

Lema isles, of which they had the same view as represented in a plate of Lord Anson's voyage. They also passed the rock marked R, in Lord Anson's plate; but instead of hauling up to the Northward of the Grand Ladrone island, as was done by the Centurion, they proceeded to leeward, a course against which Capt. King has cautioned the mariners.

Two Chinese pilots were now taken on board the Resolution; and they finally anchored in the Tpya, near the road of Macao, on the 2d of Dec. Here we received the first intelligence of the war. Hence, on the 11th, Capt. King took passage, not without many previous difficulties, to Canton; in order to expedite a supply of naval stores for the ships. Although he arrived here on the 17th, various delays prevented the accomplishment of this business till the 26th.

On the 27th he left Canton, and took a passage down the river Tygris to Macao, where he arrived the next day. Besides a handsome present of tea, which Capt. King received from the English supercargoes at Canton, he mentions as a valuable acquisition, a large collection of our periodical publications, which both served to amuse their impatience during their tedious voyage home, and enabled them to return no total strangers to what had been transacting in their native country.

While the ships lay in the Tpya, Capt. King was shewn, in a garden belonging to an English gentleman at Macao, the rock, under which, as the tradition there goes, the poet Camoens used to sit and compose his *Lusiad*. It is a lofty arch of one solid stone, and forms the entrance of a grotto dug out of the rising ground behind it. The rock is overshadowed by large spreading trees, and commands an extensive and magnificent