

“ with which they returned to the ship. DON LORENZO also sent
 “ DON DIEGO DE VERA with the command of a party of soldiers,
 “ who were in best health, to seek an Indian woman, to keep her
 “ as an hostage; and by that means to make the natives desist
 “ from the evil they were constantly committing. They brought
 “ three, with six children, who were frequently visited by their
 “ husbands, and, with others of their people, they came to beg
 “ them, with much caresses. They let them go, to satisfy them,
 “ with which they appeared very thankful. The general, DON
 “ LORENZO, who (as before-mentioned) was wounded in the
 “ leg with an arrow, was obliged to keep his bed, where he
 “ quickly grew worse, being seized with deliriousness *. In
 “ short, his illness increasing, he died the 2d November, being
 “ lamented, and buried in the same manner as the Adelantado a
 “ little before. Soon after the vicar followed him; his disease
 “ was of longer continuance. This loss was such as the sins of
 “ these unfortunate pilgrims deserved; it served as a stroke to
 “ tell them they were displeasing to God, when, after so many
 “ corporeal afflictions, he took from them their spiritual com-
 “ fort. The vicar, JUAN RODRIGUEZ DE ESPINOSA, was a
 “ man of virtuous parts, zealous for the good of the souls com-
 “ mitted to his charge. He gave, by a well regulated life, a
 “ good example to all, and was beloved by all. Captain PE-
 “ DRO FERNANDEZ DE QUIROS was his executor; he made
 “ him bury him in the sea, not caring to be carried a-shore,
 “ lest the Indians should dig him up, and commit some inde-
 “ cencies with his body.

“ With such continued misfortunes our people were brought
 “ to such a state, that twenty determined Indians might have
 “ driven them away, and destroyed the town, even without

* Pafmado.

“ danger.