

It has been often taken and retaken by the Turks and Imperialists. Lon. 17 42 E, lat. 46 21 N.

ZIRICZEE, a strong town of the United Provinces, in Zealand, and the principal of the isle of Schowen, 12 miles NE of Middleburg, and 28 SW of Briel. Lon. 4 10 E, lat. 51 36 N.

ZITTAW, a fortified town of Germany, in Lusatia, subject to the elector of Saxony. It is a handsome place and surrounded with a wall, and has ditches and bastions. Besides the suburbs and handsome gardens that surround it on all sides, there are a number of fine villages that depend thereon. The principal business of the inhabitants is brewing beer; but there are above 100 clothiers, and in the neighbouring villages above 1000 weavers. Its merchants trade with those of Prague and Leipzig, and extend their commerce as far as Holland. The cathedral has three organs, and two high steeples. Near it is a college, where the languages, drawing, and other arts, are taught gratis. Joining to the cloisters is a library, the finest in all Lusatia; and at a small distance from it, is the orphan house. It was pillaged by the Austrians in 1757. It is seated on the Neisse, 17 miles SW of Górlitz, and 25 SE of Dresden. Lon. 15 5 E, lat. 50 59 N.

ZNAIM, a strong town of Germany, in Moravia, with a castle, in which are a great many pagan antiquities. It is seated on the river Teya, 24 miles SW of Brinn, and 32 N of Vienna. Lon. 16 40 E, lat. 48 38 N.

ZOARA, a fortified town on the coast of Barbary, with a good harbour, 60 miles W of Tripoli. Lon. 11 55 E, lat. 32 45 N.

ZOBLITZ, a town of Germany in the circle of Upper Saxony; the chief subsistence of the inhabitants is working the serpent stone, which is found in the neighbourhood, into tea and coffee cups, &c. A red species of this stone is also found here, which is considered as the finest, and therefore claimed by the sovereign as his property. It is 17 miles S of Freyburg.

ZOFFINGEN, a town of Switzerland, in the canton of Bern, with an elegant church, and a public library, containing several curious manuscripts. It is seated near a large forest, which contains the best pine-trees in all Switzerland, three miles from Arburg. Lon. 7 6 E, lat. 47 5 N.

ZOLNOCK, a town in Upper Hungary, capital of a county of the same name. It

was taken by the Turks in 1554, and retaken in 1685. It is seated on the Teyffe, where the Sagelia falls into it, 62 miles NE of Colocza, and 62 E of Buda. Lon. 20 50 E, lat. 47 10 N.

ZÖRNDORF, a village of Germany, in the new marche of Brandenburg, famous for a battle between the king of Prussia, and the Russians.

ZOUT PAN, a curious salt lake in the country of the Hottentots, situated a few miles N of Point Padron. It is a plain, much above the level of the sea, and between three and four miles in circumference. At some seasons of the year, it is formed into an entire mass of fine white salt, which has a very striking appearance. It was visited in December 1778, by lieutenant Paterfon, who found, that a short time before his arrival, the middle part of it had been dissolved by the heavy rains, but that round the sides was a hard crust of salt exactly resembling ice.

ZUEELA, a town of Africa, in Fezzan, situated in a district of remarkable fertility, in which the remnants of ancient buildings, the number and size of the cisterns, and the construction of the vaulted caves, intended perhaps as repositories of corn, exhibit such vestiges of ancient splendour, as will probably attract and highly reward the attention of future travellers. It is 140 miles E of Moorzook. Lon. 16 34 E, lat. 27 59 N.

ZUG, a small canton of Switzerland, bounded on the E and N by that of Zürich, on the W by that of Lucern and the Free Provinces, and on the S by that of Schweitz. It is rich in pasturage, has plenty of various kinds of stone fruit, as well as walnuts and chestnuts; and its wine is of a very acid flavour. The inhabitants are Roman catholics, and the government is democratic. The inhabitants of this canton, and especially of the town of Zug, have somewhat more influence, and enjoy a greater share in the administration of affairs, than those of the capital burghs in the five other democratical cantons.

ZUG, a town of Switzerland, capital of a canton of the same name, and the only walled town of all the popular ones, stands delightfully upon the edge of a beautiful lake, in a fertile valley, abounding in corn, pasture-ground, and fruit-trees. In 1435, a street which was on the side of the lake, was swallowed up. There are several handsome churches, and a good townhouse. Zug is 12 miles NE of Lucern, and 42 SE of Basil. Lon. 8 16 E, lat. 47 10 N.

ZUIDER-ZEE, a great bay of the Ger-