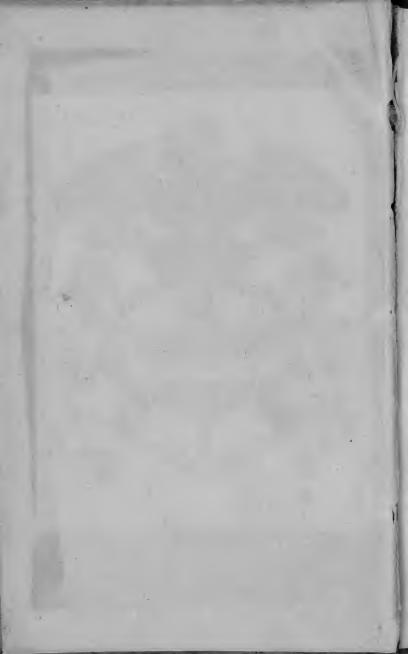


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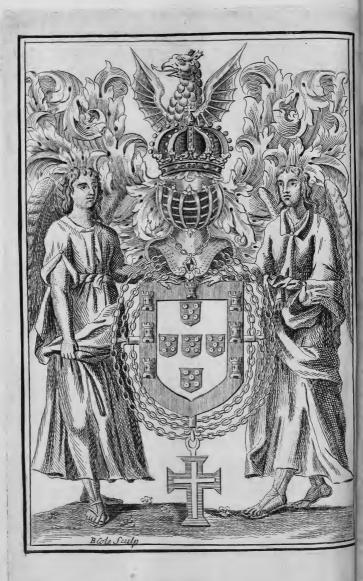
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Natural and Political

OF

Portugal

FROM ITS

First Erection into a KINGD by ALPHONSO Son of HENRY Duke of Burgundy, Anno 1090 down to the present time.

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Its Extents, Soil, Production, History, Trade, Manufactures, Customs, and Manners of its Inhabitants; with its Revolutions and Conquests. As also its Provinces, Cities and noted Towns, with their Antiquity, Building, and Present State.

To which is added,

The H R of RAZIL and all other Dominions subject to the Crown of in Asia, Africa, and America.

By CHABROCK Jun. Gent. late of Katharine-Hall, Cambridge.

Historia est gesta res, ab Etatis nostra memoria remota, Cic. de Inv. Ilb. 1. nam quis nescit Primam esse historia legem nequid isse dicere audeat? deinde nequid veri non audeat? nequa surjeico gratia sir in scribendo? nequa simultatis? Cic. de Orat, sib. 2.

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To the Right Honourable

EDWARD

Lord Dudley and Ward.

My LORD,



URING my Abode in Portugal for upwards of four Years, out of

a natural Inclination I had to A 3 the

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the Study of History, I employ'd all my leisure Time, which happened to be pretty much, in forming Memoirs of mbat I had observ'd as to the Genius of that Nation, the Manners and Inclinations of the People in General; namely, the Nobility, Clergy, and Commonalty, and in describing what Places I had seen, and collecting from their Authors the justest Accounts of what I had not had an Opportunity to view: What of this Nature I bad done, was intended only for my own private Use, but having imparted the Adversaria or loofe

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loose Collections I had made, to some particular Friends, I was perswaded to digest and put them into some Order; encouraged by their Assurance, that nothing of this Nature, as to that Kingdom, is extant in our Language, or at least that upon Enquiry, I have yet heard of.

Being prevail'd upon to Publish the following sheets, I was not long in determining to whom I should inscribe them, considering the many and great Obligations I have to Your Lordship, and your Noble Family and Relations, having spent my younger Years in your Lordship's Service, and having

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met with many Favours and Civilities above my Merit or Expectation: For all which, these poor Endeavours of mine, are all the Grateful Acknowledgments I am able to make.

As Your Eordship enjoys the Estate and Honours of your Great and Illustrious Ancestors, that you may inherit all their shining Virtues, and follow the conspicuous Patterns they have set your Lordship, is the sincere and hearty Wish and Prayer of,

My LORD,

Your LORDSHIPS
most obedient, most humble, and
most devoted Servant and Secretary,

CHA. BROCKWELL.



THE

PREFACE.



AVING already in the foregoing Dedication, given my Motives and

Inducements, for Compiling and Publishing the following short History, of the Inhabitants and Dominions of the Crown of Portugal; with a perfect Series of its Kings, their Matches,

and

and Issue, little remains to be faid farther, but to own from whom I receiv'd any Affistance. To render this Undertaking more compleat, I perus'd Mr. Sanford's Historical Treatife, Abbot Vertot, and Dr. Colebatch, and all other Helps I could procure for a faithful Account of Portugal it felf: And as to the Brazilian Territories, and the other Dominions subject to the Crown, in Asia and Africa, I must own my self obliged to those Authors * whose Credits are judged indisputable.

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^{*} Tavernier's fix Voyages to India, Perfia, &c. 2. Thevenot's Travels. 3. Nieu-hoff's Travels. 4. Sandy's Travels. 5. Dampier's, Voyages. 6. Bosman's Descriptions

AS to the Revolutions of this Kingdom, it never knew but one brought to Perfection, and that in the Reign of Philip the Third of Portugal, and Fourth of Castile. When the Portuguese no longer able to submit their Necks to the Spanish Yoke, unanimously revolted, and chose John Duke of Braganza, King; the History of which, is fo well written by the Learned Abbot de Vertot, and now in English, that I re-

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of Guinea. 7. De Laet's History of the New World 8. Emanuel Faria, y' Sousa, Africa Portuguesa. 9. Relazao Annal das Causas que Fizerao os Padres da Companhia Na India è 'no Brazil. 10. Etat de Royeaum de Barbarie, &c.

fer my Reader to him. As to the first Revolution, when John King of Castile aspired to the Portuguese Crown, it was Anno 1383. and happened thus, Ferdinand King of Portugal dying without Legitimate Male-Issue, in him the Succession ended: Whereupon the Populace set up John Master of Aviz, Natural Son to Don Pedro, by Donna Teresa Gallega. and half Brother to the late King Ferdinand, in Opposition to John King of Castile, set up by the Nobility of the Spanish Faction, who claim'd his Right from his Queen Beatrix, Daughter to Ferdinand, the Deceas'd King.

Don John of Castile (after repeated Invitations) came to take Possession of the Crown, but (ill advis'd) in an hostile Manner, with an Army; having first imprison'd Don John (Son also of Don Pedro, by Agnes de Castro, (to whom when Prince, he had been privately married) least he should affert his Pretenfions to the Crown also. When he arriv'd at a Place call'd La Guarda, he met with a welcome Reception from the Bishop, but was repulsed by the Governor of the Fort.

THE Dowager Queen Donna Leonora Telles, who by the Treaty of Marriage, was to remain Queen Regent, with the Affistance of the Earl of Oren, her Paramour, and others, endeavour'd to facilitate the Accession of her Son-in-Law to the Throne, which together with her scandalous Life, made her so hateful to the Populace; that Martin Bishop of Lisbon, for vindicating her, and endeavouring to appeale the Rebellion of her Subjects, was chased into the Tower of his Church, whither he fled for Refuge, and from thence was cast Headlong amidst the Multitude,

Multitude, waiting for him; who stripping his Body, dragged it naked into the Market, called Lo Ruzzio, where that and the fucceeding Day, it lay exposed to the merciless Spectators, and by Night was thrown into a Hole near it, dug for that Purpose. The Queen forced to fly, retired to Alanquer, and thence to Santarem, where John King of Castile, and his Queen, Beatrix her Daughter, received the Investiture of the Kingdom from her; hither also came the Nobility of the Cafilian Faction, to do them Homage as their Sovereigns.

BUT John, Mafter of Aviz, still excited by the Populace, and the other Nobility of the Portuguese Faction, refolved to obtain the Crown; and therefore to make the Castillians more odious, he pitched his Standard in Lisbon, representing his Brother, as aforesaid, peeping through a Grate, in the Castle of Toledo, which had its defired Effect; for the Portuguese immediately with great Resolution, armed against the Castilian Forces, who foon after belieged Lisbon, but in vain; after which enfued several little Skirmishes with various Success.

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THE Portuguese made the best Use of their time, both in augmenting their Forces, and encreafing their Stores; fummoning therefore a Council, to which the Deputies of the Towns of their Party came, it was debated, whether they should choose a Regent, or a King; at length they refolv'd on a King, and thereupon unanimously chose Don John of Aviz, King of Portugal, after an Interregnum of eighteen Months.

THE King of Castile being inform'd of this, sent Don Pedro Tenorio, Archbishop of To-

ledo (a Portuguese born) with some Forces, to prevent those of his Faction from revolting; but he at Troncoso meeting the new King's Forces, was oblig'd to retreat.

King, so enraged the King of Castile, that he immediately equipp'd a Fleet, which ravaged and insulted all the Coast of Portugal; and puissant Armies on each Side being rais'd, that of Castile met at Cividad Rodrigo, and the other of Portugal at Tomar. Don Nugno Alvares Pereira, newly created Constable of Portugal, observing his Masters Army too weak

weak, dispatched an Ambasfador to the King of Caftile, intreating him in his Master's Name to avoid a Battle, fince it might be possible for them to agree without the Effusion of fo much Blood. This would not take with that King, who was refolved to fight; wherefore fetting his Army in Order of Battle, he attack'd the Enemy with fo much Refolution and Courage, that at first the Success was doubtful: But the new King advancing with a Body of Reserve, the Portuguese were fo animated, that they overthrew the Castillians, and killed ten thousand on the Spot, the King himself narrowly The PREFACE.
rowly escaping, being (though very ill) forc'd to fly eleven Leagues that Night, to Santarem; from whence embarking himself on Board his Fleet, he set sail for, and arrived at Sevile. This Victory secur'd the new King, the peaceable Possession of his Kingdom, and caus'd all those Places which before had refus'd Submission to him, to yield themselves afterwards.

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N. B. Since the writing of this Book, I have been informed of a Society in Portugal, called the Royal Academy of History, but not being perfettly informed of the Nature of it, have omitted taking any Notice of it, as not being willing to infert a Chimarical Account of what I am wholly ignorant.

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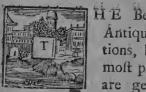


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HE Beginnings and A Antiquities of Na- Nations tions, being for the fabilious most part far fetch'd, are generally fabu-

And Authors that treat of them, are frequently fond of their own Imaginations; or follow feign'd

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Inventions of others, when they cannot find out their Origins and Rife. Such may be the Portuguese and Spanish Notions, who pretended themselves to be Descendants from Tubal, Son of Japhet, Son of Noah.

Tubal begins to people Spain. Japhet certainly had Seven, (but fome Authorsallow him Eight) Sons. Tubal, the fifth (fay the Spaniards) began to people Spain, but whether he went thither by Land or Sea, is dubious; but we may suppose by Land, Navigation being then scarcely if at all known.

Samothes founded the Kingdom of France.

He arrived in Spain Anno Mundi 1697. Ann. Ant. Diluv. 142. and Ant. Christ. 2163. according to Berosus, a Year before Samothes founded the Kingdom of France. But 'tis most generally believ'd they descended from the Romans and Carthagenians, who long contended for those Provinces, and were both at different Times

Times in Possession of them. About the fifth Century, the Goths overrun the Roman Empire; and among other Places, made themselves Masters of the Provinces of Spain. Portugal was then made a Kingdom, and fometimes governed by its own Prince, at other times reckoned into the Dominions of Castile.

ABOUT the Beginning of the Eighth Century, during the Reign of Roderick, the last of the Gothick Kings, the Moors, or rather Arabians, Arabians under the Command of Valid Almanzor their Caliph, enter'd Spain. Julian an Italian Nobleman, who facilitated the Conquest of those Places (which might otherwise have proved difficult) received and affifted them; not out of Affection, but to Revenge himself on Roderick, who had debauch'd his Daughter.

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Pelagus
Founder
of Oviedo
or Leon.

THE Arabians foon conquer'd all the Country, between the Streights of Gibraltar and the Pyrenees (except the Mountains of Astarias) whither the Christians (Prince Pelagus being their Commander,) fled; this Prince was the Founder of the Kingdoms of Oviedo or Leon

Lusitania, whence derived.

portugal is by the Latins called Lustania, the Derivation of which is as fabulous, as the Supposition of its first Inhabitants; some derive it from Lysius Son of Bacchus, others from Lusus Son of Sicceleus, the nineteenth King of Spain from Tubal aforesaid, fifth Son of Japhet Son of Noah, who reigned over Spain about 1508 Years before the Incarnation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; and by Computation, much about the same time that Pharaoh and his Host perished in the Red Sea. I shall not however endeavour to de-

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cide this Point, but leave it wholly to the Opinion of my Reader. It was also from a warlike People called Suevi belonging to the Goths, named Suevia. The Etymology of its present Name, seems to be as obscure and whimfical as its former; fome deduce it from Portus-Cale, an infignificant Portugal, Hamblet at the Mouth of the River whence Duero, formerly famous for Fishing; derived. to which Place faith Osorious, Tanta multitudo Hominum confluxit, ut in Civitatem opulentissimam evaserit, & Porto-gallo nominari capit; & inde totum regnum nomen Obtinuisse Conspicitur Circa Ann. Chr. 500. Others from Portus Gallus, The French frequently reforting to Oporto; and others from Portus Grauiis, now called Graya, supposed to be built by the Greeks.

THIS Kingdom though by the Latins called Lustania, contain more Northward and less Eastward B 3 than

Its ancient Bounds when a Roman Province. than that Roman Province did. which was then on the North bounded by the River Duero, on the West and South by the Ocean; Eastward the River Guadiana parted it from Batica; as did a Line drawn from Old Calatrava on the fame River (Guadiana) to the Bridge of Simancas, on the Duero from Tarraconensis: Thus it is evident, this ancient Province wanted all that Country between Duero and Minho, now called Emtre Duero and Minho, on the North fide of what Portugal now comprehends; and on the South-East, that Tract of Land on which Serpa Moanra and Olivenza now frand: Whereas it included all that Province in Spain called Estramadura, with some Part of New and Old Castile, and Part of the Kingdom of Leon; fo that the best Part of this Roman Province is quite cut off.

THE Territory betwixt Cape St. Vincent, called Promontorium Sacrum, and the River Guadiana was inha- Inhabibited by the Turdetani: Next to them on the North, toward the River Tagus lived the Celta; along the Sea-Coast to the West from the Celta, or rather Celtici, lived the Sarrii, a wild, rude, barbarous, and favage People. On the North fide of the River Tagus lived the * Turduli; the Pesures straggled along the Mountains, called Serra da Estrella; and the Bracari and Graii betwixt the Rivers Duero and Minho: Thus much of its ancient Bounds and Inhabitants. come we now to fpeak of its Prefent State:

^{*} Some affirm the Turduli and Turdetani to be the same People; but Strabo proves the contrary. They are thought to have been the ancient Inhabitants of the Kingdom of Algarve.

Prefent Situation,

NORTHWARD Portugalis bounded by Gallicia, from which it is divided by the River Minho. Next the Sea. and up the Land by fome fmall Rivers and Hills. By the West and Southern Parts flows the Atlantick Ocean, including on the South the little Kingdom of Algarve, which the River Guadiana on the West parts from Andalusia, on which Northward this Kingdom borders, as also on Estramadura and Leon.

Extent.

In extends in Length about 110 Leagues, and in Breadth no where exceeds 50, nor wants of 20; its Eatitude is between 36 Deg. 50 Min. and 42 Deg. Its Longitude between 9 Deg. 10 Min. and 12 Degrees.

THE Air is not fo intemperate and fcorching, as fome have represented it; yet much hotter than in England, and those Heats are tem-

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per'd with cooling Breezes, and refreshing Rains, which invigorate es very thing that grows, and greatly conduces to the Health and Refreshment both of Man and Beaft. The Winters here for about fix Weeks or two Months, are excessive bleak and cold; and yet what is to be admir'd, no Fires are here kept, but in those Houses inhabited by English Families; which makes it evident, that the Portuguese bear Hear and Cold with the same Indifference. It is moreover to be observ'd, that as Differenwith us most Distempers proceed coed hour from Cold, fo are they generally here Heat the Effect of Heat, as Burning Fevers, Pleurifies, Quinfies, and Lethargies, all which without speedy and frequent bleeding, prove mortal: But in the Northern and Southern Parts, the Degrees of Heat and Cold vary much, not in regard to Latitude alone, but several other Circumstances; as the Sea-coast

much cool'd by fresh Gales, and the Mountains which are naturally cold, oft communicating cooling Breezes to the adjacent Plains.

Soil.

THE Soil as it is not so fertil as in other Countries, so, is it not contemptible, it never produces Corn to supply the Inhabitants, nor Pasture for the Cattle, unless in some of the most Northern Parts of the Kingdom, where the best and largest Cattle are bred; but by that time they reach Lisbon, through the Heat, and Carelesness of the Drovers, their Flesh falls much off; yet in that Case, exceed any bred nearer Lisbon.

Fine Pork. I must not here omit speaking of their Pork, which is the most delicious in Europe; their Swine are small, short-legg'd, and generally black, their Bellies oft reaching to the Ground; their Food for the most-part are Chesnuts, of which

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which there are whole Walks, where they at the time the Chefnuts husk themselves, are put to seed, and the Owners of these Walks, make a considerable Profit of them; I believe better than exporting their Nuts elsewhere: This Feed cannot sail of making them deserve the Commendations I give them.

To make amends for all other Deficiences, here are made vast Quantities of Wine, the best Commodity Wine. in this Kingdom, and too well known among us, to admit any Elogies. Oil is also here very plentiful, but oil. not comparable to that of Florence, or Spain, being strong, and thick, and of an ill Colour; fuch it is, that those who have eaten of the other, will not care to touch this; yet the Natives eat it plentifully, and with a very good Gust. Immense Quantities of Salt, are also Salt. daily exported from Setuval, to the Northern

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Fruit and

Herbs.

Northern Parts. Limons, Citrons, Oranges, Raifins, Prunes, Chefnuts, are also from hence in vast Quantities exported, something smaller, but full as well tasted as those of Spain. Of common Herbs and Flowers here are very great Plenty,

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of which they make their odoriferous Waters. Here also are made all forts of fine Sweatmeats, Wet and Dry. The Woollen Manusa-Cture of this Kingdom is very Coarse, being worn by none but the meanest fort of People; and indeed it is fit for no others. I shall sum up all, in saying, This Country is more pleasant than profitable, and rather affords the Delicacies than Necessaries of Life.

Manners and Behaviour of the People. THE People are look'd upon as Indolent, Poor, and Proud, very Zealous, but rather deem'd Superstitious than Religious; the most natural Events amongst them pass for Miracles

Miracles, and they are firmly perfwaded, that Heaven is always contriving fomewhat particular for their Good. The Nobility think themfelves Gods, and require from their Vassals a fort of Adoration. The Gentry aspire to equal with them; and the Commonalty fcorn to be inferior to either. The Nobility are ferved on the Knee by their Slaves: which is become fo habitual amongst those poor Creatures, that they often pay that Reverence, to People almost as abject as themselves; and they as gravely accept it, as if their due. This Homage by them required, make them rather the Ridicule of their neighbour Nations, than Esteem'd, and was the Foundation of the old Proverb, The Spaniards feem wife, but are Fools; the French feem Fools, but are wise; the Italians seem and are wife; but the Portuguese neither seem to be wife, nor are so: And to corroborate this, there is a Spanish ProProverb, they are Pocos y Locos, few and foolish.

The Men grave.

THE Men are tall and well-shaped, but very fwarthy, and hard-featur'd. naturally Grave, yet affecting it to a Prodigy; be their Business ever so urgent, or the Rains ever so violent, they never haften their Pace, but walk Stiff as without Joints, and feem to number each Step they take. As a greater Addition to their Gravity, they never appear abroad without Spectacles, (especially Friars and Priests) which by a Silk fasten'd to the Rim, which contains the Glass, are tied behind their Ears. I must here beg the Pardon of a good-natured Gentleman, who thus Apologizes for them; "They " wear Spectacles (faith he) to " preferve their Eyes, which by " too frequent Bleedings are often wery much impaired, and not fo much out of Affectation; as is gecc nerally

" nerally thought." This cannot be granted, if we confider Youth of fourteen or fixteen, as frequently wear them, as Men of forty or fifty, and their Age at fuch a time will not admit of Bleeding to fuch a Degree, as can be detrimental to them; and besides, Women notwithstanding what Nature exhausts in their Lunary Courfes, use not any; and as in most Cases they bleed in the Foot, that cannot affect their Eyes.

THEY are not only Proud, but Proud too obstinately Vindictive, being ap- and Revengeful, peas'd by no other Satisfaction for an Injury, than the Life of the Delinquent, as too many most barbarous Instances of Murther fully evince: Nay, fometimes their Rage transports them further, as the following Example proves; a Gentleman named Manuel da Costa, suspec- fiance of ted another Gentleman named Louis Barbari-

da Silva, of being too intimate with his Wife; and lying wait, at last feized him in the Night, with his *Spado drawn, and plainly told him. nothing cou'd expiate his of fended Honour, in being so familiar with his Wife but his Life, he there should surely die. Silva protested his Innocency, and affur'd him as much as he could of his being unacquainted with his Wife, in any way whatfoever. But Cofta was deaf to his Protestation, and bent on his Destruction, until at last he told him, on only one Term, he would fpare his Life; which was, that Silwa in the fame Posture as he was then in, (kneeling) should solemnly abjure God, and Christ, and deny all hope in either. Silva at first refus'd, and begg'd him not to infift on a Crime fo shocking, to the Name of a Christian; but Costa still persisting

in his Resolution, Silva did comply; which he had no fooner done, than Cofta Stabb'd him to the Heart, rejoycing in his Execrable Villany; and faying, his Revenge was fatiated, fince he had killed both Soul and Body.

I must in Justice contradict that Civil to To much inculcated Notion among us, Foreignof their being injurious and base to Foreigners, especially the English, fince for whatever Infults or Affronts Foreigners meet with, they must blame themselves; for by frequent Instances I can aver, they will generously forgive in a Foreigner, what nothing but Life shall attone for in a Native: Whereas on the other hand, the Dutch and English trading here, drink too plentiful of their Wines, then grow Abusive and Quarrelfome, and fo draw on themfelves those Mischiefs, they too late ke and repent of. The Portuguese ablior

abhor Drunkenness, and are so very abstemious, that some of them taste not Wine for a Month together; and in the Height of their Fury, imagine they can say nothing more reproachful, than * Bebida Engleza, and often think it Satisfaction enough for a small Offence. I must add this, as they are not easily provoked, so when they are, they are void of Reason, Compassion, or Mercy, nor will they attack you, unless at a considerable Advantage; so that in short, they are look'd upon as desperate Cowards.

Women very beautiful.

THE Women are generally small, and very beautiful, exceeding most in Europe: But no where is the old Proverb more applicable than here, Beauty is a fading Flower; for no sooner are they in their Persection, but they as suddenly decay; and

^{*} English Sot.

those Perfections of Nature, which have raifed an agreeable Admiration in all their Beholders, at once difappear, not leaving fo much as the least Ruins or Remains of their former Charms, which is attributed to these two Reasons: First their excessive use of Paints, and Lotions compounded of Mercurial Preparations, and other Things detrimental to them, which so harden and wrinkle their Skins, that Thirty once turn'd, they become as justly despicable, as they before were admirable. And those Paints they use not privately, like other Ladies, but carry their Washes, and Spanish Wooll in their Pockets, which as Occasion requires, they use, even in the publick Streets and Churches. Another Reason is their excessive use of Venery; for no where in Europe are the Women more Libidinous, nor more free of their Favours. They begin at Twelve and Thirteen to C 2

to bear Children, and at Six or Seven and Twenty leave off; this Imputation fome Writers have endeavoured to expunge, but to little Effect.

Men's Drefs.

THE Nobility as to their Drefs, chiefly follow the French Mode, the other Sort that of their own Countrey. Most wearing Cloaks, some no longer than their Coats, others reaching down to the Ground, but all black, and generally of Bays or Crape. Their Wastcoats short, and Breeches wide: Those who follow their Mode strictly, wear stiffened Collars, Bands and Band-strings. Their Garments are either of Silk, Crape, or Bays (the meanest of Cloth of their own Manufacturing,) according to the Seafons and their Ability. All Degrees of them from the Nobleman to the Beggar wear Spado's. If a Porter is called to carry a Burden, or go on an Errand, though he has neither Shirt, Shoe,

nor

nor Stocking, he will not fail of his Spado, which is generally five, and fome fix Foot long, which as they walk, especially on the Declivity, trail on the Ground after them; on their Right-sides they were Daggers, as long as our Swords; and under their Cloaths, a Weapon called Faca da Punta, or pointed Knife, made like a Bayonet, with a sharp Point and Edge, but the Back of it notch'd like a Saw; and often befides thefe Arms, in their Pockets a Brace of Piftols. Thus they go armed to meet those Mischiefs, their implacable Tealousies as often make fatal, as obvious to them. The viler and more abject Sort, are called Mariolas and Marabutas, fuch as Porters, Coblers, &c. and these never appear without their Spado's and Cloaks, though as party-colour'd as Facob's Coat.

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Women's Drefs.

THE Ladies in Portugal of Quality, drefs in their Hair, richly adorned with Jewels, artificial Flowers, and Variety of small, and different shaped Combs, which plat the Hair in those different Forms they mostly approve of. Those who have not fine Hair, wear Wigs of different makes, as their Fancy leads them. Their Linen is made in the fame Form as that of Men, and as much expos'd to View, is confequently very fine. They dress generally in Jackets, and never wear Stays; fo that they go open-breasted like Men, only the Bosoms of their Shifts are always tied with colour'd Ribands. "How amiable and eafy they appear, Words cannot express; but for a time, no Angels can exceed them. Their Petticoats they wear long and very full, generally of rich Silks, the same as their Jackets. A Foot they never appear, but in Churches, but have always

always their Litters attending them, Litters describ'd. which are made like our Sedans or Chairs, only fo large as to carry four; their Poles are long and thick, answerable to the Weight they are to bear, fix'd to the Litter by Iron-Hoops, as ours are to the Chairs, and fo flung into the Harness of the Mules, which are placed one before, the other behind, between the Poles, and led each by a Mulateer. As Lisbon is built on a Rocky, Hilly Situation, therefore these Litters are prefer'd before Coaches, as much fafer, because the Descents from many Parts of the City are fo fleep, that Coaches or Chariots, when once fet a running down them, can hardly be stopped. The middling fort of Women drefs as near as they can like the Quality, but are obliged for Distinction sake to wear their Veils of black Silk; and the meaner Sort aspire to imitate CA

the Gentry, but for the like Reason, are forced to wear a Veil of Crape.

Kings The Kings of Portugal are Absorbidute. lute at home, and own no Superior Power abroad: The Crown is Hereditary.

Titles. The Titles the present King assumes, runs thus; John V. D. G. King of Portugal and Algarve, on this Side and beyond the Sea of Africk; Lord of Guinea, of the Navigation, Conquest and Commerce, in Athiopia, Arabia, Persia, and India, &c.

Revenue. His Revenues, confidering the Greatness of the Imposts on all Commodities, as also his annual Importations of Gold from Rio de Janeyro, &c. must be very considerable: But as I cannot truly ascertain, I shall not guess at them.

THE Portuguese Dominions abroad Domiwere formerly far more opulent and mons, extensive than at present, for of late they have confiderably been diminished by the Dutch; yet in America they still possess that large Tract of Land called the Brazils, (hereafter described,) the Islands Azores, and that of Madera, Westward from their own Coast; on that of Barbary the Fort Marzagao; Mina and Arquin on the Coast of Guinea, the Island of Cabo Verde in Africa, feveral on that of Congo and Angola, and Mozambique on that of Zanguebar. In Afia they possess Goa, Dio, Damam, and Chaul; in China the large Town of Macao, which though Inhabited by Portuguese, is now become subject to the Chinese; of each of which I shall treat in its proper Place.

The Dutch deprive them of Trading to Africa and India.

Sieze Ceylon, Molucca Iflands, and Malaca.

Expel them farpan.

400000 Souls
Converted.

THE Dutch have not only depriv'd the Portuguese of much of their Trade to Africa, and India, but seized the best of their Possessions in the Latter; as the rich Island of Ceylon, those of the Molucea, and even the Town of Malaca it felf; besides divers other Places of less Note, too long to be enumerated here. Nor yet content, they defisted not until they expelled them and Christianity out of the great Island of Japan, after the Jesuits were supposed to have Converted at least 400000 Souls. The first trading of the Portuguese to Japan, was Anno 1542. Afterwards the Spaniards made some profitable Voyages thither from the Phillippine Islands. About the Year 1600 the English found the Way thither; and now laftly, the Dutch, who have maintained their Station, by complying so far in making no shew

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of Religion, as not to be deemed Christians.

THE Portuguese having made some Converts in the Principal Cities, Francis Xavier, a Jefuit, fent three Father Priefts from India, Anno 1552. who fends were foon after followed by many nies. more. And Christianity was so far propagated, that in Nangasack alone, there was no less than 40000 Chriflians, when the Persecution broke out: Chapels and Oratories were erected at convenient Distances, all about the Country, and innumerable were the Converts, that the Seventy Years Christianity flourished here, had made. But the Dutch Dutch envying the Trade the Portuguese Policy. drove here, and longing after the immense Riches they daily accumulated from it, perswaded the then Emperor Combo, or Combosamma, that the Portuguese had a Design to bring him and his Dominions, under Sub-

Subjection to the Pope, and King of Portugal. Which so incensed and exasperated that Monarch; that when even his three Predecessors, and many of the Nobility, besides People of inferior Degree, had received Baptifin, he in the end of the Year 1662, or in the beginning of 63, issued a sudden and strict Mandate, to extirpate Christianity thoughout all his Provinces, which was immediately put in Execution; and for three Years together fo violent a Persecution rag'd, that many Thoufands suffered Martyrdom: And Finally, Christianity was so perfectly eradicated, that notwithstanding that of all the Heathen Countries, Christianity spread the fastest here, yet is it now fo unhappily altered, that (Vice versa) of all Places where Christianity has ever been professed, this is the most destitute of Chriflians: The very Name is now become fo odious among them, that thev

Christianity extirpated. they fuffer no Europeans to land there, on Pain of Death, except the Dutch, who are forbidden by their Superiors, to shew even the least Appearance of it: To which they fo readily comply, that being asked if they are Christians? They answer the Japanese, No, they are Holtanders.

PORTUGAL never was a Kingdom until the Suevi erected themselves into a Monarchy in it; but they being fubdued, it was again re-united to Spain, and fo continued until the Year 1112. Don Alphonfo Aphonfo the Sixth King of Castile, burying King of his Queen, he married a Moorish marries a Princess, called Caida, or Zaida, Daughter to Almuncamuz- Aben- Amet. King of Sevil, by whom he had for Dowry the Towns of Cuenca, Ocagna, Mora, Valera. Consuegra; Alarcos. Caracuel, and feveral others.

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THIS Alliance caused great Amity between Don Alphonso and the Moors, both in Spain and Africk; which at last turned to the Ruin of the Moors, especially Almuncamuz-Aben-Amet; he being of an ambitious, aspiring Temper, and defiring to Lord it over all the Moors in Spain. Alphonso who was in Alliance with all the Princes and Potentates neighbouring Aben Tefin, engaged them all to affift his Father-in-law in this Enterprize, and to fend him Succours of Moors and Africans, the which he obtained to the Prejudice of both, and by that Means the Moors of Africk and Spain were again united. Aben Tefin sent a Geral of great Esteem, named Ali-Aben-Axa, his Alguazil-major or Lieutenant-General, who with a large Army landed in Andalusia, and joyned with the King of Sevil, in order to bring the other Moorish petty Princes, who refus'd, under his Subjection; but they joyned not long, e're some Controversies happening in the Army, turned into Sedition and Wars; fo that instead of affifting, the Armies divided, and joyning Battle, Almuncamuz-Aben- Almunca-Amet King of Sevil loft his Life. A- muz flain, li-Aben-Axa forgetting his Alliance, feiz'd upon the Lands and Seigniories of the King of Sevil, for himfelf, and declares himfelf King, all the Moors of Spain submitting to him: Upon which he fixes his Royal Seat at Cordova, and causes himself to be called Miralmumim of Spain, by which Means all the Treaties of Peace contracted formerly between the Moors and Christians were then broken. Ali not contented yet, endeavours to regain those Places given to Alphonfo, as a Dowry with Caida or Zaida his Wife; and therefore entring Toledo, spoil'd the Country at his Pleasure, and at last regains

Ali fiezes Caida's Dowry.

gains all the Lands of Caidas Dowry into his Power. Don Aphonfo feeing himself thus worsted, raises a puisfant Army, confifting of all the Flower of his Nobility, and staid the Conqueror's Fury fo, that he was forced to keep himself within Cordova, and abandon his Country to the Spoil, not daring to defend it; and at length by submitting and becoming Tributary, and giving long Donations, he procured from Alphonso a dishonourable Peace.

Aben Tefin

SHORTLY after this, Aben Tefin inenters Se- cenced at the Treachery of Ali, an Army. comes out of Africa at the Head of a greater Army of Moors, than had ever in Spain been feen; and besieging Ali in the City of Sevil; as the Reward of his Treachery, cut of his Head, and in a short time disposing of his new Conquests, not respecting any more the Friendship of King Alphonso, he returned into Africk

Beheads Ali-Aben-Axa.

Africk, where he had fettled his Imperial Seat at Maroc or Marrox. All Andalusia being thus subdued. begat a difficult War between those Princes: Wherefore Alphonfo fought Discord the Assistance of all the Christian Applionso Princes he could, Upon which feve- and Aben Tefin. ral brave, valiant Commanders united with Alphonfo, in carrying on this Holy War; among which were Creates a these three Princes, Raymond Son to War. William, Brother to the Earl of Burgundy, Henry Earl of Burgundy, and Raymond Earl of Thoulouse, who brought with him a good Body of regular warlike Troops: With these and other brave Soldiers, as well Spaniards, as other Nations, Don Al- Alphonfo phonso made War against the Ara. lubdues bian King, and over run his new Conquer'd Country, taking great Spoils, and carrying away many Prifoners, without much Opposition.

Andalufia.

AT that time (Don Alphonfo to retaliate the Services he had received from these three Princes, and to bind them the more, to defend the Christian State in Spain, gave them his Daughters in Marriage; to Raymond Earl of Thoulouse he gave Elvira, an illegitimate Daughter, to whom, because he would return home, he paid a Dowry in Money, and Jewels; to Count Raymond of Burgundy, he gave his Lawful Daughter Ouraqua, and with her the Government of Galicia and Title of Earl; and to Henry, his illegitimate Daughter, Teresa with the Earldom of Portugal, which he had conquered from the Moors, and the Hereditary Title thereof, to him and his lawful Heirs for ever. as also a Promise to add to his Seignories, whatfoever he should conquer from the Moors in those Parts, with the same Rights of hereditary

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ditary Succession. These Gifts did King Don Alphonso bestow on Henry (he bearing him a private Affection) upon Condition, that he and his Succeffors should acknowledge the Kings of Leon for their Sovereign Lords, and hold in Fee of them, doing them Homage, prefenting themselves at their Courts, whenever they should call their Vaffals, and should serve them against their Enemies, and furnish them with 300 Horse; with several other Duties.

Anno 1094. Don Henry had a Son Alphonfo by Donna Terresa at Guimaraens, who Henriques at the Defire of Don Alphonfo, was named after him, Don Alphonio Henriques; which last he took for his Sirname. His Birth is strangely written by Spanish Authors, who say his Feet were joyned together behind, and in the fifth Year of his Age fet at Liberty by the Prayers of his Parents

Parents. But this carrying with it rather a Face of Spanish Superstition than Truth, I shall make no farther mention of it; besides this Prince, Don Henry had two Danghters, D. Teresa, and D. Sancha Henriques.

Count Henry defended his Country against the Moors wisely and valiantly, and governed it with Juflice and Honour under the Sove. reignty of the King, or rather Emperor Don Alphonso, until the Year 1112. when he died in Gallicia, in the Town of Astorga, and was interred at Braga in St Mary's Church, leaving his Son D. Alphonso Henriques his Heir, then about 18 Years of Age. Donna Tereja the Widow-Countess, shewing her Indiscretion, shortly after married Don Virmond Paez de Transtamara, with whom having lived fome time. By the Provocations of her diforder'd Appetite, she left him to marry his Brother

Henry dies.

His Widow marties Don Virmond de Paez Translamara.

Don Fernando Paez de Transtamara. Leaves him and Don Virmond thus forfaken, strove marries with the Countess who should be his Bromost Incestuous, and married her Virmond eldest Daughter, by Don Henry, her named Teresa Henriques. These Ex- Daughploits were transacted in the House of Portugal, which was but now in the Infancy of its Grandeur. Fernando Paez to expiate his Crime, built a Builds a Monastery at Sobrado in Gallicia, a Monastery to ex-Satisfaction even then taught by the piace his Popilb Church, to those who contemned the Ordinances of God.

PORTUGAL by reason of its Incestuous Countesses disordered Inclinations, was then the Seat of Ruin and Desolation: But Alphonso raifing an Army, purfued Fernando as a Tyrant, and incestuous Adulterer, their Army joyned Battle near Guimaraens, where Alphonfo being Alphonfo young and inconsiderate, not wait- is routed. ing the approach of his Recruits,

was vanquished: But Don Egas Nugnes advancing with a fresh Supply, fought a fecond Battle, where Ferdinando's Army was routed, and himself and his incestuous Countess taken Prisoners, but was afterwards by Alphonso, at the Entreaty of his Mother fet at Liberty; promifing never more to stile himself Earl of Portugal, but to be a perpetual Subject and Vassal unto Alphonso, who by this Means remained peaceably at home: But had continual Wars with the Moors, who were always troubling his Frontiers, therefore with a fmall Army, he furprizing them at unawares, took from them the Town of Leiria; the which he gave to the Monastery of Sante Croix, in the Town of Coimbra. built by him as the First-fruits of his Victories; he also took from And Tore them the Town of Torres Novas: But res Novas. What is most remarkable, without

the Effusion of much Blood.

He takes Leiria.

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In the Year 1139, Don Alphonso pass'd the River Tagus, and led an Army against the King of the Moors called Isman or Ismael, in which Voyage died Don Egas Nugnes, who had been Tutor to the Earl in his Minority, and afterward his faithful Counsellor, and was buried near Oporto, at the Monastery of Sonsa. Isman met Don Alphonso with his Army, commanded by four other petty Moorish Kings, in the Field of Obrigay. The Earl's halted at a Place called Cabeca de Reyes, so that they were in Sight of each other; the Earl's being much inferior to the other, struck a damp on the Soldiers; which the Earl perceiving, he with a noble Courage and generous Refolution, fo far animated his Soldiers, that they refolved to try the Chance of War, rather than make a dishonourable Retreat. And as a happy Presage of their future Victory, turning D 4

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The Earl proclaimed King by his Army.

turning to the Earl, falute him with the Royal Name and Title of King; unanimously shouting Portugal, Portugal, for the King Alphonso Henriques.

Vanquishes the Moors.

Being thus encouraged, and all in good Order, they valiantly charged the *Moors*, and made a horrible Slaughter of them, and remained Mafters of the Field, taking five Royal Standards from them, and all their Baggage.

AFTER this Don ALPHONSO took upon him the Title of King of Portugal, and left by Succession to

his Descendants this Title, obtained by a Military Salutation before the Battle. From hence began the Arms of that Royal House, in Me-

mory of this fignal Victory, viz. five little Shields Azure, (reprefenting the Standards of those five Kings he had conquered,) in a great Efcutcheon

Arms of Portugal. foutcheon Argent; to the which was fince added a Border Gules, charged with Castles Or, in the time of Don Sancho the second of that Name, King of Portugal.

In the Year 1169. Don Alphonso had the Confirmation of his Titles from Pope Alexander, who fent him Pope confirms his Bulls, taking the King Don Altitude. phonso Henriques, his Successors, Realms, and Subjects, into the Protection of the Church of Rome; paying two Marks of Gold yearly, as an Acknowledgment, which the Archbishop of Braga yearly received for the Church of Rome.

Don Alphonso being now in the Don Al-Ninety-first Year of his Age, fell phonso sick, and after a very short In-1184. disposition died, having reigned King Forty-fix Years, and succeeded his Father in Estate Seventy-three; his Body was Interred in the Monastery

of

of S. Croix, which he had built at Coimbra, the then Metropolis of Portugal, he was succeeded by his Son.

D. Sancho fucceeds.

Don SANCHO, sirnamed the Builder, from the feveral Towns he built aud peopled; was Thirty-one Years old when he came to the Crown. Four Years before his Father's Decease he married Donna Aldoncia, Daughter to Don Raymond Berenger Earl of Barcelona, and Regent of Arragon, and of Petronilla his Queen. His Reign confifted of Twenty-feven Years, in which he had feveral Skirmishes with the Moors, who were continually infesting his Frontier Towns; he was fuccessful always, tho' not with any memorable Advantage.

Famine and Plague.

In the Year 1199. Portugal was visited with an extream Famine, infomuch that the Living sed on the

Carcases of the Dead; after which sollowed as extream a Sickness.

Don Sancho tired out more with Anno Fatigues than Age, died in the Fifty-D. Sancho eighth Year of his Age, and Twenty-dies. feventh of his Reign. A wife Politick, but very Covetous Prince, having amassed above 500000 Maravidis of Gold. Drawing near his End he disposed of part of them as sollows, to his eldest Son he gave 200000, to his three other Children 10000 each, to his Natural Children 250 Marks each, and the rest to charitable Uses.

Don ALPHONSO II. his Son fucceeded, Aged twenty-seven, and was Crowned at Coimbra; from the Grossness and Unweildiness of his Body sirnamed the Gross. His Reign begun with Troubles of his own seeking, in attempting to deprive his Sisters of those Lands, their Father had

had left them, but by the Interpolition of Alphonso King of Leon, and the Mediation of the Pope, these were foon ended, and after an indolent Course of Life, giving himself to nothing but Ease, he died, having reigned twelve Years, three Months, and fix Days, in the thirty ninth Year of his Age.

Anno 1223. D. Alphonso dies.

Don SANCHO II. his Son fue-D. Sancho II. ceeded him, when he was but fixfucceeds.

teen Years of Age, and was called Capelo, from his Dress, which was long like that of a Priest.

His Cha. racter.

This Prince was more Courteous and Affable, and too great a Lover of Peace for a Monarch; wherefore he was contemned by his People, and the Goodness of his Temper, esteemed a base and cowardly Dispofition of Mind: So that his Subjects atchieved many things contrary to Justice, and derogatory to the Honour and Good of his Kingdom. The Negligence and Supineness of the King, together with the turbulent high Spirit of the Queen, by whom he was wholly govern'd, fo incensed his People against him, that he became their common Jest; nor did they spare him in all Companies, and all Places. Upon these Considerations (the Queen being alfo barren) all the Nobility refolve to feparate them; for the effecting whereof they fend to Rome, defiring a Dispensation to remove the Queen from his Throne and Bed, but this proved ineffectual; for neither Admonition, Exhortation, Commandment, nor Cenfure would prevail, the King was fo afraid, rather than fond of her. Which the Portuguese perceiving, fome of them ventured to seize her in the City of Coimbra, The and conducted her into Gallicia; Q een from whence she ne're returned more. This done, they endeavour

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depos'd.

to depose him from the Regal Dignity, which feems to acquit the Queen of fome Part of the Faults and Troubles that arose, and fix it AndKing on their ambitious Defigns; for their Defire was to have the King's. Brother, who had married Matilda Countess of Bologne, advanced to the Royal Throne.

His Brother chofen in his flead.

In Order thereto, they fend the Archbishop of Braga, Bishop of Coimbra, and some other Noblemen to Pope Innocent the Fourth, who authorized their Proceedings by his Apostolick Power, and named Don Alphonso Earl of Bologne, Regent of Portugal, leaving the Title of King to his Brother Don Sancho Capelo.

Comes into Portugal.

THE Earl thus invested with Power, fet out immediately for Portugal with the Pope's Briefs, where, by the Subjects he was gladly received.

ceived, though not by his Brother Don Sancho, who would not obey the Pope's Commandment, but retired into Castile, begging the King, Don Alphonso the Wife, to affist him in the Recovery of his Kingdom; to which the King of Castile seemingly confented: But the Regent entreating him by his Letters, and urging his Authority from the Roman See, promifing to be divorced from his lawful Wife, and to marry his Natural Daughter Beatrix, and to revive the Homage Portugal should do to Leon. With these and several other Offers, fo far prevailed on the King of Castile, that he concluded the Marriage of his Daughter with the Regent, and gave her the Country of Algarve for her Dowry. Don San- Don Sancho Capelo being out of all Hope of cho breaks ever Reigning more, died foon after his Heart. of Grief in Castile, and was buried at Toledo.

Coimbra loyal-

During this, Coimbra relifted Don Alphonfo, and would not acknowledge him Regent, much less King: But hearing of the Death of the King, the Governor of the Town went to Toledo to the King's Tomb, and causing it to be opened, he began to figh and lament the Misfortunes of his Prince, and protesting the Affection the Citizens and himfelf bore him, laid the Keys of the City upon his Hands, and faid, as he received the Keys from him, fo he deliver'd them to him again; and then returning home, acknowledged the Regent King.

A Mark of Love and Loyalty.

Bx the Death of Don Sancho, which happened in the fiftieth Year of his Age, and thirty-fourth of his Reign, leaving no Issue, the Kingdom of Right came to Don Alphonso, the Regent, who was crown'd King in the City of Lisbon, Anno 1257.

D. Alphonfo
Crown'd.

But his marrying two Wives, having no lawful Cause of Divorce from Troubles, the first, was the Occasion of many gal.

Troubles, for preventing whereof he had been at first called.

THE Countess being advertised of Countess this fecond Marriage, came into Por- lands at tugal, to know the Cause why she Cascais. was thus abandon'd, and landing at Cascais, a Sea Port just at the Mouth of the River Tagus, fent to intreat the King, to permit her to Sends to fee him: But he would not, fending the King. her Word, If it were lawful to break Laws, it was for a Kingdom; and His Anif he could augment his Dominions by Marrying, he would every Day take a new Wife. These are the Fruits of her Voyage; wherefore the poor Countess returned to France, She apand made her Complaint of the plies to King's Disloyalty to her, to the King of France. St. Denis, and fent others to Pope And 10 Alexander the 4th to do the same, the Pope. and

and beg his Affistance, in forcing him to quit Beatrix, and take the Countess his lawful Wife again.

He Excommunicates
the King,
Interdicts
the
Realm.

THE Pope did his utmost by Exhorting, Commanding, and even Excommunicating the King, and Interdicting the whole Realm ten or twelve Years, fo long as the Countess lived: During his Excommunication, he warred against the Moors that remained in Algarve, and expell'd them out of Faro. Laule, Algezir, and Albofera; and augmented his Dominions therewith. He built the Towns of Castro, Portalegre, and Estremos; repaired Veja, and several other Places, which had been ruined by the Moors. And during the Interdiction he finished the Dominican Convent at Lisbon, and the Monastery of Santa Clara at Santarem, and some others.

In short, although he were defective in his Marriages, yet was he a Prince profitable to his Country; and after the Reign of Thirty-three Years, died, leaving the Character of D. Ala just, merciful, and wife King, Charalanno 1279. and was succeeded by the deep his Son

DENIS, Aged Seventeen when D. Denis he began to reign, and sirnamed the Crowned. Builder, from the many Cities, His Buildings. Towns and Edifices that he built; as the City, Walls, and Castle of Miranda de Duero, the Town of Villa Real, Villa Flor, and Freixo da Espadacinta, and several others: As also Churches, Monasteries, Sea-ports, &c. to the Number in all of Forty-four.

IN the Reign of this King was erected the Order of the Habito do Christo, or Knights of the Habit of Christ, by

Knights Templars fupprefted. by Bulls from Pope John, Anno 1320. The Knights Templars leading vicious dissolute Lives, upon Complaint made to Clement the Fifth, were cited to appear at a Council, which to that end he called at Vienne, in the Dauphiny of France; where all the Allegations against them being made good, they were supprest, and many of them executed. Whence arose this Order in Portugal, by the Devotion and Diligence of the King, Don Dennis, who affigned unto them Revenues out of the Spoil, made at the Suppression of the Knights Templars of his Kingdom.

A new Order in flituted, called Habito do Chrifto.

Castro Marine was assigned for the chief Seat of this Order, being near the Moors. The Knights of the OrArms of der bare for Arms, a Red Cross the Order split, and opened by four Branches, with a White Line, so that one Cross makes three, the upper and under Red, the Middle White. The Ele-

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ction of the Grand Master belongs to Electors thirteen Persons, viz. the Prior, Commander Major, the Treasurer, Secretary, and nine Commanders. The first Grand Master was D. Gilberto Mertines, who had been the Master of Their the Order of Avis. The Master is bound Duty. to acknowledge the Pope Supream, and defend the Rights and Properties of the Church and See of Rome, to present himself to the King, and do him Homage; to expel the Moors from * Betica and other Parts. Their Robe is a black Cloak, under a white Vesture, over which is a black Crofs.

THIS King after a Reign of Forty- King Defive Years, troubled with Wars against nis dies. Castile, and the Rebellion of his Son, died at Santarem, Aged Sixty two Years, nine Months and five Days,

^{*} Call'd by Strabo, Turdetana, and comprized Andalufia, Granada, Arragon, and Portugal.

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and was buried at Odivellas, a Monaftery which he had founded, and was succeeded by his Son

Alphonfo fucceeds.

ALPHONSO IV. from his Valour and Generofity, firnamed the Brave, he was in his Thirty fifth Year when he began to Reign. In his Father's time he had been a very turbulent Prince, maintaining and heading his rebellious Subjects against him: But being come to the Crown himself, he became very Virtuous, and a great Favourer of Justice, enacting good Laws, and governing his Realm with great Wiffdom.

His Character.

THIS King's Reign was very much infefted with Domestick Troubles, raised by his Brother, Don Alphonso Sanches, Natural Son to King Denis. This Don Alphonso Sanches, was a great Soldier, and very much favour'd by the Kings of Castile and Arragon

Alphonso Sanches rebels. Arragon. The Occasion of their Quarrel, was only the Jealoufy they ever had each of the other; the late King favouring his Natural, more than his Legitimate Child. But at last the Is expel-King won the Day, and quite ex- Kingdom. pell'd him the Kingdom.

AFTERWARDS in the Year 1340, the King in Person appear'd at the Battle of Salado, where he and the other Christian Princes of Spain, overthrew the Infidels with the Slaughter of 100000, besides those Battle of that were taken Prisoners, as Albo- Salado. hamar Son to King Alboacen, and his two Nephews Aboham and Alboali.

In the Reign of this King Anno Earth. 1343. happened in Lisbon a terrible quake in Earthquake, which ruined many fair Edifices, to the great Terror of the Inhabitants.

Lisbon.

King Alphonfordies. AFTER a Reign of Thirty-two Years King Alphonso died, in the Sixty-seventh Year of his Age, Ann. Dom. 1357. His Son

D. Peter fucceeds

PETER succeeded him, by some called the Cruel, by others (and more properly) the Minister of Justice. In the Year 1347. he had married D. Agnes de Castro privately (least he should incur his Father's Displeasure). The King remaining a Stranger to this Clandestine Marriage, treated with him concerning Matrimony: But he not bearing to hear of it, and his Intrigues being known to the King, his Father, he could think of no other way to wean the Prince from his Love, but by murdering D. Agnes de Castro; wherefore coming to Coimbra, where this innocent beautiful Lady lay, whilst

Agnes de Castro the Prince was hunting, he caused murder'd her to be slain, by three of his

Guards

Guards, Diego Lopez, Pedro Cuello, and Alvares Gonzales, in the old Palace of Santa Clara.

This cruel Action so exasperated The Prince rethe Prince, that raising an Army bels. he rebelled against his Father, and committed several Outrages, in the Province called Emtre Dueroé Minho; and had proceeded further, had not he been reconciled to his Father, by Andis rethe Interposition of several Great conciled. Men. After which he married a second Lady call'd D. Teresa Gallega.

D. PERRO before D. Agnes de Ca. D. Pedro
stro, had had two Wives; namely, first Marriages.

Blanch Daughter to Peter King of

Castile, whom he repudiated to marry Constance, Daughter to Don Emanuel Duke of Penasiel, Marquess of

Villena, and Lord of Ascalona. To
this Princess Constance, Agnes de Castro had been Maid of Honour; and

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Constance dying, the Prince married her, as was said before.

His Cha-

During his Reign, he fo carried himself to the Kings his Neigbours, of Castile and Arragon, that though they were continually insested with Wars and Troubles, yet his Subjects had the Happiness to enjoy perfect Tranquility and Peace during his Time.

Don Peadro's
Death
and Charader.

In the Year 1367. after a Reign of ten Years, seven Months, and eight Days, died King Peter, much regretted of his Subjects, having left behind him the Character of a Just and Impartial Prince, a Sting to Vice, and Promoter of Virtue, a great Benefactor to the Indigent, and a Pattern of Piety, to succeeding Monarchs.

FERDINAND succeeded Peter, Ferdinand succeeded. his Person comely, and his Aspect pleasant, and accomplish'd in all Perfections, had it not been for his unstable wavering Temper.

He pretended a Right of Suc- Preten-fions to cession to the Crown of Castile, but Castile. finding himself too weak, to maintain it against Henry, dropt it.

He proposed to marry with Leo. Proposes nora, Daughter of the King of Ar- riage to ragon, and conferr'd with the King of the Infan-Castile for that Purpose; and when ragon. Matters were on both sides agreed, abandon'd this honourable Contract, to marry Leonora Telles, his Subject, and Wise to D. Laurence Vasques d' But marries LeoAcugna, forcing him to fly into CanoraTelles. file, where he spent the rest of his Days in Exile, commonly carrying Horns tipt with Silver on his Hat,

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to expose the Lust and Infamy of his

Lisbon Mutinies.

His Subjects at Lisbon hearing of this Marriage, mutinied, and taking Ferdinand Vasques d'Acugna for their Leader, surrounded the Palace with three hundred Men, threatning the King, if he did not abandon this Woman, they would serve him as they had done his Predecessor Sancho Capelo, Ann. 1246. but he by mild Replies so appeased them, that they immediately dispersed.

New Dignities created.

Ferdinand dies.

HE begirt the Cities of Lisbon and Evora with strong Walls, and was the first that created the Dignities of Constable and Marshal in Portugal; and died in the City of Lisbon, the 29th of October Anno 1383. in the seventeenth Year of his Reign and forty-three of his Age, and was buried in the Church of Santarem.

70 HN, Natural Son to Peter, John his was by the Populace fet up in Op-fucceeds. position to John the King of Castile, who had married the Daughter, and Heiress of the late King Ferdinand. John was proclaimed in April 1383. the major Part of the Cities submitting to him: For the Portuguese had fo great an Aversion to the Castilians, that they assassinated Martin Bishop of Lisbon, only because he was a Castilian. The King of Castile incited by his Wife's Mother, Widow of the late King, raifed a confiderable Army, with which he laid Siege to Lisbon; but the City was defended with fo much Refolution. that the Castilians after they had fat before it some Months, were constrained to raise their Camp. Upon their Retreat John follow'd them to Aljubarota, where both Armies came to a Battle, and the Castilians were utterly overthrown; this Victory happened

happened in August 1385. from which Time King John's Reign is computed.

Piety.

As a Monument of his Piety, he erected the Monastery of St. Dominick, where he won the Day, dedicating it to the Virgin Mary, and calling it BATTEL; erected Lisbon from a Bishoprick to an Archbishoprick, and built the magnificent Palaces of Sintra, Santarem, Almerin, and several in Lisbon.

Death and Funeral. In fine, after many Heroic Exploits, King John (whom Froisfard by Mistake calls Dionisius died at Lisbon, much lamented by his Subjects who speaking of him, usually did with these Expressions, of Pious Memory, Father of his Country, &c. his Body was with great Funeral Pomp conducted in an open Chariot (then unaccustomed) attended by the three Estates of the Realm, and Interr'd

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in the fame Monastery of Battel, he had founded.

EDWARD fucceeded his Fa- Edward fucceeds. ther, of a courageous Disposition, 1433. and what is rare in a Prince, joyned the Exercise of Arms, with the Knowledge of Letters, and Sciences, and fo applied himfelf to Writing, that his Successors are to this Day oblig'd to him for many useful Treatises, as of the Administration of Justice, Duty of a Prince, Office of a faithful Counfellor and Art of Riding and Managing of Military Horses: He was a great Encourager of Art; and whenever he found a Man excellent in his Profession, would converse familiarly with him, for the Improvement of his Knowledge.

AMONG those Evils, wherewith he was afflicted, the Plague was to him and his Kingdom most fa64

1438.

opening a Letter fent from an infected Place, of which he shortly after died at the Abbey of Thomar, whither he had retreated to avoid the Contagion.

Alphonfo began his Reign.

ALPHONSO V. succeeded his Father when but Six Years old, for that the Reins of Government dure ing his Minority were by his Father's Will lest to the Management of his Mother: But the Princes, his Uncles, difdaining to fubmit to Female Authority, she being also a Stranger, revolted, and nominated Pedro Duke of Coimbra, Brother to the deceased King, Regent. The Queen but in vain complained to her Brother and the King of Castile, but finding no Probability of Redress, retired to Toledo, where she shortly after suddenly died (not without Suspicion of Poison) and was first Interred in

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the Abbey of St. Domingo but afterwards in that of Aljubarota by the Care and Order of her Son.

This Prince was very fuccefs. Successful in his Wars with the Africans ful a whence as another Scipio he gain. Africans. ed the Sirname of Africanus; he took Arzilla and Tangier besides several other Places of less Note.

In his other Enterprizes, especially that of the Princess Joanna, lawful Heiress of the Crown of Castile whose Quarrel he espoused he was less successful, being routed at Routed at Toro by the Forces of Isabel and Toro. Ferdinand, who had usurped that Grown; this and his Wife's putting on the Habit of a Religious in the Monastery of St. Clare, with the other sinister Events of his Fortune, caus'd fuch an extream Melancholy, that it finished the Course of his Life His at Sintra, the Place of his Birth, ha- Death.

ving reigned forty Years, he was buried with his Ancestors in Battel.

THIS Prince was commended for his Valour, Sobriety, Continency, and Liberality; and from his placing a Library in the Royal Palace, is thought to have been like his Father, a Lover of Learning.

John fuc-

His Son JOHN II. fucceeded him, as well in his Virtues as Kingdom, being a Pious Prince, and very Charitable to the Poor; for whose Retreat and Relief he had founded many fine Hospitals. He shewed his Prudence by his Favours, placing them on none but Persons of Merit, and keeping exact Registers of those who were qualified for the Administration of Publick Affairs; he was of an elated Spirit, and very ambitious of the greatest Enterprizes.

He was a very impartial Distribu- Strick in ter of Justice, nor would he suffer the string of Houses of the Grandees (though an Juffice. ancient Privilege) to be Afitums for Offenders: Nay, in this Respect he even broke in upon the Ecclesiastical Immunities fo far, that in his Reign Convents or Churches, were not near fo fafe Shelters for Villains, as they had been in preceeding Reigns.

This Severity occasioned fome Troubles, and caused many of his Relations to Plot wickedly against him, the chief of whom was Ferdinand Duke of Braganza, and James Duke of Visco, the Fact being plainly proved against the first, the King still willing to give Proofs of his Impartiality, as well as Authority, had him publickly Executed, and his Goods Confiscated: Upon which Visco fled to Castile, but Justice overtook F 2

took him there, for in a fecond Rebellion, he was taken and flain, by the King's own Hand.

Discovery of Bona Esperanza.

In this Reign the Discoveries before begun, were vigorously carried
on beyond Cape Bona Esperanza or
Good-Hope. But notwithstanding all
his Success and good Fortune, he
was at last found poisoned in his
Bed in the Palace of Alvor, after he
had lived forty Years, and reigned
fourteen.

Poisoned 1493.

Succeed. ed by E. manuel.

KING John dying without Issue, was succeeded by his Cousin EMA-NUEL, Son to Ferdinand Duke of Visco, and Grandson to King Edward. In his Reign Vasco de Gamasailed into the East Indies, round the Cape Bona Esperanza, by whose Means the Portuguese engross'd all the Trade of those Parts (as they before had done of the Coast of Africk) and accidentally discovered the

the Coast of Brazil: He also took the Towns of Sasin, Azamor, and Almedina; by these Discoveries and Conquest, he so enriched the Crown, that it was called the Golden Age.

In fine, Emanuel departed this Life Died. at Lisbon, December the 15th 1521. after he had reigned twenty fix Years, and was buried in the Church of Belem or Bethlem, which he left unfinished.

THE continued Success of this His ChaMonarch, his heroic Virtues and
the glorious Conquests he atchiev'd,
but more especially his Assiduity in
planting the Christian Religion in
the most remotest Regions, have given him the Esteem of the Greatest,
most Illustrious and happy Prince in
the World.

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ther, and successfully carried on these Discoveries, though other European Nations began now to interfere. In his Reign the Dispute happened concerning the Title to the Molucca Islands, between the Portuguese and Spaniards; but the Spaniards to put an end to it, purchased it of the Emperor Charles the Fifth for 300000 Ducats.

HE obtain'd from the Pope, that the City of Evora should be erected into an Archbishoprick, the Cities of Portalagre, Leiria, and Miranda into Bishopricks, as also Cochin and Malaca in Asia, of Beja in Brazil, Cape Asinaire in Guinea; and in Athiopia he established the first Patriarch of the Latin Church.

HE was a devout Prince, and na- His Cha. turally fo addicted to Clemency, that in paffing Sentence against Malefactors (which he did himself once a Week) he shew'd so great Concern, that he has been observed to weep. He was a Lover of Peace, a Favourer of Persons of Merit, and an Encourager of Arts and Sciences in People of all Nations; and fo due a Regard had he to the Service of God, that through his indefatigable Care, the Eastern Parts of Asia, Æthiopia the higher, and other remote Places; as also the Molucea Islands, and Japan, where he procured the famous Jesuit Francis Xavier to be fent, were next to God obliged to him for the Light of the Gospel. After a Reign of thirtyfive Years, and a Life of fifty five, he died Anno 1557. and was Interr'd Death. in the Church of Belem, begun by .

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his Father, and finished by himself and furviving Widow.

Don Sebastian fucceeds.

SEBASTIAN fucceeded his Grandfather (born a Posthumus,) at the Age of three Years; and during his Minority, was under the Government of Queen Katharine of Austria: But this Princess not able to undergo fo great a Charge, as that of the Regency, transferred it by the Confent of the Estates, to Cardinal Henry, Great Uncle by the Father's fide to the King, who in the ted to the fourteenth Year of his Age, began to take the Reins of Government into his own Hands.

The Government commit-Cardinal by Catha. rine of Austria.

Sebastian takes the Govern. ment on himielf.

Now King Sebastian being of an able Body, and of a couragious and intrepid Soul, not content with those Dominions he posses'd, resolved to enlarge them, not confidering the ha-.zard of his Defign, nor the Alteration of that Repose his Kingdom

had fo long enjoy'd; wherefore in the Year 1574. he assembled certain of his Soldiers, and with four Gallies and some Ships, pass'd into Afri- Passes inca, under Colour of visiting his Forts. to Africk There they had feveral Skirmishes with the Moors, at which he always commanded in Person; but finding his Weakness, and vexing himself that he could not perform his Defigns, he returned back into Liston, still deliberating, not as a King, but as a private Soldier, to accustom his Body to Labour, thereby intending to habituate himself to the Miseries and Fatigues of War.

In this Interval, it happened that Muley Mahomet chased out of the Muley Kingdom of Morocco, by his Uncle expell'd Muley Moluc, endeavoured his the King-Re-establishment by the Aid of the Christian Princes; and for this Purpose entreats Succours from Seba- Entreat stian, perswading him that by the of Seba. Advantage fran.

Advantage of the Loyallist of his own Kingdom, he should be able to defeat *Moluc*, and to open him a Way to trace the Empire of *Morocco*.

Sebastian
fails into
Africk
with an
Army of
20000
Men.

Sebastian encouraged by his vain Hope, and prompted by his own Inclinations to War and Glory, rais'd a powerful Army, confisting of the Flower of the Portuguese Nobility and Gentry, and fail'd into Africk with an Army of twenty thousand Men.

THE Armies on the 4th of August 1578. came to an Engagement in the Plain of Alcacer, Sebastian's Horse for a long time had the better of the Moorest Cavalry, but the Moors being ten to one, so much prevail'd, that what they could not perform by Valour, they atchiev'd by Numbers, so that the Christians were at last wholly deseated. The King (Sebastian) was first wounded in his right Arm,

Arm, with an Arquebuss, whereof making small Account, he went giving Orders all over the Army; and at last seeing his Ranks break, his Men fall, and his Army confus'd, he with some Gentlemen fell furiously into his Enemies Ranks, valiantly fighting to encourage his Soldiers; and although three Horses were kill'd under him, yet undaunted he remained, and indefatigable in charging and relieving all Parts of the Army, where it was most oppress'd: But at last being unhorsed, he was taken and difarmed : And fi- Is taken nally upon a Dispute happening among the Moors, about this Royal baroufly Prisoner, was by them most inhumanely Butcher'd in cold Blood.

HIS Body pierced by feven Wounds, not being known till two Days after the Fight, was brought unto Alcacer; and afterwards the King of Spain, Uncle to the Deceas'd,

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by the Permission of the King of Morrocco, had it conveyed to Septe, where it remained until the Year 1582, when it was thence transported into the Kingdom of Portugal, and with Magnificent Funeral Pomp (performed in the Presence of the then buried at King, Anthony the Bastard) interr'd in the Monastery of Belem.

Belem.

Such was the Death of this unfortunate King, wherein fucceeded every thing that might make it deplorable; namely the Loss of his Person, Hopes of his Virtues, the Want of Succession, and the Violence of his Death.

Henry proclaim-

AFTER the Death of the late King Sebastian, the Governors deputed by him to manage his Kingdom at his unhappy Departure, proclaimed Henry, Great Uncle to the late King, King of Portugal: The Form of the Oath was thus performed; the 25th of August,

August, the Church of All Saints was hung with Silk Tapestry, in which was erected a Throne of Cloth of Gold, thither came the King in the Morning in his Cardinal's Habit, preceeded by eight Drums on Horseback, carrying on their Cloaks his Coat of Arms; on Foot followed all the Officers of the Court, the Chamber, and the Magistrates, next to them bare headed followed the Duke of Braganza, bearing in his Hand a Sword, with a Scabbard of Gold, as Great Constable of Portugal; a little after him came the Cardinal upon a Mule, which the Lord Steward of the Houshold held by the Reins; then followed after, the Nobility, Clergy and Gentry on Horseback, with a great Number of People on Foot. The Cardinal environed with a great Multitude, having enter'd the Church, heard Mass, ended his Prayers, and Ascended the Throne, and having received the Sceptre, the Secretary

Secretary Michal de Mora, read with a loud Voice, That King Henry by the Death of King Sebastian, did fucceed in the Realm, and was come to take the accustom'd Oaths, to maintain, and observe to his People, all Liberties, Priviledges, and Conventions, granted by his Predeceffors. Which done, the Secretary Kneeling, opened the New Testament, on which the King laid his Hand, fwearing fo to do; the Drums then beating, the Populace cried out, HENRY KING OF PORTUGAL. Upon which he arose, and was attended with the fame Formality back to the Palace.

His Reign was of fo fhort a Continuance, that nothing happened remarkable in it, but its shortness, he reigning only seventeen Months. In fine, he was endued with great Virtues, and with sew Vices; he had all the Vertues of an Ecclesiastical Person

and fome of the Defects of a Prince. He was feared of many, beloved by few, and his Death lamented by none, which happened the last Day of January, Ann. 1580. in the sixty-eight Year of his Age. He was Interred at Almerin, until Philip the Second, King of Spain, removed it to Belem, the burying Place of some of the preceeding Kings.

ANTHONY (firnamed the Baffard) strove to succeed in Right of his Birth, as being the only Male-Descendant of the Posterity of King Emanuel, and was by the Consent of the three Estates in Cortes assembled, elected King the 19th Day of June 1580. but Philip the Second, King of Spain, in the Right of his Mother Elizabeth, Daughter to Emanuel King of Portugal, set up and maintained his Right against Anthony, and therefore rais'd a considerable Army, under the Command of his Martial Favou-

rite and famous General Ferdinand de Toleda, Duke of Alva, his Army confifted of 12000 Foot, and 1500 Horse; who entring Portugal, bent their Course directly towards Lisbon. where he met Anthony, who relying on the Example of John the Bastard who died 1433. assisted by the French and English, fet up his Pretensions to the Crown: But proved not fo fuccessful; for he was first routed by the Duke of Alva, and afterward by Sancho de Avila at Oporto; after which he entirely defifted, being forced to fly in the Disguise of a Sailor to Viana, in a small Boat, and narrowly escaped drowning; so that at length the Kingdom of Portugal was fubdued by King PHILIP, though not without the Effusion of much Blood, e're every thing was ended; for Anthony though unfuccessfully, made several other Attempts. Neither was Anthony the only Trouble of his Reign, for their appeared appear'd counterfeit Sebastians, who ever and anon caused Commotions among his Subjects; he reign'd eighteen Years King of Portugal, and died Anno 1598. and was succeeded by his Son.

PHILIP III. of Spain, and II. Philip II. of Portugal, who enter'd Portugal Reign. with the utmost Magnificence on Saint Peter's Day; his Reception was the most Pompous that ever was known in that Country. The People defiring to manifest their Joy by exhibiting fuch Shews and Spectacles on Land and Water, as forced the King to declare, till then he did not know his Greatness. The Tagus was covered by an incredible Number of Barks, made in the Forms of Fishes and marine Monsters. The Galley prepared for the King in which he embark'd, for its Beauty and Richness exceeded Description; whilst the Thunder of the Cannon from

from the Caftles and Ships, shook the Earth, and cleft the Air. At his Majesty's landing, he went to pay his Devotions at the Cathedral Church, and thence to the Palace, where he spent two Days in viewing the rich Preparations they had made for his Reception. In his Reign, which consisted of twenty-three Years, nothing material happening, I shall conclude it with his Character, as given by a late Author*.

His Death and Character. On the 15th of March Ann. 1621. Philip the Third of Spain and Second of Portugal, exchanged his earthly Crown, for an immortal Diadem, as may justly be inferr'd, from the Sanctity of his Life, and the Innocency of his Actions. His Age confisted of forty-three Years, his Reign of twenty-three; his Afpect was pleasant and majestical, at once claiming both Love and Fear; his Forehead

[&]quot; Vide Richers's Gen. of Spain.

large, his Eyes blew, his Lips fomewhat thick, and his Complexion fair, adorned with a lively red in his Cheeks, his Hair yellow, of a middle Stature, and very well shap'd; his Life so upright, that it cannot (even by his greatest Enemies) be stigmatized by one degenerate Action: For which Reason he was esteem'd afterwards a Saint.

PHILIP IVth of Spain and Philip III. IIId of Portugal, succeeded his Fa- ducceedther, and after a troublesome Reign of nineteen Years, the Portuguese following the Example of the Catalonians, revolted; but fo cunningly and privately had they laid their Schemes, that they unanimously, and on the fame Day revolted throughout the whole Kingdom, imprisoning the Vice-Queen, Margaret Duchess of Mantua, and assassinating Michal de Vasconcellos, prime Minister of State, they proclaimed King G 2 FOHN

John IV. Duke of Braganza. JOHN IV. Duke of Braganiza, proved very successful against the Spanish Armies, particularly in 1644. When the Marquess de Torrecusa commanded the Spanish Forces against Portugal, and Mathias D'Albuquerque those of the Kingdom.

I shall forbear to enlarge on this Revolution, it having been extreamly well done by a late *Author, to whom I refer my Reader.

His Character. THE King (late Duke of Braganza) was a Person of a very comely Presence, his Countenance pleasant but swarthy, his Body of a middle Stature, but comely and well proportioned; but if we believe common Fame, none of the wisest Princes that ever sway'd the Portuguese

^{* *} Vide Abbot de Vertot's Revolution of Portugal.

Sceptre, which was the Reafon that he left so much of the Reins of the Government to his Queen, a Lady of a Masculine and Politick Spirit.

HE died on the 16th of November Died. in the fixteenth Year of his Reign, and the fiftieth of his Age, and was fucceeded by his Son.

ALPHONSO VI. proved no Alphonfo less successful against the Spaniards VI. success. than his Father. He being a Minor when his Father died, the Queen his Mother took the Administration of Affairs on her felf and determining to do fomething to gain her self a Reputation, raised an Army of 13000 Foot, and 4000 Horse, the Command of which she gave to Don Juan Mendez de Vasconcellos, in order to besiege Badajoz, but Don Louis de Haro coming in time, relieved the Place, and forced the Portuguese to retire. This so encourag-G 3

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ed Don Louis, that he marched into Portugal, and laid Siege to Elvas, but the Count de Castanhada drawing some Forces from the contiguous Garrisons, soon removed him, killing 2000 of his Men. Ann. 1661. Don John of Austria, made himself Master of Aranches, Alconchel, and some other inconsiderable Places, and at Badajoz beat Count Seonberg, who precipitately attack'd the Guard on the Bridge, with only sixteen Squadrons of Cavalry.

IN 1662. Don John advanced further into Portugal, and finding no Opposition, pillaged all the flat Country, and took Villabuin, Barba, Juramenha, Crato, and some other Places.

Ann. 1663. Don John elated with his good Fortune, determined to befiege Lishon, and in Order thereunto advanced as far as Evora, and took

it. which fo alarm'd the Kingdom, that the People began to mutiny. In this Exigency the Conde de Villa Flor was made General; and having mustered all the Forces he could, fought and defeated Don John near The Par-Evora, killing 4000 of his Men, and beat Don taking all his Baggage.

IN 1664. the Conde de Castanhada being again General of the Field, advanced to the Frontiers of Caftile, Valencia where he besieged Valencia d'Alcan- the Portara, and took it. This Year also tuguese. Pedro Magallan attackt the Duke de Osluna, who had undertaken the Siege of Caftel Rodrigo, and routed him, killing 2000 of his Men.

Ann. 1665. Don John of Austria Don John falling into Difgrace, his Command falling inwas given to the Marquess of Car-grace. racenna, who immediately belieged Villa Viciosa; of which the Count of Castanhada being appris'd, he march'd G 4

Count
Castanhada routed
the Spaniards.

march'd with all his Forces to its Relief. The two Armies fought in a Plain for feven Hours, at the end of which the Spaniards were entirely defeated, leaving 5000 Men upon the Spot, and 4000 more (who for Refuge were retreated to a Place of Strength,) were forced to furrender on Difcretion. This and the Battle of Montesclares, fixed the Crown of Portugal in the House of Braganza, and was the last remarkable Action that past between the Crowns of Portugal and Spain.

Alphonfo acknowledged King of Portugal. AT length through the Mediation of King Charles II. King of England, who had married Katharine, Sister of Alphonso, then King of Portugal, a Peace was concluded with Spain, and Alphonso owned King of Portugal.

But see the strange Perverseness Alphonso of his Fate, notwithstanding all his ed. good Fortune against his Foreign Foes, yet could he not screen himself from the Barbarity of Domestick Enemies; his cruel Brother. Unnatural Queen, and Disloyal Subjects, under Pretence of his Incapacity of Governing, Imprifoning and Dethroning him; though by all Accounts, the Kingdom never flourish'd more than under the Administration of his Government. This Revolution happened An. 1668. in the twelfth Year of his Reign, after which he lived fixteen more in miserable Confinement.

PETER II. fucceeded him, not Peter II. only in his Kingdom, but in the fucceed-Embraces of his disloyal Wife, whom he (having obtain'd a Dispensation from the Pope) married in his Brother's Life-time, contenting himfelf during

during those fixteen Years Alphonso lived, with the Title of Prince-Regent only.

His Cha-

HAD not his Life been sullied with the ungenerous Actions, of first Dethroning his Brother, then Imprifoning him, and lastly as an Aggravation of his Crimes, Marrying his Wife, he might have claimed a Place among the greatest Worthies of the Age he lived in. He was a Prince of a piercing Judgment, and generous Disposition, and as apprehensive of the Instability of his Subjects, often in Disguise conversed with the meaneft of them; and in what kind foever he found them oppress'd, he made his immediate Care to recti. fy, and prevent for the future.

In fine, After his Regency of fixteen Years, and his Reign of thirteen, he died Ann. 1706. and was fucceeded by his Son now reigning King, $\mathcal{J}OHN$ the Vth.

THE Roman Catholick is the Esta- Religion blish'd Religion of Portugal, to of Portuwhich fome are, and all feem prodigiously biggoted, no other except the Jewish Profession being known among them, of which there are many, but all private, they by external Shews of Piety, endeavouring to approve themselves the best Christians: But these Hypocrites if discovered, are vigourously punished by the Inquisition; where, upon their first and solemn, as well as Publick Recantation and Renunciation of Judaism, they are forgiven, and a Woe denounc'd publickly against them, if they are ever detected of the like Crime again, they are a fecond time taught and instructed in the Principles of the Popish Faith; their Instructors are generally the Dominican Friars, who take great Pains

Pains with them; but if upon Conviction, they a third time remain obstinate, they then without Mercy are fentenc'd to be burnt alive. foreign Jews or Hereticks, who never made Profession of the Romish Religion, are not punishable by the Inquisition, but those only who profess Christianity, yet secretly are Jews. All Foreigners of what Opinion foever, may live undisturb. ed in their own way, provided they affront not the Government or Establish'd Church. Besides Jews and Hereticks, the Inquisition takes Cognizance of, and punishes Sorcerers, Witches, Hypocrites, Sodomites, Blasphemers, perjur'd Persons, and in short all Crimes that have an immediate regard to Religion.

Inquifi-

THE Inquisition is a fine Building, in the great Market Place of Lisbon, called lo Ruzzio. The Inquisitor General (who is the supream Judge

of this Court) is the Provincial of the Order of St. Dominick. To give a particular Account of this Place would be needless, since it is exquifitely well done, by a Hand far superior to mine; it may therefore suffice to fay, That what ever Nature can form shocking, and inhuman to it felf, may be found here, it being impossible to relate the barbarous Ufage the unhappy Sufferers here meet with, and what Torment of Body, as well as Anguish of Mind they are forced here to undergo. At an Auto de fe, which is held every third Year, a Scaffold in the publick Market-Place is erected, adjoyning to the Holy Office (as it is called) or Inquisition; before they proceed to the Trials of the Criminals, the Inquisitor and the rest of the Court hear folemn Mass, receive the Sacrament, and fing an Anthem to invoke the Assistance of the Holv Ghost. That done they proceed from

from the Dominican Church to the Scaffoldry, preceded by a Crucifix. carried and attended by the Frater. nity of the Dominicans, and Officers of the Court. The Court being fat, the Prisoners, let their Station or Quality be what it will, almost starved, swarming with Vermine, are separately presented and arraign'd at the Bar; this done a Priest makes an Exhortation to bring Delinquents to Repentance, and an Acknowledgment of their Crimes, which if it proves ineffectual, they then have recourse to the Torture, and by that Means frequently extort Confessions from them, that are innocent of the Facts laid to their Charge. Their Ways of torturing the Criminals are different, as preffing their Thumbs in a Vice, Drawing the Nails from the Fingers, fcalping the Crown, &c. The Criminal by his Confession has no sooner accused himself, but Sentence is passed against

Manner of Torture. gainst him * to be burnt alive, which is thus performed: The Prifoner is arrayed in a pitched Vesture Manner with Flames, Devils, Dragon, &c. of execupainted on it, great Weights of Iron Chains are linked to his Hands and Feet, with which he is brought to the Stake; which is of a confiderable height, to which about eight or ten Foot from the Fire, is fixed an Iron Elbow Chair, in which the Prisoner is feated, his Arms and Legs chain'd to the Arms and Legs of the Chair, and another Chain fastening him to the Back; thus fastened, the Fire is gradually kindled under him, whilst a Priest at a little Distance, with a Crucifix in his Hand, is exhorting him to Repentance, thus do they torment them with lingring Deaths; and when by a Cessation of their melancholy Cries, they imagine them to be dead, then they encrease the Fire, and consume them as fast

[#] If Convicted a third Time.

as they can, I have known them half an Hour endure their Torment, when their Feet have been dripping into the Fire as if roasting.

Mountains.

I shall not here mention all the Mountains of the Kingdom, because it would be as needless as tirefome, fince the whole Kingdom is mountainous, or to speak more properly, one continued Ridge of Mountains: I therefore shall mention those only of Note, the chief of which is called Serra de Estrella, formerly Herminius Mons, or Monte Arminio, betwixt the Province of Beira and Trales Montes, or Tras os Montes, running North and South, on whose Summit are two Lakes fo very deep, that they as yet cou'd never be fathomed, in which feveral Pieces of Wrecks are faid to have been often found; these Lakes so temporize with the Sea, that with it, it is rough or calm; from whence though at a great Di. ffance

Serra de Estrella.

stance, it is supposed to have some fubterraneous Communication with it. The next is Serra de Mervao or Serra. Herminius Minor, in the Province of Marvao. Alemtejo, stretching out to the Town of the fame Name. The Third is Sintra or Promontorium Luna, or Sintra. Ponte de Luna, about five Leagues from Lisbon to the West, and by our Mariners called the Rock of Lisbon. In this Rock are two Convents hewn out, and chiefly inhabited by Hermits; whose industrious Predecessors by elaboratePains, without the Assistance of Artificers, had made themselves each a convenient Cell, where they led an austere Life, feeding on nothing but the Product of their Labours, such as Herbs, Fruit, Pulse, &c. But howmuch alas! are they now degenerated from the Primitive Piety of their Predeceffors. Now in the Room of Mortification, indulging their fenfual Appetites; instead of Labouring honestly, living by the Theft, Ra-H

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Serra de Arrabida.

Monte Funto.

Serra do

Algarve.

Mons

Gerve.

Wretches, who are unfortunately Shipwreck'd on that Coast. Fourthly, Serra da Arrabida or Promontorium Barbaricum, on the South side of Tagus, samous for another Convent like the former. Fifthly, Monte Junto, so called, because joining to the Rock of Lisbon. Sixthly, Serra do Algarve, which divides Algarve from Portugal. 7thly Mons Gerve, which divides Portugal from Gallicia: Besides which are several others of less Note, as Monte Mor, Alcoba, Anciao, Ossa, Portel, Issidoro, S. Louis,

Rivers. The greatest and most remarkable Rivers in Portugal are these;

Durius or 1. DUERO or DURIUS, springing near the City Soria, and running through Old Castile and Leon, thence slows through Portugal, and is swallowed up by the Ocean, a League below the City of Oporto.

Monte Corvo, &c.

TAJO

TAJO or TAGUS, so called Tagus. from Tagus Son of Brigus, who reigned in Spain (as they have a Tradition) 1855 Years before Christ: This River has its Source in the Mountains of Molina, and divides New Castile, Estramadura, and Portugal, as it were into two Parts; and after a Course of 120 Leagues, at Calcaes below Lisbon, falls into the Sea, taking in its way the Rivers Henares, Xarama, Guadarama, and Alberche. This River is faid to have Golden Sands, as I suppose from the Riches it brings in, by the vast Number of Merchants Ships, trading and anchoring in these Parts,

GUADIANA, (derived as the Guadidna. Portuguese will have it) [from Gnab, in Arabic, fignisying a River, and Anas, which in Latin signifies a Duck, from its often diving under Ground, so that Guadiana by exchanging b

for d, fignifies the River Anas,] flows from fome Lakes arifing about four Leagues from Montiel in New Castile, where it is called Ruydera, and having run about eight Leagues, finks under Ground near Argamasilla, and fo continues a fubterraneous Course for seven Leagues, after which it springs again near Damiel, and here receives the Name of Guadiana; ther twice finks again under Ground, till having cross'd Part of Portugal, and Estramadura, it is finally fwallowed up by the Sea at Ayomonte, betwixt Algarve and Estramadura

Mondego. MONDEGO, formerly MUNDA or MONDA, rifes in the Mountains of Serra de Estrella, and running West by the City of Coimbra, falls into the Sea at Buercos.

Lims. LIMA is swallowed up by the Sea not far from Viana.

SADAO

S AD AO, the old Calipus makes Sadao a great Bay at Setuval in Alemtejo.

VOUGA, once VACUA, mixes Vouga. with the Ocean near Aviero in Beira.

LAURA and CANHA in the Laura and Province of Alemtejo, meet and difembogue themselves in the Tagus.

CATA in the same Province Caya. breaks out near Portelegre, and difcharges itself into Guadiana, between Elvas and Badajoz.

HERE are also (but not many) hot Hot Springs, very ferviceable in curing Springs. Epidemical Distempers: the most frequented of which, are the Caldos, Caldos. about fifteen Leagues from Lisbon, where there is an Hospital for the Reception of the Poor, well endow'd, to which belong an Apothecary, Physician and Surgeon, besides Nurses H ?

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and other Servants, each of which have fettled Stipends paid them yearly; but for Perfons not admitted into the Hospital, here are the worst Accommodations in the Universe. There are other Baths of less Note, as St. Peter de Alvor, &c. but of these nothing is remarkable.

S. Peter de Alvor.

Way of reckoning Money.

Money here, is either by Reis, the smallest Copper, Crusadoes, the largest Silver, or Moidores, the largest Gold that passes current; twenty Reis makes a Vintem, the smallest Silver; sifty Reis make half a Testoa one hundred Reis a Testoa, two hundred Reis half a Crusado, sour hundred Reis a Crusado, four hundred Reis a Crusado, four thousand Reis a Moidore, three thousand Reis is worth one Pound Sterling, reckoning a Testoa at eight Pence, by which we may see what all their Pieces are worth.

THE Portuguese Language is an Lanuncough Spanish, or rather a Rude guage. Resemblance of that Polite Tongue, with a Mixture of barbarous obsolete Latin, some French, more Arabick, a little Greek, to which is added some remains of the Gothick, and other Northern Nations that subdued them.

The Arms of Portugal are Argent Arms. on five Escutcheons Azure, as many Besants in Saltier, of the first pointed Sable, within a Border Gules, charged with seven Towers Or; the five Escutcheons were added in remembrance of the five Kings Alphonso slew at the Battle of Ourique.

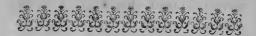
THE Kingdom of Portugal is di-Portugal vided into five Provinces, to which divided into fix if we add the little Kingdom of Al-Parts.

garve, it will make fix; of which in

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their Order. The First is called the Province



Emtre Duero é Minho.

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Y the Latins, Provincia Interramnensis, because seated between the two Rivers Duero and Minho, which

last it has on the North to divide it from Gallicia, and on the South the former to part it from Beira; West it is bounded by the Ocean, and East a continued Ridge of Mountains parts it from the Province called Tras os Montes; its Form is almost Quadrangular, none of its Sides exceeding or wanting eighteen Leagues. It is for the most part Mountainous, yet affords the best Grazing Land in

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the Kingdom; the Plains abound with Vineyards, and all Sorts of Fruits, and is generally pretty well watered. In this Province are the Archbishoprick of Braga, the Bishoprick of Oporto, the Earldom of Celorico de Basto, and Villa Nova de Cerveira, and the Viscountship De Lima. It also contains the Collegiate Churches of Guimaraens, Barcelos, and Caminha. In it are one hundred and thirty Convents, Monasteries, and Abbies, 2400 Parish Churches, Chappels, and Oratories, two Cities and nine Towns of Note hereafter named.

THE City of BRAGA is fituate Broga. on the South Side of the River Cavado, in about 8 Degrees 40 Min. Longitude, 41 Degrees and 40 Min. of North Latitude. The Buildings are ancient, strong and Magnificent, of a durable Stone found hereabouts, the City Walls were rebuilt by King

dation before laid by King Denis. The Cathedral is a large Structure, beautiful and strong, the Palace belonging to the Archbishop, is a Pile of Magnificent but decay'd Buildings. the Inhabitants are computed to about 3000 Families, distributed into five Parishes, containing three Convents, and as many Monasteries, a

fine Hospital for the Sick, and as fine a College for Students. Here, as in most Cities and Market-Towns, isa fine Building called La Misericordia, for relieving of Perfons well born and reduced, and all fuch as cannot publickly ask Alms, are from hence plentifully relieved, and fo privately, that no

> one knows who are obliged to this House and who not. Young Maidens are also here Educated, and afterward Married to industrious Tradefmen, who have Portions with them as the Directors fee convenient. Boys are also here put out Appren-

> > tices,

La Mifericordia. or a House of Relief.

tices, and when they have ferv'd their Times, fet up in their Trades or Occupations. And to prevent the Murther of Bastard Children, which was formerly very common, they may dispose of them also here. by laying them in a Conveniency which turns like a Wheel, and giving Notice by a Bell placed for that Purpose, so that the Mother or Person which brings it, is all the while conceal'd, and they ignorant whose Children they receive. Some illnatured People have taken the Liberty of putting an ill Construction, upon this charitable Branch of this Foundation, by alledging that it gives a Handle to Incontinency; indeed I cannot disown, but the looser fort of People may take Advantage of this Conveniency, and fo give a Loofe to their vicious Inclinations: But on the other hand, let it be confidered, that in a Year's Time many thousand innocent Childrens

Lives are faved; who had not this expedient been found out, would have been inhumanely butcher'd by their unnatural Parents. The first Archbishop of Braga (who is Primate and Metropolitan of all Portugal) was in the Year 1067. The Revenue of this Archshoprick at this Day amounts to about fix thousand Pounds Sterling per Ann. of our Money, under whose Jurisdiction are 1800 Parishes. About the Founders of this City Authors vary much, and run into fabulous chimerical Notions; all I can find from History is, that the Romans enlarged what they found here, and erected a Court of Judicature, and a Roman Colony, calling it Augusta Bracara. The Suevi here also kept their Court. Anno 761, the Moors possessed themselves of it; and in 904, Alphonso the IIId of Spain retook it, expell'd the Moors, and re-peopled it. It is 60 Leagues North of Lisbon.

PORTO, is a City, Bishoprick, Porto or and Sea-port, well known too, and Oporto. much frequented by the English, situate in 8. Degr. 14 Min. Longitude, and 41 Degr. 18 Min. Latitude, about a League from the Sea, North of Duero; very pleafant, but on an uneven rocky Ground. The Walls were built by Don Gonzalez de Pereyra, Archbishop of Braga; the Streets are narrow but are well paved, the Rock in feveral Places ferving for Pavement and walling part of the Houses. The Buildings are chiefly of Stone, Ancient and Magnificent. The Inhabitants computed at about 4000 Families, divided into five Parishes, whose Churches are Rich and Magnificent; here also are nine Convents, four Monasteries, eight Chapels, four Hospitals, and * La Misericordia or a House of Relief. King Alphonso the IIId of Castile. recovered it from the Moors, An-

^{*} Vide Pag. 106.

Gaya.

no 905. after which it was retaken by them, and remain'd subject unto them until Ann. 982. when it was regained by a Fleet of Gascoigns. The Bishop's Revenue is about 6000 l. per Ann. and under him are 600 Parishes. It is forty Leagues North of Lisbon. The Harbour is fafe a. gainst all Winds, but when the Floods arife, no Anchor will hold their Ships, but they are forced to fasten them one by another to avoid the Impetuofity of the Waves. At the Entrance to the Place, is a dangerous Bar, and on the Shoar a Castle, cal-St. John's led Fort St. Juan. Opposite to the City, over the River stands Gaya. formerly a fine Town, supposed to be built by the Greeks, and from Graii to be called Graya, and now corruptly Gaya; but now its pristine Glory is vanished, and at this Day it remains a Town of no Note.

GVI-

GUIMARAENS, is a Town significant tuate about three Leagues from Braga, founded by King Denis, on the Summit of a high Hill, in which stands an ancient Palace, the Residence of some of the former Kings of Portugal, a good old Castle, and other handsome Edifices. This Town contains sour Parishes, one of which is Collegiate, two Convents, a Monastery, Hospital, and House of Relief. The chief Manusacture of this Town is Linen-Cloth, and sine Thread, of which they export very considerable Quantities.

VIANA DA FEZ DA LI-Viana.

MA, fo called from its Situation at the Mouth of the River Lima, is a Town well fortified with strong Walls, a Castle, and in War time a Garrison, in which the late King Don Pedro, built a Magazine, which contains Arms for 20000 Men. The Buildings

Buildings tho' old are handsome, and contains about 1500 Families, to whom belong one collegiate Church. This Town contains besides three Convents, one Monastery, an Hospital, and a House of Relief. This is one of the pleasantest Towns in Portugal, feated along the Sea-Coast, from the Key commanding a Prospect of all the Ships, not only in the River, but several Leagues out at Sea. The Town is well paved upon a level Ground, and adorned with very magnificent Structures, as also a Castle standing on the Sea-side, which at once Commands both the Harbour and Town, defending the one against foreign Invaders, and the other against domestick Rebels. Since the vast Consumption of Portuguese Wines in England, this is become a Place of good Trade, producing a fmall Wine called by its Name, more like the French than those other Wines in the Southern Parts.

Viana Wines.

CAMINHA

caminha or caminha is a small Town, consisting of about 500 Families, in one Parish, a Monastery, Hospital, and House of Relief; this Town stands at the Mouth of the River Minho (whence it derives its Name) which washes its now decay'd Walls. The Inhabitants, and Buildings, are now equally poor, there being little or no Trade among them, to support their Families; what little there is, is chiefly consisting in the Fishery.

from having a Bridge over the River Lima, is 60 Leagues North of Lisbon, a pretty, little, compact, well walled Town, the Structures not large, but neat, the Bridge though ancient, is an excellent Piece of Workmanship, all Stone, containing Seventeen Arches, near fifty Foot from the Surface of the Water.

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The Town contains above five hundered Families, one Parish Church, a Convent, Hospitals, and House of Relief.

Valenza. VALENZA, is remarkable for nothing more than its prefent ruined, and poor Condition.

BARCELOS, stands on the River Cavado in the Territory of Viana, and is the first Earldom of Portugal, now immerg'd in the House of Braganza. The Town is small but neat, containing 400 Families, one Church, which is Collegiate, and a House of Relief.

Villa da Conde.

VILLA DA CONDE, stands at the Mouth of the River Ave, and contains about 300 Families, in one Parish, as also one Parish Church, a Convent, and Monastery.

AMARANTE, fifty-five Leagues Amarante, from Lisbon, seated on the River Tamaga, Locia running through it, contains about 500 Families, a Parish Church, Monastery, and Hospital, and is supported by a Linen Manufacture.



TRAS



The fecond Province.

Tras os Montes.

Tras os Montes.

S called by the Latins, Provincia Trans-montana, or the Province beyond the Mountains, is on the South en-

closed by the River Duero, to separate it from Beira; on the West the Mountains divide it from the Province Emtre Duero & Minho; North it borders on Gallicia; and East on the Kingdom of Leon. This province is very slightly watered, having no other Helps than those afforded by Tuello, falling into Taage, the Pinhao, Sabor, and Carcedo, all three losing their Names by falling into Duero. The Land is dry, barren,

and mountainous, yielding little or no Wheat, but some Rye; and to make up its Deficiency in these Respects, plenteoufly abounding with Vineyards. Its Length exceeds not twenty-seven Leagues, and Breadth no where feventeen. Here are fome, but very few Gentry, this being the most rude, unpolished Part of Portugal, the People are almost Salvage, and speak a Sort of uncouth Targon, wholly different from the Dialect used in the other Parts of the Kingdom. Churches here are but few, but those handsome and well endow'd. This Province has one Bishoprick, (Miranda) the Dukedom of Braganza, (now immerg'd in the Crown) the Marquisate of Villa Real, and Earldoms of Vimiofa, and Villa Flor. Its most remarkable Places are,

BRAGANZA, famous for gi. Braganzaving Title to the Royal Line of Portugal; this or some other Town near

it, was standing in the time of the Romans, and by them was called Ca. liobrica or Celiabriga, Tantabriga, and Tuntobrica, and Brigantia. It is feated in 10 Deg. 48 Min of Longitude, and 41 Deg. 56 Min. of Latitude, near 70 Leagues North East of Lisbon, standing on the remotest Angle of this Kingdom, not two Leagues distant from the Borders of Leon, and as near to those of Gallicia, in a large Plain, on the Banks of the River Fervenza. This City is very well walled, and fortified with a firong Castle, it has but two Parish Churches, yet contains above 1200 Families, two Convents, two Monasteries, a College of Jesuits, House of Relief, and an Hospital.

Tranflated from Manuel Rabeira n'os Amores Portuguefos.

In this City lived a Gentleman nam'd Roderigo de Silva, whom bounteous Heaven had not only blefs'd with immenfe Riches, but two lovely Daughters, in whom were center'd the Persections of their Sex, as well in the Embellishments of their Minds, as in the Excellency of their insuperable Charms: The Eldest of these was named Julia, the Youngest Leonora; these having spent some considerable time in acquiring an Education fuitable to their Births and Fortunes, were finally freed from the Restrictions of a * Reconciliamento, and received into the welcome Embraces of their joyful and tender Parents. They had not long been at Liberty, e're the whole Country rung of their Praise; and all were agreeably furprifed, to find that Fame had founded but an imperfect Description of those Charms, which the oftener they were viewed, caused the greater Admiration. Portugal could not confine their Fame, but the Report of

^{*} A Place for the Education of Ladies like a Nunnery, only they don't rife in the Night to Prayers, nor take the Vows of Obedience, Chaftity, and Poverty, but may relinquish when they or their Guardians please.

it reached even Leon in the Kingdom of Spain, and there attached the Ears' of Sergius de Gomar, a young Gentleman of a good Family and Fortune, who immediately came to examine whether Nature had form'd them as exquifitely Fair, as Fame had proclaim'd them to be: But his fatal Curiofity was foon fatisfied, for waiting his Opportunity, he at Mass got a View of this incomparable Pair, and admired both fo much, that he was at a Loss to distinguish whether was most amiable, and blamed Fame as much for diminishing their Deserts, as he did Nature for making them fo justly parallel; that he could not trace out a blemish in one, to add Luffre to the other, that fo he might be compleatly happy in one, fince he could not enjoy both. Continually revolving these Thoughts, admiring both with an equal Flame, and happy in neither, he spent as many melancholy Days, as restless Nights. Love

Love had fo penetrated the most foft and inmost Recesses of his Heart: that forfaking all Company, Sports, and Diversions, his Hours were, wholly taken up in ruminating on this his unhappy State. Thus toffed on the fluctuating Waves of Instability, fometimes refolving on one, fometimes on the other, endeavouring as it were to find a Shade in the brightest and most resplendent Sun, or fearching for Blemishes in Nature's nicest Perfections, continued he for some considerable time, till at last he resolved to relie on Fortune, and discover his ardent Affe-Ctions to her, to whom Opportunity would first introduce him, which happened to be the youngest, at Church, to whom he delivered the following Letter.

MADAM,

ORDS cannot express to "you the Ardency of my " Affections; should I tell you I ad-" mire you above all your Sex, it would not be meritorious in me, 26 fince all who have feen you do the " fame. Cou'd I affure you, for " your fake, I wou'd refign my Life, " what then? Wou'd it not deserve er immortal Fame, to die a Sacrifice to your Charms. In fine, as I " am satisfied an unrelenting Heart cannot be enchased in that fair " Breaft; fo could but Words " inform you of my Sufferings for " your fake, you wou'd commiserate " me, and in pity fympathize a little with me: It shall, however, suf-" fice at present, to assure you, That " on your Smiles or Frowns, depend " the future Felicities of your con-" ftant -

GOMAR.

SHE with much Modesty as well as Secrecy received this Letter, but with more Joy when she perused the Contents of it, she then labouring for him under the fame (if possible) Pangs of Love he did for her; and the next Day by repeated Instances, as the * spreading of her Hankerchief, dropping her Beads, &c, affured him of her favourable Acceptance of his Letter. Gomar was not now a little elated with this his good Fortune, and looked on every Smile as a propitious Prefage of his future Happiness. By Day the Garden Wall was his constant Retreat, where as ofe as Conveniency cou'd admit, he faw his charming Leonora: The Night was fpent with foft Sonnets, languishing Sighs, and Serenado's on

^{*} Tokens of Favour from the Ladies, who dare not openly Converse with their Admirets.

his † Viol, under her Chamber-Window, till at last not able longer to live, deprived of this charming Creature, he took an Opportunity to proffer his Service in conveying her away, in order to consummate both their long wish'd for Joys: But Leo. nora modestly waved this, assuring him Roderigo her Father, would not oppose such Proposals as he should make; and told him it would be both ungrateful and ungenerous, to offer to take her clandestinely away, whom she was very well fatisfied was defigned for him, and only him; that time would produce all things, and she hoped every thing conducive to their future Happiness in each other. Gomar though unwilling was forc'd to comply, and therefore as advised by Leonora, endeavour'd to ingratiate himfelf with her Father; which by his modest Carriage, pru-

[†] A Musical Instrument like a Guittar.

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of PORTUGAL.

dent Behaviour, and polite Discourse, he fuddenly and effectually did; infomuch, that he contracted as great a Friendship now with Roderigo, as he could ever expect or defire, even when his Father; nothing was now wanting but Words to utter the Sincerity of his Heart. He had often praised and extolled Leonora's Beauty but yet conceal'd his Paffion; till at last no longer able to contain the Vehemency of his Affections, he unfolded his Defires to Roderigo, who though he knew it before, was not a little furpris'd at Gomar's Extalies, in the naming of his Daughter; and from his outward Deportment, could eafily perceive the Agonies of his Breaft. This added not a little to Gomar's Hopes, especially when he found he had fo much gain'd his Ascendency over the Father, as now to be permitted to have free Recourse to the Daughter; his daily Perambulations and nocturnal Serenade's were omitted, his Sighs, Depairs, and Fears, were all diffipated.

SINCE all Parties were now as greed, and Affairs fo far digested and fettled, that the Wedding-Cloaths were purchased, the Day prefixed, and Guest invited, we must leave them. And witness the Catastrophe of Julia, who after a short Indisposition, to the inexpressible Grief of all that knew her, died. This put a different Face upon all the Family, and those who we before observed were elated to the extreamest Pitch of Toy, were now dejected into the deepest Abyss of Sadness. Gomar for Decency forbid to pursue his Addresses. Leonora doubly afflicted, for the Loss of her Sister, and Ab. fence of her Admirer, fo that now no Comfort could be administred to that almost distracted Family. Things were now getting ready, and

and Preparation making for the performing the last Ceremony, and Duty owing to Julia, her Interment, which was thus performed: She defired before her Death she might when dead, be attired in the Drefs of St. Bridget's Order of Nuns. with which her Mother most readily comply'd. To her Funeral were invited the chief of the City of Braganza, and all the fecular Priest's and Friars; from her Father's House to the Monastery of St. Bridget, she was carried in an open Chariot, in a Coffin uncovered, by which means those Charms which had caused Admiration in every one, and now over-whelmed each for their fudden Flight, were exposed to publick View; nor now dead did she appear less Beautiful, than she was whilst living, feeming only to be in a fweet Slumber. After the Chariot followed her disconsolate Father, Mother,

and Sifter, and next to them the Relations, in order, by two, and two, according to the nearness of Affinity; the Rear was brought up by the Secular, or Parish Priests, and Friars all finging her Requiem; carrying white Wax-Tapers in their Hands, adorned with Chaplets of Flowers; when they came to the Chapel of the aforesaid Monastery, the Coffin as before uncovered was taken out of the Chariot, and brought in and placed in the Body of the Church, where after a Mass and Dirge were fung for the Requiem of the Deceased, a large Quantity of Lime, and Vinegar were put into the Coffin, and the Cover nail. ed on: Thus fhe was put into the Grave, and when covered with her Mother Earth, pressed down with Rammers, till both her and her Coffin were reduced to as little Compass as possible, and then covered over with the rest of the Earth. I

have enquired the Reason of this inhuman Way, and have been thus answered. That as they bury no where but in the Churches, fo were they to let them have a natural Courfe in decaying, and wasting away, their Churches would not be able to contain the Dead; therefore they bruife them and cover them with Lime and Vinegar, to destroy them the sooner.

FULIA now dead and buried, Gomar longed to renew his Addresses, and had fometimes a stolen Interview with Leonora; which was foon observed, and as soon forbidden, under the specious Pretext of Indecency: But poor Leonora too foon discovered the Truth, by being told she must now shake of Gomar, and no longer entertain Thoughts in his Favour; that as by her Sister's Decease, her Fortune was doubled, and she fole Heiress of all. all, fo she must now think of a March more fuitable, with one both of greater Wealth and Qualiey; itis impossible to conceive the incredible Surprife and Anxiety this torturing Lesson, had created in poor Leonora's Breast: Her Gomar, her chiefest Comfort, was now her greatest Grief, and hard it doubtless was for her, to relinquish that fhe took the most Delight in. Her Spirits thus oppress'd with Grief, could no longer refrain, but having had a long Conflict between Love, and Duty, she thus at last expressed herself. "Before Death in " his cold Embraces had received " my dearest Sister, none could be " more acceptable to you than Go-" mar, no Epithets were wanting, " to paint out his extraordinary Vir-" tues nor Persuasions (tho' needless) " to encrease my vertuous Affections, " how many Hours with Pleasure " have I spent, to hear your Encomiums

is miums on that dear Man, nay, often were you wont to own, Words could not express the Esteem you. " had for him, and that you fear'd I loved him not as he deferved; thefe and many more fuch kind " Expressions have you used in his 66 Favour, when absent : But now " alas! what hath he done? where-" in hath he offended, that he who " was the most welcome Guest, must now be excluded; must my Si-" ster's Death be thus fatal to me? " must sordid Riches be counterpoi-" fed against his Vertues, O strange! "But yet I hope not immutable " Decree! Oh, Sir, remember Gomar, " remember what he is, Brave, Vertuous, Faithful, nay, every thing " that is Praise worthy; Suffer not " Covetousness to gain the Ascen-" dency over your Reason, but still, " still, be Gomar's Friend. Command " me to love him more, I will strive et to the utmost, but love him less, K 2

"I will not. Pardon my Disobedience, if I tell you, the more you
hate, the more I love; the more you
he is to me: And rest thus satisfied,
he has, and shall for ever have
the sole Possession of Leonora's
Heart." Having thus said, she
burst into Tears, and for that Time
lest him.

THESE and many other such Conflicts Leonora and her Father had; but he still finding her Resolutions immoveable, resolves to try another Experiment, and therefore wrote a Letter to a Maiden Sister of his, who lived at Coimbra, in the Province of Beira, to receive her, in order to try if Absence could not work that Alteration, which Perswassions had sound ineffectual; to her he therefore committed the Care of poor unhappy Leonora, giving this positive Order, that she should be deprived prived the use of Pen, Ink, and Paper, and all Company except those whom her Aunt (who was called Teresa da Virmondejas) should approve, and not to be trusted with them in the Absence of her.

To this miserable Confinement was the diffressed Leonora, as privately, as fpeedily hurried, where we must for a time leave her, and return to Gomar, who had with usual Diligence watch'd to see his Leonora; who after her Discovery of her Father's Refolution to feparate them, appear'd no more. He finding himself as he imagined thus neglected, notwithstanding Leonora's repeated Assurances of her Constancy, began for her fake to contemn, despise, and abhor all her Sex; thus passed Gomar some time until his Fury being abated, he applied himself to more serious Reslections, often. calmly revolving on the Cruelty and InconInconstancy of his Leonora, thinking her to be false, perjur'd, wicked, and what not. Leonora was not insensible of this, and her greatest Grief confifted in thinking of the ill Opinion her Gomar would entertain of her innocent felf; however, fhe as prudently as she possibly could, concealed the Anguish of her Mind, and externally appear'd as before, all Life and Air. Fame had founded her Praise here as in other Places, fo that at last Don Sebastian das Minas, a Gentleman of an ancient and honourable Family, became enamoured with her, and begg'd Leave of Donna Terefa, to make his Passion known to her Niece, of which she answer'd, she would consider, and in the Interim fent to Braganza for Leave; which confidering the Family and Estate of Don Sebastian, was foon granted, He now having obtain'd thus far, used his utmost Efforts to gain a secret Corner in Leo. nora's

pora's Affections, which she seemingly before her Governess granted. As condescending as she seemed to him in her Presence, she was in her Absence as cruel; of which he at a convenient Opportunity in this Manner demanded a Reason: I have most Charming Leonora, said he, with the utmost Regret, observed a great Difparity in your Behaviour; pardon me if I exceed the Bounds of good Manners, in telling you fo, but you know, Love like mine, is fearful of every thing that may tend in the least to a Rival; some happy Person I fear, has gain'd a greater Share of your Affections, than I can presume to hope for, otherwise your Deportment would not be fo alterative; before your Aunt I flatter my felf with fucceeding Happiness; no soon. er is she absent, but those pleasing Views, not only vanish, but are quite fled; and both that Sweetness, and those Smiles I before was fa-

vour'd with, are metamorphois'd to Frowns and Difdain. Tell me, dear Leonora, tell me, and by all that's good, I fwear, never to rest till I have removed those Objects of Difcontent. Leonora between Distrust and Hope heard him, not knowing in this Exigency what to do; but at last, Don Sebastian, said she, is it possible you can be thus fincere? will you be faithful to the Trust I repose in you? To which he with folemn Vows and Imprecations answered affirmatively; then know, faid Leonora, you have a Rival, a Rival you cannot come in Competition with one that as far exceeds you, as the Chrystal is exceeded by the most refplendent Diamond; and to serve me, know, you must serve him. Sebafian with an aking Heart liffned to her, and at last Leonora, said he, though in ferving you I draw on my own Destruction, yet for your sake will I do it; do but Command me,

and Earth nor Sea shall not conceal him from me. At which, Leonora smiling, said, then must your Honour undergo a fiery Trial; the next Visit you make, bring me Pen, Ink, and Paper, and you shall from me receive Instructions, how you must proceed. Next Day Sebastian came to pay his usual Compliment, and with him brought the Instruments of his own Destruction, with which Leonora wrote the following Letter.

GOMAR,

"Question not, but like the rest
"of your distrustful Sex, you
have ungenerously accused me with
Inconstancy and Falshood, but
know, mistaken Man, Leonora is
fill yours; and that the Distance
both of Time and Place, have not
alienated my Affections, but encreased them, the Bearer hereof
will fully satisfy you of those
"Matters

"Matters, you may be defirous of knowing, to whom I refer you. "I advise you to alter your Garb, and put on that of a Benedictine Monk, that so your Disguise may protect you from being discover'd, and post away with Don Sebastian the Bearer, as a Relation of his, and thus slee into the Welcome Embraces of your constant

LEONORA.

Sebastian thus freighted with his Gredentials, posts away for Leon, where he found Gomar, a true Mourner for Leonora; and after some Pains taken to instituate himself into his Acquaintance, he begun privately to enquire of him, if he had not heard of the samous Leonora da Silva, of the City of Braganza in Portugal? He answer'd yes. Then reply'd Sebastian, I am going to examine if the as fair, as reported to be. To whom

whom Gomar answer'd, she is as Fair, as Fame can paint her, but as false as Hell can make her; Deceit fills her whole Bosom; her Breath is pestiferous as a raging Distemper, and her Eyes dart Death on her Beholders. I, unhappy I, am one of those, that have fallen a Sacrifice to her Enchantments, my Love could not be exceeded by her Deceit, who oft feemingly fympathized with my Passions; till at last under the Pretence of Obedience to her covetous ungenerous Father, contrary to those Vows we alternately had made of Constancy, she ungenerously left me to mourn out the rest of my Days. O Sebastian! trust not Women, they like the Spa rens, only will allure thee, to destroy thee! Sebastian, like a true Friend, or rather generous Enemy. with Pity heard his Complaint, and gave him the Letter. Gomar read it with Extafies of Joy, but could not think

think Fate had referved fo much Happiness in Store; nor till fully satisfied from Sebastian's Mouth, believe such Vicissitudes of Fortune possible: But at last being convinced, he immediately disguised himself as ordered, and posted for Coimbra, once more to have an an Interview with the saithful Leonora.

Sebastian went the next Day after his Return, to pay his Devoir to Leonora, who was now more than ever glad to see him, but could not find an Opportunity to enquire of what she long'd to hear: But Sebastian by much Entreaty, obtain'd the Favour of Donna Teresa and Leonora, to accept of a Collation at his House; where after shewing Leonora some Part of it, he introduced her to Gomar: How happy this Meeting was, Thoughts cannot conceive, nor Words express. Gomar no longer accused her of Inside-

lity, but as he pitied her Sufferings, he applauded her Constancy; and as for her Sake he had condemned the whole Sex, fo now Words were insufficient to commend them. Sebastian still continued his Courtship, which she seemingly approved; and Matters were now fo far concluded, that as before to Gomar, so now to Sebastian Consent by all Parties was given, and the Day prefixed: But Leonora as disappointed of the former, which was to have been Publick, would have this Wedding private, none to be present but Sebastian, her felf, and the Monk, his Kinfman; to which the Relations on both Sides agreed. But when they came to Church, rhe Monk was difmantled of this his Holy Weeds, and there assuming the Person of Gomar, was happily married to Leonora.

Blest were their Hours, but ah! they
quickly flew:
For who e're kept soft Pleasures, long
in View.

Gomar's Grief at the feeming Loss of Leonora, had so far impaired him, that e're fix Months were past, Death deprived him of those Joys, which Fortune had lately given him. Now may we view Leonora in the Height of Afflictions; what she had before fuffered, were Trifles to what she now underwent; before there was Hopes of what after happened, fooner or later a happy Meeting; now those fleeting Hopes were gone, and - Leonora parted from her Gomar, never, never more to meet. Sebastian was not much grieved at the Lofs of Gomar, feeing he had made way for his obtaining her, he wish'd for long before, and refolves once more to try his Fortune with Leonora; and therefore

fore after the time of her strict Mourning was expired, renewed his former Courtship: Which Leonora with a resolute Coolness resused, telling him she resolved to carry her Widowhood to her Grave. Sebastian not discountenanced, continued his Addresses, and after many and repeated Refusals, reminded her of what he for her fake had done, that he had to prove his Value for her, wrong'd himfelf, fo injurioufly, that had it been done by another Hand. Death should have punished the Agent; that as Gomar was Dead, he thought she could no Ways retaliate his Services better, than in making him happy, as he had made his Rival. These weighty Considerations, and a fecret Value Leonora had for Sebastian's former Fidelity, in Gratitude forced her Compliance; fo that they have remained an Example of Love and Honour to this Day.

THE foregoing Story, I must needs own, is foreign to my Purpose as an Historian; but believing I shall have the Happiness to be read by some of the Fair Sex, I have inserted it purely for their Amusement and Diversion.

MIRANDA DE DUERO, Miranda de Duero. is a City feated in 11 Degrees of Longitude, and in 41 Degrees of Latitude, about 60 Leagues North-East of Lisbon, and South-West of Braganza, on the North Side of the River Duero, on a rocky Mountain; its Walls (which are wash'd by a large Brook,) with its Castle, and the City, were built by King Denis. This City contains 400 Families, in one Parish, as also a Convent, Monaftery, Hospital, and House of Relief. King John III. Ann. 1555. ere-

Eted this into a Bishoprick, worth to its Prelate 1400 l. per Ann. Ster-

ling.

CHAVES,

Town, founded (as given out by Tradition) by the Emperor Flavius Vespasian, Ann. 78. and from him called Aqua Flavia; but whence Chaves I cannot learn. It lies about two Leagues from the Borders of Gallicia, and within its Walls has about 300 Families, 1 Parish Church, Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital.

VILLA FLOR, was founded by King Denis Ann. 1286. and is a little well built Town, giving Title to an Earl, and walled round; within, which are about 400 Families, in one Parish, in which is one Church, and five Chappels; but what is extraordinary, neither Convent, College, or Monastery.

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VillaReal. VILLA REAL, is about fifty Leagues North of Lisbon, and four from Lamego, betwixt the River Corgo and Rabeira, in 11 Deg. and half Latitude. This Town was founded Ann. 1289. by King Denis, it is firongly walled, and has three Towers. The Inhabitants which are computed to about 800 Families, are divided into two Parishes; in this Town are two Convents, a Monastery, House of Relief and an Hospital. This Place has given the Title both of Marquess and Duke, which are now extinct.

Murza.

MURZA, is feated in a Plain near a fmall Rivulet about five Leagues from Villa Real; a very small inconsiderable Place, not worth mentioning.

FREIXO DA ESPADA-Freixo da CINTA, is feated near the River EspadaDuero, where it parts Portugal from
Spain; this Town was also founded by King Denis Ann. 1310. its chief
Manusacture is fine Webs for Sieves; here is only one Parish Church, which is a very neat modern Structure, two Chappels, a Convent, and mean Hospital.



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EIRA extends almost 30 Leagues every Way, and therefore forms a Quadrangle, except the Angle only

which extends to the Portuguese Estramadura. On the North, the River
Duero parts it from the Province Emtre Duero é Minho; on the West it is
bounded by the Ocean, and part of
the Portuguese Estramadura; on the
South by another Tract of the same
Country, and the River Tagus; and
East it Borders on the Spanish Estramadura

madura and Leon. The People here are generally poor, their Garb and Conversation mean, their Gentry inconfiderable, and their Jargon unintelligible to any other Part of the Kingdom. That Parsimony so much commended by the Ancients, to be founded among the Lustani, as having no other Covering by Night, but what they wear by Day, is in this Province strictly observed: But this proceeds not from their Moderation or Temperance, but from Want and Poverty, the constant Concomitants of Sloth and Idleness, their Land with good Management producing Plenty. So Lazy, and fo addicted are the Natives to Beggary, that those in good Circumstances beg as frequently as the most abject; and at certain Times of the Year, Spain swarms with these Locusts; for having plow'd their Land, end fown their Seed, they go frojing and begging abroad until Har-L 3 vest,

vest, when they who before with ragged Cloaths, dejected Looks, and mournful Tones, begg'd of those they were able to relieve, return with Joy to reap their plenteous Crops. In this Province are four Cities, and as many Bishopricks, one Dukedom, three Marquisates, and nine Earldoms.

Coimbra.

colimbra, is a famous old City, Bishoprick, and University, seated on the North Side of Mondego, over which it has a most magnificent Bridge of Stone, curiously wrought, consisting of twenty nine Arches. This City is in & Deg. 30 Min. Longitude, and 40 Deg. 18 Min of Latitude, and about thirty Leagues North of Lisbon, is walled, and has on the Walls many Towers and Turrets, as also four great Gates answerable to the four Winds. The Buildings are Losty and Magnificent, adorned with a fine Palace for the Resi-

Residence of the Kings of Portugal. King Emanuel first built this Palace, Ann. 1512. which has fince been beautified by his feveral Successors. (To pass by several Conjectures) This City was built by Attaces King of the Alans, Ann. 417. as a Fortress in his Wars against Herminericus the Suevian, King of Gallicia. The Moors Ann. 761. took it. After which, Ferdinand the First, of Castile recovered it, after a Siege of feven Months Ann. 1040. it contains near 5000 Families, distributed into seven Parishes, which have in them five Convents, the chief of which is Santa Cruz, the Religious therein residing being chiefly Noblemen, and of the Order of St. Augustin, or Cannons regular; this is a most magnificent Pile of Building; the Cells though proper for great Men, are unfit for a recluse Life, where Gaity and Vanity should be abandon'd, and where Men L 4

Men should sequester themselves from the transient Glory of this fleeting World. The Structure of the Church is very Magnificent, richly adorned with curious Sculpture, excellent Painting, and fine Gilding: Besides this, there are four other Convents, and as many Monasteries, a fine Hospital, and House of Relief. The University was settled here Anno 1553. by John the Third. King of Portugal, which confifts of fixteen fair Colleges; to which belong fifty Profesfors, under whose Tuition are generally about three Thousand Students, whose Allowance is about Forty thousand Pounds Sterling per Annum, beside Donations, which very much increases their Revenue. The Bishop of Coimbra is always Earl of Arganil, which Honour was annexed to the Bishoprick by Alphonso the Fifth, Ann. 1472. his Re-

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venue is about Six thousand Pounds per Ann. Sterling.

LAMEGO, is in 9 Deg. 22 Min. Lamego. of Longitude, and 41 Deg. 14 Min. of Latitude, about forty Leagues North East of Lisbon, situate on the Banks of the River Balfamao, not far from the River Duero. City Earl Henry, Father to the first King of Portugal, recovered from the Moors, and erected it into a Bishoprick; to its Prelate worth two thousand Pounds Sterling per Ann. Here the First Cortes or Parliament were fummoned by King Alphonso, by whom the Laws of the Kingdom were enacted. This City contains two thousand Families in two Parishes, as also two Convents, one Monastery, House of Relief, and an Hospital.

Visco.

VISCO, by the Romans called Vicus Aquarius, is seated in a delightful Plain, in 42 Deg. 45 Min. Latitude forty Leagues distant from Lisbon. King Ferdinand the first of Castile, Ann. 1088. recovered this City from the Moors; and having taken the Moor who killed his Father, he caus'd both his Eyes to be put out, both his Hands, and one Foot to be cut off, and fo difmits'd him. When or by whom this City was erected into a Bishoprick I cannot learn, the Revenue of it however exceeds, 2500 l. per. Ann. This Town, is computed to contain 1000 Families distributed into three Parishes, in which are one Convent, Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital.

Guarda.

GUARDA, is about 40 Leag. North East of Lisbon, seated on a rocky Hill difficult of Access, has a large

large Castle, strong Walls with Watch-Towers on them, in feveral Places, 10 Deg 8 Min. Long. 40 Deg. 32 Min. Latitude. To this City are fix feveral Entrances, each of which is adorned and defended by a strong Gate. The Buildings are ancient, and Graceful. It owes its Foundation to Sancho the first, King of Portugal, Ann. 1199. who called it Guarda, from its being a Guardian, or Frontier Town, against the King dom of Leon, and translated to it afterwards the Bishoprick of Idanha Velha, whose Income is 3000 Pounds per. Ann; in this City are five Parishes, 1000 Families, a Convent, Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital.

IDANHA VELHA, is an old Idanha ruined City, formerly called Ege- Velha. ditania, and is still an Earldom, about forty Leagues from Lisbon, in 10 Deg.

10 Deg. 20 Min. Longitude, and 39 Deg. 48 Min. Latitude.

Aviera.

AUIERA, is a market-Town in about 40 Deg. 40 Min. Latitude, thirty Leagues North of Lift bon, and nine from Coimbra feated in a Plain upon a Bay at the Mouth of a Creek, which divides it felf into two Parts, joyned by a stately Bridge, forming a Haven. Here are made great Quantities of Salt, which ferve great Part of the Kingdom. The Town is walled, and has belonging to it nine stately Gates. Its Inhabitants amount to about, 2000 Families, in four Parishes, containing three Convents, a Monaftery, House of Relief, and an Hospital. It is fince the Dukedom of Braganza is immerg'd in the Crown, reckoned the first in the Kingdom; its Dukes besides this Title, assumes that de Alancastre, as

The first Dukedom of Portugal.

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being by the Female-line descended from the Duke of Lancaster.

CASTEL RODRIGO, is also castel next the Frontiers of Leon, seated on Rodrigo an Eminency, with a famous Palace of its Marquisses whose Family adhering to Spain when Portugal, revolted, lost it and their Estate. The Town is watered by the River Agueda, which washes its ruined Walls; here are about 250 Families in one Parish, having in it one Monastery, almost ruined and forfaken. In the Year 1644 the Spaniards laid fiege to this Town, but the Portuguese wearing red and blue Caps, like the English, the Spaniards terrified at the Sight, abandon'd the Place and left the Portuguese Conquerors.

PINHEL, about two Leagues Pinhel. from Castle Rodrigo, and three from Almeyda, seated on the Summit of

an high Hill, furrounded with strong Walls, on which are seven large Towers, the Buildings are Modern and Graceful, in fix well paved Streets, to which belong as many Gates, leading into the like Number of Parishes each containing about 100 Families, in the Town is also a fine Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital 10 Deg. 12 Min. Longit. 40 Deg. 55 Min. Latitude.

Almeyda.

ALMETDA, is fituate about two Leagues from the Frontiers of Leon, opposite to Cividad Rodrigo, 10 Deg. 31 Min. Longitude, 40 Deg. 51 Min. Latit. standing on an Ascent near the River Coa, from whence the Territory is called Riba de Coa, (or Bank of Coa) this Town was founded by the Moors, and by them called Talmaida, signifying a Table, from the standa, signifying a Table, on which the upper Part stands. It is encompass'd with a strong Wall,

and has in it a good Castle, Convent, House of Relief, and Hospital. This Town is remarkable for a sharp Engagement between the Spaniards and Portuguese, Anno 1663.

bout 35 Leagues North East of Liston, and six South West of Guarda; seated near the River Zezere, sounded Ann. 1186 by King Sancho, the Buildings here exceed any in the Kingdom (except those of its Metropolis, Liston) being large, Regular, losty, and of Stone, containing thirteen Parishes, and to each Parish we may allow 100 Families, besides two Convents, a House of Relief, and an Hospital.

MONTE MOR O VELHO, is Monte Mor O twenty feven Leagues North of Lif- Velho. bon, and five South West from Ceimbra.

bra, feated on a rising Ground, near the River, a Place of no Note.

Mondego.

MONDEGO, is famous for its old strong Castle, has five small but neat Parish Churches, about one thousand Families, a Convent, Monastery, House of Relief, and an Hospital of neat modern Structure.

Pinama-

PINAMACOR, is about nine Leagues from Guarda an Ancient ruined and almost depopulated Town, thirty-five Leagues East of Liston, containing about 800 Inhabitants, in two Parishes, a Convent, Monastery, and Hospital. In this Province are several other Towns, but being old and decayed, omitted as not worth being taken Notice of.

CASTEL BRANCO, was a Caffel Branco. large neat Town fituate on the Banks of the River Lyra, which falls into Tagus seven Miles Southward. This Town was taken by the Duke of Anjou in May, Ann. 1704. and has been fince utterly abandoned; it is fourteen Leagues, North West of Spanish Alcantara, and twentyfour South West from Cividad Rodrigo.

LAS MARINHAS, is a small Las Ma. Frontier Town standing on the Banks of the Tagus, at its Confluence with the Elia near the Borders, of the Spanish Alcantara, ten Leagues from Portalegre, and seven South South East from Castel Branco, Lon. 10 Deg. 10 Min. Lat. 39 Deg. 35 Min. This Town was also taken by the Duke of Anjou Anno 1704. And the next Year 1705. retaken by the Confederates; as was also

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Marudon another small Frontier Town. Pena Garcia likewise suffered the same Fate, as did also Salvaterra, a Town of great Strength, being well walled and fortisted; With Lagura, and other Frontier Towns.



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Estramadura.

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Land reaching from the Province.

Mouth of the River Mondego, on the North, to below the Town of Setuval, on the South about thirty-five Leagues in Length, and no where fixteen in breadth; on the North it is bouned by the River Mondego, which Parts it from Beira; West it has the Ocean; South the Province of Alemtejo, and Beira on the East. The Land here is mostly the best in the Kingdom, the Poor know no want, the Gentry are consider-

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able, and the Commonalty live well, fo that here they feemingly fublist of themselves. In this Province are two Cities, an Archbifhoprick, Bishoprick, Dukedom, and Marquifate, feven Earldoms, the Priory of Grand Priory of Crato, and of the Knights of Malta.

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Lisbon.

LISBON, the Metropolis of Portugal, has employed feveral Writers to find out its Founder, and the Etymology of its Name. The generality (I suppose) from the Refemblance of its Names, Olysippo, Olyffippo, and Ulyffippo, with Ulyffes, ascribe the Foundation of this flourishing City to him. Pliny formerly called it Salatia, and Julia Felix; Strabo, Ulyssea; Myrlianus afferts its being built by Ulysses; for says he, in his ten Years Travels, coming hither he built it, and called it after his own Name. This however feems improbable, because History

no where affirms that Ulyffes ever faw the Ocean; it may rather be more credible, that this Town being conveniently feated for Navagation, and first inhabited by Seafaring Men, might be dedicated to that indefatigable Traveller Vly ses; as Athens being a Place of War and Learning, was to Minerva whom the Greeks called AGENA. Notwithstanding all this, Lisbon appears to have been a Place of no Note, until many Years after the Erection of Portugal into a Monarchy; for in the time of the Romans, Emerita Augusta, now Merida, Pax Julia; otherwise called Prasidium Julium, now Beja, Scalabis, now Santarem, from St Irene faid to be there Martyred, Liberalitas Julia or Ebora, Augusta, Bracara, or Braga, were all preferred before Lisbon. The Suevi kept their Court at Oporto. The Gothick, Monarchs never resided in Portugal. And under the Moorish Administration, this

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Place was inferiour to many. What ever it was formerly, it now is the Metropolis of the Kingdom, the Refidence of the Kings, and the great Seat of the Cortes, and all Courts of Judicature, an Archbishoprick, University, and the best Port in the whole Kingdom, feated in 7 Deg. 37 Min. Longitude, 38 Deg. 45 Min. Latitude. The Heat moderated by the cooling Breezes from the Sea. The City standing on the River Tagus, which conveys to the City the Wealth of the East and West-Indies, and the Commodities of all European, Nations, whence it is by the Poets faid to have Golden Sands.

Cedat & auriferiripa beata Tagi. Ovid.

THE Harbour lies most commodious for Trade, upon the Western Ocean, being so spacious that 10000 Ships of Burthen may fafely ride at Anchor, without the least Incumbrance.

brance. To defend the Haven are two considerable Forts, at the Mouth of the River, the first called St. Julian on the Shoar, a large Fort St. regular strong and beautiful Struc. Julian. ture: Higher upon the opposite Shelf is another Fort, called Torre de Bougio. Bougio. Besides these two Forts for the Safety of the Harbour, Nature has largely contributed, by providing its Entry with a Bar impaffable, without the Assistance of the Pilots of this Place. Within this is a vast Bay, until approaching the City, the River contracts it felf; on the streightest Part of which stands another Fort, called Torre de Torre de Belem, or the Town of Bethlem, this Belem. is a neat pretty square Fort of Stone, in which are Mounted feveral large Brass Guns; it stands far in the Water at the Flood, but at the Ebb, is Accessible by Land. It receives its Name from a pretty Village opposite unto it on the Northen Shoar, which M 4

St. ferom's Convent.

which Village owes its Name to a magnificent Convent of Friars of the order of St. Ferom, began by Emanuel King of Portugal Anno 1509. and finished by John the IIId King of Portugal Anno 1538. and is now the Depository of the Kings, and Blood Royal of Portugal. This Convent is esteemed the finest Building in the Kingdom of that fort, it contains neat convenient Cells for two hundred Friars, besides all other Offices; on the top of their Convent is a Refervoir of Water, which by Pipes is conveyed into each of the Cells. To this Convent belongs a fine Church dedicated to the Infant Jesus, or Menino Jesu, of most curious Workmanship, Painting, Carving, and Gilding; and it may fuffice once for all to affure my Reader, that no Nation in the World can exceed in the Neatness, and Exactness, their Care, and Profuseness, in adorning their Churches, Chappels, and Oratories

Oratories, fince in those very Towns where want feems mostly to rage, you shall find their Churches though fmall, beautiful, nice, and clean.

In this Church on the right Side of the High Altar enclosed in a Coffin of black Velvet, laced with a broad Gold Lace, lies the Body of our late Sovereign Lady Catharine, Queen Confort of Charles the Second late Catharine Body un-King of England, &c. Here is al-buried. fo an Hospital for decayed Gentlemen (who have ferved their Prince, and have no Fortunes to support them in an advanced Age) well endowed, and what is very rare in these degenerate times, not mis-applied to other Uses.

ABOUT a quarter of a League higher up the Shoar, stands a Magnificent Palace, belonging to the House of Braganza, where Queen Catharine Queen Catharine Palace. Catharine after her Return to Portugal, kept her Court.

UNDER the aforesaid Fort of Bethlem runs the Channel of the River, which again opens until it is near a League over, washing the Banks of the City of Lisbon, which stands upon seven Hills, very steep in many Places, and the Streets for the most part very narrow; those built on the Ascent are generally very clean, being washed by the Rains, which for want of Drains fettle in the lower Streets, and make them generally dirty and very offensive, because of the intollerable Filth of all Sorts thrown out of the Houses, which cause such unsufferable Stenches, in the immoderate Heats of the Summer Season, that it is a great wonder some contagious Distemper is not bred among the Inhabitants of those abject Parts of the City.

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This City in Bigness is not to compare with London, or Paris, yet exceeds any other City in either Kingdom, being in Compass, Suburbs and all, about feven Miles, containing above 20000 Houses, all of large, neat, and handsome Structure, mostly Letticed; Glazed Windows not being here in Use, . because of the strong Reflections the Sun has here upon Glass. Towers and Turrets on the Walls, its Numbers fixty feven; Gates towards the Sea twenty two, and fixteen towards the Continent. The Form is irregular, lying in length along the River, and no where near fo broad as long, the greatest Breadth being about the Middle, whence it falls narrow at both ends.

THE Monasteries and Churches Monasteries and Churches are great Ornaments to the City, the Churches latter of modern Structure are rich-

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ly adorned within with fine Sculp. ture, and Painting The Cathedral is a vast Pile but heavy, of the Gothick Order, being built and endowdial tult ed with great Revenues by Don Al. phonfo Henriques, Ann. 1183. in which Henriques Year he procured the Body of St. Vincent, to be transported to Lisbon, dy mov'd the which before 'tis faid was Interto Lisbon. red in that Country called Algarbia, on the Holy Promontory, (fince by Reason of this Relique) called Cape St. Vincent. This Prince went twice to fetch this Body, being then eighty nine Years old; this Cathedral stands upon one of the Hills.

> Ir would require a particular Treatife to describe all the pompous Edifices here of this kind, here being no less than forty Parish Churches, twenty-five Convents, eighteen Monasteries, four Colleges, and several Hospitals: I shall however, proceed to give some little Description of the Chief

Chief of them, and therefore begin with the

CATHEDRAL, which is extream- Cathedral ly large containing eighty three Ora- or See Church. tories or Chapels, curioufly adorned with Painting, Carving, and Gilding; at each of which Mass is daily said. The Choir leading to the High Altar is extreamly fine; the Stalls of Ebony, the Pavement chequer'd with black and white Marble. Over the Stalls is abundance of fine Carving and Painting, done by the most excellent Hands. On the right Side of the High Altar, is inclosed in a Silver Shrine the Body of St. Vincent, on St. Vinwhose Festival are extraordinary Re dent's Bojoycings. At the Entrance of the West Door of this Church, on the right Hand up a few Stairs, leading into one of the Towers, are kept two Ravens in Commemoration of that fictitious Story they tell the People, of the finding St. Vincent's Bo-

A Fabulous Stoty. dy; which when they had found, they knew not where to deposite to his Satisfaction, until the two Ravens by often alighting on the Church, demonstrated his Inclination; whence he was here with great Solemnity Enshrined, and has been ever fince much in Request among them.

St. Anthony's Church.

Not far from this, is a little Church dedicated to St. Anthony of Padua, and is reported to have been the Place where he drew his first Breath; the Walls are painted very fine, expressing the stupendious Miracles, faid to be performed by this Saint: As the Fishes holding their Heads' out of the Water, to listen to his Doctrine, whilst those who should have been attentive to it, scoffed at it: Also his being personally in the Pulpit preaching in one Place, and in the twinkling of an Eye being at another a hundred Leagues distant, to fave

fave his Father from Death, who was going to be executed, for a Murder he was innocent of; where he caused the Dead to speak, cleared his Father, and then went on in his Sermon; for that time, seeming only to nod in his Pulpit. These and several other romantick Stories, sitter to enlarge the Adventures of Don Quixote, then to be imposed on Peoples Belief, are exquisitely painted upon the Walls.

BEFORE I treat on the Convents, I must beg leave of my Reader, to shew how detrimental they are to the Publick, and how dissonant to their primitive Institution. First of all they entertain one part at least out of six of the Kings Subjects, who instead of serving their Prince, in his Exigencies, like Leeches are daily sucking the sweetest of his Blood, always contriving to enrich themselves, and impoverish

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the State; they like the rich Man, faring fumptuously every Day.

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an Afylum for
Offenders.

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NoR do they think it enough to be privately wicked themselves, but openly encourage the most enormous Malefactors, their Convents being an Afylum for them, from whence formerly they could not be forced, but now it is not near fo fafe a Shelter for Villains, as formerly; the Civil Powers affuming to themselves Liberty to judge what Crimes have the Benefit of Sanctuary; and if they think the Crimes very heinous indeed, the King's Officers feruple not to break into a Monastery, and force the Offender thence, in order to the Execution of Justice; they are indeed a little tender in this, and if they are mistaken in the Nature of the Crime, are forced to return the Offender: But to fee how far the King's Authority interpofes in these Affairs, I shall relate one Passage

Passage only, from a very good Author.

A Person had fled to Sanctuary An Infor killing his Wife, not out of Jea-Barbaloufy, but because she was old, and rity. he tired of her. In order therefore to perpetrate his Villany, he enticed her to his Country Seat, and there cut her Throat; and going about his Business, chanced to hear a Servant fay (who coming in, found her Mistress weltering in her Gore) my Mistress is dying. He hearing she was only dying, whom he had left for dead, returned, and by another Stroke, perfected his Work, and then betook himself to Sanctuary: And it being adjudged a Crime of a dye not deep enough, to deprive him of Sanctuary, he was after he had been forced from the Convent, returned back again, and obtained a + Carta de Seguro to depart the King. Carta de dom unmolested.

[†] A Power which protects Offenders against all Proceedings both in Civil and Common Law.

Primitive Inflitution of Convents

As to the Primitive Institution of Convents, they were designed for Persons, who would sequester themselves from the World, the better to attend the Service of God, and the Salvation of their own, and their Fellow Creatures Souls: but see in these later Ages how degenerate they are grown, what ought to be their greatest Concern, is the most neglected, forsaking God, they serve Mammon; their chiefest Care being to enrich their Cossers, indulge their Appetites, and if possible encreases their Sensualities.

The Principal of the Convents in Lisbon, in respect of Building, is that St. Roch. of St. Roch, belonging to the Jesuits; and no wonder, since they have always been a cunning contriving fort of People, studying the Favour of their Prince to enrich themselves; and whenever that has fail'd,

as often opposing him. The Habit they wear is a black Cassock, and Cloak, with a square Cap.

The next is the Convent of St. Do-St Dominick, of which here are indeed nick. two, one of Portuguese, the other of Irish Friers; the first extreamly fine, and the last very neat. Their Habit is a white Crape Cassock, and black Cloak, and Cowl, or Hood for the Head.

THEN the Trinitarians or Friers of Trinitas the Order of the Trinity, very Rich rians, and Magnificent, their Habit is a white Cassock, with a red Cross on on their Breast, black Cloak and Cowl.

THE Carmelites Convent is a noble Carmed Structure, containing about five hundren Brethren, beside Lay Brethren, and other inferiour Officers and Servants of the House. They have a no-

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ble large Church, and fine Cloysters, because of their Grandeur unsuitable to the Order they profess.

Discalc'd CarmeHERE are another fort of Carmelites of a more rigorous Order; and from there going bare-footed, called Discalc'd Carmelites; their Convent is not large but neat. The first of these wearwhite Cassocks with long Sleeves, like a Batchelor of Arts Gown, with black Cloaks and Cowls. The latter wear white Flannel Cassocks, with small Sleeves, buckled about them with a broad Leather Belt, and black short Cloaks of a very coarse Cloth over them.

the Rich and Magnificent Convent of the Augustine Friers, from the Fineness of its Buildings call'd La Graca; in this Convent are admitted none but Noblemen, and the younger

Branches

Branches of great Families, fo that it is rather a Provision for youner Brothers, than a Cloyster for devout Men. Here they forsake the Name of Padre (Father) for that of Don, being all fo call'd. Their Church is exquisitely fine, but their Sacrifty or Vestry, far exceeds any in The Vethe whole Kingdom, or perhaps the ftry-Universe, being curiously adorn'd with Reliques of Saints fet in Gold and Silver; besides which their is a fine Cross near eight Foot high, of maffy Gold, fo ponderous, that it requires three Men to support it, for the Priest who carries it in Procession; the Cross part of it is richly fet with Diamonds, Rubies, Pearls, Saphirs, Emeralds, and all forts of precious Stones of inestimable Value: In the Centre of the Cross part, under a neat Chrystal of an Inch and half fquare, they pretend to shew you a Piece of the true Cross, on which our Saviour fuffered; to which all viour's

People when it is carried in Procession, pay great Adoration. Their Dress is purple Cassocks and Cloaks, trailing on the Ground, and as they are Canons regular, they wear not Cowls, but square Caps; and indeed their Dress makes them appear Majestical.

Benedi-Lines. Francifcans. Besides these, are several other Convents, as the Benedictines very large and beautiful. The Fransciscans the o'old, very magnificent and large, containing above five hundred Brethren, clothed in coarse Clothing, girt about with a knotted Cord, wearing neither Shoe nor Stocking, yet as Leacherous and Wicked as the rest of them; and from their begging are most generally called Mendicant Friers. This order of St. Francis is branched out into several Parts, some more austere than others.

In speaking of these several Sorts of English Friers, I must not forget the English College. College, governed by English secular Priefts, who admit none other, than those of their own Country among them, It were to be wish'd, that such Gentlemen that happen to be educated in this or any other Popilb Seminary, may be instructed in fuch Principles, that may not be destructive of the present happy Government of our glorious Prince King George, whose wife and mild Administration, may, without Flattery, equal him to the good and most Illustrious Roman Emperors, Titus, Trajan, and Marcus Aurelius, Princes for ever renown'd in Hiftory. This Seminary is governed by a Prefident, Vice Prefident, Procurator and Confessor; and in it are 3 Profesfors, Grammar, Philosophy and Divinity, here Youth are by these Tutors educated, and when ripe, for Mischief sent Missioners into England; their

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their Dependance is chiefly upon the Charity of the Papists in England; who, as they are weakened, and fome taken off, 'tis to be hoped their Numbers decrease, as well in this as in other Seminaries; their College is an old shatter'd Building, made out of a few old Houses, patched up together, but now, tho' flow, rebuilding, and will in Time be very handsom; their Church is very neat, in which are five Chappels or Oratories, one whereof is dedicated, to Thomas Beckett, and mightily reforted to, both by English Papists and Portuquese; but alass, their Supplications here are fruitless: For in the Time of the Rebellion at Preston, (to my certain Knowledge) the Nuncio granted Indulgencies to those, that should come and offer up their Prayers Tho. Beck to good St. Thomas, for the Suc-

cess of the Pretender's Arms, and the 2d Day of the Jubilee, as appear'd by the News-papers afterwards; the poor Gentleman, not with standing the Saints Interest, was forced to pack up his Alls and be gone.

HERE is also a Monastery of En-English Nuns, to which the present Queen of Portugal is a most generous Benefactress, and frequent Reforter, spending many Hours at work with them, at that Time laying aside all regal Dignity, and associating herself family y with them.

I shall now proceed to give my Reader a transient View of the two yearly Processions, viz. Lent, and Lent Pro-Corpus Christi Day, the former begins on the first Friday, and ends on the last Wednesday of Lent, on each Friday a particular Passage of our Saviour's Sufferings is represented, as first his Agony in the Garden, 2. His being betray'd. 3. His Arraignment. 4. His being mocked and infulted by the Soldiers. 5. His scourg-

ing. 6. His carrying his Cross, and Lastly, His Crucifixion: Each Day one of these Passages is added to the former. So that on the last are represented the whole Stages of our Lord's Paffion, in Waxwork as big as the Life, richly adorned with artificial and natural Flowers, Jewels, Brocades, &c. carried in Stages on Mens Shoulders, who go barefooted, all over cover'd with black, and bound about with great knotted Cords, and are call'd Penitents, tho' hired at 12 Vintems per Diem. To these Processions belong a great Number of Men, of all Conditions, called Irmao's, who are dreft in fhort fearlet Cloaks, and carry each a large lighted Wax Taper, adorned with Flowers in their Hands, walking bareheaded, two and two, fome preceding, and fome following the Procession. In these Processions also are carried the Saints, or Founders of the feveral Orders in Lisbon, as

Eighteen Pence.

St. Ignatius Founder of the Jesuits, St. Francis of the Fransciscans, St. Augustin, St. Dominick, St. Brano Author of the Carthusians, the Prophet Elias Author of the Carnselites, St. Bernard of the Bernardines, &c. each Image attended by a Detachment of the Friers, of the Order it represents, to these Processions also belong a Sort of People they call Penitents, whom they hire for a Crusado per Three Diem, to perform feveral Sorts of Penances; these People are generally Soldiers, Porters, Coblers, &c, they are drest in white from Head to Foot, fo that they are not known, and perform fundry Sorts of Exercifes, one carries twenty or thirty Spadoes (Swords) spread like a Fan. the Points bound up in List, and resting on the Pit of his Stomach, he bending almost double; then a pretty Distance off him comes a second, with his brawny Back bare down to the Waste, which before he sets

out is launced, to provoke its Bleeding, and draw pity from the Ignorant Spectators, and every twenty or thirty Steps he gives himself a Stroke with a Discipline. Then comes a Third with a Heap of Fetters at each Leg (which he rattles along like a Goal-bird) his Knees bare, with a Crucifix in his Hand, to which every feventh or eighth Step he kneels, and fays a Pater nofter and Ave-maria, thumping his Breast at the same time. After him a Fourth with his Waste Bound up in a Fillet, like a Collar of Brawn. Then a Fifth with his Sides bare, which now and then he tickles with an Instrument like a Hand-Granade, stuck full of Points, (as good I believe as. Cupping) the Blood following each Stroke. Then a Sixth with his Arms extended and bound to a a.Stick or Pole, until the Blood feems ready to flart from his Fingers ends, &c. every one barefooted; thafe

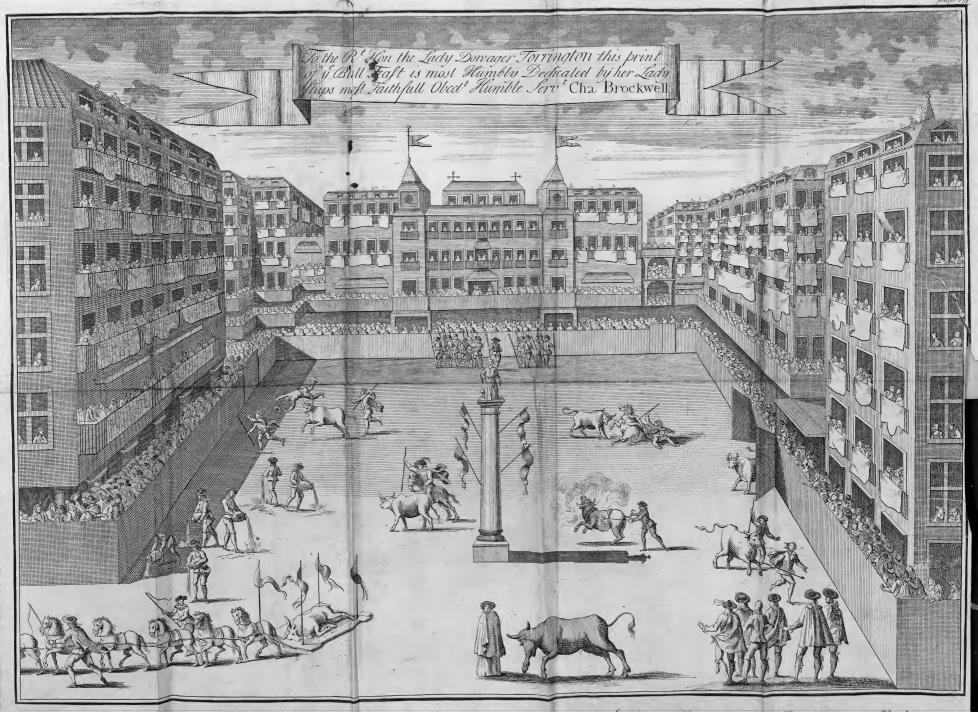
those that act the hardest Parts in these pretended Penances, have the largest Prices, as a Quarter of a Moidore per Diem, and some half a one: Thus do the Clergy impose on the Publick, by making them believe these are voluntary Penitents, and do this to attone for their finful Lives past. The Processions are always closed by a Priest, vested in his Alb, and a rich Cope, Bareheaded carrying the Hoft, under a Canopy of rich Brocade, supported by fix Priests in their Albs and Copes, preceded by all forts of Musick, vocal and Instrumental, finging the Anthem to the Sacrament, among whom promiscuously walk fix little Boys, dress'd in white like Angels, their Heads crown'd with Chaplets of Flowers, and their Shoulders adorn'd with Wings, &c. The 1st carrying four Nails on a Silver Plate. the Second a Lance, the Third a Sponge on a Reed, the Fourth a Crown of Thorns, the Fifth a Napkin. kin, and the Sixth a small Cross with this Inscription on a Label, INRI; and Lastly a numerous Concourse of People.

Corpus Christi Procession. The Procession on Corpus Christic Day, is a compleat Piece of Merriment, containing nothing but Buffoonry; as Fellows preposterously dress'd, playing antick Tricks, skipping and dancing about, abusing the Spectators, &c. but as the other, so is this in like Manner closed with the Host, and the Irmandade or Brotherhood.

King'sPalace.

THE King's Palace is a fine Building, confifting of two Sides of a Square, the one facing the Tagus, fo that his Majesty not only has a Prospect of the Ships in the Harbour, but of those four or five Leagues out at Sea. Underneath the Palace in the Piazza, is a Place called La Capella, from its leading to the King's Chapel, where are Shops, in which

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Millinary Wares, and fuch like Commodities are fold.

NEXT adjoyning to the Palace is King's the Slaughter house, where the Pro- Slaughtervisions for the Fleet are killed

NEXT or rather opposite to this, are the Shambles, where Meat is The Shambles. fold in Pieces of two, three, or four Pounds each, and Poultry by the Toint or Quarter.

Before the King's Palace in the Place where the Merchants meet, (for want of an Exchange) is perform the Bull Feast, which only Bull Feast happens on extraordinary Occasions, and is thus; a fmall Distance from the Building of the Palace, the Scaffoldry extreamly nice, is erected, the which, and one Side and the Front of the Palace, forms a Quadrangle? The King, for the Conveniency of himself and the Nobility, has a fine Throne

Throne built from one of the Palace Windows, thro' which he paffes, the foreign Merchants have their Seats ere&ed under the Throne, the rest seat themselves promiscuously according to the Prices of their Places. The Cavalhero or Gentleman, who is to attack the Bull, is always a Person, who from his Prowefs, expects fome Favours from his Portuguese Majesty. as a Command in the Land, or Sea Service, or whatever else the King pleases to give him; at that Time he entertains eighteen or twenty Servants, called Bravos, who with Daggers and short Cloaks hanging cross their Arms, rescue the Cavalhero when in imminent Danger, and exasperate or enrage the Bull, if not mad enough, answer the Expectation of the Populace; before the Cavalhero encounters the Bull, he comes richly dress'd and finely mounted, and prefents himfelf before the King, his Horse as well as himself, paying Obey fance

bey sance three times; then the Cavalhero rides three or four times about, paying his Complements to the Beholders, and fo marches off. After him forty or fifty Fellows dress'd like Mermaids, with watering Pots, water the Ground, that the Dust may not be offensive to the Spectators, which is repeated as every Bull is kill'd; then comes on the Cavalhero stript of his Finery, into a light Dress, upon a light plain Horse, with his Spear in his Hand, riding about the Square; when on a fudden out iffues the Bull, roaring and tearing the Ground up with his Horns and Hoofs, the Bravoes vexing and buffetting him with their Cloaks, by throwing them on his Horns, whilst they prick him with their Daggers, when at last he in a Fury makes at the Cavalhero, who attacks him, and perhaps after several fruitless Endea. vours, strikes his Launce into his Brain,

Brain, (no other Place he must aim at) which done, he again prefents himself before the King; who by flourishing with his Handkerchief, denotes his Approbation, after which the other Spectators do the fame by the fame Signal; none hallowing or huzzaying, but all observing a profound Silence; then comes in a Triumphal Carriage, attended with Musick, into which the dead Bull is hoisted and carried off: Thus are eighteen or twenty Bulls killed in a Day, and fometimes the Cavalhero as often difmounted, he narrowly escaping with his Life.

Cafa da Mifericordia, or House of Relief.

THE House of Relief in this City, is both for Magnificence and Endowment, the chief in the Kingdom. It is a Pile of fine Building, and constantly breeds up six hundred Boys, putting them out to Apprenticeships, and setting them up asterwards; they also educate, marry and give Portions to one hundred and

and fourteen Girls, besides other great Sums of Money charitably expended, in relieving of Prisoners, freeing of Captives, assisting decay'd Families, &c.

The great Hospital receive Per-Hospital. fons of what Degree, Nation, or Religion soever, without Exception, and dares resule none, on any Pretence whatever, nor does it entertain the Sick only, but Naturals, Lunaticks, Incurables, &c.

Before this Square, is the largest Le Ruze and finest Market in Lisbon, called zie. le Ruzzio.

NEAR the River is a fine large prince's fquare House, built by the Marquess Palace. of Castel Rodrigo; but upon that Families adhering to the Crown of Spain, it was confiscated to the King. In it now, lives the King's Brother, Don Francisco, commonly called the

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Black Prince, whether on Account of his Complexion or Actions, I judge not.

The Cafile. Castle of this City stands on the Summit of the highest Hill, and is a large strong old *Moorish* Building.

Archbifhop's Revenue.

THE Archbishop of Lisbon's Revenue is about 6000 l. per Ann. and
under him are twenty Canons, and
four Petty Canons.

Ceremony used in bewailing their dead King.

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HAVING thus far treated of Lisbon, the Metropolis of this flourishing Kingdom, I cannot conclude my Discourse on this Subject, without informing my Reader of the Ceremony used in this City, in bewailing the Deaths of their Monarchs, which is thus performed: A Herald (on Horseback) attended by the Alcaide or Mayor, who is attended by the Disembargodors or Justicers, all dress'd both Men and Horse in black

black, with a great Enfign in his Hand of black alfo, lying on his Shoulders, that it might trail on the Ground, is attended by three old Men, covered with black on foot, with three Escutcheons in their Hands, like Targets or Shields, resting on their Heads, without any Figure on them, but all black; then follow fome Citizens on Horseback, who attend these Officers through the principal Streets of Lisbon; and approaching the Cathedral, those who hold the Escutcheons ascend flowly up the Steps, and one lifting up his Shield, with a loud melancholy Voice, thrice pronounces these Words, People of Lisbon, lament your King, ----, who is now dead! Then all the Spectators weep; this done, he breaks his Escurcheon on the Place where he stands, then proceed they on to the Rua Nova, at the Church of Nossa Senhora de Oli-

vera, performing the same Ceremony, and fo proceed to the Rua D'Espada, where at the Casa da Mi-Sericordia, they do the same; So all the three Escutcheons being broken, they return home, and the Ceremony is ended.

HAVING treated thus far of Lifbon, the flourishing Metropolis of this Kingdom, it may not be perhaps, after the Description of the several Convents and Nunneries, amis, if I inform my Reader of the Rife and Progress of the most noted Orders of the Monks and Friers.

First Rife flick li-Ving.

THE first Rise of these Spiritual Societies, was about the middle of the Third Century, occasioned by the feveral Persecutions rais'd against the Christians, by the Heathen Emperors, when for their Safety they were compell'd to live in Defarts; till at length being by a long Courfe.

of Solitude, render'd unfit for Conversation, they chose to live in this recluse Way, even after the true Cause of it ceased.

FROM the Example of those perfecuted Christians, arose a Number of melancholy Devotees, who ignorant of true Religion and mutual Conversation, thought the only Path to Heaven, lay through wild and uninhabited Defarts; and resolving to forsake human Society, frustrated the Design of Christianity, by having Charity for none but those that led a Recluse fort of Life like themselves.

How this fort of Life was to be approv'd, I shall leave to my Reader's Judgment: However they were then Pious. Just, and Poor; they might indeed be proud (even then) of their Course of Life, as believing themselves more upright than other

Men, but it may be observed in a few Years how they deviated from their feeming Primitive Innocency, and so in succeeding Ages have continued still to do.

Benedic-

THE Founder of the Order of the Benedictines was St. Bennet, who in his own Life-time had the Happiness to see twelve Monasteries erected of his Order, the Fundamentals of which are Humility and Poverty, which he assigns for his Monks to practife in twelve Degrees; which how well they Comply with, you may find by the humble Titles of the Abbot of Mount Cassin, the head Monastery of this Order, who stiles himself * Patriarch of the Sacred Religion, Abbot of the Sacred Monastery of Mount Cassin, Duke and Prince of all Abbors, and Religious, Vice Chancellor of the Kingdoms of both the Sicilies, Jerusalem, and Hungary; Count and

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^{&#}x27;. Irolper Stellarrius de Monast. Cassin. Fol. 404.
Governor

Governor of Campania, and Terra de Lavoro, and of the Maritime Provinces, Vice-Emperor and Prince of Peace: see here an Instance of their Humility: Come we now to treat of their Poverty; they have indeed fo renounced the World as to poffess but four * Bishopricks, two Duke- Poverty. doms, twenty Counties, thirty-fix Cities, two hundred Castles, three hundred Territories, four hundred and forty Villages, three hundred and fix Farms, twenty-three Seaports, thirty-three Islands, two hundred Mills, one thousand fix hundred Churches.

ODEN, Abbot of Cluny, took Cluniacks. upon him to correct these Abuses, and gave rise to the Cluniacks, but they were not settled one Century, before the Abbot of Cluny, contested

[#] Prosper Stellartius de Monast, Cassin. Fol. 404.

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THE Carthusians established their Order Ann. 1086, in the Defart of Chartreux, in Grenoble, in the Kingdom of France, one Bruno being their Leader. This Man professed to follow the Rule of St. Bennet, adding thereto many Austerities, by way of Reformation; amongst which his 14th Rule * was, that each of them should be allotted a little Spot, which for their own Use they were to employ, and no more they were to accept on any Condition foever: But in a short time their Cells became Palaces, and their little Spots of Ground extended into large Tracts of Land, fo that in a very few Years, they gain'd as much by their Vow of Poverty, as any other Order.

^{*} Vide Hospin, de Grig. Mon. Lib. 5. cap. 7.

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THE Cistertians or Bernardines were Cifterfirst assembled by St. Bernard, who tians. himself founded + one hundred and fixty Monasteries. They at first had no Possessions, but lived by Alms, and the Labour of their own Hands: But that Life being too Apostolick, they as foon grew weary of it as their Neighbours, and exchang'd it for a Life of Indolency, Luxury, Pride, and Wantonness. At their first Institution they wore black, until the Virgin Mary out of the great Affe-Aion she bore these Friers * appear'd her felf to their fecond Abbot, with a white Cowl in her Hand, which the put on his Head, and at the fame time all the Cowls in the Choir, were miraculously turn'd to the same Colour: Thus did the Virgin Mary

[†] Vid. Dugdale Monast. Vol. r. p. 605, 699, 700.

* Bon. Cononus, Chron. B. Virg. p. 154.

change their Dress from black to white; as they did their Manners from white to black.

Canons.

There is another fort of Religious Order in the Church called Canons, when began is not certain, this Order of Canons is divided into two Branches, Regular, and Secular, the Regular of the latest Date, sprung up to reform the other, whom in Derision they named Secular: But notwithstanding this Distinction, the *Regulars were guilty of such abominable Crimes, that Pope Beniface the eighth, was forced to extirpate them; and for the Peace of the Church, places Secular Canons in their Room.

Pramonstraten† Pramonstratenses, who followed the same Rules as the former, were

founded

^{*} Molinet. Reg. Can. . † Dugdale Monaflicon. Vol. z. p. 579, 580, 582.

founded by St. Norbert, An. 1120. and so called from Pra-monstre, or foreshewn, because the Virgin Mary had pointed out the Place to him. Thefe Monks to gain the greatest Credit to their Order, pretended (after the Death of their Founder) St. Aultin had appeared to him, and gave him the Rule of the Order, bound in Gold, faying thus: " Here is the "Rule I have written, and if my "Brethren observe it, they like my " Children need to fear nothing in " the Day of Judgment.

THE Gilbertines received their Rife Gilber. from one Gilbert, a crooked deform- times. ed School-master in Lincolnsbire; who being flighted by Woman-kind, refolved to make Religion a Tool, and founded thirteen Monasteries, containing feven hundred Men, and fifteen hundred Women, * providing

^{*} J. Capgrave in Vita Gilbert. Confessoris.

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wifely against the Lusts of the Flesh; by assigning two Sisters, for the Mortification of one Brother, whose Correspondence were so mutual, that three parts in sour of these Vestal Virgins, were at once pregnant. This Hermaphrodite Order, is in some Places called the Sempringham Order, because there sounded Ann. 1148.

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The Trinitarians are often called Mathurines, from their * Founder John Matha. They profess the Rules of St. Austin, to which they add several others, among which, (to shew their Humility) when they ride out, it is always upon an Ass. They were instituted in the Year 1207. the Design of their Establishment was for the Enlargement of Captives, their Stock was to be divided into three Parts, two whereof was

^{*} Profper Stell. lib. de Reg. Ord. Rel. p. 438-

to be remitted to Christian Slaves for their Redemption; and the third to remain in bank, to defray their necessary Expences; but this being too scanty a Provision, for their lazy Fraternity, they having no other God, but Money, approved themfelves true Trinitarians to that Deitv. and often cheated the poor Captives of the whole, rather than divide the Substance.

THE Franciscans, or Grey Friers, Franciswere instituted An. 1206. by St. cans. Francis, whose ridiculous and blafphemous Miracles it were endless to relate + fuch as his bearing the Marks of Christ upon his Body (viz. Hands, Feet and Side) which Christ himself imprinted; his intimate Conversation with the Virgin Mary; his healing the Lame, giving Sight to

^{*} Lib. Con. Vid. St. Fran. Fol. 328.

the Blind, and raising the Dead, upon which his Followers extol him beyond St. John the Baptist, and affirm, that a Roll from Heaven, † declared him to be the Grace of God, nor have they been asham'd to call him Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.

Domini-

THE Dominicans, or Black Friers, took their Rife in the Year, 1216, from that Godly Butcher * St. Dominick, whose cruel Zeal first manifested itself in the barbarous Croifade, set on foot against the poor unhappy Albigenses, above 100000 of whom were massacred at once, at this glorious Saint's Instigation; for with the Essusion of less Blood, he could not expect to be a Saint of that Church, whose Foundation is Barbarity and Inhumanity. He also

[†] L'Alcoran de Cordeliers, lib. 1. p. 18. 1 lb. ut fup.

founded that merciful Court of fustice called the Inquisition, of which himself was chosen Head: Nor did he want for Miracles any more than his Brother St. Francis, for though he had no fuch bodily Marks, * yet he received the Holy Ghost, with the same Glory, and in the fame Shape, as did the Apostles, and whereas Christ being Verbum Dei only, proceeded from the Mouth of God, St. + Dominick was feen to come out of his Breaft. Nay further, he like St. Paul, was ravish'd into the Third Heaven. where feeing none of his Order, he complained to Jesus Christ of it; who upon that || unfolding his Mother's loofe Garment, behold an innumerable Company of his Follow-

^{*} Nic. Jansenius Vit. S. Domin. Lib. 1. cap. 8. p. 56.
† Id Lib. 2. Cap. 14. p. 109.

| Apol. in Vit. S. Domin.

ers appear'd, whom she had cherished. This order in less than two hundred Years so multiplied, that they were possessed of one thousand, one hundred and forty-three Convents.

Cume -

THE Carmelises deduce their Origin from the Prophet Elias; but the true time of their Foundation was Ann. 1122. by * Albert Patriarch of Jerufalem, who gathering together a few Hermits that liv'd on Mount Carmel, gave them the Rule of St. Bafil-to follow. When Palestine was taken by the Saracens, they flocked into Europe, where Pope Homorious IV. altered their Habits, and ordered them to be called The Brothers of the Virgin Mary. Innocent IV. granted them several Privileges and Immunities, whose Example was sol-

^{*} Bon. Gonon. Chron. B. V. M. pag. 319.

lowed by Pope John XXIII. he being thereto moved by a Vision from the bleffed Virgin, who accosted his Holiness in these Words: †" By " express Command of me, and my " Son, thou shalt grant this Privi-66 ledge, that whofoever enters this my Order, shall be free from Guile, " and Punishment of their Sins, and eternally faved." Urban the IVth and Eugenius the VIth, were both favourable to them, and mighty Promoters of their Interests, the latter gave them leave to eat Flesh, which till then they either had, or should have abstain'd from. The successive Friendship of Popes encreas'd their Convents to a Number, not inferior to any other Order. And fuch good Use they made of the Virgin Mary's Favour, in exempting them from the Guilt of Sin, that * Nicolaus of

[†] Bal. in Vit. S. Eugenii.
* Nic. Gallus Igneæ Sagittæ; Cap. 5.

Narbona, their Provincial, accusing them of Hypocrify, Incest, and Sodomy, retired from their Society, being no longer able to bear with their dissolute scandalous Lives.

Hermits of St. Auflin.

THE Hermits of St. Austin were founded on a ridiculous Dream, which I have taken out of their own Legend, and is as followeth: As Pope Alexander the IVth lay half afleep and half awake, the great St. Auffin though dead and rotten fome hundred Years before) appear'd to him. under a dreadful Figure, having a Head as big as a Tun, and a Body small as a Reed. His Holiness immediately knew the Saint, and concluded he must immediately found an Order to this Holy Father, whose Head could not rest in the Grave for want of a Body; and this gave Rife to these Mendicant Augustinian Friers, who being confirmed by fucceeding Popes, fo prodigioully encreased, as

in a few Years to possess two thoufand Convents of Men, and three hundred of Women.

BESIDES the Religious Orders al- Fefuits. ready mentioned, is one more detrimental than all the rest, and of a far more modern Date, I mean the Jesuits, who sprang up like ill Weeds Ann. 1540. Their first Founder was Ignatius Loyola, a Spanish Souldier. who out of the feveral preceding Orders, collected the Rules of this. adding thereunto fome extraordinary ones of his own, particularly this: * " That the General, Provincials " and Superiors of his Order, may dispence with all Laws, Human and Divine, dissolve all Oaths and "Vows, and free Men from the " Obligation of all Rules and De-" crees. They were call'd Jesuits from a pretended + Vision of God

^{*} Holpin. de Orig. Jefuit. Lib. 1. 2.
† Ribadin. Vit. S. Ignat. Petrus Mafkeus vit.

S. Ignat. lib. 2. cap. 5.

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the Son to his Father, who flood next him loaden with a heavy Crofs, defiring him to take Ignatius and his Companions into his Care, which he promised he would not fail to do at Rome. This pestiferous Sect multiplied so fast, that in the Year 1608. (which is only fixty Years from their Rise) Rabidincera proves they possessed thirty one Provinces, twenty profess'd Houses, thirty-three Novitiates, ninety-fix Residential Houses, and two hundred ninty-three Colleges.

THESE of all others are far the most dangerous Vermin, as I shall (begging my Reader's Pardon) fully prove; first, they declare no Villany, Treachery, or Cruelty can be criminal, if it tends to the Benefit of their Society; therefore whensoever a Nation has the Misfortune to be over-run with this horrid Crew, what Member of that Com-

Community can promife to himfelf a Security, either of his Person, Honour, or Estate; nay the Sacred Person of a Monarch, if an Object of Jesuitical Spleen, is not free from Danger; as was notoriously evident in the whole Series of the Reign of King Henry the fourth of France. whose Murder they attempted it forty feveral times, before it was perfected, by that bold and execrable Villain Ravillac, who gave him his mortal Stab. May the 14th 1610. that the Jesuits employed the Murderer, is proved by that grave and Learned Man Father Paul, who lived at that time, and as Counfellor of State to the Republick of Venice, must be perfectly acquainted with the Intrigues of the feveral Courts of Europe.

^{*} Puffendorf's Int. to the Hiftery of Europe, page 235.

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IT were tedious to enumerate the Murders, Treasons Rebellions, Blasphemies and &c. for which this villanous Society, have been banished out of France, Dantzick, the Venetian Territories, Cracovia, and Bohemia; and as for Thorn the many late Instances of Inhumanity, exercifed towards the poor Protestants, there 'tis hoped will animate the Potentates of the reformed Churches of Europe, to make strict Inquisition, and have full Satisfaction, for the Effusion of their innocent Blood, and the Destructions of their unhappy Families. Nor can I forbear to mention that inhuman Contrivance of theirs here in England, (to blow up both a King and Parliament at once) hatched in the Year 1605. by Henry Garnet, Oswald Tesmond, and John Gerard, Jesuits, the first of whom was theirs Provincial here, and is now for his good Intentions Sainted.

Nor to detain my Reader any longer, I shall only affure him, that the Account of the religious Orders in the Church of Rome, with which I have entertained him, is true, having many of the Monks themselves for my Vouchers, whose Names I have fet down in the Margin. And if so ridiculous a Scene of Superstition, Falshood, and Blasphemy, as appears to be the Original, and progress, of every Order, be not sufficient to create an Aversion to Popery even in its most Zealous Advocates, they must have lost all Sense of Property, Liberty, and Religion, and do indeed deserve to groan under that Spiritual Tyranny, they fo earnestly contend for.

ALLEDEA GALLEGA, flands Alledea upon a Creek of the River Tagus on Gallega, the East Side; it is a small Town, remarkable for nothing but its extream

tream Poverty; its about three Leagues and half from Lisbon Long. 7 Deg. 54 Min. Lat. 38 Deg. 40 Min.

Obedas.

OBED AS lies between two small-Rivulets, which after a short Course disembogue themselves into the Western Ocean; this Town is famous for its Caldas or Baths.

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Villa Vel- VILLA VELHA, is a small Frontier Town upon the Banks of the River Tagus, just by the Frontiers of the Spanish Estramadura. It was to this Place the Duke of Anjou retired May 1704. after the Action of Soveriera Formosa, between two Dutch Battalions, and part of his Army; this Town is three Leagues South by West from Castel Branco, nine Leagues North and by West from Portalegre fourteen Leagues West from Aleantara in Spain, Long. 9 Deg. 39 Min. Lat. 30 Deg. 37 Min.

LEIRIA, is a City and Bisho-Leiria. prick, about twenty Leagues North of Lisbon, in 39 Deg. 48 Min. Lat. on the Banks of the River Lis, which discharges its self into Lena. The City is walled, and on the Walls are several strong Towers; here are about two thousand Families, in three Parishes, containing two Convents, a Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital. King John III. made this a City and Bishoprick, worth to its Prelate 2400 l. per Annum.

SETUBAL, is fix Leagues from Setubal, Lisbon, beyond Tagus, yet in the fame Province, in 8 Deg. Long, and 38 Deg. 33 Min. Lat. feated on a Bay close to the Ocean, where the River Zsdao disburthens its felf, and reforted to by most northen Nations, for the great Quantities of Salt here yearly made. The Town is walled, on which are many Towers, and 13 Gates,

Gates, leading into as many Entrances into the Town, feveral Outworks make it strong to the Land, and two Caffles, the one ancient, the other modern, defend it by Sea, the latter built by Philip the IIId of Spain. This Town confilts of about three thoufand Families, in four Parishes, which contains three Convents, two Monasteries, five Chapels, two Hofpitals, as many Markets, and Conduits, to which the Water is brought by an ancient Aquaduct from a great Distance on Arches. Our Mariners call this St. Ubes; the ancient Name of it was Cetobrica.

Santarem.

SANTAREM, is in 8 Deg. 25 Min. Long, and 39 Deg. 70 Min. Lat. fourteen Leagues from Lisbon, on the North East, seated on a high Hill, close to the River Tagus. The Moors from its great Height called it Alhafa, (i.e.) dreadful, and it then was a common Precipice for the

Albafa.

Execution of Malefactors, who were thrown down from its Summit; on the South fide of it is a deep Valley, with a winding Afcent to the Town, therefore called Alhanse (Snake;) on Alhanse. the North fide are inacceffible Rocks, and on the West, pleasant Gardens and fruitful Fields, producing in Plenty Corn and Oil. The Walls of it were built by the Romans, who call'dit Scalabis and Julium Prasidium. The Buildings in this Town are old, the Inhabitants are about three thoufand five hundred Families, in nine Parishes, one whereof is Collegiate; here are feven Convents, two Monasteries, several Chapels, a House of Relief, and two Hospitals; the Name of this Town is a Corruption from St. Irene, as mention'd before. St. Irens.

SINTRA, stands five Leagues Sintra. West of Lisbon, near the Sea, at the Foot of the Mountains, and by the Cape of the same Name, being the most

most delightful Spot in the whole Kingdom, the Territory fruitful in Corn and Wine, with a Quarry of curious veined black and white Marble. The Inhabitants are about a thousand Families, in fix Parishes, containing three Convents, one whereof is of St. Jerom, hewn out of the folid Rock, the Earth being brought from other Places to make the Gardens. the whole at the Charge of King Emanuel; who also built there a Royal Palace for the Retreat of the Kings in the Heat of Summer; and here it was the late unfortunate Alphonfo ended his miserable Confinement. Formerly here stood a Temple dedicated to the Moon; from the Moon's being called Cynthia, we may suppose this Place to be corruptly called Sintra or Cyntra.

Alcazar

ALCAZAR DO SAL, is beyond the River Tagus, ten Miles from Lisbon, to the South East of the River River Zadzo, and is so called from the immense Quantities of Salt made about it. Here grows those small Rushes whereof at Lisbon are made those sine Matts imported hither; the Town is walled, and has an old Cassile on a steep Rock; here are about five hundred Families, two Convents, as many Parishes, a Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital. The Romans built this Town, and from its prodigious Quantities of Salt called it Salacia.

from Santarem, and twenty one from Lisbon, to the North East, pleasantly seated on a Plain, near the River Nabao, being the chief Seat of the Military Order of the Habito de Christo; here are about eight hundred Families in two Parishes, both Collegiate, three Convents, one Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital. The Name is a Corruption

ruption from Thomas, it receiving its Name from Thomas Beckett, the turbulent Archbishop of Canterbu-

Abrantes. ABRANTES, is 20 Leagues North East of Lisbon, seated on an Eminency by the River Tagus, it has an old Castle whose chief Strength is its Situation, the Inhabitants are about four thousand Families, in four Parishes, containing as many Convents, and Monaste. ries, beside a House of Relief, and Hospital. This Town in the time of Augustus, is supposed to have been called Tubrilla. Phillip the IId of Spain made it a Dukedom, and the fecond Son of the Duke De Aveiro first Duke of it.

Torres Novas.

TORRES NOVAS, is nineteen Leagues North East of Lisbon. and five from Santarem, seated in a Place through which the River Almonds

monda runs, about a League from the Tagus, it is walled, and has a Castle, on which are nine Towers, whence it receives its Name to diftinguish it from another Town called Torres Velhas or Vedras. It con- Torre Veltains one thousand Families in four has or Vo-Parishes, in which are three Convents, Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital, as also a House of Retirement, called Recuilliemento, for penitent Curtizans.

PALMELA, contains about eight hundred Families in two Parishes, in which are as many Convents, fix Chapels, a House of Relief, and an Hospital, it is called Palmela, or little Palm tree, to diftinguish it from Palma, a Town in the Province of Andalusia.

OUREM, has as many Inha- Ourem. bitants as Palmela, in one Collegi-

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ate Parish, and is twenty Leagues from Lisbon.

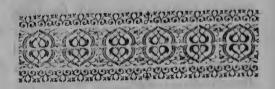
VILLA FRANCA, is four or five Leagues up the River, and faid to be founded by the English, in the time of Alphonso the Ist. and was by them called Cornwall, and afterwards from the several Immunities it enjoys Villa Franca.

allandra. ALLANDRA, is five Leagues up the River, of the fame Name, and feated on its Banks, containing one Parish, a Monastery, and about 600 Families.

Pedrogoa. North East from Lisbon, seated on the slat Top of an Hill, encompassed by the River, Zezere, containing in one Parish about sour hundred Families.

North from Lishon, and fix from Leiria, feated on a Brook not far from the Sea, having a strong old Castle, and an ancient Palace which though now ruin'd, shews the Remains of a most exquisite Piece of Building, this Town contains about eight hundred Families in one Parish, whose Church is extreamly fine, here is also one Convent, and a fine large Monastery.





Alemtejo.

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fo called from Alem (beyond) and Tejo (Tagus,) because in regard to Lisbon, it lies beyond

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the River Tagus, this Province is also sometimes called Emtre Tajo and Gua-Guadiano. diano, as lying for the most part between those two Rivers. This Province borders North on a Skirt of the Portuguese Estramadura, and the River Tagus; East on the Spanish Estramadura, and Andalousia; South on the little Kingdom of Algarve,

and West on the Ocean and part of Estramadura; the greatest Length is forty Leagues, and the greatest Breadth about thirty, and in some Places much less: The Inhabitants of this Province are the richest and best bred in Portugal, as inhabiting the best Part of the Coun. try. " They are generally Farmers. " and as they gather Wealth, liber-" ally expend it in the Education " of their Children, fending their "Sons to the Universities, where "they improve themselves so as " to fill the Courts of the King-"dom, and thus from Farmers ori-" ginally, become fit and able " Men to ferve both in Church and State." Thus far Faria. The principal Rivers of this Province are namely four, Guadiana, and Exarama, or Enzarama, which lofe themselves in the Zadao, which pays Tribute to the Sea at Setuval; and the Divor and Teva, falling into Q3 Tagus? 230

Tagus. This Province contains an Archbishoprick two Bishopricks, one Marquisate, four Earldoms, and a Barony.

Ebora.

EBORA or EVORA, the. Metropolis is situate in the very Centre of the Province, Long. 9 Deg. 2 Min. Lat. 38 Deg. 32 Min. on a Hill environed with Mountains, and is furrounded with a strong Wall, on which are many Towers. the Work of King Ferdinand, who demolished the Old one built by Sertorius. It has ten Gates, and is a full League in compass, containing four thousand Families, disperfed into five Parishes, in which are nine Convents, seven Monasteries. a House of Relief and Hospital. Prince Henry, Anno. 1559. made it an University, but Coimbra, having the Preference this comes to littlel: this City was once remarkable for many stately Structures, as having

Coimbra prefered pe fore E-bora.

been the Seat of many Portuguese Kings, now little more remains than the Ruins of its pristine Beauty, hardly enough to testifie its former State. Who was the Founder of this City, is dubious, but thus far we are certain, that Sertorius refided Story of Setorius. in, and walled it. This Sertorius was a noble Roman, and affisted Marius against Sylla, at whose approach to Rome, he fled to Spain, where by his courteous Deportment he fo infinuated himself into their Favour, that they made him their Captain, when he with some few Lusitanians, facked divers Cities, and four feveral times put the Romans, to flight; but at last warring against Pompey, he was treacherously, by his own Companion Perpenna, flain at a Banquet, An. Ant. Chr. 69. Julius Cafar gave this Town the Name of Liberalitas Julia, and made it a Municipium, or free Town: It was made a Bishoprick by King Tohn Q 4

John the IIId, but by whom an Archbishoprick I cannot learn, the Prelate's Revenue is about 8000 l. per Ann. This City is twenty Leagues South East from Lisbon, and was lately fortisted by Monsieur Mallet a French Engineer, with an Addition of two Forts to desend the Eminence.

Gerumen-

GERUMENHA, is an ancient and noted Town standing on a Hill, on the West Bank of the River Guadiana, three Leagues and half below Badajoz, and sourteen almost East of Ebora, Long. 9 Deg. 57 Min. Lat. 38 Deg. 39 Min. This Town is guarded by a strong Castle and Wall, on which are seventeen Towers. Ann. 1662. it stood out a whole Months close Siege before the Spaniards could Master it; in this Town are six hundred Families in two Parishes, containing two Convents, a Monastery

nonastery, House of Relief and Hospital.

PORTALEGRE, is 30 Leagues Portale. East of Lisbon, and three from Albu- gre. querque, (the Frontier Town of the Spanish Estramadura,) seated on the fide of a high Mountain. This City is begirt with a strong Wall, on which are eight Towers, under each of which is a great Gate; here also are ten Aquaducts, one of which constantly empties it felf in nine Months, The Castle is old, but very large and strong, mounting thirtyfix Brass Guns, each carrying fortytwo Pounders. The City has in it five Parishes, containing three thoufand Families, dealing in the Woollen Manufacture; here are three Convents, two Monasteries, nine Chapels, a House of Relief, and an Hospital. King Alphonso the IIId made this a Bishoprick, worth to its Bishop about 1500 l. per Ann. This is also

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an Earldom belonging to the Marquifate of Gouves.

Allegret-

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ALLEGRETTE, borders on Portalegre, standing upon the small River Caya, which below Badajoz join the Guadiana. This Town is situate near the Borders of Spanish Estramadura, two Leagues South East from Portalegre, and seven North from Elvas; it contains about four hundred Families in one Parish, in which is a Convent, Monastery, and Hospital, Long. 9 Deg. 59 Min. Lat. 39 Deg. 6 Min.

Aronches.

ARONCHES, is a small Town standing on the River Cara, which comes from Allegrette, and joyns the Guadiana as before. Here was a Castle and ruinous Walls when the Spaniards took it Ann. 1661. who demolish'd it in 1664. but soon after it was repair'd by Count Sconberg; it lies four Leagues South by East from Porta-

Portalegre, and fix North of Elvas, Long. 10 Deg. Lat. 39.

CRATO, is a small defenceless Crato. Town belonging to the Knights of Malta.

CASTEL DE VIDE, is a small Cossel de Town, but strongly situated; the Duke of Anjou however took it, and in it six hundred and sisty English, and made them all Prisoners of War, besides many more Portuguese, Ann.

1704. It stands on the Frontiers of Spanish Estramadura, Long. 9 Deg.
54 Min. Lat. 39 Deg. 17 Min.

ELVAS, is thirty Leagues East Elvas.

North East from Lisbon, and two
Leagues from the Spanish Estramadura, Long. to Deg. 2 Min. Lat.
38 Deg. 46 Min. it being divided
from Portugal, by the River Coa; it
has a double Wall, with many
Towers on it, and a strong Castle
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This City has four Parishes, containing two thousand five hundred Inhabitants, all trading in the Woollen Manufacture, three Convents, two Monasteries, thirteen Chapels, House of Relief, and two Hospitals. Its ancient Name was Helva. King Emanuel Ann. 1513. made it a City, and King Sebastian Ann. 1570. a Bishoprick, worth to its Prelate 1400 l. per Ann. In 1658. this City was Don Louis in vain besieged by Don Louis de Haro, the great Favourite of King Philip the IV th of Spain, and Ann. 1667. fortified by Monsieur Mallet, so that it now has feven whole Battions, be-

de Haro.

Helva.

fides feveral Demi-baltions, most of them with Counter-guards before them, because the Situation being on a Rock, the Ditch is not above four or five Foot deep; on one side is Port St. Lucy, which ferves instead of a Cittadel, feated on the highest Ground, and is generally called the old Fort, including four handfome

Bastions;

Bastions; on another little Eminence at a small Distance, is another Counter-guard or small Redoubt, so that this City both by Nature and Art, is the best fortissed of any in the Kingdom. *

VETROS, Is a small neat Town Veyros. standing between the River Ambaloura on the West, and the River Zatas on the East, which joins a little lower on the North, and runs West to the Tagus; this Town is famous for its Castle, which though small is almost impregnable; this Town contain about two hundred Families in one Parish.

VILLA BOIM, was a Place villa confiderable for Riches and Strength, Boim when the Spaniards took it and razed it Anno 1662. but is now almost abandon'd; it is situated near a small River that falls into Guadiana, three

^{*} Vide Mallet's Travaux de Mars.

Leagues from Elvas, and seven from Estremoz, Long. 9 Deg. 57 Min. Lat. 38 Deg. 44 Min.

Beja.

BEJA, stands in the slat top of an Eminence, twenty Leagues South East of Lishon, and two from the River Guadiana, Long. 9 Deg. 4 Min. Lat. 37 Deg. 56 Min. in a circular Form, and is begirt with strong Walls, having many Towers, and an ancient Castle, built by King Denis; here are four Parishes containing two thousand Families, three Convents, as many Monasteries, seven Chapels, a House of Relief, and Hospital. Julius Casar called it Pax Julia, and made it a Roman Colony, and King Emanuel made it a City.

Villa Vi.

VILLA VIZOSA, is thirty Leagues from Liston, eight from E-bora, and five from Elvas, Long. 9 Deg. 45 Min. Lat. 38 Deg. 40 Min. Here is a Noble Palace built by King Denis.

Denis, which was afterwards the great Seat of the House of Braganza, from whence his present Majesty, is lineally descended. Adjoyning to this Palace is a fine Park three Leagues round, This Town numbers about three thousand Families, in two Parishes, three Monasteries, House of Relief, and Hospital. John the IV th of Portugal had it fortified by Monfieur Mallet, at the upper End of the Town, which commands the rest, and may hold out a Siege, when the lower part has furrendred. This Town is famous for the memorable Siege it fustain'd from the Spaniards Ann. 1665. which occasion'd the decifive Battle of Montesclaros (an adjacent Plain furrounded with Hills) that procured the House of Braganza an undifputed Title to the Crown of Portugal.

ESTREMOZ

Estremoz.

ESTREMOZ, is twenty Leagues from Villa Vizofa, Long. 9 Deg. 32 Min. Lat 38 Deg. 45 Min. feated on a high Hill, on the Summit whereof is a strong Castle, the Town is encompass with double Walls, strengthened and adorned with many Towers, and when Portugal, lastly, under the Duke of Braganza, revolted from the Spaniards, Maller, fortified this Town with five regular Bastions, and strengthened the old Castle after the modern Manner. Here is made a curious fort of earthen Ware, used among the Portuguese, to drink Water in, it has a pretty Scent, and they are very ingenious in the working of it, they are of a very fine red, and and were once in great Esteem for Tea-pots among our English Ladies, but are now quite out of Date. Near this Place is a spring which in Summer affords Water enough

to turn a Mill, but contrary to all other Springs, dries up in Winter, this Spring they fay turns Wood into (or rather crusts it with) Stone. This Town contains two thousand Families in three Parishes, in which are three Convents, a Monastery, House of Relief, and Hospital. About this Place are five good Ballions, and three Demi-Bastions, besides the Fort aforefaid. This Neighbourhood is moreover remarkable for the fignal Victory Count Schonberg, obtained at the Head of the Portuguese. Forces over the Spaniard, Ann. 1663.

SOUSEL, is famous only for soufel. a memorable Battel fought on the adjacent Hills, between the Portuguese and Spaniards, Ann. 1663.

AVIS, is twenty Leagues from Avis.

Lisbon, feated on an Eminence, is walled, and has an old Castle, and is only

only remarkable for having been the head Seat of the extinct Order of Knighthood, called by its Name, Long. 9 Deg. 15 Min. Lat. 38 Deg. 36 Min.

Olivenza.

OLIVENZA, is thirty Leagues East and by South from Lisbon, on the North Side of the River Guadiana, next the Spanish Estramadura, Long. 10 Deg. Lat. 38 Deg. 34 Min. King John the IVth upon the Revolt of Portugal, caused it to be fortified after the modern Manner by Monfieur Malle:, who inclosed the old Wall within its Works, adding thereto nine regular Bastions, a Ditch, and Covert-way. Here are about one thousand eight hundred Families in two Parishes, containing a Convent, Monastery, nine Chapels, House of Relief, and an Hospital. Hither the Confederate Forces retired from the Battle of Badajoz.

MOUR A, is thirty Leagues from Moura. Lisbon to the South East, seared in a Plain half a League from Guadiana, between two Brooks which fall into the River Arditæ; the Town contains about two thousand Families in two Parishes, two Convents, two Monasseries, House of Relief, and Hospital. Here was a good Fort, but Ann. 1707. it was taken by the Spaniards, and 1708. by them demolished.

SERPA, is twenty-five Leagues Surpa. from Lisbon beyond the River Guadiana towards Andalousia. Here was also a Castle, but it met at the same time, with the same Fate as the former.

CAMPO MATOR, is thirty Campo Leagues East from Lisbon, border- Miyos ing on the Spanish Estramadura, sea-

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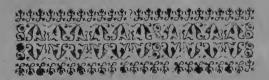
ted on the flat Top of an high Hill, is walled, and has a good Castle.

Monte Mor O Novo.

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MONTE MOR O NOVO, is fifteen Leagues East from Lishon, feated on a rising Ground, the Caftle on the highest part, and the River Canha below; here are made curious Cups adorned with transparent Stones like Chrystal, but serve only for Ornament.

Monforte. MONFORTE, is twenty-five Leagues South East of Lisbon, and four from Villa Vizosa; it is a pretty little compact Town, adorned with fine Buildings, environed with a strong Wall, to which belong four Gates answerable to the four Winds, and a strong Castle on the Top of an Hill. Here are three Parishes, containing seven hundred Families, one Monastery, six Chapels, House of Relief, and a Hospital.



The Kingdom of Algarve.

F all the Provinces of Por-Algaree.

tugal (if we may so call it)
this is the largest, and
was formerly a Kingdom

it felf, and thence is now called the little Kingdom of Algarve, and was given to Alphonso the Hid of Portugal, in Dowry with his Wife Beatrix, natural Daughter to Alphonso the IXth, King of Castile, and of Maria Villena, Daughter of Don Pedro de Guzman, Ann. 1260. from which time the Kings of Portugal have added Algarve to their Titles-

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It has the Ocean on the West and South; is parted from Andalusia by the River Guadiana on the East, and from the Kingdom of Portugal or Province of Alemtejo, by the Mountains call Serra do Algarve, and Monchique on the North. It is a mountainous Country, yet abounds in Wine, Figs, Raifins, Oil, and Almonds, all which are not much inferior to those of Spain; it hath alfo plenty of Dates, and the Poor employ themselves in making Curiosi-*ties of Palm-tree Leaves; in it are four Ciries, one Bishoprick, and three Earldoms.

SILVAS, indeed keeps the Name of a City, though it has not forty Houses in it; it is thirty Leagues South of Lisbon, seated on a small River near the Ocean.

TAVIRA, is thirty-feven Leagues Tavira. South East of Lisbon, Long. 9 Deg. 14 Min. Lat. 37 Deg. seated on the Coast of the Ocean, a small Rivulet running through the midst of it, over which is a Bridge; and a Castle at the Foot of it. The City is walled, and contains two thousand Families, in two Parishes, in which are four Convents, one Monastery, an House of Relief, and an Hospital.

LAGOS, is thirty-feven Leagues Lagos. South of Lishon, and five East from Cape St. Vincent, Long. 8 Deg. 10 Min. Lat. 36 Deg. 56 Min. seated on a large Bay to the Ocean, where several Fleets have anchored fince the last Wars; it is strongly walled and fortified, it has eight Gates, and an old Castle called Penhas.

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Long 8 Deg. 55 Min. Lat. 36. Deg. 57 Min. where it makes a large Bay, and next the Sea has a large Castle. The Episcopal See was moved hither from Silvas, Anno 1590, and is worth to its Bishop 700 l. per Ann.

Albor, &cc. bufeyra, Albor, Laule, Sagres, Castromarine, Estombor, Alejur, Cacela, and Villa Nova de Portimao, having nothing but their Poverty remarkable in them.





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TABLE.

Containing on Account of the Marriages and Issues, Legitimate and Natural of the several Kings of Portugal.

HENRY Count of Portugal espous'd Teresa, Daughter to Aliphonso King of Castile and Ximena de Gusman.

By whom he had Issue,
Alphonso his Successor.

Orraca, Wise to Don Vermond Paez,
Count de Tristimare.

Teresa (by some called Sanches)
espoused to Ferdinando Mendez,
Siegneur.

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Siegneur of Gallicia, and Peter a Natural Son, who retired to a Convent at Alcobace.

Don ALPHONSO I. King of Portugal, married Mand Daughter of Amedeus the second of the Name, Count of Savoy.

By whom he had Isfue,

Henry, who died in his Infancy. Sancho, his Succeffor.

Urraca, espoused to Ferdinand II. King of Gallicia and Leon.

Terefa, who was twice married; first to Alface Count of Flanders, and after to Eudes III. Duke of Burgundy, from whom she was Divorced.

Natural Isfue,

Alphonso, Knight of St. John of Jerusalem.

Teresa, married to Sancho Nunez:

Doze

Don SANCHO I. King of Portugal, married Dulce Daughter of Raymond Berengarius, Count of Barcelona, and Perenella Daughter and Heiress of Raymer King of Arragon,

By whom he had Issue,

Alphonso, his Successor.

Ferdinand, Count of Flanders.

Peter, King of Majorca and Count of Urgel.

Henry, who died young.

Teresa, who married Alphonso King

Terefa, who married Alphonjo King of Leon.

Maud, who married Henry I. King of Castile.

Sanche, Abbess of Louvano.

Blanche, who died young.

Berengaria, who died unmarried.

His Natural Issue were,

Martin, Count de Tristimare. Orraça.

Roderiga,

Roderiga, flain in a Battle near O-

Gilles Sancho, who died unmarried. Terefa Sancez, espoused to Alphonso Tellez.

Constantia, Foundress of the Monastery of St. Francis at Coimbra,

Don ALPHONSO II. married Vrraca, Daughter of Alphonfo VIII. King of Castile.

By whom he had Issue,

Sancho, his Succeffor.

Alphonio, Count of Bologn, after his Brother, King.

Vincent, who died young.

Leonora, married to Valdemar, King of Denmark.

His Natural Issue, John Alphonfo, who died young. Don SANCHO II. was married to Sancie Mentie Lopez de Haro, Daughter of Diego Lopez de Haro, Seigneur of Biscay, and of Urraca, Natural Daughter of Alphonso 1X. King of Leon.

By whom he had no Iffue, and was therefore fucceeded by his Brother

Don ALPONSO III. King of Portugal, who married two Wives; his first was Mand, Countess of Bologne, by whom he had no Issue; his second was Beatrix. Natural Daughter of Alphonso IX. King of Castile.

By whom he had Issue,

Denis, his Successor.

Alphonso, Count of Portalegre.

Blanche, Abbess of Lorvano.

Ferdinand and died young.

Constantia

His Natural Issue were,

Ferdinand Alphonfo, Knight Templar.

Gilles-Alphonfo.

Alphonso Denis, espoused to Maria ae Rabiera.

Martino-Alphonso Chicoro, by a Moor.

Leonora, Countess de Garcia de Sousa.

Don DENIS, espoused Isabel Daughter of Peter III. King of Arragon, who was Canonized by Pope Urban VIII.

By whom he had Issue,

Alphonso, his Successor.

Constantia, espoused to Fardinando IV. King of Castile.

His Natural Issue were,

Alphonso Sancho, Count de Albu-

Peter, Count de Barcelos.

Don

Don ALPHONSO IV. who married Beatrix Daughter of Sancho IV. King of Castile.

By whom he had Issue,

Alphonso,
Denis,
John,

Peter, his Successor.

Maria, espoused to Alphonso II.

King of Castile and Leon.

Leonora, married to Peter IV. King
of Arragon.

Don PETER, was twice married, (as some Authors affirm.)
first to Maria Constantia Manuel,
Daughter of John Manuel Duke
of Penasiel, Marquess of Villena,
and Siegneur of Ascalona.

By whom he had Issue,

Denis who died in his Infancy.

Ferdinand his Successor.

Maria espoused to Ferdinando Marquess de Tortosa and Siegneur of Albarazzin, Son of Alphonso IVth King of Arragon.

By his 2d Wife Agnes de Castro, to whom (some say) he was, privately married.

By whom he had Issue,

John, who died young. John, afterwards King. Alphonso, who died young.

Don FERDINAND, espoused Leonora Tellez, Wise of John Laurenzo D' Acugna, in the Life-time of her Husband;

By whom he had Issue,

Beatrix, espoused to John King of Castile.

Natural Issue,

Isabella who was espoused to Prince
Alphonso of Castile. Don

Don JOHN, I. espoused Philippa Daughter of John the great Duke of Lancaster, and Grand-Daughter to Edward, the III. King of England.

By whom he had Iffue,

Alphonfo died young.

Edward, his Successor.

Peter Duke of Coimbra who married Isabella Daughter of James of Arragon Count of Orgel:

Henry Duke of Visco Grand-mafter of the Order do Christo.

John Grand-master of the Order of Santiago.

Ferdinand Grand-master of the Order D'Avis.

Isabella, espoused to Philip Duke of Burgundy.

His Natural Issue were,

Alphonso Duke of Braganza Original of that Illustrious House.

Beatrix thrice married in England, first to Thomas Fitz-Allen, Earl of Arundel. Secondly, to Gilbert Lord Talbot; and lastly to Thomas Fertyplace of Shefford, Esq; in Com. Berks.

Don E DWARD, espoused Eleanora, Daughter of Ferdinand of Castile King of Arragon and Sicily.

By whom he had Issue,

Alphonso his Successor.
Ferdinand Duke of Visco.
Philip who died of the Plague.
Leonora married to Frederick III.
Arch Duke of Austria.
Katharine who died unmarried.
Jane who married Henry IVth
King of Castile.

Natural

Natural Issue,

John Emanuel a Carmelite Frier.

Don ALPHONSO, Vth espoused Eliz. his first Cousin, Daughter to the Duke of Coimbra.

By whom he had Issue, John who died an Infant. John his Successor. Jane, a Nun.

Don JOHN, II. married his Coufin Leonora Daughter to the Duke of Visco.

By whom he had Issue,

Alphonso, who died of a fall from his Horse.

Natural Issue, George, Duke of Coimbra.

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Don EMANUEL, was Grandfon to Edward King of Portugal, and Son of Ferdinand Duke of Visco, and Beatrix his Wife, who was Daughter to John Grand-master of the Order of Santiago or St. James, which John, was Son of John, I. King of Portugal. John II. dying without Issue Emanuel as next Heir succeeded to the Crown, and espoused Isabella Daughter to Ferdinand King of Castele, who died in Child-bed of,

Michael who died foon after.

His fecond Queen was Sister to the former, for which Marriage he had a Dispensation from Pope Alexander the VIth,

By whom he had Issue,
John, his Successor.
Louis, Duke of Beja, Seigneur
of Septe, Moura, Cavilhao.

and

and Almaida, Constable of Portugal.

Antonio, who died an Infant.

Isabella, Wife of Charles Vth of Austria, Emperor and King of Spain.

Beatrix, espoused to Charles III. Duke of Savoy, and

Maria, of whom she died in Child-bed.

His third Queen was Leonora of Austria, Sister to the Emperor Charles Vth, and Daughter to Philip I. King of Castile.

By whom he had Isfue,

Charles and who died young.

Don JOHN, III. espoused Catharine Sister to the Emperor Charles Vth, and Daughter to Philip I. King of Spain.

By whom he had Issue,

Alphonso,
Emanuel,
Philip,
Denis,
Antonio,
Isabella,
Beatrix,

John, died in his seventeenth Year, after having been married seven Months to Joanna of Austria, second Daughter to the Emperor Charles V.

Maria, espoused to Philip II. when Prince of Spain.

Natural Isfue.

Edward, Archbishop of Braga.

Don SEBASTIAN, was Son of Prince John of Portugal, and Grandfon of John III. King of Portugal, born a Posthumus, and died unmarried.

Cardinal

Cardinal Don HENRY, was Son of Emanuel King of Portugal, and Great Uncle to Sebastian; upon whose Death he was proclaimed King; and being old, as also a Cardinal-Priest, died unmarried.

ANTONIO, Prior of Crato, was proclaimed by the Populace; but being subdued by Philip the 2d, died of Grief at Paris.

PHILIP 3, 4, 5; being rather Ufurpers, than lawful Kings of Portugal, I shall make no further mention of them.

Don JOHN IV. espoused Lucia, Daughter of John Emanuel Perez de Guzman, Duke of Medina Sidonia;

By whom he had Iffue.

Theodosius, who died young!

Alphonso, his Successor.

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Peter, who first imprison'd his Brother married his Wise, and last, ly, filled his Throne.

Jane, who died young.

Katharine, espoused to Charles II.

King of England.

Don ALPHONSO VI. married Mary Eliz. of Savoy, youngest Daughter of Charles Amadeus de Savoy, by Eliz. Daughter to Casar de Bourborn Duke of Vendosme, and died without Issue.

Don PETER II. married his Brother Alphonfo's Wife;

By whom he had Issue, Isabella Louisa.

His fecond Confort was Maria Jofepha Elizabetha, Daughter of Philip William Duke of Neiuburg, Elector Palatine of the Rhine;

By whom he had Issue,
John, who died young.
John Francisco Bento Barnardo, his
Successor, the present King.
Francisco,

Francisco.
Antonio.
Teresa Josepha.
Emanuel.
Maria Xavier Josepha, and
One Natural Daughter — married to the Duke de Cadeval.

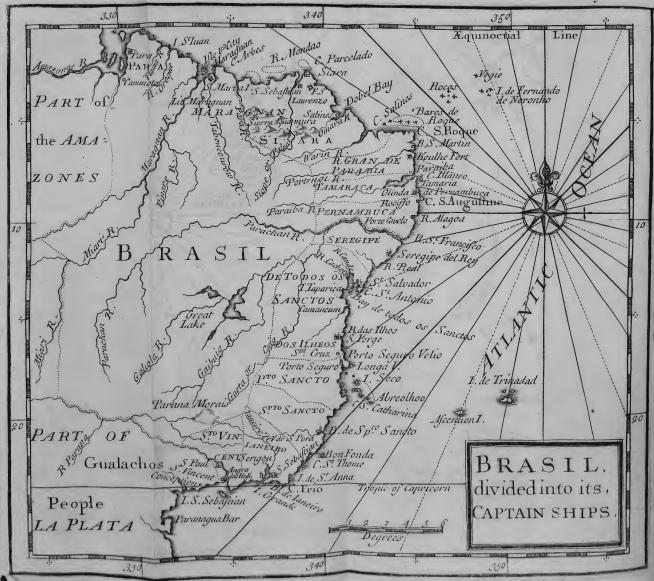
Don JOHN V. the present King of Portugal, espoused Maria Anna, Arch-Dutchess of Austria, second Sister to the present Emperor;

By whom he has had Iffue,

Maria.
Joseph, Prince of Brazil.
Carlos.
Pedro.
Alexandro.



The End of the FIRST PART.





The Second PART:

Containing the

DESCRIPTION

OF

Brazil, &c.



Part of America subject to the Crown of Portugal, and is of a considerable extent, the

Coast of it running almost a thousand Leagues, but not in one Line; but first

first East and West, then North and South, the whole lying in between twenty one and twenty five Degrees of South Latitude, which from North to South amount to near five hundred Leagues, and East and West the fame; but up the Continent they have made little Progress, so that they have only a long Skirt upon the Sea, whilst the other Parts remain unconquered and unknown.

Its Bor-

THE North Sea washes the North East and part of the South Sides of it; the rest of the Southern Side and part of the Western, borders upon

Peraguay, the large Province of Peraguay, the remaining Part of the West extends to the other Provinces hitherto unknown; it commences at the Mouth of the great River of the Amazons, whence East it runs out five hundred Leagues, and then turns away to the South the same Length, until it comes to join the Spanish Province Guara,

Guara.

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the which lies in 11 Deg. 2 Min. of Latitude, and 77 Deg. 10 Min. of Longitude West from London,) from which it is parted by the River Capabari, two Leagues from the City of St. Vincent: Thus it lies all on the Torrid Zone, except some small Part to the South only, which reaches but a few Leagues beyond it.

As to the Discovery of Brazil, Discove-Herrara tells us, this Country was Brazil. discovered by Vincent Tanez Pinzon, and after him by James de L'espé, both Yanez Spaniards, Anno 1500. Notwithflanding this, the Portuguese claim theoriginal Discovery of it, ascribing it to Pedro Alvarez Cabral, who fail- Pedro Aling from Lisbon with thirteen Ships vares Cafor the East Indies, Ann. 1500, was by a Storm cast on an unknown Country, in 10 Deg. South Lat. where he faw a tawney People with lank Hair, flat Faces, &c. who fled at the Sight of him; and being at a Diffance

Vincent Pinzon. Jago de L'espe.

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guages, understood none of them: hence Cabral pass'd on, and anchored in a Port he called Seguro (Secure) because it proved so to him, where he fet up an Altar, had Mass said, and a Sermon preached, the Heathens being wonderfully attentive; but I suppose more surpriz'd at the Sight of them, than attentive to their Doctrine, for they understood not their Language. The Admiral Vasco Vasco de de Gama, fent back Cabral, to give Don Emanuel, who was then King of Portugal an Account of it, and erecting a Cross on a great Tree, called it Santa Cruz (Holy Cross) he also lest two Ships and their Crew there, to learn the Customs and Language of the People, and Product of their Land. The Name of Santa Cruz, was afterward changed to that

> of Brazil, from the Plenty of that fort of Wood growing there; as may

> be seen in Manuel Faria y Sousa, and

other

Santa

Gama.

Manuel Faria y Soulas

other Portuguese Authors who treat of this Country.

Neuhoffe who resided here, some Neuhoff's time with the Dutch, and was one of Brazili. of the best Writers of that Country speaks thus of it: Brazil, (saith he) is excellently well qualified for the producing of all those things which are generally found in the West-Indies, but few Mines of Gold or Sil- Few Mines. ver, worth speaking of have yet been found. Of Sugar here is plen- Much Saty fo that it is esteemed the chief gar. Commodity of the Country, the Conveniency of its Situation, its many Rivers, and Harbours, convenient for Trade and Shipping; besides its wholesome Climate, makes it as pleafant, as profitable, for though lying between the Equinoctial and Tropick of Capricorn, and therefore, consequently Subject to burning Heats, yet they are allayed by the Easterly Winds off the Sea, uninterrupted

terrupted by Mountains, or Islands wherefore the raging Distempers of Guinea and Angola, are rarely to be met with here; the Plague is here unknown, yet the Natives are fela dom free from putrid Fevers, caused by the hot and moist Air, and their excessively eating of Fruit,

Tobacco. Thus far he agrees with other Authors: But befides Sugar, the next valuable Commodity is Tobacco, which is very ftrong, but if kept till old enough, inferior to none: Cotton though plentiful, is not here very good : Here is also Ambergreese,

Cotton. Ambergreele.

but so little, that it is hardly worth Rofin and naming: Some Rofin and Train-Oil: Train-oil. But above all, that most excellent

Capaiva. Sweetmeats, Hides,

Ballam of Remedy for green Wounds, and the Gravel, called Balfam of Capaiva; as also wet and dry Sweetmeats, Hides, Ginger, and Indigo.

Ginger, Indigo.

THE Natives are divided into feve- Natives ral Nations or Cantons, the Chief of divided. which are distinguished by the Names of the Tubinambas, Tobajaras, Peti. Their Names. guaras, Tapuyas, or Tapuyers, the three first have the same Language, only differ in Dialect, but the latter being subdued into several petty Nations, differ both in Tongue and Custom. The Men are generally of middle Stature, black-eyed, wide-mouth'd, flat-nosed, and have curld Hair, and generally paint themselves of divers Colours; the Women are about the same Size, well limbed, and not ill featured. The People up the Continent go naked, but those near the Sea who converse with Christians, wear a Cotton Shirt or Clout wrapped about them; and some of the Chief begin to be proud of Cloaths. The Wife follows the Husband wherever he goes, even to the Wars, he carries nothing

nothing but his Arms, and she the Baggage, which generally consists of two Baskets, one on her Head, the other at her Back, containing the Houshould Necessaries, &c. besides this perhaps, a Child hanging over her Shoulders, in a Piece of Calicoe, another at her Breast, and another at her Back, an Ape or Parrot in one Hand, and a Dog in a string led by the other: When they travel they lie in the open Fields on Hammocks, tied to Trees or Stakes.

Houses.

THEIR Dwellings are very small confisting of Hutts made of Stakes, and thatched or covered with Palmtree Leaves, all their Furniture consists in Hammocks, made of Cotton-Network, and their other Utensils as Cups Dishes, &c. made of Calabashes, scooped in the middle painted red, without and black within, the largest of which will hold eight or nine Gallons; the mea-

her Sort until the Portuguese came among them, had Knives made of Cane, hard Wood, Stone, &c. but now are by them furnished with a better Sort, as also several other Necessaries; besides these, they have feveral forts of Baskets for divers Uses. Their general Food is Meal made of the Mandioka Root, and the Flesh of Mandioka Birds, Beafts, and Fish warmed; and for Spoons they formerly used Oyster-shells. Their Liquor is generally Water fweetened with coarfe Sugar, having Akaju Leaves steeped in it, which makes it headdy; this they will fit drinking whole Days together, until both Men and Women will be intoxicated with it, the same they do with feveral other forts of Liquors press'd from divers Roots and Fruits, until they get drunk; and in their Cups are very frolickfome, dancing whole Days and Nights together; nor are they less fond of Brandy, which they drink T 2

drink to Excess and smoke conti-

Religion. THEY have very little Notion of Religion, yet are not void of an Idea of a supream Being, whom they

The God

Idea of a supream Being, whom they call Tuba, which among them imports a supream Being; wherefore they call Thunder, Tubacu-nanga, (i. e.) a Voice founding from the Sovereign Essence; and Nature directs them so far, as to believe the Immortality of the Soul, which they believe dies not with the Body, but enjoys much Pleafure in Singing Dancing, Drinking, &c. in some delight. ful Fields beyond the Mountains, which they suppose to be enjoy'd by those brave Men and Women, who have flain and eaten their Enemies; from whence it is reported, that in many Places of the main Land, there are great Multitudes of Cannibals: But fuch (fay they) as have been idle, and done nothing, are tormen-

ted by an over-ruling Power, which inspects into all their Actions; they have a fort of Priests who sacrifice for them, and whom they confult in all Affairs of Moment. The dread they have of Spirits is very unaccountable, fince feveral have died with the meer Apprehension of them; and to appeale their Anger, they offer them Presents of the best and choicest of their Fruits: After this Manner they drive Stakes into the Ground, and on them lay their Prefents; if they find them destroy'd. they imagine them acceptable, but if not, they remove the former Offering, and add another of greater Value: Thus do their Priest impose on them, and by this Means drain them of their infignificant Wealth, they being the only Spirits that accept the Offering. Some of them pay an Adoration to Thunder, and other to certain Constellations. Among them the Petiguaras are Ta deemed

deemed Sorcerers, infomuch that their Enemies fear them, leaft they should bewitch them to Death. They have a Notion of the Deluge, by which they say the World was drowned, except one Man and his Sifter, from whom the World was again re-peopled.

Distempers.

SEVERAL Distempers incident to Europeans are not here known, all their Remedies confist in Simples, they laughing at Compositions; Bleeding they use three ways, by Suction, Scarification, and opening a Vein. When any one falls fick, the Friends confult together, and every one declares the Medicine he has benefited by, and what the most of them approve, is applied; if that prove ineffectual, they then have recourse to the last, which is beating out the Patient's Brains with their Clubs, whom they eat as well as their Enemies; the one for love, the other for hatred.

Their Cure.

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THE Women are very Fruitful, Women. have eafy Labours, and feldom Mifcarry, as foon as deliver'd they get up and away to the next River, and wash themselves, then the Husband keeps his Bed twenty four Hours, and is nurs'd as if he had lain in. Mother's lament the Loss of their Children, by wringing their Hands, and running up and down, howling, shrieking, and crying three or four Days.

Thus far Neuoff agrees well with the former Writers, as he also does with respect to the living Creatures; for which Reason I shall from him continue to say something of them.

THE Gekko or Indian Salamander Gekko.
is a long four-footed Infect, fo venomous, that the Sting of it is
mortal, if the Part be not Instantly
feared or cut off. Of Snakes or SerT 4, pents

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Rattle.

which the Rattle snake (so called from the Noise it makes with its Tail, consisting of a Plurality of Joints) is most remarkable, which as it moves rattles; and such is the Nature of it, that when you think by flying from its Noise you are farthest from it, you then approach the nearest to it.

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THE Guacu has a narrow Throat, and a vast Belly, sometimes thirty Foot long, and lives by Suction.

Senembe Leguan. THE Senemby Leguan or Land-Crocodile, feldom exceeds five Foot in Length; in its Head are found small Stones, esteem'd by the Natives good against the Gravel, either externally worn, or internally taken.

Alliga.

HERE are also many Alligators swimming in the fresh Water Rivers, they will measure some of them,

two or three and twenty Foot in length, and are bigger than a Bullock, full of Scales from the Neck to the End of the Tail, hath a long sharp Set of Teeth, with very long Claws on its Feet. It is an amphibious Creature, living as frequently on Land as Water. They will look when basking themselves on Shoar, like great Trees fallen; will run fast, and are strong enough to encounter with a Horse or Cow, which they will often carry down to the Water and prey upon, and therefore commonly make great Havock among Cattle. If they purfue the Natives, as Hunger will fometimes force them, they run round in a Circle; and this Creature not being able to turn his unweildy Body, they escape him.

L zards. Lizards here are many, fome five or fix Foot long: As also a Creature Millepedes. called Millepedes and Centipedes both centipedes. very venomous.

Creature with feven Feet and a Sting Caule. in its Tail, called Caule, very venoPrimires. mous. Pismires abound here also in vast Quantities.

THE Kuandu or Porcupine, is Beafts. Kuandu. as big as an Ape, but without Hair, having strong Quills like Briftles, which when provoked, it darts forth with great Strength. The Ay or Ay. Lazy-beaft, is about the fize of a fmall Fox, the Head round, and the hind Legs longer then the fore, and is called the Ay (Sluggard) from its flow Pace; fince in Fifteen Days it will not move as many Yards. The Pilmire eater (is so called from Pifmire-Eater. ics feeding on those Reptiles) has a Body

Body like a Hair, but longer, and a long Tail, Snout, and Tongue, which it lays out, and with it licks up its Prey. The Armadillo or Beast Armadillo. in Armour, has a Head like a Swine, and is about the same bigness, covered with Scales like Armour, whence it receives its Name.

THERE is no less a variety of Birds. Birds, of which the Toukan, or Toukan. Large Bill is most remarkable, it is about the Size of a wood Pidgeon. its Beak is prodigious large, shaped like that of a Duck, about nine Inches long, the outfide of a bright Yellow, the infide of a beautiful Red, being very thin and light. The Cocor Cocor. is like a Stork, but of most curious variety of Colours, fo finely intermixt, that it surpasses Description. The Jabaru Guaku, or Barn-birds, Jabaru has no Tongue, but a Bill of a vast Length, turning up like a Bow, at the end, and about the bigness of a Stork,

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Humming Bird. Stork: There is a small Bird no bigger than the Joint of ones Finger with a very small Bill, his Legs also small, but proportioned to the rest of his Body; his Feathers are small, but mostly black, they are seldom seen unless towards Evening, at which time they sly humming about; and if they can come near a Fire, will not leave fluttering about it, until it having burnt its Wings, it falls into it, and is consumed. Parrots here are in plenty, which they commonly eat, and they are very good Food.

Parrots.

To fpeak of the feveral forts of the Fish, Fruits, Trees, and Plants, would swell this Treatise beyond its bounds; I shall only therefore speak of them as they occasionally fall in my way. HAVING thus far treated of Brazil in general, it is now time to come to the feveral Divisions of it, which the Portuguese call Capitanias; Capitanias they are in number Fourteen, beginning at the West they run along the Coast East, and then to the South; the first of which is called.



Para,



Para, First Captainship.



ARA, is bounded on the West, by a large Bay the Sea makes before the Mouth of the River of the Ama-

zons; North by the Ocean; East by the Capitania, or Captainship of Siara; and South by the Country of the unconquered Natives, called Toupinambes. The Metropolis is called Para, in which is nothing remarkable, but that it is feated on a Rock, rising five or fix Fathom above the Plain; next the River it has no Fortifications but Gabions, between which are several Pieces of Cannon; on the other side, it is enclosed

closed by a Stone Wall two Fathom high, with a dry Ditch, about it. Three hundred Portuguese Families inhabit this Town, whose chief Employment are planting Tobacco. Sugar-Canes, and gathering Cotton which grows wild. The River running by this Place is two Leagues o. ver, having fifteen Fathom Water in the Channel, and ten close in by the Fort. To the South East of this Fort is another called Commota, which Commota. ferves to check the Salvage Nations, and cover the Portuguese Plantations. Of late Years the Portuguele, have from this Captainship passed beyond the Mouth of the River of the Amazons, and made two small Settlements, which they have named Corrupa Eftei- corrupa ro; and another on the Island among the Mouths of the same River, which Cageminthey name Cageminhia.

Maranhao,



Maranhao, the Second Captainship.



AR ANHAO follows next to Para, which bounds, it on the West, as the Ocean on the North, Siara on the

East, and part of the unsubdued Country on the South; the greatest Length of it from East to West, is about eighty Leagues, and the Breadth from North to South up the Inland very inconsiderable; which as a general Rule may be observed once for all: For the Portuguese have never been able to penetrate considerably into the Country; the best Possessions

they have in this Captainship, is the Island of Maranhao, at the Mouth of the River of the same Name, in which stands the chief Town called S. Francisco de Maranhao besides which they have other inconsiderable Villages, as Santo Andreo on the most North, and Santiago on the most South Point.

On the Continent opposite to this Island, about three or four Leagues from it, is the Nation by the Indians called Taponytapare, inhabited by Tou- Taponytas panambes, who have there fifteen or Toupafixteen Villages. Adjoining to these nambes. is the Territory called Comma, and Comma. next to that Cayeta, all inhabited by Cayeta. the fame falvage People, in both which are above forty Villages, the Soil of which is far more preferable than that of the Island, where the Portuguese reside. These Toupanambes are irreconcileable Enemies to the Tapuyers their Neighbours, with whom

whom they always are at Wars, and therefore agree better with the Portuguese, whom they suffer to have Plantations among them. The French once settled in this Island, but were expelled by the Portuguese. The Dutch have also, but unsuccessfully made several Attempts.

Mounin.

Taboucourou. Miarii.

Claud. de Abbeville avers, there is no fuch River as Maranhao, and thus proves the Mistakes of those that affirm it; here are (says Claud.) three Rivers, the first call'd Mounin, the most East, whose Current exceeds fifty Leagues. The Second Taboucourou, about the same length, and the Third Miarii four Leagues over at the Mouth, which Springs under the Tropick; as the Natives inform us, all these fall into a Bay before the Island, which Bay by mistake, is called the River of Maranhao.

Siara,



Siara, the Third Cap-

* IAR A is not very extensive its whole Compass not exceeding twelve Leagues, the River Siara which rifes far up the Continent, discharges its self seven Leagues and an half North of the Bay of Mangorypa. The Natives are of a larger Stature, with very shocking Countenances long Hair, and fwarthy Complexions; they have large Cavities in their Ears, firetched down to their Shoulders: most make Holes in their Lips and Nofes, and wear Stones in them of various Colours for Ornament. [] 2 The

The Country produces Sugar Canes, Chrystal, Cotton, Pearls, Salt, Cocoa nut Trees, &c. In 1636. the Inland was governed by its own King, whom they called Algodoi, but he was Tributary to the Portuguese, who had built themselves a Fort upon the River, which made them Masters of the Sea coast, and the Country round about. In 1628. the Dutch took the Fort, but were a few Years after repulsed, and the Portuguese again recovered their Dominions.

Cocoa-Tree. Or Cocoa-Trees, this Place and feveral others in Brazil afford two Sorts, that Tree which affords the large milky Nuts are fome an hundred Foot in height, and generally streight and slender; their Leaves are fixteen or feventeen Yards long, and produce a Nut called a Cocoa-nut, which with its outer Rind, is as big as a common Melon;

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the outer Rind taken off, there appears a Shell, which generally will hold a Quart; within the Shell is the Nut. and about a Pint of clear Water, which is cool, brisk, and well-tasted; the Kernel of the Nut is good, and if scraped into the Nut-water, and foaked three or four Hours, gives it both the Taste and Refemblance of new Milk, and will cream by long standing. The Leaves of the Trees thatch Houses; the outer Rind, which is very stringy makes Cloth to wear, Ropes, Rigging and Cables for Shipping; the Shells, Cups and Fuel; the Kernel ferves for Meat, and the Water for Drink: So that from this Tree, (as I may fay) they have Meat, Drink Cloathing, Thatching, Firing, and Rigging for their Ships. These Trees are void of Leaves unless at the Top, at the Bottom of the Leaves grow the Fruit twenty or more in a Cluster, hanging by a fmallStalk, full of Joints.

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THE other Cocoa-tree is small, and the Nut rather bigger than an Almond, and ripens in a great Husk thirty, nay, sometimes forty together; these are the Nuts of which our Chocolate is made.



Rio



Rio Grande, the Fourth Captainship.

it borders South on Paraiba, West on Siara, and North East on the Ocean; it is parted into four Parts, by as many Rivers which run thro it, viz. Cunhao, Goyanna, Mumpobu, and Potigi or Potingi.

The Portuguese, have never much improv'd on this Captainship, not-withstanding it abounds with most U 4 excel-

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excellent Wild-Fowl, and delicate Fish, of the which the Lake Goriares affords incredible Quantities.

THE Mouth of the Rio Grande, is in about 5 Degrees 42 Min. of South Latitude, three Leagues from *Punta Negra, coming from the West, and falls into the Sea sour Leagues above the Fort called †Treyes Reyes, bearing Ships of great Burthen. The River Cunhao is only navigable for Barges, Hoys, and Yatchs. The Fort Treyes Reyes, is the only one the Portuguese have in this Captainship. Under this Fort is a little Town called Natal, consisting of about 180 Inhabitants, in ninety small Houses.

Treyes Rejes.

Natal.

* Black Point-

† Three Kings.





Peraiba, the Fifth Captainship.

Name from its River,
which only communicates
its felf to its Capital, feated on its Bank, five Leagues from the
Ocean: Peraiba is also called by
the Name of Nossa Senhora das Nossa das
Neves. This Place is adorned with bora das
beautiful Houses of fine Stone, supported with Pillars of fine Marble,
which here is very plentiful. In this
Town (which exceeds all others in
Brazil for Beauty) is kept the supream

pream Court of Judicature for this

Santa Catharina.

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The South called Santa Catharina, defended by five good Bastions, and a Hornwork. The Second, on a small Island of the North Point, called Santo Antonio, with strong Walls and a wet Ditch. The Third is called

Restringa. Restringa, seated on another Island, up the River.

Paraiba.

Mangropa, or Santo Domingo.

Two considerable Rivers water and divide this Captainship, Paraiba, and Mangoapa, or Santo Domingo; the former lies under 6 Deg. 24 Min. South Latitude, four Leagues off Cabo Branco, and by two Mouths differ bogues its felf into the Sea, being separated by a large Shoal of Sand: In the Summer this River is very shallow; but in Winter it swells so high, that it often overslows the adjacent Country, and carries away both Men and Cattle. Two Leagues North

North of the River is a Bay, which provides a fafe Station for the largest Ships, and is called *Porto Lucena. Porto Lucena.* Half a League farther North is the cena. River Mangoapa, which contrary to Mangoal all others, is larger towards its pa. Source than at its Mouth.

This Captainship besides its Metropolis, has seven other Towns, the Pinda huma, containing one thousand Pinda-hussive hundred Families, the other six Pinda Villages not above three hundred Una. each, consisting of a long row of little Houses, very low, but neat.

THE chief Commodities of this Captainship are Sugar, Brazil-wood, Tobacco, Hides, and Cotton. Near the River the Country is low, but then by a gradual Ascent, it affords a pleasing Prospect of Hills and Valleys. The flat Country being most Fertile, is divided into several Plantations, each distinguished by its different

different Name, being much fertiliz'd by the overflowing of the River, and producing Barley, Indian-Wheat, Potatoes, Annanaes, Cocoa-Nuts of both Sorts, Balancio's, Oranges, Limons, Citrons, Bonanoes, Pakenoes, &c. and all other Necessaries for Life. In 1634. the Dutch possessed themselves of this Country, but were at last expelled by the Portuguese, who now continue Possessor of it.

Bonano Tree. THE Bonano Tree is thirteen or fourteen Foot in height, and about four Foot round: The Leaves of the Tree are about eight or nine Foot long, and two Foot broad, terminating in a round Point. The Fruit grows at the Bottom of the Leaf, upon a great Stalk, in a Cod of about fix Inches long, and four Inches round, of a fine yellow Colour, speckled with red; the Cod taken off, the Insides are white, but

the Bonano yellow, and foft as a ripe Plumb; there will grow fifty or fixty in a Cluster, upon one Stalk, and five or fix Stalks upon a Tree. The Fruit is very mellow, and extraordinary sweet and good.

THE Pakanas and Ananas, are Pakanas much the same fort of Fruit, the and Anais former larger, and the other lesser than the Annano, but neither near so good.



Itamarika,



Itamarika, the Sixth Captainship.



TAMARIKA, takes its Name from an Island so called, being the chief Place of its District, which

however extends thirty-five Leagues in Length, along the Sea Coast, on the Continent, having on the North Paraiba, on the South Pernambuco, on the East and West the Ocean, extending to the unconquered Nations.

THE Island Itamarika, is parted from the Continent by the River of the same Name, the most Southern

Sourthern Part of it, lying, in 7 Deg. 48 Min. South Latitude the Length of it North to South is about two Leagues and the Circum? ference about seven. It is both pleafant, and fertile enough, producing Brazil-wood, Cocoa-nuts, Cotton, Sugar, Melons, &c. besides Wood for firing, Timber for burning, and excellent Water; on it next the Entrance of the River is the Portuguese Town called Nossa Senhora da Conceizao, over which is a hora da fmall Fort, and a redoubt at the Conceizaco Entrance of the Harbour, which is at the South Entrance of the River, forming the Island, where Ships drawing fourteen or Fifteen Foot Water, may fafely ride. Several small Rivers cross this Country, not worth naming.

ABOUT a League and half North of the North Entrance to Itamarika is the famous Point of Land called

Punta

Punta Ne- Punta Negra, or black point. A League further North is the small Goyanna. River Goyanna, in 7 Deg. 46 Min. South Latitude three Leagues up this River is the Town of the same Name, in which the Courts of Judicature for the Captainship are kept, this Country also produces Brazilwood, Ginger, Cotton, and Indiannuts.

inhabit here, though this whole Tract of Land as far as Cabo Branco, is not very populous, as having only a few Villages, inhabited by Natives, fubject to the Portuguese, as long the Coast only: For up the Continent where they remain yet unsubdued, there are said to be but few Inhabitants.

Besides Goyanna, they have anocapibari. ther Settlement called Capibari, well inhabited, and has several Sugarworks belonging to it. Per

Pernambuco, The Seventh Captainship.

above fixty Leagues along the Coast, having Itamerika on the North, the Ocean on the East, Rio de Santo Francisco dividing it from Seregippe, and on the South the unconquered Country; Westward this Captainship is divided into eight Partitions, Olinda, Garazu, Arracife, Moribella, Santo Michal de Poyulca, Serenhaim, Gonzalo de Huma, and Porto Calvo.

Olinda.

OLINDA, once the Metropolis of this Captainship, is seated on the North part of it, at a small Distance from Arracife, where the Harbour formerly was; this was a Place of Note, a great part of the Product of North Brazil, being from hence transported to Portugal. The best Part of it is built on feveral Hills, pretty plain on the South Sides, extending to the Sea-shore, which has a very fine white Sand; but continues more, steep and craggy towards the Land, and North Side; the upper Part has a curious Prospect both to Sea and Land. On the Summit of the highest Hill in the Place, stands the Convent of the Jesuits, very finely built, and as richly endowed, and may be feen some Leagues at Sea: Not far from this is a Convent of the Capuchins; and nearer the Sea one of the Dominicans: Besides which, here are two Parochial Churches, one dedicated

cated to the Infant Jesus, called Menino Jesu, and another to St. Peter. Here were about two thousand Families, besides Clergy, Slaves, &c. but the Dutch having formerly destroyed it, what now remains is very inconsiderable. About a League from this decayed City near the Water-side is a Village with many Warehouses, called Esclavo. The present Metropolis of the Captainship is called after its Name, being the same the Dutch built, and called Maurice-Town, as may be seen in Gattina's and Carli's Voyage to Congo.

GERAZU, is rather a Village Gerazu. than Town, about five Leagues from Olinda, on a River of the same Name.

MORIBELLA, is more to the Moribella. South about five Leagues from Arra: rife near Cape S. Augustinio.

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S. MICHAL de PAYULCA, is S. Michal Payulca. a City ten Leagues from Arracife, on a River of its own Name, which falls into the Sea, on the South Side of Cabo Augustinio; it was once a populous City, but is now decayed.

Seren. SERENHAIM, is a pleasant bain. fertile Village, abounding in Sugar.

Gonzalo GONZALO de HUMA, is de Huma. twenty Leagues from Arracife, famous for nothing but five fine Sugar. works.

Porto Cal- PORTO CALVO and the A-LEGOAS, are all inconfiderable Vil-Alegoas. lages, as are the PALMONAS (inhabi-Palmenas. ted by Blacks) fo called from abounding with Palm-trees.

Arracife. F ARRACIFE, is by Situation the strongest Place in all Brazil, and defended by several Forts, Arracise

in Portuguese, implies a Ridge of Rocks, or of Sand, with divers Openings, through which Ships may pass. On a small Island of Sand, near the rocky Ridge stands a small Town of neat and elegant Buildings, and well inhabited, taking its Name from the Ridge, and called Arracise, its Situation is in eight Deg. 20 Min. South Latitude. To the South of this Place lies

ANTONIO-VAZ, which the Antonio. Dutch when posses'd of this Country built; as also

MAURICE-TOWN, above men. Maurice-tion'd, with feveral Forts about it, from whence they were by the Portuguese afterwards expell'd.

THE Harbour betwixt Arracife Town, and the Ridge of Rocks, is very fafe, but has not above fifteen Fathom Water.

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Santo Paulo. santo PAULO, (fays Gattina and Carli) is a Place of Delight, where any Foreigner is welcome, and may foon meet with a good Wife, that will keep him free from Care; but when he has accumulated Wealth, he must never move from thence.

KAPABARIBI, is a River rifing

Kapabiribi.

feveral Leagues Westward, and then divides its self into two Branches, the Association one called Association, running to the South, and the other Kapabiribi to the North, and so falls in the River Biribi or Salt-water, near the Island of Antonio Vaz. The Captainship of Penambuco abounds in several sorts of Fruit and Pasture, which makes the Plenty of Cattle considerable. The lower Grounds next the River produce much Sugar. During the rainy Season, the Heat is here more tolerable by Day, than the Colds by Night.

Seregippe,



Seregippe, the Eighth Captainship.

EREGIPPE, otherwise called Caragi, from a small Lake of that Name in it, extends about twenty-three Leagues along the Coast, the River of Santo Francisco dividing it on the North from Pernambuco, as does Rio Real on the South from Bahia de todos os Santos, the Ocean being on the East, and the unconquered Nations on the West. The principal Town in this Captainship is called Seregippe, or Villa de ban Successe, and is seated X 4

at the Confluence of four Rivers, Maleita, Tapamunde, Commentabunda, and Monquaba, on a rifing Ground four Leagues from the Sea, which the Dutch when there, fortified; but it now is become an inconfiderable Place. Within this Captainship is the Mountain Tabaina, where several Samples of Ore have been found, though not very confiderable Advantages have rifen from them.

Tapuyas or Tapuyers. On the backfide of this Captainship to the West, live the Natives
called Tapuyas, or Tapuyers, divided
into several Clans, under as many
Kings of their electing. They
are both taller and stronger than the
other Brazilians, of a dark brown
Complexion, with black Hair hanging down their Shoulders, and their
Foreheads shaved as far as their Ears,
all the rest of their Bodies they keep
shaved, the Kings and great Men
shave their Heads in the Form of a
Crown

Crown, and were long Nails on their Fingers, Thumbs, and Toes. The common fort keep their Thumb Nails short, not being permitted to let them grow; because long Nails as they are accounted an Ornament, diftinguish the Quality from the others; there being no Distinction in Garb, because Men and Women go stark naked, the Men tying their Privities up in a Bag, which they are very careful not to expose; the Women covering theirs with Leaves, or the Branches of Trees, and the fame over their Posteriors, both so carelefly, that they almost are exposed to view. The Men adorn their Heads with Feathers, and make Holes in their Ears big enough to thrust their Fingers thro', in which they wear the Bone of an Ape, or a Stick wrapped up in Cotton; Holes also in their Lips and Cheeks, in which they were fine Stones; and in those of their Nostrils carved painted Sticks; they

they paint their Bodies brown, and flick abundance of Feathers about them; their Shoes are made of the Rind of the Tree Aguay: Some of them use no Bows nor Arrows, but throw their Darts with their Hands fo dexteroufly as to fplit a Straw; they have Clubs made of Brazil-wood, and Trumpets of the Bones of their deceased Friends or Enemies; they are the worst Soldiers among the Brazilians. They neither fow nor plant, but feed on what providential Nature fends, as Roots, Fruits, &c. the wild Beasts they kill, and their Enemies they flay in Battle they eat. If a Woman happens to miscarry, they immediately devour the Fœtus. Habitations they have none, but rove about within certain Bounds or Limits, for the most part in Woods.

As foon as a Woman conceives, the abstains from her Husband until Delivered, which is without any Help,

Help, but what Nature affords; with a certain Shell she cuts the Navel-string, boils the After-burthen and eats it. If a Woman be convicted of Adultery, her Husband puts her away; but if he finds her in Adultery, he kills both her and her Paramour, and by their Laws is no way accountable.

As to their Religion, enough has been already faid, they not caring to hear of any other but the Paganism profess'd among them, they still preserve their brutal Liberty, and remain inveterate Enemies to the Portuguese.



Bahia



Bahia de todos os Santos, the Ninth Captainship.

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SANTOS, or the Bay of All-Saints, fo called from a large Bay the Sea makes there, two Leagues and half over; in fome Places twelve, and others fourteen Fathom deep, and full of little Islands, very pleasant, producing much Cotton; it is divided into feveral Branches, and runs along the Continent above fourteen Leagues, many small Rivers salling

into it; among which are three more considerable than the rest. The Bay opens to the South and runs up to the North along the Island called Taperica, helping to secure the Mouth of it; on the Point whereof stands the Fort of Santo Fort Santanio, and a small Town called to Antonio, Villa Velha, or the old Town; within Villa Velwhich a Point of Land makes an Inlet ha. of a semi-circular Form, on which stands its Metropolis.

SANTO SALVADOR, Dam- Santo pier places in 13 Deg. of South Salvador. Latitude, and besides what has already been said of the Bay, says there are several Forts about it, one whereof stands upon a Rock out at Sea, betwixt which and another Fort built by the Dutch, all Ships must pass; there is another Fort on the Hill also, where the Town stands. The Town contains two thou-

thousand Houses, thirteen Churches and Chapels, two Hospitals, three Convents, and a Monastery of Nuns of the Order of St. Clare; the Palaces belonging to the Archbishop and Governor are as poorly furnished, as they are nobly built.

This is the Residence of abundance of rich Merchants, who import Serges, Bays, Hats, Stockings, Biscuit, Wine, Wheat, Flour, Oil, Cheese, Salt, Beef, and Pork, Iron, Pewter, Looking-Glasses, and Toys, in lieu whereof, they export Sugar, Cocoa-nuts, Tobacco, Snuff, Brazil-wood, and other Woods for Dying, untann'd Hides, Tallow, Whale Oil, &c. The Country about it is flat and fruitful, producing all things Brazil affords.

This Captainship extends sixty Leagues along the Sea-coast, and runs as little a way up the Continent as any of the former; on the North it is bounded by Rio Real, which parts it from Seregippe; on the East by the Ocean, on the South by the Captainship of Ilheos; and on on the West by the Indian Nations: This is reckoned the richest and most populous Part of Brazil.

Before I leave this Captainship,
I must add a few Words from an
*Author in his Voyage to Congo,
who says, "The Number of Slaves
"kept to work on the Tobacco
and Sugar Trade is incredible,
few Masters having less than five
hundred; and their Labour so
hard, and their Sustenance so
finall, that they seldom exceed
feven Years Servitude; their Application to their Business is so

^{*} T. Merolla.

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"great, that they neither fow nor plant, which makes Provisions of all forts excessive dear. Fish tho very plentiful in the Rivers, is of no Service to the Town, because they will not give themselves time to catch them; and the Flesh, the Pastures being at a great Distance, either die by the Way, or when killed prove meer Carrion.



Ilheos



Ilheos, the Tenth Captainskip.

the feveral Islands lying about the Bay, on which the chief Town is feated,

next to Bahia de todos os Santos, from which on the North it is divided by the River Comana, on East it has the Ocean, on the South the Captainship of Porto Seguro, and on the West the Barbarians.

THE chief Town (Ilheos) is in about fifteen Deg. 45 Min. South Latitude containing about two hundred Family lies.

lies, and has eight Sugar-works belonging to it; the Product of this and the Neighbouring part belonging to it, are fent in Barks to Pernambuco. Seven Leagues up the Country is a Lake of delicate Water. every where three Leagues over, and fifteen Fathom deep.

Tubinambes, Caetas, Tu-

Guamures

On the back fide of, or West of this Government, and that of Bahia, live the Tupinambes, Caetas, and Tupinaquins, which last originally came pinaquins. from Pernambuco; but fince them are come a more barbarous fort of People called Guamures, from whence no one knows; they devour their own Offspring, and rip up Women with-child to eat the Fætus, and drive Flocks of Men like Herds of Cattle to devour them. They are of a Gygantick Stature, and are faid to have been expell'd their native Country by their Enemies; they wander up and down having no fertled Habitations,

tations, lying like brute Beasts in the open Fields, their Weapons are large Bows with long Arrows, they never fight openly, but lie in Ambuscade, taking Men by Surprize, by these Means they much oppress'd the Portuguese, and at last almost destroyed the Town of Ilheos, until Anno 1581, they took Courage, and having received some Succours, in some Measure destroyed them, so that they have since done but little Harm.



Y Porto



Porto Seguro the Eleventh Captainship.

P called by Pedro Alvarez

Cabral, the first Discoverer

(as has been said above)
of these Places. On the North it borders on Ilbeos, on the East it is
washed by the Ocean, the South is
washed by Rio Docé, and the West
is shut up by the Remains of the
barbarous Guamures, and the native
Tapiguas, who extend far up the
Country, along the Portuguese Domiminions, and are mortal Enemies to
them. The chief, or rather only

Lapiguas.

Town in this Captainship bears the fame Name, inhabited by about five hundred Families, all Portuguese. This Town is feated on the top of a high Rock, near which is very high Land, to the North plainer, and to the South ending in a flat Strand. In the Town is a small College of Jesuits, who instruct the Youth, and labour to convert the Natives. This Town underwent the same Fate as Ilheos by the inhuman Guamures, who utterly destroyed another, called Amaro: fo that there is now only this Town, and a little one called Santa Cruz left. The whole Livelihood of the Inhabitants confifts in carrying Provisions along the Coast to fell, they having little Sugar or any other Commodity to deal in.

Y 3 Espirito



Espirito Santo, the Twelfth Captainship.



SPIRITO SANTO, lies in about 20 Deg. South Latitude, fixty Leagues North from Rio de Janeiro,

and fifty South from Porto Seguro, on the East it has the Ocean, on the West the Tapiguas, and Apiapetangus; its Metropolis is called

ESPIRITO SANTO, inhabited by about two hundred Families; the Jesuits have also here a small Convent, and along the Coast are twenty small Forts.

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This Captainship is esteem'd the best furnished with all Sorts of Provisions of any in Brazil, here being incredible plenty of Fish, Store of Game in the Woods and Forests; besides which, the many Rivers that cross the Land, render the Soil every where very fruitful, the Noble River Paraiba divides this Province from that of Rio de Janeiro, falling into the Sea, in about 21 Deg. and half South Lat. about which live a People called Paraybes, differ- Paraybes. ing little from the other Natives. Here are three Rivers called Paraiba: that in the most Northern part of Brazil is already spoken of. The Second comes from the West, and the Third between St. Vincent and Rio de Plata.

THE Town stands on a Bay on the right Side, at about three Leagues from the main Sea, without Walls, Castle, or any other Fortification.

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On the East side of it is the Convent of St. Benedict, and the Church likewise dedicated to him. In the midst of the Town on the rising Ground is another Convent of Franciscans, and on the West a College of Jesuits. The Natives of this Spot are called Margayates, formerly mortal Enemies to the Portuguese, but now their Confederates.

Margayates.





Rio de Janeiro, the Thirteenth Captainship.

fo named from its first Difcoverer John de Solis, who discovered it in the Month

of January, Ann. 1509. But the French who Ann. 1555. under Villaganon, endeavour'd to fettle here, called it Ganabara. The Mouth of it is in 23 Deg. South Latitude. The Land of Brazil which hitherto from Rio-Grande, runs chiefly South, now at Cabo Santo Tomar, where this Government commences, turns off and lies

lies almost East and West, only a little inclining to the South, or beneath the North-east and South-west; so that the North-east Side of this Captainship lies to that of Espirito Santo the South-east to the Ocean, the Captainship of St. Vincent, and the North-west to the Barbarians.

St Seba-Spian.

THE French (who as I said before. made a Settlement here Ann. 1555.) were beaten out by the Portuguele, who built the Town of St. Sebastian, on a small Bay, which is about two Leagues from the Sea, on a Plain environed about with Mountains, to which there is an easy Ascent. The Town lies in Length the whole extent of the Bay, but has very little Breadth, with no Walls or Ramparts, only four inconsiderable Forts to secure it from the Enemy; the first from the outside of the Bay, the fecond from an Island on the West fide, the third on a Rock to the South weft

west, and the fourth on the Northwest. The Town is divided into three parts, the first may be called the upper Town, where the Jefuits College and best Church stands. The Second, the lower, in a Valley called St. Anthony's Ward. And the Third on the Edge of the Bay towards the Monastery of St. Benedict. The Jesuits teach Latin, Philosophy, and Divinity, and having the Charge of instructing the Natives, who live near the Town, in two great Villages confifting of about two thoufand Souls converted from Paganism. to Christianity. Here are some sew Sugar-works belonging to the Place, but the principal Trade is Cotton, Brazil-wood, and Provisions, of which their is great Plenty. The other Town is

ANGRA DOS RETES, ten Angra dos or twelve Leagues West of Rio de Reyes.

Janeiro, situated on the Continent, oppo-

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opposite to an Island called Grande, and another called Tpoia. This Colony was planted much later than the other, and is inconsiderable, the ancient Natives were call'd Tupinambaults, who have been all destroy'd or sled; for those Indians who inhabit there now, are a Medley of several Nations, being Slaves to the Portuguese.





St. Vincent, the Fourteenth and Last Captainship.

the West to Guara, on the East to Rio de Javerro, on the South it has the Ocean, and on the North, the Inland unknown Nation.

THE Capital Town is called SAN Santos.
TOS, about three Leagues from the
Sea, defended by a Rampart on the
Side next the River, which is half
a League over, and five Fathom
deep. The Town is fortified by two
Castles,

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Castles, one on the South Side, the other in the middle of the Town, which contains about two hundred Families, partly Portuguese, and partly Mestizos; here is one Parochial Church, a Convent and Hospital.

St. Vin-

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St. VINCENT is three Leagues and a half South of Santos, of good Structure, but labours under the Misfortune of an ill Harbour, wherein are few Inhabitants.

Tanfe. Cavane.

Itanhain. Cananea. ABOUT eight Leagues up the Country, the Portuguese have two inconsiderable Villages, Tanse and Cavane, and some other trisling Settlements, such as Itenhain, Canana, &c.

St. Patil:

THE little Town of St. PAUL, lies fome Leagues up the Country, feated on an Eminency, at the Foot whereof run two Rivers, the one running

running from the South, the other from the West, which meeting here fall into the Iniambi. The Town contains about one hundred Houses, a Parish Church, two Convents, one of Benedictine, the other of Carmelite Friers, and a College of Jesuits. TheInhabitants chiefly employ themfelves in Pasture and Tillage. The Summer Heats are allayed by cooling Breezes from the Mountains, but in the Winter it here often freezes. The Soil produces good Wheat, and the Pastures are excellently well furnished with Grass for Beasts and Cattle, fo that nothing is here wanting, but Salt, Oil, and Wine.

About a League North from the Iniambi. Town runs the River Iniambi, capable of small Barks, and well stored with Fish, coming from the Streams, which continually flow from the Mountains of Paranepiacaba, and run to the Westward.

Paranepiacaba.

Barafuca. ba or Ibi-

riacaba.

On the aforesaid Mountains of Pas ranspiacaba are some Gold Mines, which were at first thought confiderable, but afterwards came to little or nothing; fince which there is another Vein found on the Mound tains of Barasucaba or Ibiriacaiba, about thirty Leagues from the Town of St. Paul, on which Account was St. Philip. raised the little Town of St. Philip; from these Mines considerable Quantities of Gold have been, and still are brought to Lisbon, notwithstand. ing the mistaken Notion of the Spaniards, from the Rio de la Plata, ha-

> ving beaten the Portuguese, and posfess'd themselves of the Place; which Report was false and groundless.

To the North of this Province live Tupineam. the Tupineambas, before fpoken of, who yet remain inveterate Enemies bas. to the Portuguese. And on the adjacent Mountains far up the Country,

are the Tupikinsis, extending themselves almost to the Sea Side, and in Peace with the Portuguese. To the South of these are the Carios, belonging to Peraguay, and therefore not to be farther mentioned here. The Jesuits in their annual Letters from these Parts, speak concerning a favage People which call themselves Miramuminos or Morumirens, Vagrant, Fierce and Cruel: who as they detest and abhor, fo prove very prejudicial and injurious to the Portuguese; not being to be won by Fear nor Favour. A great Part of this Country has been depopulated by the Portuguese Rigour and Cruelty towards the Pagan Nations, notwithstanding their Religious Men, use their utmost Efforts to obstruct their treating those People so barbarously. or fending them into Slavery; yet they are fo far from being diverted from their Inhumanity, that been fe the Friers are confided in by

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tives, they have used that Disguise to deceive the poor Natives, and may justly be said to be Wolves in Lambs Cloathing.

Thus far of Brazil, come we now to speak of the Azeres or Terceyra Islands, which as nearer America than any other Part of the World, are most proper here, though they must be esteem'd part of Europe, though distanced from Portugal above 250 Leagues.





The Azores or Terceyra Islands.



HESE Islands are in Number Number Seven, beside tuations two small ones. These seven Islands lie together between 37 and

40 Deg. of Latitude, and between

21 and 26 Degrees of Longitude, West from the Lizard:

IT is faid the first Discovery of Discovery them, was by a Merchant of Bruges; who in a Voyage to Lisbon Ann. 1449. was by Strefs of Weather very far driven Z 2

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driven to the West, and at last made these Islands, which he sound destitute of Inhabitants, and named them the Flemmish Isles. He finally got to Lisbon, where by boasting of this Discovery, he gave the Portuguese such Hints of their Situation, that they immediately set sail, and took Possession of them; nay Anthony Gonzalo in his Treatise of the Discovery of the World, assirms, that Prince Henry went with them.

WE are also informed, that upon the Account this Merchant gave his Countrymen at his Return to Bruges, they set upon an Expedition thither, and planted a Colony, whose Posterity do still remain in Fazal, which was the Island they occupied.

S. Michal.

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SANTO MICHÆL, is the most Easterly in its Situation, 20 Leagues in Circumference, and yields plenty of Wheat.

SANTA

SANTA MARIA, is very fmall S. Maria. but abounds in Provisions of most Kinds, and Potters Earth.

TERCETRA, lies twenty eight Terceyra. Leagues more to the West, and has its Name from being the third of these Islands in Situation; but it is the first in Dignity, and therefore communicates its Name in general to them all. It is by Mistake reckoned the largest of them, but in reality is not; being only fifteen Leagues over. The Soil is fertile, and the very Rocks producing Vines, of which good Wine is made, though not comparable to he Madera, or Canary Wines. The Land yields plenty of Wheat, Oranges, Limons, and all Sorts of Fruit. The Pastures feeds large Oxen; and the Country neither wants Necessaries or Delicacies, excepting Oil and Salt. The Metropolis is called Angra, Augra. where

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where the Governor resides, it is feated on the South Coast, well built, and defended by a good Caftle, wherein Alphonso was by his unnatural Brother Peter confined An. 1668. This City is the See of a Bishop, Suffragan to the Archbishop of Lisbon. Here is a commodious Harbour for Shipping, whence the Town is called Angra (i. e.) a Station for Ships, and moreover this is the only fafe Habour in all these Islands, it is enclosed like a Crescent with two Mountains, seen fourteen or fisteen Leagues at Sea. It is not however very fafe in all Winds; it is chiefly for the fake of this Port, that the Portuguese have been so careful of the other Islands, and are shy of letting Foreigners approach them, because their Situation, is very convenient to refresh their Ships, in the Brazil, and other long Voyages.

GRACIOSA, is so called from Graciosa. its Pleasantness, and lies the most North.

S. GEORGE, is mountainous and s. George. yields much Cedar.

PICO, is so named from an high Pico. Mountain in it, by some thought to be equal with Teneriffe; the Soil of this Island is exceeding fertile.

FATAL, is more West, and is so Fayal. named from its Beech-trees; yields Provision and Fish in abundance, and is inhabited by the Posterity of the Flemmings.

FLORES, fo named from the Flores. Flowers growing on it.

CORVO, fo called from abound- Corvo. ing with Crows; this Island and Flores are seventy Leagues West from Z 4

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the rest of the Islands, and kept by
the Portuguese to prevent any Incursions of the Enemy.

THE Air of these Islands is generally clear and wholesome, but so sharp as to corrode Iron, and confume Stone, wherefore the Inhabitants build of the finest Flint.

An odd Notion. It was of Old the Opinion of the Seamen, that as foon as they had passed the Azores, in sailing from Europe, all the Fleas, Lice, and other nauseous Vermine died. Now we come to the Portuguese Dominions in Africa.





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ADERA and PORTO Madera SANTO, two Islands ly- ed Anno ing in the Atlantick Ocean, 1440. come next to be spoken of,

they lie West from the Kingdom of Fez.

MADERA, was discovered by Juan Gonzalez, and Triftan Vaz, fent Triftan out to make Discoveries by Prince Henry of Portugal, who gave it the Name of Madera, because covered over with Woods and Forests, with-

Juan Gonzalez and Vaz, Difcoverers of Made. ra, &c.

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out any Inhabitants; but the Trees being fet on Fire, it so fiercely raged that it hardly lest a Stick standing. It lies in about 31 Deg. and a half of North Latitude. Dampier makes it 32 Deg. 20 Min. North Latitude, and 8 Deg. 5 Min. Longitude West from London. Its Shape is Triangular, the Breadth about one hundred and forty Miles, and Length twenty sour.

THE Fire being extinguish'd, the Soil prov'd fertile and pleasant, which foon invited the Portuguese to settle upon it, and in Process of time the Inhabitants encreasing, they built three Towns, the chief of which is called Furchal, which was afterwards erected into a Bishoprick; and besides its Cathedral, has three Parish Churches, two Convents of Franciscan Friers, and a College of Jesuits; the other Towns are called Manchico and Santa Cruz, but

Furchal.

Manchico. S. Cruz. but they being inconsiderable, I shall omit the Description of them, the whole Island contains thirty six Parishes, six Convents and Monasteries, sour Hospitals; and exclusive of Children; above 25000 Inhabitants, so that the Country Houses and Farms, make it look like a continued Garden. It abounds in Corn, Product. Wine, Honey, Sugar, Madder, Oranges, Limons, Pomegranates, &c. Wax, Dragons-Blood, &c. has sufficient Cattle, and all forts of Fish and Fowl in plenty.

THIRTEEN Leagues North-east of this, is the other Island called POR-Porto Santo. TO SANTO, which exceeds not above five Leagues in Compass, and is in no respect but Magnitude, inferior to Madera. This Island was discover'd by Juan Zarco, and Tri-stan Vaz, Anno 1428.

Cabo Ver. Beildes these, they have those of de. Cabo Verde, so called from their green Soil, when first discovered by the Portuguese, they lie between 14 and 19 Deg. of North Latitude, and are ten in Number: The First of which is

S. Vin.

S VINCENT, three Leagues East off Santo Antonio, of small Extent, affording no manner of Refreshment to Ships that touch there, except Water, and an infinite Number of Turtles, that daily come out of the Sea, and are excellent Food.

Turtles described.

OF these Sea Turtles there are divers Sorts, but the green Turtle is chiefly chosen; they have several Islands and sand sandy Bays where they go to lay their Eggs, which they do in different Places, and at different Seasons; in some Places they lay in June and July, in others in December

and January, when they want to lay they go ashore, and with their Fins, make a Hole in the Sand about two Foot and half deep, wherein they lay their Fggs, eighty or ninety at a time, then they cover them up with the Sand they had scraped out of the Hole, and leave them for the Sun to hatch. Thus they lay two or three times in a Season; then go off to Sea, and leave their young to shift for themselves; who as soon as they get out of the Shell and Sand, retire to the Water. The Eggs are round, about the Bigness of a Duck's, with a white tough Skin over them, but no Shell. These Turtles will weigh from two to four hundred Weight. The Lean of them before it is dress'd looks like Beef, and the Fat is as green as Grass, is but accounted very wholesome Food.

S. Anto-

SANTO ANTONIO, is most to the North west, and scarce three Leagues from S. Vincent. This is a small Island, chiefly inhabited by Blacks, under a Portuguese Governor. Here is no Town, only a small Village consisting of about thirty Houses, the rest scatter'd about the Island, which produces all Sorts of Fruits in Persection, some Goats, but no Corn. Here is no Trade, which make the Inhabitants miserably poor.

of both the last, and is bigger than the other two put together, high and hilly, well watered, and wooded, yet has but very sew, if any Inha-

birants.

S.Nicolao. SANTO NICOLAO, Southeast from Santa Lucia, is not inferior to the former in bigness, is but little inhainhabited, and produces little else but Cats and Goats.

its great Plenty of Salt, is very small, Island. and lies East of Santo Nicolao, it has a good Road and Harbour; and though barren, is much resorted to for its Salt.

BOA VISTA, fo called from its Boa Vista. agreeable Prospect, is South of the last, about the same Bigness, and only inhabited by poor distressed People.

maro, is less than any of the Mayorest, and lies South of Boa Vista. On the North Side of it is a good Bay and Road, and upon the Island is a small Village of ten or twelveHouses. The Soil being rocky produces very little Grain, or Pasture, yet here are plenty of wild Goats, little wild Hortes, Asses, and Swine Those sew People that do inhabit this Island

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Island, lead very uncomfortable
Lives.

Santiago. SANTIAGO, is the largest and best of these Islands, and lies West of Mayo. In it is a Town called Praya, which is a Bishoprick. Praya. Near the Shore where the Ships usually Anchor, is a small neat Fort. This Island is the most fruitful among them, abounding in Hogs, Fowls, Guinea-Hens, Monkies, Maiz, Oranges, Limons, Dates, Water-Melons, Plantains, Bonanoes, &c. Here is good Water to be had, but very troublesome fetching it; and Wood is very dear, by reason of its Scarcity. The Natives of this Place were formerly Portuguese, who were banished for Murders, Thefts, and other Villanies, but now they are mostly Black, by reason of their Converse with their Women Slaves (who are Guinea Negroes:) But although they have changed their Colour,

lour, they still retain their Vices, being the greatest Thieves in the World, infomuch that they will take your Hat off your Head at Noon-day, although you are in the midst of Company. You must also be wary how you trade with them, for if you let them have your Goods, before you have theirs, you will be sure to loose them.

FOGO and BRAVO, are two Fogo and inconfiderable Islands, South of San-Bravo. tiago, in which is nothing worth observing but their Barrenness.

Some affirm, these Islands to be Gorgones the Gorgones in Mela, the Gorgades of Gorgades. Pliny, and others, the Hesperides of des. Ptolomy. The first Discovery of them in later Ages was by Anthony Nole, a Genoese in the Portuguese Service. most of the Inhabitants are Blacks, except some sew Portuguese, who because of their Missortunes A a know

know not how to live elsewhere, and therefore here pass their Days in Penury and Want, having neither Trade nor Succour from abroad, unless those sew Ships that touch there for Water, Salt, Goats, Turtles and Pruit.

On the Coast of Barbary in the Province of Duquella, or Ducala, Mazagam. is Fort MAZAGAM, feated on a Rock, in the Atlantick Ocean, fo contiguous to the Shore, that at low Water it feems to be joined to the firm Land, and ferves fometimes for a Refuge for Christians from Mequenes. This was once a Place of Note, containing above five thousand Houses, which now are reduced to less than five hundred, and those but poor ones. It is walled and contains twenty-feven Towers, feated on the River Umarabea, and is three Miles distant from Azamor.

In the Dukedom of Bamba, in the S. Paul de Kingdom of Congo, they have a Town named S. PAULO DE LO. ANDA, This Town lies on the Coast of the Dukedom, and the Portuguese have possess'd it ever since the first Discovery of this Country, and its Conversion from Paganism to Christianity. The major Part of the Inhabitants are Blacks and Mulattoes; the latter bred between the Portuguese and the Blacks that live here. This is the chief of the Portuguese Dominions in these Parts: The Dutch once took this Place, but were afterwards repulsed. Here refides the Bishop of Congo and Angola, with a Chapter of eight or nine Canons. Here also are three Convents the Jesuits, discalced Carmelites, and Franciscans; the Jesuits keep Schools, and all of them labour in instructing the Natives. The Houses of the Europeans are built of Lime and Stone, Aa 2

and are tiled; those of the Natives Mud-walled and thatch'd. Of the former there are three thousand, of the latter many more, because some of them have two or three hundred Slaves apiece, he who has most being richest; they generally work abroad, and pay their Masters a set Rate per Diem for their Liberty. When their Masters go abroad, two carry him in a Hammock, and a third holds an Umbrello over him. The generality of the Women govern the Men, and fcarce ever go to Church; yet never fail of appearing at Publick Diversions. The Mulattoes are wicked, proud, and haughty, infulting the poor Blacks without Mercy; nor are the Europeans less guilty of that Crime, making no Scruple to fell for Slaves the Children they get by them, lying with them as much for that Purpose, as the fatiating their excessive Lusts; the Blacks are all Slaves to the Christians. The Current Coin here is what they call Macentas, being Pieces of Woven Straw, as big as Sheets of Paper, this ferves in lieu of Copper: Instead of Silver they use Cotton-cloth, about the Bigness of two Hankerchiefs, which are current for 18 Pence, as is a finer fort for three Shillings and Sixpence, the best Sort is called Birami, and answereth Gold, Value Seven Shillings and Sixpence; they are obliged to use this Method, Gold, Silver, and Brass Coin being here prohibited.

NEAR Dongo in the Kingdom of Angola, is a Town called MAS-SINGHAM, (i.e.) Conjunction, Massingbecause it stands at the Conflux of the two Rivers, Lucala and Coanza. Here the Portuguese have built a Cassile, and reign Masters; the Houses are handsome and strong, built of Stone.

BEN

Benguela.

BENGUELA, is a Townor Village feated on a Bay, where there is good Anchoring, in 13 Deg. South Latitude. Near the Town is a strong large Castle, and about the Town seven other small ones.

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MANIKICONGO, is another Village South of Benguela, subject also to the Portuguese.

Mozam. bique. South Latitude, and bears much Rice and other Grain, as also Oranges, Limons, &c. Here are vast Numbers of wild Beasts, especially Elephants, which are so numerous, they can hardly keep them out of the Corn. The Blacks here have frished Hair, and thick Lips, go naked, covering their Privities only with a Clout, or Rind of a Tree, painting the rest of their Bodies with Birds, Beasts, Trees, &c. of vari-

ous Colours, and boring their Lips, in which they hang Ivory Toys; they eat all forts of Flesh, especially that of Elephants, and even the Men they take Captive in the Wars; they are false, brutal, and fit for nothing but Servitude; their Wealth confists in Gold, Ebony, Ivory and Slaves; their Religion is yet (as I may say) to choose.

CVAMA or QVAMA, is a River cuama. of the lower Æthiopia, where the Portuguese built a Fort Anno 1500. having subdued the Caffres, and made themselves Masters of

MONOMOTAPA, the Metro-Monomopolis of a Kingdom of Africk, between the River Calna and Espirito
Santo, but now subject to its own
Emperor, called by the Portuguese,
the Emperor of Gold.

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Momboza. MOMBOZA, is the Capital City of a Kingdom of great Extent (between Queidoa and Melinda) whence this Town is called, and was once subject to the Portuguese, but now to its own Monarch, who stiles himself Emperor of the World.

Tangier.

TANGIER, is one of the oldest Cities of Africk, in the Province of Hasbat, in the Kingdom of Fez, at the Bottom of a Gulph on the Western Shore, near the Streights of Gibraltar, in former times of great Repute, and in 1662. an University.

IT was given as a Dowry with the Infanta Donna Catharina of Portugal, to our late Sovereign King Charles the Second, who after great Expence upon the Haven, finding

it too Chargeable, demolished it, Anno 1682.

HERE Ends the Portuguese Pose sessions in Africa: Now we must take a View of their Dominions in Asia.





The Portuguese Dominions in ASIA.



H E Portuguese have many Colonies and Factories, in the Ports and Islands of INDIA, which I shall now pro-

ceed to give an Account of in their proper Order, but must first inform my Reader of the Time and Method of their attempting these Seas. Vasco de Garea (as I have observed) first discovered this Country, by the new Way of the Cape of Good Hope, Anno 1499. or thereabouts. For the

Vasco de Gama first Discoverer of India.

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Portuguese having discovered all the Coast of Africa, as far as Cabo Verde, at the Instance of Henry Duke of Visco, one of the Sons of King John the First, began to linger after the Wealth of India, and getting the Trade into their own Hands; to which end Pedro de Cananilla and Pedro de Alphonso de Padua were sent into the Cananilla East Parts, to learn the Certainty of phonfo de the Spice Trade, and to take an Ac- to the East count of all other Commodities this Parts. Country afforded. Having at last arrived at Calicut, and fatisfied their They ar-Curiofity, they failed homewards, calicut. but Padua died in his Voyage; and Padua Cananilla though detained by the Ha- dies. bassine Emperor (commonly called Prester John) sent Home a sull Account of his Success. Inflamed with which, King John the Second dispatches Bartholomao Diaz to find Bar, Diaz. out a Way into the Indies by the fent, An-Back of Africa; who arriving at the Cape of Good Hope, proceeded no farther,

Vasques de Gama sent.

ther, but returned again Home. About ten Years after, King Emanuel fent out Valques de Gama, who doubling the Cape, and failing Northward, along the Shores of Africk, as far as the Kingdom of Melinda, received from the King thereof, both Pilots, and Inftructions, to bring him to Calicut, where he found all which Cananilla had before reported. Full of good News, at the end of 26 Months from his first ferting out, he returned to Lisbon, received with great Joy and Triumph. Anno 1502. furnish'd with thirteeen Ships and three Caravels, he fet forward again, being followed by Eftevao de Gama, with five large Ships more, by which great Strength he made himself Master of divers Ports, and by that Means laid the Foundation of the great Power, the Portuquese have attained to in the Eastern Parts. He was feconded in this great Enterprise by Ferdinando de Al-

meda.

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meda, and Alphonso de Albuquerque, and other noble Adventurers of the Realm of Portugal, who continued daily to improve, from the Foundation he had laid.

As INDIA is divided into feve-Division ral Kingdoms, namely four Capital of India. ones, viz. Pegu to the West, Avea to the North, Siam to the South, and Cochin-China to the East, each of which contain many lesser Kingdoms. I shall mention the Ports or Factories the Portuguese enjoy in Order as they are situated.

And first TUTTA or GUTU-Tutta.

NEGAR-TUTTA, is situate in the
Kingdom of Cabaia, which is Tributary to the King of Siam, on the
Banks of Indus opposite to Borneo;
this is a large Town of great Trade,
chiefly frequented by the Portuguese,
who are the only Europeans that have
here a settled Factory. Here they
receive

receive fuch Indian Commodities, as come down the Water from Lahor, returning Pepper in exchange, which they bring up the River from their other Factories.

Diu.

DIV, DION, or DIVE, is fituate in the middle of the South Coast of the Peninsula of Cambaya, in about 20 Deg. 40 Min. North Latitude, looking towards Persia; but on the East Side thereof, near the Mouth of the River Indus. The Portuguese got Possession of it, An. 1535. and fortified it with strong and impregnable Cittadels, by the Confent of King Badurius, who complied, thereby to obtain their Aid against Merhamed, the Mogul, who infested his Country with an Army of five hundred thousand Foot, one hundred and fifty thousand Horse, a thousand Pieces of Ordnance, and five hundred Waggons, loaded with Powder and Shot. This Place was fo glorious glorious a Jewel in the Crown of Portugal, that John Bottelius banished to India for several enormous Crimes, had his Enlargement and Pardon granted him, besides a Penfion, for carrying the first News of its being taken to King John the Third, which with great Courage he perform'd, through that large and tempestuous Ocean, in a small Vessel of eighteen Foot long, and fix broad, to the great Joy of the King, but greater Admiration of the People. Scarce were they fettled in this their new Possession, but be An. 1537. fieged by Solyman Bassa, Adimral lieged. to Solman, called the Magnificent, who was thereto incited, from their aiding the King of Persia, but more probably from their diverting the Spice Trade from Alexanaria. In short Solyman had so ill Success, that having affaulted it in vain with his Land Forces, he was obliged in fuch Confusion to raise the Siege, that

he left his great Ordnance behind him. This City is fmall, being about a League in Circumference, cut off from the main Land by an Arm of the Sea, and was formerly as before observed very considerable on account of its Trade to Persia, but is now very much declined, neither City nor Fort being much noted.

Goa.

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GO A, in the Kingdom of Decan, is feated in a Peninsula on this Side the Indus, in a small Island called Tilsoar, toward the Mouth of the River Mandova, on the West Shore on the Cape of Malabar, Longit. 104. Deg. 15 Min. Lat. 15 Deg. 40 Min. it is a Sea-Port, a noted Empory, and one of the chief Keys which unlock the Indies; for Number of Inhabitants, Magniscent Structures, and Pleasantness of Situation, deservedly esteem'd one of the finest Places in the whole Country. Here is a fine Arsenal, and Harbour for

the Indian Fleet, fo strongly fortified, that altho' hardly befet by Indolcan, with a numerous Army, yet it could not be forced. This is the ordinary Residence of the Portuguese Viceroy, who hath here his Chancellor, Council and other Officers, for the Government of this, and those other Places in India belonging to the Portuguese Crown. This is also an Archbishoprick, the Archbishop of which, is Primate of the Indian Churches planted here by the Portuquele, and therefore called Archbishop of Goa, Primate and Metropolitan of all India. Here are several fair Churches, spacious Streets, and fumptuous Convents and Monasteries. The Cathedral is very large, and arched with a lofty Roof, supported by a Variety of stately Columns, finely adorned with Sculp. ture and Gilding. The City contains within its Walls above three thoufand Families, of which the Portuquele Bb

guese are the sewest in Number, for the Women so mix with the Men, that the Mestizas and Canarines are most numerous. Goa was taken by Alphonso de Albuquerque, who for his Reward was made its first Viceroy.

THE Island whereon this City stands, is about eight Leagues in Circumference, which being encompassed with high Hills, renders the Place excessive hot, and the Air unwholesome: The Island is enclosed with a high Wall, fortified with Bastions and Redoubts, at the Turnings of the River. On the Top of the Hill near the Channel, is a long Wall planted with Cannon, and opposite to it a Fort called Nossa Senhora do Cabo, and half a League farther up the Channel, is another Fort called Les Reyes; here it is the new Vice-roys on their Arrival, first take Possession. Adjoining to this Fort is a fine Monastery of

Franciscans,

Nossa Senbora do Cabo.

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Les Reyes.

Franciscans, and within Cannon shot of it is another Fort called Gasper Diaz, Gasper because built by one of that Name, Diaz. Brother to Bartholomao Diaz, who sound out the way to the Indies, Ann. 1487. beyond these Forts the River gradually contracts its self to the breadth of a Mile; the Banks whereof being planted with Variety of Trees, affords a most agreeable Prospect.

HALF way up the River on the right Hand, is Passo de Dungi, for-Passo de merly the Residency of the Portuguese Vice roys.

THE Houses in Goa are built with Buildings in Goa.

Stone, and for the most part very magnificent, but especially the Vice-viceroy's Palace, which is very spacious, forming a Quadrangle. The Archbishop's Palace is very fine, consisting of several large Galleries and noble Appartments; but he generally

fides at his Palace in the Country, which stands upon a Hill on the Side of a River coming up to Goa. The Franciscans have one of the finest Convents in Goa, or perhaps elsewhere. It is but small, but the Inside looks like one entire Mass of Gold. it is so richly adorned with it; about the High Altar and the eight Oratories on the Sides. There are many Convents other fine Churches and beautiful Edifices in this City, as the Convents of the Dominicans, Augustinians, Difcalced Carmelites, Jesuits, and Capuchins, besides Monasteries for the other Sex. The Laiety is governed by the Vice-roy, and the Clergy, which compose one half of the Inhabitants by the Archbishop. Here is

alfo an Inquisitor-General, whose

Court was the Terror of these Parts when Goa was in its Glory. The Sovereign Court consists of eight Judges, who administer Justice in

for the Benefit of the cool Air, re-

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all Civil and Criminal Causes, and determine all Appeals from any other Settlement in *India*. The chief Merchants and Tradesmen of *Goa*, are Pagans and Mahometans, and have a certain Part of the Town allotted them, but are not allowed the publick Exercise of their Religion.

SALSETTE, is an Island near Salfette. Goa, on this Side the Ganges, where the Portuguese have two Forts, Aguada and Reyes.

BARDES or BARDAS, is an Bardes. Island also North of Goa, farm'd out by the Portuguese, towards the Maintenance of the Ecclesiastical and Temporal Officers of Goa. This Island is full of small Villages, inhabited chiefly by Canarines, who are for the most part Christians, and trade in Cocoas, of which they have vast Plenty.

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* CHAUL, is a Sea port Town, adjoining to Golconda, at the Mouth of the River of the fame Name, in the 18 Deg of South Latitude, here is a very good Harbour, defended by a Caffle, by most thought impregnable; infomuch that Nifamalocco affaulting it with a very great Army, was forced to quit it. The Trade of this Place is diminished by the English and Dutch, yet the Portuguese still retain it, and are at a vast Expence in maintaining the Garrison.

Daman.

DAMAN or DAMAON, stands about twenty Leagues from Surate, and is a celebrated Port of Asia, on the West of Malabar, in the Kingdom of Gazalate, upon the Coast of the Gulf of Cambaia, in the 20 Deg. of Latitude. This is a Place of good Trade and Strength, the River to

which

^{*} This Town is thought to be Ptolemy's Co-

which it gives Name making a good Haven, on the North Side of which stands the old City, of very ordinary Structure; but the new City standing on the South Side, is very neat, consisting of three broad Streets, the Houses are *Indian* built, neat, but very low, and have pretty Gardens belonging to them. The Town is fortisted by a Wall, wherein are four regular Bastions, and at the Entrance of the Haven a Fort.

ONOR, is a Port-Town of good Onor. Note, in the Kingdom of Canara, about eighty Spanish Leagues South of Goa, heretofore in the Hands of the Portuguese, but now subject to the King of Canara.

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*MELINDA, is a pretty City, built by the Sea, having a good Fort ereched by the Portuguese, to whom it is subject; in the City are seventeen Churches, for the Use of the Portuguese, besides Monasteries.

Meliapor. MELIAPOR or MELIAPUR, is a confiderable Town of Asia, in the Peninsula of Indus, on this Side of the River Gangies, upon the Coast of Choromondel, and an Archbishoprick subject to the Portuguese.

BATCALIA, is fituate in the most wealthy Part of the Kingdom of Canara, never indeed possessed by the Portuguese; but as it pays an annual Tribute unto them, may de-

^{*} Heylin places Melinda in Asia, in the Kingdom of Canara, Vid. Heyl. Cos. 118, 3. p. 800.

Eachard in Africk, upon the Coast of Zanguebar and makes it a City and Kingdom of it it self, Vid. Each. Gaz.

fervedly be reckoned among their other Possessions in these Parts.

MANGALOR, is a City of Manga. Asia, in the Kingdom of Bisnagar, upon the West Shore of the Kingdom of Canara, toward Malabar, Longit. 105 Deg. Lat. 12 Deg. 30 Min. This is a Town of great Wealth and Trade being the greatest Port for Rice in India, fupplying not only European Ships, but the whole Coast of Malabar, fortified with a strong Castle, once destroyed by the Portuguese, but afterwards recovered and repaired by the King of Narsinga, to whom it now is subject; the Portuguese have a rich Factory here, and carry on a prodigious Trade.

CONONOR or CANANOR, is cononor, the Metropolis of a Kingdom of that Name, well built and beautiful, with a fair Haven, as fafe, as it is spacious, where the largest Vessels may ride with

with the greatest Sasety; wherefore this Place is much frequented by soreign Merchants, but especially the Partuguese, who for the affuring of their Trade, had here (with the King's Leave) a Cittadel erected and well Garrison'd; which the Dutch took from them Anno 1663. and possess it to this Day.

Chale.

CHALE, is a strong Place in the Kingdom of Calicut, formerly poffess'd by the Portuguese; but in the Year 1601. recovered by the King of Calicut, who besieged it with an Army of ninety thousand Men, against whom it held out a considerable time; but they at last being almost stary'd were forced to surrender.

Cochin.

COCHIN, is a Bishop's See, and the Metropolis of the Kingdom of that Name, situate on the Mouth of the River Maugat, by which it is encompassed almost like a demy Island fland, of great Trade in regard of its Heaven, which is both fafe and spacious; by the Assistance of the Portuguese, this Nation has freed it felf from the King of Calicut, to whom before they did acknowledge Subjection; to return which Favour the King of Cochin permitted the Portuguese to erect a Fort on the Haven, to secure their Trade. This King being as it were the Pope, or chief Bishop of all the Bramines, is as much reverenced by all the Kings of Malabar, (as is the Pope by fome of the Princes of the Western Parts) who look upon him as the Head of their Superflition, and pay him many annual Duties. Here once were several fine Churches and Edifices, namely, the Church and College of the Jesuits, having a lofty Steeple; also the Cathedral, once a noble Piece of Building, adorned with two Rows of Pil. lars, and a lofty Steeple; the Churches and Convents of the Augustinian, Domi-

Dominican, and Fransciscan Friers, &c. all which (fince the Dutch Anno 1662. had the City surrendred to them,) are demolished.

Hugueli.

* HUGUELI, is a large and rich City of Bengal, in an Island of the Ganges, Lat. 23 Deg. 45 Min. Long. 105 Deg. 45 Min. the Portuguese have here a Castle to secure their Trade, which was very considerable, until the Dutch settled their Factory here; since which the Portuguese Trade has daily decreased.

Porto Grande and Porto Pequeno.

PORTO GRANDE, and PORTO PEQUENO, are two Towns belonging to the Portuguese, but destitute of Forces, Defence, or Rules of Government. In short, Places like the Asslum built by Romulus, to

^{*} Heylin places Hugueli in the Kingdom of Patanaw. Vid. Hey. Cof. lib. 3. p. 815.

which fuch as dare not stay in their own Country, or any well governed City, used to refort, priviledged there to live in all kind of Licentionsness.

MALACA, the chief City of Malacai the Kingdom, of that Name was formerly called Musicana, or at least built very near it, from whence this Tract is called by Strabo, Terra Musicana. The City is feated on the Banks of the River Gaza, which is here supposed to be fifteen Miles broad: By the frequent Overflowings of which, and its nearness to the Line, the Air is very unwholefome, and the Country therefore meanly peopled; the Country is twenty Miles in Compass, of great Wealth, all Countries almost Trading hither, for Spices, Gold, Silver, and Precious Stones. The most noted Empory of the East, infomuch that Louis Barthema, who was

was there before the Portuguese knew it, averred it was Traded to even then by more Ships, than any one City of the World; yet since the Portuguese possessed it, the Trade has incredibly encreased. The People (as in all this Tract) are of an Ash Colour, their Hair hanging carelessly about them, very Barbarous, and Savage, especially when they meet in the Night.

Malaca, when founded. This Tract in former times was subject to the Kings of Siam, but about the Year 12,8. became a Kingdom of it self; founded by Paramisera, and some other of the Javan Nobility, who slying the Tyranny of their own King, came hither, and were kindly received by Sangasinga, then reigning under the Siamite, in Sincapura. Him they persidiously murdered, and set up Paramisera in his stead, but he being routed by the King of Siam, was

Sangasinga ilain.

Paramifera King.

forced

forced to feek a new Dwelling, and after two or three Removes, pitched upon the place where Malaca, now standeth, which City (being pleased with its Situation) he is said to have founded. The Trade of Sincapura, in a short time removed hither, which so encreased the wealth and Power of its succeeding Kings, that joining with the Moors, they cast of all Subjection to the Kings of Siam.

INCENSED with which, the King of Siamite An. 1500. fent out a Fleet of Siamite An. 1500. fent out a Fleet of Siamite and two hundred Sail, to diffress it by Sea, and an Army of three thousand Malaca. Men, and four hundred Elephants, to besiege it by Land; but before he was able to effect any thing, being hindred at Sea by adverse Winds, and at Land by the Insolencies of his mutinous Soldiers, the Portuguese Anno 1511. Under the Command of Albuquerque, stepp'd in between, and possible said the said that the said tha

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The Portuguese Dominions possessed themselves of it, and built there a Fortress, and a Church.

AND though Alodinus, the Son of the expell'd King, the Saracens, Hollanders, the Kings of Johr, and Achen, (two neighbouring Princes) all envying the Fortune of the Portuguese, have feverally endeavoured to deprive them of this their Conquest, yet did. they keep it in defiance of all Opposition made against them, for the Space of one hundred and twenty nine Years, when the Dutch took it from them Anno 1640. after a close Siege of fix Months; this was the fecond Government depending on the Vice-roy of Goa, because of the Customs paid here by all the Ships that went to the East; this City stands on the Western Shore, in Longitude 127 Deg. 25 Min. Latitude 3 Deg. 40 Min.

DIANGA, a Town of Arrachan, Dianga. in the Kingdom of Pegue, forty Leagues North of Arrachan, was taken and destroyed by the Portuguese, in the Quarrels between them and the King of Arrachan, Anno 1608. it is now a poor desolate Place, inhabited by none but Portuguese Fugitives.

SUNDIVA, is situate in an sundiva. Island to which it giveth Name, six Leagues off from the Continent of Bengal, to which it formerly belonged. The Portuguese subdued the the whole Island, Ann. 1602. But the King of Arrachan two Years after, deprived them of their Conquest, and added it to his own Kingdom; the Island is thirty Leagues in Compass, very strong and fruitful, and the Town well fortisied.

Ce SIRIANG,

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from its River, being strongly situated on the Banks thereof. This Town was given by the King of Arrachan to the Portaguese, and by them committed to the Custody of Philip de Britto, Anno 1600. or thereabout; who having fortissed it against the said King, and his Associate of Tangu, for thirteen Years; he was at last forced to surrender himself Prisoner to the King of Ava, by whom he was spitted alive, and the Town demolished.

Negapa-

NEGAPATAN, lies in 11 DegaNorth Latitude, near the Mouth of a River, which falls into the Bay of Bengal at this Town; it was but an inconfiderable Place, till the Portuguese built and fortified it with a Wall, twelve Bastions, and a numerous Artillery. The Portuguese however (to their Shame be it spoken)

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furrender'd it to the Dutch, Anno 1658. on their appearing before it with five hundred Men, without making the least Opposition.

MASULAPATAN, is a Ci-Mofulaty and Sea-Port in the hither India, patan. on the Shores of the Bay of Bengal, in the Kingdom of Golconda, Lat. 16 Deg. 30 Min. Long. 81 Deg. formerly subject to the Portuguese.

BARCELOR, was once fub-Barcelor; ject to the Portuguese, but now to the Dutch.

the River Arcet two Leagues from nor.
the Ocean, and feven Leagues North of Cochin, it was a Bishoprick while in the Possession of the Portuguese, but Anno 1667. the Dutch took it from them, and put it and the Kingdom (of which this was the Metropolis)

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 polis) into the Hands of the King of
 Calicut.
- Maym. MAYM, a Town of Decan in the East Indies, where the English and Portuguese have Factories; but the Town is subject to the King of Decan.
- Mascara. MASCATA, is a wealthy City of Oman, and a Province of Arabia Felix, having a very good Harbour, defended by a very strong Castle, which with the City, is subject to the Portuguese.
- BASSAIM or BACEIM, lies in 19 Deg. and half of Latitude, and being furrounded by a small Channel, forms a fort of an Island. The Portuguese in whose Possession this Port is, have built therein six Churches, besides Monasteries, and a College of Jesuits, having besides several neighbouring Villages under their

their Jurisdiction. This Place is the Residence of the Portuguese Captain-General of the North of India, who has a Sovereign Power over the Governor of this, and all other Northern Settlements,

CAMBATA, is a City lying Cambaya, in 22 Degrees 30 Min. Latitude and 105 Deg. Longitude, and is the Capital of the Kingdom of Gazurat situate at the very Bottom of the Gulf of the same Name; it is bigger then Surate and had once a better Trade, which is fince removed to Surate. The Portuguese having once been (until expelled by the Moors) Masters of this Place, is the Reafon of my mentioning of it here; the City is begirt with a Brick-Wall, adorned with feveral Towers; the Streets are spacious, and the Houses near, built of Brick dried in the Sun. In this City are the Sepulchres of the Princes Cc 3

of Cambaya, as also a large old Castle.

Goga.

GOGA, is situate on the West side of the Gulph of Surate in 31 Deg. of North Latitude, an inconsiderable Place where the Portuguese, Shipping bound for Goa, generally Rendevouz.

CHATIGAN, lies near the Chatigan. Mouth of the most easterly Part of the Ganges; here the Portuguese, formerly fet up for a kind Sovereignty, and affociating with Pyrates and Banditti of all Nations, formed a Government of their own, owning no Subjection to their natural Prince, nor the Prince of the Country: and fo for feveral Years continued, until their daily Robberies by Sea and Land fo interrupted Commerce, that the late Mogul fent an Army against it and Extripated them.

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CEYLON, is an Island situate Ceylon. between 6 and 10 Deg. of North Latitude and between 79 and 82 Deg. of Longitude from the Meridian of London, it is about two hundred and fifty Miles in Length from North to South, and about two hundred in Breadth from East to West, much resembling the Shape of a Ham. It is from the hither Peninfula of India, about fifteen Leagues, was (whilft under their Jurisdiction) the noblest Acquisition belonging to the Portuguele, it being the only Spot in the World, which produces in great Quantities the best Cinnamon.

THE chief Towns which were subject to the Portuguese were Colum- Columbo. bo, fituate on the South West part of the Island in 7 Deg. of Latitude. About the Year 1520. the Portuguese fortified this and feveral other Places

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on the Coast of Ceylon and thence began to dispute the Sovereignty with the King of Candia, when the Dutch offering to affift the King, he accepted it, and took Columbo, in the Year 1656. The Dutch fecur'd this as they indeed did all the other Towns, and greatest Part of the Country too, that produced plenty of Cinnamon. As a Reward for their Services, and so deprived the King of the very Cinnamon it felf, which so enraged him, that from that time he became their mortal Enemy, and would not for feveral Years, receive fo much as an Ambase fador from them.

Negumbo

NEGUMBO, is about eight Leagues North of Columbo and in the Year 1644. was taken from the Portuguese by their very good Friends the Dutch.

THE Island of MANAR, lies Manar, on the same Coast, about twenty-feven Leagues North of Negumbo; this the Duich deprived the Portuguese, of also in the Year 1058.

JAFFANAPATAN, as well faffanapaas the aforefaid Islands, is now in the Possessino of the Dutch; the Metropolis bears the same Name, and was regularly fortified by the Portuguese, who surrendred it to the Dutch, Anno 1658. the most Northern Point upon this Coast, is called by the Portuguese, Punta dos Pedras, or the Rocky-Point.

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