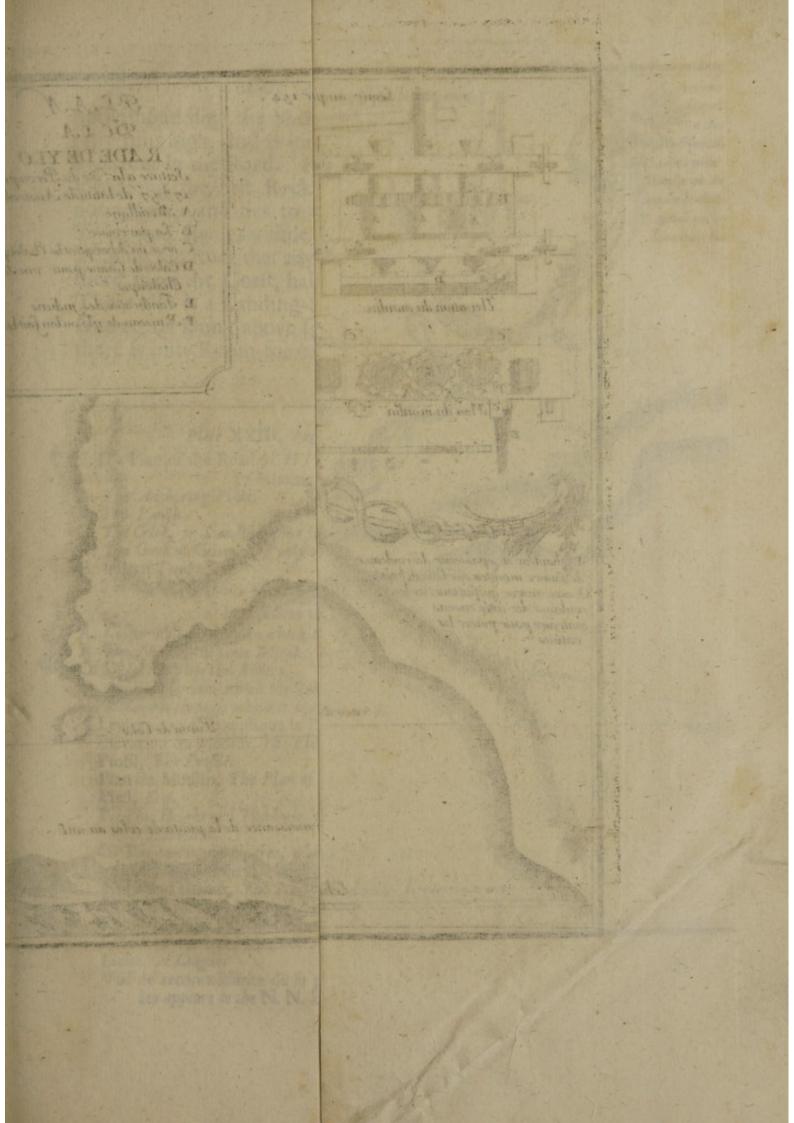
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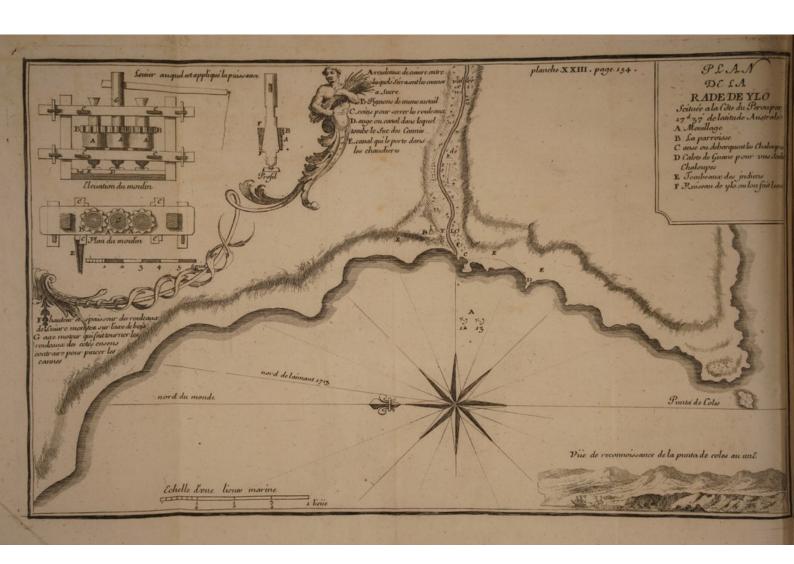
Landing-Place.

THE Road being scarce any other than a strait Coast, the Ships that are at Anchor there, are feen at a Distance; and for the same Reason, there must be a great Sea upon all Winds. In fliort, there is but one Place to land at, among the Rocks, which appear at the Entrance of the Vale E. and by N. or E. N. E. from the Anchoring-place; when you have 15 or 12 Fathom Water, the Bottom fine Sand, somewhat Owzy, and to the Northward of the Little Island, which is at the Point of Coles.

The Ridge of Rocks, which covers the Creek where they land out of Boats, is divided into two: The fecond Cut makes a little Creek on the Starboard-Side, where

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notwithstanding the Shelter of the Rocks, the Sea generally runs high, and is impracticable, when there is a little Swelling in the Road. It is to be observ'd, that in coasting along the first Rocks, there is a Shoal which does not appear, and lies to the N.W. of another that is in Sight, and always visible: The Way to avoid it, is by keeping the Rock that advances farthest out on a red Ground there is on the Coast, half a League South of that Passage. There also is a Landing-Place, where they set ashore the Guana, or Dung above spoken of; but it is so small, that there is only Room for one single Canoe, or Boat.

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Plate XXIII. Page 171. explain'd in English. 1834

The Plan of the Road of HILO, on the Coast of Peru, in 17 Degrees,
37 Minutes of South Latitude.

A. The Anchoring Place.

B. The Parish.

C. The Greek, or Landing-place for Boats.

D. The Greek of Guana, for only one Boat.
E. Indian Tombs.

F. The Rivulet of Hilo, where they water. 21 doing manning and 25

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A. Copper Rollers, between which the Sugar Canes are crush'd.

B. The Nats of the Same Metal. 194 Swell Cours of william Danie

C. Wedges to close the Rollers.
D. The Treugh into which the Juice of the Canes runs.

E. The Spont through which it is convey'd into the Boilers. Levier au quel on applique la Puissance, The Leaver for turning the Rollers. Elevation du Moulin, The Elevation of the Mill.

Profil, The Profile.

Plan du Moulin, The Plan of the Mill. I bus agrand

Pied, Feet.

F. The Height and Thickness of the Copper Rollers, standing on the Wooden

G. The moving Axle-tree, which causes the Rollers to turn the contrary Way to one another, to crush the Canes.

Nord de l'aimant, The North Point of the Compass.
Nord du Monde, the true North Point.

Punta de Coles, Point Coles.

Echelle d'une lieue Marine, A Scale of a Sea League.

Lieue, A League.

Vue de reconnoissance de la punta de Coles au N. N. E. Thus Point Coles appears to the N. N. E.

Bilo Village. The Vale of Hilo, upon coming into the Road, looks only like a narrow Gut, which appears opening by Degrees, as you draw near, till the Church appears, and about fifty Cottages made of the Branches of Trees, scatter'd up and down near the Rivulet, which runs winding along the Middle of the Vale: That is all the Village of Hilo; most of it is built and inhabited by French. It is certainly too great an Honour to call it a little Town, as Dampier does.

Watering-Place.

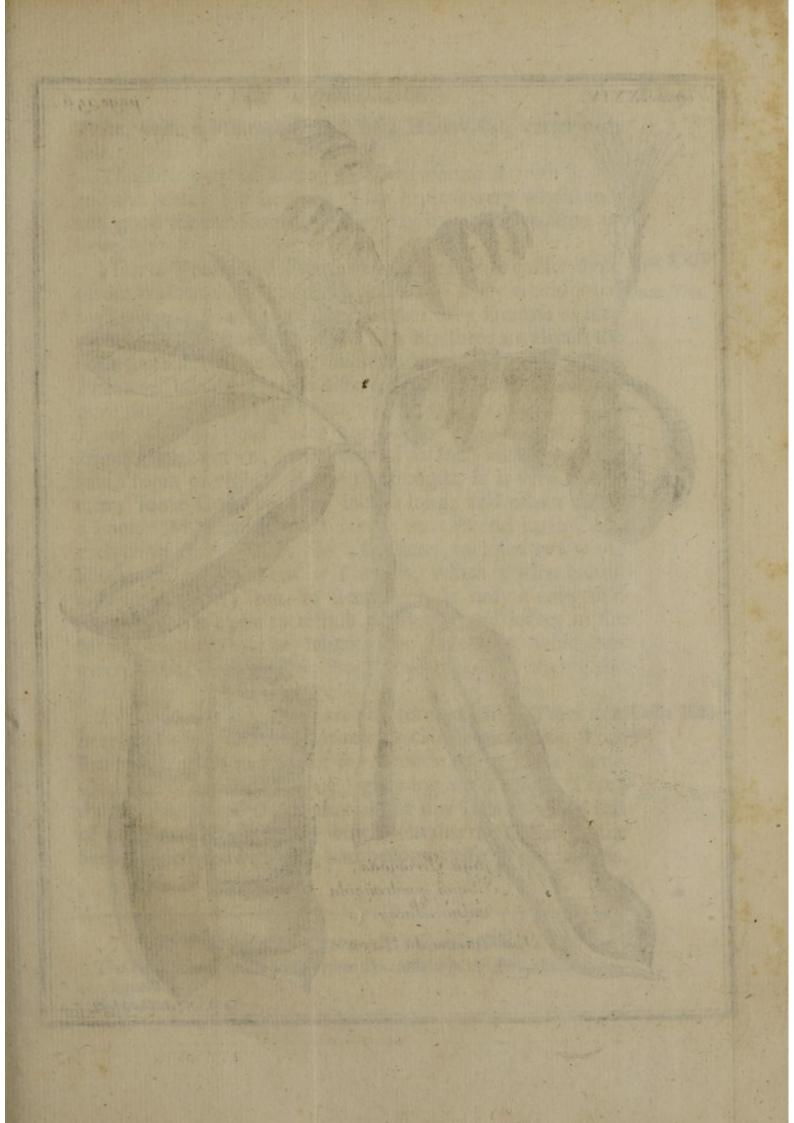
That Rivulet, where Ships water, is sometimes subject to be dried up, during the fix Months that the Sun is to the Southward, when the Winter has not prov'd rainy on the high Mountains. They were fensible of that Drought in the Year 1713, when they were fain to bury Casks in the Sand, to receive what drain'd from the Land, whence a Water flows, which is naught and unwholfome. great Diseases, which that Year carry'd off the one half of the Crews of the French Ships that happen'd to be there. were ascribed to it; but it was a Sort of Plague, which was felt 18 Leagues from thence, at Moquegua, and even as far as Arequipa, which is 40 Leagues distant.

Wooding.

The Conveniency of Wooding is better there than the Watering, because the Vale is cover'd with Trees; but the great Quantity the French have fell'd within 14 Years past, has remov'd it a League from the Sea. Befides the Wood for Fewel, that Vale is in several Places planted with fine Rows of Olive-trees, which afford the best Oil in Peru: as also abundance of Fruit-trees, as Orange, Lemon, Fig, Guayava, Banana and Lucumo-trees, of which Mention has been made before. There is also of that Sort of Fruit call'd Paltas in Peru, and Avocats in the French Caribbee Islands; they are like a large Pear, and contain a round Kernel, somewhat pointed, of the Consistence and Bulk of a Chefnut, but of no other Use than a Musk Colour Dye: The Substance that incloses it is greenish, and almost as fost as Butter, and has something in it of that

siffance de la gunta de Coles av N. N. E. That Pales Co.

Fruit-trees.





Taste, with a Mixture of that of a Hazle-Nut, eaten with

The best way of Eating it, is to pound it with Sugar and the Juice of a Lemon: That Fruit is very wholsome, and good for the Stomach; they say it is a Provocative to Love.

I saw a Tree call'd Pacay, whose Leaves are like those Plate XXIV. of the Walnut-tree, but of feveral Sizes. They are disposed Pacay Tree, by Pairs along the same Side; fo that they increase as they remove farther from the Stem. Its Blossoms are almost the fame as those of the Inga, mention'd by Pison and Father Plumier; but the Fruit is different. The Cod, whose Figure that Father has given us, is Octogon; and that of the Pacay has only four Faces, or Sides, of which the two largest are about 16, or 18 Parts of an Inch broad, and the fmall seven or eight: As for the Length, it is very uncertain; some Cods are four Inches long, and others above a Foot. They are divided within into feveral little Cells, each containing a Grain like a flat Bean, inclosed in a white Substance, all Filamens or Threads, which a Man would take for Cotton; but, in Reality, it is only a congeal'd Oil, which is eaten to refresh the Body, and leaves in the Mouth a little Tafte of Musk, very agreeable, which has given it the Name of Pois Sucrin, or Sugar-Pea, among the French.

In the same Vale, there are also some of those Trees that Cassia Fisher bear the Cassia, which the Spaniards call Canna Fistola. That la:

Fruit so famous in Physick for a gentle Purge, is a round Cod, 12 or 15 Inches long, growing on a great Tree; the Leaf whereof is like that of the fine Laurel. It is full of a yellowish Substance, which contains the Grains of the Seed, which grows black, and becomes viscous as it ripens.

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The Pacay Plant, call'd by European Botanists Inga of Peru, bearing a Square Cod.
Sugar-Peas of Peru.

made.

Sugar Canes, In the same Place where the Tree was, I also saw a and how Sugar Cane Garden: The Canes from which they press the Juice to extract that agreeable Salt, are sufficiently known by all Men, as is the Manner of making it; but the Form of the Mill they use to bruize them, being in a Manner new to me, and the Knowledge of Machines VIXX and belonging to my Profession, I thought sit to take the Proportions. This Mill is composed of three Rollers of Brass, the Middlemost of which turns the two others, by means of the cast Nuts of the same Piece, that hitch one within Those Rollers, which turn contrary Ways, another. pinch the Canes put between them, and draw them in at the same time, crushing them, so that all the Juice runs out into a Trough, which conveys it into the Cauldrons. There it is three times boil'd, taking great Care to skim it, and to put Juice of Lemon and other Ingredients to it; and when it is sufficiently boil'd, they put it into Pots of a Conical Figure cut short, where it congeals into very brown Clods. To refine and whiten it, they only cover it with Earth temper'd with Water, 4 or 5 Inches thick, and kept fresh by watering it every Day. That Moisture makes the finest Juice run, which drops by Degrees, and the rest congeals into a white Loaf. They refine and whiten it in the same manner in Brasil, with Clay steep'd, the whitest of which is the best; but they must first scrape off a hard Film, that grows over the Pot, and would hinder the Water from penetrating through it. Lastly, the Refiners in France make it white and hard by the help of Lime and Alom.

Other Product.

They also in the Vale of Hilo sow some little Corn and Herbs, but much more Trefoil, whereof there is a great Confumption, when any Ships are in the Road, because the Merchants, who come from several remote Parts, are forced to bring thither a great Number of Mules, to change those that are loaden, for fear lest tiring in Desart Places they should die by the way, when they are not able to keep up with the others. They divide the Gangs of Mules,

which they call Requas, into several Piaras, or small Parcels of 10 Mules each, which are committed to the Care of two Men; and there being sometimes 30 or 40 Leagues to travel over high and steep Mountains, without either Water or Pasture, the Mules carry'd to change and relieve the others, are sometimes double the Number of the Piaras, or small Parcels loaded; notwithstanding all this Precaution, such great Numbers of them die, that the Roads in Peru are not better known by the Tract of their Feet, Destruction than by the Skeletons of those that tire out of the Vales, of Mules. where they can have nothing to subsist on, for there is scarce ever any Grass or Water; for which Reason they are obliged every Year to bring 80 or 100000 Mules from Tucuman and Chii, to make good that continual Loss.

However, notwithstanding the Trouble of traveling thro' Resort to Hirthose desart Places, the Inhabitants are not asraid of a lo. Journey of two or three hundred Leagues. The Merchants come to Hilo, from Cusco, Puno, Chucuito, Arequipa, and from Moquegua, as to the nearest Sea-Port; and if there are no Ships at Arica, they also come from La Paz, Oruro, La Plata, Potosi and Lipes; so that in short, this is the best

Port in all the Coast for European Commodities. 21 311

The City of Cusco is one of the chiefest for the Con-Cusco Cusco fumption of those Commodities, next to Potosi; there are reckon'd in it above 30000 Communicants, whereof near three Quarters are Indians. Its Manufactures of Bays and Cotton Cloth, are some small Prejudice to the Trade of Europe. They there also make all Sorts of Work in Leather, as well for the Use of Men, as for the Furniture of Horses and Mules. That City is also samous for the vast Number of Pictures the Indians there make, and wherewith they fill all the Kingdom, as wretched as they are. It is 130 Leagues from Hilo, in a cold Country, where the Weather is so uncertain, that they have all Sorts of it in one and the same Day.

A Voyage to

Puno Town.

Puno is a little Town of about 150 Families, 70 Leagues from Cusco, and 76 from Hilo, on the same Road: It is considerable for the many Silver Mines there are about it. In the Year 1713, they supply'd three Grindstone-Mills, and three of those that pound with Hammers: The Climate is bad.

Arequipa

Arequipa is a Town containing about 600 Spanish Families, who trade in Wine and Brandy: It is only 24 Leagues from the Sea; but the Port of Quilca being little resorted to, because it is bad, the Merchants repair to Hilo to drive on their Trade. The Town is seated at the Foot of a burning Mountain, which does not smook now, but did formerly vomit such great Quantities, that the Ashes were carried as Leagues about

ried 30 Leagues about.

Moquegua Tonn.

Moquegua is a small Town of 150 Families, within the Dependences whereof there may be 4000 Men fit to bear Arms. They there drive a great Trade of Wine and Brandy, which is transported to La Puna, that is, to the Mountains. It is incredible, that in fo small a Territory as that is said to be, they should make 100000 Jars, which amount to above 3200000 Paris Pints; and at 20 Royals the Jar is worth 400000 Pieces of Eight, that is now 1600000 Livres French Money. A Nation of friendly free Indians, call'd Chunco's, who inhabit the East-side of the Ridge of Mountains call'd La Cordillera, come every Year to trade at Moquegua for their own Country. In their Way through Potofi they fell Works made of Offrich Feathers, as Umbrellas, Fans to drive the Flies away, Gc. They also carry the Fruit call'd Quinaquina, which is like an Almond, and of use in several Distempers, and some other Things of the Country; with the Silver they receive for them, they buy Wine and some European Commodities fit for their Use.

Chunco's Indians.

Forty Leagues from Moquegua, and five from Cailloma, have been lately discover'd the Mines of S. Anthony, which promise much Wealth, and the Silver of them is the finest

Mines of S. Anthony rich.

in Peru. In the Year 1713, they were erecting Mills there, which will be still more advantageous to the Port of Hilo.

Tho' the Neighbourhood of many Mines, by their Con-Inconveniencurrence, make that a good Mart, it is in other respects bad cies of Hilo. enough for the Conveniencies of Life. Water, as has been said, is apt to fall short there, because very much is confumed in watering the Vineyards of Moquegna. Beeves are there scarce, and their Fish naught, except in Winter, because the Mists which are then frequent refresh and moisten the Top of the Mountain, which causes some little Pasture to grow: In short, other Provisions sometimes fall short for the Inhabitants. There is scarce any king of Game, except a Sort of small Fallow Deer, sound in the Breaks of the Mountains. There is no Want of Fish in the Road; but the Sea runs so high near the Shore, that there is no drawing of a Net any where.

The Vale of Hilo, in which there are not at present above three or four Farms, formerly maintain'd an Indian Town, the Remains of which are still to be seen 2 Leagues from the Sea. The Houses which were made of Canes, are there to be seen razed even with the Ground; a dismal Effect of the Ravages the Spaniards have made among the In-

dians.

There are still more moving Marks of the Missortune Tombs of of that poor Nation, near Arica, above the Church of Hi-Indians. lo, and all along the Shore, as far as the Point of Coles, being an infinite Number of Tombs, where they bury'd themselves alive with their Families and Goods; which is the Reason that when they happen to dig at this very Time, they find Bodies almost entire with their Cloaths, and very often Gold and Silver Vessels. Those I have seen are dug in the Sand the depth of a Man, and inclosed with a Wall of dry Stone: They are cover'd with Wattles of Canes, on which there is a Bed or Layer of Earth, and Sand laid over, to the end the Place where they were, might not be observ'd.

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Tho' the Spaniards freely acknowledge the Cruelties they exercis'd on the Indians at the Time of the Conquest, there are some who do not ascribe the Invention of those Tombs to the Dread of the Indians; but tell us, that they worshipping the Sun, follow'd him in his Course, fancying they might draw nearer to him; and that at length being stopp'd by the Sea, which was their Boundary to the Westward, they bury'd themselves on the Shore that they might before they died have Sight of him till the Moment when he feems to hide himself in the Water. The Custom of the great Men, who when dying, order'd themselves to be carry'd to the Brink of the Sea, is a Proof of this Opinion; but the most receiv'd Notion is, that they were in such a Fright, that they thought they must all die, when they were inform'd that the Conquerors had not spared even their King Atahualpa, who among them was look'd upon as the Offipring of the Sun. To escape out of the Hands of the Spaniards, they fled as far as they could Westward, but being stopp'd by the Sea; they hid themselves on the Edge of it, to implore Mercy of the Sun, whom they thought they had greatly offended, fince he brought upon them fuch cruel and powerful Enemies, who also said they were decended from him.

We are here to observe, that there is much Difference between these Voluntary Tombs, and those they creded for Men of Note; the latter are above the Ground, built with unburnt Bricks and round, like little Pigeon Houses, 5 or 6 Foot Diameter, and 12 or 14 in Height, arch'd like the Top of an Oven, in which the Dead were placed sitting, and then they were wall'd up. In traveling through the Country, there are still many to be seen, even of those before the Conquest by the Spaniards.

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# Removal to another Ship.

China six Months before; one of them of 44 Guns, commanded by Monsieur De Ragueine Mareüil, a Sea Lieutenant, who had purchas'd Silks at Canton; the other of 16 Guns, commanded by the Sieur du Bocage of Havre, who had laden with the same Commodities at Emoi. The sirst of them was in a bad Condition, as having suffer'd by Storms, and wanted to careen; but because the Port of Hilo is not proper for that Work, and that the Prohibition of the Trade of China is very severe at Callao, which is the best Harbour for careening, he thought sit to purchase the S. Charles, and to lade it with his Goods, to the end he might be in a Condition to stand the Search. That Purchase made me take the Advantage of Monsieur de Ragueine's Courtesy, he giving me my Passage for Callao.

## Departure from Hilo.

N the 5th of September we fail'd from the Road of Hilo, in Company with a Spanish Ship, which had desired to be convoy'd by us, being apprehensive of the English Privateer. We had the good Fortune of a fresh Gale at E. S. E. which in four Days carry'd us as far as Morro Quemado, or the burnt Head-land. Before we reach'd that, we had sight of La Mesa de Donna Maria, or Donna Maria's Table, being a Mountain slat on the Top, like a Table, whence it has the Name.

Eight Leagues to the Northward of it is the Island of Lobos, or Wolves, being a League and half N. W. from Morro Quemado, or burnt Head-land; it is indifferent high, about three Quarters of a League long, in the greatest Extent N. W. and S. E. Between this Island and the Head-land, there are flat and very low Rocks, which stretch

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Different Marks for knowing of mado from Pifco.

out towards the Continent half way the Channel, leaving a Passage through which many Ships have gone, mistaking it for that between the Island of St. Gallan, and the Con-Morro Que- tinent of Paraca; but it is easy to know them asunder, because in the latter there are no Low Rocks, as there are at the Foot of that of Lobos, and a Sugar-Loaf Breaker. Befides, the Land of Paraca is of an equal Height, that of Morro quemado comes down in a Descent on the Northfide to a little Creek, where there is Anchorage on the Starboard side. In case a Ship happens to advance into that Passage, Care is to be taken, that in coming out to the Northward of the Island of Lobos, there is a Shoal about the third Part of the Channel over from the Continent. I have also been told, by those who have gone into that Channel, through a Mistake, that to the Northward of the Island there is a smooth flat Bank of Sand, which forms a Creek, where the Sea is so still, that a Ship may anchor there in 8 Fathom Water, and even, if Occasion were, careen there in Safety.

Being affured by the Sight of the Island Lobos, of the Distance we were at from that of S. Gallan, we lay by that Night; and the next Day we pass'd between that Island and the Continent of Paraca, coasting along it within a Quarter of a League, that is, within one third of the Channel from the Land, for fear of a Shoal, which is within

half a League S. S. E. from the Island. tone Days carry'd us as far as Aresto

### The Road of Pisco.

Plate XXV. WE failed along within the Length of two Cables of a little Creek, call'd Ensenada del Viejo, or the old Man's Bay, where some French Ships have anchor'd, in 10 or 12 Fathom Water, to unlade their Goods privately. Being becalm'd, when we were within a Cable's Length of the North Point of that Creek, we found 15 Fathom Wa-

ter, the Bottom Sand and Shells, and thence proceeded to anchor in the Bay of Paraca, in 15 Fathom Water, the

Bottom

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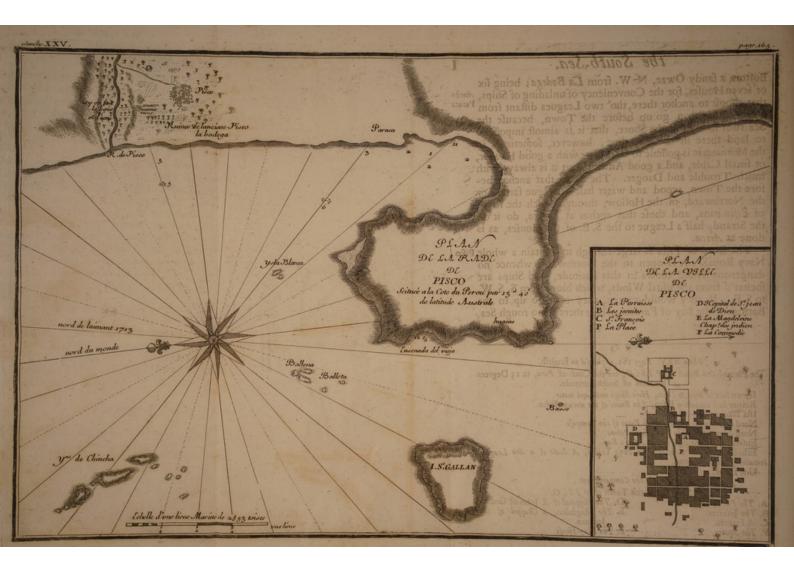
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Bottom a fandy Owze, N. W. from La Bodega; being fix or seven Houses, for the Conveniency of unlading of Ships, Anchorage at that choose to anchor there, tho' two Leagues distant from Paraca. Pisco, rather than go up before the Town, because the Sea runs so high at the Shore, that it is almost impossible to land there in the Day-time; however, sometimes in the Morning it is possible to land there with a good Hawser, or small Cable, and a good Anchor, but it is always with much Trouble and Danger. The Ships that anchor before the Town, wood and water half a League farther to the Northward, in the Hollow, through which the River of Pisco runs, and those that anchor at Paraca, do it on the Strand, half a League to the S. E. of the Houses, as is done at Arica. to more a salt to more

The Road of Pisco is large enough to contain a whole Pisco Road. Navy Royal. It is open to the Northward, whence no dangerous Wind blows in that Latitude, and Ships are shelter'd from the usual Winds, which blow from S. S. W. to S.E. If they would careen, they may go up to the Bottom of the Bay of Paraca, where there is no rough Sea,

bas dalmost as much Land beyond its Bounds; so that it destroy'd the Town of Piles, the Ruins whereof are still to

Plate XXV. Page 181. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Road of PISCO, on the Coast of Peru, in 13 Degrees. distributed of South Latitude, I and annie That

Icy on fait le bois & l'eau, Here Ships wood and water.

Ruines de l'ancienne Pisco, The Ruins of the ancient Pisco.

Isla Blanca, white Island.

Nord de l'aimant, The North Point of the Compass.

Nord du monde, The true North Point.

Ensenada del Viejo, The old Man's Bay.

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The Flan of the Town of PISCO.

P. The Square.

A. The Parish Church.

B. The Jesuites.

C. S. Francis.

D. The Hospital of S. John of God.

E. The Magdalen, a Chappel of the Indians.

F. The Play-House,

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thom Water. On the West-side there are several little Islands, all of them clear, and between which Ships may pass without Fear; but generally it is more convenient to pass within that of St. Gallan, and to coast along the Continent of Paraca, to gain upon the Wind. Then they come up to anchor towards the Houses, in 4 or 5 Fathom Water. Among those little Islands there is one cut quite through in two Places, so that it looks like a Bridge from the Anchoring-Place.

From the Houses of Paraea to the Town, the Distance

is two Leagues, all a fandy barren Plain.

### The Description of the Town of Pisco.

Sea, is now a quarter of a League from it. That Removal was made on the 19th of October 1682, by so violent an Earthquake, that the Sea drew back half a League, and then return'd with such Fury, that it overflow'd almost as much Land beyond its Bounds; so that it destroy'd the Town of Pisco, the Ruins whereof are still to be seen, extending from the Shore to the New Town. Several Curious Persons having sollow'd the Sea, as it withdrew, were swallow'd up by it, at its Return. Since that Time the Town has been built on the Place which the Overslowing did not reach.

Plate XXV. It is divided into regular Quarters, as may be seen in Churches and the Plan I here present. The Parish Church of S. Clement Fospital. is in the middle of the Town, in a Square as large as one of the Quarters. Behind this Church is that of the Jesuites; to the Eastward that of S. Francis, small but very neat. On the North-side is the Hospital of S. John of God, and on the South-side is the Magdalen, a Chappel belonging to

the Indians, before which is a little Square.

The whole Town consists of 300 Families, most of them Mestizo's, Mulatto's and Blacks; the Whites being the smallest

Inhabitants and Government. strate, and a Cabildo, or Council for the Administration of Justice, and very often a Judge to hinder the Commerce with the French, and the Fraud of the Masses of Silver, which they bring from the Mines.

When the French were not permitted to go to trade at Callao, that was one of the best Ports for Trade; because it is naturally the Mart for the Towns of Ica, Guanca-velica, Guamanga and Andagaylas, and for all those that

lie to the Northward of Lima.

drive a Trade there of Glass made with Saltpeter; it is green, foul, and ill wrought; there is also store of Wine

and Brandy.

Guancavelica is a small Town of about 100 Families, Guancavelica 60 Leagues from Pisco, rich and famous for the vast Quantity of Quicksilver taken there from a Mine, which is 40 Varas, or Spanish Yards in Front, and which alone furnishes all the Gold and Silver Mills in that Kingdom Quick silver Private Persons work there at their own Expence, and are Mine. Obliged to deliver up to the King all they get, under Pain of Forseiture of their Estates, Banishment, and perpetual Servitude at Baldivia. His Majesty pays a set rate for the same, which at present is 60 Pieces of Eight the Quintal, or Hundred Weight, upon the Spot; and he sells it for 80, at the remote Mines. When a sufficient Quantity has been taken out, the King causes the Mouth of the Mine to be stopp'd up, and no Man can have any but what comes from his Stores.

The Earth or Mineral, which contains the Quick-filver, is of a whitish Red, like ill-burnt Brick; they pound and put it into an Earthen Furnace, the Head or Top where-of is a Vault like the top of an Oven, a little Spheroid. They lay it on an Iron Grate cover'd with Earth, under which they keep a small Fire made of the Shrub they call Icho, which is properer for that purpose than any other combustible Matter; for which Reason there is a Prohibi-

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tion to cut it in 20 Leagues round. The Heat passes to it through that Earth, and fo fires the pounded Mineral; that the Quick-filver flies out Volatile in Smoak, but the Cap or Covering being close stopp'd, it finds no way out, but only through a little Hole which leads to a Succession of Earthen Vessels, like Gourds, round and join'd by the Necks, one within another; there that Smook circulates and condenses by means of a little Water there is at the bottom of each Gourd, into which the Quick-filver falls condens'd, and in well form'd Liquor. It is less form'd in the first Gourds than the last; and because they grow so hot that they break, Care is taken to cool the Outlides of them with Water.

Water that petrifies.

In that Town there is another thing peculiar, which is a Spring, whose Water petrifies so easily and so quick, that most of the Houses in the Town are built with it. I faw some Stones at Lima, which they had carry'd thither, and they are white, with a yellowish Cast, light and hard enough.

Guamanga City.

Guamanga is a Bishop's See, 80 Leagues from Pisco, faid to contain about 10000 Communicants. It's principal Trade confifts in Leather, and Boxes of Confectionary, Pastes, Marmelade, Jellies, preserv'd Quinces, and others the most valuable in the Kingdom, where there is a considerable Confumption. They also there make Pavillions, or Field Beds, whereof there is a notable Manufacture, as there is of several forts of printed and gilt Leather. The Town is feated at the Foot of a high Mountain, in a plain Country, very wholfome, and fruitful of all forts of Provisions.

Andaguailas.

Avancay and I do not here take Notice of the Boroughs of Avancay and Andeguailas, which are small Places of 60 or 80 Families each; however, tho' they are not remarkable for the Number of Inhabitants, they are so for the great Quantity of Sugar made there, which is the best in all Peru.

Apurima wonderful Bridge.

Near to Andaguailas is the famous Bridge of Apurima, which has been represented to me as a wonderful Thing. They

They say, there is a Cleft or Opening in a Mountain, about 120 Fathoms in Length, and the Depth under it dreadful, which Nature has cut perpendicular down in the Rock, to make Way for a River; and whereas the Waters of that River run with fuch Violence, that they carry away very large Stones, there is no fording of it under 25 or 30 Leagues from that Place. The Width and Depth of that Breach, and the Necessity of passing that way, have occasion'd the Invention of a Bridge of Ropes, made of the Barks of Trees, being about 6 Foot broad, interwoven with cross Pieces of Wood, on which they pass over, even with loaded Mules, tho' not without Dread; for about the Middle of it is felt a Shaking, which may occasion the Head to swim; but in regard they must go 6 or 7 Days Journey about, to take another Way, all the Provisions and Commodities that circulate between Lima and Cusco, and the Upper Peru, passes over that Bridge. Towards the keeping of it in Repair, they pay a Toll of four Royals for each Mule's Load, which brings an immense Sum in to the King, besides what it costs in Repairs.

The Trade for European Commodities is not the only Trade of Thing that brings Ships to Pisco; they also refort thither Pisco. for their Stores of Wine and Brandy, which is there cheaper and more plentiful than in any other Port; because besides what the Territory produces, it is brought thither, as I have faid before, from Ica, from Chinca, which is fix Leagues North of Pisco, where the Temple of the Sun was, before the Conquest by the Spaniards; and lastly it is brought from Lanasque, 20 Leagues distant towards the S. E. being look'd upon as the best Wines in Peru; but all those Wines are extraordinary ftrong, and not very wholfome; which is the Reason why the Spaniards scarce drink any of them; the Sale being almost entirely among the Blacks, the Indians, the Mulattoes, and such-like People. Instead of Wine, many Spaniards, out of an extravagant Prejudice, drink Brandy.

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Vineyards and Wine. The Vineyards of the Country about Pifco, which cannot conveniently be water'd by Trenches, are planted in fuch a Manner as not to need it, tho' it never rains there. Every Stock is in a Hole four or five Foot deep, where there is a general Moisture, which Nature has spread through the Earth to supply the Want of River and Rain - Water; for the Country is defart, and so dry, that there are no Places habitable, but a few Plains and Vales, where that Relief is to be had; besides, the Bottom is almost pure Salt, whence proceeds that brackish Taste which is found in most of the Wines of that Country Growth.

in most of the Wines of that Country Growth.

Fruit.

There are also about Pisco all Sorts of Fruit, Apples, Pears, Oranges, Lemons, Guayavas, Bananas, Dates, &c. Many have fancy'd they have observ'd, that when a Date Tree is alone, it produces no Fruit, unless it be near another, which is call'd the Female: But all Men do not agree in this Particular; some of the Inhabitants represented that Observation to me as a Mistake. There is a Sort of Cucumber which Father Feuillée calls Melongena lauri solia fructu turbinato variegato, the Inhabitants Pepo, or Pepino, that is Cucumber. It is very refreshing, and has some Taste of a Melon, but fady. The Camotes, or Patatas, are not so good there as in Brasil; there are red, yellow, and white.

Many Fruit.

They have also a Sort of Fruit there, which grows in a Cod that does not rise out of the Earth, in which are some Grains, or Seeds, like round Lupins; which being toasted in the Oven in their Cod, have a pleasant Taste like a toasted Hazle-nut. They eat Abundance of them, tho' they are very hot, and provoking to Love: It is in all like-lihood the Araquidna of some Botanists; the Inhabitants call it Many.

The Plenty of Provisions the Country affords, together with a good Trade, makes the Inhabitants easy; so that they often divert themselves with publick Shows, such as

Bull-Feasts, Plays, and Masquerades.

I was there, at the time when the Mulattoes kept a Fe-Feaft of the stival in Honour of Our Lady of Mount Carmel: Those Scapular. poor People, like all the other Creolian Spaniards, that is, the mix'd Races, are so much infatuated with a thousand Apparitions, either true or false, that they make them the principal Object of their Devotion. This Abuse is occasion'd by the Ignorance of the Friers, who having neither Literature nor Criticism, to discern between Truth and Falshood, give themselves up to a Tradition, and Customs establish'd before their Time, by those of their Order, for their private Interest. There being no Carmelites throughout all Peru and Chili, the Mercenarian Friers have taken to themselves the Direction of the Brotherhood of the \* Scapular; and because they have no Monastery at Pisco, one of them comes from Lima to be present at that Festival.

On Thursday the 14th of September, the Mulatto's began Scandalous the Solemnity with a Play call'd El Principe Poderoso, or, Play. The Powerful Prince; written by a Spanish European Poet. The depraved Taste of that Nation leading them to mix in their Shows, Things Sacred with Prophane; I observ'd, that in this they had indulged their Natural Genius, beyond the Bounds of good Sense and Decency: In short, nothing could be seen more ridiculous than the Decoration of the farther Part of the Stage, the Point of Perspective thereof terminating in an Altar, on which was the Image of our Lady of Mount Carmel, with lighted Candles about it; and all the Actors began their Prologue kneeling, with a De-

\* See Monsieur de Lannoy's Treatise, De Visione Simonis Stokii & Origine Scapularii, where he makes it appear, that very long after the Death of Simon Stock, two Carmelites, whose Names were Gregory of S. Basil, and Mark Anthony de Cazamate, contrived to set up the Scapular upon an Apparition of the Blessed Virgin to Simon, and upon two Bulls, the one of Pope John the XXII. quoted in their Writings after so different a Manner, not only as to the Expressions, but also as to the Inequality of the Length of the Discourse, that it plainly appears to be Counterseit; not to mention other Reasons which make it plain, the second of Pope Urban V. dated at Rome, where that Pope who died

at Florence had never been fince his Coronation.

dication of the Play to the Bleffed Virgin. One would have judg'd by this pious Invocation, that the Play would be to the Edification of the Spectators; but I was sufficiently undeceiv'd of that Notion, when I beheld on the Stage the difagreeing Medley of Sigismund's Piety embracing a Crucifix, to which he made his Application under an Advertity, and the Licentiousness of Buffoons in the Play; and of Interludes, or little Farces between the Acts, which confifted of gross Obscenities, but a little wrapp'd up, or disguiled.

Ball- Feaft.

The next Day there was the Show of the Bull-Feast. which was no better than that at Valparaifo, before spoken of; a Spectacle as unfit to honour the Bleffed Virgin as fuch Comedies, fince it is forbid by the Ecclefiastical Laws, by reason of the Danger of Death Men expose themselves to, without any Necessity, as frequently happens, and at this Time it was very near happening to a Black, the Bull leaving him on the Ground fo much hurt, that it was questioned whether he could recover.

Masquerade. On Saturday Night there was a Masquerade of People running about the Streets by Candle-light, as they do in France at the Carnaval or Shrovetide: The Prime Actors were in a Cart, preceded by others on Horfe-back. On that Cart I took Notice of a Man clad in the Habit of the Friers of S. John of God, who I was affured was really a Frier; but I could not perfuade myfelf that it was any other than a Mask, for on the Cart he stood up and dane'd with Women such a Posture Dance as the Blacks of the Islands dance at their Bangala, or Instrument, which is all that can be faid with Modesty. Be that as it will, the Name of Our Lady of Mount Carmel often resounded in the extravagant Cries, amidst the Reproaches and the most infamous Absurdities with which they accosted such as pass'd by at the very same time, when on the other hand they were making the Procession of the Rosary. As ridiculous as this Custom appear'd, it may be faid as great Exgravagancies have been feen in France on the Feast of Fools.

The Priests and Clerks went mask'd to the Church, and at their Return from thence went about the Streets in Carts, and mounted on Stages, performing all the most impudent Postures and Bussoonries with which Watermen are wont to divert the foolish Mobb." That Festival continued in France above 150 Years, from the Twelfth to

the Fifteenth Century. Mez. Phil. II.

Sunday Night they acted the Comedy of the Life of S. A- Another Plays lexius, written by the Spanish Poet Moreto, which I have fince found in the Tenth Volume of the Collection of Spanish Plays, printed at Madrid with Licence, in the Year 1658. by the Name of, Nuevo Teatro de Comedias varias de diferentes Autores, or the New Theatre of Variety of Plays by fundry Authors. I thought it very strange in the first Act, to fee S. Alexius's Guardian Angel, and the Devil, disputing about perfuading him to leave or flay with his Wife: In the fecond, the Devil appears in the Shape of a poor Man; or Beggar, and in the third in that of a Sailor; and about the End of the fecond, a Choir of Angels shut up in an Hermitage, twice fings the first Part of the Te Deum, to the Musick of the Bells. The Extravagancy of those Conceits; and of the Persons the Poet brings upon the Stage, was to us Frenchmen, who happen'd to be present at that Spectacle, a Subject the more ridiculous, in regard that we were used to correct Pieces, and wherein the Respect that is paid to Things facred, admits of no Mixture of what is prophane, as was in this I am speaking of, where the Licentiousness. of Farce intermix'd added to the Preposterousness. I do not give this Relation as if it were a Thing extraordinary or new in Europe; there is no Man that has travel'd in Spain but is acquainted with the Tafte of their Dramatick Poems, in which the Subject of Devotion has always some Part; so that we still find among them what was used at the first Rife of our French Stage, as is related by one of our Poets.

> Chez nos devots Ayeux le Theatre abhorré. Eut long-temps dans la France un plaisir ignorés.

De Pelerins, dit on, une troupe grossiere
En public à Paris y monta la premiere,
Et sotement zelée en sa simplicité,
Joüa les Saints, la Vierge, & Dieu par pieté.
Le savoir à la fin dissipant l'ignorance,
Fit voir de ce projet la devote imprudence.
Despreaux Art. Poet. Chant III.

Our pious Fathers, in their godly Age,
As impious and prophane, abhorr'd the Stage.
A Troop of filly Pilgrims, as 'tis faid,
Foolishly Zealous, scandalously play'd
The Angels, God, the Virgin and the Saints,
Instead of Heroes and of Love Complaints;
At last, right Reason did her Laws reveal,
And shew'd the Folly of their ill-plac'd Zeal.

As for the particular Faults in that Piece, the Distance of Time and Place therein is shocking. S. Alexius in the first and last A& is at Rome, and during the second he is several Years visiting the Holy Land; however, that Variety is not look'd upon as a Fault among the Spaniards, as Despreaux has observed in his Art of Poetry, in these Words,

Un Rimeur, sans péril, de là les Pyrennées, Sur la Scene, en un jour, renferme des années. Là souvent le Heros d'un Spectacle grossier, Enfant au premier Acte, est barbon au dernier. Mais nous, que la raison à ses regles engage, Nous voulons qu'avec art l'action se ménage: Qu'en un lieu, qu'en un jour, un seul fait accompli, Tienne jusqu' à la fin le Spectacle rempli.

A Spanish Poet may, with good Event, In one Day's Space whole Ages represent. There, oft the Heroe of a wandring Stage Begins a Child, and ends the Play at Age;

But

But we, who are by Reason's Rules confin'd,
Will, that with Art the Poem be design'd,
That Unity of Action, Time and Place
Keep the Stage full, and all your Labours grace.

But that which ought to be blamable in all Countries is, that S. Alexius is represented as not over-scrupulous, as to Lying; for the Author makes him use some mental Reservations which are much to the same Essect, when he endeavours to conceal himself from a Man sent by his Father to look after him. He says of himself, that he knows S. Alexius, but that he is gone very far before. The Spanish Words are these:

Porque he venido con el,

T me contó su sucesso,

Mas ya va muy adelante.

That is, I know that Gentleman, because I came along with him, and he told me his Story; but he is now far before, or, according to the double Meaning of the Word, much advanced.

In other respects, in such a little Town, nothing better could be expected as to the Decorations of the Theatre, which was contracted into a small Compass, after our Manner; and it may be said, that the Actors, being of the meanest of the People, for they were all Mulatto's, and who did not make Acting their Profession, play'd their Parts well enough, according to the Spanish Taste. I observ'd in their Interludes, or little Farces between the Acts, an Affectation of introducing Doctors in their Robes, representing Extravagancies. I do not understand how the Church-men, who are almost the only Persons entitled Doctors, have the Complaisance to admit of those Sports; for if there be any impertinent Part, the Man in the Cap is sure to have a Share in it.

Aften

After the Play of S. Alexius, they acted Sigismund, and ran about in Masquerade to make up the Octave, which I could not see concluded, because the Weather was proper to sail.

We left the Princess in the Road, under the Command of Martin, which came from Emoi in China, and the Mar-

garet of S. Malo from France.

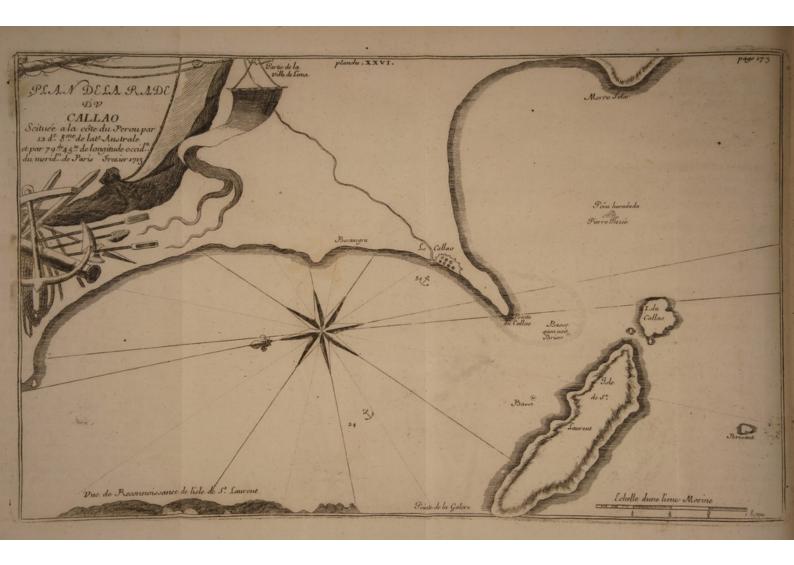
Departure from Pisco. Thursday September 21, we set Sail for Callao with a fresh Gale at S. E. The next Day we had Sight of the Island of Asia: Saturday the Calm kept us in Sight of Morro Solar, and the Island of S. Laurence, which appear'd to us thus to the Northward.

Plate XXVI. Callao how known.

That Island is easily known, because it is indifferent high, separated from the little Island of Callao; and in the Opening between them there are two small Isles, or rather Rocks: There is also a third very low, half a League out at Sea S. S. E. from the N. W. Point of the Island of S. Laurence. We heav'd the Lead at about two Cables Distance from that Point, and found 60 Fathom Water, an owzy Bottom. At length we anchor'd a League West of Callao, in 14 Fathom Water, the Bottom an Olive Colour Owze.

Monsieur de Ragueine stay'd thus without at the Opening of the Road, till he had Leave from the Viceroy to anchor under the Cannon of the Town to careen, which was granted him without any Difficulty. Then he fail'd in, and faluted the Town with nine Guns, and receiv'd no Anfwer, tho' they knew that he was the King's Officer. Two French Ships of S. Malo, and the Mary-Anne of Marseilles, which were in the Road, paid him the Respect due to his Post, each of them faluting him with nine Guns, and Monsieur de Ragueine answer'd each of them apart. Besides those three Ships, there were 18 Spaniards; and among them the Incarnation, a Portugueze Three-Deck Prize, which the Sieur Brignon of S. Malo had just then fold to the Viceroy for 10000 Pieces of Eight, for the King's Service. His Excellency came to take Possession of it in Person on the 3 oth of September. Upon his Arrival at Callao, he was faluted

of all not fee conducted, because the Westberry CHLLAG Store interested are and Rolling of Maring & state of the standard and the standard the Macrison for Galles with a co-Payer bad Sight at the liland a SEASON OF STREET Mile Many of College and Indian union good Hamil own one French Ships of S. Made, and the Many which were in the Rote, paid him the Port each of them main min the Sight Brigarn of S. Malohad, out the minister the The total and the second of the second



faluted by all the Artillery on the Ramparts of the Town; and when he went out of the Road, he was faluted with 13 Guns by each French Ship. It will feem amazing, that a Ship of that Magnitude, or Rate, should be fold at so low a Price in a Country where those of 400 Tons are worth four times as much: It was a Contrivance of the Viceroy, who renew'd the Prohibition to the Spaniards to buy any French Ship, to the end he might have it at his own rate.

In short, he return'd to Lima the same Day. At his Viceroy. Departure from Callao he was again saluted with ten Guns: His Retinue consisted of some Horse-Guards, but his Attendance had nothing resembling the Viceroyship. The Truth is, it was the Bishop of Quito, Don Pedro Ladron de Guevara, who enjoy'd that Post only during the Interim, till

the Court of Spain sent another.

# The Description of the Road of Callao.

THE Road of Callao is certainly the greatest, the finest, Plate XXVI; and the safest in all the South-Sea. There is Anchorage every where in as much Depth of Water as any C c

#### Plate XXVI. Page 193. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Road of CALLAO, on the Coast of Peru, in 12 Degrees 8 Minutes of South Latitude, and in 79 Degrees, 45 Minutes of West Longitude from the Meridian of Paris.

Partie de la Ville de Lima, Part of the City of Lima.

Morro Solar, The Head-land Solar.

Penna horadada, Pierre Percée, The Rock bored through.

Pointe du Callao, The Point of Callao.

Basse qu'on voit brisser, A Shoal on which the Sea is seen to break. Basse, A Shoal.

I. de Callao, The Island of Callao.

Isle de S. Laurent, The Island of S. Laurence:

Brifant, A Rock.

Vue de Reconnoissance de l'Isle de S. Laurent, Thus appears the Island of

S. Laurence.

Pointe de la Galere, Point Galera, or of the Galley. Echelle d'une lieue marine, A Scale of a Sea League. one likes, on an Olive-Colour Owze, without Danger of any Rocks or Shoals, excepting one, which is three Cables

S. Laurence

Mand.

Length from the Shore, about the Middle of the Island of S. Laurence, opposite to La Galera. The Sea is there always fo still, that Ships careen at all Seafons, without fearing to be furpriz'd by any fudden Gusts: However, it is open from the North to the N. N. W. but those Winds hardly ever blow above a small easy Gale, which does not cause the Sea to swell to any Danger. The Island of S. Laurence breaks the Surges that come from the S. W. to the S. E. That Island is defenceles: In the Year 1624, it was a Receptacle to James l' Hermite, who fortify'd himfelf there, in order to take Callao; but being disappointed therein, he burnt above 30 Ships that were in the Road. It is also a Place of Banishment for the Blacks and Mulatto's, who are condemn'd for any Crimes, to dig Stone for the publick Structures, and indirectly for the private. Punishment being equivalent to that of the Galleys in Spain, the Name of La Galera, or the Galley, is given to the

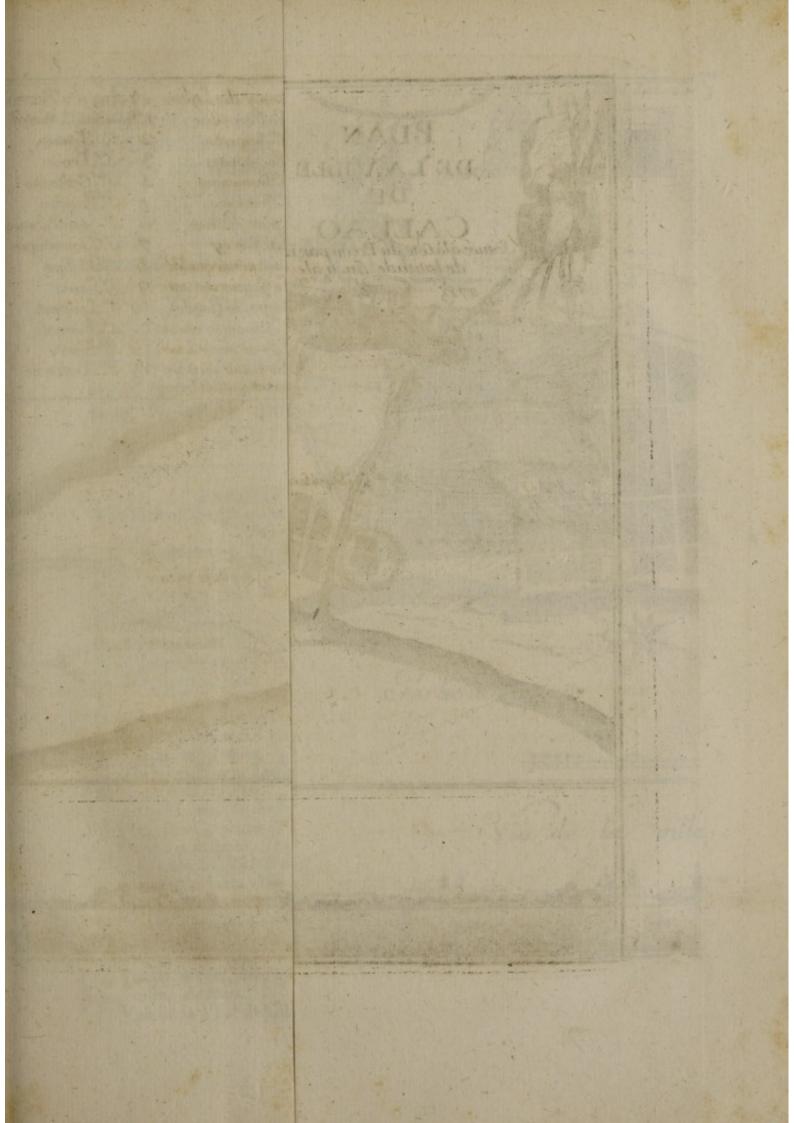
Anchorage.

Baldivia is instead of the Galleys for the Whites.

The general Anchoring-Place in the Road is E. and by N. of the Point Galera, two or three Cables Length from the Town. There Ships are also shelter'd from the South Wind by the Point of Callao, which is a low Strip of Land, between which and the Island of Callao there is a narrow Channel, and somewhat dangerous; however, Ships pass through it, coasting close along the Island in four or five Fathom Water. Next the Continent is a Bank of Sand stretching out from the Point to a Shoal, where the Sea is seen to break from far off.

West Point of the Island. We have said elsewhere, that

In the Port of Callao are to be found all Conveniences and Necessaries for Navigation. The Watering is easy at the little River of Lima, which falls into the Sea under Walls of Callao. Wooding, however, costs more Trouble, being half a League to the Northward, at Bocanegra; they cut the Wood half a League up the Country, and pay the Jesuites





Fesuites 25 or 30 Pieces of Eight for each Boat-full. For the Conveniency of landing out of the Boats, there are close by the Walls three Wooden Stairs and a Stone Mole, defign'd for unlading of Cannon, Anchors, and other Things of Weight, which are hoisted up with a Sort of Crane. That Mole will not last long; for the Sea daily demolishes it.

The Description of the Town of Callao.

HE Town of Callao is built on a low flat Point of Place Land, on the Edge of the Sea, in 12 Degrees 10 Mi- XXVII. nutes of South Latitude. It was fortify'd in the Reign of King Philip IV. and the Viceroyship of the Marquis de Colad intidum to ai

Plate XXVII: Page 195. explain'd in English. The Plan of the Town of CALLAO, on the Coast of Peru, in 12 Degrees 7 Minutes of South Latitude.

References of Churches.

Names of the Bastions.

A. S. Michael's Bastion. A. The Parish Church.

2. S. Ignatius.
3. The Holy Cross. B. S. Augustin. C. The equites.

4. S. Katharine. D. S. Dominick. 5. S. James. E. S. Francis.

F. S. John of God. 6. S. John Baptift.

7. S. Dominick. 8. S. Philip. G. The Mercenarians. Places of Note. 9. S. Lewis.

H. The Governor's House. I. The Corps de Garde. 10. S. Laurence. K. The Administration. 11. S. Francis.

12. S. Peter. L. The three Gates to Landward.

13. S. Anthony. M. Gates next the Port. Breaches made by the Sea.

Profil des Courtines, The Profile of the Curtins! Profil des Bastions, The Profile of the Bastions.

La Boucherie, The Shambles.

Chemin de Lima, The Road to Lima.

Petipiti le nouveau, New Petipiti.

Petipiti le vieux, Old Petipiti.

Aiguade des navires, The Watering-Place for Ships. Mole, The Mole.

Partie du Port, Part of the Port.

Toises, Fathoms.

Vue de la Ville de Callao, A Prospect of the Town of Callao.

Mancera, with an Enclosure flank'd by 10 Bastions on the Land-side, and by some Redans and plain Bastions on the Edge of the Sea, where there are four Batteries of Cannon to command the Port and Road. This Port was in a bad Condition in the Year 1713; there were five Breaches in it, and the Sea daily ruins the Wall, since there has been a Stone Key built, the Situation whereof stops the S. W. Surf, and occasions a Return of the Water, which saps the Walls of the Town.

Fortifications.
See the Top the of Plate XXVII.

The Breadth of the Rampart is of two different Extents; the Curtins are at the Top but eight Foot thick, two and a half of Earth, as much Banquette, and three of Stone, with Mortar made of Sand and Lime; the rest of the Thickness is of unburnt Bricks, with a little Stone Wall within: The Rampart of the Bastions has five Fathoms of Earth, laid with unequal Planks, to serve for a Platform for the Cannon, the whole of unfolid Masonry, because ill built.

Artillery.

Every Bastion is vaulted, and has its Magazine of Powder, Balls, and other Necessaries, for the Service of the Artillery that is mounted on it. There are generally two, three, or four Pieces of Brass Cannon always mounted on each of them; in the whole Compass there were in my Time 41, and there are to be 70 of several Sizes, from 12 to 24 Pounders, Spanish Weight, which with us makes Bastard Bores. Among those Pieces there are 10 Culverins from 17 to 18 Foot long, and 24 Pounders, whereof there are eight mounted, to fire upon the Road, which are said to carry as far as the Point de la Galera, of the Island of S. Laurence, which is almost two Leagues.

Besides the Artillery on the Rampart, there are nine Field-Pieces mounted, and ready for Service. There are also above 120 Brass Guns of several Sizes, design'd for the King's Ships, call'd La Almiranta, La Capitana, and El Govierno, which serv'd when the Galeons came to Portobelo to convoy the Armadilla, or little Fleet of Panama, and to transport to Peru the Commodities that came from Eu-

ue de la Ville de Callao. A Prespett of the Town of Callao.

rope,

of Men they had Occasion for, before the Peace concluded with the *Indians*. At present those Ships are so much neglected, that they are unsit to put to Sea without much Resitting; however, the King still maintains the Marine Troops, of which here follows a Particular, after those of the Land Service.

# A Particular of the Land Forces paid by the King of Spain, at Callao, in 1713.

Pieces of Eight.
THE Governor General 7000
A Colonel of the Place, appointed by the
King, his yearly Allowance, 3217 Pieces of Eight,
and 4 Royals.
A Town Major, appointed also by the King 1200
A Town Adjutant yearly 600
Seven Companies of Spanish Foot, 100 Men each
Every Captain yearly done grannul raftely 1800
Seven Enfigns, each monw to one aninland 672
Seven Serjeants, each
Fourteen Drums, each
Seven Enfign-Carriers
Seven Fiefs, each dass abreward 10240
An Adjutant comenters each 113.96
Six hundred Foot which compose the Garrison, each 240
Each Company has 4 Heads of Brigades, or Cor-
porals, being generally the oldest Soldiers, two of
whom march before the Colours, and two behind
them, each of them has per Month work A ow 20
A Drum Major of the Place, yearly 240
All the above Officers, are appointed by the Viceroy,
with the King's Approbation, excepting the 3 first, whom
the King appoints. cach design and market

Marine

# Artillery for the Land Service.

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A Lieutenant General, yearly	1944
A Master Gunner and a swollen seed desident	486
A Captain of the Artillery	606
Ten Master Gunners, each	400
Two Aids-Majors, each	396
Seventy Gunners, each	396
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Marine Troops in Pay.	
overnot General	HE G
The General of the Sea, or Admiral, yearly	2200
He has the same Honours and Privileges as	the General
of the Galeons.	and 4 Roy
Two Chief Pilots, each	1200
Four Masters of Ships, each may manufact	WO 1540
Four Masters Mates, each	
Four Master Gunners, each	
Five Chaplains, one of whom ferves the Cha	
in the Island of Callao, each	Part and the second sec
Four Pursers, each	
Four Clerks, each	396
Four Stewards, each	
	bA 396
Four Master Calkers, each	CALL DESIGNATION OF THE PARTY O
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Two Aids-Majors, or Adjutants, each
Twenty four Officers Mariners, that is Quarter-

A Major of the Marine

Sixteen Grummets, each

Forty Sailors, each

Masters, each

# Marine Troops to Serve in two small Fregates.

Two Captains, each of them to command a

Fregate, each
Four Officers Mariners, or Quarter-Masters, each
244

Fight Sailors, pack

Eight Sailors, each

All the Officers and Sailors, besides their Pay, have their Allowances, each according to his Degree.

### Militia.

In the Town of Callao, there are three Companies, which receive no Pay.

The first is composed of Seamen.

The second of Inhabitants and Traders in the Town:

The third of the Masters Carpenters, Calkers, and other Workmen belonging to those Trades, to whom are added the Mulattoes and free Blacks, who work in the King's Yards.

Moreover four Companies of Indians, with their Officers of the same Nation; whereof one is of those in the Town, another of those in the Suburbs of Petipiti, and two of those of the Magdalen, Mirastores, and Churillos, and other neighbouring Farms. These are obliged to repair to the Town upon the Signal of a Gun, and are appointed for transporting of Ammunition and Provisions. These Companies have a Major of their own. Thus much as to the Strength of Men; let us now see that of the Situation of the Place.

The Level of the Town is not above 9 or 10 Foot a-Situation of bove the High-water Mark, which does not rife and fall Callao. above 4 or 5 Foot. However, it sometimes exceeds, so that it floods the Out-Skirts of the Town, as happen'd in September 1713, so that it is to be fear'd it may some time or other destroy the same.

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Sheets.

Tho' the Inside is not divided into Quarters of the usual Dimensions of the Quadra, or common Square used in other Towns, the Streets are all in a Line; but so trouble-some for Dust, as is not tolerable but in a Village.

Square.

On the Edge of the Sea, is the Governor's House, and the Viceroy's Palace, which take up two Sides of a Square, the Parish Church making the third, and a Battery of three Pieces of Cannon the fourth. The Corps de Garde, and the Hall for the Arms are also by the Viceroy's Lodgings. In the same Street, on the North-side, are the Ware-houses for the Commodities the Spanish Ships bring from Chili, Peru and Mexico.

Trade to Callao. F. Commodities V. of Chili.

From Chili, they bring Cordage, Leather, Tallow, dry'd Flesh, and Corn; from Chiloe, Cedar Planks, a very light Wood, before spoken of, Woollen Manusactures, and particularly Carpets, like those of Turky, to spread on the Estrados, or Places where the Women sit on Cushions.

Of Peru.

From Peru, Sugars of Andaguaylas, Guayaquil and other Places; Wines and Brandy from Lanasco and Pisco; Masts, Cordage, Timber for Shipping, Cacao of Guayaquil and the Country about, Tabacco, and some little Honey of Sugar. The Cacao is afterwards transported to Mexico.

Of Mexico.

From Mexico, as from Sonfonate, Realejo and Guatemala, Pitch and Tar, which is only fit for Wood, because it burns the Cordage, Woods for dying, Sulphur, and Balsam, which bears the Name of Balsam of Peru; but which in reality comes most from Guatemala. There are two sorts of it, White and Brown; the latter is most valued, and they put it into Coco Shells, when it is of the Consistence of Tar; but generally it comes in Earthen Pots liquid, and then it is liable to be falsify'd and mix'd with Oil to increase the Quantity. From the same Places they bring fine Works, which they call of Caray, and Commodities of China, by the way of Acapulco, tho' contraband.

Besides these Warehouses, there is another for laying up of the European Commodities, which they call la Administra-

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Garrison.

cion. The French Ships that have had leave to trade to Callao, have been obliged to put into it all they had aboard. They exact upon the felling Price 13 per Cent. of fuch as come with their whole Lading, and sometimes even 16. of those who have already fold much in other Ports along the Coast, and three in the Thousand for other Royal Duties and Confulfhip, without reckoning the Presents that are to be privately made to the Viceroy and the King's Officers, who will not transgress the Laws of the Kingdom for nothing, in a Place where they have the Power in their own Hands. It is not to be wonder'd that the hungry Officers should be corrupted, they buying their Places only to enrich themselves, and consequently are little concern'd for the Publick Good, provided they find their own Account therein. It is true, there feems to be French Trade. fome Reason for permitting the French to trade, during these late Wars, considering the Scarcity of Merchandizes there was in the Country, by reason of the Stoppage of the Trade of the Galeons; but it must also be own'd, that the Spaniards have permitted it without any Discretion, with so much Ease, that it has been prejudicial to both; because the French resorting thither without Measure, have carry'd many more Goods than the Country could use; that Plenty has obliged them to sell the faid Goods at very low Rates, and has ruin'd the Spanish Merchants, and consequently the French for several Years. Three Ships, with each of them Goods to the Value of a Million of Pieces of Eight, would have been sufficient for Peru yearly; for Chili cannot take off for above the Value of 400000 Pieces of Eight; the Merchants would have bought to a more certain Profit, and one French Ship would have made more Profit than three or four: But enough of this Reflexion, which can be of no Advantage.

Besides the publick Structures already mention'd, there Churches, are none of Note, except the Churches, which, confidering Monafteries, they are built with Canes interwoven, and cover'd with and Inhabi-Clay or Timber painted white, are nevertheless very neat. tants.

There are five Monasteries of Religious Men, Dominicans, Franciscans, Augustins, Mercenarians, and Jesuites; belides the Hospital of S. John of God. The Number of the Inhabitants does not exceed 400 Families, tho' they reckon 600.

Garifon.

Tho' the King of Spain has settled a Fund of 292171 Pieces of Eight a Year, for maintaining of the Garrison of Callao; there are scarce Soldiers enow to mount the Guard at the Place of Arms.

Governor and Ingineer.

The Governor is generally a considerable European, who is reliev'd by the Court of Spain every five Years. His Catholick Majesty also keeps an Engineer there, who serves for all the Places in South America; which are Baldivia,

Valparaifo, Callao, Lima, and Truxillo.

Since the Death of Monsieur Rossemin, the French Engineer, the Charge of the Fortifications has been committed to Signior Peralto, a Creollo, or Mongrel Spaniard of Lima, Astrologer and Astronomer of the City; but tho' the King allows 30000 Pieces of Eight assign'd upon the Excise on Flesh, for repairing the Walls of Cal ao, they let them run to ruin next the Sea; so that they will be obliged to rebuild near one Half of them.

Without the Walls of Callao there are two Indian Suburbs call'd Pitipiti, and distinguish'd by the Names of the Old and New; the first of them is on the South, and the other on the North Side, into which runs the River of Rimae, or

of Lima.

Road to Li-

On that Side is the Road that leads to Lima, which is only two Leagues distant, the Way good and pleasant, along a fine Plain. At the Mid-way is a Chappel of S. John of God, call'd La Legua, or the League: A Quarter of a League beyond it, the Road parts into two Branches, of which that on the Left Hand leads to the Royal Gate of Lima, and the other to that call'd Juan Simon, which answers to the Middle of the City, and is consequently more frequented than the other.

That Way I enter'd on the 2d of October 1713, in order to stay at Lima till a Ship sail'd for France. Two Days Lima. after my Arrival there, they celebrated the Feast of S. Francis of Assistant, which is none of the least in the Year; for the Spaniards being posses'd and infatuated by the Friers, especially the Franciscans and the Dominicans, look upon the Founders of those two Orders as the greatest Saints in Heaven. The Veneration they pay them extends even to the Habits of their Orders, much beyond other Monastical Habits.

They chiefly believe they gain great Indulgences by kiffing that of S. Francis: The Franciscans to keep up that Notion, send some of their Friers into the most frequented Churches, to give their Sleeve to kifs to those who are hearing Mass: Even the questing Brothers presume to interrupt People at their Prayers to have that Honour done them. But in order to heighten the general Respect paid to their Order, and render its Grandeur the more observable to the Publick, they on the Festival of their Founder make magnificent Fire-works and Processions, and embellish their Cloisters within and without with the richest Things they can come at. Thus they cast Dust into the Eyes of the Carnal People, who are taken with fine Appearances, and in some Measure ease them of the truly Religious Life.

The Festival began at the Evensong of the Eve, by a Procession of the Dominicans, in which ten Men carry'd the Figure of S. Dominick, going to visit his Friend S. Francis. He was clad in rich Gold Stuffs, and glittering with small Stars of Silver, strew'd upon him, that he might be seen at

a Distance.

S. Francis being inform'd of the Honour his Friend Processions was coming to do him, came to meet him as far as the Square, which is about half Way: Before the Palace Gate they complimented one another, by means of the Organs of their Children, for tho' they made Gestures, they had not the Advantage of speaking. The latter being more Modest than the former, came in his Franciscan Frier's D d 2 Cloth:

Cloth; but amidst that Poverty, he was encompass'd by an Arch of Silver Rays, and had at his Feet such a Quantity of Gold and Silver Vessels, that 18 Men bow'd under that Wealth.

They were both receiv'd at S. Francis's Church Door by four Giants of several Colours, a white, a black, a Mulatto, and an Indian, which came to the Square to dance before the Procession. They were made of Basket-work, cover'd with painted Paper, and real Scarecrows for their Figure, Masks, Hats and Perukes. In the midst of the Giants was the Tarasca, a chimerical Monster, known in some Provinces of France, bearing on its Back a Basket, from which issu'd a Puppet, or Maulkin, that danced and skipp'd to divert the People. At length they enter'd the Church amidst a great Number of Tapers and little Angels two or three Foot high, set on Tables, like Puppets,

among great Candlesticks fix or seven Foot high.

Fire-works.

At the Close of the Evening there were Fire-works in the Square before the Church: They confifted of three Castles, each of them eight or nine Foot wide, and 15 or 16 in height. On the Top of one of them was a Bull, and on another a Lion. The Steeples of the Church were adorn'd with Enfigns and Streamers of all Colours, and illuminated with Lanthorns. They began the Entertainment by throwing up Sky-Rockets, small and ill made; then they play'd some running Fires, one of which separated into three long Squibs, which rested on the Middle and the two Ends of the Line, leaving two little Globes of bright Fire at the two Intervals.\* This was the only Fire-work that deserv'd to be taken Notice of. At last, a Man on Horseback came down from a Steeple by a Rope, and came to attack in the Air one of those Castles; they fet fire to it, and fuccessively burnt the Giants, and the Tarasca, or Monster; and so all was reduced to Ashes.

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<sup>\*</sup> How that is done, may be seen in my Treatise of Artificial Fire-works.

The next Day there was a long Sermon, and Musick, where they sung Spanish Motetts. The Monastery was open'd to the Women, and at Night another Procession carry'd S. Dominick home: Then, tho' it was Day, there was another Fire-work, and a Giant came down by a Rope to attack a Castle, and sight a Serpent with three Heads.

This Solemnity, tho' very expensive, was, as they fay, much inferiour to the former, which were fometimes to magnificent, that they were obliged to limit them; whence may be inferr'd in how great Esteem those Friers are, since by means of their Wallets they get enough not only to maintain above 1500 Persons, as well Friers as Servants in four Monasteries, and to erect sumptuous Structures for that Country, for the Monastery of S. Francis is the finest and largest in Lima; but have enough left for Expences of meer Oftentation, which have fometimes amounted to 50000 Pieces of Eight, of what is the Right of the Poor, of whom there is no Want there, any more than elsewhere. In short, if what is superfluous in the Laity belongs to them, with much more Reason does that which those Friers have to spare, they themselves professing such rigorous Poverty, that they do not pretend to have a Right to the very Bread they are actually eating, as we are inform'd by that pleafant Piece of History fo well known by a Bull of Pope John XXII.

We need not be surprized at these Expences, if we confider the extraordinary Produce of the Quest, since the great Monastery alone has 24 Questors at Lima, one of whom, who died in 1708, had in 20 Years gather'd 350000 Pieces of Eight: Besides, it is very common among the Spaniards to wrong their nearest Relations of confiderable Sums of Money, and even of their lawful Inheritance, in Favour of the Church and the Monasteries,

which they there call making their Soul their Heir.

In the second place, it may be observed how little Taste and Genius there is among them; for in their Shows there is no Fancy, Design, nor Subject: But I have dwelt too A Voyage to

long upon a Festival, which does not deserve so much. It is time to speak of what I saw worth taking notice of at Lima, during my Stay there.

## The Description of the City of Lima.

Situation.

THE City of Lima, Capital of Peru, is feated two Leagues from the Port of Callao, in 12 Degrees, 6 Minutes and 28 Seconds of South Latitude, and 79 Degrees 45 Minutes of Western Longitude, or Difference from the Meridian of Paris: Peralta and Father Feiillee fay 12 Degrees, 1 Minute and 15 Seconds Latitude, and 79 Degrees, 9 Minutes and 30 Seconds Longitude. It is built in a fine Plain, at the Bottom of a Vale, formerly call'd Rimac, of the Name of a noted Idol of the Indians, which was famous for Oracles; whence, by Corruption, and through the Difficulty those People found in pronouncing the Letter R as harshly as the Spaniards, came the Name of Lima, which is quite different from that its first Founder gave it: For Francis Pizarro, who began it in the Reign of the Emperor Charles V. and first King of Spain of that Name, and of Queen Joanna, his Mother, both of them reigning jointly in Castile, call'd it, La Ciudad de los Reyes, that is, the City of the Kings; meaning the three Wife Men that came out of the East to worship

Plate XXVIII. Page 206. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the City of LIMA, the Capital of Peru, in 12 Degrees 6 Minutes 28 Seconds of South Latitude, 2 Leagues from the Port of Callao.

a. S. Rose, A House of devout Wo-

b. The House of Divorce.

c. The House of poor Woman.

d. S. Ildephonfus.

e. The Hospital for Priests.

f. The College of Maidens.

g. The Recollection of the Society.

h. S. Peter of Alcantara.

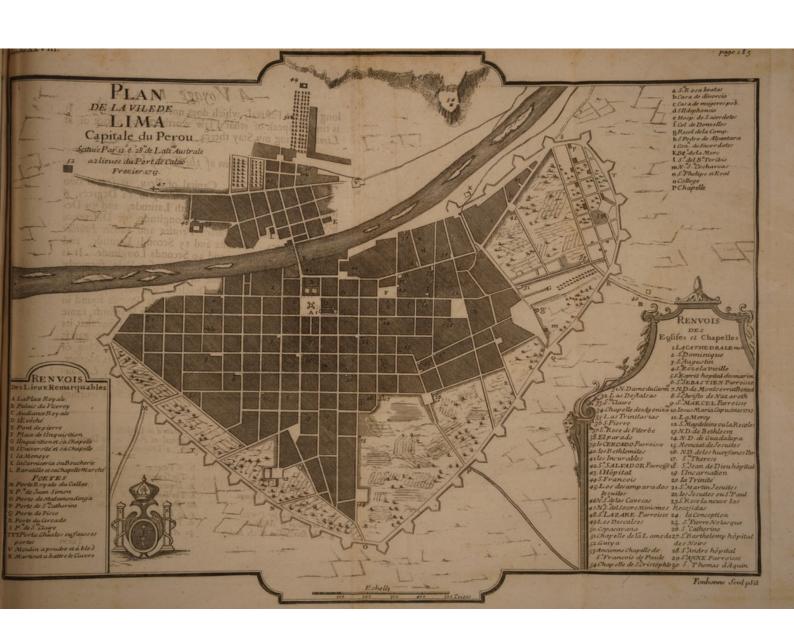
i. The Congregation of Priests. k. Devotes of the Mother of God:

1. The Seminary of S. Toribins.

m. Our Lady of Cocharcas.
n. S. Philip the Royal.

o. The College.

P. A Chappel,



Places of Note:

A. The Royal Square.

B. The Viceroy's Palace. C. The Royal Court.

D. The Archbishop's Palace:

E. The Stone Bridge.

F. The Square of the Inquisition. G. The Inquisition and its Chappel.

H. The University and its Chappel.

I. The Mint.

K. The Flesh Market.

L. The Market for small Wares, and its Chappel.

The Gates.

M. The Royal Gate of Callao.

N. The Gate of John Simon.

O. Matamendinga Gate. P. S. Katharine's Gate.

Q. Pisco Gate.

R. The Gate of the Cescado, or the Enclosure.

S. S. Clare's Gate.

T. T. T. Wickets, or Sally Ports.

V. A Powder and Corn-Mill.

X. A Water-Mill to beat Copper-

Churches and Chappels.

1. The Cathedral.

2. S. Dominick.

3. S. Augustin. 4. Old S. Rose:

5. The Holy Ghost, an Hospital for

6. S. Sebastian, a Parish.

7. Our Lady of Monserrat, Bene-

8. The Holy CHRIST of Nazareth.

9. S. Marcellus Parish Church.

ro. JESUS Mary, Capacines.

11. The Mercenarians.

1.2. S. Mary Magdalen, or the Recollection.

13. Our Lady of Bethlehem. 14. Our Lady of Guadalupe.

15. The Noviciate of the Jesuites.

16. Our Lady of the Orphans.

17. S. Terefa

18. S. John of God, an Hospital.

19. The Incarnation.

20. The Trinity.
21. S. Martin, Jesuites.

22. S. Paul, Jesuites.

23. New S. Rose, Retired Women.

24. The Conception.

25. S. Peter Nolascus.

26. S. Katharine.

27. S. Bartholomew's Hospital for Blacks.

28. S. Andrew's Hospital.

29. S. Anne's Parish Charch.

30. S. Thomas of Aquin.

31. Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

32. The Barefoot Nuns.

33. S. Clare.

34. The Chappel of the Agonizantes, or Priests, who assist Persons in the last Agony.

35. The Trinitarian Nuns.

36, S. Peter.

37. S. Rose of Viterbo.

38. The Prado, or Meadon, or Wall? ing-Place.

39. The Enclosure Parish Church.

40. The Bethlehemites. 41. The Incurable.

42. S. Saviour Parish Church.

43. The Hospital. 44. S. Francis.

45. Los Desamparados, or the For-Jaken, Jesuites.

46. Our Lady of Cavecas.

47. Our Lady of Succour, Minimes. 48. S. Lazarus Parish Church.

49. Los Descalgos, the Barefoot Friers -

50. Copacavana.

51. The Chappel of the Poplar Grove.

52. Guia, the Guide.

53. The ancient Chappel of S. Francis of Paula.

54. S. Christopher's Chappel.

CHRIST

Arms of Lima.

See Plate

CHRIST new born; perhaps because the Spaniards conquer'd that Vale on the Day of the Epiphany, as many pretend. The Arms of the City feem to favour both Opinions, the Escutcheon is charged with three Crowns Or. two and one, in a Field Azure, in chief a Star darting Beams, some add, in the Escutcheon, Hercules's Pillars, but in feveral Places they only stand without as Supporters, with these two Words, Plus ultra, and the two Lette's F and K, to denote the Names of Foanna and Charles, being their Initials. Be that as it will, it is certain that Name was not given it on Account of its having been founded on the Day of the Epiphany, as Father Feiillee fays, after Garcilasso de la Vega, and in the Year 1534; but on the 18th of January 1535, the Festival of S. Peter's Chair, as Francisco Antonio de Montalvo relates, in the Life of the Blessed Toribio, Bishop of Lima, printed by the Title of El Sol del Nuevo Mundo, or the Sun of the New World, by the Procurement of D. J. Fr. de Valladolid, School Master of the Metropolitan Church of that City, and Procurator General at Rome, for the Canonization of that Prelate. This Circumstance, and the Particular of the Names of the Commissioners appointed to choose a Place for the Situation of the City, and of the first Inhabitants, are strong Presumptions against Garcilasso. It is true, that Herrera concurrs with him as to the Day of the Foundation; but he agrees with Montalvo as to the Year 1535.

This Epocha is also determin'd by the Reasons Pizarro had for building a City in the Place where Lima now stands; for the same Herrera tells us, that the Adelantado, or Lord Lieutenant Don Pedro de Alvarado, coming from Guatemala to Peru, with an Army, with a Design to make himself Master there, Pizarro came to make a Settlement in the Vale of Lima, near the Port of Callao, which is the best on the Coast, to obstruct his coming by Sea, whilst Don Diego de Almagro march'd to oppose him in the Pro-

vince of Quito.

Bridge.

Fine Walk.

The Spaniards, who out of a commendable Emulation, are always attentive to the exteriour Duties of Religion, before they erected any Structure, laid the Foundations of the Church, much about the midst of the City; then Pizarro laid down the Streets, distributed the Spaces for the Houses, by Quarters of 150 Varas or Spanish Yards, that is, 64 Fathoms square, as has been said of Santiago. Twelve Spaniards, who were the first Citizens under his Direction, began to build for themselves there; afterwards 30 Men from San Galan, and some others that were at Xauxa, came and join'd them, and made up, in all, the Number of 70 Inhabitants, who are considerably increas'd, for it is now the largest City in all South America.

The Distribution of the Plan is very beautiful, the Streets Plan of the are in a direct Line, and of a convenient Breadth. In the City. midst of the City is the Plaga Real, or Royal Square, in Great Square, which are to be found together all Things for the Publick Service. The East-side is taken up by the Cathedral, and the Archbishop's Palace; the North-side by the Viceroy's Palace; the West by the Council House, the Court of Justice, the Prison, and the Guard Chamber, with a Row of uniform Portico's: Lastly, the South-side is like

the latter, adorn'd with Portico's and Shops.

In the midst of the Square is a Brass Fountain, adorn'd Fountains. with a Statue of Fame, and eight Lions of the same Metal, which are to spout Water all about. This Fountain is also encompass'd by four other little Basons at the Angles, very rich in Metal.

One Quarter from the Royal Square, on the North-side, River and runs the River of Lima, which is almost always fordable, Trenches, except in Summer, when the Rains fall on the Mountains, and the Snow thaws. There are Trenches drawn from it in several Places, to water the Fields, and the Streets and Gardens in the City, where they convey it much in the same manner as is done at Santiago, but in cover'd Passages.

The

Bridge.

Fine Walk.

The Part of this River, which is cut off on the Northfide, has a Communication with the main Body of the City, by means of a Stone-Bridge composed of five Arches. well enough built, in the Viceroyship of Montesclaros. The Street it runs through leads directly to the Church of S. Lazarus, the Parish-Church of a Suburb call'd Malambo, and terminates near the Alameda, being a Walk of five Rows of Orange Trees, about 200 Fathoms long, the broadest of the Walks between them being adorn'd with three Stone Basons for Fountains. The Beauty of those Trees always green, the sweet Odor of the Flowers lasting almost all the Year, and the Concourse of the Caleshes daily reforting thither at the time of taking the Air, make that Walk a most delicious Place about Five in the Evening.

Chappel.

About the middle of it is a Chappel, of the Invocation of S. Liberata, built in the Year 1711, in a Place where the Hosts of the Holy Ciborium of the Cathedral, which had been stolen and bury'd under a Tree, were found. That little Walk terminates at the Foot of the Mountain, where is a Monastery of the Observants reform'd by S. Francis Solano, a Native of Paraguay. Farther to the Eastward is another Mountain, contiguous with the former, on which is the Hermitage of S. Christopher, whose Name it bears, at the Foot whereof runs a Branch of the River, whose Pool drives several Corn-Mills, and one Powder-Mill, and is

Monastery.

the common Bathing Place. Earthquakes. The Earthquakes, which are very frequent in Peru, have much damaged this City, and daily make the Inhabitants uneasy. There was one in the Year 1678, on the 17th of June, which ruin'd a great Part of it, and particularly the Churches dedicated to the Bleffed Virgin. Montalvo, who has made this Remark, in the Life of S. Toribio, fays, it was as if God the Son had rifen for his Mother: But that in the Year 1682, was so violent, that it almost entirely demolish'd the Place, insomuch that it was debated, whether they should not remove it to some better Situation. The Memory of that dreadful Earthquake is yearly

yearly revived there, on the 19th of October, by publick Prayers. If we may believe the publick Report, it was foretold by a Religious Man of the Order of the Mercenarians, who several Days before it, ran along the Streets like another Jonas, crying, Do Penance. In short, the Day came when it quaked after so extraordinary a manner, that every half Quarter of an Hour, it gave horrid Shocks, so that they reckoned above 200 in less than 24 Hours.

As dreadful as that Earthquake appears, there happen'd Another, one still more unparallell'd in the Year 1692, in the Province of Quito, at the Towns of Ambata, Lataeunga and Riobamba. This shook the Earth in such manner, that it tore off great Pieces of it, which were seen to run entire three or four Leagues from the Place where they had been before, and thus to remove whole Fields, with the Trees and Houses standing; which occasion'd the most extraordinary Law-Suits that were ever heard of, brought to Lima, to decide to whom those Estates belong'd; he on one side alledging, they are within my Jurisdiction or Lordship; and the other pleading, I am upon my own Land.

The like had happen'd in the Year 1581, near Chuquiago, Again. or La Paz, as Acosta 1.3. c. 27. reports. The Borough called Angoango, inhabited by Indians, on a sudden fell to Ruin, and the Earth ran and spread over the Country, for the Space of a League and a half, as if it had been Water, or melted Wax, in such manner that it stopp'd and fill'd up a Lake, and so continued spread over that Country, Psalm 97. The Hills melted like Wax at the Presence of the Lord.

A much more amazing Earthquake happen'd in Canada Another. which began on the 5th of February 1663, and continued till July the same Year, occasioning incredible Alterations on the Surface of the Earth for above 400 Leagues through the Country. See the Life of the Venerable Mother Mary of the Incarnation, an Ursuline Nun in New France, printed at Paris 1677.

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Conjectures concerning Baribquakes.

There is no reflecting upon such extraordinary Phanomenons, without being led by natural Curiofity to enquire into the Caufe of them. That which Philosophers generally assign for Earthquakes, does not always appear fatisfactory. They are ascribed to subterraneous Winds and Fires; but it is likely they ought rather to be look'd upon as an Effect of the Waters the Earth is inwardly moisten'd with, as living Bodies are by the Veins. There needs only digging, and the Truth of this Supposition almost every where appears; now the Waters may occasion Earthquakes after feveral Manners, either by diffolving the Salts scatter'd through the Earth, or by penetrating through porous Lands, mix'd with Stones, which they infensibly loosen, the Fall or Removal whereof must cause a Stroke or Shock, fuch as is felt in Earthquakes. Laftly, the Water penetrating some Sulphureous Bodies, must there cause a Fermentation, and then the Heat produces Winds and foul Exhalations, which infect the Air when they open the Earth, whence it is, that after great Earthquakes a-Bundance of People die, as has been related at Santiago and Lima. The Facility of this Fermentation is proved by the Example of Lime, and by a curious Experiment of Monfieur Lemery, particulariz'd in the Memoirs of the Academy of Sciences, for the Year 1700.

Bhilosophi al Experiments.

If after having temper'd equal Parts of Filings of Iron. and of Sulphur to a certain Quantity, as of 30 or 40 Pounds, with Water; that Amalgama, or Paste, be bury'd in the Ground a Foot deep, it will open and cast forth hot Va-

pours, and then Flames.

Why more Earthquakes than up the beland.

Now in Peru and Chili the Earth is all full of Mines of Salr, of Sulphur and of Metals; add to this, that there are near the Coast burning Mountains, which calcine the Stones, and dilate the Sulphurs; Earthquakes must therefore be there very frequent, and particularly along the Sea Coasts, which are more water'd than towards the Top of the Ridge of Mountains call'd la Cordillera, which is very agreeable to Experience, for there are some Places where the said Earthquakes are very

rare

Reason that they are more frequent in Italy than about the Alps. In fine, it cannot but be own'd that the Water has a great Share in Earthquakes, when we fee Fields run like How Earth melted Wax, and Lakes form'd on a sudden in Places that fink, because the Earth subsiding in the Water, obliges it to rise above it, if the Quantity be considerable, or else to glide like Sand, when the Base is dissolv'd and on an inclining Plan.

The Dread of Earthquakes has not obstructed their Churches and

building many fine Churches, and high Steeples at Lima, Howfer, It is true, that most of the Arches are only of Timber, whitish, or else of Cane Work, but so well order'd, that unless told it, no Man can discern it. The Walls of the great Structures are of burnt Bricks, and those of the lesser of unburnt Bricks. The Houses have only a Ground Floor; in which there is sometimes one upper Story made of Canes, that it may be light; and lastly, they are all without Roofs, because it never rains there.

A Phænomenon so contrary to what we see in our Cli-

The first, how the Earth can produce, without Rain? ons.

The second, how comes it, that it never rains along the Coast, tho' it rains 15 or 20 Leagues from the Sea, up the

Country?

Rain renders almost all the Country fruitless in the High-Barrenness. lands; there are only some Vales, through which Rivulets glide, coming down from the Mountains, where it rains and snows, which afford any Product, and which can consequently be inhabited; but in these Places the Earth is so fruitful, and on the other hand the Country is so thin peopled, that those Vales are sufficient, and supply all Things plentifully for the Subsistence of the Inhabitants. The ancient Indians were extraordinary industrious in conveying the Water of the Rivers to their Dwellings; there are still to be seen in many Places Aqueducts of Earth.

Indian Aque- and of dry Stones carry'd on and turn'd off very ingenionly along the Sides of Hills, with an infinite Number of Windings; which shews that those People, as unpolish'd as they were, very well understood the Art of leveling. As for what relates to the Hills along the Coast, there is Grafs to be found on them in some Places, which are least expos'd to the Heat of the Sun, because the Clouds stoop down to their Tops in Winter, and sufficiently moisten them to furnish the necessary Juice for Plants.

Why it never rains there.

As to the Tecond Question, Zarate, in his Conquest of Peru, has endeavour'd to give a Reason for the Perpetual Drought that is observ'd on that Coast: " Those, says be, who have carefully examin'd the Thing, pretend that the " natural Cause of that Effect is a South-West Wind which " prevails thoughout the Year along that Coast, and in the " Plain, and which blows so violently, that it carries a-" way the Vapors which rife from the Earth, or from the " Sea, before they can rife high enough in the Air to unite " and form Drops of Water, which fall again in Rain. In " short, adds be, it often happens, that looking from the " Tops of the High Mountains, these Vapours are seen much below those that are on the faid Tops, and make " the Air in the Plain look thick and cloudy, tho' it be " very clear and ferene on the Mountains.

This way of Reasoning is nothing likely, for it is not true that the S. W. Winds obstruct the Rising of the Vapors, fince there are Clouds agitated by that Wind feen at a very great Height. And tho' that should be granted, those Winds would not nevertheless hinder thse Vapors forming themselves into Rain, since Experience manifestly shews us. in the Alps, that the low Clouds afford Rain, as well as the highest; the Sky often appears serene on the Top of the Mountain, when it rains most violently at the Foot thereof. So far from it, that they ought more naturally to yield it, because being lower they are heavier, and consequently composed of more bulky Drops of Rain than the highest Clouds. there are full to be feen in and

I fancy I discern a better Reason, grounded on the different Degrees of Heat on the Coast, and in the Inland. It is known by Experience, that the Heat the Sun imparts to the Earth, dissolves into Rain, and attracts the Clouds the more, by how much it is more violently heated. I will explain how that Attraction is made: It is observ'd in France, that it rains as much, that is, that there falls as much Water, and even more, during the Months of July and August, as during the other Months of the Year, tho' it rains but very feldom, because the Drops of Water are then much larger than in Winter. This Observation is fupported by the great Store of Rain that falls in the Torrid Zone, during some Months in the Year, after the Earth has been heated by the less oblique Rays. Now, it is known that the inner Part of Peru, which is almost all of it in that Zone, is very hot in the Valleys, which receive during the whole Day almost perpendicular Rays, whose Force is still increas'd by the many dry Rocks which encompass them, and reflect those Rays every way; and laftly, that the faid Heat is not temper'd by the Winds. It is farther known, that the high Mountains call'd La Cordillera and Los Andes, which are almost continually cover'd with Snow, make the Country extremely cold in fome Places, fo that in a very small Distance the two contrary Extremes are to be found.

The Sun therefore, by his Presence, causes a violent Dilatation and a scorching Heat in the Valleys, during the Day, that is, one half of the Time; and during the Night, or the other Half, the neighbouring Snows suddenly cool the Air, which condenses a new. To this Vicissitude of Condensation and Rarefaction is certainly to be assign'd, as to the first Principle, the Inequality of Weather that is observ'd at Cusco, at Puna, La Paz, and other Places, where they almost daily are sensible of the Changeableness of the Weather, of Thunder, Rain, Lightning; of Fair and Cloudy Weather, of Heat and Cold; but in other Places it is hot for a long

Time,

Time, without any Interruption, and then the Rains take their Turn.

It is not so along the Coast, where the S. W. and S. S.W. Winds blow regularly, which coming from the cold Climates of the South Pole, continually refresh the Air, and constantly keep it almost in the same Degree of Condensation. Much more must they bring thither Salt Particles, which they gather from the Sea Fogs, wherewith the Air must be fill'd and thicken'd much, as we conceive Brine is by the Salt it contains. That Air therefore has more Strength to support the Clouds, and is not hot enough, nor in sufficient Motion to agitate the Particles, and consequently to gather the little Drops of Water, and form some greater than the Bulk of the Air to which they answer; and tho' those Clouds draw very near the Earth during the Season when they are least attracted by the Sun, yet they do not dissolve into Rain; thus at Lima the Weather is almost continually along and it never mine.

almost continually close, and it never rains.

If it were now requisite to shew why the hottest Countries attract the Rain, I could make use of the Conjectures of some modern Philosophers, \* who are of Opinion, that the Clouds are frozen Vapours, or a Sort of very loofe Ice, like Snow. According to that Notion, it is evident, that when the Heat of the Earth sufficiently heats the Air, to rife to the Height of the Clouds, they must then thaw and fall in Rain; but that way of Reasoning, which I often think very true, is not so always, as I can affirm upon my own Experience, having been upon high Mountains, where at the same time that I saw Clouds flying both above and below me, I was myfelf encompass'd with others between them, which in Truth I thought very cold, but in other respects to differ in nothing from the Fogs we see sweep along the Earth. It is therefore upon no folid Ground that they distinguish t' ofe Clouds from the Fogs.

Be that as it will, Heat may also attract Rain, by giving the Particles of the Air a Spiral Motion, which may gather many little Drops of Water into one larger Drop. This

Motion

\* Regis.

Motion is easy to conceive, by that which is observed in the Current of Rivers, or, if you please, by that of a Mathematical Spindle; if the Sun attracts Vapours after that Manner, it is not to be admired that the Earth heated should attract the Clouds.

In fine, I could farther ground this Attraction on a Piece of Experience, which shews us, that Fire to subsist requires a Flux of Air. If a burning Coal be put into a Bottle, and it be close stopp'd, it is immediately quench'd. Thus reafoning from the greater to the lesser, a Body much heated may be compared to a Coal, and it may be concluded that the said Heat cannot subsist without a Flux, or Passage of the Air about it, which being more condens'd, pushes on and draws towards the Fire, as we see the outward Air enter into a Chamber through little Holes, with more Rapidity when it is heated, than when there is no Fire in it.

I leave it to Philosophers to give more convincing Reasons for that Drought; it is enough for a Traveler, in declaring of Facts, slightly to explain them, to credit what he relates, and prepare the Reader for what he says that is extraordinary. Thus because it never rains at Lima, the Houses are only Houses co-cover'd with a single Mat laid flat, with the Thickness of a ver'd with Finger of Ashes on it, to suck up the Moisture of the Fogs; Mats. and the beautifullest are built only with unburnt Bricks, that are made of Clay, work'd up with a little Grass, and dry'd in the Sun, which nevertheless lasts Ages, because the

Rain never washes it away.

The Walls of the City, which ought to be an everlast-fortifications, ing Work, are no otherwise built; they are between 18 and 25 Foot high, and nine in Thickness at the Gordon; so that, in all the Compass of the Town, there is no one Place broad enough to mount a Cannon, which makes me believe, that they were built only to oppose any Attempts of the Indians. The Wall is slank'd with Bastions, whose Flank is of about 15 Fathoms perpendicular with the Curtin, and the Face of about 30 Fathoms, which make the Angle of the Epaule of 130 Degrees, which occasions

occasions such a fichant Defence, that two Thirds of the Curtin are upon a second Flank; and the slank'd Angles are often too acute. Those Curtins being about 80 Fathoms in Length, the great Line of Desence is of about 110: Besides this, there is neither Ditch nor Outworks. These Fortisications were made about the Year 1685, in the Viceroyship of the Duke de la Palata, by a Flemish Priest, whose Name was Don John Ramond.

The Number of Spanish Families in Lima may make up about 8 or 9000 Whites; the rest are only Mestizo's, Mulatto's, Blacks, and some Indians; tho', in the whole, there are about 25, or 30000 Souls, including the Friers and Nuns, who take up at least a Quarter of the City.

Immenfe Wealth.

As in the Cities of Europe we reckon the Coaches to denote their Magnificence, so at Lima they reckon 4000 Calashes, the common Carriage for Gentry in that Country, drawn by Mules. But to give some Idea of the Wealth of that City, it will suffice to relate what Treasure the Merchants there exposed about the Year 1682, when the Duke de la Palata made his Entry: Coming to take Pofsession of the Place, they caus'd the Streets, call'd de la Merced, or of the Mercenarians, and de los Mercaderes, or of the Merchants, extending through two of the Quarters, and through which he was to pass to the Royal Square, where the Palace is, to be paved with Ingots of Silver, that had paid the Fifth to the King, and generally weigh about 200 Marks, of eight Ounces each, between 12 and 15 Inches long, four or five in Breadth, and two or three in Thickness, which might amount to the Sum of 80 Millions of Crowns, and 320 Millions of Livres French Money, as it was in the Year 1715. It is true, that Lima is in some Sort the Repository of the Treasures of Peru, whose Capital it is. It was computed some Years ago, that above fix Millions of Crowns were expended there. Much must be abated at present, since the French Trade has carry'd thither the Commodities of Europe at an easy rate, and fince the Trade they have drove at Arica, Hilo and Pisco, has

has diverted the Plate that came formerly to Lima: which is the Reason that the City is now poor, to what it formerly was.

Both Men and Women are equally inclined to be costly Costly Habits. in their Drefs; the Women not fatisfy'd with the Expence of the richest Silks, adorn them, after their Manner, with a prodigious Quantity of Lace, and are infatiable as to Pearls and Jewels, for Bracelets, Pendants and other Ornaments; the Fashion whereof, which amounts to very much, ruins the Husbands and the Gallants. We faw Ladies, who had about them above the Value of 60000 Pieces of Eight in Jewels: They are generally beautiful enough, of a sprightly Mien, and more engaging than in other Places; and perhaps one part of their Beauty is owing to the Toils of the Mulattas, Blacks, Indians, and other hideous Faces, which are the most numerous through-

out the Country.

The City of Lima is the usual Residence of the Viceroy Viceroy. of Peru, who is as absolute as the King himself in the Courts of Lima, Chuquisaca, Quito, Panama, Chili, and Tierra Firme, as Governor \* and Captain-General of all the Kingdoms and Provinces of that Part of the new World, as is express'd in his Titles. His Allowance is 40000 Pieces of Eight yearly, without taking Notice of his extraordinary Perquifites; as when he goes a Progress into any Provinces, he is allow'd 10000 Pieces of Eight, and 3000 for going only to Callao, which is but two Leagues from Lima. He has the Nomination of above a hundred Corregidores, or supreme Magistrates of considerable Places; and, in short, he has the Disposal of all Triennial Employments, both Civil and Military.

It is to be observ'd, that most Employments are given;

or fold only for a limited Time.

<sup>\*</sup> The same Person has those two Titles, which are distinguish'd in the pretended Manuscript of Oexmelin. See the History of the Buccaniers.

Politicks.

The Viceroys and Presidents generally hold theirs seven Years; some Corregidores and Governors have theirs for five, and the greater Number but for three. It is easy to fee into the Defign of that Regulation, which is, doubtless, to prevent their having Time to gain Creatures, and form Parties against a King, who is so remote from them, that it requires Years to receive his Orders; but it must also be granted, that this Policy is attended with many inevitable Inconveniences, which, in my Opinion, are the main Cause of the ill Government of the Colony, and of the little Profit it affords the King of Spain; for the Officerslook upon the Time their Employments last as a Jubilee, which is to come but once in their Lives; at the End whereof they will be laugh'd at, if they have not made their Fortune: And as it is hard not to be overcome by the Temptation of privately conniving for Money at certain Abuses, which by long Use are become Customs, the honestest Persons follow the Steps of their Predecessors. being posses'd of the Opinion, that howsoever they behave themselves, they shall not perhaps miss of being charged with Mal Administration; the only Means to clear themselves of which, is to appeale their Judges with Prefents, giving them Part of what they have wrong'd the King and the Subjects of. I bring this Reflexion from its Original, and do not lay it down here as a Conjecture. Munera, crede mihi, placant hominesque Deosque. Believe me, Gifts appeafe both Men and Gods.

Bribery.

Hence it is that so many Masses of Silver are convey'd from the Mines cross long Countries, and are at last convey'd aboard the Ships trading along the Coast, without paying the Fifth to the King, because the Merchants pay the Governor so much per Cent. the Corregidor, or supreme Magistrate, pays the Juez de Descamino, or Judge of Concealments or Consistations, and he perhaps the Viceroy's Officers.

For this Reason scarce any one of them takes to Heart the publick Good, being convinced, that he shall soon be out of Place, and out of Power to continue the good Or-

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der he shall establish, and which his Successor will perhaps

overthrow as foon as he is in the Post.

In short, this is the Cause why the Orders from the Court of Spain are not at all, or very ill put in Execution: They are satisfy'd with only publishing them for Formality; \* the \*Se obedece Fear of losing an Employment for Life is no Motive to la orden, them; they are sure to lose it in a short Time; and be-ple. sides, they come off at an easy rate with the Viceroy, who The Order is reasons exactly as they do, tho' he has a Sovereign Autho-obey'd, but not executed.

His usual Guard is composed of three Parcels; being a Company of 100 Halbardiers, a Troop of 100 Horse, and a Company of 100 Foot; the two last are paid by the King, and the Halbardiers are maintain'd out of a Fund lest by a Lady of Lima, who was extraordinary rich. There is another Company of 50 select Persons, all Men of Distinction, who walk by his Side when he makes his Entry.

There is a Royal Chappel in his Palace, serv'd by six chappel.

Chaplains, a Sacristan, and a Choir of Musick, pay'd by

The Garrison of Lima consists only of the Militia of the Garrison; Inhabitants, who have no Pay from the King, except the General Officers, and the Sergeants of the Foot-Companies: Whereof these are the Particulars.

Fourteen Companies of Spanish Infantry of the Inhabi- Foot

tants. O'BOL

Seven Companies of the Corporation of the Commerce; who have more than the former; a Major, and two Aids de Camp.

Eight Companies of Indians, Natives of Lima, who, besides the usual Officers, have a Colonel, a Major, and

an Adjutant.

Six Companies of Mulatto's and free Blacks, who have a

Major, two Adjutants, and a Lieutenant-General.

Each of the above-mention'd Companies confifts of 100 Men, and has no other Officers, but a Captain, an Enfiguent and a Sergeant.

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Ten Troops of Spanish Horse, of 50 Men each; six whereof are of the City, and sour of the Neighbouring Country-Houses, and adjacent Farms.

Each Troop has a Captain, a Lieutenant, and a Cornet.

General Officers in the King's Pay.

The Captain-General and Viceroy, Pieces of	Eight per
Annum.	40000
The Governor General	7000
The Lieutenant General of the Horse	Dla 21500
The Commissary General of the Horse	1500
The Lieutenant to the Lieutenant General	1200
The Lieutenant to the Captain General	1200

## Other Officers appointed by the Viceroy.

The Captain of the Guard Chamber	1200
A Lieutenant of the Artillery	1200
Two Adjutants of the Artillery, each	300
Four Master Gunners, each or mail to nothing	od 1540
A chief Armorer group and on sved only lain	1500
Four Armorers, each	600
A Master Carpenter	1 1000

It is reported, that in case of need, the Viceroy can raise 100000 Foot and 20000 Horse, throughout the whole Extent of the Kingdom; but it is certain he could not arm the 5th Part of them, as I have been inform'd by Men who have travelled some of the Inland Parts of Peru.

Under the Viceroy's Authority, the Government of the Kingdom depends on that of the Royal Court, where he presides for matters of Moment. That Court, which may in some Measure be compared to a French Parliament, is composed of 16 Oidores, that is, Judges or Assessor, four Alcaldes de Corte, or Justices of the King's Houshold, two Fiscales, or Attorneys General, an Alquazil Major, or chief Serjeant, and a General Protector of the Indians. Each of

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those Persons in the said Employments has 3000 Pieces of Eight, and 13 Royals Salary; but the Oidores, or Judges, have moreover other Allowances belonging to the peculiar Courts where they are employ'd. That Body has also titular Officers, as Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, Ser-

jeants, Oc.

The Royal Court is subdivided into a Court of Justice, Several a Criminal Court, a Court of Accounts, and two Courts Courts. of the Treasury, or Exchequer, one of which is entrusted with the Revenues which rich Indians have left at their Death to relieve the Wants of the Poor of their Nation. Lastly, it includes the Chancery, which is composed of only one Oidor, and one Chancellor, who has that Title given him with a very small Salary, because the Great Chancellor is always in Spain.

The Cabildo, or Council of the City, is next to the City Council

Royal Court. There are more Regidores, or Aldermen,

belonging to it, than in other Towns.

There is also an Alguazil Mayor, or chief Sergeant of the City, for Military Assairs, and a great Provost, call'd Alcalde de la Hermandad, who has Power of Life and

Death in the open Country.

The Court of the Royal Treasury is established for the Treasury. King's Revenues, as the Fifth of the Silver taken out of the Mines; the Duty of Alcavala, being 4 per Cent. on all Sorts of Commodities and Grain, and other Impositions, which are but few in that Colony. It has Judges, Tellers, Secretaries, &c.

There is also a Court of the Mint, which has its Trea-Mint, furers, Comptrollers, Directors, Keepers, Clerks, &c. as also an Oidor, or Judge, who has a Salary independent of

that of the Royal Court.

The Court of the Commerce is the Consulship, where consulships a Prior and two Consuls preside, who are chosen from a-

mong the Merchants, who best understand Trade.

And, to the end that nothing may be wanting to that Spiritual.

City, which may contribute towards preserving of good. Courts.

Order.

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Order, and making it flourish, feveral Courts of Ecclesia

aftical Jurisdiction have been erected in it.

The Archbilbop's.

The first is the Archbishop's Court, composed of the Chapter of the Cathedral, and the Officiality; its Officers are, a Fiscal, or Attorney, a Solicitor, a Sergeant, and Notaries.

Inguistion.

The fecond, and most dreadful of all Courts, is that of the Inquisition, whose Name alone gives a Terror every where, because, ist, The Informer is reckon'd as a Witness: 2 dly, The Accused have no Knowledge given them of their Accusers: 3 dly, There is no Confronting of Witneffes; fo that innocent Perfons are daily taken up, whose only Crime is, that there are Persons, whose Interest it is to ruin them. However, they say at Lima, that there is no Cause to complain of the Inquisition, perhaps because the Viceroy and the Archbishops are at the Head of that Body.

The Inquisition was settled at Lima in the Year 1569; with all the Ministers, Counsellors, Qualificators, Familiares, Secretaries, and chief Sergeants, as it is in Spain. It has three fuperiour Judges, who have each 3000 Pieces of Eight Salary: Their Jurisdiction extends throughout all the Spanish

South America.

Croifade.

The third Spiritual Court is that of the Croifade, which is in some Manner a Part of the Royal Court, because there belongs to it an Oidor, or Judge of the Court of Justice. It was erected at Lima, in the Year 1603, under the Direction of a Commissary-General, who keeps his Court in his own House, where he judges, with the Affistance of a Judge Conservator, a Secretary, a Comptroller, a Treasurer, and other Officers, requisite for the Distribution of the Bulls, and Examination of the Jubilee and Indulgences. His Salary is only 1000 Pieces of Eight, which is too much for so useless an Employment.

Court for Wills.

Lastly, There is a fourth Court for the last Wills and Testaments of the Dead, which calls to account Executors

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and Administrators, and takes Care of Chappelanies and their Foundations, for which it has several Officers.

In order to furnish so many Courts with proper Persons, University, the Emperor Charles V. in the Year 1545, sounded an University at Lima, under the Title of S. Mark, and granted it several Privileges, which were confirmed by Pope Paul III. and Pius V. who in 1572 incorporated it into that of Salamanca, that it might enjoy the same Privileges and Immunities: It is govern'd by a Rector, who is chosen yearly; they reckon in it about 180 Doctors of Divinity, Civil and Canon Law, Physick and Philosophy, and generally near

Scholastick and Tricking Part, but very few in the Positive.

There are in the University three Royal Colleges, with Collegest 20 Professorships, which have good Revenues. The first was founded by Don Francisco de Toledo, Viceroy of Peru, under the Invocation of S. Philip and S. Mark. The second by the Viceroy Don Martin Henriquez, for the Entertainment of 80 Collegians, or Students in Humanity, Civil Law and Divinity, the Jesuites are Rectors and Professors in it; and it is call'd S. Martin. The third by the Archbishop Don Toribio Alphonso Mongrovejo, under the Title of S. Toribio, Bishop, for the Maintenance of 80 Collegians, who serve in the Choir of the Cathedral. Their Habit is gray, with a Purple Welt double behind; they study Ecclesiastical Literature under a Priest, who is their Rector. The College also maintains fix Boys for the Choir, under the Direction of the Master of the Chappel, and of the Vicar or SubDeacon, who refides there. The College has a Revenue of ab ove 14000 Pieces of Eight.

The Chapter of the Cathedral is composed of a Dean, Chapter: an Archdeacon, a Chanter, a School-master, a Treasurer, and 10 Canons; one of which Number has been retrench'd, to give his Revenue to the Inquisition. Each of those Dignitaries has 7000, the Canons 5000, the six Racionero's, or Prebendaries, 3000; and the 30 Chaplains each 600 Pieces

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of Eight a Year, without reckoning the Musicians and

Singing-Boys.

Cashedral.

This Church, which was the first Structure in Lima, was by Francis Pizarro put under the Invocation of the Assumption; but Pope Paul III. having made it a Cathedral in the Year 1541, alter'd it to that of S. John the Evangelist, to distinguish it from that of Cuzco, which had that Name before. It was Suffragan to Sevil till the Year 1546, when the same Pope made it Metropolitan; and the Suffragans to it are the Bishopricks of Panama, Quito, Truxillo, Guamanga, Arequipa, Cusco, Santiago, and La Conception of Chili.

Archbishops.

The first Archbishop was Don Fray Jeronimo de Loaysa, a Dominican. He assembled two Provincial Synods; the first on the 4th of October 1551, at which never a Suffragan was present, but only the Deputies of the Bishops of Panama, Quito, and Cusco: The second was open'd the 2d of March 1567; the Bishops of La Plata, Quito, and La Imperial, were present at it, with the Deputies of the other Chapters. He rebuilt the Church then ruin'd, and cover'd it with Mangrove Timber.

The 3d Archbishop, Don Toribio, is reckon'd a Saint.

The 9th, Don Melchor de Linnan y Cisneros, upon the Death of the Marquis de Malagon, was appointed Viceroy, Governor, and Captain General of the Provinces of Peru: He was the first in whom those two Dignities were united, which indeed do not seem compatible in the same Person.

Eight Parifhes.

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The City of Lima contains eight Parishes. The first is the Cathedral, which has four Curates and two Vicars, which is contrary to the Canon Law, whereby only one Curate is assign'd to a Church, because one Body is to have but one Head. The Church is handsome enough, well built, and has three equal Isles. In it is preserv'd a Piece of the Cross of CHRIST.

The second is that of S. Anne, which has two Curates

and one Vicar.

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The third S. Sebastian, which has also two.

The fourth S. Marcellus, one Curate.

The fifth S. Lazarus, one Curate, Vicar of the Cathe-dral.

The fixth Our Lady of Atocha, annex'd to, and dependent on the Cathedral; they call it Los Huerfanos, or the

Orphans.

The seventh is El Cercado, or the Inclosure, which was the Parish Church to an Indian Suburb that has been brought into the City since it was wall'd in; the Jesuites are its Curates.

The eighth has been added of late Years, and is call'd

San Salvador, or S. Saviour.

There are several Hospitals for the Sick and Poor of the Twelve Hof-City. The first, call'd S. Andrew, is a Royal Foundation Pitals. for the Spaniards, that is, the Whites: It is serv'd by the Merchants and four Priests.

That of San Diego, or S. James, is founded for those who are Convalescents, or upon Recovery, after having been in that of S. Andrew; they are serv'd by the Brothers of S. John of God.

That of S. Peter was founded only for Priests by the

Archbishop Toribio above-mention'd.

That of the Holy Ghost, for Seafaring Men, is maintain'd by the Alms and Contributions collected of Trading Vessels.

That of S. Bartholomew was founded for the Blacks by

Father Bartholomew de Vadillo.

In that of S. Lazarus they take Care of Lepers, and fuch as have the Venereal Distemper. It is a Royal Foundation, and serves also for the Falling Sickness and Mad Folks.

There is a House for Foundlings, adjoining to Our Lady

of Atocha, call'd Los Huerfanos, or the Orphans.

The Hospital of S. Cosmas and S. Damianus, was founded by the Inhabitants of Lima, for Spanish Women.

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That of S. Anne was founded by Don Ieronymo de Loayfa, the first Archbishop for the Indians; the King now defrays the Charge of it.

There is one for the Incurable, serv'd by the Bethlehe-

mites.

Another for the Convalescent, or recovering Indians, without the City, where those who come from S. Anne and other Hospitals are receiv'd.

There are also Officers to dispose of the Foundations made by the richest Indians, for the Poor of their Nation,

as has been faid.

Laftly, there is one founded by a Priest, for convale-

fcent, or recovering Priefts.

Besides the Hospitals for the Sick, there is a House of Charity, in the Square of the Inquisition, for poor Women.

There young Maids are marry'd or made Nuns.

In the College of Santa Cruz de las Ninas, or the Holy Cross of the Girls, they bring up a Number of Foundling Girls, to whom the Inquisitors give Portions, when they marry.

A Priest has also left a Foundation of above 600000 Pieces of Eight, under the Direction of the Dean of the Cathedral, and the Prior of S. Dominick, to marry 20

Maids, and give them 500 Pieces of Eight each.

The Brotherhood of Conception marries 40, after the

Rate of 450 Pieces of Eight each.

There is a Foundation under the Title of Our Lady of Cocharcas, for the Poor Daughters of Caciques, and a College for breeding their Sons, where they have all forts of Masters.

Monasteries.

The Monastical State, which has overspread all Europe; has also extended beyond the vast Seas into the remotest Colonies, where it fills the farthest Corners inhabited by Christians; but at Lima particularly there are Legions of Friers, whose Monasteries have taken up the finest and greatest Part of the City.

The

Charity.

Portions for Maids. The Dominicans have four Monasteries there; the chief-Dominicans, est is that of the Rosary; next the Recollection of the Mag-dalen; S. Thomas of Aquin, where their Schools are, and

S. Rose of Lima.

The Franciscans have four, viz. that of JESUS, or Franciscans the Great Monastery, call'd also S. Francis, contains 700 Men, as well Friers, as Servants, and takes up the Space of four Quarters, being the finest in the City. The second is the Recollection of S. Mary of the Angels, or Guadalupe; the third is the College of S. Bonaventure; and the sourth the Baresoot Friers of S. James.

The Augustins have also four, which contain above 500 Augustins. Friers, and are, S. Augustin, Our Lady of Capacavana, the College of S. Ildesonsus, and the Noviciate, which is without the City, or the Reform of Our Lady of Gui-

dance.

The Order of the Mercenarians has three, viz. the Mer-Mercenacenarians; the Recollection of our Lady of Bethlehem; and rians.

the College of S. Peter Nolascus.

The Jesuites have five, viz. S. Paul, S. Martin, the No-Jesuites, viciate, or S. Anthony; the Cercado, or Inclosure, by the Name of S. James, where they are Curates; and Los Desamparados, that is, the Forsaken, or Our Lady of Sorrow, which is their profess'd House.

The Benedictines have that of Our Lady of Mont-Benedictines?

Serrat.

The Minims have lately been in Possession of the Church Minims, of Our Lady of Succour, which also bears the Name of S. Francis of Paula, and a Chappel of Our Lady of Victory, where the great Monastery was, which is call'd by the Name of their Patriarch.

The Brothers of S. John of God, have the Direction of S. John of

the Hospital of S. James.

The Bethlehemites have two, that of the Incurable, and Bethlehe-Our Lady of Mountcarmel, which is without the City. mites. These Friers came lately from the Town of Guatemala, in the Kingdom of Mexico, where the Venerable Brother Peter

Peter Joseph, de Betancourt \* founded them to serve the Poor. Pope Innocent XI. approved of the Institution, in the Year 1697. They have already Nine Monasteries in Those Friers, tho' to outward Appearance very simple, are reckoned refined Politicians, as may be judg'd by the Name of the Quintessence of Carmelites and Fesuites, given them by the People. They are Brothers. They choose for their Chaplain a Secular Priest, whom they keep in their House at a certain Allowance; but he has no Vote among them. They are clad like the Capucins, excepting that under their Beard they have a Bib, a quarter of a Yard long, ending in a Point. Their Founder, as those good Friers give out, had, during Eleven Years, the Company of our Saviour visibly carrying his Cross. The other Apparitions and Revelations they place to his Account, and which they publish by Word of Mouth, and by Pictures,

are of the same Reputation.

There are somewhat fewer Nuns at Lima, than Friers; there are only twelve Monasteries of them. 1. That of the Incarnation of Regular Canonesses of S. Augustin. Conception of the same Order. 3. The Trinity of the Order of S. Bernard. 4. S. Joseph of the Conception, more austere than the other, contains the Barefoot Nuns of the Order of S. Augustin. 5. S. Clare, founded by the Archbishop Toribio, preserves the Heart of its Founder, and contains above 300 Franciscan Nuns. 6. S. Katharine of Siena, of the Order of S. Dominick. 7. S. Rose of S. Mary, of the same Order. 8. That they call del Prado, or of the Meadow, of Recolet Augustins. 9. S. Teresa, of Carmelites. 10. S. Rose of Viterbo. 11. The Trinitarians. 12. The JESUS-Mary of Capuchins, erected in 1713, by four Nuns that came from Spain, by the way of Buenos Ayres, whom.

Nuns.

<sup>\*</sup> Perhaps he was a Descendent of a French Gentleman named Betancourt, who having stole a young Woman, fled to the Island of Madera, where he first planted a Christian Colony. F. du Tertre, p. 59. Says, He in the Year 1642, saw a Franciscan in that Island, who said he was of that Family.

whom we mention'd before. In short, they reckon there are above 4000 Nuns, among which there are four or five

Monasteries of very regular Religious Women.

We might here add a House founded by the Archbishop This is all a Toribio, for Women divorced. It is incredible to what an gross Mistake, Excess that Abuse has been carry'd; there are People daily for such unmarry'd, with as much Ease as if Matrimony were no-Spain and the thing but a civil Contract, upon bare Complaints of Mis-Indies, are on understanding, Want of Health or Satisfaction, and what by to separate is still more amazing, they afterwards marry others.

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This Abuse was brought them from Spain. at the very as eannot live Time of the Settling of this Colony. The Intercourse they together in had long had with the Moors had made it so common, that Peace. Cardinal Ximenes thought himself obliged to apply some Remedy to it; and because the Pretence of Spiritual Assinity very often authorized Divorces, the Council of Totedo, which he assembled in the Year 1497, ordain'd, that at Christenings Care should be taken to write down the Names of the Godfathers and Godmothers, that the Truth might be known.

The Penitent Women have also a Place of Retreat, Penitent Was

which I do not think is very full, because of the little men. Scruple they make in that Country of Libertinism, and the

little Care that is taken to curb it. They call them las Amparadas de la Conception, or the Protected of the Con-

ception.

It may seem that by the great Number of Monasteries and Religious Houses of both Sexes, we may imagine Lima to be a Place much addicted to Devotion; but that Outside is far from being made good by those who live in them; for most of the Friers lead such alicentious Life there, that even the Superiors and Provincials draw from the Monasteries considerable Sums of Money to defray the Expences of a worldly Life, and sometimes of such open Lewdness, that they make no Difficulty to own the Children that are got, and to keep about them those undeniable Proofs of their disorderly Life, to whom they often leave

as an Inheritance the Habit they are clad in, which sometimes extends beyond one Generation: If I may believe

what has been told me on the Spot.

The Nuns, except three or four Monasteries, have also but an Appearance of Regularity, which they only owe to the Inclosure; for instead of living in Community and Poverty according to their Vow, they live each apart at their own Cost, with a great Retinue of Black and Mulatta Women Slaves and Servants, whom they make subservient to the Gallantries they have at the Grates.

We cannot speak of the Lives of both Sexes without applying to them the Words of S. Paul, 1 Cor. vi. 15. Shall I then take the Members of Christ, and make them the Mem-

bers of an Harlot?

By the Example of those People, who by their Example ought to edify the Laity, it is eafy to guess at the prevailing Passion of that Country. Its Fruitfulness, the Plenty of all Things, and the fedate Tranquillity they perpetually enjoy there, do not a little contribute to the amorous Temper which reigns there. They are never fensible of any intemperate Air, which always preserves a just Mean, between the Cold of the Night and the Heat of the Day. The Clouds there generally cover the Sky to preferve that happy Climate from the Rays the Sun would dart down perpendicularly; and those Clouds never difsolve into Rain to obstruct taking the Air, or the Pleasures of Life; they only fometimes stoop down in Fogs, to cool the Surface of the Earth, fo that they are always there fure what Weather it will be the next Day; and if the Pleasure of living continually in an Air of an equal Temper, were not interrupted by the frequent Earthquakes, I do not think there is a fitter Place to give us an Idea of the Terrestrial Paradise; for the Soil is also Fertile in all forts of Fruits.

Various Fruits. Besides those which have been transported thither from Europe, as Pears, Apples, Figs, Grapes, Olives, &c. there are those of the Caribbee Islands, as Ananas, Guayavas, Pa-

tatas,

tatas, Bananas, Melons and Watermelons, besides others peculiar to Peru. The most valu'd of the last Sort are the Chirimoyas, resembling in small the Ananas and Pine Apples, being full of a white solid Substance, mix'd with Seeds as big as Kidney Beans; the Leaf is somewhat like that of the Mulberry Tree, and the Wood resembles that of the Hazle.

The Granadillas are a Sort of Pomgranates, full of black-Granadillas. ish Kernels, swimming in a Viscous Substance, of the Colour of the White of an Egg, very cooling, and of an agreeable Taste. The Leaves are somewhat like those of the Lime Tree, and the Imagination of the Spaniards forms in the Flowers all the Instruments of the Passion. Father Feüillee, who has drawn this Fruit, calls it Granadilla Pomisera Tilia folio.

Those they call Higas de Tuna, or Tuna Figs, are the Higas de Fruit of the Raquette, or Euphorbium, as big as a green Tuna. Walnut, cover'd with Points, almost as sharp as those of the outward Rind of the Chestnut; they are good and wholfome. The Lucumas, Pacayas, Pepinos, Ciruelas, Plums

like Jujubs, are there very plentiful.

There is this Conveniency at Lima, that there is Fruit Odd Seasons, all the Year long, because as soon as they begin to fail in the Plain, they are ripe on the neighbouring Hills. This is also to be observ'd, that the Seasons should be so different in the same Latitude, that those which agree to the Southern Latitudes, should be there at the time of those of the Northern Latitude.

Several Persons have ask'd me, how that could come to pass, and why that Torrid Zone, which ancient Philosophers, and even such great Men as S. Augustin and S. Thomas, thought to be uninhabitable by reason of the excessive Heat, should be so in several Places, thro' intolerable Cold, tho' directly under the Sun.

It is not to be required of a Traveler to shew Reasons for Reason for the Phænonemons he speaks of; and I would have referr'd the same. the Readers who are not vers'd in Natural Philosophy, to Fa-

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ther du Tertre's History of the Caribbee Islands; if the three Reasons he assigns for the Temperature of that Zone, could be apply'd to the Country I am speaking of; but there are two of them which do not suit it; for the Regular or Trade Winds do not prevail throughout all the Zone, and the Inlands of South America are not cool'd by the Neighbourhood of the Sea.

There is therefore no general Reason, but what is grounded on the Equality of Time, the Presence and the Absence of the Sun, and the Obliquity of his Rays for some Hours, at his Rising and Setting; but the it may prove much, it will not hold for Lima, if we compare the little Heat there is there, with that which is felt at Bahia de todos os Santos, which is almost under the same Parallel, and on the Sea Shore. It must therefore be added, that the Neighbourhood of the Mountains which cross Peru, contributes much towards tempering of the Air that is there breath'd.

But it is farther urged, why those Mountains are as cold as these in our Climates. To that I answer, that besides the general Reasons which may be assign'd, the Situation of the Mountains call'd La Cordillera, or the Andes, is another Cause; for they generally run North and South, whence

it follows:

See Plate XX.

I. That if there are Rocks R, standing perpendicular like a Wall, it is evident that their Faces exposed to the East, or West, would not receive the Sun for above six Hours, even tho' they were in the Middle of a Plain; and if any Mountain happens to stand before them, they will receive much less, that is, less than half the Rays the Plain receives, and about only the fourth Part of the natural Day.

2. But to make a Supposition on which to ground a general Argument, we will allow the Inclination, or Bent of our Mountains an Angle of 45 Degrees, which may be look'd upon as an exact Mean between those which are steeper and those that have an easier Ascent. It will then appear, that those which are not blinded by other Moun-

tains,

tains, as AC may be, must be lighted three Quarters of the Day; but we know, that from Sun-rising till Nine of the Clock, the Obliquity of his Rays on the general Face, and the Opposition of an Air condens'd by the Cold of sifteen Hours Absence, on which they must have an Effect to put it into Motion, render his Action but little sensible till he is got up to a certain Height; for according to some able Philosophers, Cold consists in a ceasing from Motion.

dent that the same will be cover'd till the Sun has attain'd the Height of the Angle TDC, which the Horizon forms with the Line drawn from the Foot of one Mountain to the Top of the other; then the Sun will not operate on all the Face ED above six Hours; and tho' he operates a long time on the Top, it will be never the more heated, because the Rays resect upwards, as SA to N, where their Operation is interrupted by the continual Flux of the Air, whose violent Agitation in a strait Line is opposite to the Heat, as Experience shews by the Wind, or if you please by a strong Blast, closing the Lips, which cools the Hand that receives it.

In fine, when the Sun, being in the Zenith, violently heats the Plain, it only half heats the Mountains, as is plain to those who understand a little of Geometry; for suppofing the Rays of the Sun Parallel, the Surface ED receives no more than the Perpendicular EY, equal to XD, which may be look'd upon as in the Plain, tho' the Line EY be much longer, but the Triangle being rectangular, and Ifosceles, the Squares of those Lines which express like Surfaces, being to one another as 25 to 49, that is, almost as r is to 2, it will appear, that the Mountain receives half the Rays less than the Plain, which answers to a Quarter of the natural Day, as in the first Case; the Sun there will require half as much more Time to render the Earth capable of producing on the Mountain, than it will need on the Plain; therefore the Harvest will be long after, and it is not to be wonder'd that this Difference should extend to six Months.

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I shall not regard the Objections that may be made, nor go about to apply this Discourse to Valleys and Mountains that lie East and West; it is not proper for me to say any more: I will proceed to another Remark, concerning the Vale of Lima.

Since the Earthquake in 1678, the Earth has not produced Corn as it did before, for which Reason they find it cheaper to have it brought from Chili, from whence enough is every Year exported to maintain 50 or 60000 Men, as I have elsewhere computed. The Mountain and the rest of the Country is sufficient to maintain the Inhabitants.

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As for Garden Flowers, I have not seen any peculiar to that Country, except the Niorbos, which somewhat resemble the Orange Flower; their Scent is not so strong, but

more pleasant.

I must not here omit the Singularities of some Plants I have heard Persons of Credit speak of. There is an Herb call'd Carapullo, which grows like a Tust of Grass, and yields an Ear, the Decoction of which makes such as drink it delirious for some Days: The Indians make use of it to discover the natural Disposition of their Children. At the Time when it has its Operation, they place by them the Tools of all such Trades as they may follow; as by a Maiden a Spindle, Wool, Scissors, Cloth, Kitchen Furniture, &c. And by a Youth Accoutrements for a Horse, Awls, Hammers, &c. and that Tool they take most Fancy to in their Delirium, is a certain Indication of the Trade they are fittest for, as I was assured by a French Surgeon, who was an Eye Witness of this Rarity.

In the Plains of Truxillo there is a Sort of Tree, which bears 20 or 30 Flowers, all of them different, and of divers Colours, hanging together like a Bunch of Grapes; it is

call'd Flor del Paraiso, or the Flower of Paradise.

About Canatambo and San Matheo, a Village in the Territory of Lima, at the Foot of the Mountains, there are certain Shrubs bearing blue Blossoms, each of which as it changes

Flowers.

Plant.

Carapullo

Paradife Flower. changes into Fruit, produces a Cross so exactly form'd Gross Flowers.

that it could not be better done by Art.

In the Province de los Charcas, on the Banks of the great River Misque, there grow large Trees, whose Leaf is like that of the Myrtle, and the Fruit is a Cluster of green Hearts, somewhat less than the Palm of the Hand, which being open d there appear several little white Films, like the Leaves of a Book, and on each Leaf is a Heart, in the midst of which is a Cross, with three Nails at the Foot of it. I do not question, but that the Spanish Imagination forms some Part of these Representations.

In the same Province is the Plant call'd Pito real, which Pito Real

being reduc'd to Powder, dissolves Iron and Steel: It is Plant. so call'd from the Name of a Bird, that uses it as a Purge, and is green and small like a Parrot, excepting that it has a Copple Crown and a long Beak. They say, that in the Kingdom of Mexico, to get some of this Herb, they stop the Entrance into the Nests of those Birds on the Trees with Iron Wire; and that the Bird breaks those Wires by means of the said Herb, whose Leaves it brings, which are found there. It is farther added, that Prisoners have made their Escape, getting off their Fetters with it. This looks somewhat suspicious.

There is also Maguey, from which they get Honey, Vi-Maguey, negar and Drink. The Stalks and Leaves are good to eat: They may also be wrought like Hemp; and from them they draw the Thread call'd Pita. The Wood of it serves to cover Houses; its Prickles, or Thorns, for Needles;

and the Indians use the Fruit instead of Soap.

Salsaparilla, Quinquina, whose Tree is like the Almond-Tree; Quesnoa or Quiuna, a little white Seed, like that of Mustard, but not smooth, which is good against Falls, and a Distemper they call Pasmos, whose Fits are Convulsions: Dragons Blood, some Rhubarb, Tamarind, Camina Oil, and Alamaaca, are also to be found in Peru. The Balsam, which bears the Name, comes thither but in a small

Quantity;

Quantity; it is brought from Mexico, as I have said be-

Pico Infett.

It remains to say something of a very troublesome little Insect, call'd Pico. It gets insensibly into the Feet, betwixt the Flesh and the Skin, where it seeds and grows as big as a Pea, and then gnaws the Part, if Care be not taken to get it out; and being sull of little Eggs, like Nits, if it be broken in taking out, those Nits which scatter about the Sore, produce as many new Insects; but, to kill them, they apply Tobacco, or Tallow.

## Customs and Manners of the Spaniards of Peru.

Before we leave Peru, it will be proper, in this Place, to say something of what I could observe of the Manners of the Creolian Spaniards, that is, those born in that Country. To begin with Religion, I must observe, that, like those in Europe, they value themselves upon being the best Christians of all Nations; they even pretend to distinguish betwixt themselves and us by that Qualification; fo that among them it is a very usual Way of speaking, to say a Christian and a French Man to signify a Spaniard and a French Man: But, without diving into the Interior of either, they have nothing of the outward Practice of the Church Discipline, by which they may merit that Preeminence. The Abstinence from Flesh is among them much changed by the Use of that they call Groffura, that is, Offal Meat, which consists in Heads, Tongues, Entrails, Feet, and the extreme Parts of Beafts, which they eat on Fish-Days, not to mention the Use of what they call Manteca, being Hogs-Lard and Beef-Suet, which they use instead of Butter: (Note, (tho' the Author takes no Notice of it) that these Things are only permitted on Saturdays, but not in Lent, or on Fridays, or other Fasting Days.) Excepting the Mass, itis not usual to affist at any other Divine Service. Those who are above three Leagues from the Parish Church and the Christian Indians, who are but a League distant, are exempted

exempted from hearing of Mass on Days of Obligation. At Lima they dispense with themselves for going to the Parish Church, because there are sew good Houses but what have Oratories, that is Chappels, where Mass is said, for the Conveniency of the Inhabitants, which cherishes

their Sloth, and keeps them from the Parish Duty.

In short, if their particular Devotion be strictly exa- Rosary Devemin'd, it feems to be all reduced to that of the Rofary. It tim. is faid in all Towns and Villages twice or thrice a Week, at the Processions which are made in the Night, in private Families, or else every Person apart, at least every Evening, at the falling of the Night. Religious Men wear their Beads about their Necks, and the Laity under their Cloaths. The Confidence they repose in that pious Invention of S. Dominick Guzman, which they believe was brought down from Heaven, is so great, that they ground their Salvation upon it, and expect nothing less than Miracles from it, being amused with the fabulous Accounts daily given them, and by the Notion of the good Success every one applies to that Devotion in the Courfe of his Affairs. But, what will hardly be believ'd, I have often obferv'd, that they also depend upon it for the Success of their amorous Intrigues.

Mext to the Rosary follows the Devotion of Mount Car-Mount Car-mel, which is no less beneficial to the Mercenarians, than mel.

the former is to the Dominicans.

That of the immaculate Conception is next; the Fran- Conception, ciscans and the Jesuites have gain'd it such Reputation, that they mention it at commencing all Actions, even the most indifferent. Praised be, say they, when a Sermon begins, at Grace, and at Candle-lighting, in every House, praised be the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar, and the Virgin Mary, our Lady, conceiv'd without Blemish or original Sin, from the sirst Instant of her natural Being. They add to the Litanies, Absque labe concepta, Thou who art conceiv'd without Blemish. In short, this Sentence is soisted in at all Times, when it can neither serve for the Instruction, nor the

the Edification of the Faithful; and the Expressions in the Hymns they sing, in Honour of that Opinion, are so singular, that it will not be ungrateful to see some Staves of them here with the Notes.

In them may be observed an Application of the 6th Verse of the 18th Psalm, according to the Vulgate, In sole posuit tabernaculum suum, He placed his Tabernacle in the Sun; by which it appears, that the Author of that Hymn was not well vers'd in the Language of Holy Writ, which the Spaniards seldom learn; for if he had consulted the Hebrew, he would certainly have perceived, that the Meaning of that Passage is, that God has placed the Throne of the Sun in the Heavens, Soli posuit solium suum in eis, He placed the Throne for the Sun in them, that is, in the Heavens, which does not suit with their Subject.

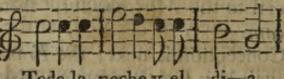


Ma-ri-a, todo es Ma-ri-a, Mary, all is Mary,



Ma-ri-a, to-do es à vos:

Mary, all is yours:



Toda la noche y el di-a

All the Day and Night



Se me vai enpensar en vos.

I think on nothing but you.

Toda vos resplandeceis Con soberano arrebol, Y vuestra casa en el Sol Dice David que teneis.

You are all glittering
With Sovereign Light,
And David says
Your House is in the Sun.
3. Vuestro

Vuestro calgado es la Luna, Vuestra vestidura el Sol, Manto bordado de Estrellas, Por corona el mismo Dios.

The Moon is your Footstool, The Sun your Garment, YourVeilembroider'd with Stars God himself your Crown.

Aunque le pese al Demonio, Y reviente Satanas, Alabemos à Maria Sin pecado original.

Tho' it fret the Devil,
And Satan burst for Rage,
Let us praise Mary
Conceiv'd without original Sin.

El Demonio esta muy mal, Y no tiene mejoria, Porque no puede estorbar La devocion de Maria.

The Devil is very ill,
And not likely to mend,
Because he cannot obstruct
The Devotion to Mary.

This Fragment of Poetry may also serve to shew the Taste of the Spanish Nation, which is only fond of Metaphors and extravagant Comparisons, taken from the Sun, the Moon and the Stars, or from precious Stones, which often carries them into a Sort of Ridicule, and an out-ofthe-way Flight, which they take for Sublime. Thus, in this Hymn, the Poet affigns the Virgin the Moon for her Footstool, the Stars for the Embroidery of her Veil, at the same time that he places her House in the Sun; which, of Consequence, must include them all: But if he has wanted Judgment in his Poetical Enthusiasm, it may be said he is much mistaken, when he says that the Devil is bursting with Rage to fee the Devotion to the Virgin in Repute in Peru. That Devotion is certainly too much intermix'd with Vices and Senfuality, to make us believe it can be very meritorious to them. I know they are very careful to fay the Rosary often daily; but it may be said they are therein true Pharisees, and think that Prayer consists in much Talking, tho' meerly with the Lips, and with so little Attention,

tention, that they often mutter over their Beads, whilst they are talking of Things that are no way compatible with pious Exercifes. Besides, they all live in a State of Prefumption of their Salvation, grounded on the Protection of the Virgin and the Saints, which they believe they merit by some Brotherhood Exercises, in which the Friers have affociated them, without making them fenfible that the prime Devotion confifts in the Reformation of the Heart, and the Practice of good Manners. It rather looks as if, by means of Revelations, and the ill-grounded Miracles they affect continually to tell them in the Pulpit at their Sermons, they would impose upon the amazing Facility with which those People believe Things most ridiculous and contrary to good Morality, which is certainly most pernicious to the Purity of Religion, and strictly prohibited by a Constitution of Pope Leo X. dated 1516. I could quote some Examples, if the Grosness of those Fictions would not render the Credit suspected. Thence it proceeds, that those People scarce know what it is to pray to God; but they only address themselves to the Virgin and the Saints. Thus the Accessory of Religion almost extinguishes the Principal, in mon to state of but nool sin

Those People are not only credulous to excess, but also superstitious. They add to the Beads they wear about their Necks some Habillar, being a Sort of Sea Chesnuts, and another Sort of Fruit of the like Nature, resembling the Shape of a Pear, call'd Chonta, with Nutmegs, and other such Things, to preserve themselves against Witchcraft and infectious Air. The Ladies wear Amulets about their Necks, being Medals without any Impression, and a little Jeat Hand, a Quarter of an Inch long, or else made of Fig-tree Wood, and call'd Higa, the Fingers closed, but the Thumb standing out. The Notion they have of the Vertue of those Amulets, or Counter-Charms, is to preserve themselves from the Harm that might be done by such as admire their Beauty, which they call, as in English, an evil Eye. These Preservatives are made larger for Chil-

dren.

dren. This Superstition is common among the Ladies and the meaner People; but there is another which is almost general, and of great Moment for avoiding the Pains of the other World, which is, to take care in this to provide a religious Habit, which they buy, to die and be bury'd in; being perfuaded, that when clad in a Livery fo much respected here below, they shall, without any Difficulty, be admitted into Heaven, and cannot be drove into the utter Darkness, as the Friers give them to understand. This is not to be wonder'd at: It is known, that this Devotion, which began in France, in the 12th Century, being advantageous to the Communities, made the Franciscans advance. that S. Francis once a Year regularly came down into Purgatory, and took out all those who had died in the Holy Habit of his Order, with some other Follies which were condemn'd by the Council of Basil in the 15th Century, which those Friers in Peru have little regarded, as also in the Portugueze Colonies I have seen; for their Churches are still full of Pictures, representing this yearly Descent of S. Francis into Purgatory; the other Orders fay no less of their Patriarch.

They have also form'd another Method, by abusing the Credulity of the Rich, to draw to themselves some Part of their Wealth; which is, to persuade them, that the nearer the Altar they are bury'd, the more they partake of the Benefit of the Prayers of the Faithful; and there are some Nonenimest Cullies foolish enough to believe them, and tacitly to acceptatio slatter themselves, that God will make Exception of Per-personarum sons. Of this Sort were two Persons some Days before I Rom. 2. came away from Lima, who had each of them given 6000

Pieces of Eight, to be bury'd in the Charnel House of the Augustins of this City.

Advantages are at an End with the Solemnity of the Funeral; notwithstanding the great Sums they have cost, Recourse is had to pious Legacies, under the Denomination of Foundations for Masses or other Prayers. There is no dying I i 2 Person

Person to whom the Necessity of making some such Foundation to avoid the Pains of the other Life, is not inculcated; the Merit of these Donations is so highly extoll'd. that all Men are for redeeming their Sins, to the Prejudice. of what Charity and natural Inclination require, with respect to the nearest Relations, Creditors and the Poor, through whole Hands we are to redeem them, according to the Scripture Rule; but in regard that the Good which is done to either, is soon bury'd in Oblivion, Self-love, which still leaves in the Heart a Desire of Eternizing one's felf, when going to be cut off from the Number of Men. makes us preferr Foundations above other good Works, because they are more proper for that End, and perhaps because they are thought more Efficacious. In a word whether it be through the Fear of Pains, which touches us most to the Quick, or for the Love of God and one's self. the Custom is become so universal, and has so much enrich'd the Monasteries of Lima, and of some other Cities. within a Hundred Years, that the Laity have scarce any real Estates left; their Wealth is reduced to Moveables. and there are few that do not pay Rent to the Church, either for their Houses or Farms. It would be for the Good of those Colonies, to make such a Regulation as the Venetians made in the Year 1605, which prohibits the Alienation of real Estates in Favour of the Church, or in Mortmain, without the Consent of the Republick, in Imitation of those of the Emperors Valentinian, Charlemagne, and Charles V. and of several Kings of France from S. Lewis down to Henry III. But the Court of Rome taking the Alarm, caus'd that Decree to be for some time suspended. in a Country where it has less Power than in Spain; thus this Abuse, in all Likelihood, will continue there; and in a short Time the Laity will find themselves under a greater Dependency on Communities for Temporals, than they are tor Spirituals.

I will say nothing here of the Honour they pay to I-mages; considering the Care they take to adorn them in

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their Houses, and to burn Frankincense before them, I know not whether they might not be suspected of carrying that Worship very near to Idolatry. The Questers, a fort of People who never fail to make their Advantage of the Prepossession of the People, in order to draw Alms from them, carry Pictures along the Streets, on Foot and on Horseback, in great Frames, and with Glasses over them, which they give to be kiss'd for what they receive. It is true, that we see the best Things frequently misused in Europe, as well as in America, which obliged the Bishops of France to desire of the Council of Trent some Reformation as to that Article.

Either through Interest or Ignorance, the Clergy and the Friers take little Care to undeceive them, and to teach them to adore God in Spirit and Truth, to fear his Judgments, and not to lay any more Stress on the Protection of the Virgin and the Saints, than as they imitate their Vertues. On the contrary, if they make their Panegyricks, they extoll them without Discretion, never intermixing Points of Morality; so that those Sermons, which are the most frequent throughout the Year, become of no Use to

them, and feed them in their usual Presumptions.

To conclude, tho' fuch Persons should with their Mouths preach up Christian Vertues, what Fruit could they produce whilst they give such ill Example? If it were upon-Modesty and Meekness, they are impudent in the highest Degree; may I presume to say it, most of them are generally arm'd with a Dagger; it is not to be thought that is to murder, but at least to oppose any that should oppose their Pleasures, or offend them. Should the Subject be Poverty, and the Contempt of Riches; the most Regular of them trade and have their Slaves of both Sexes; and several Churchmen appear in colour'd Cloaths adorn'd with Gold, under their usual Habit. Should it be Humility; they are insufferably Proud, a true Copy of the Phaisees, who would take Place every where, and be saluted in publick Places. In short, not satisfy'd with the low

low Bows made them, they offer their Sleeves to be kis'd in the open Streets and in the Churches, whither they go on Purpose to disturb the Faithful, who are attentive to the Sacrifice, to have Homage done to their pretended Dignity; differing very much therein from the Sentiments of the first of the Western Monks, S. Benedict, who chose for his Religious Men the Habit of the Poor in his Time, and S. Francis, a ridiculous Habit, to render himself contemptible in the Eyes of Men. In short, it is well known that to prevent their meddling with worldly Affairs, the King of Spain has been formerly obliged to make use of his Authority, and yet he has not prevail'd. Herrera, Anno 1551, writes thus: The King charged Don Lewis de Velasco, the Viceroy, to take Care that the Prelates and Religious Men should keep within the Bounds of their own Employments, without interfering with those of others, as they had sometimes done, because that belong'd to the King and his Lieutenants. To conclude, shall they preach up the Example of Continence? this is the general Vice, which scarce allows of any Exception among those whom Age has not disabled. Neither are they very referv'd as to this Point, but excuse themselves with the Necessity of having a She-Friend to take Care of them, because the Monasteries allow them nothing but Diet; fo that they are obliged to intrigue to keep in with them, dealing in Merchandize, and sometimes in Slight of Hand, which have often warn'd the French trading along the Coast to mistrust them as Sharpers. The Captain of the Mary Anne, in which I went thither, had severe Experience of it, one of them taking a Bag of 800 Pieces of Eight out of his Round-house.

This Diffipation is also the Reason why they scarce apply themselves to Study; out of the great Towns there are some, who can scarce read Latin, to say Mass. Nay, I knew a Professor of Divinity in a Monastery, who perform'd it very impersectly. In short, it is manifest, that most of them only make themselves Friers in order to lead a more easy and more honourable Life. It is said, that

the King of Spain is sensible of this Evil, and will regulate the Number of Communities.

I owe this Testimony to Truth, that these Remarks do not concern the Jesuites, who Study, Preach, Catechize, even in Publick Places, with much Zeal; and I believe, that were it not for them, the Faithful would scarce be in-

structed in the Principal Articles of Faith.

I must also here honour the Probity and good Behaviour of the Bishops, who are not altogether to be charged with the Disorders of their Flock, who by ancient Custom are in a manner entituled to live a little more Licentious, especially the Friers, who are Masters, and own no other Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, but that of their Superiors, pretending they only depend on them, and on the Pope, as Supreme. A Monstrous Independence, according to the ingenious Opinion of S. Bernard, as if a Finger were taken

from the Hand, to affix it directly to the Head.

I have happen'd to compare the Friers to the Pharifees, whereas according to their Institute of Life, I should have fet them in the same Rank with the Essenians; but instead of shewing that their Righteousness abounded more than that of those ! Fews, I should have exposed Vertues that would confound the pretended Perfection of some Christian Communities. Eusebius, lib. 8. Prap. Evang. speaking of the Essenians, says, There are no Boys or raw Youths among them, because of the Unsettledness of that Age. They do not live in Cities, believing that as an infectious Air is burtful to the Body, so the Conversation of the Multitude is to the Mind. No one of them makes Instruments of War; nor do they follow those Professions, which cause Men easily to fall into Wickedness. There is no Merchandizing, no Victualling, no Navigation known among them; there is no Slave among them, but being all Free, they serve one another, for Nature like a Mother; say they, brought forth all; wherefore, tho' not call'd so, we are all really Brothers.

In short, I do not, by what I have said, pretend to exclude the worthy and learned People of Peru and Chili. I

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know there are fuch among all Conditions; there have been Some of eminent Piety, whom the Church has admitted into the Catalogue of Saints. Lima has produced within its Territory S. Rose of S. Mary of the third Order of S. Dominick. The Bishop of that City Toribius, an European, sanctify'd himself there; and they there honour the Blessed Francis Solano, a Native of Paraguay. But after all, I differ very much from the Opinion of the Anthor of the Life of the Holy Toribius, who fays, that in all Likelihood Peru will afford Heaven more Saints, than it has given Silver to the Earth. Vertue feems to me to be more common among the Laity, than among the Friers and the Clergy; I make no scruple to say so, it would be a false Nicety to spare Men who dishonour their Profession without Controul, under Pretence that they are confecrated to God by folemn Vows.

All Vices, says Juvenal, are the more criminal, by as

much as he is the greater who is guilty of them.

This is what I have to object, as a Traveler, who obferve what is done in the Countries where I happen to be, and who deduce as a Consequence from the Behaviour of such People, that they have little Religion in their Hearts, notwithstanding their Gravity and outward Affectation.

Creolians or Spaniards born in Peru.

If we next examine the Character and Inclinations of the Secular Creolians, we shall find among them, as among other Nations, a Mixture of Good and Evil. It is said, that the Inhabitants of la Puna, that is, the Mountain Country of Peru, are well enough to deal with, and that there are very worthy People among them, generous and ready to do a good Turn, especially if it can feed their Vanity, and shew the Greatness of their Souls, which they there call Punto, that is, Point of Honour, which most of them value themselves upon, as a Qualification that raises them above other Nations, and is a Proof of the Purity of the Spanish Blood, and of the Nobility all the Whites boast of. The most beggarly and meanest of the Europeans become Gentlemen as soon as they find themselves transplanted among

among the Indians, Blacks, Mulattoes, Mestizo's, and others of mixt Blood. That imaginary Nobility causes them to perform most of their good Actions. I found in Chili, that they practised much Hospitality, especially abroad in the Country, where they entertain Strangers very generously, and keep them long enough in their Houses without any Interest. Thus the little Merchants of Biscay, and other European Spaniards, travel much, with small Ex-

pence.

In the great Towns, and along the Coast, we now find that the Creolians are fallen off from those good Qualities our first French Men had found among them, and which all Men applauded; perhaps the Natural Antipathy they have for our Nation, is increas'd by the ill Success of the Trade they have drove with us. This Antipathy extends fo far as to lessen the Affection they ought to have for their King, because he is a Frenchman. Lima was at first divided into two Parties; and so on the Mountains; and the Clergy and Friers impudently pray'd for his Competitor; but the Bifcainers scatter'd about the Country, and most of the European Spaniards, being inform'd of the Valour and Vertue of Philip V. always exerted their Fidelity to him; fo that the Creolians being convinced of their ill-grounded Prejudice. began to have an Affection for the Holy King, for so they call him; and tho' there should still remain any obstinate Spirits, they will become more cautious, feeing his Crown fix'd by the unanimous Consent of all Nations. They are timorous and easy to be govern'd, tho' dispersed and remote from their Superiors, and have a Thousand Retreats of Defarts and Plains to escape Punishment; and besides, there is no Country where Justice is less severe; for scarce any Body is punish'd with Death. Nevertheless, they stand in awe of the King's Officers; four Troopers, who are no better than Messengers, coming from the Viceroy, make all Men quake at the Distance of 400 Leagues from him.

As for Wit in general, the Creolians of Lima do not want it, they have a Vivacity and Disposition to Sciences; those

of the Mountains somewhat less; but both Sorts of them fancy they much exceed the European Spaniards, whom among themselves they call Cavallos, that is Horses, or Brutes; perhaps this is an Effect of the Antipathy there is between them, tho' they are Subjects of the same Monarch. I believe one of the principal Reasons of that Aversion is, because they always see those Strangers in Possession of the Prime Places in the State, and driving the best of their Trade, which is the only Employment of the Whites, who scorn to apply themselves to Arts, for which they have no Relish.

In other Points, they are little addicted to War; the easy Tranquillity they live in, makes them apprehensive of disturbing their Repose; however they undergo the Fatigue of long Journeys by Land, with much Satisfaction; 4 or 500 Leagues traveling through Desarts, and over uncouth Mountains, does not fright them any more than the ill Fare they meet with by the Way; whence may be concluded, that they are good for the Country they live in.

In relation to Commerce, they are as Sharp and Understanding as the Europeans; but being dainty and slothful, and not vouchfasing to deal without there be considerable Prosit, the Biscainers, and other European Spaniards, who are more Laborious, grow Rich sooner. The very Workmen, who live barely on the Labour of their Hands, are so indulgent to themselves, as not to spare taking the Siesta, that is, a Nap after Dinner; whence it follows, that losing the best Part of the Day, they do not half the Work they might, and by that Means make all Workmanship excessively dear.

Delicacy and Slothfulness seem to be peculiar to the Country, perhaps because it is too good; for it is observed, that those who have been bred to Labour in Spain, grow idle there in a short Time, like the Creolians. In short, Men are more Robust and Laborious in a poor Country than in a Fruitful. For this Reason Cyrus would never suffer the Persians to quit the uncouth Mountains and Barren Country they inhabited, to seek a better; alledging,

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that the Manners of Men are relax'd and corrupted by the Goodness of the Place they live in. In short, the Strength is kept up by the Exercise of the Body; whereas Ease softens it, through too much Want of Action, and ener-

vates it with Pleasures.

The Creolians are generally outwardly composed, and do not depart from that Gravity which is natural to them. They are fober as to Wine; but they cat greedily, and after an indecent Manner, sometimes all in the same Dish, commonly a Portion, like the Friers. At any confiderable Entertainment, they fet before the Guests several Plates of different Sorts of Food successively; and then each of them gives the same to his Servants, and to those that stand by, and are not at the Table, to the end, fay they, that all may partake of the good Chear. When the Creolians came to eat Aboard our Ships, where they were ferv'd after the French Fashion in great Dishes, placed according to Art and Symmetry, they boldly took them off to give to their Slaves, sometimes before they had been touch'd; but when the Captains durst not make them sensible of that Indecency, our Cooks, who were jealous of their own Labour, did not spare to let them understand that they discomposed the Beauty of the Entertainment. Not having the Use of Forks, they are obliged to wash after eating, which they all do in the fame Bason, and with that general and disagreeable Washing-Water they do not stick to wash their Lips. The Meat they eat is season'd with Axi, or Pimiento, that fort of Spice we have before spoken of, which is so hot, that Strangers cannot possibly endure it; but that which makes it still worse, is a greafy Taste the Lard gives to all their Cookery. Besides, they have not the Art of roasting great Joints, because they do not turn them continually, as we do, which they admired the most of all our Dishes. They make two Meals, one at 10 in the Morning, the other at four in the Evening, which is instead of a Dinner at Lima, and a Collation at Midnight. In other Places they eat as we do in France.

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Herb of Paraguay.

See Plate XXIX.

During the Day, they make much Use of the Herb of Paraguay, which some call S. Bartholomew's Herb, who they pretend came into those Provinces, where he made it wholfome and beneficial, whereas before it was venomous: Being only brought dry, and almost in Powder, I cannot describe it. Instead of drinking the Tincture, or Infusion, apart, as we drink Tea, they put the Herb into a Cup, or Bowl, made of a Calabash, or Gourd, tipp'd with Silver, which they call Mate; they add Sugar, and pour on it the hot Water, which they drink immediately, without giving it Time to infuse, because it turns as black as Ink. To avoid drinking the Herb which swims at the Top, they make use of a Silver Pipe, at the End whereof is a Bowl, full of little Holes; so that the Liquor suck'd in at the other End is clear from the Herb. They drink round with the same Pipe, pouring hot Water on the fame Herb, as it is drank off. Instead of a Pipe, which they call Bombilla, some part the Herb with a Silver Separation, call'd Apartador, full of little Holes. The Reluctancy the French have shewn to drink after all Sorts of People, in a Country where many are pox'd, has occafion'd the inventing of the Use of little Glass-Pipes, which they begin to use at Lima. That Liquor, in my Opinion, is better than Tea; it has a Flavour of the Herb, which is agreeable enough; the People of the Country are so used to it, that even the Poorest use it once a Day, when they rife in the Morning.

Trade of Fa- The Trade for the Herb of Paraguay is carry'd on at raguay Herb. Santa Fe, whither it is brought up the River of Plate, and in Carts. There are two Sorts of it; the one call'd Yerba de Palos; the other, which is finer, and of more Vertue, Yerba de Camini: This last is brought from the Lands belonging to the Jesuites. The great Consumption of it is between La Paz and Cuzco, where it is worth half as much more as the other, which is spent from Potosi to La Paz. There comes yearly from Paraguay into Peru above 50000 Arrovas, being 12000 Hundred Weight of both Sorts;

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whereof, at least, one Third is of the Camini, without reckoning 25000 Arrovas, of that of Palos for Chili. They pay for each Parcel, containing six or seven Arrovas, sour Royals for the Duty call'd Alcavala, being a Rate upon all Goods sold; which, with the Charge of Carriage, being above 600 Leagues, double the first Price, which is about two Pieces of Eight; so that at Potosi it comes to about sive Pieces of Eight the Arrova. The Carriage is commonly by Carts, which carry 150 Arrovas from Santa Fe to Jujuy, the last Town of the Province of Tucuman; and from thence to Potosi, which is 100 Leagues farther, it is carry'd on Mules.

I have elsewhere observ'd, that the Use of this Herb is necessary where there are Mines, and on the Mountains of Peru, where the Whites think the Use of Wine pernicious; they rather choose to drink Brandy, and leave the Wine to

the Indians and Blacks, which they like very well.

If the Spaniards are sober as to Wine, they are not very referv'd as to Continency. In Matters of Love they yield to no Nation: They freely facrifice most of what they have to that Passion; and tho' covetous enough upon all other Occasions, they are generous beyond Measure to Women. To add the Pleasure of Liberty to the rest, they feldom marry in the Face of the Church; but, to use their own Way of Expression, they all generally marry behind the Church, that is, they are all engaged in a decent Sort of Concubinage, which among them is nothing scandalous; so far from it, that it is a Disgrace not to keep a Mistris, upon Condition she be true to them; but they are as apt to observe that Fidelity, as Wives do to their Husbands in Europe. It is even frequent enough to see marry'd Men for lake their Wives to adhere to Mulatta's and Blacks, which often occasions Disorders in Families. Thus the two ancient Ways of Marrying still subsist in that Country; that of keeping a Mistris is very answerable to that which was call'd by Use, and there is some Remainder of the other in the Ceremony of Marriage. The Bridegroom puts into the Bride's Hand 13 Pieces of Money, which she

then drops into the Curate's Hand; so in the Marriage per Coemptionem, the Bride and Bridegroom gave one another a Piece of Money, which is call'd Convenire in manum.

The Priests and Friers, as I have faid before, make no Scruple of it; and the Publick is no farther scandalized, than as Jealousy concurrs, because they often keep their Mistrisses finer than others, by which the Mulatta Women are often known. Several Bishops, to put a Stop to that Abuse, every Year, at Easter, excommunicate all that are engaged to Concubines; but as the Evil is universal, and the Confessors are Parties concern'd, they are not severe in that Particular; whence it follows, that those People, who are otherwise easily frighted by the Church Thunderbolts, do not much fear these. The Friers evade those Strokes, on account that they, not being free, are not look'd upon as Concubinaries in the utmost Forms; and that, besides, they have not the Intention to be fo. A pleafant Solution, the Invention whereof must doubtless be assign'd to some cunning Cafuift, grounded on Justinian's Code, which declares Conventions invalid which are made among Persons that are not free, and on the wife Maxim expounded by those Casuists so much cry'd down in France, That the Intention regulates the Quality of the Action. In fine, this Custom is so fettled, so commodious, and so generally receiv'd, that I question whether it can be ever abolish'd. The Laws of the Kingdom feem to authorize it; for Bastards inherit almost like the lawfully begotten, when they are own'd by the Father; and there is no Difgrace inherent to that Birth, as is among us, where the Crime is wrongfully imputed to the innocent Person, wherein we should perhaps be more favourable, if every Man were well acquainted with his Original.

Women.

Tho' the Women are not thut up like the Spanish Women in Europe, yet it is not usual for them to go abroad by Day; but about Night Fall they have Liberty to make their Visits, for the most part where it is not expected; for the modestest in open Day are the boldest at Nights, their Faces being then cover'd with their Veils, so that they can-



A Espagnole constants de Su mantille avent le magneumattie Coment.

Bé autre, en lever bonde de dentalle.

C. Ocole du Peron en limbit de Limpore.

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A·Espagnole envelopée de Sa mantille aryant le visageamoitie Couvert B· autre en Revos borde de dentelles C· Creole du Perou en habit de Voyage

not be known, they perform the Part which the Men do Women, in France.

The Method they use at home, is to sit on Cushions along the Wall, with their Legs a-cross on an Estrado, or Part of the Room raised a Step above the rest, with a Carpet on it, after the Turkish Fashion. They spend almost whole Days in this Manner, without altering their Posture, See Plate even to eat; for they are serv'd apart, on little Chests, XXIX. which they always have before them to put up the Work they do: This makes them have a heavy Gate, without the

Grace of our French Women.

That which they call Estrado, as was hinted above, is, as used in Spain, all one End or Side of a Visiting-Room, rais'd six or seven Inches above the Floor, of the Breadth of sive or six Foot. The Men, on the contrary, sit on Chairs, and only some very great Familiarity admits them to the Estrado. In other respects, the Women there have as much Liberty at home as in France; they there receive Company with a very good Grace, and take Pleasure to entertain their Guests with playing on the Harp, or the Guitarre, to which they sing; and if they are desired to dance, they do it with much Complaisance and Politeness.

Their Manner of Dancing is almost quite different from Dancing, ours, where we value the Motion of the Arms, and sometimes that of the Head. In most of their Dances, their Arms hang down, or else are wrapp'd up in a Cloak they wear; so that nothing is seen but the Bending of the Body, and the Activity of the Feet. They have many Figure Dances, in which they lay by their Cloaks, or Mantles; but the Graces they add are rather Actions than Gestures.

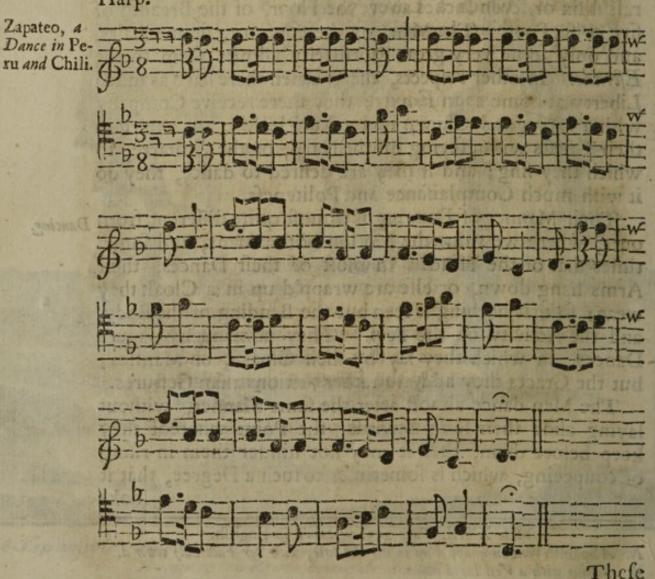
The Men dance almost after the same Manner, without laying aside their long Swords, the Point whereof they keep before them, that it may not hinder them in rising or coupeeing, which is sometimes to such a Degree, that it looks

A. A Spanish Woman wrapp'd up in her Mantle, with her Face half cover'd.

B. Another with a Veil laced about.

C. A Creolian, or Mongrel of Peru, in a Traveling Habit.

looks like kneeling. I could wish I had been skill'd in Choregraphy, to represent some of their Dances. I will, nevertheless, here insert the Tune of one of those that are common with them, as the Minuet is in France; they call it Zapateo, because, in Dancing, they alternatively strike with the Heel and the Toes, taking some Steps, and coupeeing, without moving far from one Place. By this Piece of Musick may be discern'd what a barren Taste they have in touching the Harp, the Guitarre, and the Bandola, which are almost the only Instruments used in that Country. The two last are of the Species of Guitarres, but the Bandola has a much sharper and louder Sound. It is to be observ'd, that the Bass is made in France, to the Humour of the Harp.



These agreeable Accomplishments, which Spanish Women have from their Education, are the more moving, because they are generally attended with a graceful Air: They are for the most part sprightly enough; their Complexion is good, but not lasting, by reason of their using so much Sublimate, which is contrary to what Oexmelian fays in his History of the Buccaniers; Sublimate, says he, is also form'd, or metamorphos'd, tho not used in America, because the Women there do not paint: They have sparkling Eyes, their Discourse pleasant, approving of a free Gallantry, to which they answer wittily, and often with such a Turn as has a Taste of Libertinism, according to our Customs. Proposals, which a Lover would not dare to make in France, without incurring the Indignation of a modest Woman, are so far from scandalizing, that they are pleas'd with them, tho' they be, at the same time, far from consenting; being persuaded that it is the greatest Token of Love that can be shewn them, they return Thanks as for an Honour done them, instead of taking Offence as of an ill Opinion conceiv'd of their Vertue. By these simple and natural Ways we perceive the secret Pleasure and Satisfaction we receive when we find ourselves courted. This Effect of Self-love, which is the Source of reciprocal Affection, is afterwards the Occasion of Disorder, when Decency and Religion do not put a Stop to it; but, without regarding effential Duties, humane Prudence alone ought to suffice to hinder a Man of Sense from being taken in the Snares of the Coquets of that Country; for their obliging Behaviour is generally the Effect of their Avarice, rather than a Token of their Inclination. They are perfectly skill'd in the Art of imposing on the Frailty a Man shews for them, and engaging him in continual Expences, without Discretion; they seem to take a Pride in ruining many Lovers, as a Warrior does in having vanquish'd many Enemies. And I found more bitter than Death, the Woman whose Heart is Snares and Nets, and her Hands as Bands; whoso pleaseth God, shall escape from her, but

the Sinner shall be taken by her, Eccles. vii. 26. That Misfortune is not the only Punishment of those who suffer themselves to be taken; they there often lose the inestimable Treasure of Health, which they seldom recover, not only because in those temperate Climates they make little Account of the Venereal Diseases, notwithstanding which they attain to the longest old Age, but also because the Scarcity of Physicians, who are only to be found in three or four great Cities, does not afford them the Opportunity of being cured. Some Women only patch up their Distempers with Sarzaparilla, Ptisans of Mallows, and other Herbs of the Country, and especially the Use of Cauteries, which are look'd upon as Specificks, and whereof both Sexes alike make Provision, which the Women so little endeavour to conceal, that, in their ferious Visits, they enquire after their Issues, and dress them for one another; fo that we may apply to them that Text of Scripture, James v. 2, 3. Your Riches are corrupted, --- your Gold and Silver is canker'd, and the Rust of them --- Shall eat your Flesh as it were Fire, for they ruin themselves in debauching with the Women; and they themselves observe, that whether it is that God punishes them for those criminal Expences, or, as others think, that the Estates they have are unjustly usurp'd from the Indians, they are scarce ever feen to descend to the third Generation. What the Father rakes together with much Trouble, and often with much Injustice in the Administration of Governments, the Sons do not fail to squander; so that the Grandsons of the greatest Men are often the poorest. They are themselves so far convinced of this Truth, that it is become a Proverb in Spain, where they say, No se logra mas que bazienda de las Indias: It thrives no better than an Indian Estate.

The Women, as I have said, are the principal Cause; Vanity and Sensuality render them insatiable as to Ornaments and good Feeding. Tho' the Make of their Habit be of itself plain enough, and not very susceptible of Changes in Fashions, they love to be richly dress'd, what-soever

Habit.

foever it costs, even in the most private Places: Even their very Smocks, and Fustian Wastecoats they wear over them. are full of Lace; and their Prodigality extends to put it upon Socks and Sheets. The upper Petticoat they commonly wear, call'd Faldellin, is open before, and has three Rows of Lace, the Middlemost of Gold and Silver, extraordinary wide, few'd on Silk Galoons, which terminate at the Edges. The Women, in the Days of K. Henry IV. also wore open Petticoats in France, which lapp'd over before: Their upper Wastecoat, which they call Jubon, is either of rich Cloth of Gold, or, in hot Weather, of fine Linnen, cover'd with abundance of Lace, confusedly put on; the Sleeves are large, and have a Pouch hanging down to the Knees, like those of the Minims; they are sometimes open like long Engageants, almost like those that were also worn in the Days of King Henry IV. But in Chili they begin to put down the Pouch, and cut them more even, after the Manner of Boots. If they have a little Apron, it is made of two or three Strips of Silk flower'd with Gold or Silver, few'd together with Laces. In the cold Countries they are always wrapp'd up in a Mantle, being no other than a milhapen Piece of Bays, one Third longer than it is See Plate broad, one Point whereof hangs upon their Heels. The XXIX. best are of rich Stuffs, cover'd with four or five Rows of broad Lace, and extraordinary fine. In other respects, their formal Dress is the same as that of the Spanish Women in Europe, viz. the Black Taffety Veil, which covers them from the Head to the Feet. They use that they call Mantilla for an Undress, to appear the more modest; and it is a Sort of Cloak, or Mantle, round at the Bottom, of a dark Colour, edg'd with Black Taffety. Their Dress in the Black Taffety Veil, a wide upper Petticoat, of a Musk Colour, with little Flowers, under which is another close Coat of colour'd Silk, call'd Pollera. In this Dress they go to the Churches, walking gravely, their Faces fo veil'd, that generally only one Eye is to be feen. By this Outside a Man would take them for Vestal Virgins, but would L 1 2

would be commonly very much deceiv'd, like those Courtisans in Terence, Eun. 5. Sc. 4.

Oue dum foris sunt nibil videtur mundius, Nec magis compositum quidquam, nec magis elegans, &c.

Who whilst they are Abroad nothing appears more clean, nothing more composed, or more neat. They have no Ornament on the Head, their Hair hangs behind in Treffes; fometimes they tye Ribbons about their Head with Gold or Silver, which in Peru they call Valaca, in Chili Hague; when the Ribbon is broad, adorn'd with Lace, and goes twice about the Forehead, it is call'd Vincha. The Breasts and Shoulders are half naked, unless they wear a large Handkerchief, which hangs down behind to the Mid-Leg, and in Peru serves instead of a little Cloak, or Mantle call'd Gregorillo: They commit not any Offence against Modesty, when they shew their Breasts, which the Spamiards look upon with Indifference, but out of a ridiculous Extravagancy they are much in Love with little Feet, of which they take great Notice; and therefore they take extraordinary care to hide them, fo that it is a Favour to shew them, which they do with Dexterity.

I do not speak of extraordinary Ornaments of Pearls and Jewels; there must be many Pendants, Bracelets, Necklaces and Rings, to reach the Height of the Fashion, which is much the same as the ancient Mode of France.

Mens Habit. As for the Men, they are now clad after the French Fashion, but for the most part in Silk Cloaths, with an extravagant Mixture of light Colours. Out of a fort of Vanity peculiar to their Nation, they will not own that they have borrow'd that Mode from us, tho' it has not been used among them any longer than fince the Reign of King Philip V. They rather choose to call it a Warlike Habit.

Gown-Men.

The Gown Men wear the Golilla, being a little Band, not hanging, but sticking out forward under the Chin,

and a Sword as they do in Spain, excepting the Judges and Presidents.

The Traveling Habit in Peru is a Coat slash'd on both Sides under the Arms, and the Sleeves open above and below, with Button-Holes; it is call'd Capotillo de dos

faldas.

The Dwellings of the Spaniards in Peru, are no way Houses. answerable to the Magnificence of their Garb. Without Lima, in which Place the Buildings are handsome enough, nothing is poorer than the Houses; they consist in only a Ground Floor, 14 or 15 Foot high. The Contrivance of the stateliest of them, is to have a Court at the Entrance, adorn'd with Porticos of Timber Work, the Length of the Building which is always fingle in Chili, because of the Largeness the Top would require; but on the Coast of Peru, they make them as deep as they please, because when they cannot have Lights from the Walls, they make them in the Roof, there being no Rain to apprehend. The first Room is a large Hall, about 19 Foot Broad, and between 30 and 40 in Length, which leads into two other Chambers one within another. The first is that where the Estrado is to receive Company, and the Bed in a Nook, in the Nature of an Alcove, spacious within, and whose chief Conveniency is, a false Door, to receive or dismiss Company, without being perceiv'd coming in, tho' upon Surprize. There are few of those Beds in the Houses, because the Servants lie on Sheep-Skins upon the Ground.

The Height and Largeness of the Rooms would never-Eurnitures: theless give them some Air of Grandeur, did they know how to make their Lights regularly; but they make so sew Windows, that they have always a Dusk and Melancholy Air, and having no Use of Glass, they are letticed with Grates of turn'd Wood, which still lessens the Light. The Houshold Stuff does not make amends for the ill Contrivance of the Building, only the Estrado is cover'd with Carpets, and Velvet Cushions for the Women to sit on. The Chairs for the Men are cover'd with Leather,

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bundance of scurvy Pictures made by the Indians of Cuzco. In fine, there are neither Boarded nor Stone Floors, which makes the Houses damp, especially in Chili, where it rains much in Winter.

The common Materials for private Buildings are those they call Adobes, that is, large Bricks, about two Foot long, one in breadth, and 4 Inches thick, in Chili, and somewhat smaller in Peru, because it never rains there; or elfe the Walls are of Clay ramm'd between two Planks. which they call Tapias. That manner of Building was used among the Romans, as may be seen in Vitruvius; it is not expensive, because the Soil is every where fit for making of those Bricks, and yet it lasts Ages, as appears by the Remains of Structures and Forts, built by the Indians, which have flood at least 200 Years. It is true, it is not fo in regard to Rain, for they are obliged to cover them in Winter, on the North-side with Thatch, or Planks. Thus they preserve them in Chili. The publick Structures are for the most part made of burnt Bricks, and Stone, At La Conception they have a greenish fort of a soft Nature; at Santiago they have a Stone of a good Grain, dug half a League North-West from the City; at Coquimbo they have a white Stone as light as a Pumice Stone; at Callao and Lima they have a Stone of good Grain brought 12 Leagues by Land, full of Saltpetre, which makes it moulder, tho' otherwise very hard; the Mole of the Port made in 1694, is built with it. There are in the Mountains Quarries of the fine Lime-Stone, whereof Plaister of Paris is made; they only use it to make Soap, and to stop Earthen Vessels. All their Lime is made of Shells, whence it is that the fame is only fit to whiten the Walls.

Architecture. As for their Taste in Architecture, it must be own'd that the Churches in Lima are well built, as to the Case only, which is well proportion'd, lined with Pilasters, adorn'd with Mouldings, and without carv'd Capitals, over which are beautiful Cornishes, and fine Vaults sull

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Altars all are confused, crowded and bad, so that a Man cannot but lament the immense Sums they spend on those gilt Disorders.

Of the INDIANS of PERU.

Having spoken of the Creolian Spaniards of Peru, it will be proper here to say something of the Natives of the Country, distinguish'd by the Name of Indians, whose Customs are very distinct from those of Chili, of whom we discours'd before; what they have in common with them, is, that they are no less Drunkards and addicted to Women, and that they are as little covetous of Wealth; but they are quite different from them in relation to Bravery and Boldness; they are Fearful and Heartless, and in other respects Malicious, Dissemblers and Designing. They have a Genius for Arts, and are good at imitating what they

fee, but very poor at Invention.

The Christian Religion, which they have been oblig'd to embrace, has not yet taken deep Root in the Hearts of most of them, they retain a great Inclination towards their ancient Idolatry; some are often discover'd, who still adore the Deity of their Forefathers; I mean the Sun. However they are naturally docible and capable of receiving good Impressions as to Manners and Religion, if they had good Examples before their Eyes; but being ill instructed, and on the other hand seeing that those who teach them, by their Actions give the Lye to what their Mouths utter, they know not what to believe. In short, when they are forbid having to do with Women, and see the Curate has two or three, they must deduce this natural Consequence, that either he does not believe what he says, or that it is a matter of small Consequence to transgress the Law.

Besides, the Curate is to them, not a Pastor to take Care of, and endeavour to ease them; but a Tyrant, who goes Hand in Hand with the Spanish Governors, to squeeze and draw from them all he is able; who makes them work for him, without any Reward for their Pains; but instead

of it, upon the least Disgust endgels them severely. There are certain Days in the Week, on which the Indians, pursuant to an Ordinance of the King of Spain, are obliged to come to be catechized; if they happen to come somewhat late, the Curate's brotherly Correction is a good Thrashing bestow'd without Ceremony, even in the Church; so that to gain the Curate's Favour, every one of them brings his Present, either of Maiz, that is Indian Wheat, for his Mules, or of Fruit, Grain or Wood for his House.

If they are to bury the Dead, or administer the Sacraments, they have several Methods to enhance their Dues, as making of Stations, or certain Ceremonies, to which they affix a certain Price. They have even preserv'd the Remains of the ancient Idolatry; such is their Custom of carrying Meat and Drink to the Graves of the Dead; so that their Superstition has only changed its Aspect, by becoming a Ceremony advantageous to the Curates.

If the Friers go into the Country, a questing for their Monastery, they do it like the Strollers of an Army; they first take Possession of what is for their turn, and if the Indian Owner will not freely part with that extorted Alms, they change their Form of Intreaty into Reproaches, attended with Blows, to oblige the Indian to part with it.

The Jesuites in their Missions behave themselves more discreetly and dexterously; they have sound the Art of gaining the Ascendant over the Indians, and by their obliging Behaviour, have the Method of Subjecting them so entirely, that they do what they will with them; and as they give a good Example, those People are fond of the Yoak, and many of them become Christians. Those Missioners would be really praise-worthy, were they not accused of labouring only for their own Advantage, as they have done near La Paz, among the Yongos, and the Moxos, among whom they convert some to the Faith, and make many Subjects to the Society; so that they permit no other Spaniard to be among them, as they have done in Paraguay; but their Reasons may be seen in the 8th Volume of the Lettres edistantes & curienses.

As it has been found by long Experience, that the \* Commerce of the Spaniards is very prejudicial to the Indians, either in regard that they treat them very fee verely, putting them to hard Labour, or that they scandalize them by their licentious and disorderly Life; a Decree has been obtain'd from his Catholick Majesty, forbidding all Spaniards to enter that Mission of the Moxos, or to have any Communication with the Indians it is composed of; so that, if through Necessity, or by Accident, any Spaniard comes into that Country, the Father " Missioners, after having charitably received him, and exercised the Rights of Christian Hospitality, send him afterwards into the Countries belonging to the Spaniards. This is a specious Pretence; but the Example of Paraguay feems to discover another End; for it is known that the faid Society have made themselves Masters of a great Kingdom, lying between Brazil and the River of Plate. where they have fettled so good a Government, that the Spaniards have never been able to penetrate into it, tho? the Governors of Buenos Ayres have made several Attempts. by Order of the Court of Spain. In short, besides their good Discipline, they have got among them Europeans tomake Arms, and all other Trades necessary in a Commonwealth, who have taught others of the Natives. They breed up the Youth as is done in Europe, teaching them Latin, Musick, Dancing, and other proper Exercises, as I have been told from good Hands. I do not descend to the Particulars of that Government, of which I can only fpeak by Hear-fay, and must avoid deviating from my Subject.

The Curates are but one half of the Misfortune of the Indians of Peru, the Corregidores or Governors treat them in the harshest manner, as they have always done, notwithstanding the Prohibitions of the King of Spain. Herrera, An. 1551, fays, The King commanded, that no Vicedians, without paying them their Wages. The same Author again,

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again, Dec. 4. lib. 4. And that no Man passing through Indian Dwellings, or Towns, should receive Provisions from them, unless freely given, or paying the Value thereof. Nevertheless they oblige the Indians to work for them, and ferve them in the Trade they drive, without giving them any thing, not even a Subfiftence; thus they cause prodigious Numbers of Mules to be brought from Tucuman and Chili, which they do fo arrogate to themselves the Right of felling, that no Man dares procure them any other way, tho' they fell them at an excessive Rate to the Indians of their Precinct, whom they force to buy their own Labour. The Authority the King allows them, that they only may fell fuch European Commodities as the Indians have occasion for, within their own Jurisdiction, supplies them with another Means of being Vexatious; thus, when they have not ready Money, they get Goods of their Friends upon Trust, which are fold to them at three times their real Value; for this Reason, that in Case of Death, they run a Hazard of losing the Debt, as happens almost Daily in that Country. It is easy to judge how much they afterwards raife them upon the Indians; and because they are by Way of Lots, or Species, the poor Indian must take a Piece of Cloth, or such other Commodity as he has no Occasion for; for by fair or foul Means he must buy what is allotted him.

The Governors are not the only Persons that take upon them to pillage the Indians; the Merchants and other Spaniards who travel, boldly take from them, and generally without paying for it, whatsoever they have Occasion for, without the Owners daring to speak one Word, unless he will run the Hazard of being pay'd in Blows; this is an ancient Custom, which is never the less used for having been prohibited, as has been said above; so that in many Places, those People being worn out with so many Vexations, keep nothing in their Houses, not even to eat; they sow no more Maiz, or Indian Corn, than is requisite for their Family, and hide in some Caves the Quantity they know by Ex-

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perience they have occasion for throughout the Year. They divide it into 52 Parts, for every Week in the Year, and the Father and Mother, who alone know the Secret, go every Week to bring out a Week's Allowance. There is no doubt but these People, being drove to despair by the Hardness of the Spanish Domination, only wish for an Opportunity to shake it off. Do not imagine, said the Scythians to Alexander the Great, that those you conquer can love you; there is never any Affection between the Master and the Slave, the Right of making War ever continues in the midst of Peace. Nay, from Time to Time they make some Attempts at Cufco, where they are the main Part of the City, but it being expresly forbidden them to carry Arms, without a particular Licence, and being besides nothing courageous, the Spaniards know how to appeale them with Threats, and to amuse them with fair Promises. Herrera, to this Purpose, Ann. 1551. says thus, It was ordain'd that no Indian should wear Arms, and that if any prime Man wore them, it (bould be with Leave; and this was understood of Sword and Dagger; because being much addicted to Drunkenness, many were kill'd and wounded, without any Check, to their own great Detriment.

Besides, the Spanish Party is somewhat reinsorced, by the great Number of Black Slaves they yearly have brought them from Guinea and Angola, by the way of Portobelo and Panama, where are the Factories of the Contractors. The Reason is, that not being permitted to keep the Indians as Slaves, they have less Regard for them than for the Blacks, who cost them much Money, and whose Number is the greatest Part of their Wealth and Grandeur. Those Blacks being sensible of the Affection of their Masters, imitate their Behaviour in respect of the Indians, and take upon them an Ascendant over them, which occasions an implacable Hatred betwixt the two Nations. The Laws of the Kingdom have also provided, that there should be no Alliances between them, for the Black Men and Women are expressly forbid having any Carnal Communication with

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Males to have their Genitals cut off, and the Females to be feverely bastinado'd; thus the Black Slaves, who in other Colonies are Enemies to the Whites, here take Part with their Masters: However, they are not permitted to wear any Weapons; because they might make an ill Use there-

of, as has been sometimes seen.

The implacable Hatred this barbarous Behaviour has drawn upon the Spaniards from the Indians, is the Reason why the hidden Treasures and the rich Mines, the Knowledge whereof they communicate to one another, remain unknown and useless to both of them; for the Indians use them not for themselves, being satisfy'd to live poorly by their Labour, and in extreme Mifery. The Spaniards fancy they enchant them, and tell several Tales of surprizing Deaths befallen those who would have discover'd some of them; as that they had been on a sudden found dead and strangled, to have been lost in Fogs, and taken away in Thunder and Lightning; but no great Account is to be made of the Wonders they tell, for in Point of Credulity they are meer Children. It is certain, that the Indians know feveral rich Mines which they will not discover, for fear of being made to work in them, and to the end the Spaniards may not make their Advantage of them. This has appear'd feveral times, but more particularly in the famous Mine of Salcedo, a quarter of a League from Puno, on the Mountain of Hijacota, where they cut the Massy Silver in a Body, with Chisels; for it was discover'd to him by an Indian Mistris, who was desperately in love with him. The Malice and the Avarice of the Spaniards have produced Accusations against Salcedo, which caus'd him to be condemn'd to Death, upon a false Suspicion of revolting, because he grew too great, which occasion'd Civil Wars, about 50 Years since, about inheriting his immense Treasures; but during those Debates, the Mine was so fill'd with Water, that it could never since be drain'd, which the Spaniards look upon as a Judgment from from Heaven. The King of Spain having been convinced of Salcedo's Innocence, restored the Mine to his Son, with

fome Employments.

It is not to be thought strange, that the Indians should be so exact in keeping the Secret as to the Mines they know, since they are at the Trouble of setching out the Ore, and have no Advantage by it. It must be own'd, that they alone are sit for that Work, where the Blacks cannot be

employ'd, because they all die.

These are robust, and infinitely more hardy for Labour, than the Spaniards, who look upon Bodily Labour as scandalous to a White Man. To be a Man of a white Face, is a Dignity which exempts Europeans from working; but, on the other hand, they may, without any Disgrace, be Pedlars, and carry Packs in the Streets. The Author of Bleau's Geography was mistaken, when he said, Vol. X. that the Spaniards in the Mines must make use of African Blacks, or other Slaves, from the East-Indies, which they carry thither. Nothing is more remote from Truth, than this Trade of Slaves from the East-Indies.

It is pretended, that the Use of the Coca, that Herb so Coca Herb. famous in the Histories of Peru, adds much to the Strength of the Indians. Others affirm, that they use Charms; when, for Instance, the Mine of Ore is too hard, they throw upon it a Handful of that Herb chew'd, and immediately get out the faid Ore with more Ease, and in a greater Quantity. Fishermen also put some of that Herb chew'd to their Hook when they can take no Fish, and they are said to have better Success thereupon. In short, they apply it to so many several Uses, most of them bad, that the Spaniards generally believe it has none of those Effects, but by vertue of a Compact the Indians have with the Devil. For this Reason, the Use of it is prohibited in the Northern Part of Peru; and in the South it is allow'd in regard to those who work in the Mines, and cannot subsist without it. Those pretended Charms, or perhaps, with more Reason, the Vertue of that Leaf, are the Cause why the Inquilition

Inquisition punishes those who transgress against the Prohibition.

This Leaf is a little smoother, and less nervous, than that of the Pear-Tree; but in other respects very like it. Others compare it to that of the Strawberry, but much thinner; the Shrub that bears it, does not grow above four or five Foot high: The greatest Quantity of it grows 30 Leagues from Cicacica, among the Yunnas, on the Frontiers of the Yunghos: The Taste of it is so harsh, that it seas the Tongues of such as are not used to it, occasions the fpitting of a loathsome Froth, and makes the Indians, who chew it continually, stink abominably. It is said to supply the Want of Food, and that by the Help of it a Man may live several Days without eating, and not be fensibly weakned. Nevertheless, they are slothful and lazy at their Work, perhaps because that Herb, taking away their Stomach, they do not receive other Nourishment sufficient: It is thought to fasten the Teeth, and to ease their Distempers. Others say it is good for Sores. Be that as it will. it serves the Indians no otherwise than Tobacco does such as are used to chew it without swallowing.

Habit of Peru.

See Plate XXXI.

The Habit of the Natives of Peru differs little from that of the Chilinians, bating that the Women wear more than the others, a Piece of the Country Cloth of several lively Colours, which they sometimes fold on their Heads, and fometimes on their Shoulders, like an Amice; but along the Coast generally on their Arms, as the Canons carry their Aumusses. The Men, instead of the Poncho before described, have a Surtout, made like a Sack, the Sleeves whereof come not down to the Elbow: Those have been added but of late. Formerly there were only Holes to put the Arms through, as may be feen in a Figure of the ancient Ingas, which I drew after a Picture painted by the Indians of Cusco. This was the first of a Succession of 12 others as big as the Life, representing the 12 Emperors they had fince Manco Capac reduced into one Kingdom all Taguantin Suyu, so Peru was call'd before the Conquest

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A Incas, ou Roy du Perou. B Coia ou Reine . ces deux figures onteté dessinices

dâpres un tableau fait par les jndiens du Cusco C jndien du Perou D jndienne portant la mantilla E leurs maisons — F moitie du plan de la Bicharra ou sourneau abruler de lherbe Icho G profil de Bicharra H différentes formes de vases trouvés dans les tombeaux des anciens jndiens

See Flate

by the Spaniards, and gave them Laws, establishing among them the Adoration of the Sun, whom he made his Father. Whereupon I will here make a Remark, which is, that the Tradition of the Indians does not agree with what Garcilasso de la Vega has writ. According to his History, and that of Montalvo, only eight Ingas ought to be reckon'd; and, according to the Tradition of the Pictures, they reckon twelve; whose Names I here subjoin, with those of their Wives.

Names of the Ingas.

Manco Capac.

2. Sinchi Roca,

3. Llogue Yupangui.

4. Maita Capac.

5. Capac Yupangui.

- 6. Inga Roca.

7. Yavarvac.

8. Viracocha Inga.

9. Pachacuti.

10. Inga Yupangui.

11. Tupac Inga Yupangui. Mama Oello.

12. Guaina Capac.

Names of their Wives.

Mama Oella Vaco.

Cora.

Anavarqui.

Yachi.

Clava.

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Chicia.

Runtu.

Anavarqui.

Chinipa Oello.

Coia Pilico Vaco.

The Names of the Ingas according to the Historians.

1. Mango Capac.

2. Inga Roca.

3. Yaguarguaque.

4. Vira Cocha.

5. Pachacuti Inga Yupangui.

6. Topa Inga Yupangui.

7. Guaina Capac.

8. Guascar y Atahualpa.

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Plate XXXI. Page 271. explain'd in English.

A. An Inga, or Sovereign of Peru.

B. The Coia, or Queen: These two Figures were taken from a Picture drawn by the Indians of Cusco.

C. A Native of Peru.

D. An Indian Woman wearing a Mantle.

E. Their Houses.

F. Half the Plan of the Bicharra, or Furnace for burning the Plant call'd Icho.

G. The Profile of the same.

H. Several Sorts of Vessels found in the Tombs of the ancient Indians.

See Plate XXXI. The Ensign of Royalty was a Tossel, or Piece of Fringe, of red Wool, hanging on the Middle of their Forehead. On the Day of putting that on, there was great Rejoicing among them, as it is with us in Europe at the Coronation of Kings, and many Sacrifices were offer'd, an infinite Number of Vessels of Gold and Silver being then expos'd to publick View, with little Figures of Flowers, and several Creatures, especially of those Sheep of the Country before spoken of. There are still some found in the Huacas, or Tombs, which now and then are accidentally discover'd.

Race of Ingas.

Notwithstanding the Wars and the Destruction of the Indians, there is still a Family of the Race of the Ingas living at Lima, whose Chief, call'd Ampuero, is acknowledg'd by the King of Spain as a Descendent of the Emperors of Peru: As fuch, his Catholick Majesty gives him the Title of Cousin, and orders the Viceroy, at his entring into Lima, to pay him a Sort of publick Homage. Ampuero fits. in a Balcony, under a Canopy, with his Wife; and the Viceroy, mounted on a Horse managed for that Ceremony, causes him to bow his Knees three times, as paying him Obeysance so often. Thus, at every Change of a Viceroy, they still, in Show, honour the Memory of the Sovereignty of that Emperor, whom they have unjustly deprived of his Dominions; and that of the Memory of the Death of Atabualpa, whom Francis Pizarro caused to be cruelly murder'd, as is well known. The Indians have not forgot him: The Love they bore their native Kings makes them still sigh for those Times, of which they know nothing, but what they have been told by their Ancestors. In most of the great Towns up the Country, they revive the Memory of that Death by a Sort of Tragedy they act in the Streets on the Day of the Nativity of the Virgin. They cloathe themselves after the ancient Manner, and still carry the Images of the Sun their Deity, of the Moon, and of the other Symbols of their Idolatry; as for instance, Caps in the Shape of the Heads of Eagles, or the Birds

they call Condors, or Garments of Feathers with Wings, fo well fitted, that at a Distance they look like Birds. On those Days they drink much, and have in a manner all Sorts of Liberty. Being very dextrous at throwing Stones, either with their Hands, or Slings, Wo be to them that light of their Strokes on those Festivals, and during their Drunkenness; the Spaniards, so much dreaded among them, are not then safe: The Discreetest of them shut themselves up in their Houses, because the Conclusion of those Festivals is always fatal to some of them. Endeavours are constantly used to suppress those Festivals; and they have of late Years debarr'd them the Use of the Stage, on which

they represented the Death of the Inga.

The Manner of the Indians Dwellings in the Mountain Indian Country is singular. They build their Houses round, like Houses. a Cone, or rather like our Glass-Houses, with such a low Door, that there is no going in at it, without bowing quite down, for the more Warmth. Wood being very scarce there, they burn nothing but the Dung of Mules, Guanacos and Llamas, when their Flocks are fufficient to furnish them: It is easily gather'd, because those Creatures, by natural Instinct, go all to empty themselves in one Place, near that where they graze. For want of this Dung, they burn Icho, above spoken of; but that Plant not being lasting, they have Earthen Furnaces, call'd Bicharras, so contrived, that putting in some Handfuls now and then, they make seve- See Fig. G.B. ral Pots boil at once, as may be feen by the Plans and in Plate Profile I here give, after the Manner of the Province of Tarama; where it appears, that when they would have only the third boil, they must fill the first and second with Water, to the end that the Flame, finding the nearest Pasfages stopp'd, may be forced to extend to the third Pot.

They generally use Earthen Ware, according to their Earthen ancient Custom, as appears by that which is found in the Ware. Tombs of the Ancients. I lighted on several of their Vesfels, which may be feen in Plate XXXI. and among them one that is in the Collection of Rarities of Monsieur de la NB Falaife,

Falaise, Chaplain of S. Malo, who has gather'd all the Earthen and Silver Vessels, Indian Pictures, and other Curiofities he could, of that Country, where he has been That Vessel consists of two Bottles join'd together, each about fix Inches high, having a Hole of Communication at the Bottom: The one of them is open, and the other has on its Orifice a little Animal, like a Monkey, eating a Cod of some Sort; under which is a Hole, which makes a whistling when Water is pour'd out at the Mouth of the other Bottle, or when that within it is but shaken, because the Air, being press'd along the Surface of both Bottles, is forced out at that little Hole in a violent Manner; whence I have concluded, that it might be one of their Instruments, fince the Smalness and Shape of that Vessel did not make it commodious, or large enough to contain Liquors to drink. That Animal may be a Sort of Monkey they call Corachupa, whose Tail is naked, the Teeth all of a Piece, without any Division, and two Skins covering its Stomach and Belly, like a Vest, into which they put their young when they run away. There are none of them at the Coast; they are common along the River Mississipi, where they are call'd Wild Rats.

Inhabitants.

The Number of the Inhabitants of that great Empire of Peru, which Historians represent by Millions, is considerably diminish'd since the Conquest by the Spaniards: The Work at the Mines has contributed much towards it, especially those of Guancavelica, because, when they have been there a while, the Quicksilver does so penetrate into them, that most of them have a Quaking, and die stupid.

The Cruelties of the Corregidores and Curates have also obliged many to go and join the Neighbouring Indian Nations that are not conquer'd, not being any longer able to

endure the Tyrannical Dominion of the Spaniards.

Removal

## Removal to another Ship.

foon as possible, because the Time of my Leave drew near to an End, I contrived to get aboard the Ship that was to sail first, which was the Mary Anne of Marseilles, before spoken of, commanded by Monsieur Pisson, of the State of Savoy, who was willing to take me aboard, and of whom I received so many Civilities, during the Voyage, that I can never sufficiently commend that gallant Man, as well as Monsieur Roux, the Merchant of the same Ship.

## Departure from Callao.

Day, being the 10th, about Noon we sail'd for La Conception, to take in the necessary Provisions and Stores for our Voyage, because they are there better and cheaper than at Callao.

The 14th of the same Month one of our Sailors died of an Impostume in his Stomach, which choak'd him. The 15th, after having sail'd four Days without an Observation, we found ourselves One, and according to some, Two Degrees farther to the Southward, than our Reckoning, in about 17; whence we concluded, that it was the Effect of the Currents. The three Ships which came out after us, sound much about the same Error.

The Reason of these Currents is easily conceived, when Why Currents a Man is informed, that along the Coast of Peru the Sea out at Sea are always sets to the Northward; that continual Flux the contrary to same Way cannot be supported but by an Eddy Motion; coast the Waters therefore out at Sea must needs flow to the South, to succeed those that run along the Coast to the North. Zarate, in his History of the Conquest of Peru, ascribes that Current Northward to the S. W. Winds, which prevail along the Coast all the Year; and he adds,

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that the Waters of the North Sea passing through the Streights of Magellan in a violent Manner, drive those of the Coast of Peru to the Northward, following the Bearing of the same. This last Argument, form'd at a Time when it had not been yet discover'd that there was a larger Pasfage beyond Tierra del Fuego, might have had some Resemblance of Truth, if the same Current had been obferv'd along the South Part of Chili; but Time, which difcovers all Things, has shewn, that instead of the North-Sea's running into the South Sea, there is Reason to believe that the South Sea runs into the North Sea, fince at Cape Horn the Currents generally fet East, which several Ships have evidently perceiv'd, not only by their Reck'ning and by the Charts, on which there is no relying, but upon Sight of Land, according to the best Journals.

The common Winds, which prevail from E.S.E. to S. E. attended us to 37 Degrees of Latitude, blowing fresh, and obliged us to run upon a Stretch 200 Leagues out to Sea, and then they fell to South, S.S.W. and W.S.W. Making towards the Land in that Latitude, we perceiv'd an Alteration in the Waters, being still above 60 Leagues out at Sea. The Observation is generally made in those

Parts, even at 80 Leagues Distance from the Land.

The Regularity of the Winds at E. S. E. and S. E. and the Breezes at S. W. along the Coast of Peru, made the Navigation fo tedious, before the Method was found of running out to Sea, that Ships were fix or feven Months failing from Lima to La Conception, because they only advanced by the Help of some small Northern Blasts and the Land-Breezes, during the Night, and some Part of the Morning, This shews, that the Want of understanding Natural Philosophy among Sailors, is a greater Evil than is imagined; for, in short, I fancy that this Discovery, which is owing only to Chance, may be made by downright Reafoning.

Whythe Winds The continual Flux of Air being from the East in the are opposite be- Torrid Zone at Sea, and not on the Land, where those Torrid Zone. Winds are not regular, must be made good by another Air

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rid Zone, the Flux of the Air must be quite contrary: Therefore, about the Tropicks the Winds must be much upon the West and South, as we draw near the Land, which lies almost North and South from the Streights of Magellan to Arica, in about 18 Degrees of South Latitude.

The Winds blowing always from the East in the great Why the Ocean, along the Torrid Zone, is a Consequence of the Wind is aldaily Motion of the Earth from West to East, because that in the Torrid Zone containing the greatest Circles of the Sphere, is hur-Zone. ry'd away with more Rapidity, than the others which are nearer the Poles; and the Land having a grosser Bulk, it is also swifter than the Atmosphere of the Air which encompasses it: We must therefore consider the Resistance, Why those as if the Air slow'd on an immoveable Body; and this Winds are reasoned in the Wind makes on the Sea, and not on the and not on Land, because the Inequality of the Surface, mix'd with the Land. Cavities shut up between Mountains, carries off the lower Part which we breathe.

Experience proves all the Circumstances of this Argument, because, as the South-Sea is the vastest, so there those Winds are most regular. In running from the Coast of Peru to China, the Winds are always East. In the Indian Sea they are the same, having on each Side opposite Winds, that is West Winds inclining more or less to the North or South, according as the Disposition of the Lands drives them back, and according to the Season; a Particularity, which it is needless to relate in this Place.

In short, it is also evident, that between the opposite Winds there must be Calms and Irregularities, occasion'd by the Eddies of the Air, which jostle one another, which we also had Experience of in 30 Degrees of South Latitude.

After a short Calm, we made Land at the Point of Lavapie precisely, and exactly according to my Reck'ning, making use of the Manuscript Chart I have spoken of, without without regarding its Longitude, but only the Difference of the Meridian of Lima, transporting in like manner all the Coast to the Westward, according to the Observation of Don Pedro Peralta, one Degree 45 Minutes more to the West, than it was laid down in la Connoissance des Temps, at Paris, in 1712. The Sieur Alexander, a Frenchman, living at Lima, who has taken Observations apart and with Peralta, by the Eclipses of Jupiter's Satellites, placed it still 30 Minutes more to the Westward, that is, it is 80 Degrees 15 Minutes, or 5 Hours 21 Minutes Difference from the Meridian of Paris, according to Monsieur Cassini's Tables; but Father Feüillee, upon an Observation taken by the Sieur Alexander Durand, places it in 79 Degrees, 9 Minutes, and 30 Seconds.

Errors of Charts.

Those who had made use of the printed Charts of Peter Goos, Van Keulen, and Edmund-Halley, counted themselves 70, 80, and even above 140 Leagues within the Land, according to the last, which are the worst of them for the South Sea, tho' the newest and corrected on the Coast of Brasil by Astronomical Observations. All the French Ships which return from Callao to La Conception, find the fame Errors; whence it must be concluded, that it is about five Degrees more to the Eastward than Lima, and consequently I judged that it must within a very small matter be 75 Degrees 15 Minutes, or 5 Hours 1 Minute of Western Difference from the Meridian of Paris, which amounts to the 303 Degrees 51 Minutes from Teneriff. This Computation is also confirm'd by the Position of the Coast, very well known in many Places, which would be needless and very tedious to particularize; but in short, I found it rectify'd by the Obler-

<sup>\*</sup> This Author, for Reasons unknown, seeks all Occasions to cavil at the Performance of Mr. Halley, in his Chart of the Variations. He might know that that Chart pretends to describe the South Sea no otherwise than by borrowing from former Maps, he having no Experience there, as himself acknowledges. But if M. Frezier's Sailors could be mistaken a Degree or two in Latitude, in five Days Sailing, as he owns, p. 275, what hinders but in this five Weeks Voyage, they might err three times as much in Longitude. A farther Answer to this, and some other such like Exceptions, shall follow at the End of the Book.

Observation of Father Fewillee, who places La Conception in

75 Degrees 32 Minutes.

The Day after we had made Land, being the 13th of Arrival at November, 1713, we anchor'd at Irequin, in the Bay of La La Concep-Conception, where we found 3 French Ships, the S. John Baptist, the Francis, and the Peter, laden with Goods, and commanded by S. Malo Men. Fifteen Days after our Arrival, we careen'd at Talcaguana, upon a Spanish Ship. Monday the 25th of November, the S. Michael, a Spanish Ship, which came from Callao to load Corn, brought us the News of the Peace concluded between all the crown'd Heads in Europe, except the Emperor, which was like to be in a few Days. That Advice was confirm'd by le Beger, who arrived some Days after from the same Port.

The 8th of December, being the Feast of the Conception, Feast of the we saw it solemnized, as being the Patronage of the City, Conception, by an Assembly of Horsemen, composing 4 Troops of Pikemen a Horseback, and one of Foot, who by the ill Condition of their old Muskets with Rests, and some Firelocks they had, shew'd the Scarcity of Arms there is in the

Country.

I will not here speak of the Ceremony of the Reception of a new Enfign; there was nothing in it remarkable, befides the manner how the Horsemen made their Horses trip it gently along, and the pleafant Trappings of his Horse, that cover'd him down to the Ground with Ribbons of all Sorts of Colours; to complete that State, he was preceded by two Pair of Wooden Kettle-Drums, and two Ket-

tle-Drummers in Liveries, with naked Legs.

The next Day the President set forth an Order for all Order to diffthe French to depart the Kingdom, and be obliged to em-miss all thea barque within two Days, with a Prohibition to allow them French. Provisions or Lodgings in the Town, or hire them Horses, under the Penalty of 500 Pieces of Eight; but those Prohibitions were still more strict, in regard of 7 Ships which had been fitted out at Marseilles by the Genoeze, and were

to come thither to trade, as was mention'd in the King's Order.

Nevertheless, after this Publication, there arrived in December and January, 7 French Ships, almost all of them commanded by Men of S. Malo. The first was the Martial of 50 Guns; the Chancelor, the Mary Anne, the Flyboat under the Direction of the Chancelor, the Well-beloved, which had been detain'd at Buenos Ayres, with the Captain and the Supercargo; but the former having found Means to make his Escape, came by Land to his Ship at La Conception. The Flying-Fish, after having stay'd 8 Days in the Road, went away to Valparaiso, where he was resused the Port, so that he was obliged to proceed to Quintero, to join the Assumption, which was under the same Circumstances.

Besides those Ships arrived from Europe, several others of those that were upon the Coast came together; the Holy Ghost, and the Prince of Asturias arrived from Callao; the Margaret from Pisco; the S. Barbara Tartane, from Valparaiso; and the Concord from the same Place, bringing their Plate to be sent to France. So that there assembled at La Conception 15 Sail of French, great and small,

and about 2600 Men.

Tho' the Corregidor, or Governor, a mortal Enemy to the Nation, fought all means to do Harm to the French, yet he could not have the Orders publish'd against the French put in Execution, either because he was hindred by his own Interest, endeavouring to extort some Contributions from them, or because that Multitude imposed a little on him; or lastly, because the Inhabitants privately dissuaded him, that they might make the better Market of their Provisions. He was satisfy'd with offering all the Affronts he could to the Officers and Ships Crews, as hamstringing their Horses, when they went out of Town to take the Air; imprisoning them upon the least Pretence of Misbehaviour, and talking to them in publick in the vilest Language, and most provoking Expressions. That wicked

Man, who was a small Merchant disguized, was always boasting, that he had hang'd up a Frenchman by the Heels, when he was only Lieutenant-General, and impudently added in the Street, that he should not die with Satisfaction till he had hang'd up another by those Parts which Modesty does not allow to name. Chance, which had furnish'd his wicked Inclination with an Opportunity to put to that Shame, upon the slight Pretence of an Insult, the Nephew of a Captain of a Ship belonging to the East-India Company, who happen'd to be in the Road, in the Year 1712, presented him another to execute his base De-

fign in Part.

The Armourer of the Ship call'd the Holy Ghost, quarreling with a Spaniard, ran him through, and kill'd him; he immediately clapp'd him in Gaol, and condemn'd him to Death; whatsoever Offers were made, he would not be mollify'd, nor brought to abate of that extraordinary Severity, in a Country where the most heinous of Crimes are not punish'd after that Manner; but we being upon the Point of Sailing, Grout, the Captain of the Ship, left that Man exposed to the Malice of the Corregidor, either through Caution or Timorousness, whereas he might have demanded him to have him punish'd in France. Be that as it will, we were afterwards inform'd, that he had been rescued by disguized Friers, who for Money forced the Guards.

The same Day, being the 17th of February, the Casar of Marseilles arriv'd from France, to trade along the Coast.

In fine, after having lain there 3 Months, we sail'd on the 19th of February on our Return for France, in Company with the Shepherd, the Prince of Asturias, and the Holy Ghost, which was admitted as Commadore, defigning to put in together into Bahia de todos os Santos, in Brasil.

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## PART III.

# Containing the Return from the South-Sea into France.

## Departure from La Conception.



E sail'd four Ships together, on the 19th of February, with a fresh Gale at S.W. and S.S.W. which carry'd us into 39 Degrees Latitude, and 80 Leagues out to Sea, where we found the Wind at W. and N.W. blowing fresh, and the Weather foggy, after which much Wind.

We not being fo good Sailors as our Comrades, crowding Sail to keep up with them, split our Main-yard in the middle.

The 9th of March, in 57 Degrees Latitude, and 74 Degrees 30 Minutes Longitude, we made a Signal of Distress, and they lay by for us. We immediately hoisted up a small Top-sail, instead of the Main-sail, to make the others lose as little time as possible. The next Day the Yard was mended and hoisted up in its Place.

The fame crowding Sail to keep up with them, made

us the next Day lose a great Stay-sail.

Our Comrades seeing us out of order on account of our Main-sail, conspired to leave us; little regarding the Parole of Honour they had given to convoy us to Prance, the before satisfy'd that we were not so good Sailors as they, and knowing that on that account we had waited for them above a Month. In short, we were apprehensive

of meeting with Pirates, who were faid to be on the Coast of Brafil, where Ships in their Return generally put in, and among the rest one of 300 Men, that had been fitted out at Jamaica for the South Sea; not to take Notice here of some Obligations the chief Men among them ow'd Monfieur Pisson; all these Considerations did not prevail with them, whose original Unworthiness got the upper Hand. On the 12th of March they made the best of their way, and got clear of us, by help of the Fog, so that by Five in the Evening we had lost Sight of them. It avail'd us little to hang out Lights at Night; they answer'd us not, and to as little Purpose we fired some Cannon the next Morning at Break of Day.

We were not much concern'd to lose the Company of Ships of S. Malo, on which there is fo little relying, that it is become a Proverb as fuch, even among the People of the same Province; but we had reason to be concern'd for having follow'd them in the most foolish Navigation imaginable, which had brought us into 58 Degrees 40 Minutes Latitude, when we might pass with all Safety at least 40 Leagues more Northward, and have shortned our Voyage by fix Days, without running so far into those hard Climates, where much must be endured, and Dangers unfore-

feen may be met with.

In short, whilst we were taken up, looking out for them Unexpetited in the Fog, we discover'd, about 3 Quarters of a League Ice on March West from us, a Shoal of Ice, which might be at least 200 13, 1714 in It 58 Degrees
Minutes Foot high above the Water, and above 3 Cables long. was at first Sight taken for an unknown Island, but the Latitude, and Weather clearing up a little, it perfectly appear'd to be Ice, 68 Degrees whose blewish Colour in some Parts look'd like Smoak; 22 Minutes Longitude W. the small Pieces of Ice we immediately saw floating on both

sides of the Ship, left us no farther room to doubt.

We were becalm'd in a very rolling Sea, and scarce had Another Float a small Gale at S. W. made us advance 2 Leagues N. E. that of Ice. is, E. N. E. as to the Globe, before we spy'd at E. and by N. about a League and a Quarter from us, another Float ot

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of Ice, much higher than the former, which look'd like a Coast four or five Leagues long; the End whereof we could not well see, by reason of the Fog. Then frighted, with good Reason, at so unexpected a Danger, we lamented the fair N. W. Winds we had loft, to follow the ridiculous Navigation of the Faithless S. Malo Men. The Wind luckily freshning at West, permitted us to stand to the Northward, and in less than an Hour we saw no more Pieces of Ice.

Tho' those Parts have been frequented for 14 Years past, at all Times of the Year, very few Ships have met with Ice, fo that it was not apprehended. Only the Assumption, commanded by Porce, in 1708, faw a vast Float, like a Coast. Our Comrade, who, lying near the Wind, had got to E. N. E. had no View of those we saw, but they affirm'd they had met with a large Piece in 54 Degrees and 3-qrs. This Accident may be a Warning to fuch as attempt to pass Cape Horn in Winter, as we did in the S. Foseph, because the Length of the Nights, and the Darkness of the Days, do not afford Opportunity of avoiding them eafily. Perhaps the Autumn is the most dangerous Season, because then the Ice breaks and separates by means of the little Heat there has been in the Summer; however, being extremely thick, it does not thaw till the next Summer, for that Height which appears above the Water, is only the third part of the true Thickness, the rest being below.

Terra Aurical.

If it be true, as many pretend, that the Ice in the Sea is stralis Chime- only form'd of the fresh Water, which runs down from the Land, it must be concluded that there is Land towards the South Pole; but it is not true that there are any more to the Northward than 63 Degrees of Latitude for the Extent of above 200 Leagues, from 55 of Longitude to 80; for that Space has been run over by feveral Ships, which the S. W. and S. S. W. Winds have obliged to stand far to the Southward, to double the End of the Lands. Thus those Southern Lands, or Terra Australis generally laid down in the old Charts, are meer Chimeras, which have been justly left out of the new Charts.

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But tho' those false Lands have been put out, Browvers De Fer's A-Streight has been again put in, which is no less imaginary merica 1700° than Terra Australis; for all the Ships which have pass'd to the Eastward of Staten Landt, have found no other Land to the Eastward, either in sight of Land, or out at Sea, which is the way that almost all the Ships returning from the South-Sea pass. We ourselves doubtless pass'd through those Parts.

In fine, they have not yet corrected the Errors in thelLands Error in See that are known, which are very ill laid down, both as to Charts. Longitude and Latitude. There we fee Cape Horn in 57 Degrees and half and 58 Degrees Latitude, and above 20 Leagues, and even 140 Leagues distant from Streight le Maire, tho' in Reality it is only in 55 Degrees 45 Minutes, and 40 or 50 Leagues at most from Streight le Maire. I say nothing here of the Longitude, which is not politively known, but which may be pretty near ascertain'd by that of La Conception, whereof we have spoken, according to the greatest Conformity between the Computations, at 310, or 311 Degrees from the Meridian of Teneriff, instead of 303, or 304, as laid down in the Charts, which is at least 6 Degrees Difference. Thence also proceeds the Falsity of the laying down of the Coast, from that Cape to Cape Pillars, which lie S. E. by E. and N. W. by West, instead of S. E. by S. and N. W. by N. as they are laid down; and near Longitude of Cape Horn it has a little more of the West, as has been Cape Horn. observ'd by those who have seen a great Part of the Coast, which most Charts mark as unknown, with Points; but at present, tho' we are not perfectly acquainted as to the Particulars, we at least know the main bearing.

All these Considerations have mov'd me to gather Memoirs for drawing of the Chart I here insert, in which may see Plate be seen two new Discoveries. The one is a Passage into XXXII.

Tierra del Fuego, through which Chance carry'd the Tartane S. Barbara, commanded by Marcanil, out of the Streights of Magallon into the South-Sea, on the 15th of May, 1713.

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A new Chandel Fuego, discovered,

About Six in the Morning they fail'd from Elizabeth nel in Terra Bay, steering S. W. and S. W. by S. they took the common Channel for that of the River Massacre, and were Ann. 1713. Standing to S. W. on an Island, which they took for the Dauphin's, affisted by the Currents which favour'd them, and a good Gale at N.E. they ran along that Island, and an Hour after they had pass'd it, they found themselves in a large Channel, where on the South-fide they faw no other Land, but a Number of small Islands among Breakers. Then perceiving they had miss'd their Way, they sought for Anchorage, to gain time to fend the Boat to discover where they were. They found a little Bay, where they anchor'd in 14 Fathom Water the Bottom gray Sand, and white Gravel.

The next Day, being the 26th of May, they made ready at 7 in the Morning, and after making some Trips to get out of the Bay, which is open to the E.S. E. they stood South,

### Plate XXXII. Page 286. explain'd in English.

A contracted Chart of the extreme Part of SOUTH AMERICA, in which are contain'd the new Islands discover'd by the Ships of S. Malo, since 1700, the Western Part whereof is still unknown. The Passage here call'd by the Name of S. Barbara, was lately found out by a Tartane of the same Name. on the 25th of May, 1713.

A. The Mand of S. Elizabeth.

B. The Mand of S. Bartholomew. C. The Mand of Sea Wolves or Seals.

D. The Island of Louis le Grand.

E. The Dauphin's Bay.

F. Port Philipeau. G. Cape S. Lewis.

1. The Company's Channel.

K. Mort au Pain.

L. Cape Garde, or Quad.

M. Cape S. Jerome.

N. Anchoring Place newly discovered. The Roman Numbers shew the Variation of the Compass.

a a. The way of the Ship call'd le Maurepas, in 1706.

b b. The Way of the Ship call'd the S. John Baptist, in 1712.

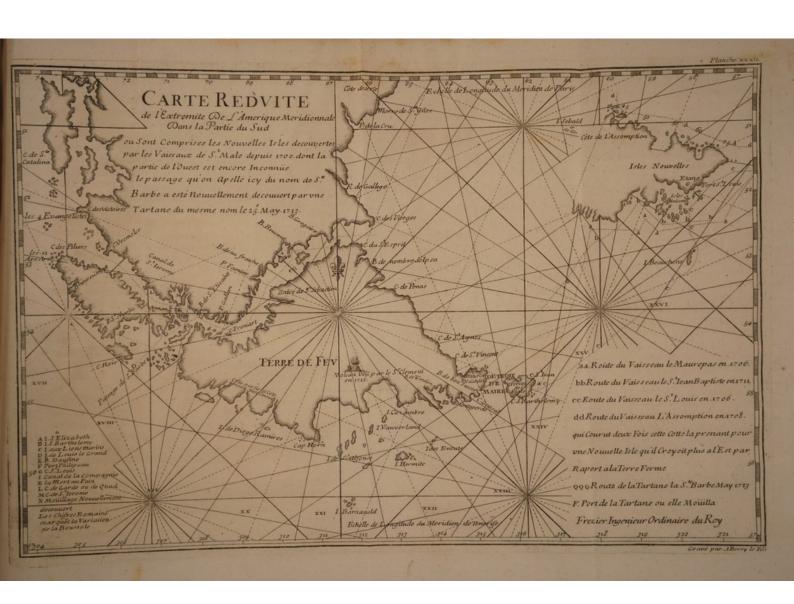
c c. The Way of the Ship call'd the S. Lewis, in 1706.

d d. The Way of the Ship call'd the Affumption, in 1708. which ran twice along this Coast, taking it for a new Mand, which it thought to be more to the Eastward in regard of the Continent.

qq. The way of the Tartane S. Barbara, in May 1713.

F. The Port where the Tartan anchor'd:

Echelle de Longitude du Meridien de Paris, a Scale of Longitude from the Meridian of Paris.



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South S. and by W. and S. S. W. and at Noon were got out from between the Lands. They took an Observation with very fair Weather, and found 54 Degrees 34 Minutes Latitude. This Observation was confirm'd by that they took the next Day, in Sight of a small Island, which bore East from them according to the Globe; they found 54 Degrees 29 Minutes.

That little Island was to the Southward of a great one, Tokens to the S. E. Point whereof was call'd Black Cape, because it know the new is of that Colour. The little Island here spoken of, is a Channel. Rock shaped like a Tower, of an extraordinary Height; close by which there is a smaller much of the same Shape, by which it appears, that it would be impossible to miss that Channel, if it were fought after by its Latitude, upon fuch fingular Land-Marks. The Ship's Crew fay, that there is a good Bottom, and that great Ships may pass there without any Danger, the same being about two Leagues broad.

This Streight is perhaps the same as that of Felouchte. which Monsieur de Liste has laid down in his last Map of Chili; but as the English Memoirs, which he has been pleas'd to shew me, seem to place it South of Cape Frouwart, it may be suppos'd that they are two different Streights.

Perhaps also it is the same through which the Squadron

of Monsieur de Gennes pass'd out in the Year 1696.

If I have in this Chart suppress'd imaginary Lands, I have also added some real, in 51 Degrees Latitude, which I have call'd new Islands, because discover'd fince the Year New Mands; 1700, most of them by Ships of S. Malo. I have laid them down according to the Memoirs or Observations of the Manrepas and the S. Lewis, Ships belonging to the India Company, which faw them near at hand; and even the latter was water'd there in a Pool, which I have fet down, near Port S. Lewis. The Water was somewhat ruddy and unfavory; in other respects good for the Sea. Both of them ran along several Parts of them, but none coasted along so close as the S. John Baptist, commanded by Doublet

Anican Islands.

Coast of the

blet of Havre, who endeavour'd to pass into an Opening he faw about the Middle; but having fpy'd fome low Islands, almost level with the Water, he thought fit to tack about. This Range of Mands is the fame that Monfieur Fouquet of S. Malo discover'd, and to which he gave the Name of Anican, the Person that had set him out. The Tracks I have traced will shew the Bearing of those Lands in regard to Streight le Maire, which the S. John Baptist was come out of, when he faw them, and with respect to Staten Landt. which the other two had feen before they found them.

The North Part of those Lands, which is here under the Name of the Coast of the Assumption, was discover'd on the Assumption. 16th of July 1708, by Pores of S. Malo, who gave it the Name of the Ship he commanded. It was look'd upon as a new Land, about 100 Leagues East of the new Isles I fpeak of; but I have made no Difficulty to join it to the

others, having convincing Reasons for so doing.

The first is, that the Latitudes observ'd to the Northward and to the Southward of those Islands, and the Bearing of the Parts known, answer exactly to the same Point of Reunion on the East-side, without leaving any Space between them.

The fecond is, that there is no Reason to judge that Coast of the Assumption to be East of the Isles of Anican; for Monsieur le Gobien de Saint Jean, who has been pleas'd to shew me an Extract of his Journal, judges it to lie South from the Mouth of the River of Plate, which being taken strictly, could not remove it above two or three Degrees to the Eastward, that is, about 25 or 30 Leagues; but the Diversity of Judgments is always a Token of Uncertainty. The first Time they saw that Coast, as they came from the Island of S. Katharine, they judg'd it to be in 329 Degrees; and the second, coming from the River of Plate, whither the contrary Winds had obliged him to go and anchor, after having attempted to pass Cape Horn, they judg'd it to be in 322 Degrees, and, according to some, in 324, on Peter Goos his Charts, the Errors whereof we

have

have taken Notice of at Page 30; so that little Regard is to be had to them. However, they reposing Confidence in them, thought themselves very far from the Continent; and reckoning they were too much to the Eastward, ran also 300 Leagues too far West in the South-Sea; so that they thought they had been running upon Guinea, when they made Land at Hilo; but the third and most convincing is, that we and our Comrades must have run over that new Land, according to the Longitude in which it was laid down in the Manuscript Chart; and it is morally impossible that a Ship should have had no Sight of it, being about 50 Leagues in Length E. S. E. and W. N. W. Thus there is no Room to doubt, but that it was the North Part of the new Islands, whose Western Part, which is yet unknown, Time will discover a swins abidw , 25107

These Islands are certainly the same which Sir Richard Hawkins discover'd in 1593. Being to the Eastward of the Defart Coast, in about 50 Degrees, he was drove by a Storm upon an unknown Land; he ran along that Island about 60 Leagues, and faw Fires, which made him con-

clude that it was inhabited.

Hitherto those Lands have been call'd Sibald's Islands. because it was believ'd, that the three which bear that Name on the Charts were so laid down at Will, for want of better Knowledge; but the Ship the Incarnation, commanded by the Sieur Brignon of S. Malo, had a near View of them in fair Weather, in 1711, coming out of Rio de Janeiro. They are, in short, three little Islands, about half a League in Length, lying in a Triangle, as they are laid down in the Charts. They pass'd by at three or four Leagues Distance, and they had no Sight of Land, tho' in very open Weather, which proves, that they are at least seven or eight Leagues from the new Islands.

In fine, I have fet down in Roman Numbers the Variations of the Needle observ'd in those Parts, where its Declination is very confiderable to the N. E. for we have ob-A took three first q Ands have danked

serv'd it to 27 Degrees, being to the Eastward of the new Islands.

After having got clear of the Ice, we were favour'd with a stiff Gale at S. W. and S. S. W. as far as 35 Degrees Latitude, and 39 of Longitude, where we had some Calms; and then the East Winds, which carry'd us as far as the Tropick of Capricorn. There we had sour Days of Calm, and pouring Rain, so heavy, that the Cataracts of Heaven

feem'd to be open'd.

After that, a little Wind came up; and on Sunday, the 8th of April, we had Sight of the Island of the Ascension, when, according to my Reckoning, we were to fee it exactly on the Manuscript Chart corrected, as I have faid, having taken our Departure from La Conception at 75 Degrees 15 Minutes, which answer to the 303 Degrees 5 Minutes from the Meridian of Teneriff, instead of 298, which is that of the Dutch Charts. Thus I found that Island in 32 Degrees 5 Minutes, which answer to the 346 Degrees 15 Minutes, that is, three more to the Westward than it is laid down. Those who had taken their Departure from La Conception on the Charts, found it 150 Leagues more to the West. This Error in Longitude is not the only one; it is also wrong laid down as to Latitude in 20 Degrees; for it is in 20 Degrees 25 Minutes, as I observ'd at Anchor near the Land.

This Island, call'd, according to the Portugueze Name, 'Ascenzao, to distinguish it from another Ascension Island, which is in about six Degrees towards the Coast of Guinea, is properly no other than a Rock, about a League and a half long, very easily to be known on the South and West Sides, by a round Body of Stone like a Tower, somewhat conical, and almost as high as the Island. On the East it forms as it were two Heads, which terminate the Cape. It is still better to be known by three small Islands, one of which is about half a League long, lying E. and by N. according to the Compass, from the great Island of the Ascension. Those three small Islands have caused some to be-

lieve,

lieve, that this Island and that of Trinidad were the same, grounding their Opinion on this, that some Ships have sought for the other in its Latitude, without sinding it: But I \* also know, that Ships have seen it at their Return from the East-Indies, and have also water'd there in a Pool. It \*See the Post-is therefore without Reason, that Edmund Halley has in his series. great Chart suppress'd the Island of the Trinity, and given that Name to the Island of the Ascension, which he lays down very well in its Latitude of 20 Degrees 25 Minutes.

We were glad to have met with this Island, because we hoped to find Water there, and by that Means pursue our Voyage without losing Time, by putting in any where.

We therefore came to an Anchor at West, five Degrees Anchoring. North, or W. and by N. according to the Globe, from that Peek, about four Cables Length from the Shore, in 30 Fathom Water, the Bottom Sand and Owze. The Boat was immediately sent to find shoaler Water, and found it in 25 Fathom, large black Sand, N. N. W. of a small Cleft

Island, more to the Northward than we.

Spirition 2

The next Day the Boat was fent to look out for Water, and found a curious Fall, which would have supply'd a whole Squadron; but the Shore is so set with great Stones, and the Sea was so rough, that there was no going a Shore without Danger. Thus, during the whole Morning, we could get but two Casks of Water, which stunk in 3 or 4 Days, for which Reason, doubt may be made, whether it comes from a Spring. Thus our fine Project miscarry'd, and we were obliged to resolve to put into Babia de todos os santos, where the appointed Rendezvous was.

Monday the 9th of April we made ready, and perceiv'd that there was near the Island a Current setting to the N. W. and N. N. W. for the Calms kept us there some Days.

At length, the 20th of the same Month, in 12 Degrees coast of Brasso Minutes Latitude, we had Sight of the Coast of Brasil, sil. which we found more remote from the Island of the Ascension than is laid down in the Charts of Peter Goos, Robin, Vankeulen, and Loots, almost the one half in some of them,

and a Third in others; for there are about nine Degrees of

Longitude between the Island and the nearest Land.

Error they must be in, who had taken their Measures by the Charts; for having taken their Departure from Le Conception, 5 or 6 Degrees too far to the West, and the Coast of Brasil being advanced too far East by as many Degrees, they found an Error of at least 200 Leagues, according to which they must have penetrated into the Land, as happen'd to the Ships of our Squadron, by their own Confession. These Errors have always been much the same with all Ships that have put into Brasil, or the Island of Fernando de Noronha, in their Return from the South-Sea.

The Ignorance of the Theory, which prevails among our Navigators, made them ascribe this Difference in Judgment, and the Charts, to the Currents, which they faid did set East, without being undeceiv'd by a fort of uniform Error, not only in their making the Land of Brafil, but even that of France, after a Navigation of 14 Years, tho' they faw they found the Lands of Brasil too far to the West; and that correcting their Point on the Charts, they found the Land of Europe too far to the East, much about the same Quantity or Distance, as they had made their Reck'ning. In this they at least discover their want of Curiofity in not feeking to be better inform'd; but they are still more excusable than their principal Hydrographers, who ought to make their Advantage of the Observations which the Gentlemen of the Academy of Sciences publish in their Connoissance des Temps. But those things being too far above their Reach, to understand and reduce them to the common Calculation of the Dutch Maps, which are commonly made use of, they are guilty of so much Folly, as to despise them, as the Productions of Learned Men who want Experience. Thus in a Manuscript Instruction D. G. of S. Malo affirms, that the Coast of Brasil is right laid down on those same Charts, wherein, nevertheless, according according to the Observations taken at Olinda and Cayenne,

there must be six Degrees Error to the East.

The next Day after we had made Land, being Sunday in the Morning, we faw a small Vessel of two Masts, which seem'd to stand as we did S. W. After having lain by a little, he stood about directly upon us, bearing up close to the Wind, with only the Main Course. This extraordinary working, made us take him for a Pyrate; and the rather, because he seem'd to be English built; we put up our Fights, and expected him with our Arms in our Hands. When he was within Cannon Shot, we put up French Colours, and he immediately answer'd with Portugueze; still lying as close upon the Wind as he could. We could never know what to think of it; for when we came to Bahia de todos os Santos, they assured us, that no Ship had sail'd from thence in a long time.

We held our Course towards the Land, on which many white Spots appear'd; then stood off at Night, and yet when it was Day sound ourselves within a League of the Coast, the Sea running high, the Wind in Gusts, and the Rain pouring, which made us fear, because the Coast is

foul.

That foul Weather obliged us to stand out to Sea, to expect some more favourable to make the Bay, and to the Southward against the Currents, which set us to the N. E. as is observ'd in the Grand Flambeau de Mer, at this Seafon of the Year; that is, from March till September, during which time the S. E. and S. S. E. Winds also prevail; so that Ships must keep to the Southward as is there discreetly advised.

At length, on the 26th of April, we discovered Praya praya de Zumba, a Place very easy to be known by an infinite Zumba. Number of white Spots, which look like Linnen hung out to dry, as far as within 2 or 3 Leagues of Cape S. Anthony. The Interval Babia de todos os Santos makes between that Cape, and the Isle of Taporica, makes it look discontinued, when

Plate when feen to the N. W. and the Island, or the Larboard

Coast very confusedly.

Marks to Drawing near the Land, Fort S. Anthony appears at the know the Bay End of the Cape, in the midst whereof is a Tower, ending of all Saints. at the Top in a Point, which looks like a Pavillion.

Before that Cape is a flat Rock, on which there are 4 or 5 Fathoms Water at low Ebb. It runs out about a

Quarter of a League S. W.

Taporica Mand.

The Island of Taporica, which forms the Mouth on the Larboard-side, is still fouler, having before it a Shoal, which stretches out above a League S. E. and is seen to break very high upon the Ebb; so that Ships must bear up due North along the middle of the Channel to get in safe, and take heed of the Tides, which are of 3 Hours and 3 Quarters.

Mouth of the Bay.

The Mouth being two Leagues and a half wide, Ships may pass out of the Point Blank reach of the Cannon of the Forts of S. Anthony and S. Mary; so that they are less to be apprehended in passing, than they are fit to obstruct a Descent in the Sandy Creeks on the Starboard-side.

As we come in by Degrees, we discover on the same side, on an Eminence, one part of the City, which affords a pleasant Prospect enough, extending to the most Northern Cape, on which is the Fort of Our Lady of Monserrat.

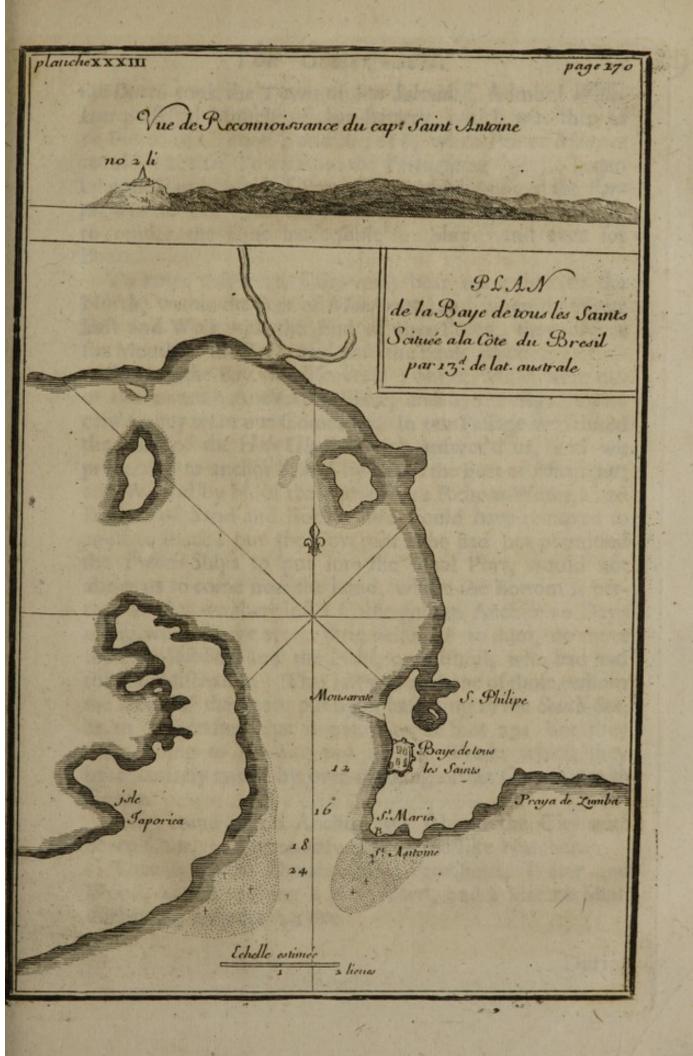
In that Bay, at the Foot of the City, is the Port where the Portugueze Ships come to an Anchor, closed on the South and West-side by the Bank call'd Alberto, on which the Water Castle stands, which might be call'd a Pate, or Horse-shooe, by reason of its Roundness. In 1624, when the

Plate XXXIII. Page 294. explain'd in English.

Vuë de Reconnoissance du Cap Saint Antoine, Thus the Land appears for knowing of Cape S. Anthony.

The Plan of the Bay of all Saints, on the Coast of Brasil, in 13 Degrees of South Latitude.

Baye de tous les Saints, The Bay of all Saints.



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the Dutch took the Town of San Salvador, Admiral Willekens posses'd himself of that Battery, which was then of ro Pieces of Cannon; and in 1638, when Prince Maurice would take that Town from the Portugueze, he also began by possessing himself of Fort Albert, which obliged the Portugueze to cast great Stones into the Sea quite round it, to render the same inaccessible for Ships, and even for Boats.

To enter this Port, Ships must bear up a little to the North, within the Fort of Monserrat, and when they bear East and West with the End of the Town, they are at

the Mouth of the Port, and past the Bank Alberto.

Entring the Bay we discover'd 3 Ships, which were out of the common Anchoring-Place, and by the Signals perceiv'd they were our Comrades. In our Passage we saluted the Flag of the Holy Ghost, which answer'd us, and we proceeded to anchor S. and by W. of the Fort of Monserrat; and W. and by N. of the Castle, in 12 Fathom Water, a bad Bottom of Sand and Rock. We would have removed to another Place; but the Governor who had not permitted the French Ships to put into the usual Port, would not allow us to come near the Land, where the Bottom is better; so that we there lost a Cable and an Anchor 10 Days after, wherein we were little beholden to him, no more than the Shenherd and the Fidel, or Faithful, who had had the like Mischance. This last was also one of those, whom the News of the Peace put upon hastening to the South Sea, as to a Treasure that is going to be shut up; but they were going to the Fag-end of that Trade which they have entirely ruin'd by over-stocking of the Country with Goods. lachines for carrying

Being come to an Anchor, we saluted the City with

Seven Guns, and were answer'd by the like Number.

Then we went about getting Provisions, Water and Wood, and furnishing a Main-Yard, and a Mizzen Mast, ours being unsit for Service.

During that Time, I employ'd myself in leeing the City, and the Parts about it, as far as was in my Power. notwithstanding the almost continual Rains, intermix'd at Intervals with fcorching Heats. Those Inconveniences, together with our short stay, would not permit me to take fo exact a Plan as I could have wish'd. However, I can give it as a very good Idea, differing but little from the Truth in what is effential. Besides, it would have been no Advantage to me, if we had stay'd long there; some indifcreet Persons of our Squadron having made me known to the Portugueze Officers for an Engineer, it was not proper for me to expose myself to some Affront in a Place, where the Memory of the Expedition to Rio de Janeiro, still fresh, render'd our Nation suspected. In short, they had doubled the Guards every where, and even erected new Corps de Garde, because there were already five French Ships in the Road, among which were two of Force, the one of 50, and the other of 70 Guns.

The Description of the City of S. Salvador, or S. Saviour, the Capital of Brasil.

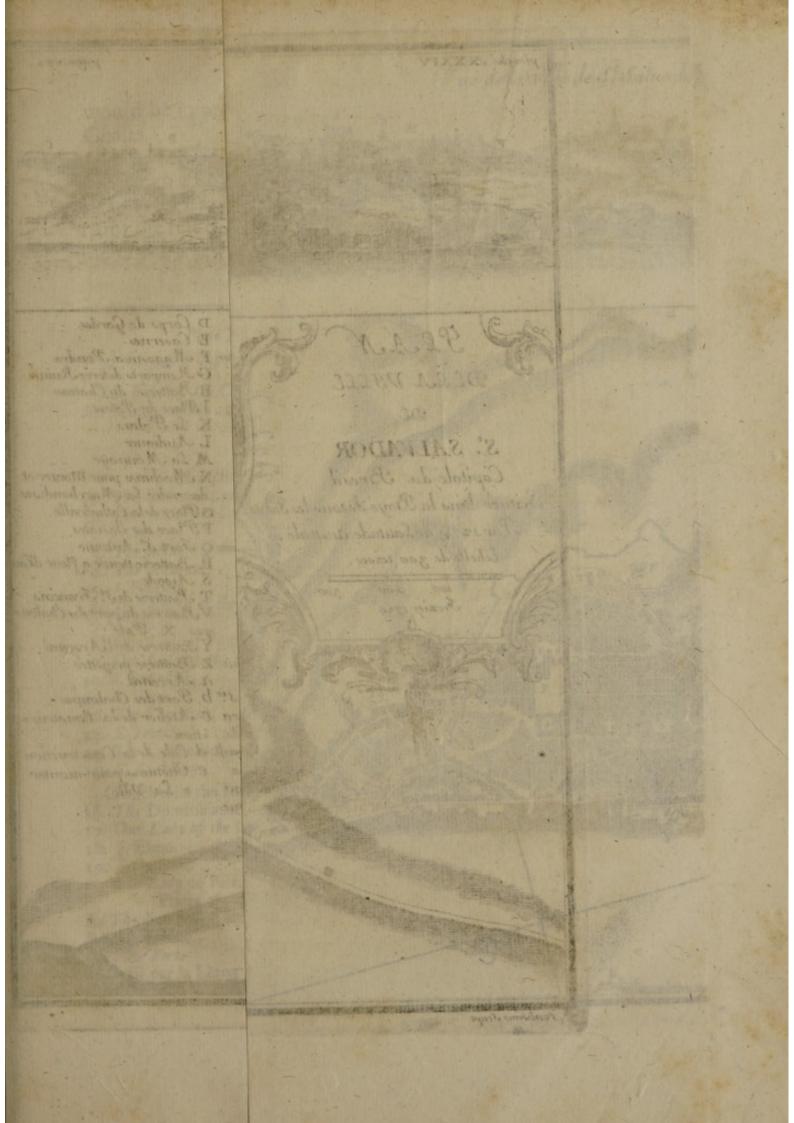
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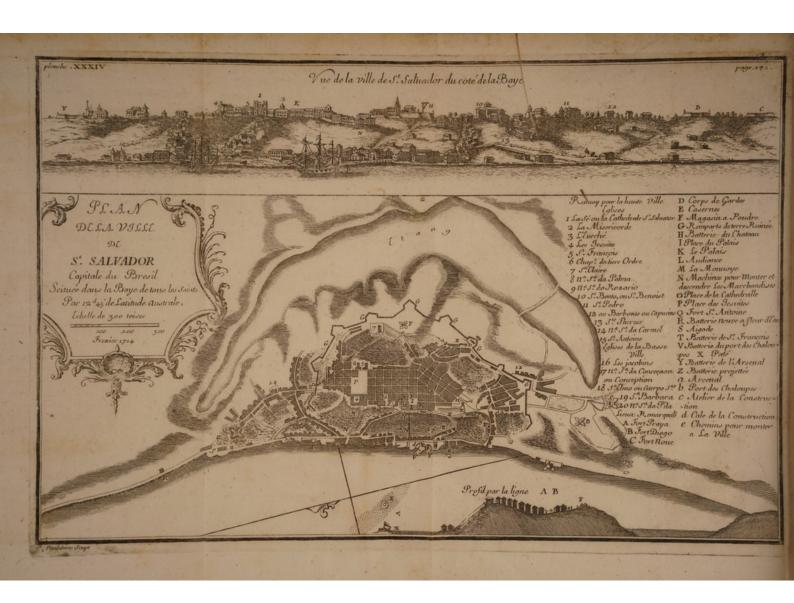
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S. Saviour, is in the Language of the Country plainly call'd Cidade da Bahia, the City of the Bay. It is in about 12 Degrees 45 Minutes of South Latitude, on an Eminence of about 100 Fathoms, form'd by the East-side of the Bay of all Saints. The Access to it is so difficult, by reason of its great Steepness, that they have been forced to have recourse to Machines for carrying up, and letting down of Goods from the Town to the Port.

The Plan of the Upper Town is as regularly drawn, as the Unevenness of the Mountainous Soil would permit; but the Streets there are Straight, and of a good Breadth, most of them have so steep a Descent, that they

would





would be impracticable for our Coaches, and even for our Chairs.

The rich People, notwithstanding that Inconveniency, do not go a Foot; being always industrious, as well in America, as in Europe, to find Means to distinguish themselves from the rest of Mankind, they would be ashamed to make use of the Legs which Nature has given us to walk. They lazily

### Plate XXXIV. Page 297. Explain'd in English.

A Prospect of the City of San Salvador next the Bay.

The Plan of the City of San Salvador, the Capital of Brasil, in the Bay of All Saints, and in 12 Degrees 45 Minutes of South Latitude. A Scale of 300 Fathoms.

#### References in the Upper Town,

Churches. 1. The Cathedral, or S. Saviour. 2. The Misericordia, or House of Mercy.

3. The Bishop's Palace.

4. The Jesuites. 5. S. Francis.

6. The Chappel of the 3d Order.

7. S. Clare. 8. Our Lady of Palma. 9. Our Lady of the Rosary.

10. S. Benedict. 11. S. Peter.

12. The Capucins.

13. S. Terefa.

14. The Carmelites.

15. S. Anthony.

Churches in the Lower Town.

16. The Dominicans.

17. Our Lady of the Conception.

18. S. Elmo. 19. S. Barbara.

20. Our Lady de Pila.

Places of Note:

A. The Fort on the Strand.

B. Fort James.

C. New Fort. Profil par la Ligne A. B. The Profile by the Line A. B.

D. Corps du Garde.

E. Cascones.

F. The Powder Magazine. G. A ruin'd Rampart of Earth.

H. The Battery of the Castle.

I. The Palace-yard.

K. The Palace.

L. The Court of Justice.

M. The Mint.

N. Cranes to draw up and let down Goods.

O. The Square before the Cathedral.

P. The Jesuites Square. Q. Fort S. Anthony.

R. A new Battery level with the Water.

S. The Watering Place. T. S. Francis's Battery.

V. The Battery for the Port where the Boats lie.

X. A Paté, or Platform.

Y. The Battery of the Arlenal.

Z. A projected Battery.

a. The Arfenal.

b. The Port for the Boats.

c. The Docks and Yards.

d. The Creek for building.

e. Ways to go up to the Town.

PlateXXXV. lazily cause themselves to be carry'd in Beds of fine Cotton, hanging by the Ends to a Pole, which two Blacks carry on their Heads or Shoulders; and to be there conceal'd, and that neither the Rain, nor the Heat of the Sun may offend them, that Bed is cover'd with a Tester, to which they hang Curtains to be drawn when they please. Thus lying along there at their Eafe, with the Head on a rich Pillow, they are carry'd about more gently than in Coaches or Chairs. Those Cotton Hammocks are call'd Serpentins, and not Palankins, as some Travelers say:

If this great Unevennels of the Ground is inconvenient to the Inhabitants, it is on the other hand very advantageous to the Fortifications. With a small Expence this might be made a Town morally impregnable; Nature has there made Ditches and Outworks flanking one another, where the Ground might be disputed Inch by Inch. The East-side is almost inaccessible, as may be seen in the Profile, by the Line A. B. being almost cover'd by a deep Pool, having 15 or 20 Fathom Water in some Places, which lies down in a Vale between two Hills, the Ascent whereof is very steep.

From that Pool, which comes very near the Sea, on the North-side, they have drawn a little Stream, that serves for

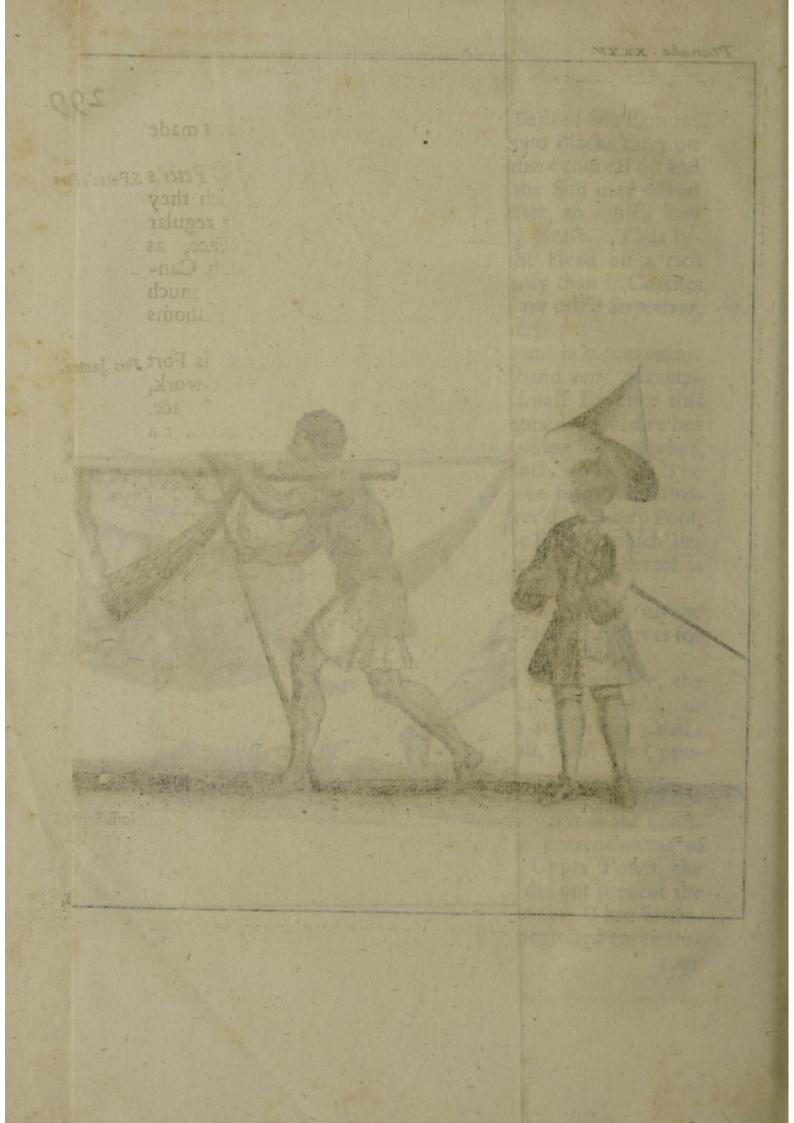
Ships to Water.

In short, to approach the Town on the South-side, the Landing must be near the Forts I have mention'd, or farther in among the Batteries, which are on the Coast; which would certainly be very difficult, tho' the Oppofition were never fo small.

The Dutch, in 1624, having taken this Place, when under the Dominion of the Spaniards, fortify'd it on the Landside with a Rampart, or rather a great Entrenchment of Earth, which enclosed the Body of the Upper Town, the 3d Part of a League in Length; which did not prevent the Spaniards retaking of it the next Year 1625. That Enclofure is now quite ruin'd; it has been neglected to endea-

See Plate XXXIV.





vour to fortify the Approaches by a Number of Forts made in several Places.

The first, on the South-side is the New, or S. Peter's S. Peter's Fort, made of Earth, faced with Stone-work, which they were working upon when we were there. It is a regular Square, with 4 Bastions, of 20 Foot in the Face, as much Curtin, and 4 Fathoms Flank; furnish'd with Cannon, which on the one side plays upon the Road, but much under Metal; about it is a little Ditch, sive or six Fathoms wide.

The second, on the same side nearer the Town, is Fort Fort James. Diego, or James. It is also a Square of Stone-work, without a Ditch, with 4 Bastions of 8 Fathoms in the Face. It is a Battery of Bombs for the Road, and serves now for a

Magazine.

The third, is the great Powder Magazine, call'd Cafa Cafa da Polda Polvora, or the Powder-House. It is also a Square of vora. Stone-work, without a Ditch; the Bastions of 6 Fathoms Face, the Curtins of 14, and the Flanks of 2. It contains 8 distinct Magazines, vaulted and cover'd Pyramid-wise, with as many Globes on the Tops; said to contain 2 or 3000 Barrels of Powder; but there are often under 100.

The fourth, is Fort S. Anthony, on the North, which is s. Anthony's directly over the Watering-Place, of Stone-Work, square Fort. like the others, but somewhat larger and better contriv'd. The Bastions have about 16 Fathoms Face, the Flanks 4 or 5, and the Curtin 25, with a good Dirch. One side of it plays upon the Road, but it does not well defend a Depth, by which Men may come under Covert to the Counterscarp, and by the same way go to the Town. Half a Cannon Shot from this, towards the N. E. is Fort Nossa Nossa Senhora da Victoria, the Fort of our Lady of Victory, made ria Fort. of Earth, to which I could not go, nor to the others that are farther off, as that of S. Bartholomew, which defends a little Harbour, where Ships may careen; that of Mont-serate, nor to those at the Entrance, before mention'd.

A Voyage to

Troops.

To secure these Forts and the Town, the King of Portugal maintains six Companies of Regular Forces, uniformly cloath'd, and not in brown Linnen, as Dampier says; that is alter'd; they are well disciplin'd and pay'd; those I saw were in a very good Condition, well arm'd, and full of sine Men; they want nothing but the Reputation of being good Soldiers.

The City of Bahia, as is well known, is the Capital and Metropolis of Brasil, and the usual Seat of a Viceroy; however, the Governor has not always that Title, Witness

he that was in our Time.

Manners.

The Inhabitants have an Out-fide good enough as to Politeness, Neatness, and the manner of giving themselves a good Air, much like the French. I mean the Men only, for there are so few Women to be seen, that but a very imperfect Account can be given of them. The Portugueze are so jealous, that they scarce allow them to go to Mass on Sundays and Holidays; nevertheless, in Spight of all their Precautions, they are almost all of them Libertines, and find Means to impose upon the Watchfulness of their Fathers and Husbands, exposing themselves to the Cruelty of the latter, who kill them without Fear of Punishment, when they discover their Intrigues. Instances hereof are fo frequent, that they reck'ned above 30 Women murder'd by their Husbands within a Year. Fathers shew more Humanity towards their Daughters; when they cannot hide their Shame by marrying them off, they turn them out of Doors, and then they are at Liberty to be common. fine Expedient!

Quod licet Whether it be the Effect of the Climate, or of our naingratum tural Bent after that which others endeavour to keep from est, quod non us by Force, there is no need of any extraordinary Efforts urit, Ovid. to be admitted to the last Familiarity. The Mothers help Matres om- the Daughters to keep out of the sight of their Fathers, eines siliis in ther through Compassion, or out of a Principle of the Law processo adjustices, auxi- of Nature, which enjoins us to do by another as we would lio in paterna injuria solent esse. Ter. Heast.

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be done by; but in short, tho' they did not themselves meet Men half way, the Scarcity of white Women would draw the Crowd after them; for 19 in 20 of the People we see there, are Blacks, Men and Women, all naked, except those Parts which Modesty obliges to cover; so that the City looks like a new Guinea. In short, the Streets are full of none but hideous Figures of Black Men and Women Slaves, whom Delicacy and Avarice, rather than Necessity, have transplanted from the Coast of Africa, to make up the State of the Rich, and contribute towards the Sloth of the Poor, who case themselves of their Labour on them, fo that there are always above 20 Blacks to one White. Who would believe it? there are Shops full of those poor Wretches, who are exposed there stark naked, and bought like Cattle, over whom the Buyers have the fame Power; fo that upon flight Difgusts, they may kill them almost without Fear of Punishment, or at least treat them as cruelly as they please. I know not how such Barbarity can be reconciled to the Maxims of Religion, which makes them Members of the same Body with the Whites, when they have been baptized, and raifes them to the Dignity of Sons of God, All Sons of the most High; doubtless they will not fuffer themselves to be convinced of that Truth; for those poor Slaves are too much abused by their Brethren, who fcorn that Relation.

I here make this Comparison, because the Portugueze are Christians who make a great outward Shew of Religion, even more than the Spaniards; for most of them walk along the Streets with their Beads in their Hands, a Figure of S. Anthony on their Breasts, or hanging about their Necks, and with an extravagant Furniture of a long Spanish Sword on their Lest, and a Dagger almost as long as a short French Sword on their Right; to the end that when Occasion shall offer, neither Arm may be useless towards destroying of their Enemies. In reality, those outward Tokens of Religion are very deceitful among them, not only in regard to true Probity, but even to Christian

Sentiments; they often serve to conceal from the Eyes of the World a great Number of Jews; an amazing Instance has been seen in that Town. A Curate, after having for several Years behaved himself outwardly to Edification, at last made his Escape with the Sacred Ornaments into Holland, to live there as a Jew; for which Reason, to be admitted to the Clergy, a Man must prove himself an old Christian, as they call it, that is, of ancient Christian Descent.

Cathedral.

The Upper Town is adorn'd with feveral Churches, the most remarkable of which is the Cathedral, which having the Title of S. Saviour, has communicated its Name to all the Town. Before it, is a fmall open Place, like a Platform, whence is a Prospect of all the Bay, and several Islands, forming an agreeable Landskip. Adjoining to that Place is the Hospital under the Name of Nossa Senhora da Misericordia, or our Lady of Mercy. On the Cathedral depend the two Parishes of S. Anthony and S. Peter, and if I mistake not, S. Barbara. To the North of the Cathedral is the Monastery of the Jesuites, whose Church is all built with Marble carry'd from Europe. The Sacrifly is very beautiful, as well on account of the neat Work the Buffets, or Places for vefting, the curious Wood, inlaying and Ivory they are made of, as for a Series of little Pictures that adorns them. But we must not with Froger call the Painting on the Cieling fine, being unworthy to be taken notice of by a Man of Skill. The other Churches and Monasteries have nothing remarkable. Benedictins, Franciscans, Carmelites, Dominicans, Barefoot Augustins, and a Monastery of Capucins, which formerly consisted of all French, but they were turn'd out during the last Wars, to put in Italians; they are there call'd, os Barbudos, or the Bearded Friers. I know of but one Monastery of Nuns, call'd as Freiras da Incarnação, or the Nuns of the Incarnation. In the Lower Town there are other Chappels of Brotherhoods, S. Barbara, our Lady of

Jesuites Church.

the Rosary, and de Pila; this last for the Soldiers, Corpo

Santo for poor People, and the Conception for Sailors.

The great Trade that is drove at the Bay, for the Coun-Trade in try Commodities, makes the Inhabitants easy. Every Europe. Year about March, there arrives a Fleet of about 20 Ships from Lisbon, laden with Linnen and Woollen Cloths and Stuffs, especially Serges, Perpetuanas, Bays, and Says, which the Women use for their Veils, instead of black Taffety, as the Women wear in Spain; which Fashion they follow pretty near: The Use of that Stuff is a Piece of Modesty forced upon them by the King's Order, who prohibits the wearing of Silk. The other saleable Commodities, are Stockings, Hats, Iron, Kitchen Furniture; but above all, Bisket, Meal, Wine, Oil, Butter, Cheese, Gc. The same Ships, in Exchange, carry back Gold, Sugar, Tobacco, Wood for Dying, call'd Brasil Wood, Balfam, Oil of Copayva, Hypecacuana, some raw Hides, Gc.

The Town standing on a steep Eminence, they have Machinesserected three Machines for carrying up, and letting down of Goods to and from the Upper Town. Of those three, one is at the Jesuites, not only for the Publick, who pay for the Use of it, but also for the Use of that Community, which is certainly no Enemy to Trade. Those Machines consist of two great Wheels, like Drums, which have one common Axle-Tree, over which is wound a Cable, made fast to a Sledge or Cart, which is drawn up by Blacks, who going in the Wheels, wind the Cable up the Spindle, and to the end that the Sledge may meet with no Opposition, but come up easily, it slides along a boarded Way, reaching from the Top of the Hill to the Bottom, being about 140 Fathoms in Length, and not 250, as is said in Le Flambeau de la Mer.

Flambeau de la Mer.

Besides the Trade of European Commodities, the Por-Trade to tugueze have another considerable in Guinea. They carry Guinea, thither Linnen Cloth, made in the Islands of Cape Verde, Glass Beads, and other Trisles, and bring back Gold, Ivory and Blacks to sell at Brasil.

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Wealth, &c. The Correspondence with Rio de Janeiro, near which are the Gold Mines of the Paulistas, which afford great Plenty, still adds to the Wealth of the Bay. The Houses there are well built, the Inhabitants handsomely lodg'd and furnish'd; the Men and Women are modest in their Habit, because they are wisely forbid wearing of Gold or Silver Lace; but they shew their Wealth in certain Ornaments of Massive Gold, even on their black Women Slaves, who are adorn'd with rich Chains several times about their Necks, great Rings and Pendants in their Ears, Crosses, Plates they wear on their Foreheads, and other very weighty Ornaments of Gold.

Contrary to the usual Policy of other Crowns, the King to trade thi- of Portugal does not permit Strangers to refort thither, to carry away the Product of the Country, tho' they buy with Specie, much less to carry Goods to fell or exchange, wherein he is more faithfully ferv'd than the King of Spain in Peru. This Regulation is grounded on two good Reafons; the first, to oblige his Subjects to take Pains, and by that means procure them all the Profit of the Commerce. The second and the chiefest, to prevent the Duties he has upon all Commodities being funk by the Viceroys and Governors, for all Ships being obliged to come and unlade

in his Sight at Lisbon, nothing can escape him.

Tho' this Bay of All Saints be a very populous Place. where they reckon there are about 2000 Houses, it is not nevertheless a good Place for Ships to put in, especially in Winter, not only because of the great Rains it is subject to at that time, but also because Provisions are not good there; the Meal and Wine carry'd thither from Europe, are always the worse for that Passage; the Beef there is worth nothing; there is no Mutton, and Fowls are scarce and dear. The Fruits of that Season, as the Bananas, and the Oranges, will not keep long at Sea, and Garden Stuff is there almost unknown, either through the Supineness of the Portugueze, or because it is a difficult Matter to cultivate the same, by reason of the great Multitude of Pismires which destroy the Plants and the Fruit almost every where, so that they are the Bane of Agriculture in Brasil. De-

# Departure from the Bay.

AFTER having refitted and victual'd, we fail'd in Company with our former Comrades, on Monday, the 7th of May. Being at Noon two Leagues and a half Error is to the Southward of Cape S. Anthony, I found by Obser-Charts. vation 13 Degrees of Latitude, whence I concluded, that it lies in 12 Degrees 50 Minutes, and the City in 12 Degrees 45 Minutes, and according to the Observation of Olinda, set down in La Connoissance des Temps, of 1712, it should be in 41 Degrees 30 Minutes of West Longitude, or Difference of the Meridian from Paris, which differs from the Position, the Dutch Charts assign it 6 Degrees more Westward; for instead of 336 Degrees 50 Minutes, it is 343 Degrees from the Meridian of Teneriss.

On the 18th, Beauvais Grant came to ask our Point, perhaps not so much to ascertain his own, as to make a Signal to the others for them to crowd more Sail the next Day, and leave us. In short, they did not fail of so doing; they bore up to make the more way, knowing that it concern'd us more than them to gain Ground to the Eastward. They succeeded, and we lost Sight of them before Night, without endeavouring to bear up with them, and keep such Company as the Advice of the Peace had ren-

der'd useless, and their Infidelity odious.

From the time of our putting into the Bay till we came Gurents, to the Line, we had almost continual cloudy Weather, with Gusts of Wind and Rain, Calms, and little Wind, the Winds blowing from S. S. E. to E. S. E. and tho' the Current sets to the Northward near the Coast, out at Sea we found it rather set us a little to the Southward; but when we were once come into 4 Degrees of North Latitude, we found a very great Difference in our Reck'ning on that side; we attributed it to the General Current, setting N. W. which prevails in that Latitude along the Coast of Brasil and Guiana.

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In that Latitude we began to feel the Trade Winds from East to N. N. E. fresh enough, which carry'd on us to 26 Degrees, and turn'd back to the Longitude of Cape S. Augustin. Then we began to be becalm'd, which kept

us near a Month, making little Way.

Currents, and Runs of Tides, and to see a fort of Drist in small Grains like Gooseberries, said to come from the Channel of Bahama, which was nevertheless about 600 Leagues to the Westward of us. The Reason for that Conjecture is, that none of that sort is found either about the Azores, or Canary Islands, which are the nearest Lands; and that on the other hand, sailing to the Westward, there are great Quantities of them found. If it be so, they must be brought by the Currents, which set to the Eastward. The Currents observ'd about the Coast of Guiana, serve to make good the Waters that run out at that Channel, which is also the Reason that the Ships coming from Brasil, gain as much to the Eastward, under the Tropick of Cancer, as they lose to the Westward, under the Line.

On the 15th of June, in about 21 Degrees of North

Latitude, a Sailor died of the Bloody Flux.

Whiteness in the Sea. Wednesday the 4th of July, in 36 Degrees 50 Minutes Latitude, and 36 Degrees 16 Minutes Longitude, the Sea being still, we saw within Cannon Shot a Whiteness on the Water, as if it had broke a little, we immediately judg'd there might be a Shoal. The Captain had a mind to be satisfy'd, but the Boat being too much dry'd up by the great Heats for two Months past, was not sit to put to Sea. However, most Men thought that might be Foam, or something sloating on the Water.

The next day we had fight of a small Vessel, which seem'd to stand to the Eastward, as we did. The Calm held us in fight of one another three Days. We put up our Fights, and made a Signal by firing a Gun and lowering our Topsails, to persuade him to make towards us, that we might hear some News from Europe; but a Gale coming up at

West,

West, he stood away to the North. We chas'd him for some Hours, till considering we lost so much Way, we stood our own Course without having been able to come up with him.

Tuesday the 10th, we spy'd another, towards the Evening, and the next Morning about Break of Day he was within Cannon-shot of us. We again made ready, and

lay by for him, but he stood away S. W. and left us.

That same Evening we had sight of the Peeke of one Peek of the of the Islands of Azores, to which that Mountain has given Azores. It is like a Sugar-loaf, and so high, that it can be seen at 30 Leagues Distance, like that of Teneriff.

We were then about 25 Leagues from it, S. and by E.

according to the Globe, and faw it distinctly.

This Sight of Land was very pleasing to us; for the Tokens of Currents which we had observ'd, made us very uncertain as to our Reck'nings; and it was a double Satisfaction to find them answer within a very small Matter. I do not pretend to talk of any but those of the Officers, who having not made slight of what I had observ'd to them concerning the Position of Olinda, had taken their Departure 6 Degrees more to the Westward than the Longitude of the Bay on the Dutch Charts. The Currents we had observ'd for some Days, could not obstruct the Exactness, because they sometimes did set to the North, and sometimes to the South; and within Sight of Land, we observ'd that they were N. W. and S. E.

For this Reason, and perhaps partly through the Error Island of of the Charts, we, within three Days after seeing the s. Michael. Peek, discover'd the Island of S. Michael, 20 Leagues sooner than we expected. In short, I am of Opinion, that Peter Goos places those two Islands too near together, and the Flambeau de la Mer at too great a Distance from each

other.

We also observ'd the same Error, as we drew near the Island Tercera, where we thought sit to put in, for fear lest the Calms continuing, we might want Provisions.

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That Island is indifferent high, and to be known on the S. E. Side by a Point of low Land that runs out East, and by a Cape cut on the West-side, form'd by a Point of Land, on which there are two Risings; lastly, by two small Isles cut Perpendicular, which are a League to the Eastward of the said Cape, call'd Ilbeos. Half a League S. S. E. from these, there are three Breakers, even with the Surface of the Water; all of them ill placed in the Flambeau de la Mer.

Saturday, July the 14th, about Night falling, we came to an Anchor in the Road of the City of Angra, in 20 Fathom Water, the Bottom a gray Sand, broken Shells, and fmall white Coral, Cape S. Anthony bearing from us S. W. and by W. the Cathedral N. W. and by N. the Ilheos, or little Islands above mention'd E. S. E. and Fort S. Sebastian N. N. W. This Position is to be observed, in order to avoid it upon Occasion, because the Bottom is there mix'd with great Stones. We saluted the Town with 9 Guns, which it return'd the next Morning Gun for Gun.

A Pilot of the Town coming aboard to advise us to change our Station, when we were about weighing, the Anchor was found engaged among Stones, so that it was requisite to put such Stress to get it loose that the Yard broke; but that Pilot, either through Malice or Ignorance, instead of carrying us somewhat farther out into 30 Fathom of Water, in the midst between the little Islands and the Hillocks, where the Men of War anchor, having brought us into 66 Fathom Water, we thought fit to remove to the usual Place, in 13 Fathom, the Bottom blackish

Sand

#### Plate XXXVI. Page 259. explain'd in English.

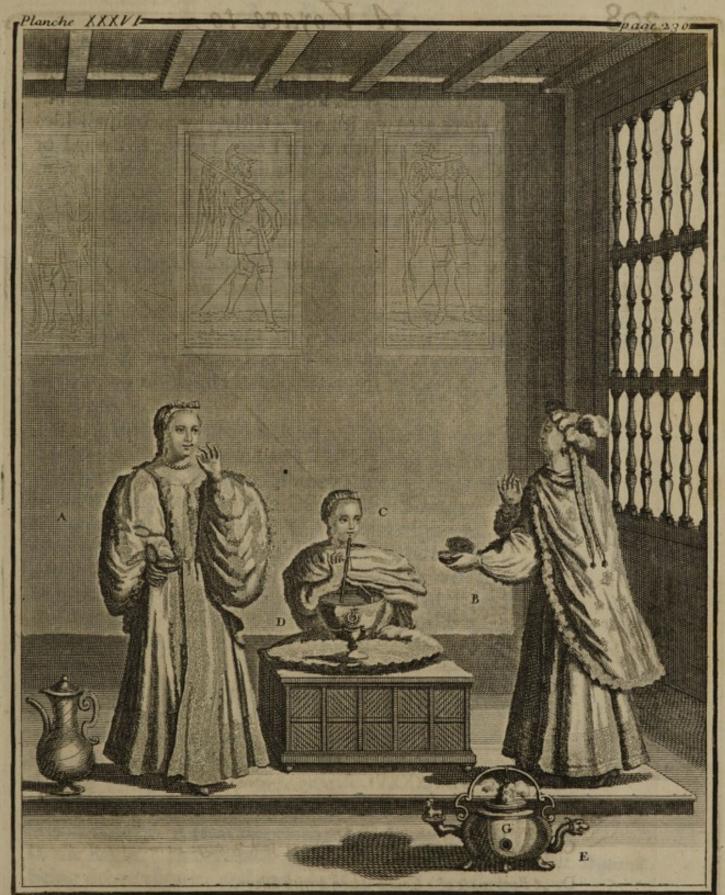
A. A Spanish Woman of Peru, in her Stays and wide Petticoat.

B. Another with a Cap and Mantle.

C. Another sitting holding a silver Pipe to suck through it the Tinsture or Decoclion of the Herb of Paraguay.

D. A Bowl made of a Gourd adorn'd with Silver.

E. A Silver Pot to heat the Water, in the midst of which is the Fire, in a Place made for it G.



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Sand and Owze, mix'd with some sew Shells, and about a good Cable's Length from the Land. Then Fort S. Sebastian bore from us S. W. and by W. that of S. Anthony N. and by E. we rode there only by a small Stream Anchor, because there the Tide is very small. They say the Ebb begins at the Rising of the Moon, and sets S. E. and the Flood N. W. There a Ship is near the City Gate, where the Key and the Watering-Place are.

### The Description of the City of ANGRA.

THE City of Angra is seated on the Edge of the Sea, Plate about the middle of the South-side of the Island XXXVII.

Tercera, at the Bottom of a small Bay, form'd by a very high Point of Land, call'd Monto de Brasil, or the Mount

of Brasil.

I call that little and bad Port a Bay, being open from the East to the S. W. not above 4 Cables long in Breadth, and perhaps not two of good Bottom, where Ships cannot ride in Sasety any longer than in the fair Summer Weather, because then only gentle Winds prevail, from the West to the N. N. W. but as soon as the Winter begins, there are such violent Storms, that the shortest way for Men to save their Lives, is to sail as soon as ever they see the least ill Tokens in the Air. The Inhabitants, by long Experience, are seldom mistaken; for then the high Mountain is cover'd and grows dark, and the Birds for some Days before come and cry about the City, as it were to give them Notice.

Those Mariners, who are obliged to stay in the Road, being detain'd on Account of Trade, forsake their Ships, or else bring small Vessels ashore, at the Foot of Fort S. Sebastian, and all of them stay in the Town, till the Storm is over. A fatal Experience has shewn that they were in the Right. In September 1713, seven Sail perish'd there, Shipurecks being drove ashore; and not one Man of all their Crews was saved.

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S. Anthony's Fort.

As small and bad as that Port is, the Portugueze have fortify'd it very well. They have raised a triple Battery, almost upon the Level of the Water, upon the most advanced Cape on the Starboard side, going in, being that of S. Anthony, a Name which is never wanting in Places belonging to the Portugueze. It is then continued in good Stone-work

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### Plate 36. Page 310. explain'd in English.

The Plan of the Town, Citadel and Forts of ANGRA, on the Southfide of the Island Tercera, one of the Azores, in 39 Degrees of South Latitude.

Churches.

1. The Cathedral.

2. Our Lady of Hope, Nuns.

3. Our Lady of Grace.

4. S. Peter.

5. S. Katharine's Chappel.

6. S. Gonzalo. 7. A Chappel.

8. The Mifericordia, or Mercy.

9. Corpo Santo, or the Chappel of the Holy Body.

10. The Chappel of the Incarnation.

11. Our Lady of the Incarnation, a Priory.

12. The Nuns of the Conception.

13. The Chappel of S. Benedict. 14. S. Anthony, Recolets.

15. A Chappel.

16. S. John's Chappel. 17. S. Lucy's Chappel. 18. The Jesuite's College. 19. S. Francis, Friers.

20. The Capucin Nuns.

21. The Chappel of the Chiefs.

Quartier de S. Pedro, S. Peter's Quarter. Castello de San Joao, S. John's Castle. Ouest du Monde, the due West Point.

Ouest de l'aimant, declinant de 8 Degrez, the West Point of the Compass, varying 8 Degrees.

Montagne du Bresil, the Mountain of Brasil.

Tours des Sentinels, the Sentinel's Towers.

Echelle de 500 Toises, a Scale of 500 Fathoms.

Places of Note.

A. The Square of the Castle.

B. The Gate and Corps du Garde.

C. A Chappel not finish'd.

D. Cazerns.

E. Square Wells dug in the Ditch.

F. The Horse-shooe.

G. The Rampart carry'd down to the

H. Redoubts and Chappel of S. Anthony.

I. Intrenchments and Batteries on the

Edge of the Sea. K. A Moineau, or Plat Bastion.

L. S. Anthony's Battery.

M. The Upper Brasil Gate.
N. The Key at the landing Place.

O. The Sea Gate.

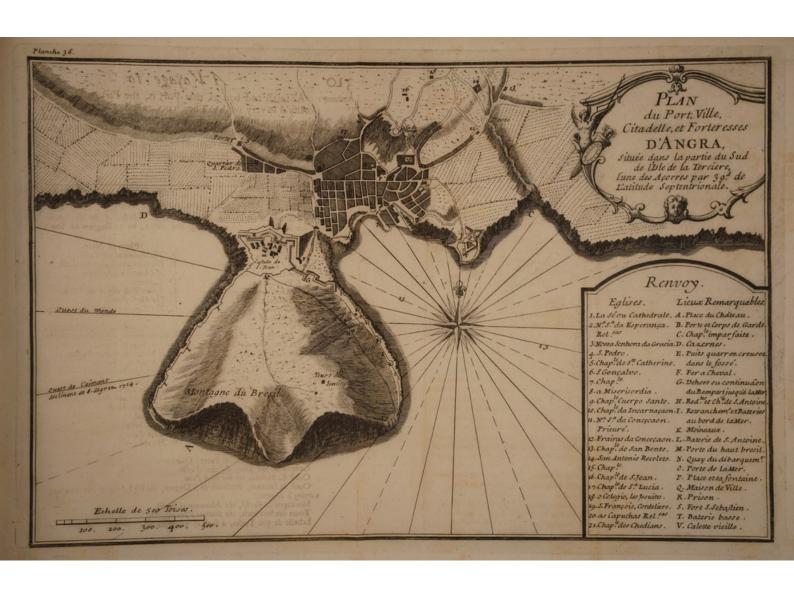
P. The Square and Fountain in it.

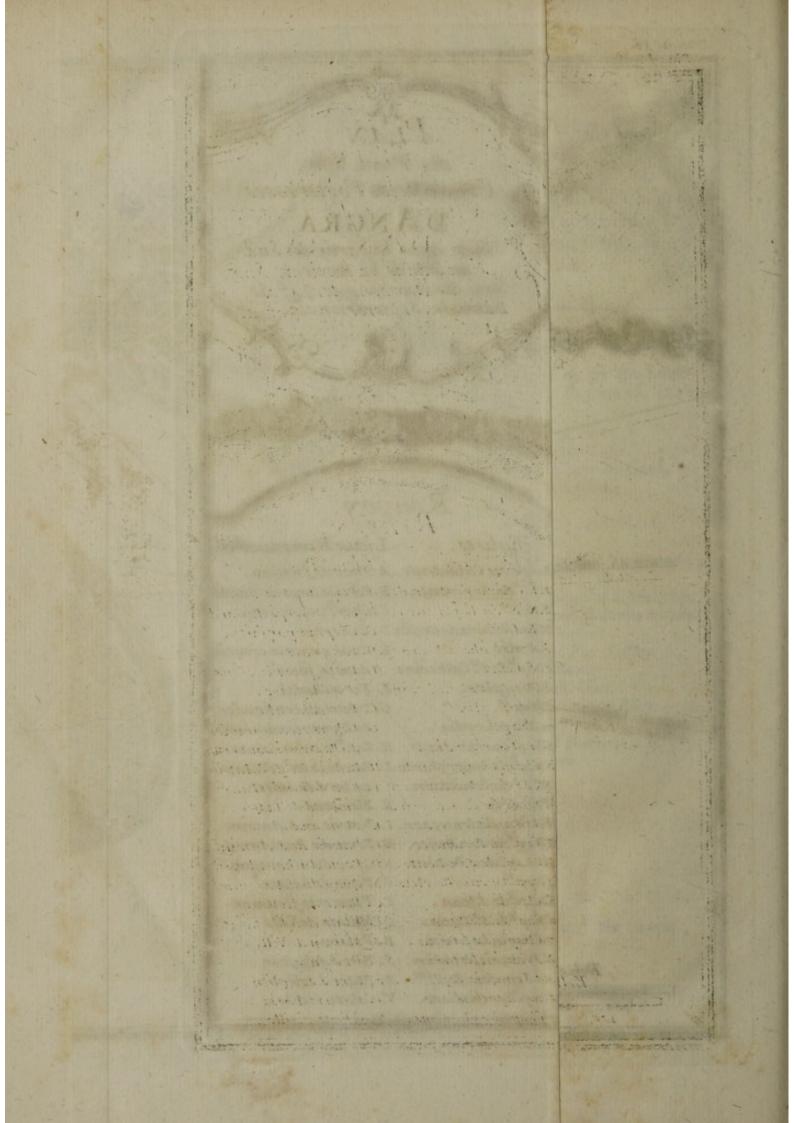
Q. The Town House.

R. The Goal.

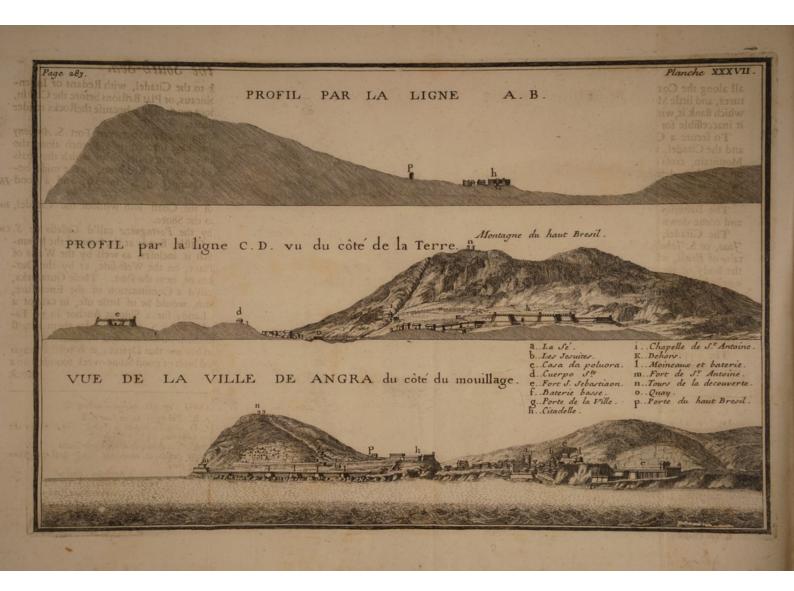
S. Fort S. Sebastian.

Alow Battery.
 The old Creek.





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all along the Coast to the Citadel, with Redans or Indentures, and little Moineaus, or Plat Bastions before the Curtin, which flank it, without much need; because the Rocks render it inaccessible for Boats.

To secure a Communication between Fort S. Anthony and the Citadel, they have thrown up a Trench along the Mountain, cross'd by a little Gully, over which they pass on a Bridge, defended by two Redoubts, in the midst between which is a Chappel of S. Anthony, and a good His Chappel. Spring.

The Batteries of the Coast join without the Citadel, Batteries.

and come down to the Shore.

The Citadel, by the Portugueze call'd Castello de S. citadel. Joao, or S. John's Castle, stands at the Foot of the Mountain of Brafil, which it incloses, as well by the Walls of the Body of the Place, on the West-side, as by the Outworks before spoken of, next the Port. Those Outworks, which might be call'd a Continuation of the Enclosure, tho' without a Ditch, would be of little use, in case of a Siege by Sea and Land; for a Ship at Anchor in 50 Fathom Water at S. E. and by S. would render them almost useless, firing into them on Reverse and by Enfilade.

The Upper Fort has not that Defect; it is well enough feated contriv'd and built of good Stone-work, founded on a Rock

### Plate XXXVII. Page 311. explain'd in English.

Profil par la Ligne A. B. The Profile by the Line A. B. Profil par la Ligne C. D. Vue du coté de la Terre. The Profile by the Line C. D. Seen from the Land-side.

Montagne du haut Bresil. The Mountain of the Upper Brasil.

Vue de la Ville de Angra du Coté du Mouillage. A Prospect of the Town of Angra next the Anchoring-place.

a. The Cathedral.

b. The Jefuites. c. The Powder-house.

d. Corpo Santo.

f. A low Battery. g. The City Gate.

h. The Citadel.

i. S. Anthony's Chappel.

k. Out-Parts.

1. A Plat Bastion and Battery.

m. S. Anthony's Fort. n. Tower to look out.

o. The Key.

p. The Port of the upper Brasil.

Rock, in which is dug a Ditch, between 4 and 5 Fathoms deep, and 10 or 12 in Breadth. At the Bottom of the Ditch, all along the Escarpe, there is a Row of Wells or Pits, 2 or 3 Fathoms square, and 10 or 12 Foot deep, which are so near one another, that they are only parted by a Traverse of the same Rock, 2 or 3 Foot thick. Before the Curtin, where the Gate is, those Rows of Wells or Pits are triple, and advanced within 4 or 5 Fathoms of the Counterscarp.

The Depth of the Ditch, the Reinforcement of those Pits, the Height of the Walls, and the Solidity of the Stonework, make the Portugueze fancy, that their Castle is impregnable; and the rather, because the Spaniards stood a Siege of three Years in it, till at last a Supply of 6000 French obliged them to abandon the Place, and get away by Sea,

where they were taken.

By this may be judg'd what the Strength of the Portugueze was, and the manner of their Attacks; for in the first place, that Fortress has no other Outworks, besides a Horse-shooe next the Port, and a little Cover'd-way, now without Palisades; the Glacis whereof, at the Salliant Angle of the Bastion next the Town, is so steep, that it might well serve for a Rideau, or Covert, to take the Ditch by Sappe; and the more, for that it is mostly of Earth thrown up together, and the Rock under it seems to be very easy to cut.

Then the Ditch is only defended by three Pieces of Cannon; for the Flanks of the Bastion are so small, that they can hold no more; that is, one in the lower Flank, or Cazematte, one on the Back Flank above, and one in the Epaulment.

At the Entrance into the Fort, under the Rampart, is a good handsome Corps de Garde, vaulted, but not Bomb Proof, in my Opinion. I did not hear there was any thing

else under Ground, besides the Powder Magazine.

In the Castle there are two fine Cisterns; and, in case of Necessity, they can also have Water from S. Anthony's Spring, which

which is on the Mountain of Brasil, which cannot be come at without passing by the Fort, because the West Coast is lined with Batteries, almost like that on the East, and the South Side is steep, with inaccessible Banks; for which Reason the Fort has no other Enclosure, but a plain Wall on that Side. On the Top of the East Hill there are two Towers call'd Facha, in which there is a Sentinel continually, to discover what Ships come near the Island, the Number whereof he denotes by that of the Colours he puts out, as far as five; and for a Fleet they have another Signal.

As for the Building of the Body of the Place, it is faced with good Stone-Work of the Sort of the Mill-stones, on which is a Parapet six or seven Foot thick, of the same Substance. The Rampart behind it is generally upon the Level with Earth-work, and the Jettees on the

West-side.

The Defence of the Bastions is Razant, the Faces are of about 28 Fathoms, the Flanks of 8, and the Curtins of 35 or 40. There are about Twenty Pieces of Cannon; and they say there is a Magazine of 4000 Arms.

The Castle of S. John having been formerly built by Fort S. Sebasthe Spaniards, on the West-side of the Port, rather to command the Land than the Sea; the Portugueze have since built a small Fort on the East-side, call'd Fort S. Sebastian, to command the Road. It is a square Piece of Stone-Work, of about 60 Fathoms on the Out-side, with the Entrance on the Land-side with a little Ditch; and next the Sea, a Battery of a Salliant Angle before the Curtin, defended by the Faces of the little Bastions. Below this, level with the Water, there is another, built following the Turn of the Rock, which carries very well into the Road and the Port.

All the Batteries, and particularly that of S. Anthony, are well furnish'd with Artillery, but in bad Order.

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There are reck'ned above 200 Pieces of Iron Cannon; and about 20 Brass. Of the latter I saw none in the Castle, but a Culverin of 20 Pounds Ball, and 16 or 17

Foot long.

For the Guard of this Place, the King of Portugal generally allows 200 Men, but in a very different Manner from those at Bahia de todos os Santos; for he allows them so little Pay, that they are all poorly equip'd, and in a very wretched Condition. In short, they are said to have only 7000 Reys a Year, that is, little above Fifty Shillings of our Money, being under Two Pence a Day; but in Case of Need, there are in the Island 6000 Men able to bear Arms, according to the Computation made some Years ago, when they met to oppose Monsieur du Guay, who appear'd before that Island, and afterwards took that of S. George.

Tho' the City of Angra be in the best of the Islands Terceras, the Inhabitants thereof are Poor, because they have no other Trade but that of Corn, and some little Wine, which is carry'd to Lisbon, which scarce keeps them in Cloaths, so that Money is very scarce there. For this Reason it is perhaps, that they are more Courteous than those of the Bay of All Saints; but tho' Poverty humbles Men in outward Appearance, it does not make them the better; and therefore there must be no Considence reposed in that sine Out-side; for some European Portugueze charge these with not having the same always in their

Hearts which they utter'd by their Lips.

The Scarcity of Money has not however obstructed their building a Town that is pretty enough. The Houses there are but one Story high, rarely two, and contrary to ours, handsomer without, than well furnish'd within. The Churches are beautiful enough, built after a manner that has somewhat of Grandeur, by reason of the raised Walks, Platforms, and Galleries, which lead to, and adorn the Entrance, especially the Cathedral of the Invo-

Churches.

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cation of S. Saviour. The finest next to it are those of the Franciscans and the Jesuites, whose House appears fronting the Road, above all the other Buildings in the Town, to be known by that, as in all other Places, viz. by the good Choice of the advantageous Situation that Society is always sure to make for itself. There are two other Monasteries of less Note; that of the Augustins, call'd Nossa Senbora da Graça, or our Lady of Grace; and that of the Recolets, by them also call'd Capucins, seated on an Eminence without the Town. These, who are commendable for their good Behaviour, live in a fine Place, and an agreeable Poverty, under the Protection of their Patron S. Anthony, who among the Portugueze answers to S. Francis among the Spaniards in Peru, and S. Patrick among the Irish.

Answerable to the Four Monasteries of Men, there are Four of Nuns, one of the Conception, an Order brought from Toledo; one of Poor Clares, under the Invocation of Nossa Senhora da Esperança, or, our Lady of Hope; one of S. Gonzalo, and the fourth of Capucin

Nuns.

I do not take Notice of many Chappels, which they call Hermitas, or Hermitages. They may be seen in the Plan.

Tho' the City is not upon a Level Plain, nor very regularly divided, it is nevertheless very agreeable; they have there the Conveniency of several good Fountains, distributed into every Quarter, and a Brook running through the middle of the City, to drive the necessary Mills for

publick Use.

Near those Mills, which are most of them above the City, is an ancient little Fort, call'd by reason of its Neighbourhood Forte dos Molinhos, or the Fort of the Mills, and sometimes Caza da Polvora, or the Powder-House, because it now serves for a Magazine of Powder- It is a square Pile of Stone-Work of 15 Fathoms

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on every fide, flank'd after the ancient Manner, with a Half-Tower in the middle of each fide. Thence is a Prospect of the whole City, from above; an agreeable Composition of Land, Sea, Structures and Verdure, making up a pretty Landskip, and a very pleasing Object to the

Eye.

In other Respects, there is not about the Town, next the Country, any Enclosure, or detach'd Fortification; and yet it might be come at by Land, debarking at Porto Judeo, or S. Martin, which are two or three Leagues from thence, East and West, where there is good Anchorage and little Defence: But it is so little Advantage to the King of Portugal to have those Islands, that I do not think any ought to envy him the Possession thereof. for he receives nothing thence that may recommend them. except a little Corn. There are Abundance of those call'd Canary Birds, which are smaller than those bred in France; but on the other hand they exceed them much in strength of Voice.

### Departure from the Island Tercera.

TAving furnish'd ourselves with Water, Wood, Meal. Wine, some Beeves, Fowls, and Greens, we fail'd

on Wednesday the 15th of July.

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S. Michael's The 20th we had fight of the Island of S. Michael, which appear'd to us at S. E. as it were divided into two Islands, in the midst whereof were several little Hills, which might have been taken for little Isles, had not we known that they were join'd by a low Land, which is loft at four Leagues Distance, by which that Island is particularly to be known on the North-fide.

The 19th at Night, we had the East Point of it, bearing South from us about twelve Leagues distant, and flood to the Eastward during the Night, without appre-

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hending a Shoal laid down in the Charts in our Way, ten or twelve Leagues N. E. of the same Point of the Island of S. Michael; fo that we must have pass'd over the Place where it is. We should have been very cautious of steering that Course, had not we been assured by the long Experience of a Portugueze Captain, that of all the Shoals laid down in the Charts about the Azores, there is really none but that of Formigas, lying between S. Mary and S. Michael, the other being barely deep Soundings, on which there is no less than 40 or 50 Fathom Water; but he warn'd us, that in those Places the Sea was much more rough than elsewhere. He did not even except the three or four Shoals laid down about 60 Leagues. out at Sea, to the Westward, on which he said Islanders daily go a Fishing, because they there find abundance of Fish. He may be believ'd, yet without relying entirely upon it, or being disturb'd at the Nearness of those Places; for doubtless Mr. Halley has not left them out in his new Chart, without good Reasons for so doing, since it is of no less concern than the Loss of such Ships as should confidently make use of the fame; wherein in all appearance an Hydrographer should rather err in exceeding than in omitting any thing. The one can only occasion fome Loss of Time, or some groundless Fear; but the other may be the Caufe of fatal unexpected Shipwrecks, if any thing of that which is doubted should happen to be found. Besides, it is possible that the Sea may fall, and at one Time discover that which was conceal'd at another.

I will here leave the Thread of my Relation, to tell what the faid Captain told us concerning the Shoals and the Abrolhos, laid down under the Line, to the Northward of Cape S. Augustin. He affirms, that several Navigators have convinced him and all other Portugueze Captains failing to Brafil, that there are none of those foul Places, except those call'd Penon de S. Pedro, which is a

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Rock almost round, rising about 50 or 60 Fathoms above the Water, and near about four Cables Length Diameter, so that it may be seen at four or five Leagues Distance; and therefore it is not dangerous, and the more because there is no Bortom all about it, which he had the Curiofity to be fatisfy'd in one Day when he was becalm'd very near it, having fent his Boat to found quite round it. Mr. Halley in his Chart has also lest out all those Shoals, as well as those of the Azores; but as I have said elsewhere, he has without Reason omitted the Island of the Ascension, to confound it with that of the Trinity. The same Captain I am speaking of, confirm'd to us, that they were really two distinct Islands, and situated very near as laid down in the Dutch Charts, in respect to one another. Doubtless the other Island of the Ascension, which is about fix Degrees, near enough to the first Meridian, made Mr. Halley judge that the other which is distinguish'd by the Portugeze Name of Acençaon, was Supposititious. Let us return to the Voyage.

We passed, as has been said, over an imaginary Shoal, during the Night. The next Day, and the Day after the Winds began to grow boisterous, and the Sea ran high for some Days, during the which our Mizzen-Sail split, and our Main-Top-Mast gave way, so that we were obliged to change it immediately. During the first Days that we made from the Islands, we found some little Difference with the Reck'ning to the South-

ward.

As soon as we were about half way over between the Azores and the Continent, the Wind became more favourable, and the Sea smoother; and on the 31st of July we arrived at the Mouth of the Streights, without any sensible Error; whence it may be concluded that those Islands are rightly laid down in the Grand Flambeau de la Mer.

### the South-Sea.

Passing through the Streights of Gibraltar, we heard many Cannon-shot from the famous Siege of Ceuta, which has been besieged above 30 Years, by the People of Morocco; and at the beginning of the Night we saw the Fires of their Camp. We then went and anchor'd at Cape Moulin, near Malaga, to receive our Orders. Lastly, on the 16th of August we came to an Anchor at the Isles of Hieres, and the next Day at Marseilles.

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# POSTSCRIPT.

7 E have noted in this Author, pag. 278. a Defire to depretiate the Sea-Chart of Mr. Halley, made to Thew the Variations of the Compass, as not rightly representing the Situation of the Coast of Peru and Chili. Whether the fingle Reck'ning of the Ship Mary-Ann of Marseilles be sufficient to determine this matter, is submitted to the Reader's Judgment: But whatever ground there may be for this Exception, (in a matter wherein Halley pretends to no Knowledge of his own, but only to have followed the best Accounts he could at that time procure) yet as to his other Cavil, p. 291. he is fully affured that M. Frezier is under a gross mistake, when he affirms that the Island of Ascension and Trinidad, in the Lat. of about 20 Degrees South, are two different Islands; and in that respect gives the Preference to the old Dutch Charts. Mr. Halley knows, by the Description given of it, that the Island at which M. Frezier touched, and which by him is call'd Ascension, is the very fame he calls Trinidad; and he is certain to Demonstration, that to the Eastward of this Mand there are no others to be found, except the three Islets, or rather Rocks, which are but about 7 or 8 Leagues to Windward thereof. and which having been feen from the East, have by some been named the Isles of Martin Vaz. He affirms that in the Year 1700, he kept the Parallel of 20 Degrees, 20 Minutes South, with a West Course, for above 200 Leagues to the Eastward of this place, and met with no Land, or Sign of Land, by Birds or otherwise, till he first made the said three Rocks, which lie nearly in a Line North and South, and are not above a Mile afunder, the middlemost being the biggest, the other two very small, and the Southermost very much resembling a Bell. Whence 'tis evident, that if our Island were Ascension, there can be no such as Trinidad East therefrom. And he challenges M. Frezier to produce any Authentick Account of Land seen thereabout, that was

not in the said Latitude of 20 Degrees 20 Minutes.

Besides, this Latitude has been often examined by Ships which have had the Mischance, for want of an Observation, to miss the Island of S. Helena, and have been obliged to look for these Islands, in hopes to find a Watering-place. Particularly Commadore Warren, with a Squadron of five Men of War in the Year 1696, being bound to S. Helena, and design'd Convoy to the homeward-bound East-India Fleet, had the misfortune to fall to Leeward of that Island, and being in great want of Water, he hoped to find relief at some of those Isles which the Charts describe between the Latitudes of 20 and 21 Degrees: And not being fure of their Situation, he spread his Ships so as nothing between those twoParallels could be pass'd by undiscovered: But following a dueWest Course almost home to the Main of Brasil, for near 400 Leagues, he found no other than this fingle Island which we call Trinidad, and the French Ascension; which afforded him no sufficient Water-place. Moreover, all the Islands thereabout being by Letters Patents of his late Majesty King William, granted to Sir John Hoskyns, late of Harwood in the County of Hereford, Bart. and to his Heirs; the said Honourable Proprietor has caused Possession of the said Trinidad to be taken for his Use, in the name of the Crown of England, and has put live Stock thereon; having found himself disappointed of all the rest that are laid down in the Charts, which upon due fearch he was fatisfied were not in rerum natura.

It must however be owned, as an Obligation from M. Frezier, that he does not require the Site of the Islands of Dos Picos, Maria d'Agosta and Martin Vaz, as well as that of Trinidad, and that of Penon de S. Paulo, which he miscalls de S. Pedro, of the Omission whereof he complains in his last Leas. This latter may, for ought we know to

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the contrary, be an Omission; but then M. Halley, when he made his Chart, had no account of its being ever seen by the English Pilots, as lying out of the way of their Shipping; much less had he any Authority where to place

it in respect of the adjoining Continent.

Lastly, M. Frezier might have as well observed that his new Discovery lying N. E. from Le Maire Streight, in 51 grad. is found in the aforesaid Chart of the Variations, by the Name of Falkland's Isles; as to have amused his Reader with the Pretences of the Omissions of such minute Matters, as are not ordinarily to be expected in a General Chart.

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Some \* Account of the Settlement of the JESUITES in the Spanish Indies.

F all the Settlements that have been made in the Indies fince the Conquest of that vast Country by the Spaniards, there neither has been, nor ever will be, any so considerable, as that which the Jesuites have form'd there. The first Beginning of this Settlement was only 50 Families of wandring Indians, whom the Jesuites were at the pains of col-lecting together, and fixing upon the Banks of the River Japsur in the Heart of the Country; but it has increased in fuch a manner, that it contains at present above 300000 Families, possess'd of the finest Part of all the Continent, situate 200 Leagues South from the Portugueze Paulists, and separated from them by the River of Loruguay, which falls into the Great Parava and Japsur, and these again discharge themselves into the River of Paraguay. This last takes it Course, according to the Discoveries of the Jesuites in 1702 and 1703, (which are the best that ever were made) from the foot of the Mountains of Potofi. The Air there is temperate, the Land fertile, the Indian Inhabitants laborious and tractable; and there must undoubtedly be Plenty of Gold and Silver Mines. Those Indians might be brought with ease to submit themselves, could a Method be found to improve and cultivate them-

\* This Account is not Monsieur Frezier's; neither is it printed in the Paris
Edition of his Book.

The Jesuites have not been able to extend their Mission that way, for want of Fathers; otherwise they would receive an Augmentation of more than 60000 Families, and

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To refume the Thread of our Account, and the Situation of the Jesuites Country, it is, as above observ'd, 200 Leagues South of the Paulists, 200 North of the Province of Buenos Ayres, 180 from that of Tucuman, and 100 from Paraguay. These 3 Provinces are separated from the Kingdoms of Chili and Peru by the Chain of Mountains call'd La Cordillera, and were of themselves a Kingdom

before the Conquest of the Indies.

The Country of the Mission is fruitful, being water'd with a great number of Rivers, which form Islands in many Places. They have Plenty of Timber and Fruit-trees. excellent Pulse, Bread-Corn, Flax, Indigo, Hemp, Cotton, Sugar, Piemento, Hypecacuana, Galapa, Machecacuana, a Root they call Lautrabanda, and many other Simples of great Use in Pharmacy, particularly the Herb Paraguay. Their Savanna's, or Meadow-Lands, are full of Horses, Mules, Cows, Bulls, and Flocks of Sheep: And more than all these, their Gold and Silver Mines are very confiderable. 'Tis true, the good Fathers will not own it; but there are too many Proofs of it, to leave any room for Doubt.

The People are good-natured and quiet, handy and laborious; and are brought up to all forts of Trades. They are at present divided into 42 Parishes, from 1 to 10 Leagues apart, lying along the River of Paraguay; and in every Parish there is a Jesuite, who has the Supreme Command, and is obey'd with the exactest Regard and Awe. He punishes the least Fault, if he pleases, with the utmost

Severity.

The ordinary Chastisement there, is a certain number of Lashes with a Whip, in proportion to the nature of the Crime. The Caciques and others, who are in the best Posts of the Government, whether Civil or Military, are

### at Paraguay.

not exempted from it: But which is very particular, he that has been severely whipt, comes and kisses the Father's Sleeve, acknowledges his Fault, and thanks him for the Correction he has received. Thus doth one single Man command 10000 Families, more or less; and 'tis certain, there never was known a more submissive People, or a

more perfect Subjection.

The same Method of governing has been introduced into all the Parishes of the Mission. But that is not all: This entire Submission is attended with such a Contentment of Mind, (which the Jesuites have taken care to press upon the Indians, in consideration of the Felicities of another Life, whereof they pretend to grant them Shares in this ) that the Indians are very happy with bare Food and Raiment, and do not repine at the good Fathers reaping all the Benefit of their Labours; for which purpose they have large Ware-houses in every Parish, whither the Indians are obliged to carry Provisions, Stuffs, and generally every thing without exception; they not having the liberty fo much as to eat a Chick of their own Brood; fo that all those Multitudes of Indians may justly be reckon'd as so many Slaves to the Jesuites for their Bread; and that Verse of Virgil cannot be more properly apply'd, than to them:

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Let it be consider'd at the same time, what vast Advantages those Sovereign Fathers must needs make of the Labour of so many hands, and what a Trade they drive to all Parts of the Indies, with the above-mentioned Commodities, particularly the Herb Paraguay, of which they vend an immense Quantity, there being none but what comes from the Jesuites Country, or from the Province of Paraguay. That Herb is drank almost like Tea; the Spaniards and Indians, as well Masters as Slaves, using it Morning and Evening. It is computed, that the Sale of that Herb, at first hand, comes to above a Million of Crowns.

Crowns a Year; and the Jesuites have the best Part of it; which, with the other Commodities they vend to equal Advantage, and with the Gold-Dust, which the Indians go and gather up in the Washes where the Waters have been. after their Rivers are funk below their Banks again, brings in to the Jesuites the Revenue of a Sovereign. For the forming a truer Idea of this matter, be it supposed, that each Family of Indians does not produce to the Jesuites above 50 Livres a Year, all Expences borne; why, even at this rate the general Produce of 300000 Families will appear to amount to 5 Millions of Crowns; but this Hint is fufficient to convince any one, that they get a great deal more. However, if you'll believe those good Fathers, their Mission costs them a great deal of Pains, and brings them but little Profit: But this must be taken in the Sense they generally speak, the Interpretation whereof is Nunquam latis.

The Gold and Silver, coin'd and uncoin'd, which the Jesuites send by every Opportunity into Europe; the Magnificence of their Churches, where massy Gold and Silver are glittering on every side; and their considerable Commerce, which is known to all the Spaniards, oblige Men

to form a different Judgment.

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It may not be amiss to give here a Description of the Church and Apartment of the Father of one of the Parishes, from the Mouths of two Frenchmen belonging to the Ship

of Monsieur de la Solliette d'Escaseau of Nantes.

That Ship being in the Port of Maldonades, weigh'd Anchor, and set Sail, when the said two Frenchmen, one a Captain of Arms on board, and the other a Sergeant, happen'd to be on shoar, and at so great a Distance, that they came too late for the Boat, which was gone off. Not knowing what to do in this case, all the Coast being desart, they resolv'd to advance into the Country, tho they had no other Sustenance than what their Fusees brought them. Having march'd three Days, they met Indians with Beads about their Necks, who received them

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very kindly, and made a thousand Signs of Friendship tothem; for they naturally love the French, and distinguish them from all other Nations. They even conducted them to one of the Parishes belonging to the Mission, above 200 Leagues from the Place where they first met, and liv'd by the way upon wild Cows, which the Indians take at pleasure with incredible Dexterity, by throwing a Noose over their Heads at 4 or 5 Yards distance; after which they hamstring them, and stick them in the Throat. Our two Prenchmen being arrived at the Mission, were well received by the Jesuite, at whose House they tarry'd four Months, without ever going abroad, and then return'd to Buenos Ayres with a Detachment of Indians which the Governor demanded. The Account they give, is this: The Parish-Church there is long, and proportionably broad; the principal Entrance into it, is a Portico, and an Ascent of several Steps, at the top of which are 8 Stone Pillars wrought with a good Shew of Art, which help to support the Front of the Portico. Over the Entrance of the Church, is a very spacious Lobby for the Musick in Divine Service, which consists of 60 Persons, Voices and Instruments. There is also a particular Place for the Women, set round with a Balustrade.

The rest of the Church is sull of Seats, where the Men place themselves according to their Posts and Ages. The great Altar is shut in by a Balustrade of India Wood very curiously wrought. On the Lest of the Altar, is a Seat for the Cacique and Civil Officers; on the Right, another for the Military: But all in general are placed agreeably to their Rank.

The Facing of the Altar is very sumptuous. In the first place are three large Pictures in Frames of massy Gold and Silver. Above them are carv'd Works and Bass Reliefs in Gold; and higher yet, quite up to the Roof, is a Sculpture of Wood enrich'd with Gold. On the two Sides of the Altar are two Pedestals of Wood cover'd with Plates of Gold engraven, on which stand two Saints of massy Silver.

The Tabernacle is of Gold. The Pyx, wherein the Holy Sacrament is kept, is made of Gold, and fet round with Emeralds and other precious Stones. The Foot and Sides of the Altar are adorn'd with Cloth of Gold laced. In short, the Candlesticks, and other Vessels of Gold and Silver, with which the Altar is set off at such times as the Service is perform'd with a great number of Wax-Candles, make a Shew almost beyond all Imagination. There are two other Altars on the Right and Left, adorn'd and enrich'd in proportion to the great one; and in the Body of the Church, toward the Balustrade, is a Silver Candlestick of 30 Branches enrich'd with Gold, with a great Silver Chain which reaches quite to the Roof. By this Description one may form some Judgment of the Riches of that Mission, if all the 42 Parishes are upon the same foot, as it is reasonable to believe.

The Presbytery, or Father's House, consists of several spacious Halls adorn'd with a great many Pictures and Images, in which the Indians wait till the Father comes out of his Apartment to give Audience. There are moreover large Warehouses, to which the Indians bring all the Fruit of their Labour. The rest of the House contains Walks, Gardens, and divers Lodings for the Domestick Indians; the whole, with the Church, making a wall'd In-

closure of about 6000 Perches square.

The 42 Jesuites, who have each their Parish to govern, are independent one of another, and are answerable to none but the Principal of the Convent of Cordoua in the Province of Tucuman, who makes a Progress once a Year to visit the Missions, guarded by a great Number of Indians. Upon his Arrival, the Indians shew all possible Demonstrations of Joy and Respect. The Principal of them do not approach him without Trembling, and Hanging down the Head; and the Common sort are upon their Knees, with their Hands cross'd, as he passes along. During his Stay he makes the Jesuite of every Parish give him an Account of all that hath been brought into the Store-

in Paraguay.

Store-Houses, and of the Consumption thereof since his last Visit.

All the Merchandizes mention'd toward the Beginning of this Relation, are carry'd by Water from the Missions to Santa Fé, which being the Staple for them, the Order hath an Attorney-General there; and from Santa Fé they are carry'd to Buenos Ayres by Land, where they have likewise an Attorney. From those two Places they dibute their Goods into the three Provinces of Tucuman, Paraguay, and Buenos Ayres, and into the Kingdoms of Chili and Peru; and we may safely affirm, that the Mission of the Jesuites alone drives a greater Trade than all the

three Provinces together.

The chief Bufiness of the Caciques, or Civil Magistrates, is to learn the Number of Families, to make known to all of them the Orders and Intentions of the Father, to visit Houses, to examine every one's Work according to his Abilities, and to promife as a Reward to him who doth the most and the best, that he shall kiss the Father's Sleeve, which is held in great Veneration by those Indians, as being the first Step toward attaining to the Beatitude of the next Life. There are other Inspectors for the Country, to whom the Indians are obliged to declare every thing they get, even to a fingle Egg, which they must not dispose of; being to carry all, without Exception, into the Magazines, upon very fevere Penalties. There are also Distributors, who give out to every Family, according to its Number, twice a Week, whereon to subsist: And this is done in wonderful Order, in the Jesuite's Presence; to whose Praise it must be said, that their Labours are endless, since they are vigilant, in the last degree, to prevent their Indians from running into any Disorder: Not but that they are made ample Amends too, by the vast Profit of the Work of fo many Hands.

There were formerly two Jesuites in every Parish; but since their great Accessions, there can be but one, till

they get some more over from Spain.

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The Indians do not drink any Wine, or other hot Liquors. Herein the good Fathers copy after the Law of Mahomet, who forbad them to his Followers, lest being inflamed, they should be apt to raise Commotions, give Disturbance to his Despotick Government, and perhaps shake off the Yoke he had laid upon their Necks.

They marry the Indians young, for the sake of Procreation; and the first Catechism they teach their Children, is the Fear of God and of the Jesuite, the Contempt of Temporal Goods, and a plain and humble Life. These, it must be own'd, are pieus Dispositions; but then it is no less certain, that the good Fathers find their Account in

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The Military Government is as well establish'd there, as the Civil. Every Parish is obliged to maintain a Number of disciplin'd Troops by Regiments of Horse and Foot, in proportion to its Strength. Each Regiment consists of fix Companies of 50 Men, a Colonel, fix Captains, fix Lieutenants, and a General Officer who exercises them every Sunday after Vespers. Those Officers, who are brought up to Arms from Father to Son, are very expert in difciplining their Men, and in leading them when they march in Detachments. It is upon no other Occasion that the Parishes have a Communication, but only to form an Army. which the Senior General Officer commands under the Direction of a Jesuite, who is Generalissimo. The Arms of those Indians are Fusees, Swords, Bayonets, and Slings, with which they throw Stones to five Pound Weight, and are very dextrous at that Weapon.

The Missions together can assemble 60000 Men in eight Days time. Their Pretence for maintaining so great a Number is, because the Portugueze Paulists make Excursions into the Country, to take away their Indians: But this doth not go down with the more knowing Spaniards, who are convinced that the Jesuites keep so many Troops on foot, for no other End than to hinder all the World with-

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Their Precaution in not teaching the Indians the Spanish Tongue, and in making it a Case of Conscience for them not to converfe with the Spaniards when they go to work in the Towns for the King's Service, is declarative enough of the true Defign of the Father Jesuites. The Foreigners who are driven by any Accident into their Missions, as the Frenchmen above-mention'd; nay, the Spaniards themselves, who are sometimes obliged to touch upon them, paffing to and fro upon the River of Paraguay, do not stir without the Walls of the Presbytery: But if the Spaniards do intreat for Leave to take a Walk in the Town, be fure the Jesuite is always at their Side; and the Indians being forewarn'd, shut their Doors, and are never feen in the Streets. Whence 'tis plain, the Jesuites have very good Reasons for using so much Circumspection with regard even to their own Countrymen. They have moreover the Precaution to make Detachments of 5 or 6000 Men, by Battalions of 4 or 500, to scour the Country along the Coast, from S. Gabriel's Illes to the Mountains of Maldonades, and the River they call Rio de los Patos, to cut off all Communication betwixt those Lands and the Europeans or People of the Country, for the fake of the Gold and Silver Mines, which are there in abundance. Spoil bok box descended to to be the proch

We will here give some Instances of the Excursions of those Indians along the Coast. The Ship Falmouth of S. Malo being cast away near the Isles of Flores in the Year 1706, the Indians plunder'd a Part of her Cargo, which the Governor of Buenos Ayres caus'd them to restore, and it is actually in the Fort. The Atlas, which perish'd at the Cassilles, in December 1708; whose Officers having saved some of their Goods, and Sails to make Tents, were stript of all by the Indians, in their March over Land to the Maldonades, in order to come back by Sea, and take up their Uu 2

Silver which they had happily bury'd, to the Value of above 200000 Crowns. O 199 of fiso

There are confiderable Mines at the foot of the Mountains of Maldonades, 24 Leagues from the Port, and 14 from Montevide, which were discover'd by Dom Juan Pacheco, Inhabitant of Buenos Ayres, and ancient Miner of Potosi. He gave Advice thereof to Dom Alonso Juan de Valdes Inelau, Governor of Buenos Ayres, who made a Detachment of 15 Men, under the Command of Dom Foseph de Vermude, Captain of Foot, and Engineer at Buenos Ayres. These embarqued with Dom Pacheco, and crossing the River, they march'd to the Head of the Mountains of Maldonades, where they fearch'd the Earth, and return'd with Stones from the Mines containing Gold and Silver: But the Governor, being gain'd by the Jesuites, gave out that he had made a Proof, and found they would not answer the Labour. However, Dom Pacheco, who had referv'd his own, was convinced that this was a meer Fetch of the Jesuites. to prevent a Settlement on the fide of their Mission.

Some Pieces taken out of those Mines have been brought to France, where they may have been try'd, to know their Value: But they were taken from the very Surface of the Earth with Pick-Axes only. The aforesaid Dom Pacheco. who is celebrated for the most experienced Miner that hath been in Peru these many Years, affirms, that there is no better Earth in the World to fearch, than that round the Mountains of Maldonades, and the Rivers thereabout, in which he doubts not but Gold-Dust might as easily be found, as by the Portugueze Paulists, and in as good Quantities. The Indians of S. Dominick de Suvillant have several times brought fuch Gold to Buenos Ayres, which they found in the Territories of the Mission; whence we may conclude, that there is a great deal of it, because this Gold was taken by Stealth by the young Indians, who are

not fo fcrupulous as the others.

In the Year 1706, the Sieur de la Solliette d'Escaseau of Nantes, having cast Anchor in the Port of Maldonade, was accosted in Paraguay.

chief upon that Coast, to get Cows together, and drive them to the Missions. Monsieur d'Escaseau having made them a Present, they proposed to him, in Return, that if he would advance so far into the Country, to a Place they pointed to him, he should find Silver Mines easy to be come at; which proves, that those Mines do not lie deep in the Earth, and also that they are plenty.

The Jesuites have always been apprehensive of the Discovery of those Mines by the Spaniards, and will do all that is in their Power to prevent the working them, because the making a Settlement upon that Coast would prejudice the good Fathers, who would be obliged to furnish Indians to labour in them. They have even destroy'd all the Horses on that side, to make it the more incommodious

for People to fettle there.

It remains now to make a just Application of the Conduct of the Jesuites in the Particulars above recited, and to shew that their Ambition of Sovereign Power, and their infatiable Defire of heaping up immense Riches, are the only Objects they pursue. The Method they take in educating and governing their Indians, from whom they fqueeze all the Fruits of their Labours, leaving them nothing but the Necessaries of a frugal Life; the Care they take to hinder their Communication with the Spaniards; their Circumspection when at any time either Spaniards or Foreigners are driven by Accident into their Mission; the Number of armed Men they continually keep on foot; their perpetual Scouring the Coast by Detachments, to prevent Peoples Settlement on it; all these are plain Proofs, that they aim at making themselves independent, and not only conceal the Advantages of the Country they are possess'd of, but even of what they have not in Possession. Nevertheless, that Country belongs without all Dispute to the King of Spain, as Lord and Sovereign of the Indies: Nor ought fuch a Number of People to be reduced under any other Obedience than his alone.

alone. They ought to be free to have Lands, and the Disposal of their Crops and Labour. By this means they would become a Colony in Form; every Man would improve his Talent, with the Gold and Silver Mines of the Country; Money would be coin'd, and all together would cause a Circulation of Trade there as well as in other Colonies; the King's Authority would be acknowledg'd, and his Dominions preferv'd: But nothing of all this; the Jesuites have made themselves Absolute Lords and Masters over all those reduced Indians, together with the Country they possess, their Fruits and Labour, and extend themselves farther and farther every Day, without Title or Permission. The Indians have nothing of their own; the Jesuites have all; and those poor People, who have a Right to be free, having voluntarily subjected themselves, are treated like true Slaves: And in short, 300000 Families, and more, work for 40 Jesuites, and own and obey none but them. One Circumstance which makes good this Affertion, is, that when the Governor of Buenos Ayres receiv'd Orders to lay Siege to S. Gabriel, in which a Detachment of 4000 Indian Horse assisted, with a Jesuite at their Head, the Governor commanded the Sergeant Major to make an Attack at Four o' Clock in the Morning; but the Indians refused to obey, because they had not the Jesuite's Order, and were even upon the point of revolting, when the Jesuite (being sent for) arrived, under whom they ranged themselves, and executed the Order from his Mouth. Hence you may judge, how jealous those Fathers are of their Authority with regard to their Indians, even to the forbidding them to obey the King's Officers, when 'tis plainly for his Majesty's Service.

The Capitation Tax of a Crown a Head which the Jefuites ought to pay the King yearly for every Indian, is not only exhausted by the Payment of the Indians employ'd in his Majesty's Works, but there is hardly a Year that the King is not made a Debtor, for three Reasons equally

equally fallacious. The first is, That the Jesuites do not give in an Account of half their Indians for the Capitation. The second, That the Governor of Buenos Ayres, who ought once, in the five Years of his Government, to visit the Missions, and take an Account of the Indians, is prevented by the Jesuites, who making him a Present of a round Sum of Money, the End of his Visit is lost, and he contents himself with the Jesuites own List of their Families. The third Reason is, That when a Detachment of 500 Indians is employ'd in the King's Works, they fet him down 1500, and so many his Majesty pays. Thus is his Catholick Majesty serv'd in the Indies, where his Revenues are consumed in feign'd Employments, Fraud, and Plunder. These Abuses do however deserve the most ferious Attention; feeing the King's Revenues, which ought to amount at least to 30 Millions of Livres, (were his Majesty faithfully serv'd) are brought to nothing, or to very little, because the Governors and Treasurers have a good Understanding, and only contend who shall plunder most. What remains therefore, (to answer the End of this Relation ) but to find Means of reducing the Jesuites to their Duty, to bridle their Absolute Power, and to turn some Part of the Profits which accrue to them from the Labour of fo many Hands, to the King's Advantage? Nothing can excuse the Jesuites from submitting to it, unless they will give Marks of their Disobedience and wicked Intent: Tho', after all, we are persuaded, that they'll raise Obstacles enow, and alledge several specious Pretexts, but easy to be answered and not surrender tillo the last Extremity.

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