

this base kind of carriage did quite ouerthrowe his authoritie, and they making a partie amongst themselves did remoue with their Minister *Iohn de Lerie*, which diuision of their Colonie in two was the cause that neither could subsist, so that *Villagagnon* abandoning that Countrey, all after many seuerall designes returned vnto *France*, hauing found no impediment to so good a purpose but the peruersenesse of such mindes as they had carried with them.

Monsieur De Larauerdier a very worthie Gentleman did of late enterprise the like ccourse in the same bounds, and was crossed in the same manner by the difference of Religion (disputations quickning them to contrauert who will not be conuerted) that distracted his companie with seuerall opinions, yet at this time a long continuance making that lesse strange amongst the *French* then it was wont to be, the Gentleman did command with such judgement, and discretion, that what euer priuate dislike was, it neuer bursted forth in any open insurrection. And for the space of foure or fise yeeres being befriended by the Natiues, though continually opposed both by the *Spaniards*, and by the *Portugals*, yet he alwaies preuayled, liuing (as himselfe told me) with more contentment then euer he had done in his time either before or since; hee could neuer discerne any Winter there by the effects, seeing no stormy weather at all, and finding a continuall greennesse to beautifie the fields, which did affoord such abundance, and variety of all things necessary for the maintaynance, that they were neuer in any danger of famine, but in end finding no more people coming from *France*, and fearing that time should weare away them that were with him; then being flattered with the loue of his native soyle, longing to see his friends, and tempted by the hope of a present gaine, which as he imagined might the better enable him for some such purpose in an other part, he capitulated with the *Spaniards* to surrender the place hauing assurance giuen him for a great summe of money which should haue bene deliuered in
Spaine,