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Salto, a place for landing of goods consigned to this place, and in lat. 3. 13. 16. S. Near Tumbes is a river of the same name, which discharges itself into the bay of Guayaquil. It stands in a very sandy plain, interspersed with some small eminences. It consists of 70 cane-houses, scattered up and down, with about 150 families of Mestizoes, Indians, Mulattoes, and a few Spaniards; besides others along the river's banks, continually employed in agriculture. The heat is excessive, without rain for several years successively, but when it falls it continues all the winter. Here Pizarro and the Spaniards first landed in these south parts of America, where they saw prodigious riches, with large palaces, castles, and temples, of all which there is not a single vestige now remaining. The whole country, through which the road hither lies, is entirely waste, partly overflowed by the tide, and partly dead sands, which reflect the sun-beams very intensely.

TUNGURAGUA, a conical mountain of the Cordillera of the Andes, in the province of Quito, South America, about seven leagues N. of Riobamba town; it is equally steep on all sides.

TUNJA, a town of New Granada and Terra Firma, in South America; the principal trading place in all the country. It abounds with mines of gold and emeralds; the air is temperate, and hardly any difference perceived between winter and summer. The soil produces plenty of corn, and most other necessaries. It lies about thirty miles S. W. of Truxillo. Lat. 4. 51. N. long. 72. 10. W.

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