

1616. " In the evening they returned on board, without having done any thing, except that they brought some herbs, which tasted very much like cresses. They also said they had found three dogs, which could not bark or make any noise. They found some small pools or ponds of fresh water, which had been made by the rain. By what they could judge, the greatest part of this island is overflowed, at high water: it is surrounded with a border, like a mole, covered with fine trees, pleasant and agreeable to the sight, but within, in many places, it was filled with salt water. This island is in $15^{\circ} 12'$ S distant according to our estimation 925 German leagues ($3700' = 61^{\circ} 40'$) from the coast of PERU; this day we had the wind at N. and leaving the island, sailed as before, directly W towards the ISLANDS of SOLOMON; and we named the said island DOG ISLAND. The night after it blew very hard with much rain.

† " 14th, wind E and ESE as before, we sailed W and saw plenty of fish and birds. After breakfast we saw, to the

the shore and many gulls and other birds roosting on the trees. It is the island which Magalhães calls *Desventurada*, of which Jerome Benzon wrote us, that it was only three leagues in circuit, so low, in some places, that the sea flows into the middle of the island with the tide. It is full of water-cresses, which are very bitter to the taste and good for the scurvy, pungent like *dragon*, and purgative. It is situated in $15^{\circ} 15'$ S 920 leagues distant from the coast of Peru: they called it Dog Island having seen three Spanish dogs very lean." L.

*Picquant
comme du
dragon*

† 11th. Wind NE at noon just in 15° S, at night the wind freshened, which made us afraid that the vessel might run on some low island, as *Tuberones*, which would have done us much damage, but God preserved us.

" The 12th the president gave to the chief and second pilot the charts of *Terra Australis* and of *New Guinea*, to the end that they should direct themselves by them.