

or melted Minerals, which have been known to run in a Fiery Torrent a mile into the Sea, before the Waves could extinguish them; and here the Chief Cities are *Mefina* and *Syracuse*; and the whole Countrey at present is under the King of *Spain*, tho formerly it was an entire Kingdom Governed by a King of its own; the Kings of *Sicily*, lately stiling themselves Kings of *Jerusalem*; and the people are much of the nature of those in *Italy*, from which the Island is divided by a small Arm of the Sea only.

MALTA, anciently *Melita*, the Landing Place of *St. Paul* in his way to *Rome*, when the Viper clave to his hand, and he shook it into the Fire, is a fair Island, tho but little in Compass, yielding store of Oranges, Lemons, Figgs, Citrons, Corroons, Pomgranats, and many other delicious Fruits; but is so unhappy to be mostly deficient in Wine and Corn, by which it is supplied from *Sicily* and other parts; however it is one of the Chief Sea Fortresses or Bulwarks of Christendom against the Turks, Comanded by an Order of Knights, called the Knights of *St. John of Jerusalem*, tho vulgarly termed or named the Knights of *Malta*; the whole Territory being 10 Leagues in Length and 4 in Breadth, yet contains 60 Villages, and 4 principal Cities; the Chief *Valet*, a strong and well Fortified City, where in the great Master of the Order has his Palace, and the Knights their Chambers; as also a Tower from whence a Prospect may be taken of the whole Island.

CORSICA, Scituate over against *Genoa*, being 325 Miles in Circumference, and of a very Fruitful Product, yielding Corn, Wine, Figgs, Raisins and Hony, and has in it Iron Mines, Mines of Allom, and other Minerals, and has for its chief Cities, *Bassia*, (pleasantly seated on the North East part of the Island, on a commodious Haven) *Mara*, *Gallera*, *St. Florence*, *St. Boniface*, and some others of lesser note, and is under the Government of *Genoa*,
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