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and cross d the Lagune ; with an intention to fearch the Coaft till he found the Mouth of the Great River, M. Beaujen waited ten Weeks, and heard no Tidings from him, it being in the Heat of Summer. They wanting Water and Provisions, befides abundance of his Men falling fick of Fevers and Bloodyfluxes, he departed for France, without any News of M. du Salle; who after he departed from the Ships, rambled fome Days in the Lagune, and coafted the Main chiefly towards the West; which was directly contrary to the Course he should have taken, the great River being distant above one hundred Leagues to the East. But many believe M. du Salle was guilty of a wilful Mistake; for he perfwaded his Men, That fince they could not find the River, and were come to the River of St. Magdalen, being the North-Westerly end of the Gulf, which was not above two hundred Leagues from the rich Mines of Endebe, Santa Barbara, la Parale, and others in the Province of Sacentecas, where the Spaniards are few, and not Warlike, they could not fail of a rich and easie Booty. This Proposition occasion'd a great Division amongst his Men, and deadly Feuds: One part were ready to comply with his Project; others for returning to their Ships; a third Party for fearching the Continent towards the East, till they found the Great River, and then return and Pilot the Ship thither, and purfue their Instructions of Planting and Trading. From Words they came to Blows; many were kill'd in the Scuffle, and amongst others M. du Salle very treacheroufly by one of Aa