

“ is well peopled, of the interior part they give no account,
 “ for they did not go thither.

“ On the 7th November all were embarked, whereby a
 “ bad conclusion was put to this *good undertaking* *, ill managed
 “ in a thousand circumstances †, and especially because it was
 “ not set on foot on his majesty's account, whose countenance
 “ is essential for the execution and maintenance of such at-
 “ tempts.

“ Next day a northerly wind set in, and as it was a little
 “ [fresh] they parted three cables which the ship held by, there
 “ remaining one only, and so small, that it was not thought
 “ sufficient to hold a boat : but although it appeared so weak,
 “ it was, God be praised, so strong, that it alone held the
 “ ship, preventing it from driving a-shore, to which it was very
 “ near.

“ In the evening LUYs DE ANDRADA was sent with thirty
 “ men to seek provisions for the voyage. He went to a small
 “ island, which, on account of its fertility and verdure, they
 “ named LA GUERTA [THE GARDEN]. He found in a creek
 “ five of the large canoes, laden with bundles ‡ of the country-
 “ biscuit, which the Indians had carried thither. He had it
 “ seized, and all sent to the ship without any difficulty. He
 “ affirmed there was 120 dead hogs §. After they had been at
 “ this creek they put in order the sick, who, from their leav-
 “ ing PERU, had been under the care of a venerable old her-
 “ mitan, who in LIMA served in the hospital of the Indians :
 “ his name was JUAN LEAL [LOYAL JOHN], and such he was
 “ in all the necessities they suffered. This servant of God, of
 “ exemplary manners and life, with very indifferent health,
 “ and without the least sign of reluctance (though he had much.

* Buena empreffa.

† Errada por mil caminos.

‡ Espuertas.

§ Aver muerto 120 puercos de que se vio parte.