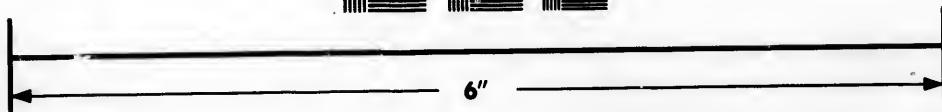
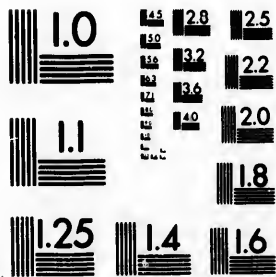


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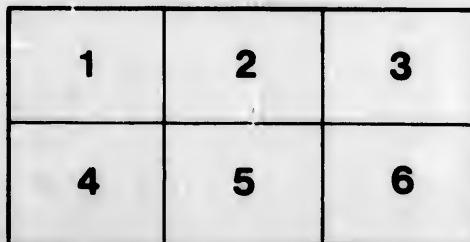
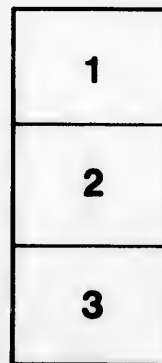
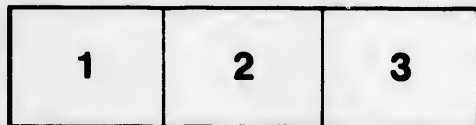
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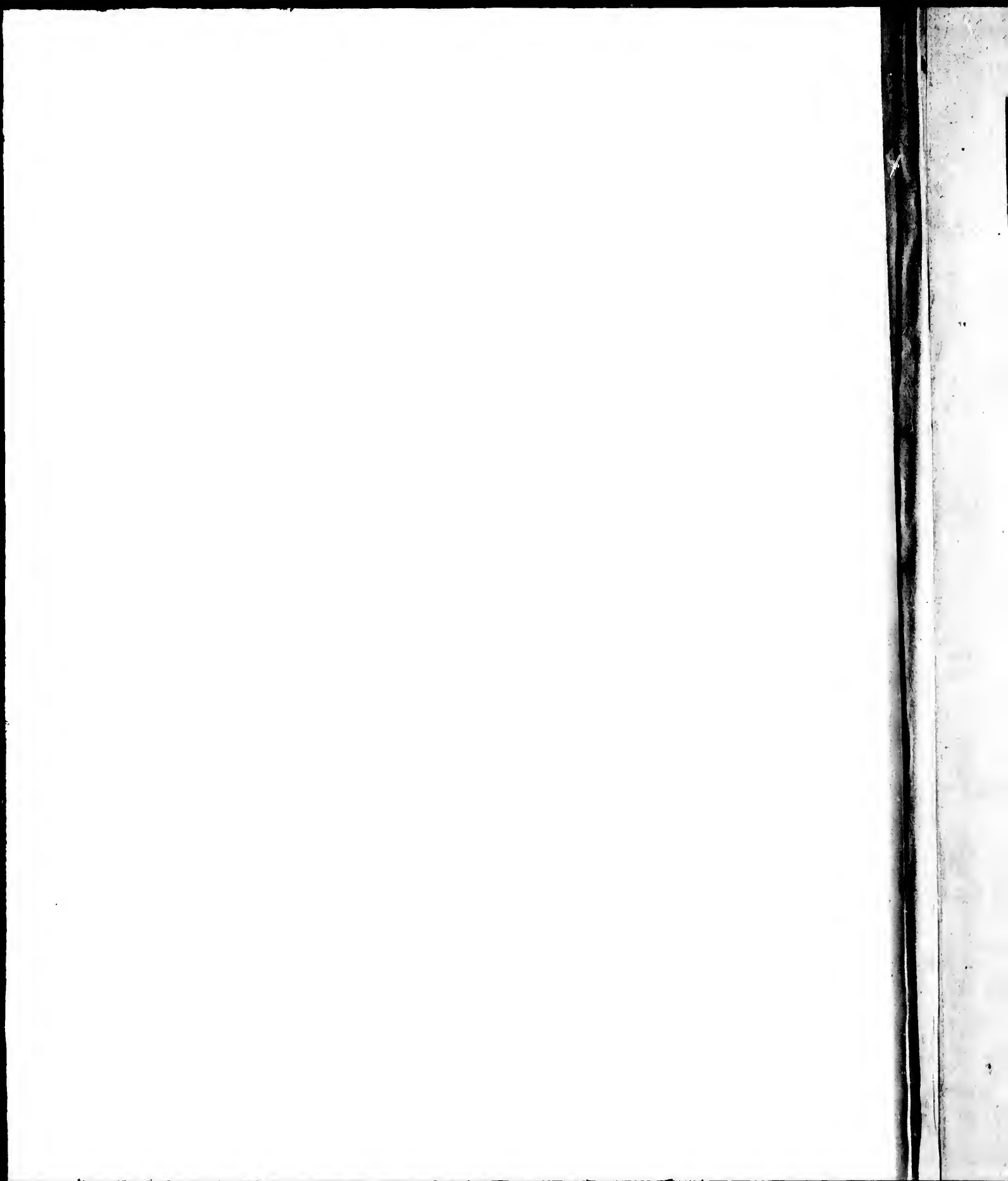
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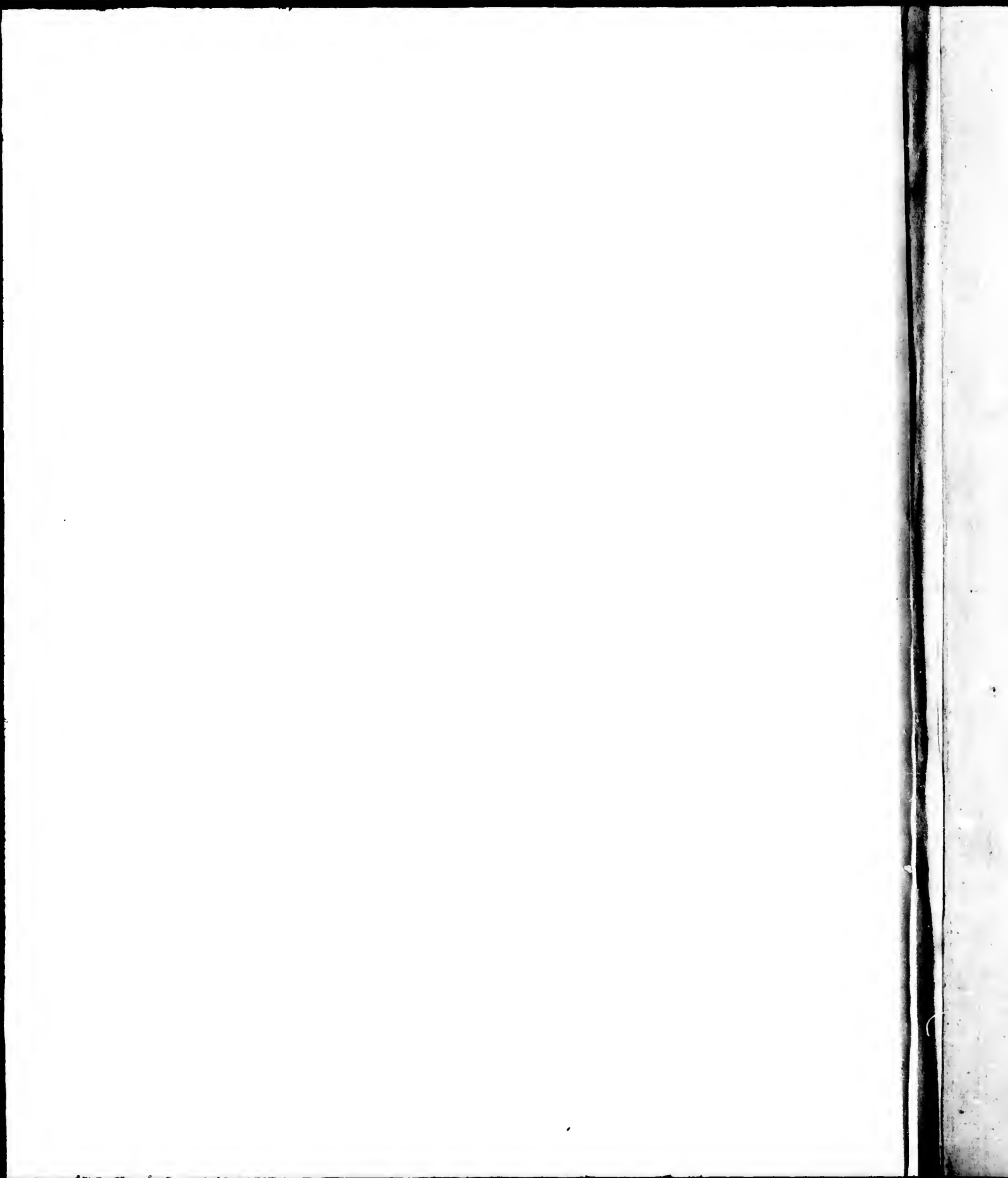
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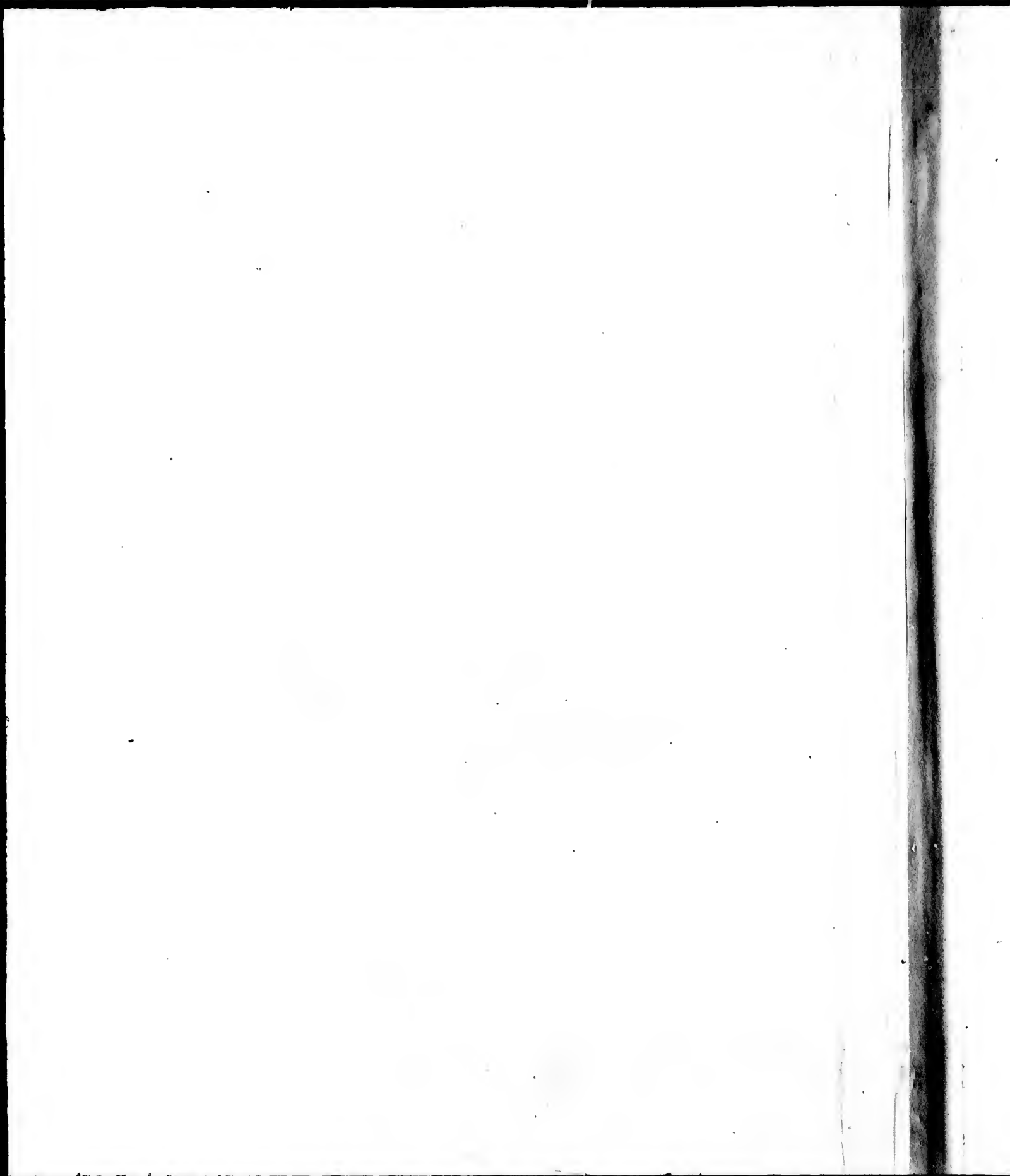
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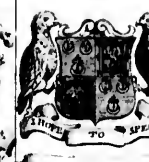















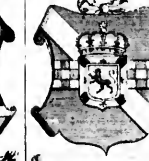
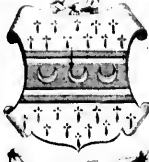





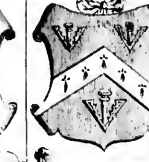



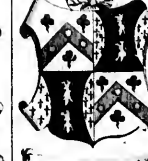
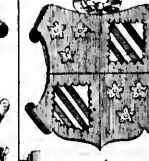
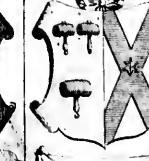
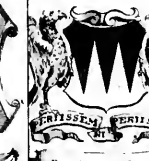


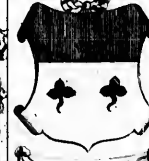



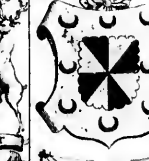
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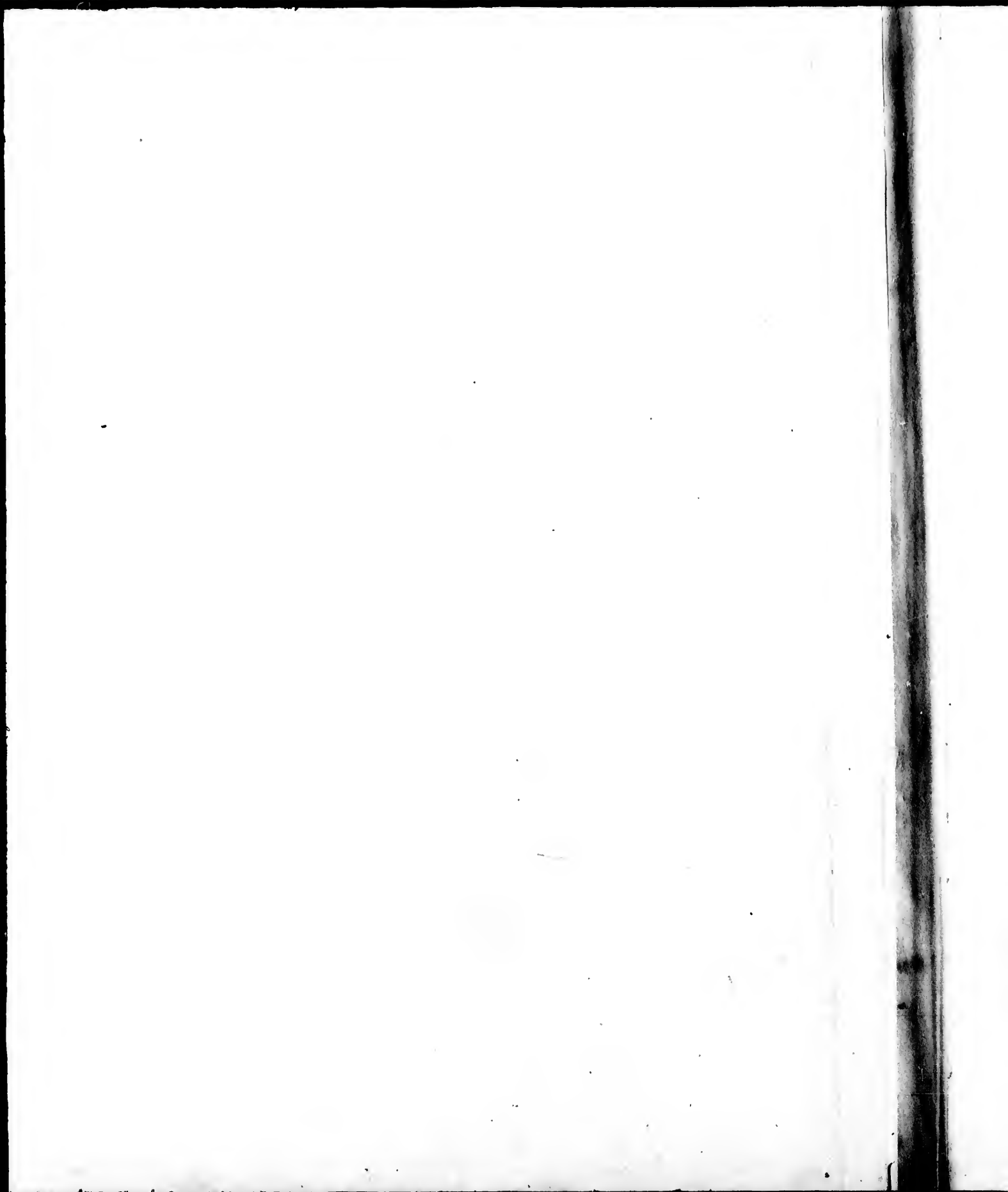
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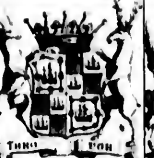













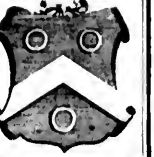



















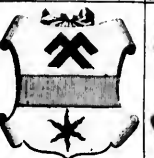








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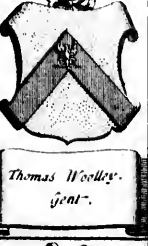







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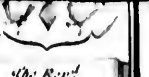






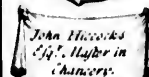
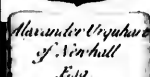
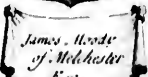
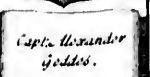
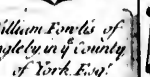
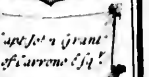
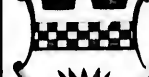
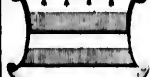








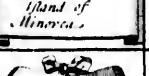

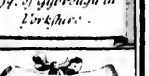











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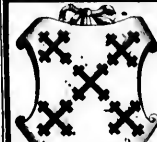






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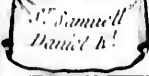
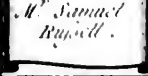
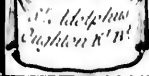
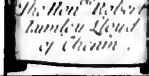
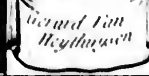
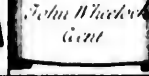
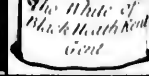




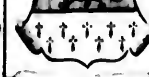









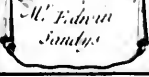
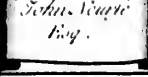
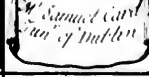
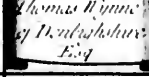
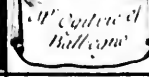
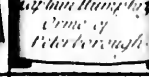
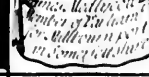







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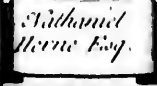
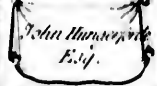
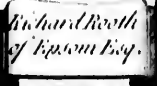
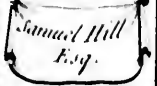
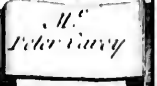
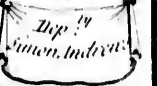












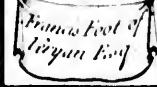
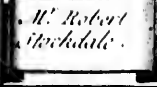
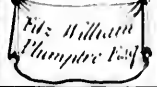
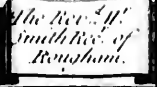
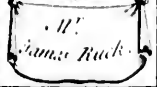
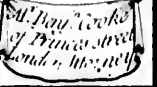






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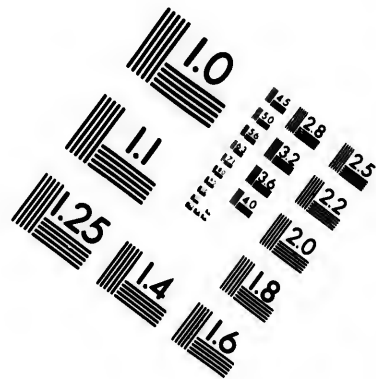
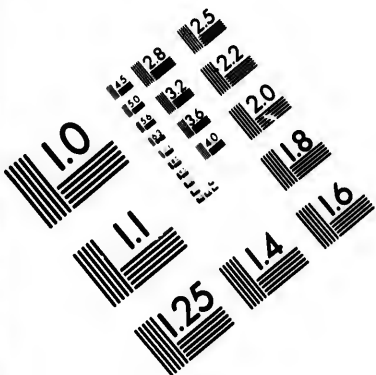
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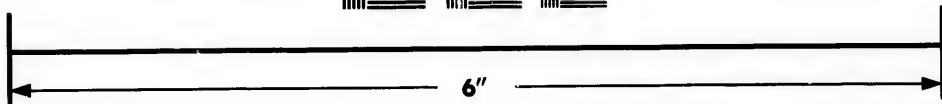
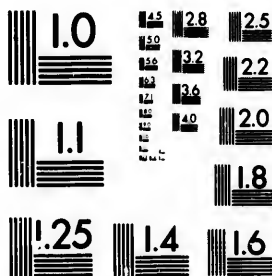
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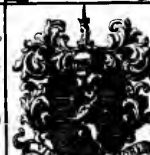















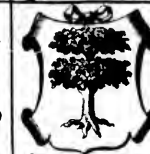
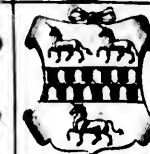
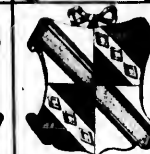
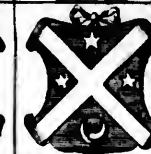


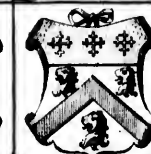
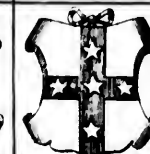
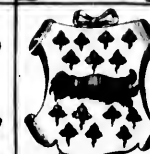
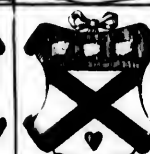
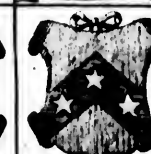


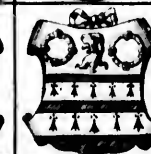
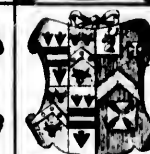



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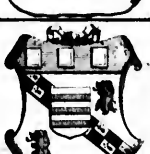






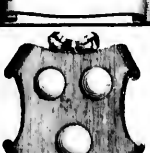










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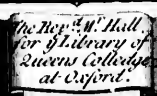
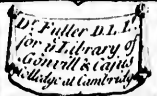
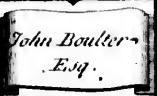
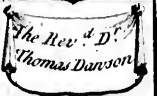
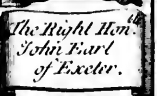

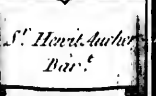





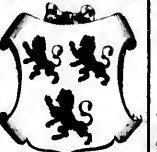
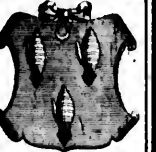

















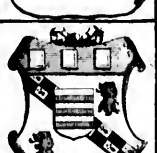












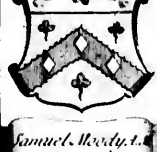




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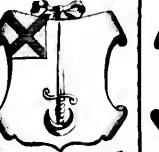

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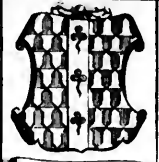

















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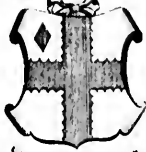








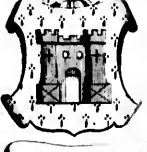
























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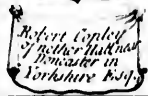
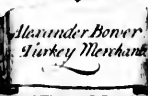
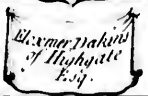
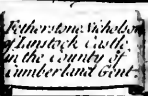

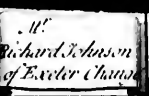




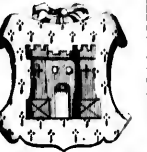



















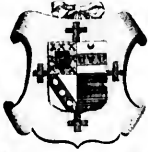
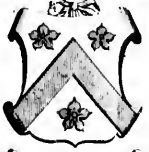








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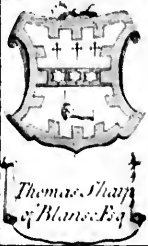






































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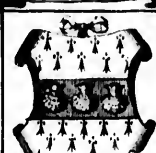

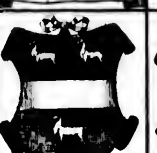







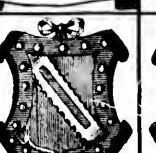







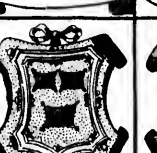






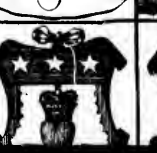

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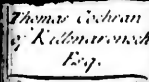
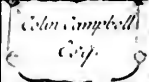
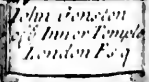
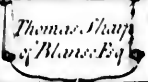
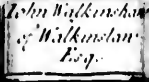
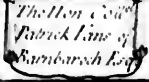
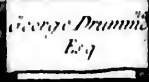















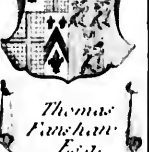










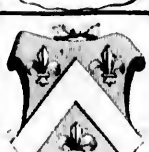















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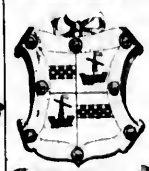
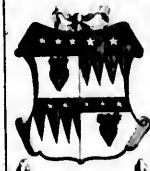



















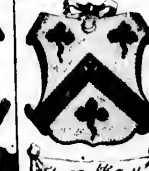

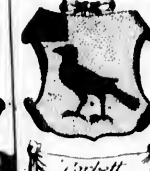



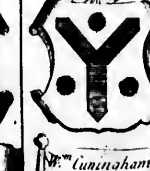











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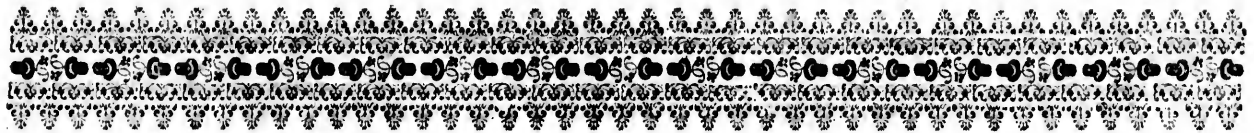
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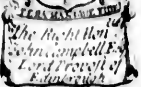
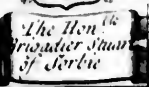
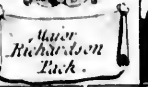
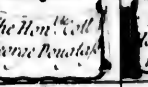


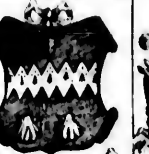
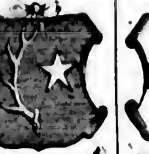




























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MANY of the Nobility and Gentry of Scotland having generously encouraged this Work by Subscriptions, we consulted several of their Parliament-Men, and others, upon the Maps of it in Bleau's Atlas, the best that were ever published of that Nation; by which we have improved the Map and Description of Scotland beyond any thing yet extant.

IF any object that the Description of the Scots Isles is larger in proportion than the rest, the Reason is, that we had better Accounts of them, that their Natural History is curious; and that being the principal Seat of the Fishery, towards which the People of Great Britain have of late discovered so much Inclination, we took particular Care to mention the several Sorts of Fish, the Places where they abound most, and the Harbours, &c. where that Trade is best to be carried on in those Islands.

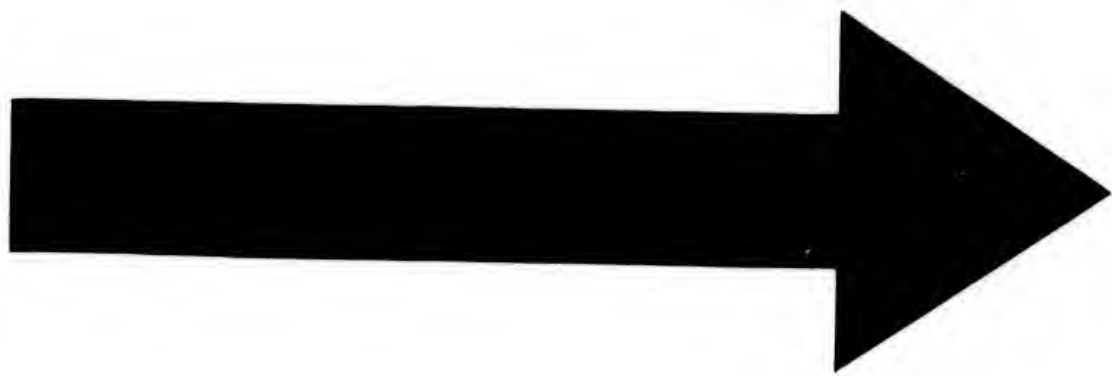


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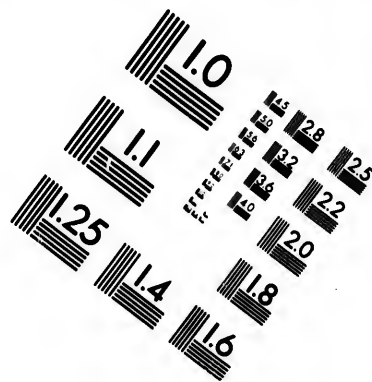
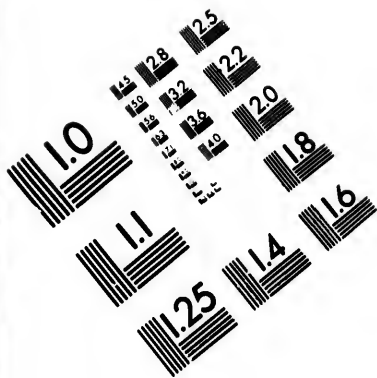
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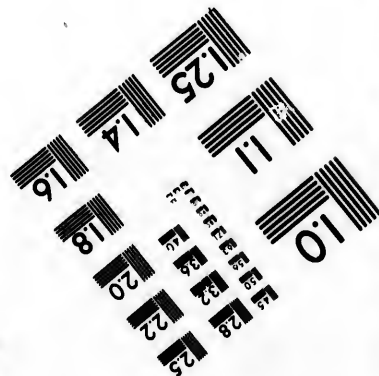
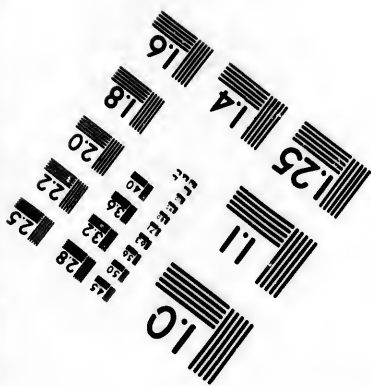
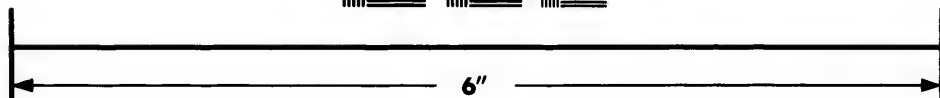
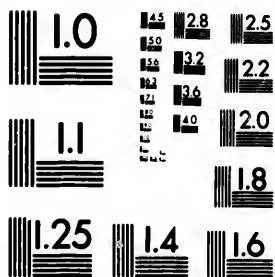
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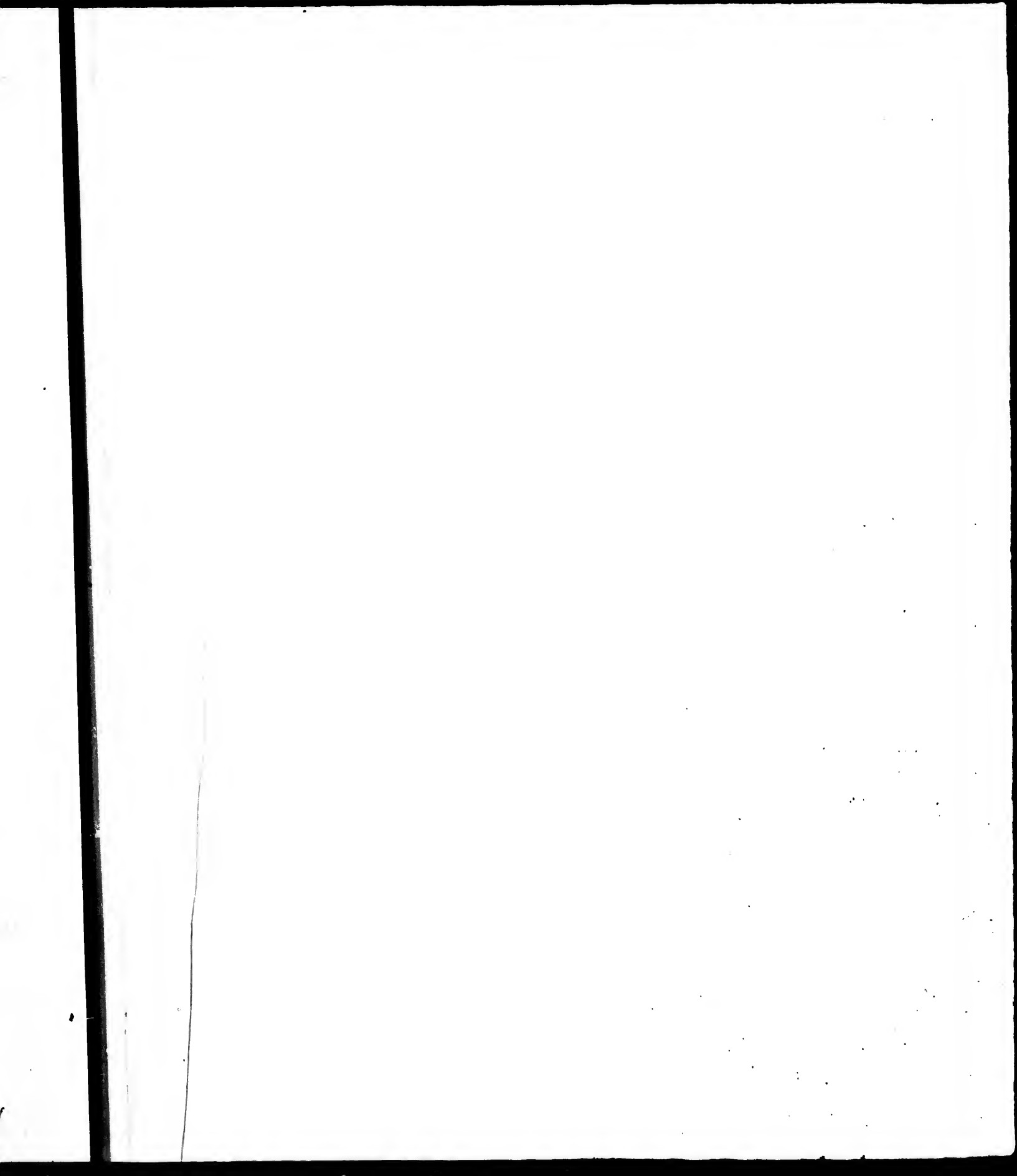
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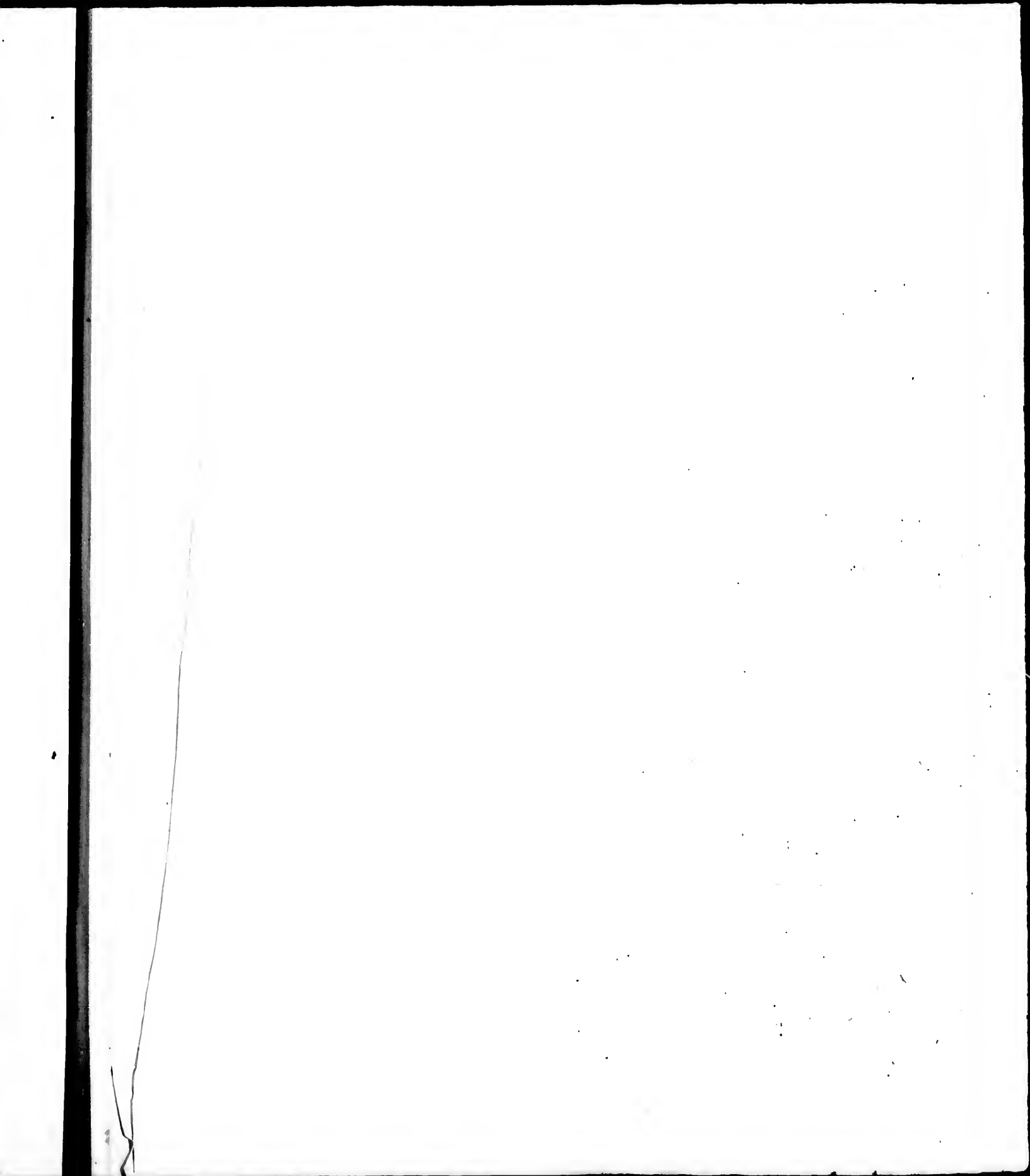
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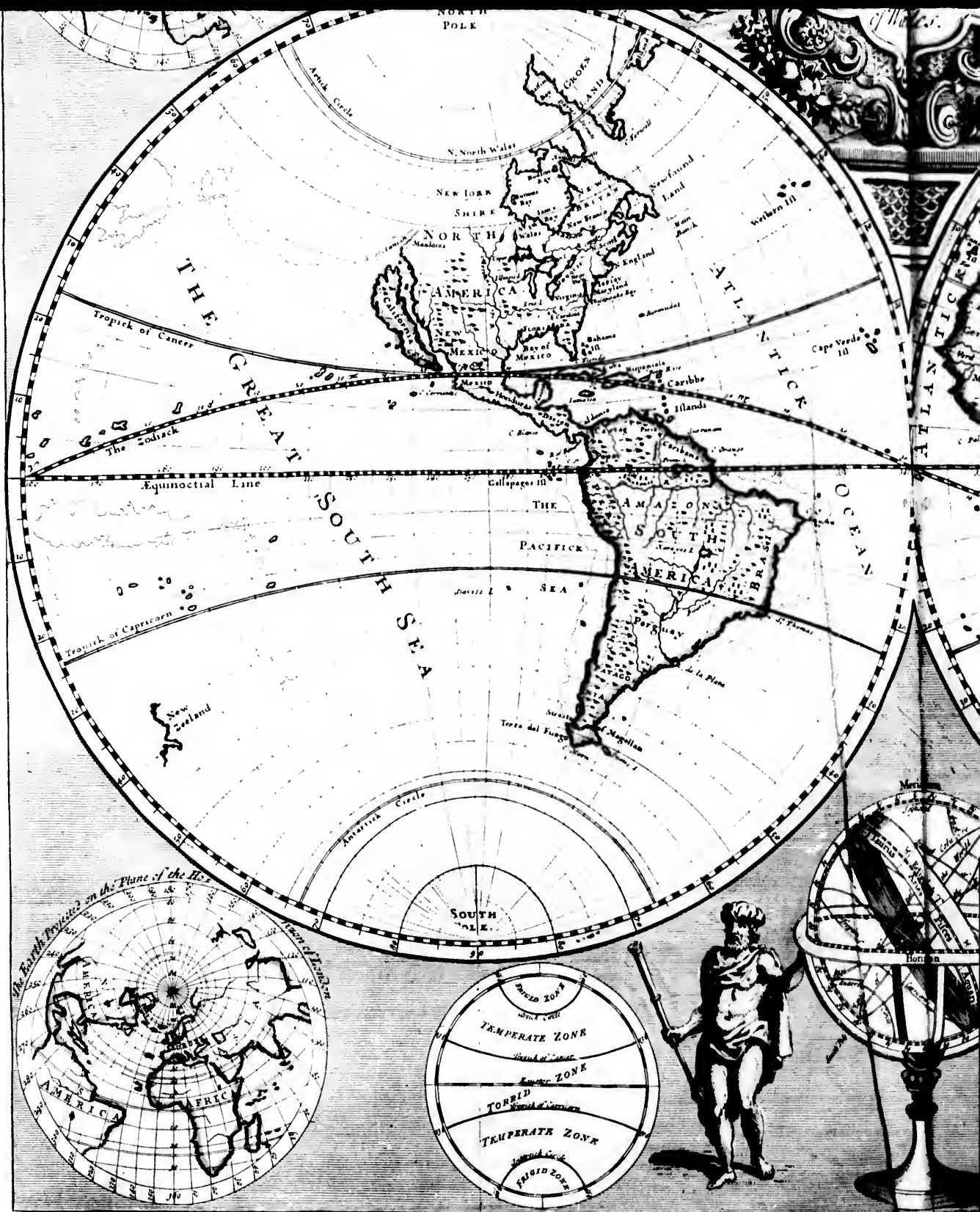


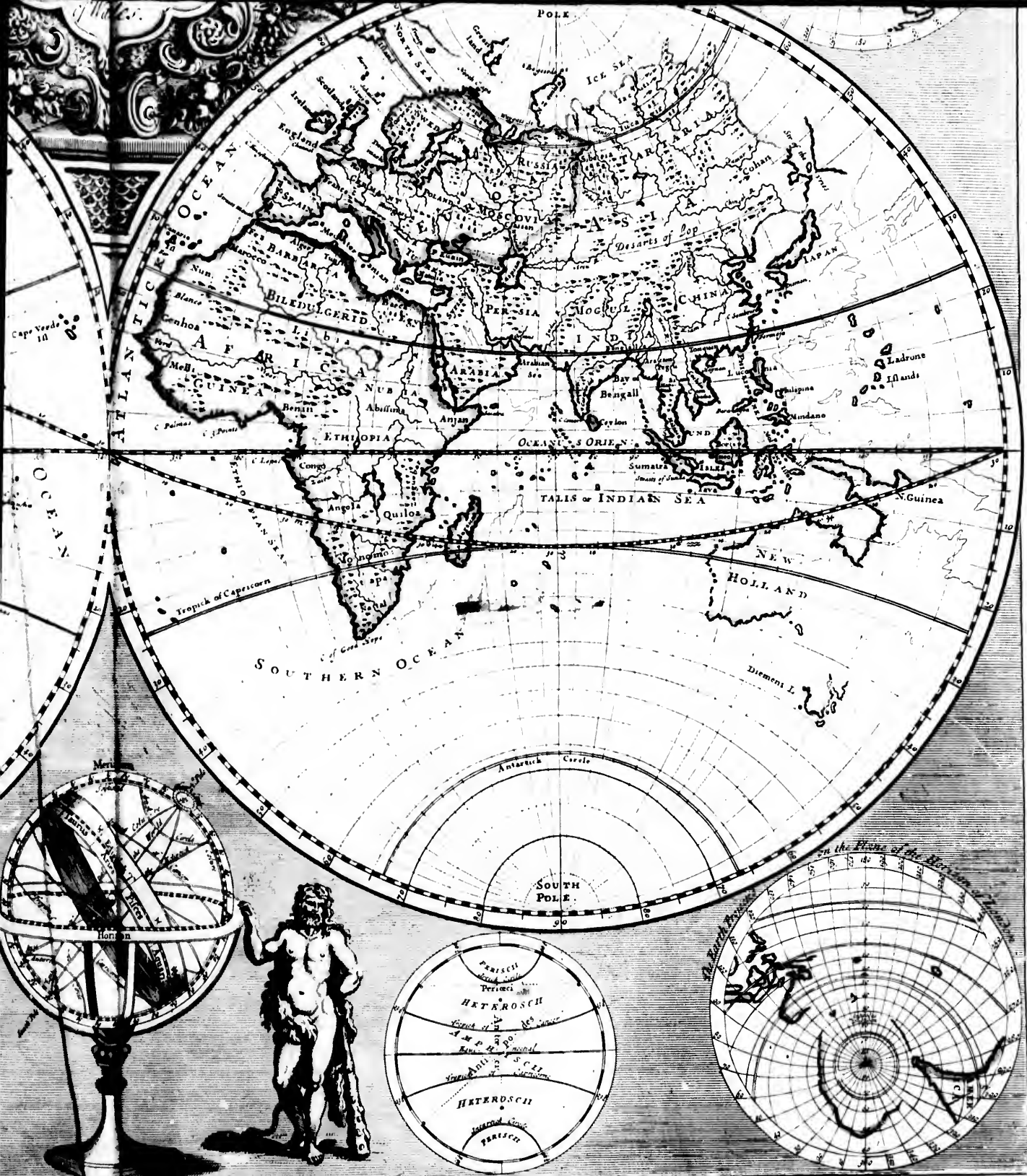
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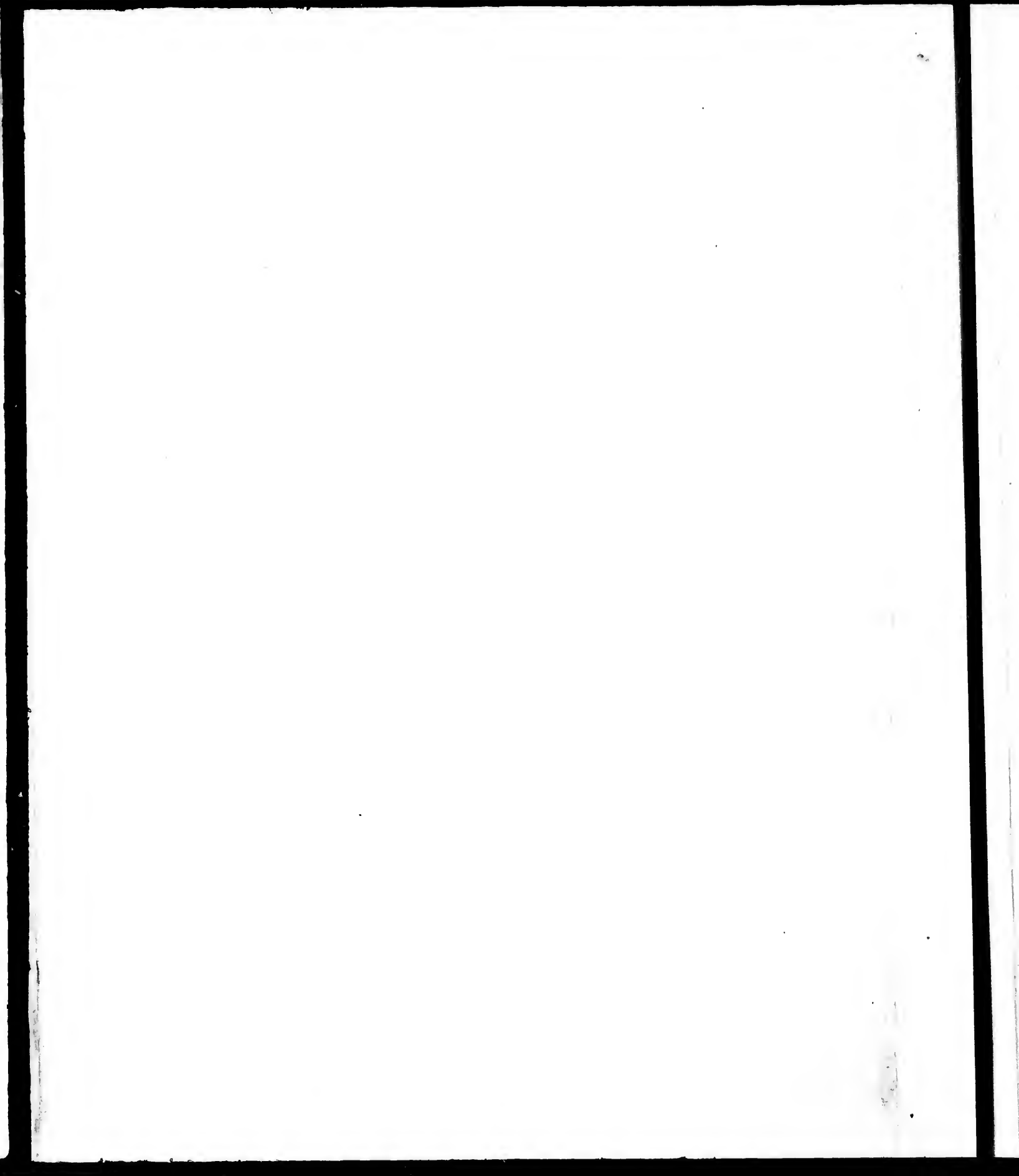
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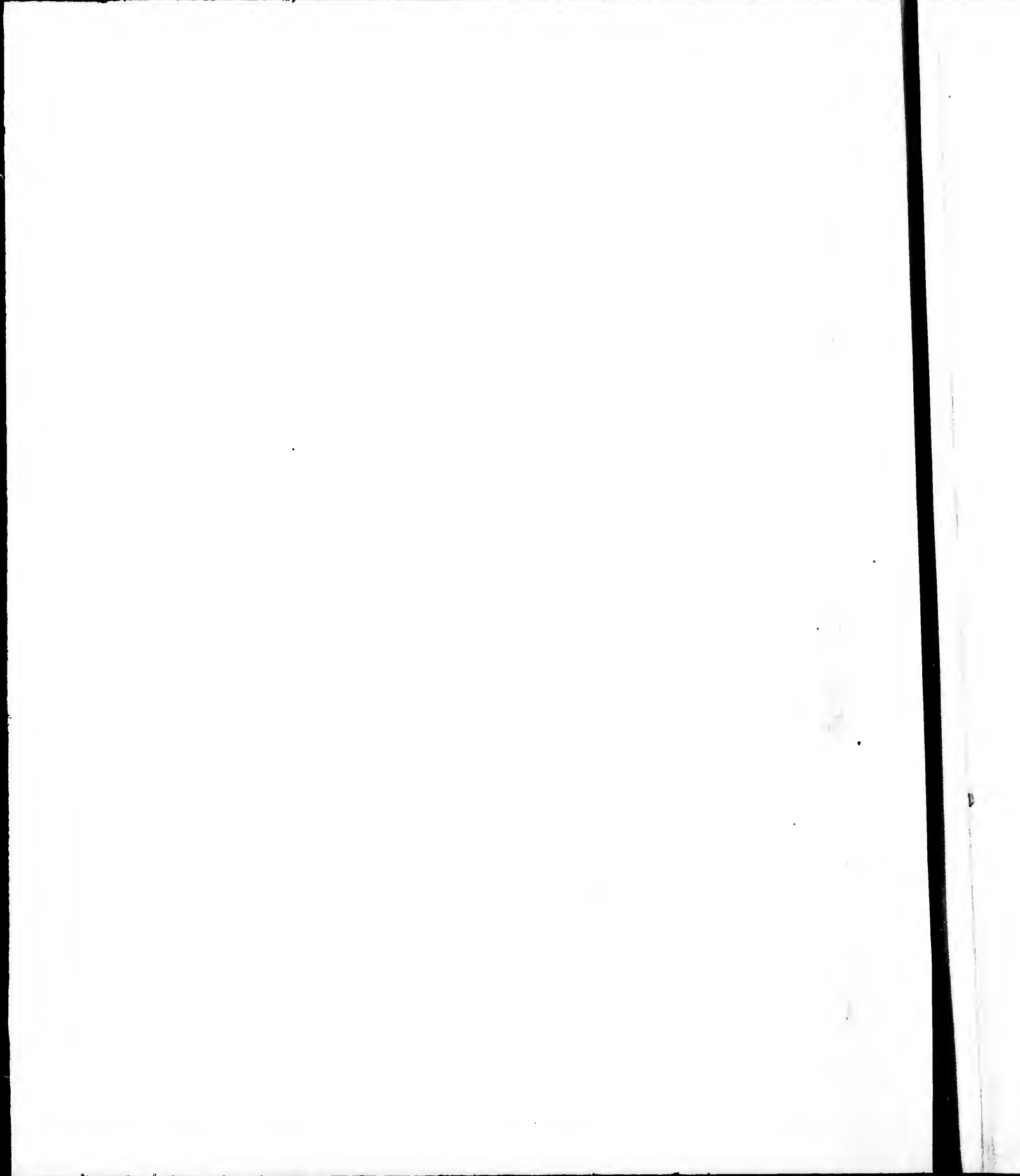
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Above all it is useful to Merchants and Sailors, for directing them in their Commerce or Navigation; nor can Travellers by Sea or Land be without it, if they have a mind to reap either Pleasure or Profit by their Travels.

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To conclude this Head, it ought not to be omitted, that as this Science is necessary for all Ranks of Men, from the Prince to the Peasant, so it is by the Bounty of Heaven more easy to be attain'd than many others that are of much less Use; for it is now brought to such a degree of Plainness, that no more is requisite for understanding what Parts of it are useful to Mankind in general, than to be able to read or hear.

### Of the Globe and Planispheres.

**I**T being now agreed, that the Earth is of a globular Form, Artificial Globes are made use of as the most proper and natural Instruments to represent its Surface, according to the Situation of all its Parts, with respect to one another, and to the Position of the Heavens.

But as those Globes are not so easy to be purchas'd, or carry'd about, and made use of on every Occasion, general Maps call'd *Planispheres* were contriv'd, which represent the Globe cut into two equal Parts by a Meridian; a. d. being as it were the two Sides of it made flat or plain, gives us the Surface of this lower World in two Circles at one View.

#### The Grounds on which Artificial Globes were invented

But before we proceed any farther, 'tis proper to give an Account of the Grounds upon which the Invention of those Artificial Globes was founded, and that the Reasons were taken from Astronomical Observations.

When *Ptolemy's* System (which was not revis'd till *Copernicus* did it in the sixteenth Century) came to be forgot or neglected, Astronomers, according to *Ptolemy's* System, suppos'd the Earth to be fix'd and immovable in the Middle or Center of the World. Accordingly they thought that the Sun and Stars turn'd round the Earth from E. to W. in 24 Hours: Then, agreeable to this Notion, they observ'd, that as the Stars did to turn, the Circles they describ'd were not a ways of an equal Extent; that those which corresponded to the middle of the Earth, were much larger than those at a Distance from it on either Side; and that the greater the Distance was from the Middle, the Circles were the less.

They also observ'd, that there were two Points in the Heavens which had always the same Situation; and these they call'd *Poles*, from a *Greek* Word which signifies to turn; because they fancy'd them to be the Center of all the Celestial Motions, and that the Heavens turn'd round them.

They observ'd farther, that the Sun at the Equinoxes, which now fall about *March 21* and *September 22*, did in 24 Hours describe a Track in the Heavens equally distant from the two Poles; and this they thought might be represented by a Circle, which they call'd the *Equinoctial*.

Having also observ'd that the Sun, from the longest Day which now falls about the 11th of *June*, to the shortest Day which now falls about the 11th of *December*, advanc'd about one Degree every Day towards a certain Point; and that when he came to that Point, he return'd towards the first, as now from the 11th of *December* to the 11th of *June*, and being again arriv'd at the first, he began to remove from it afresh: They fix'd those Points, which they call'd the *Solstices*, as if the Sun had made a stand there; and they represented those Boundaries of the Sun's Motion by the two Circles, which they call'd the *Tropicks*, from a *Greek* Word which signifies to *Return*, because the Sun appear'd to return back when he came to those Points.

Having likewise observ'd the Motion of the Sun more closely, and that as he turn'd daily round the Earth, he remov'd from or approach'd to the Tropicks obliquely about a Degree every Day; and that in a Year's time he describ'd a Circle in the Heavens, without deviating from it to the N. or S. as the other Planets did more or less; they represented this Circle by 12 Constellations of the fix'd Stars which appear'd in or near it, that they might trace out the annual Motion of the Sun and Planets: These Constellations they call'd the 12 *Signs*, as Marks to distinguish whereabout the Sun was; and the Circle they call'd the *Zodiack*, from a *Greek* Word signifying an Animal, because they fancy'd that those Signs upon it did represent the Animals whose Names they gave them, and accordingly they painted them either in Specie or by proper Hieroglyphicks: So that whether the Earth turns round, or is immovable, be it the Center of the World or not, the Artificial Globe equally serves all the Purposes of Geographers.

For the better understanding of Terraqueous Globes and Planispheres, Geographers invented imaginary Poles, Lines and Circles upon them, which correspond with the like imaginary ones in the Heavens. And here 'tis proper to observe, that some of 'em are suppos'd to be within the Globe, and others are describ'd on its Surface, both which we shall here define, and give an Account of their Uses.

#### Those within it are,

##### I. The Center.

This is a Point suppos'd to be in the middle of the Globe, and equally distant from all Parts of its Surface, from which Point all the Right Lines drawn on the Surface are Semi-Diameters, and every one of

The Uses of the Diameter. 1. The Circumference of the Earth, multiply'd by its Diameter, gives us nearly the Extent of the Surface of the Terraqueous Globe. 2. This Surface, multiply'd by the sixth part of the same Diameter, gives us nearly the Solidity of the Globe.

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The Uses of the Axis of the Zodiac. 1. By its two Extremities it describes, on the Surface of the Globe, the two Polar Circles. 2. The 12 Signs appear to make their Course round this Axis once a Year in a Circle in the Heavens, or among the fix'd Stars.

The Use of the Axis of the Horizon is, by its two Extremities, to give us the Zenith and Nadir of every Place.

### Of the Points and Circles describ'd on the Surface of the Globe.

**T**HEY are reckon'd 10 each; and of the 10 Points four are nam'd Cardinal, four Collateral, and two Vertical.

The four Cardinal Points are so nam'd, because they point out the four principal Parts or Regions of the World, i. e. the North, South, East and West.

#### Of the Poles.

The Points of the North and South are reckon'd immovable, and are the same with the Poles, already mention'd, at the two Extremities of the Axis of the Globe.

That which we call the North Pole, was nam'd Arctick by the *Greeks*, because the Constellation *Ursa major* is in their Language call'd *ἄρκτος*, and the Polar Star is at the end of the Tail of that Constellation two Degrees and some Minutes from the Pole: the *Latins* call'd it *Septentrion*, because of the seven Stars, by which that Point is directed to, in the Celestial Globe.

The South Pole was call'd *Antarctick*, because it lies in direct Opposition to the other. It is known by four pretty large Stars somewhat like a Cross; from whence it is nam'd the *Crossed*, and which are about 30 Degrees from the South Pole.

As these two Points are fix'd, they may better serve for all Parts of the Globe, under the Names of *Arctick* and *Antarctick*; for as to the Name South, which we give the *Antarctick*, 'tis only with respect to those who live betwixt the Equator, or at least betwixt the Tropick of *Cancer* and the Arctick Pole, that we can properly call it so; since the North Point is that of the South to those who live betwixt the Equator, or at least betwixt the Tropick of *Capricorn* and the *Antarctick*. The *Greeks* and *Latins* therefore express'd themselves more naturally by the Words *Meridies* and *Septentrionis*, which signify Midday or Noon, when we reckon the Sun to lie South.

#### Of the Points East and West.

The East and West in a large Sense are moveable Points, which the Sun changes as often as he does Meridians; but these Points, properly taken, must be understood of the Interfection of the Equinoctial and Horizon, on which when the Sun rises, the Days and Nights are of equal Length.

The East is that Point where the Sun rises, and begins to appear above the Horizon when he makes his Course upon the Equator, and therefore is more naturally express'd by the *Latin* Word *Oriens*, and the *Greek* *ἄνατολή*, which signify *Rising*.

The West is that Point where the Sun sets, and descends below the Horizon when he moves on the Equator, and therefore the Thing is much more naturally express'd by the *Latin* Word *Occidens*, and the *Greek* *ἄστος*, which signify *going down*.

Though these two Points be moveable in the Sense above, they are mark'd as fix'd at the Extremity of each Hemisphere upon the Equator; the E. on the right, and the W. on the left.

#### Of the four Collateral Points.

They are so call'd, because they lie betwixt the Cardinal Points. The *Latins* express them more naturally than we, for they call the first *Oriens Aestivus*, or the Point near which the Sun rises on the longest Day of Summer, which answers to our N. E. The second they call *Occidens Aestivus*, or the Point near which the Sun sets on the same Day, which answers to our N. W. The third they call *Oriens Hiemalis*, or the Point near which the Sun rises on the shortest Day of Winter, which answers to our S. E. The fourth they call *Occidens Hiemalis*, or the Point near which the Sun sets on the same Day, which answers to our S. W.

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*The Uses of the ten Points.*

1. The four Cardinal and four Collateral Points serve to shew us how Countries are situate with respect to one another. 2. They regulate and compose the 32 Points of the Winds in the Mariner's Compass. 3. According to the Cardinal Points, the World is divided into four principal Regions or Parts, and the four Continents have their Names from them. The old World, or *Europe, Asia* and *Africa* is call'd East; and the new World, or *America*, the West: The *Terra Magellanica* is the South, and the Arctic the North. 4. The S. and N. Poles, by their Elevation above the Horizon of a Place, shew in what Latitude that Place is situate, which we shall explain when we come to treat of the Degrees of Latitude. 5. The N. is the Point, towards which all the Geographers of our Northern Hemisphere are suppos'd to look and project their Maps; for which Reason they either place, or ought to do so, the N. on the upper Side of them, the S. on the lower; the E. on the right, and the W. on the left.

The Zenith and Nadir serve, 1. As Poles to the Horizon. 2. They shew us the Country where the Inhabitants are Antipodes, or live diametrically opposite, with their Feet one to another. And, 3. they determine the Azimuths or Vertical Circles which all pass thro' them.

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They are consider'd, 1. Either as Parallel or Intersecting each other. 2. As great or little. 3. As fix'd or moveable. There are five of them Parallels, *viz.* the Equator, the two Tropicks, and the two Polar Circles. The five Intersecting ones, and which cut one another, are the Ecliptick, the Horizon, the Meridian, and the two Colures.

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4. It marks on the Ecliptick the two Points of the Equinoxes, through which the Sun appears to pass when he makes the Days and Nights of equal length, and divides 'em into 12 Hours each, except under the Poles, where at the same time there begins a Day and a Night of six Months each: So that when a Day of six Months begins under the North Pole, a Night of six Months begins under the South Pole, & *vice versa*.

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6. It shews us, that when the Sun comes to the Equinoctial Points, he makes Spring or Autumn to all the Parts of the Globe; but at different times, as the Spring to the Northern, when Autumn to the Southern Hemisphere, & *vice versa*.

7. The Equator shews on its Circle the 360 Meridians or Degrees of Longitude, which is the only Place where they are equal to the Degrees

picks. The Breadth of the Zodiack is commonly reckon'd 16 Degrees, *viz.* eight on each side the Ecliptick; but our Modern Astronomers give it ten on each Side, to terminate the Course of the Planets; because, beyond ten Degrees N. or ten S. the Latitude of no Planet ever reaches.

The Ecliptick, as the Zodiack, is divided into 12 Parts, and each Part into 30 Degrees, which, multiply'd by 12, make up the 360, into which it is divided.

*The Uses of the Ecliptick.*

1. Each Degree of it marks, near upon the matter, the Course which the Sun runs every Day. By each of the 12 Parts, it shews the Sign and the Month; by the 30 Degrees of each Sign, it shews the 30 Days that the Sun takes to run through each; by the 360 Degrees, it shews us the annual Course of the Sun, which is 365 Days, six Hours, and something more, which 6 Hours every four Years make up a Day, which being added to that Year, make it consist of 366 Days, and is call'd *Bisseste*, because the Ancients, on every fourth Year, reckon'd the sixth of the Calends of *March* twice; but the Moderns add this Day to *February*, which Year they call Leap-Year.

2. Each 13 Degrees of the Ecliptick mark the Course of the Moon for each Day; so that going from 13 to 13 Degrees, she runs through the whole Ecliptick in about 27 1/2 Days, which added to the Sun's Motion in the mean time is about 29 1/2 Days, or little less than one Month, and between 12 and 13 of those Months do make up the Solar Year.

3. The Ecliptick shews us the Eclipses of the Sun and Moon; because, making their Course upon this Line, but differently, sometimes they are in Conjunction, with respect to us, and sometimes in Opposition.

The Eclipse of the Sun happens when the Moon is in Conjunction with him, that is, when she comes betwixt the Sun and us: And the Eclipse of the Moon is when she is in Opposition to the Sun, and that the Earth is directly betwixt them. The Eclipse of the Moon is universal, and all those above whose Horizon she is, see her eclips'd; but the Eclipse of the Sun is particular, and only to those whom the Interposition of the Moon hinders to see him more or less; for all the rest, above whose Horizon she is, see the Sun entire.

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7. It describes by its Poles the Polar Circles.

8. It comprehends, by its Obliquity, all that Space of the Terraqueous Globe which is call'd the Torrid Zone.

The 12 Signs of the Ecliptick are express'd by this Latin Distich:

*Sunt Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo,  
Libra; Scorpis, Arcuatus, Capes, Amphora, Pisces.*

The Names, Situation and Characters of the Signs are thus:

Northern.		Southern.	
1. <i>Aries</i>	♈	1. <i>Libra</i>	♎
2. <i>Taurus</i>	♉	2. <i>Scorpio</i>	♏
3. <i>Gemini</i>	♊	3. <i>Sagittarius</i>	♐
4. <i>Cancer</i>	♋	4. <i>Capricornus</i>	♑
5. <i>Leo</i>	♌	5. <i>Aquarius</i>	♒
6. <i>Virgo</i>	♍	6. <i>Pisces</i>	♓

The Northern make our longest Days, and the Southern the shortest, & *vice versa*. The Constellations which formerly answer'd to these Signs, don't now, for they are near 30 Degrees, or an entire Sign more E. than anciently; so that when we say the Sun is in such a Sign, it must not be understood now of those Constellations, but of a 12th Part of the Zodiack, formerly call'd by such Names.

'Tis to be observ'd, that the Sun appears to make seven Revolutions more in the North than in the South Hemisphere, where it makes only 17 1/2, but in ours 18 1/2, which proceeds from the Eccentricity of the Sun, that is, because the Circle, which the Sun describes each Day on the Ecliptick, has another Center than that of the Earth.

But before we proceed any farther, 'tis proper to give an Account of the Grounds upon which the Invention of these Artificial Globes was founded, and that the Reasons were taken from Astronomical Observations.

When *Ptolemy's* System (which was not reviv'd till *Copernicus* did it in the Fifteenth Century) came to be forgot or neglected, Astronomers, according to *Ptolemy's* System, suppos'd the Earth to be fix'd and immoveable in the Middle or Center of the World. Accordingly they thought that the Sun and Stars turn'd round the Earth from E. to W. in 24 Hours: Then, agreeable to this Notion, they observ'd, that as the Stars did not turn, the Circles they describ'd were not always of an equal Extent; that those which corresponded to the middle of the Earth, were much larger than those at a Distance from it on either Side; and that the greater the Distance was from the Middle, the Circles were the less.

They also observ'd, that there were two Points in the Heavens which had always the same Situation; and these they call'd *Poles*, from a *Greek* Word which signifies to turn; because they fancy'd them to be the Center of all the Celestial Motions, and that the Heavens turn'd round them.

They observ'd farther, that the Sun at the Equinoxes, which now fall about *March 21* and *September 22*, did in 24 Hours describe a Track in the Heavens equally distant from the two Poles; and this they thought might be represented by a Circle, which they call'd the *Equinoctial*.

He also observ'd that the Sun, from the longest Day which now falls about the 21<sup>th</sup> of *June*, to the shortest Day which now falls about the 21<sup>th</sup> of *December*, advanc'd about one Degree every Day towards a certain Point; and that when he came to that Point, he return'd towards the first, as now from the 21<sup>th</sup> of *December* to the 21<sup>th</sup> of *June*, and being again arriv'd at the first, he began to remove from it again: They call'd those Points, which they call'd the *Stations*, as if the Sun had made a stand there; and they represent'd those Boundaries of the Sun's Motion by the two Circles, which they call'd the *Tropics*, from a *Greek* Word which signifies to *Return*, because the Sun appear'd to return back when he came to those Points.

Having likewise observ'd the Motion of the Sun more closely, and that as he turn'd daily round the Earth, he remov'd from or approach'd to the Tropicks obliquely about a Degree every Day; and that in a Year's time, he describ'd a Circle in the Heavens, without deviating from it to the N. or S. as the other Planets did more or less; they represent'd this Circle by 12 Constellations of the fix'd Stars which appear'd in or near it, that they might trace out the annual Motion of the Sun and Planets: These Constellations they call'd the 12 *Signs*, as Marks to distinguish where about the Sun was; and the Circle they call'd the *Zodiac*, from a *Greek* Word signifying an Animal, because they fancy'd that those Signs upon it did represent the Animals whose Names they gave them, and accordingly they painted them either in Specie or by proper Hieroglyphicks: So that whether the Earth turns round, or is immoveable, be it the Center of the World or not, the Artificial Globe equally serves all the Purposes of Geographers.

For the better understanding of Terrestrial Globes and Planispheres, Geographers invented imaginary Poles, Lines and Circles upon them, which correspond with the like imaginary ones in the Heavens. And here 'tis proper to observe, that some of 'em are suppos'd to be within the Globe, and others are describ'd on its Surface, both which we shall here define, and give an Account of their Uses.

### Those within it are, I. The Center.

This is a Point suppos'd to be in the middle of the Globe, and equally distant from all Parts of its Surface, from which Point all the Right Lines drawn on the Surface are Semi-Diameters, and equally distant from all the exterior Points upon it.

The Uses of this Center, 1. It is the Foundation and Basis of all the Semi-Diameters. 2. It is the Center of all the great Circles describ'd on the Surface of the Globe, and which divide it into two equal Parts. This is reckon'd by the Vulgar to be the Center of the Universe.

### II. The Diameter, and the three Axes or Axletrees.

Diameter is a *Greek* Word, that signifies the Measure of any thing through the Middle: Thus the Diameter of the Globe is a Right Line drawn from the one Side to the other through the Center.

An infinite Number of them may be imagin'd, but Geographers frequently content themselves with three, which they call *Axes*.

The first, which points to the N. and S. is call'd the Axis of the Globe. The second, whose Motion round the Pole describes the Polar Circles, is call'd the Axis of the Ecliptick. The third, which points to the Zenith and Nadir of each Place, is call'd the Axis of the Horizon.

four principal Parts or Regions of the World, viz. the North, South, East and West.

### Of the Poles.

The Points of the North and South are reckon'd immoveable, and are the same with the Poles, already mention'd, at the two Extremities of the Axis of the Globe.

That which we call the North Pole, was nam'd *Arctic* by the *Greeks*, because the Constellation *Ursa minor* is in their Language call'd *Arctos*, and the Polar Star is at the end of the Tail of that Constellation two Degrees and some Minutes from the Pole: the *Latins* call'd it *Septentrion*, because of the seven Stars, by which that Point is directed to, in the Celestial Globe.

The South Pole was call'd *Antarctic*, because it lies in direct Opposition to the other. It is known by four pretty large Stars somewhat like a Cross; from whence it is nam'd the *Crossed*, and which are about 55 Degrees from the South Pole.

As these two Points are fix'd, they may better serve for all Parts of the Globe, under the Names of *Arctic* and *Antarctic*; for as to the Name South, which we give the *Antarctic*, 'tis only with respect to those who live betwixt the Equator, or at least betwixt the Tropick of *Cancer* and the *Arctic* Pole, that we can properly call it so; since the South Point is that of the South to those who live betwixt the Equator, or at least betwixt the Tropick of *Capricorn* and the *Antarctic*. The *Greeks* and *Latins* therefore express'd themselves more naturally by the Words *Midday* and *Midnight*, which signify *Midday* or *Noon*, when we reckon the Sun to be South.

### Of the Points East and West.

The East and West in a large Sense are moveable Points, which the Sun changes as often as he does Meridians; but these Points, properly taken, must be understood of the Interfection of the Equinoctial and Horizon, on which when the Sun rises, the Days and Nights are of equal Length.

The East is that Point where the Sun rises, and begins to appear above the Horizon when he makes his Course upon the Equator, and therefore is more naturally express'd by the *Latin* Word *Oriens*, and the *Greek* *ανατολη*, which signify *Rising*.

The West is that Point where the Sun sets, and descends below the Horizon when he moves on the Equator, and therefore the Thing is more naturally express'd by the *Latin* Word *Occidens*, and the *Greek* *δυσωτη*, which signify *going down*.

Though these two Points be moveable in the Sense above, they are mark'd as fix'd at the Extremity of each Hemisphere upon the Equator; the E. on the right, and the W. on the left.

### Of the five Collateral Points.

They are so call'd, because they lie betwixt the Cardinal Points. The *Latins* express them more naturally than we, for they call the first *Canis Effraus*, or the Point near which the Sun rises on the longest Day of Summer, which answers to our N. E. The second they call *Occidens Africus*, or the Point near which the Sun sets on the same Day, which answers to our N. W. The third they call *Oriens Helicus*, or the Point near which the Sun rises on the shortest Day of Winter, which answers to our S. E. The fourth they call *Occidens Helicus*, or the Point near which the Sun sets on the same Day, which answers to our S. W.

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For the Use of those who live in our Northern Hemisphere, the N. E. and N. W. are mark'd near the Tropick of *Cancer*, and the S. E. and S. W. near the Tropick of *Capricorn*.

But for those who live in the Southern Hemisphere, the N. E. and N. West are mark'd near the Tropick of *Capricorn*, and the S. E. and S. W. near that of *Cancer*; so that the Points which are N. E. and N. W. to us, are S. E. and S. W. to them, &c.

### The two Vertical Points

Are 1. The Zenith, an *Arabian* Word signifying an imaginary Point exactly over our Heads, which changes as we change Place. 2. The Nadir, another of the same Language, which signifies the Point directly under our Feet, and changes in the same manner. 'Tis proper to observe, that our Zenith is the Nadir of our Antipodes, and our Nadir their Zenith, & vice versa; because our Feet and theirs point mutually at one another's Zeniths, as our Heads and theirs do at one another's Nadirs.

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## The ten Circles.

They are consider'd, 1. Either as Parallel or Intersecting each other. 2. As great or little. 3. As fix'd or moveable. There are five of them Parallel, viz. the Equator, the two Tropicks, and the two Polar Circles. The five Intersecting ones, and which cut one another, are the Ecliptick, the Horizon, the Meridian, and the two Colures.

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7. The Equator shews on its Circle the 360 Meridians or Degrees of Longitude, which is the only Place where they are equal to the Degrees of Latitude.

8. Upon its Circle, it determines the Natural Day of 24 Hours, the Sun appearing to move 15 Degrees in an Hour; so that 24 multiply'd by 15 makes up the Number of its Degrees 360.

9. By cutting the Zodiac into two equal Parts, it separates the Northern from the Southern Signs, and divides betwixt the long and the short Days.

## The Zodiac and the Ecliptick.

The Zodiac is one of the great Circles. We have already accounted for that Name, and must observe, that it is also call'd the Oblique Circle, and the Ecliptick. It is call'd *Oblique*, because it lies so with respect to the Equator, which cuts it at Oblique Angles; and it is call'd *Ecliptick*, because the Eclipses of the Sun and Moon happen in it.

The Zodiac is the only Circle in the Globe which has Breadth assign'd it; but the Ecliptick, which lies in the middle of it, and shews the Course of the Sun, is all that's mark'd by Geographers on their Globes and Planispheres, by a Circle equally distant from the two Tro-

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5. The Ecliptick, divided into four Parts by the Colures, marks out three Signs for each of the four Seasons of the Year. The North Hemisphere has for its Spring-time, *Aries, Taurus and Gemini*; for Summer, *Cancer, Leo and Virgo*; for Autumn, *Libra, Scorpio and Sagittarius*; and for Winter, *Capricorn, Aquarius and Pisces*. And just on the contrary, the last three Signs make Summer in the South Hemisphere; *Libra, Scorpio and Sagittarius* make the Spring; *Cancer, Leo and Virgo* the Winter; *Aries, Taurus and Gemini* the Autumn; so that when it is Spring in the one, 'tis Autumn in the other; and when Summer in the one, 'tis Winter in the other.

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The 12 Signs of the Ecliptick are express'd by this Latin Distich:

*Signa Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo,  
Libra, Scorpius, Arcanus, Capes, Amphora, Pisces.*

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Northern. Southern.

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2. <i>Taurus</i>	♉	2. <i>Scorpio</i>	♏
3. <i>Gemini</i>	♊	3. <i>Sagittarius</i>	♐
4. <i>Cancer</i>	♋	4. <i>Capricornus</i>	♑
5. <i>Leo</i>	♌	5. <i>Aquarius</i>	♒
6. <i>Virgo</i>	♍	6. <i>Pisces</i>	♓

The Northern make our longest Days, and the Southern the shortest, & vice versa. The Constellations which formerly answer'd to these Signs, don't so now, for they are near 30 Degrees, or an entire Sign more E. than at present; so that when we say the Sun is in such a Sign, it must not be understood now of those Constellations, but of a 12th Part of the Zodiac, formerly call'd by such Names.

'Tis to be observ'd, that the Sun appears to make seven Revolutions more in the North than in the South Hemisphere, where it makes only 179, but in ours 186, which proceeds from the Eccentricity of the Sun, that is, because the Circle, which the Sun describes each Day on the Ecliptick, has another Center than that of the Earth.

## The Tropicks.

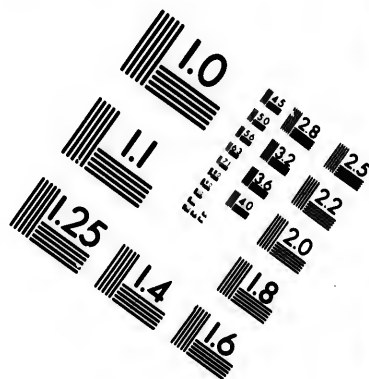
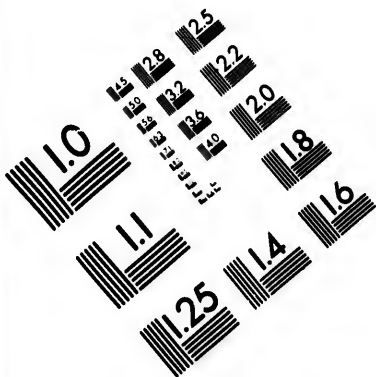
They are two small Circles describ'd by the Sun at different Times, and are equal and parallel betwixt themselves and parallel to the Equator, from which they are equally distant 23 Degrees and 1/2. Having already accounted for the Names, we go on to observe, that the Tropick, which is on the North side of the Equator, is call'd by the Name of *Cancer*, because it is form'd at the first Point of that Sign. It is the Summer Tropick to us, and that of the Winter to those who live in the South Hemisphere.

The Tropick, South of the Equator, is call'd by the Name of *Capricorn*, because form'd in the first Point of that Sign; and is the Summer Tropick to the South Hemisphere, as it is of the Winter to us.

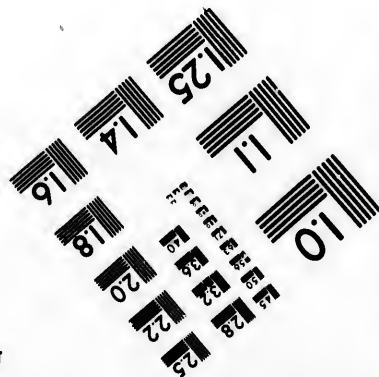
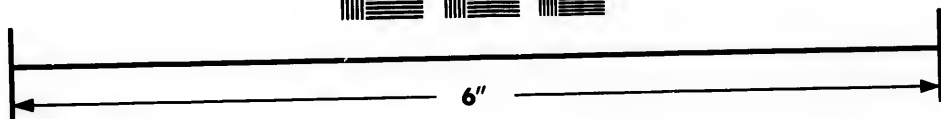
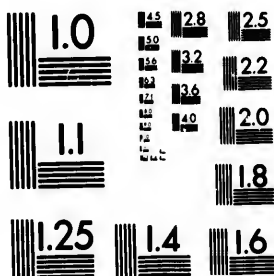
These Circles are also call'd Solstices, because the Sun advances so little, when he approaches or removes from the Tropicks, that he seems for some time to stand still; so that neither Days nor Nights sensibly increase or diminish, but continue in the same State for several Days.

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Halley says, the Difference is scarcely sensible from five Days before to five Days after.

### The Use of the Tropicks.

1. They include a certain Space, beyond which the Sun never passes, and in this Space he appears to make his daily Course by a spiral Line, in advancing towards the one or the other Tropick. 2. They mark on the Ecliptick the two Points of the Solstices, which give us the longest and shortest Days in the Year; that of *Cancer* gives us the longest, and that of *Capricorn* the shortest. 3. Their Distance from the Equator marks the greatest Declination of the Sun towards the one or the other Pole, at 23 1/2 Degrees. 4. They inclose and separate the Torrid Zone from the Temperate ones.

### The Polar Circles

Are two small ones, which the Poles of the Zodiack or the Ecliptick describe, round the Poles of the World: They are equal and parallel betwixt themselves, as they are parallel to the Tropicks and the Equator, and are 23 1/2 Degrees distant from the Poles.

That round the North Pole is call'd the Arctick Circle, and that round the South Pole the Antarctic.

Their Use is, 1. To shew us the Track of the Poles of the Zodiack or Ecliptick. 2. They inclose the cold or frozen Zones, and separate them from the temperate. 3. They inclose the great Climates, where they have the longest Days and longest Nights of several Months, and separate them from the small Climates.

### The Colures.

They are two great Circles, which cut one another at Right Angles, in the two Poles of the World. The Name is deriv'd from the Greek Words *κόρυς* and *ἄκρῃ*, which signify cut into Tails or Angles.

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As those two Circles are entire Meridians, the Colure of the Equinoxes is sometimes mark'd on the Terraqueous Globe by the first Meridian wherever that be plac'd. And these two Colures cut the Ecliptick of the Celestial Globe into four equal Parts, and mark the four Points where the four Seasons of the Year begin.

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In the Northern Hemisphere, the Colure of the Equinoxes marks the Equinox, or the beginning of the Spring, at the first Point of *Aries*, about the 10th of *March*; and the Equinox, or the beginning of Autumn, at the first Point of *Libra*, about the 12th of *September*. And the Colure of the Solstices marks the Solstice, or the beginning of the Summer, at the first Point of *Cancer*, about the 10th of *June*; and the Solstice, or beginning of Winter, in the first Point of *Capricorn*, about the 10th of *December*.

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Comes from a Greek Word, which signifies, to bound or terminate, because it bounds our View. 'Tis divided into two, viz. the Sensible and Rational. The Sensible Horizon is that which bounds our Sight when abroad in the Fields, &c. and separates that part of the Sky and Earth which we see from what we do not see.

The Rational Horizon, being only what we conceive by our Reason, is a great Circle parallel to the former, whose Center is that of the Terraqueous Globe: Its Poles are our Zenith and Nadir, round which it is describ'd, and it divides the Heav'ns and the Earth into two Hemispheres.

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The Rational Horizon equally divides the Terraqueous Globe

The Horizon shews us the Height of the Pole, that is, how much it is elevated above our Horizon, and at the same time marks the Latitude of Places, which is the Distance from the Equator, because the Distance of the Equator from our Zenith is equal to the Distance from our Horizon to the Pole.

### The Meridian.

Every Meridian is a great Circle, which passes through the Poles of the World, and through our Zenith and Nadir, and cuts the Globe into two Hemispheres, call'd E. and W.

It is call'd Meridian, because when the Sun passes through that Circle, it is Mid-day to all those who are in the part of that Circle expos'd to the Sun, and Mid-night to all those in the same Circle, which is opposite.

We may fancy as many Meridians as there are Degrees of Longitude on the Equator, but Geographers mark only 360 upon the same; and, to avoid Confusion, trace the Lines only from 5 to 5, 10 to 10, or 15 to 15, according to the Size of their Globes or Maps.

Astronomers not having yet determin'd where the first Meridian is, the Position of it is left arbitrary.

The ancient Geographers, considering that the Meridians serv'd to measure the Length of the Earth, call'd them also by the Name of Circles of Longitude, and plac'd the first Meridian at the West Extremity of our Continent; from whence they began to count Eastward the 360 Meridians, which we shall explain when we come to describe Longitude and Latitude.

### The Use of the Meridian.

Each whole Meridian divides the Globe into two Hemispheres, Eastern and Western, of which those divided by the first Meridian into the Eastern on our Right, and Western on our Left, are prefer'd by Geographers to represent the Terraqueous Globe on a Planisphere. 2. The Meridian helps us to gain the Height of the Pole, and the Distance of any Place from the Equator or Latitude; because the Arch of the Meridian betwixt the Equator and the Zenith, and the Arch of the same Meridian betwixt the Horizon and the Pole, are equal. 3. It marks Mid-day and Midnight to all those who are in its Circle. 4. It divides the Artificial Day into two equal Parts. 5. The Meridian of every Country shews which of them have Noon sooner or later, and at the same time, for every 15 Degrees Eastward, they have it an Hour sooner than so far to the Westward. 6. By reckoning the Meridians from 15 to 15, we know what Hour it is at the same time in each Country. 7. The Meridians serve to reckon the Latitudes, which are counted along a Meridian from the Equator towards the one or the other Pole.

### The Zones

Are so call'd from a Greek Word, that signifies a Girdle, because they inclose the five Parts into which our Globe is divided, according to the Temperature of the Air from whence they are denominat'd.

The first Zone, which lies in the Middle of the rest, is call'd the Torrid Zone by the Ancients, who thought it not habitable, because the Sun darts its Rays perpendicularly upon it; but Experience has prov'd the contrary, for the Heats are not so violent under the Equator, and the Places nearest it, where the Sun passes only in a transient Manner, as in the Neighbourhood of the Tropicks, near which the Sun making his Course for several Days successively, occasions excessive Heats; but the Mountains and Neighbourhood of the Sea in some Places, the long Nights thro' most of that Zone, and the frequent Rains, and great Dews, refresh it sufficiently, to make the Earth not only habitable, but so abundantly fertile, that in many Places it yields two Harvests in a Year, and produces not only all sorts of Spiceries and Drugs, but furnishes a greater Quantity of perfect Metals, precious Stones and Pearls, than all the other Zones together; so that the great Desarts which are found there, as in the Parts of *Africa*, *Asia* and *America*, that lie in it, are rather Proofs that the Soil in those Parts is barren of its own Nature, than made so by the Heat of the Sun, since such Desarts are found in the Middle of the Temperate Zones; and that in part of *Africa*, which lies under the Torrid Zone, there are Countries extremely fertile; that most of the Countries and Islands in *Asia*, under that Zone, are very fruitful; and 'tis the same as to what lies under it in *America*, so far as is yet known.

This Zone is divided into two equal Parts by the Equator, extends to the Tropicks on each side of it, and contains about 47 Degrees of Latitude. In most Places of this Zone they have only two Seasons, viz. Summer and Winter; and the latter is not distinguish'd by Frost and Cold, but by Rains and a lesser Degree of Heat.

*Venerius* distinguishes the Seasons into the Celestial and Terrestrial, in which respect the Terrestrial Summer of a Place is the hottest of the four Seasons; the Celestial, that of the four in which the Sun is nearest, Winter being the contrary, and so of the rest. According to which Notions the Celestial Summer of any Place, is that Season of the Year whose beginning is that Day on which the Sun hath the least Meridian-Distance from the Zenith of that Place, (and that the first time, if the Sun is twice in a Year Vertical to that Place) but the End, that Day on which the Sun hath a mean Meridian-Distance from the Zenith of that Place. 2. Winter, whose beginning is that

Those Parts of the Torrid Zone, that lie under or very near the Equinoctial, have two Seasons of each sort, as two Summers, &c. Their first Summer, while the Sun moves from the first Deg. of *Aries* to the second of *Taurus*, viz. from *March 11* to *April 12*; their first Autumn, from thence to the first Deg. of *Cancer*, *June 11*; the first Winter, thence to the 28th Deg. of *Leo*, *August 9*; the first Spring, thence to the first Deg. of *Libra*, *March 11*: The second Summer, thence to *O. S. 12*; the second Autumn ends *Dec. 11*; the second Winter, *Febr. 9*; their second Spring, *March 11*.

The Places in the Northern half of the Torrid Zone end Autumn, and begin Winter, *Dec. 11*, the Sun having then the greatest Meridian Distance from their Zenith; but they don't begin and end Summer and Spring, nor begin Autumn at one and the same, but at different Times; for their Summer beginning when the Sun, returning from the first Deg. of *Capricorn*, becomes Vertical, which is at different Times, according to their different Latitudes, it must commence differently with regard thereto. The end of Summer and beginning of Autumn, and the end of Winter and beginning of Spring, must also differ accordingly.

The Case is the same on the Southern half of the Torrid Zone, allowing for the difference of North and South Latitude.

2. The two Temperate Zones are so call'd, because lying betwixt the Torrid and the Frozen Zones, they enjoy a Temperate Air, especially about the Middle; for at the Extremities they partake of the excessive Heat of the Torrid, and of the excessive Cold of the Frozen Zones, in proportion, as they lie near the one or the other. The Temperate Zones are bounded by the Tropicks and the Polar Circles. That betwixt the Tropick of *Cancer* and the Circle of the North Pole, is call'd Northern; and that betwixt the Tropick of *Capricorn* and the Circle of the South Pole, Southern. Each of them contains about 43 Deg. of Latitude.

3. The two Cold or Frozen Zones lie betwixt the Polar Circles and the Poles, or rather are included within the Polar Circles which enclose them, one round the North, and the other round the South Pole. They are call'd Frozen, because for the greatest part of the Year they are extreme cold, and every thing freezes, especially when the Sun appears but little, or not at all above their Horizon. Each of them contains about 23 Deg. of Latitude.

'Tis easy to account for the Breadth of each Zone, by reckoning 60 Geographical Miles to a Degree, thus:

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But the Length of the Circuit of the Zones is not so easy to be reckon'd; for tho' each of them runs the whole Circumference of the Globe, and has 360 Deg. in Circuit, yet as the Deg. of Longitude diminish in Extent, according to the Deg. of Latitude they lie in, and as they approach the Poles where they end in a Point; the nearest Computation that can be made of their Circuit is thus:

<i>Sauflon</i> says, The Torrid Zone has 9000 common French Leagues under the Equator, where its Circuit is largest, which makes	21600 Miles
At its Extremities under the Tropicks, the Circuit is a little more than 8250 Leagues	19800
The N. Temperate Zone has the same Circuit as the last under the Tropick, but about the middle in Lat. 45 has only about 6350 Leagues	15240
And at its Extremity, under the Polar Circle, it has 3575 Leagues	8580
The S. Temperate Zone, the like under the Tropick and under the Polar Circle	15240 8580
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By this the Goodness of God may be seen, in ordering it so that the far greatest part of the Earth may be comfortably inhabited.

'Tis to be observ'd that none of the Zones is yet perfectly discover'd. The N. Temperate and the Torrid Zones are better known than the rest. Nothing of the S. Temperate Zone is known, but what lies in our Continent and in *America*. Some Islands and Coasts of the N. Frozen Zone are known, but we have yet no Knowledge of any Countries in the S. Frozen Zone.

To sum up the Matter, and to shew what Proportion each of the Zones bears to the Surface of the Earth, let us suppose with Mr. *Senex*, that it is divided into equal Parts

The Torrid Zone contains of those Parts	520
Both Temperate Zones	207
And both Frigid Zones	270
	43
The same Author gives the Dimensions of each Zone in English Square Statute Miles, of 69 $\frac{1}{4}$ to a Degree, thus:	

The Torrid Zone	415474528457
Each Temperate Zone	270025710933
Each Frigid Zone	43209396510

bitants of the Frozen Zones *Perisicci*, from a Greek Word which signifies the Shadow's going round. Those of the Temperate Zones they call'a *Heterosicci*, which signifies, that their Shadow lay only either North or South; and those of the Torrid Zone they call'd *Amphisicci*, which signify'd that their Shadow at different Times lay both ways.

Reason and Experience have since prov'd, that the Inhabitants of the Torrid Zone are *Aficii*, or without Shadow at Noon, when the Sun is vertical, or ight over their Heads; and that when he is otherwise, those under the Tropicks have their Shadow always on one Side; whereas these have it sometimes on one side, and sometimes on t'other.

Therefore the Division of the People, according to their Shadows; was more exactly made into *Perisicci*, *Heterosicci* and *Aficii*, which they subdivided into *Aficii-Heterosicci* and *Aficii-Amphisicci*.

The *Perisicci*, or Inhabitants of the Frozen Zones, are divided into three sorts, 1. If any live under the Poles, they are always *Perisicci*, and their Shadow turns round during the six Months that they have the Sun continually. 2. Those under the Polar Circles have their Shadows turn'd round only when their Day is 24 Hours, which is their longest. 3. The Shadows of the rest turn round for several Days, Weeks or Months, according as they are nearer or farther from the Pole. Those under the Pole have their Year divided into a Day and a Night of six Months; and all the *Perisicci* in general have only one Summer that is very moderate, and one Winter that is very cold.

The *Heterosicci*, or Inhabitants of the Temperate Zones, have their Shadow at Noon always towards one of the Poles. Those of the Northern towards the North, and those of the Southern the contrary; and the Nights and Days are always unequal, except at the Time of the Equinox.

The *Aficii*, or Inhabitants of the Torrid Zone, are of three sorts, 1. Those directly under the Equator are twice a Year without Shadows, and all the rest of the Year they are *Amphisicci*, and have the Noon Shadow the one way or t'other, according as the Sun moves to the North or South of the Equator.

2. Those who live betwixt the Equator and the Tropicks are also twice a Year without Shadow, and the rest of it, their Shadows turn either one or t'other way; such as live near the Equator have also two Summers and two Winters, but the Seasons terminate in one of each, in proportion as they approach the Tropick, and their Days and Nights have more of an Equality, according as they lie nearer the Equator.

3. Those who live under the Tropicks are never *Aficii*, but have always a Shadow at Noon, except on the Days of the Solstices; all the rest of the Year they are *Heterosicci*, and cast their Shadow at Noon on one side, and they have but one Summer and Winter.

Thus the three sorts of *Aficii* abovemention'd, with the *Heterosicci*, and the three sorts of *Perisicci*, give us seven different sorts of Habitations, according to the Shadows upon the Surface of the Earth.

### Division of the Surface of the Terrestrial Globe, by the Position of its Inhabitants.

THE Inhabitants of the Globe may be distinguish'd into *Perisicci*, *Autaci* and *Antipodes*, Names deriv'd from their different Relations to one another, with regard to their Situation.

The *Perisicci* are those who live under the same Parallel of Latitude, but in opposite Meridians. They are equally distant from the Equator, under the same Degree of Latitude, are in the same Zone, have the same Seasons, the same Climate, the same length of Days and Nights, and have all things alike at the same time, except that in the Torrid and Temperate Zones, when the one have Day, the other have Night; and in the Frozen Zones, when the Days are continual, they have only opposite Hours.

The *Autaci* are those who inhabit the same Meridian, but in opposite Parallels towards the different Poles, and are said to live over-against one another. They agree in all things as the former, but being in opposite Hemispheres; when the one have Winter, the other have Summer. The *Antipodes* are diametrically opposite to one another in Parallels and Meridians, have the same Situation, with respect to the Equator and Poles, &c. as the other two above-mention'd; but being diametrically opposite, their Seasons, &c. are just the contrary to one another.

As to those that dwell under the Poles, they being diametrically opposite to one another, and their Seasons at quite contrary Times, they may justly be reckon'd *Antipodes*; but their Situation at the two Extremes of the same Meridian, their equal Distance from the Equator, and their having the same Hours in the Natural Day, make them pass for *Autaci*; but with this difference, that when the one has a Day, the other has a Night of six Months.

As to those who live under the Equator, they may be consider'd both as *Perisicci* and *Antipodes*, though they agree in nothing with the other *Antipodes*, but that they are diametrically opposite to one another, being in all other Respects true *Perisicci*.

'Tis to be observ'd, that our *Perisicci* are *Autaci* to our *Antipodes*; that our *Antipodes* are *Perisicci* to our *Autaci*; and our *Autaci*, *Antipodes* to our *Perisicci*.

### Of the Divisions of the Surface of our Globe by Climates and Parallels.

betwixt themselves, as they are parallel to file Tropicks and the Equator, and are 23 Degrees distant from the Poles.

That round the North Pole is call'd the Arctic Circle, and that round the South Pole the Antarctic.

Their Use is, 1. To shew us the Track of the Poles of the Zodiac or Ecliptick. 2. They inclose the cold or frozen Zones, and separate them from the temperate. 3. They inclose the great Climates, where they have the longest Days and longest Nights of several Months, and separate them from the small Climates.

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Betwixt the Equator and the Polar Circles, the Days increase from 12 Hours to 24, because those who live under those Circles have their Sun 24 Hours above their Horizon. Betwixt the Polar Circles and the Pole, the Days increase also in proportion to the Sun's continuing above the Horizon, from one Day to six Months.

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According to these Definitions, the Celestial Summer of those Places of the Earth, which lie between the Tropick of *Cancer* and the N. Pole, begins when the Sun enters the first Degree of *Cancer*, June 10, and ends when the Sun enters the first Degree of *Libra*, Sept. 11; and that at the same time in all these Places. So it is Autumn to these Places, when the Sun passes from the beginning of *Libra* to the beginning of *Capricorn*, from Sept. 11. to December 10. Winter beginning then, ends when the Sun enters *Aries*, March 11, between which and Summer falls the Spring.

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'Tis to be observ'd that none of the Zones is yet perfectly discover'd. The N. Temperate and the Torrid Zones are better known than the rest. Nothing of the S. Temperate Zone is known, but what lies in our Continent and in *America*. Some Islands and Coasts of the N. Frozen Zone are known, but we have yet no Knowledge of any Countries in the S. Frozen Zone.

To sum up the Matter, and to shew what Proportion each of the Zones bears to the Surface of the Earth, let us suppose with Mr. *Senex*, that it is divided into equal Parts

The Torrid Zone contains of those Parts 207  
 Both Temperate Zones 270  
 And both Frigid Zones 43

The same Author gives the Dimensions of each Zone in English Square Statute Miles, of 69 1/2 to a Degree, thus:

The Torrid Zone	415474528457
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*The Division of the Surface of the Earth, according to the Shadows of its Inhabitants.*

**T**HIS proceeds from the different Situation of the Zones; and the Diversity is taken either from the Position of the Shadow at Noon, or its going quite round all Objects.

The Ancients having found out, that the Shadow turn'd round the Inhabitants of the Frozen Zones, when the Sun gave them continual Day; that the Inhabitants of the Temperate Zones had their Shadows always towards the same Point at Noon: Those of the Northern towards that Point; those of the Southern towards the other: And that the Inhabitants of the Torrid Zone had their Shadow at Noon six Months towards the one Pole, and six towards the other: They call'd the Inha-

bitants their Year divided into a Day and a Night of an unequal Length; and all the *Perisæi* in general have only one Summer that is very moderate, and one Winter that is very cold.

The *Heterosæi*, or Inhabitants of the Temperate Zones, have their Shadow at Noon always towards one of the Poles. Those of the Northern towards the North, and those of the Southern the contrary; and the Nights and Days are always unequal, except at the Time of the Equinox.

The *Afici*, or Inhabitants of the Torrid Zone, are of three sorts, 1. Those directly under the Equator are twice a Year without Shadows, and all the rest of the Year they are *Amphisæi*, and have the Noon Shadow the one way or t'other, according as the Sun moves to the North or South of the Equator.

2. Those who live betwixt the Equator and the Tropicks are also twice a Year without Shadow, and the rest of it, their Shadows turn either one or t'other way; such as live near the Equator have also two Summers and two Winters, but the Seasons terminate in one of each, in proportion as they approach the Tropick, and their Days and Nights have more of an Equality, according as they lie nearer the Equator.

3. Those who live under the Tropicks are never *Afici*, but have always a Shadow at Noon, except on the Days of the Solstices; all the rest of the Year they are *Heterosæi*, and cast their Shadow at Noon on one side, and they have but one Summer and Winter.

Thus the three sorts of *Afici* abovemention'd, with the *Heterosæi*, and the three sorts of *Perisæi*, give us seven different sorts of Habitations, according to the Shadows upon the Surface of the Earth.

*Division of the Surface of the Terrestrial Globe, by the Position of its Inhabitants.*

**T**HE Inhabitants of the Globe may be distinguish'd into *Perisæi*, *Anaxi* and *Antipodes*, Names deriv'd from their different Relations to one another, with regard to their Situation.

The *Perisæi* are those who live under the same Parallel of Latitude, but in opposite Meridians. They are equally distant from the Equator, under the same Degree of Latitude, are in the same Zone, have the same Seasons, the same Climate, the same length of Days and Nights, and have all things alike at the same time, except that in the Torrid and Temperate Zones, when the one have Day, the other have Night; and in the Frozen Zones, when the Days are continual, they have only opposite Hours.

The *Anaxi* are those who inhabit the same Meridian, but in opposite Parallels towards the different Poles, and are said to live over-against one another. They agree in all things as the former, but being in opposite Hemispheres; when the one have Winter, the other have Summer. The *Antipodes* are diametrically opposite to one another in Parallels and Meridians, have the same Situation, with respect to the Equator and Poles, &c. as the other two above-mention'd; but being diametrically opposite, their Seasons, &c. are all the contrary to one another.

As to those that dwell under the Poles, they being diametrically opposite to one another, and their Seasons at quite contrary Times, they may justly be reckon'd *Antipodes*; but their Situation at the two Extremes of the same Meridian, their equal Distance from the Equator, and their having the same Hours in the Natural Day, make them pass for *Anaxi*; but with this difference, that when the one has a Day, the other has a Night of six Months.

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*Of the Divisions of the Surface of our Globe by Climates and Parallels.*

**T**HE Ancients, besides observing the Situation of Places by the Height of the Pole, or by Latitude or Distance from the Equator, contriv'd to find it by the difference of the Length of Days also; and therefore divided the Surface of our Globe by Circles parallel to the Equator, into several small Parts, in each of which the same Lengths of Days were comprehended.

They call'd them Climates from the Greek Word *κλίμα*, a Country or Tract, or, as some think, from *κλίω*; which signifies to decline or bend downwards, as they do from the Equator. They subdivided them by a Parallel Line into two Semi-Climates, which they call'd Parallels.

The Climates are of two sorts; those betwixt the Equator and the Polar Circles, where the Artificial Days increase insensibly, and are regulated by half Hours; and those between the Polar Circles and the

Poles, which have continued Days, and are regulated by Months, or 30 continued Days.

The Parallels are also of two sorts. The one divides the Climates into quarters of Hours; and the other divides the Days of the Months into 15; so that a Parallel is a Space of our Globe's Surface, betwixt two Circles or Parallel Lines, betwixt which there's a Variation of a quarter of an Hour, or of 15 Days in the longest Day of the Year.

The Climates are very unequal in Breadth; those of the Artificial Days are the larger the nearer they lie to the Equator, and diminish in proportion to their Distance from it.

The Climates of the continued Days, on the contrary, are the larger the nearer they lie to the Poles, and diminish in proportion to their Distance from them.

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GEOPHYSICISTS perceiving that the Division of it by Climates, serv'd only to distinguish its Surface from S. to N. they found that an exacter Division was not only necessary to mark the Situation of Places more regularly towards those Points, but that there must also be a Method of doing the same from E. to W.

And knowing that the Poles determin'd the S. and N. Points, and that the Extent of the Globe from E. to W. is exactly mark'd out by the Equator, whose Circuit is double the circular Distance betwixt the two Poles, they call'd the Extent of the Globe from S. to N. Latitude, and that from E. to W. Longitude, because they knew twice as much of the World that way as they did the other.

In Imitation therefore of Astronomers, who divide all Circles into 360 Parts, they divided the Circumference of the Globe into 360 Degrees, by Semi-Circles or Meridian Lines from one Pole to the other, which they call'd Degrees of Longitude.

And because the Distance betwixt the Poles makes only the Half of a great Circle on the Globe's Surface, they divided it into 180 Parts, with regard to North and South, which they call'd Degrees of Latitude; and those Degrees they distinguish'd by the Poles and 179 Circles parallel and equidistant.

As the Equator is the greatest of the Parallel Circles, and equally distant from the two Poles, Geographers have made it the Rule and first of the Circles, and begin from it to reckon the Degrees of Latitude towards the North or the South Pole, and distinguish 'em accordingly into North and South Latitude, there being 90 Degrees on each side the Equator.

In Planispheres, or Maps which represent the Globe, the Latitudes are mark'd on the first entire Meridian, which, by dividing the two Hemispheres, does also cut all the Circles of Latitude into two equal Parts, therefore the Degrees are mark'd there four times, one for each Semi-Circle or Parallel of Latitude.

All these Degrees in Globes and Maps are mark'd one by one; but the Lines or Circles, which separate them, are drawn from 5 to 5, 10 to 10, or 15 to 15, according to the Size of the Globe or Map, to avoid crowding it too much.

The Degrees of Latitude thus mark'd, shew the Latitude, or at what Distance the Countries or Places propos'd are from the Equator, and at the same time how much the Pole is elevated above their Horizon, which goes as much below the Pole as they are distant from the Equator, the Latitude of a Place and the Height of the Pole being equal.

The Degrees of Longitude are mark'd on Globes and general Maps of the World, in the same manner as the former, but are reckon'd on the Equator from West to East, because the Ancients knowing the Western Extremity of our Continent with more Certainty, as being near it, they fix'd the first Meridian or Line of Longitude there. These Lines of Longitude are drawn, as has been said, from Pole to Pole, and contract gradually in proportion to their Distance from the Equator, till they end in a Point under each Pole. The Degrees of Longitude of Countries and Towns, which is their Distance from the first Meridian, are reckon'd on the Equator, Longitude being an Arch of the Equator, or of a Parallel comprehended betwixt the Meridian of a Country or Town and the first Meridian.

Tho' Degrees of Latitude be all of equal Breadth, yet Degrees of Longitude in all Parallel Circles diminish in proportion, as they approach the Poles.

Therefore, to prevent Mistakes in Calculating Distances of Places from West to East, Geographers have form'd a Table of the Diminutions of the Degrees of Longitude according to each Degree of Latitude; but this being of little Use, except to such as make Maps, we omit it.

Astronomers having as yet found nothing in the Heavens to determine the first Meridian, Geographers are much divided in their Opinions about placing it.

The Western Inhabitants of our Continent, and the *Arabians* have plac'd it at the Western Extremity of our Hemisphere, and reckon the rest from West to East; but the Eastern Nations, and chiefly the *Indians*, have fix'd the first Longitude in the middle of our Hemisphere, at a Town situated 90 Degrees from both Poles under the Equator; and they also pretend, that 'tis 90 Degrees distant from both the East and West Extremities of our Continent. They afterwards, quite contrary to us, fix'd their first Longitude at the Eastern Extremity of our Continent, that in counting the rest, they might follow the natural Order, and the Course of the Sun.

Though the Western Nations agree to fix it in the West of our Continent, they don't agree on the Place where. *Ptolomy*, and the Ancients, fix'd it at one of the *Fortunate Islands*, now generally suppos'd to be the *Canaries*. Some of the *Arabians* follow'd him, and others plac'd it at *Hercules's Pillars*, or the Straights of *Gibraltar*. Some Moderns would fix it at the *Teneriff*, others at the Isles of *Cape Verde*, or *Cape Verde* itself, and some at the Pike of *Teneriff*, one of the *Canaries*. The *Spaniards* would have it at *Toledo*; the *Portuguese* at *Lisbon*; and, in short, every Nation may fix it at their own Capital if they please; but as *Ptolomy* has been follow'd by most, 'tis like so to continue, especially since *Leves XIII of France* did, by the Advice of the ablest Mathematicians, publish an Order of *April 23, 1634*, that it should be fix'd by his Subjects at the Isle of *Fero*, the most westerly of the *Canaries*.

It is now become usual to count the Longitude Westward as well as Eastward, from the Place where Geographers fix their first Meridian.

The Difference among 'em about fixing the Meridian has made great Confusion in their Maps, and occasion'd much Difficulty in finding the Longitude of Places, some placing them in one Degree, and others in another. The only way to remedy this at present is, to give an Account of the different Places where they fix their Meridians, and of their Distance from one another.

The *Spaniards*, since their Conquest of the *West-Indies*, place their first Meridian at *Toledo*; and from thence, contrary to all other *Europeans*, account their Longitude from East to West.

*Blau*, the *Dutch* Geographer, and most of his Countrymen, place it at the Pike of *Teneriff*, one of the *Canaries*.

The *French*, as we have heard already, generally fix theirs at the Isle of *Fero*, and some of them at *Paris*.

Our *English* Geographers, as *Camden*, *Sped*, and others, fix it in the *Azores* Islands; some at the Isle of *Corvo*; and others, which is most follow'd, at the Isle of *St. Michael's*; and later ones place it at *London*.

The Distances betwixt those Places in the western Part of our Hemisphere is thus:

	Degrees	Minutes
From the Pike of <i>Teneriff</i> to <i>Toledo</i>	15	53
to <i>Granosa</i>	10	25
to <i>Tercera</i>	9	00
to <i>Palma Fero</i> , or <i>Fero</i>	2	50
to <i>Corvo</i>	13	25
to <i>St. Michael's</i>	8	15

So that to find the Longitude of a Place in your Map, consider where it begins its Longitude, and whether the Place where it begins lies East or West from any of the Places above mention'd.

*Of the Measures us'd by Geographers.*

**I**N Imitation of Geometricians, who divide their Circles into 360 Parts, and each of these into 60 others, Geographers have divided the Globe into 360 Degrees, every Degree into 60 Minutes or Miles, each Mile into 1000 Paces, each Pace into five Foot, and each Foot into 12 Inches, which the *French* subdivide into 12 Lines, and the Line into 12 sensible Points, one against another in a direct Line; but a Point is consider'd as Indivisible.

A Degree, thus divided into 60 Minutes of 1000 Geometrical Paces each, serves as a Foundation to regulate all the Measures us'd by Geographers for Journeys, Voyages, and the Distance of Places; this Pace being the most certain and commodious Way of measuring them.

For the Ease and Instruction of those who read ancient or modern Geography, we have drawn up the Alphabetical Table following of all the Countries whose Measures are mention'd by Geographers, with the Number of Geometrical Paces that each of those Measures contains; and how many of each of those Measures make up a Degree.

The Measures of each Country.	Paces	The Meas of each Country contained in a Degree.
<i>African</i> Diets or Journeys, contain each Stations	30000	2
<i>American</i> Hour's Journey, us'd also in <i>Europe</i> Journey and Diets	3000	20
<i>Arabian</i> Parasangs Stations	3000	20
<i>Chinese</i> Ly Pu	240	250
<i>Danish</i> League	2400	25
<i>Dutch</i> Leagues or Miles Or	5000	12
<i>Egyptian</i> common Schœnus of 40 Stadia, at 125 Paces each	3500	12
They had others of 20, 30, 60 and 120 Stadia each, which may be easily reduc'd to Paces and Degrees. Their Schœnus was us'd by several of their Neighbours.		
Their Parasangs	3000	20
<i>English</i> Mile equal to the <i>Italian</i> Or	1000	60
Stature Miles, at 5 Foot per Pace	1056	56
<i>French</i> little Leagues	2000	30
Common League	2400	25
Great League	3000	20
<i>Gaulish</i> ancient League	1500	40
<i>German</i> Mile	4200	15
<i>Greek</i> Stadium	125	480
<i>Hungarian</i> Mile	6000	10
<i>Japan</i> Mile	2000	30
Ink	150	400
<i>Indian</i> Goffe	4800	12
Cofs	2400	25
<i>Lyb</i> Mile	1500	40
<i>Italian</i> and <i>Roman</i> common Mile, us'd by the ancient <i>Romans</i> through their Empire	1000	60
<i>Masovite</i> Woerits, or Verils	750	80
<i>Persian</i> Parasangs, or Parasangs	3000	20
Ancient or common Parasangs	4000	15
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<i>Polish</i> Mile Or	3000	20
<i>Scott</i> Mile	4000	15
<i>Spanish</i> League	1500	40
<i>Swedish</i> League	3428	17
<i>Swiss</i> League	5000	12
<i>Tartarian</i> Station	5000	12
<i>Turkish</i> common Mile	20000	3
	1000	60

But it must be observ'd, that Geographers differ in Opinion as to the Miles on the Surface of the Earth, which answer to a Degree in the Heavens; of which Mr. *Leybourn*, in his Introduction to Astronomy and Geography, gives us this Account:

The Ancients reckon'd to a Degree 60 *English* or *Italian* Miles, 20 *French* or *Dutch* Leagues, 15 *German* Miles, 17 *Spanish* Leagues. Of *English* Miles, *Albrward* the *Arabian*, and *Gallendus* reckon'd 73 to

and the same Country; but whenever they find a Mile or a League, &c. mention'd, they take it to be the same with that of the Place where they live, or don't distinguish between the common and uncommon Measure of the Places they treat of.

This is also owing in a great degree to the Carelessness or Ignorance of Travellers, who, not observing those necessary Distinctions, make gross Mistakes both in the Extent of the Countries and Distance of Places, which they give us an Account of in their Travels; and thus their Errors are very unjustly charged upon Geographers and Map-makers, who are oblig'd to trust what Travellers write, until their Mistakes be made evident by those of better Credit and Abilities, or at least of more Diligence.

Many Instances of Mistakes of this Nature might be given, but we shall insist only upon a few. Some *French* Travellers, who have been in *Indostan*, say, their Cofs makes only  $\frac{1}{4}$  a *French* League; and others say, it makes a whole one. Some *English* Travellers say, that two Cofs go to an *English* Mile. Some *Dutch* Travellers say, that three Cofs make up two *German* Miles; and others say, that two of 'em make a *Dutch* Mile; but they don't say what sort of *French*, *English* or *Dutch* Miles they mean.

The Effect that this want of Care has in the Accounts of the Extent of Countries, is evident from the following Instance in *Tavernier* a *French* Traveller, who makes the Distance betwixt *Sinar* and *Goi*, two Places on the same Coast, which lies from North to South 61 Cofs, and each Cofs he makes four Cofs's, and the Cofs equal to the ordinary *French* League, which make above nine Degrees and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of Latitude betwixt the two Places; whereas, according to all the printed Maps, and the *Portuguese* and *Dutch* Manuscripts, there are only six Degrees of Latitude betwixt those Places.

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The only Way that Geographers have to prevent such Mistakes, is to set down in their Scales of Measures what sort it is they make use of, and how many of 'em goes to a Degree.

It must here be observ'd, that Geographers reckon all their Measures in a direct Line; because, if it were according to the Turnings and Windings of Roads, they could not truly represent the Situation of Places.

*How to find out the Situation of Places in Maps, and the Distance betwixt one Place and another.*

**I**F you know the Longitude and Latitude of any Place, 'tis easy to find where it is or ought to be in a Map, by the Direction of your Eye to the Place where the Lines of the given Longitude and Latitude cut one another. The Degrees of Longitude being generally mark'd at the top and bottom of Maps, and the Degrees of Latitude on the Sides; or if the Maps be large, so as you can't so well be directed to the Situation of the Place by a Glance of the Eye, you may lay a Ruler or a Strait Thread over the Place whose Position you seek for, directly to the Longitude or Minute of Longitude against the Place at top and bottom, and in like manner apply the Ruler or Line to the Degree or Minute of Latitude on each side the Map, and thus you may find the exact Longitude and Latitude of the Place you seek for according to your Map; or if you know the Bearing and Distance of one Place from another beforehand, you may easily find its Position by your Scale and Compass.

But if you don't beforehand know the Longitude and Latitude, or Bearing and Distance of the Place sought for, you must either consult such Dictionaries as treat of the Longitude and Latitude of Places, or the Indexes of such Geographical Books as will direct to it; or in such Systems of Geography as give the general Divisions of Countries, with their principal Towns, as *Sinsin* and *Ligns* do in their Tables, you may find the Place, if it be of Note, in those Divisions, and then it may be easily found by Inspection into the Map; as also its Longitude and Latitude as before.

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And because the Distance betwixt the Poles makes only the Half of a great Circle on the Globe's Surface, they divided it into 180 Parts, with regard to North and South, which they call'd Degrees of Latitude; and those Degrees they distinguish'd by the Poles and 179 Circles parallel and equidistant.

As the Equator is the greatest of the Parallel Circles, and equally distant from the two Poles, Geographers have made it the Rule and first of the Circles, and begin from it to reckon the Degrees of Latitude towards the North or the South Pole, and distinguish 'em accordingly into North and South Latitude, there being 90 Degrees on each side the Equator.

And because each Parallel Circle, by its Circumference on the Globe, marks the same Degree through its whole Circuit, that is to say, in both Hemispheres, Geographers divide each Hemisphere by the Equator into two Parts, the Northern and Southern, which make four quarter Parts for the whole Surface of the Globe; and to shew in what Part of either Hemisphere, Eastern or Western, this Latitude is found, they express whether it be in the South or North Part of the one or other Hemisphere; and so, to avoid Confusion, they reckon the Degrees of Latitude four times, 90 betwixt the Equator and the North Pole, and 90 betwixt it and the South Pole, for ours or the Eastern Hemisphere; and in the same manner for the Western, which makes up 360, though they mark only 180 Degrees of Latitude by the Parallel Circles, which so include a Degree of each Hemisphere.

Longitude are reckon'd from the Equator, till they end in a Point under each Pole. The Degrees of Longitude of Countries and Towns, which is their Distance from the first Meridian, are reckon'd on the Equator, Longitude being an Arch of the Equator, or of a Parallel comprehended betwixt the Meridian of a Country or Town and the first Meridian.

Tho' Degrees of Latitude be all of equal Breadth, yet Degrees of Longitude in all Parallel Circles diminish in proportion, as they approach the Poles.

Therefore, to prevent Mistakes in Calculating Distances of Places from West to East, Geographers have form'd a Table of the Diminutions of the Degrees of Longitude according to each Degree of Latitude; but this being of little Use, except to such as make Maps, we omit it.

Astronomers having as yet found nothing in the Heavens to determine the first Meridian, Geographers are much divided in their Opinions about placing it.

The Western Inhabitants of our Continent, and the *Arabians* have plac'd it at the Western Extremity of our Hemisphere, and reckon the rest from West to East; but the Eastern Nations, and chiefly the *Indians*, have fix'd the first Longitude in the middle of our Hemisphere, at a Town situated 90 Degrees from both Poles under the Equator; and they also pretend, that 'tis 90 Degrees distant from both the East and West Extremities of our Continent. They afterwards, quite contrary to us, fix'd their first Longitude at the Eastern Extremity of our Continent, that in counting the rest, they might follow the natural Order, and the Course of the Sun.

Though the Western Nations agree to fix it in the West of our Continent, they don't agree on the Place where. *Polony*, and the Ancients, fix'd it at one of the *Fortunate Islands*, now generally suppos'd to be the *Canaries*. Some of the *Arabians* follow'd him, and others plac'd it at *Hercules's Pillars*, or the Straights of *Gibraltar*. Some Moderns would fix it at the *Tercera*, others at the Isles of *Cape Verd*, or *Cape Verd* itself, and some at the Pike of *Teneriff*, one of the *Canaries*. The *Spaniards* would have it at *Toledo*; the *Portuguese* at *Lisbon*; and, in short, every Nation may fix it at their own Capital if they please; but as *Polony* has been follow'd by most, 'tis like to continue, especially since *Leuis XIII* of *France* did, by the Advice of the ablest Mathematicians, publish an Order of *April 23, 1634*, that it should be fix'd by his Subjects at the Isle of *Fero*, the most westerly of the *Canaries*.

It is now become usual to count the Longitude Westward as well as Eastward, from the Place where Geographers fix their first Meridian.

The Difference among 'em about fixing this Meridian has made great Confusion in their Maps, and occasion'd much Difficulty in finding the Longitude of Places, some placing them in one Degree, and others in another. The only way to remedy this at present is, to give an Account of the different Places where they fix their Meridians, and of their Distance from one another.

The *Spaniards*, since their Conquest of the *West-Indies*, place their first Meridian at *Toledo*; and from thence, contrary to all other *Europeans*, account their Longitude from East to West.

*Blau*, the *Dutch* Geographer, and most of his Countrymen, place it at the Pike of *Teneriff*, one of the *Canaries*.

The *French*, as we have heard already, generally fix theirs at the Isle of *Fero*, and some of them at *Paris*.

Our *English* Geographers, as *Camden*, *Speed*, and others, fix it in the *Azores* Islands; some at the Isle of *Corvo*; and others, which is most follow'd, at the Isle of *St. Michael's*; and later ones place it at *London*.

The Distances betwixt those Places in the western Part of our Hemisphere is thus:

	Degrees	Minutes
From the Pike of <i>Teneriff</i> to <i>Toledo</i>	15	53
to <i>Gratiosa</i>	10	25
to <i>Tercera</i>	9	00
to <i>Palma Fero</i> , or <i>Fer</i>	2	50
to <i>Corvo</i>	13	25
to <i>St. Michael's</i>	8	15

So that to find the Longitude of a Place in your Map, consider where it begins its Longitude, and whether the Place where it begins lies East or West from any of the Places above-mention'd, and how many Degrees; and accordingly subtract or add such Difference from or to the given Longitude of any Place, to find the Longitude of the Place you seek for in your Map. For Instance, suppose I look in a Map for *London*, whose Longitude from *St. Michael's* I know to be 27 Deg. 30 M. and that the Map I look in begins the Longitude from the westernmost Part of *Spain*, which is 16 Deg. East of *St. Michael's*, then I must subtract 16 Deg. from 27 Deg. 30 M. and the Remainder 11, 30, is the Longitude of *London* in such a Map; but if the Map had begun its Longitude from any Place West of *St. Michael's*, as from *Corvo*, which is about 5 Deg. 20 M. West of it, I must add that Distance to the 27 Deg. 30 M. and it would make the Longitude of *London* 32 Deg. 20 M. in that Map which begins its Longitude at *Corvo*.



The Measures of each Country.	Paces	The Meas. of each Country contained in a Degree.
<i>African</i> Diets or Journays, contain each Stations	30000	2
<i>American</i> Hour's Journey, us'd also in <i>Europe</i> . Journey and Diets	3000	20
<i>Arabian</i> Parasangs Stations	30000	2
<i>Chinese</i> Ly Pu	20000	20
<i>Danish</i> League	2400	3
<i>Dutch</i> Leagues or Miles Or	5000	250
<i>Egyptian</i> common Schœnus of 40 Stadia, at 125 Paces each	2400	25
They had others of 20, 30, 60 and 120 Stadia each, which may be easily reduc'd to Paces and Degrees. Their Schœnus was us'd by several of their Neighbours.	3500	12
Or	4000	15
<i>Egyptian</i> common Schœnus of 40 Stadia, at 125 Paces each	5000	12
They had others of 20, 30, 60 and 120 Stadia each, which may be easily reduc'd to Paces and Degrees. Their Schœnus was us'd by several of their Neighbours.		
Their Parasangs	3000	20
<i>English</i> Mile equal to the <i>Italian</i> Of	1000	60
Statute Miles, at 5 Foot per Pace	1250	48
<i>French</i> little Leagues Common League	1056	56
Great League	2000	30
<i>Gallic</i> ancient League	2400	25
<i>German</i> Mile	3000	20
<i>Greek</i> Stadium	1500	40
	4000	15
	125	480
<i>Note</i> , That the <i>Greeks</i> introduc'd this Measure into all their Colonies, and their Authors generally use it in describing other Countries.		
Their ancient Stadium was said to be measur'd by <i>Hercules</i> , with his Feet, in the <i>Olympick</i> field, and consisted but of 600 Foot: This when doubled they call'd <i>Diaulos</i> ; and the <i>Diaulos</i> doubled they call'd <i>Dolichos</i> .		
<i>Hungarian</i> Mile	6000	10
<i>Japan</i> Mile	2000	30
<i>Ink</i>	150	400
<i>Indian</i> Goffe Cofs	4800	12
<i>Irish</i> Mile	2400	25
<i>Italian</i> and <i>Roman</i> common Mile, us'd by the ancient <i>Romans</i> throughout their Empire	1500	40
<i>Masoretic</i> Woorls, or Verbs	1000	60
<i>Persian</i> Farangs, or Parasangs Ancient or common Farangs	750	80
They had other of 20, 30 and 60 Stadia each.	3000	20
<i>Polyb</i> Mile Or	4000	15
<i>Scots</i> Mile	1500	40
<i>Spanish</i> League	3438	17
<i>Swedish</i> League	5000	12
<i>Swiss</i> League	5000	12
<i>Tibetan</i> Station	5000	12
<i>Turkish</i> common Mile	20000	3
	1000	60

But it must be observ'd, that Geographers differ in Opinion as to the Miles on the Surface of the Earth, which answer to a Degree in the Heavens; of which *Mr. Leybourn*, in his Introduction to Astronomy and Geography, gives us this Account:

The Ancients reckon'd to a Degree 60 *English* or *Italian* Miles, 20 *French* or *Dutch* Leagues, 15 *German* Miles, 17  $\frac{1}{2}$  *Spanish* Leagues.

Of *English* Miles *Albrizand* the *Arabian*, and *Gustendus* reckon'd 73 to a Degree: *Fernelus* 68, *Willbordus Snellius* 70, *Oughred* 66, *Newwood* 69  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and 14 Poles of 16 Foot and half each.

*Mr. Newwood* measur'd the Distance betwixt *London* and *Tork* by a Perambulator, *Ann* 1635, and being an able Mathematician, his Computation is reckon'd very exact. The *French* Academy of Sciences agree very near with him, and make 69  $\frac{1}{2}$  *English* Miles in a Degree; so that to allow 70 Miles for a Degree, as some of our modern Geographers direct, does not at all seem unreasonable.

By this it may be easily seen how Geographers come to differ so much in their Computations of the Extent of Countries, and Distance of Places: Some of them, and especially such as only copy from others, never consider the difference of Measures us'd by different Peoples, nor even the difference betwixt Measures of the same Denomination in one

of Countries, is evident from the following Instance in *Tavernier* a *French* Traveller, who makes the Distance betwixt *Surat* and *Goa*, two Places on the same Coast, which lies from North to South 61 Cofs, and each Cofs he makes four Cofs's, and the Cofs equal to the ordinary *French* League, which make above nine Degrees and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of Latitude betwixt the two Places; whereas, according to all the printed Maps, and the *Portuguese* and *Dutch* Manuscripts, there are only six Degrees of Latitude betwixt those Places.

Another Instance of gross Mistakes in Travellers is that of *Father Murini*, who, in his Relation, places *Tunquin* in *China* according to those of the Country in the 50th Journey of Length from South to North, and in the 20th of Breadth from East to West; having said before that the Length was 1500 Miles, and the Breadth 600, by which it appears that he assigns 30 Miles to each Journey. But as that Country has only about 13 Degrees of Latitude, which make no more than 780 Miles in a Strait Line, it follows, that the Journeys can be no more than about 15 or 16 Miles each, since otherwise *Tunquin* must be in the 35th Degree of Latitude, which must take in two thirds of *China*.

The only Way that Geographers have to prevent such Mistakes, is to set down in their Scales of Measures what sort it is they make use of, and how many of 'em goes to a Degree.

It must here be observ'd, that Geographers reckon all their Measures in a direct Line; because, if it were according to the Turnings and Windings of Roads, they could not truly represent the Situation of Places.

### How to find out the Situation of Places in Maps, and the Distance betwixt one Place and another.

IF you know the Longitude and Latitude of any Place, 'tis easy to find where it is or ought to be in a Map, by the Direction of your Eye to the Place where the Lines of the given Longitude and Latitude cut one another. The Degrees of Longitude being generally mark'd at the top and bottom of Maps, and the Degrees of Latitude on the Sides; or if the Maps be large, so as you can't so well be directed to the Situation of the Place by a Glance of the Eye, you may lay a Ruler or a Strait Thread over the Place whose Position you seek for, directly to the Longitude or Minute of Longitude against the Place at top and bottom, and in like manner apply the Ruler or Line to the Degree or Minute of Latitude on each side the Map, and thus you may find the exact Longitude and Latitude of the Place you seek for according to your Map; or if you know the Bearing and Distance of one Place from another beforehand, you may easily find its Position by your Scale and Compass.

But if you don't beforehand know the Longitude and Latitude, or Bearing and Distance of the Place sought for, you must either consult such Dictionaries as treat of the Longitude and Latitude of Places, or the Indexes of such Geographical Books as will direct to it; or in such Systems of Geography as give the general Divisions of Countries, with their principal Towns, as *Saxonia* and *Luxy* do in their Tables, you may find the Place, if it be of Note, in those Divisions, and then it may be easily found by Inspection into the Map; as also its Longitude and Latitude as before.

To find the Distance betwixt one Place and another in a Map, consider whether that Map you make use of have the Degrees of Longitude mark'd on the Sides, which all but general Maps or Planispheres commonly have; for then putting the Points of the Compasses on the two Places, and applying the Distance to the Degrees of Latitude opposite to the Places, you'll find nearly how many Degrees or Minutes they are distant from one another, and for every Degree you must reckon 60 Miles, and for every Minute a Mile; but this will be true only on a Globe.

If the Distance be greater than can be measur'd at once by your Compass, as frequently happens in large Maps, when Places are at a great distance, lay a Strait Thread or Ruler betwixt the two Places, and apply your Compass to one or more Degrees of Latitude on the Side of the Map; as the Case requires, you may measure the Line or Ruler by the Degrees contain'd in the opening of your Compass, and by calculating the Degrees and Minutes, as above, you have the Distance you seek for.

In general Maps or Planispheres the Degrees of Latitude are mark'd on the Circle which encloses each Hemisphere, so that by using your Compass, as above, or making use of a Ruler or Thread, if the Distance be great, you may find it in the same manner as before directed; and the Degrees of Longitude being mark'd on the Equinoctial Line in such Planispheres, the Difference of Longitude betwixt Places may be easily found the same Way: Only you must observe, that the Distance betwixt Places from East to West, or any of their collateral Points, is not to be measur'd by the Degrees of Longitude, but by those of Latitude, because the Degrees of Longitude contract gradually from the Equinoctial, till they end in a Point under each Pole. The Distance of Places might be measur'd this Way, by consulting a Table of Diminution of the Degrees of Longitude in each Degree of Latitude, but it would be both more troublesome and less exact. *N. B.* These are the Ways usually directed to, but can't be true to any Exactness.

In particular Maps of larger or lesser Countries, there is generally a Scale of Leagues or Miles, &c. so that to find the Distance of Places in such Maps, you put the Points of your Compass upon the two Places, and measure the Distance by the Scale; or if the Distance be greater than the Scale, you may measure the Scale twice, or oftner, with your Compasses, as the Case requires; and if the Compass be not large enough, it may be done by a Ruler or Thread, as before.

'Tis to be observ'd, that when Maps are small, the Minutes of Degrees are frequently omitted, and the Degrees divided into four, five, or more Parts, one of the Divisions being black and the other white, which are easily understood as being so many parts of 60, and may be speedily reduc'd to Geographical Miles.

Sometimes when the Maps are large, and the Space very wide betwixt one Degree and another, the Minutes or other Divisions are mark'd on the Sides betwixt the Degrees, but in lesser Figures.

The Bearings of Places from one another, as E. W. N. or S. &c. may be found out by the Compass in the Maps, or by the Words North at

top, South at bottom, West on the Left Hand, and East on the Right.

There are some Maps so contriv'd, for particular Purposes, as that instead of Longitude and Latitude they have only Lines drawn parallel to the sides, and others drawn parallel from top to bottom, which divide the whole into little Squares; and on both sides of the Map against each Space, there are Letters set, as A, B, C, &c. and there are other Letters, different from the former, plac'd against the Spaces at bottom and top. By the help of these Letters an Alphabetical Table is form'd, with the Names of all the Places, and against each Name is plac'd one of the Letters in the sides, and another of those at top and bottom; by looking for which in the Map, the Position of the Place is easily found, as suppose a Place mark'd in the Table A B, and that A is the top and B the side Letter, I look for A on the top, and B on the side, and in the Space where the Lines drawn from each Letter meet, the Place will be found. *Adam's Map of England*, and *Ogilby's Map of the Roads of England*, and others are form'd after this manner; and some of this sort have Longitude and Latitude also.



## Of the Lower WORLD, or EARTH and SEA in General.

IT IS obvious to common View, that our lower World is divided into Land and Sea: The Learned have been very curious in their Enquiries about the Dimensions of each, and their Proportion to one another, but have not yet been able to determine with any certainty, whether Sea or Land takes up most of the Surface of our Globe, because we know but little of those Parts of the World about the North Pole, and nothing of what there is about the South Pole. 'Tis doubted by the Learned, whether there be any Inhabitants under either Pole: yet 'tis probable there may, since *Dr. Halley* has prov'd, that the Solstitial Day under the Pole is as hot as under the Equinoctial, when the Sun is vertical to them, or in their Zenith, because for all the 24 Hours of that Day under the Pole, the Sun-Beams are inclin'd to the Horizon with an Angle of 23 Degrees; whereas under the Equinoctial, tho' he becomes vertical, yet he shines no more than 12 Hours, and is absent 12; and besides, for three Hours eight Minutes of that 12 Hours he is above the Horizon there, he is not so much elevated as under the Pole.

### Of the Dimensions of the Earth and Sea together.

*Anaximander*, who liv'd about 550 Years before Christ, is the first that we know of, who offer'd to describe the Circumference of the Earth and Sea; and his Dimensions are suppos'd to be those mention'd by *Aristotle*, at the close of his Second Book concerning the Heavens, &c. That the Circumference of the Earth was 400000 Stadia, each *Greek* ordinary Stadium being reckon'd 600 Foot. This Opinion was follow'd till *Eratosthenes*, who liv'd about 200 Years before Christ, made the Circumference about 252000 Stadia; but then this must not have been the ordinary Stadium, because *Pliny* reduces them to 315000 Roman Miles. *Hipparchus*, who liv'd 100 Years after *Eratosthenes*, added 25000 Stadia to his Number. *Ptolemy*, who liv'd in *Cicero's* Time, made the Circumference 240000 Stadia, according to *Cleomedes*, and but 180000 according to *Strabo*. *Ptolemy*, who liv'd 144 Years after Christ, agreed with the latter. *Mamun*, or *Almanon*, a King of the *Arabians*, about A. C. 827, order'd some Learned Mathematicians to meet in the Fields of *Mesopotamia*, and measure them from North to South, in order to find out the Quantity of a Degree, and thereby to compute the Circumference of the Earth, which they determin'd, some say, to be 20060 Miles, and others 20340: From that time the *Arabians* follow'd their own Mathematicians, and the *Latin* follow'd *Ptolemy*; and the Problem lay in a manner neglected, till *Snellius*, a very Learned Man, and Professor of Mathematicks at *Leiden* in 1613, finding these Computations defective, apply'd himself to this Study, and computing a Degree of the Earth to make 19 Dutch Miles of 18000 *Rhinlandish* Feet each, he made the Circumference of the Earth to be 8640 such Miles. The Curious may find the several Ways of making up those Computations in *Sir Isaac Newton's* Edition of *Venus*, with his own Opinion and Animadversions upon them, *Lib. 1. cap. 4.*

The Learned *Mr. Keil*, in his Examination of *Dr. Burnet's* Theory, makes the Surface 170981012 *Italian* Miles.

*M. de Fer*, in his *Methode Abregée*, or *Short Method for Learning Geography*, printed at the *Hague* in 1706, says, the French Royal Academy of Sciences computed a Degree upon the Earth to be 57060 Toises of the Chatelet of *Paris*, which make 28 *Paris* Leagues of 2000 Toises each; according to which Computation, he makes the Circumference of the Earth 10080 *Paris* Leagues, its Surface 36356814 Leagues, its Diameter 3210, and its Solidity 1731294900 Cubical Leagues.

take the third of its Product, that third will give us 12310618560 Cubic Leagues for the solid Quantity of the Terrestrial Globe.

*Sanson jun.* in his Introduction to Geography, printed at *Amsterdam* in 1708, does, upon the same Foundations, make the Circumference of the Globe 9000 common *French* Leagues, or 21600 common *Italian* Miles.

The Surface of the Globe 25 Millions and half of common *French* Leagues, or 148 Millions 510800 of Geometrical or common *Italian* square Miles.

The Solidity of the Globe 12 Millions of Millions, and 310 Millions of common *French* Cubic Leagues, or 170 Millions of Millions, 181 Millions and 900 Geometrical or common *Italian* Cubic Miles, that is, for many square solid Masses of a Mile in Length, Breadth and Thickness each.

*Dr. Harris* in his *Lexicon Technicum*, says, that according to the *French* Measures, the Circumference of the Earth is 123249600 *Paris* Feet, or 246491 *English* Miles; the mean Semi-Diameter 19615800 *Paris* Feet, or 3923 Miles of 5000 Feet to a Mile. But the Earth is higher at the Equator than at the Poles 85200 Feet, or 17 Miles, so that the Radius of it may be taken in a round Number, as 20000000 Feet, and he makes the solid Content 3000,000000,000000,000000 Cubic Feet.

*Mr. Smeax*, in his Introduction to Geography, printed at *London* in 1717, reduces the Dimensions of the Earth, according to the *French* Measures, into *English* thus: A Degree 69.3, *English* Miles; the Circumference 24898 1/2; the Diameter 7925 1/2; the Semi-Diameter 3962 1/4; the Surface 1041944743343 *Eng.* Miles square; the Solidity 7267044272662001370 *English* Cubic Miles.

We have given the Reader this Variety, that he may see the great Difference betwixt Authors on this Subject, and chuse which Computation he pleases; though we think the last Account to be the most exact, because it agrees with *Mr. Norwood's* Experiment, and that of the *French* Mathematicians, as *Dr. Harris* hath shewn.

### The Dimensions of the Sea by it self.

*Mr. Keil*, in the Book above-mention'd, computes the Surface of the whole Ocean, or of all the Seas of the Globe at 854900506 square Miles; and therefore supposing the Depth, one Place with another, to be 1/2 of a Mile, the Quantity of Water in the whole is 2137626 1/2 Cubic Miles.

*Sanson jun.* says, that tho' the *Magellanick* Continent be not entirely discovered, and that it is the same with the *Arctic*, yet the Globes and general Maps give us no ground to think that there's near so much Water as Land on the Surface of our Globe: He supposes therefore the Surface of the Water to be 74255400 common *Italian* square Miles.

As to the Depth of the Sea, 'tis pretty well known near the Coasts; but that's nothing in respect of the great Extent of the rest of the Sea, whose Depth is not known. Pilots reckon it without bottom when it exceeds 200 Fathom in depth; and some alledge, that it no where exceeds 500 Fathom, yet others pretend that in some Places it exceeds four Geometrical Miles.

But supposing it were a Mile deep every where, the solid Content would be about 74255400 Geometrical Miles.

If you suppose the Earth to be every where as thick as its Semi-Diameter, except where we suppose the Sea to be a Mile deep; subtracting the 74255400 Cubical Miles of the Sea from the solid Content of the Terrestrial Globe, which we have computed at 170,181,000,900, there will remain 170,106,745,500 Cubic Miles for the solid Contents of the Earth.

## The Figure of the Earth.

The Learned think it most probably to be that of an Oblate Spheroid swelling out towards the Equator, and flattened or contracted towards the Poles, so that the Diameter of it at the Equator is longer than the Axis about 62 Miles, according to Sir Isaac Newton, in the New Edition of his famous *Philosophiæ Naturalis Principia Mathematica*. The late Learned Dr. Gregory, in his *Astronomia Geometrica & Physica*, Prop. 52. Lib. 3. exhibits a Method to determine the Figure of the Earth exactly, and to find the Ratio of the Axis of it to its Equatorial Diameter; and offers Demonstrations, to prove that the Figure of the Earth must be an Oblate Spheroid.

But whatever be its exact Figure, Geographers are all now agreed that 'tis Spherical or Globular, and accordingly assign it 360 Degrees of Latitude, and as many of Longitude.

That it is Spherical from East to West, is evident from daily Experience, because the Sun and Stars rise and set sooner to those who live East from us than to those who live West from us; and on the other Hand, they rise and set later to those who live West from us than they do to us, according to the proportion of Time, which the Distance of their Meridians have from ours. This cou'd not be unless the Earth were Globular; for if it were plain or flat, as some of the Ancients imagin'd, all the Inhabitants of the World must see the Sun and Stars rise and set at the same time, and the Eclipses wou'd be visible to them in the same manner.

That 'tis also Spherical from South to North, is as evident; for as Travellers or Sailors advance towards the one or the other Pole, the Pole they advance to is regularly elevated above their Horizon the Quantity of a Degree for every 70 Miles they travel or sail; and the other Pole is so much depress'd or sunk, till at last they quite lose the Sight of the Pole they sail or travel from, and also of the Stars about it, if their Journey or Voyage the other way be long enough.

There are other Arguments, obvious to every one's Apprehension, to prove the Spherical Form of the Earth, as the round Shadow it casts upon the Moon in an Eclipse; and that when we travel either by Land or Sea, from Places where there are high Towers and Mountains, the lower Parts of 'em disappear first, and then we gradually lose sight of them till they disappear wholly. In like manner, when we sail or travel towards a Tower or Mountain, the tops of 'em first appear to our View, and then the lower Parts appear gradually as we approach, until we see the lowermost. The like is to be said of Ships which go from or come towards the Shore; when they sail from us, the Hull first disappears, then the Sails, and at last the top of the Mast, till the is quite out of sight. The Spherical Form of the Earth has been also prov'd by the Observations and Practice of Foreign and Dometick Navigators, who sailing round the Earth, either Eastward or Westward, have arriv'd at the same Meridian from whence they set out.

## Of the Motion and Situation of the Earth.

There are five different Systems about this Matter; of which we shall give a brief Account as follows:

1. *Ptolomy's* is commonly, tho' nor truly reckon'd the most ancient. He suppos'd the Terraqueous Globe to be immovably fix'd in the Center of the World; that the Stars turn'd round the Earth; that the Moon was nearest, and then *Mercury*, *Venus*, the Sun, *Mars*, *Jupiter*, *Saturn*, and the fix'd Stars above one another in their several Orbs. The Stars he fancy'd to be carry'd round the Earth in 24 Hours by the *Primum Mobile*. He thought the Planets mov'd in a little Circle, call'd by him an *Epicycle*, whose Center mov'd in the Circumference of the great Circle of each Planet. He conceiv'd the fix'd Stars, which are always equally distant from one another, to have only one Heav'n, call'd the Firmament, over which he fancy'd there were two Chrysellines, ore to explain the proper Motion of the Stars, and the other to account for the Inequality of the Ecliptick. The *Primum Mobile* he fancy'd to include all the Heav'ns, and that in 24 Hours it carried about all the other Spheres or Heav'ns.

The second is that of *Copernicus*, who indeed reviv'd the first and most ancient System of *Pythagoras*. He places the Sun in the Center; makes *Venus* and *Mercury* turn round the Sun, and the Earth the like, as also round its proper Center. The Moon turns round the Earth, afterwards *Mars*, *Jupiter*, *Saturn*, and the fix'd Stars have their proper Orbs above one another; and the latter are so far from the Sun, that the Distance of *Saturn* is nothing in comparison to theirs.

The third is that of *Tycho-Brahe*, who places the Earth in the Center; he makes the Moon, the Sun, and the fix'd Stars turn round the Earth, and *Mercury*, *Venus*, *Mars*, *Jupiter* and *Saturn* revolve round the Sun.

The fourth is call'd the Composite System, invented by *Martianus Capella*, in which the Moon, Sun and Stars are plac'd as in the Systems of *Tycho* and *Ptolomy*; *Saturn*, *Jupiter* and *Mars*, as in that of *Ptolomy*; and *Mercury* and *Venus*, as in that of *Tycho*.

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## Of the Divisions of the Earth into Continents, &amp;c.

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## Of the Lower WORLD, or EARTH and SEA in General.

**I**S obvious to common View, that our lower World is divided into Land and Sea; The Learned have been very curious in their Enquiries about the Dimensions of each, and their Proportion to one another, but have not yet been able to determine with any certainty, whether Sea or Land takes up most of the Surface of our Globe, because we know but little of those Parts of the World about the North Pole, and nothing of what there is about the South Pole. 'Tis doubted by the Learned, whether there be any Inhabitants under either Pole: yet 'tis probable there may, since Dr. Halley has prov'd, that the Solstitial Day under the Pole is as hot as under the Equinoctial, when the Sun is vertical to them, or in their Zenith, because for all the 24 Hours of that Day under the Pole, the Sun-Beams are inclin'd to the Horizon with an Angle of 23 Degrees; whereas under the Equinoctial, tho' he becomes vertical, yet he shines no more than 12 Hours, and is absent 12; and besides, for three Hours eight Minutes of that 12 Hours he is above the Horizon there, he is not so much elevated as under the Pole.

### Of the Dimensions of the Earth and Sea together.

Anaximander, who liv'd about 550 Years before Christ, is the first that we know of, who offer'd to describe the Circumference of the Earth and Sea; and his Dimensions are suppos'd to be those mention'd by Aristotle, at the close of his Second Book concerning the Heavens, 202. That the Circumference of the Earth was 400000 Stadia, each Greek ordinary Stadium being reckon'd 600 Foot. This Opinion was follow'd till Eratosthenes, who liv'd about 200 Years before Christ, made the Circumference about 252000 Stadia; but then this must not have been the ordinary Stadium, because Ptolemy reduces them to 315000 Roman Miles. Hipparchus, who liv'd 100 Years after Eratosthenes, added 25000 Stadia to his Number. Ptolemy, who liv'd in Cicero's Time, made the Circumference 240000 Stadia, according to Cleomedes, and but 180000 according to Strabo. Ptolemy, who liv'd 144 Years after Christ, agreed with the latter. Mammon, or Abmanon, a King of the Arabians, about A. C. 827, order'd some Learned Mathematicians to meet in the Fields of Mispagania, and measure them from North to South, in order to find out the Quantity of a Degree, and thereby to compute the Circumference of the Earth, which they determin'd, some say, to be 20060 Miles, and others 20340: From that time the Arabians follow'd their own Mathematicians, and the Latins follow'd Ptolemy; and the Problem lay in a manner neglected, till Snellius, a very Learned Man, and Professor of Mathematicks at Leyden in 1613, finding these Computations defective, apply'd himself to this Study, and computing a Degree of the Earth to make 19 Dutch Miles of 18000 Rhinelandish Feet each, he made the Circumference of the Earth to be 8640 such Miles. The Curious may find the several Ways of making up those Computations in Sir Isaac Newton's Edition of *Vivianus*, with his own Opinion and Animadversions upon them, Lib. 1. cap. 4.

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M. Bion, in his *L'Usage de Globes, or Use of the Globes*, approv'd by M. de la Hye, of the French Royal Academy of Sciences, printed at Amsterdam in 1700, differs from de Fer in several Respects; he computes a Degree upon the Earth at the same Number of Toises at six Foot each, but says, they make up 25 common French Leagues of 2282  $\frac{2}{3}$  Toises each, and that multiplying the Value of a Degree by 360, we find the Circumference of the whole Earth to be 9000 Leagues; and according to the Proportion of a Circle to its Diameter, which is as 355 to 113, we shall find that the Diameter of the Earth is 2864  $\frac{1}{2}$  common French Leagues; and the Semi-Diameter, or the Distance of the Surface of the Earth from its Center 1432  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

That if we multiply 9000 Leagues, the Circumference of the Earth, by its Diameter 2864  $\frac{1}{2}$ , the Product will be 25783200 Square Leagues for the Surface of the Earth and Sea, if we consider the Terrestrial Globe as regular.

And if we multiply again that Surface by its Semi-Diameter, and

take the third of its Product, that third will give us 12310618560 Cubic Leagues for the solid Quantity of the Terrestrial Globe.

Sanson jun. in his Introduction to Geography, printed at Amsterdam in 1708, does, upon the same Foundations, make the Circumference of the Globe 9000 common French Leagues, or 21600 common Italian Miles.

The Surface of the Globe 25 Millions and half of common French Leagues, or 148 Millions 510800 of Geometrical or common Italian square Miles.

The Solidity of the Globe 12 Millions of Millions, and 310 Millions of common French Cubic Leagues, or 170 Millions of Millions, 181 Millions and 900 Geometrical or common Italian Cubic Miles, that is, so many square solid Masses of a Mile in Length, Breadth and Thickness each.

Dr. Harris in his *Lexicon Technicum*, says, that according to the French Measures, the Circumference of the Earth is 123249600 Paris Feet, or 2464992 English Miles; the mean Semi-Diameter 19615800 Paris Feet, or 3933 Miles of 5000 Feet to a Mile. But the Earth is higher at the Equator than at the Poles 85200 Feet, or 17 Miles, so that the Radius of it may be taken in a round Number, as 20000000 Feet, and he makes the solid Content 3000,000000,000000,000000 Cubic Feet.

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We have given the Reader this Variety, that he may see the great Difference betwixt Authors on this Subject, and chuse which Computation he pleases; though we think the last Account to be the most exact, because it agrees with Mr. Norwood's Experiment, and that of the French Mathematicians, as Dr. Harris hath shewn.

### The Dimensions of the Sea by it self.

Mr. Keil, in the Book above-mention'd, computes the Surface of the whole Ocean, or of all the Seas of the Globe at 854900506 square Miles: and therefore supposing the Depth, one Place with another, to be  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Mile, the Quantity of Water in the whole is 2137626  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cubic Miles.

Sanson jun. says, that tho' the Magellanick Continent be not entirely discovered, and that it is the same with the Arctick, yet the Globes and general Maps give us no ground to think that there's near so much Water as Land on the Surface of our Globe: He supposes therefore the Surface of the Water to be 74,255,400 common Italian square Miles.

As to the Depth of the Sea, 'tis pretty well known near the Coasts; but that's nothing in respect of the great Extent of the rest of the Sea, whose Depth is not known. Pilots reckon it without bottom when it exceeds 200 Fathom in depth; and some alledge, that it no where exceeds 500 Fathom, yet others pretend that in some Places it exceeds four Geometrical Miles.

But supposing it were a Mile deep every where, the solid Content would be about 74,255,400 Geometrical Miles.

If you suppose the Earth to be every where as thick as its Semi-Diameter, except where we suppose the Sea to be a Mile deep; subtracting the 74,255,400 Cubical Miles of the Sea from the solid Content of the Terrestrial Globe, which we have computed at 170,181,000,900, there will remain 170,106,745,500 Cubic Miles for the solid Contents of the Earth. But all this is very uncertain.

Vivianus says, that the Depth of the Sea is various, according as the Channel is more or less deep; that in some Places it is found to be a whole German Mile: and that from Observations in most Places, it has appear'd that 'tis very near equal to the Height of the Mountains and Inland Places; and that as much as they are higher than the Shores, so much are the Channels deeper: But the Depth is sometimes alter'd by the Flux and Reflux, by the Increase and Decrease of the Moon, by Winds, and by the settling of Sand and Slime in the Channels.

Whether the above-mention'd Calculations of the Proportion the Sea bears to the Earth be any thing near the Truth or not, it is certain that the Earth, consider'd in its Bulk, must take up a great deal more of our Globe than the Water; because the Water, wherever it is, has Earth under it, so that even taking in the vast Abyss of Waters, suppos'd to be in the Bowels of the Earth, the latter still carries it in Point of Dimensions.

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That 'tis Spherical from East to West, is evident by daily Experience, because the Sun and Stars rise and set sooner to those who live East from us than to those who live West from us; and on the other Hand, they rise and set later to those who live West from us than they do to us, according to the proportion of Time, which the Distance of their Meridians have from ours. This cou'd not be unless the Earth were Globular: for if it were plain or flat, as some of the Ancients imagin'd, all the Inhabitants of the World must see the Sun and Stars rise and set at the same time, and the Eclipses wou'd be visible to them in the same manner.

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There are other Arguments, obvious to every one's Apprehension, to prove the Spherical Form of the Earth, as the round Shadow it casts upon the Moon in an Eclipse; and that when we travel either by Land or Sea, from Places where there are high Towers and Mountains, the lower Parts of 'em disappear first, and then we gradually lose sight of them till they disappear wholly. In like manner, when we sail or travel towards a Tower or Mountain, the tops of 'em first appear to our View, and then the lower Parts appear gradually as we approach, until we see the lowermost. The like is to be said of Ships which go from or come towards the Shore; when they sail from us, the Hull first disappears, then the Sails, and at last the top of the Mast, till the is quite out of sight. The Spherical Form of the Earth has been also prov'd by the Observations and Practice of Foreign and Domestick Navigators, who sailing round the Earth, either Eastward or Westward, have arriv'd at the same Meridian from whence they set out.

### Of the Motion and Situation of the Earth.

There are five different Systems about this Matter; of which we shall give a brief Account as follows:

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The second is that of *Copernicus*, who indeed reviv'd the first and most ancient System of *Pythagoras*. He places the Sun in the Center; makes *Venus* and *Mercury* turn round the Sun, and the Earth the like, as also round its proper Center. The Moon turns round the Earth, afterwards *Mars*, *Jupiter*, *Saturn*, and the fix'd Stars have their proper Orbs above one another; and the latter are so far from the Sun, that the Distance of *Saturn* is nothing in comparison to theirs.

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The Continents are reckon'd four, viz. 1. Ours, which is the largest, because it contains *Europe*, *Asia* and *Africa*; 'tis call'd *Eastern*, in respect of its Situation to *America*; and the *Old World*, because first known and planted. 2. *America* call'd *Western*, in respect of its Situation to ours; and the *New World*, because not known to us till discover'd by *Columbus*. 3. The Southern unknown Parts call'd *Terra Magellanica*, from *Magellan* the first European Discoverer. 4. The Northern unknown Parts; but we know so little of the two last, that 'tis not certain whether they be *Ilands*, or join'd to the other Continents.

'Tis to be observ'd, that Continents are also call'd *Terra Firma*, or *Main Lands*; and larger *Ilands* are sometimes call'd so, in respect of the lesser *Ilands* that lie about them.

A *Peninsula*, in *Greek* *Chersonesus*, is a Tract of Land that runs out into the Sea, which encompasses it on all Sides, except a small Neck which joins it to the Main Land.

An *Isthmus* is that Neck of Land which joins a *Peninsula* to the Main Land.

A Promontory, Cape, or Head Land, is a Mountain or high Hill on any Part of the Coast, which runs out into the Sea; and if there be no Riling, or but a small one on such Part of a Coast, 'tis call'd a *Point*.

Dunes are Hills of Sand along the Coast, and commonly near the Mouths of great Rivers. Rising Tracts of Land within the Country are also call'd by that Name in *England*, as *Bunfield-Dunes*, &c. It comes from the old *Gaulish* or *Celtic* Word *Dun*, signifying an Hill, as was long ago observ'd by *Plutarch* in his Book of Rivers, and comes from the *Heb*'s to us.

For the Definitions of Mountains, Valleys, Lakes, Rivers, Forreſts, Defarts, &c. with which some Geographers crowd their Books, we pass them over as known to every Body.

#### The Divisions of the Ocean.

As the Sea divides the Earth, the Earth also divides the Sea. That which surrounds the Earth is properly call'd the *Ocean*, being so nam'd by the *Greeks*, because of its ebbing and flowing; but they first call'd it *Ogenon*, from the *Phœnician* Word *Og*, because it encompass'd the Earth. The Ancients call'd it the *Exterior Sea*, to distinguish it from the *Mediterranean*, which they call'd *Interior*: But now any great Part of the Sea is call'd *Ocean*, as the *Northern*, the *Western* or *Atlantick*, the *Great Pacifick*, the *Ethiopic*, and the *Indian Ocean*, &c. and Sea is generally given to the small Parts, and as well as Ocean, receives its Denomination from the Countries which lie upon it, as the *German Sea*, &c. and therefore belongs to the Political Part of Geography.

There are also Seas in Inland Countries which have no visible Communication with other Seas, as the *Caspian*, the Sea of *Gallee*, &c. in *Asia*; and there are several great Lakes in *Europe* call'd Seas by the *German* and *Dutch*, as the Lakes of *Huerlem*, *Constance*, *Geneva*, &c.

The Name of *Archipelago* was formerly peculiar to the *Ægean* Sea, because of its great Number of Islands that communicated their Names

to the Parts of the Sea which surrounded them; but now it's become an Appellative to any Sea where there are many Islands near one another, as the *Archipelago* of *St. Lazarus* in the *East-Indies*, where the *Maldiva* Islands lie.

Straits are either such narrow Parts which open a Communication betwixt different Seas, as those betwixt *Dover* and *Calais*, which pass betwixt the *German* and *Western Ocean*; those call'd the *Straits* of *Magellan*, which pass betwixt those nam'd the *South* and *North Sea*, on the East and West Side of *America*, or such as open a Passage betwixt the Main Ocean and Inland Seas, as the *Sund* which passes betwixt the *German Ocean* and the *Baltick*, and the *Straits* of *Gibraltar*, which open a Communication betwixt the *Atlantick* and the *Mediterranean*.

A Gulph is a Part of the Sea which runs far into the Country betwixt two Points, which inclose it as 'twere in a Bosom; hence the *Latins* call it *Sinus*, and the *Greeks* *νηπιος*, whence some derive our Word *Gulph*. Of this Sort is the *Gulph* of *Florida* or *Mexico*. Such of 'em as are large, go indifferently by the Name of Sea or Gulph, as that of *Mexico*, the *Baltick*, call'd anciently *Sinus Codanus*, the *Red Sea* call'd the *Arabian Gulph*, and the *Adriatick* call'd the *Gulph* of *Venice*.

A Bay seems only to be distinguish'd from a Gulph, because it does not run so far into the Land; to which *Hudson's Bay* seems to be an Exception, though it might be more properly call'd a Gulph, as being of a vast Extent, and running far within Land.

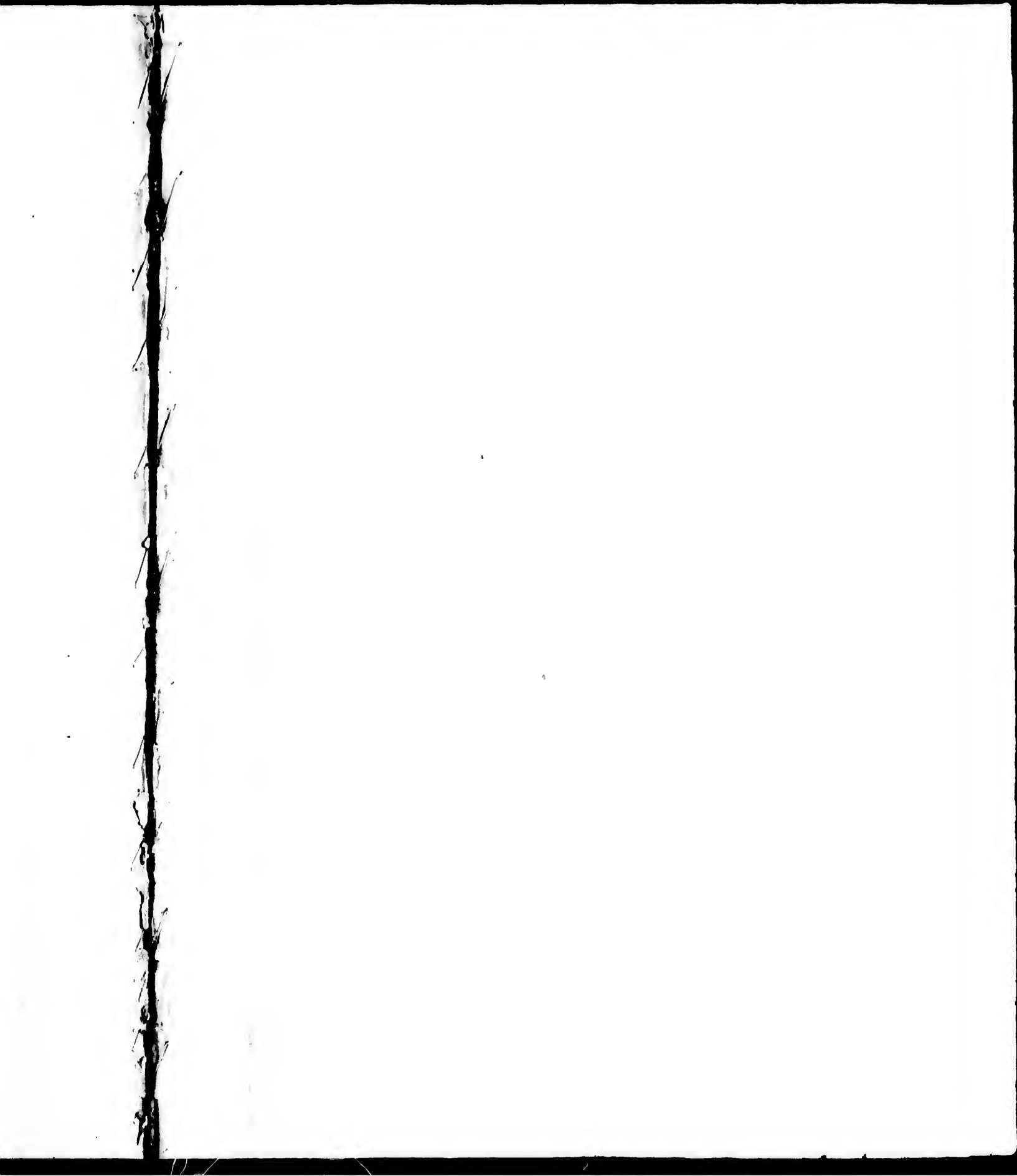
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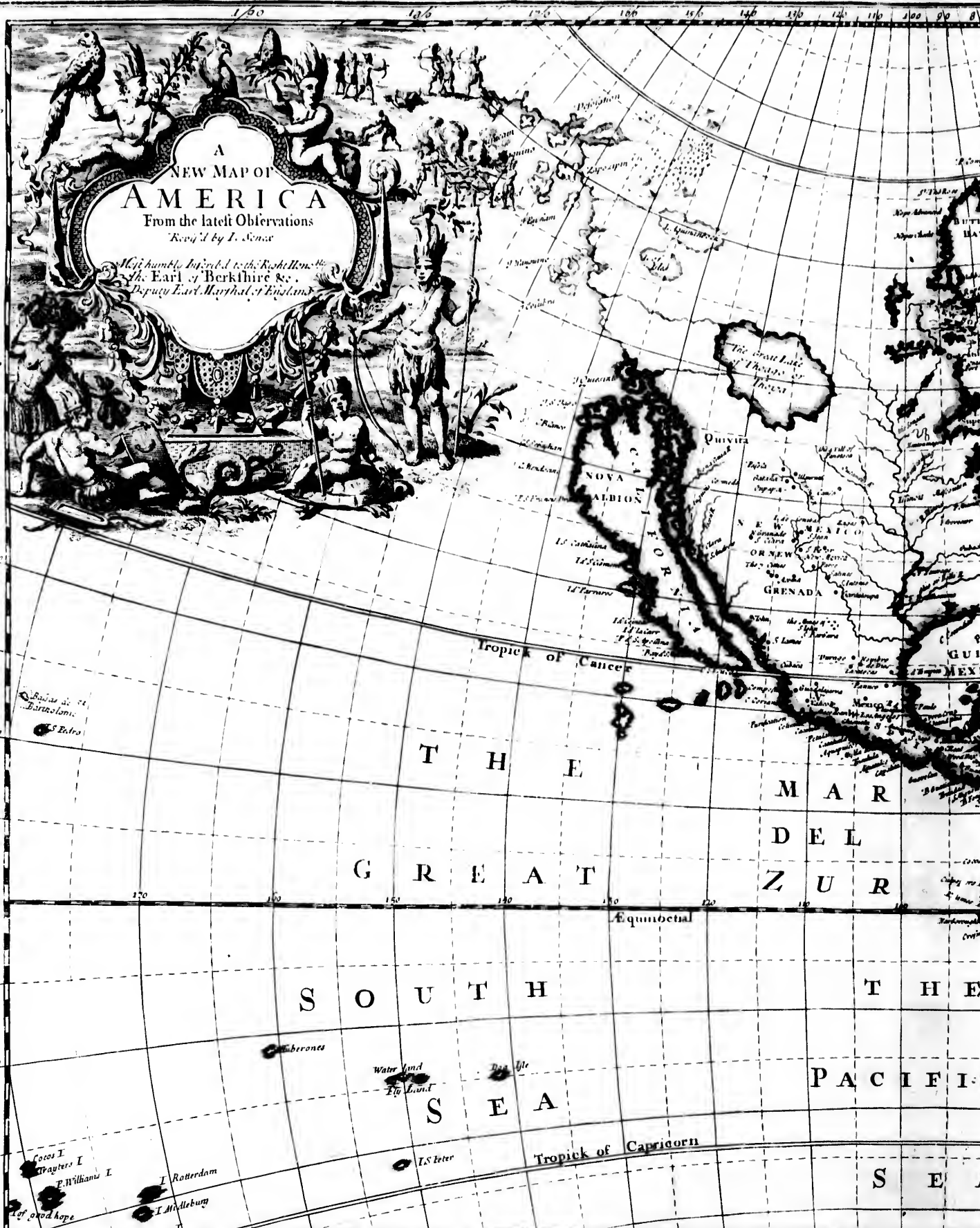
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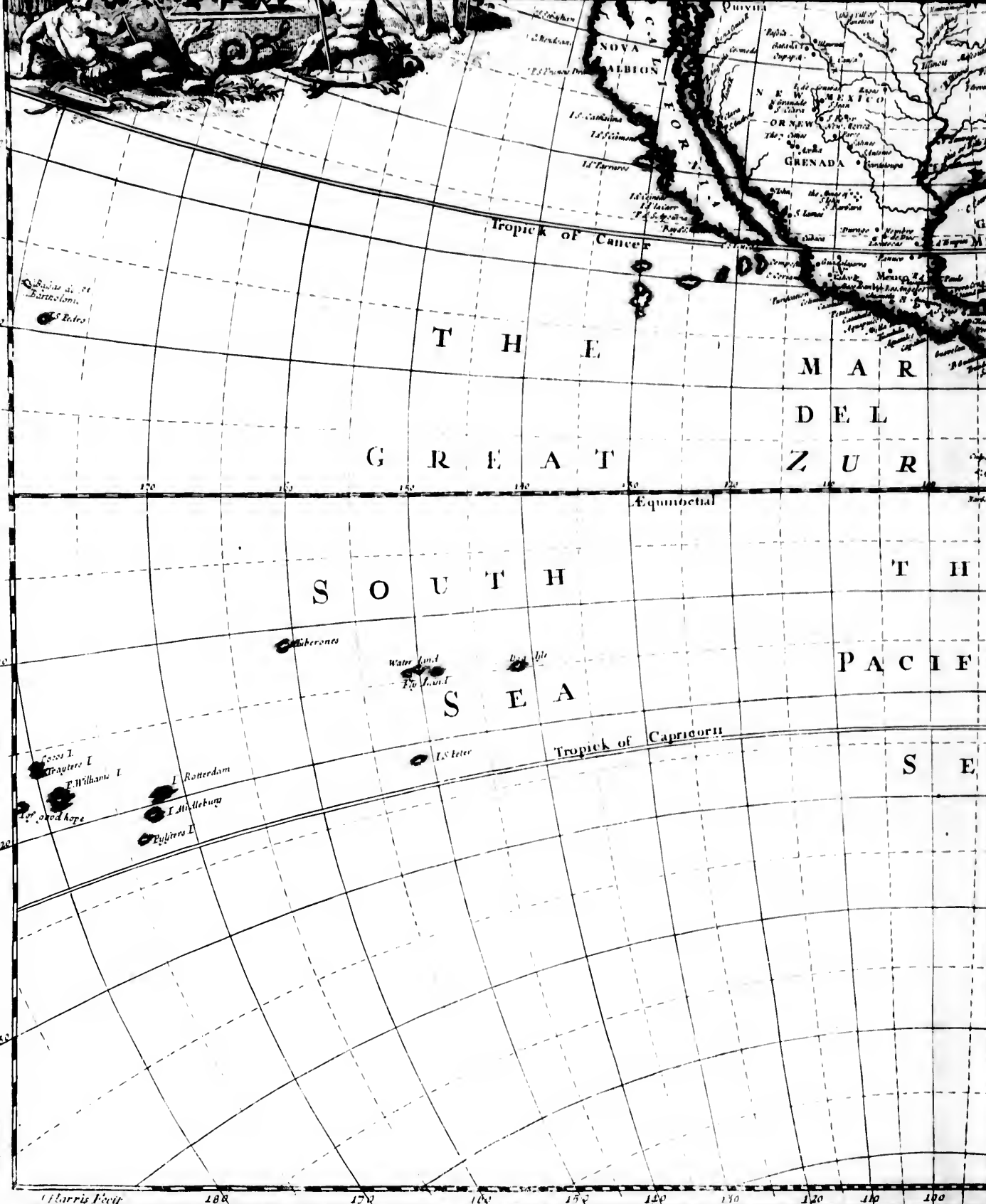
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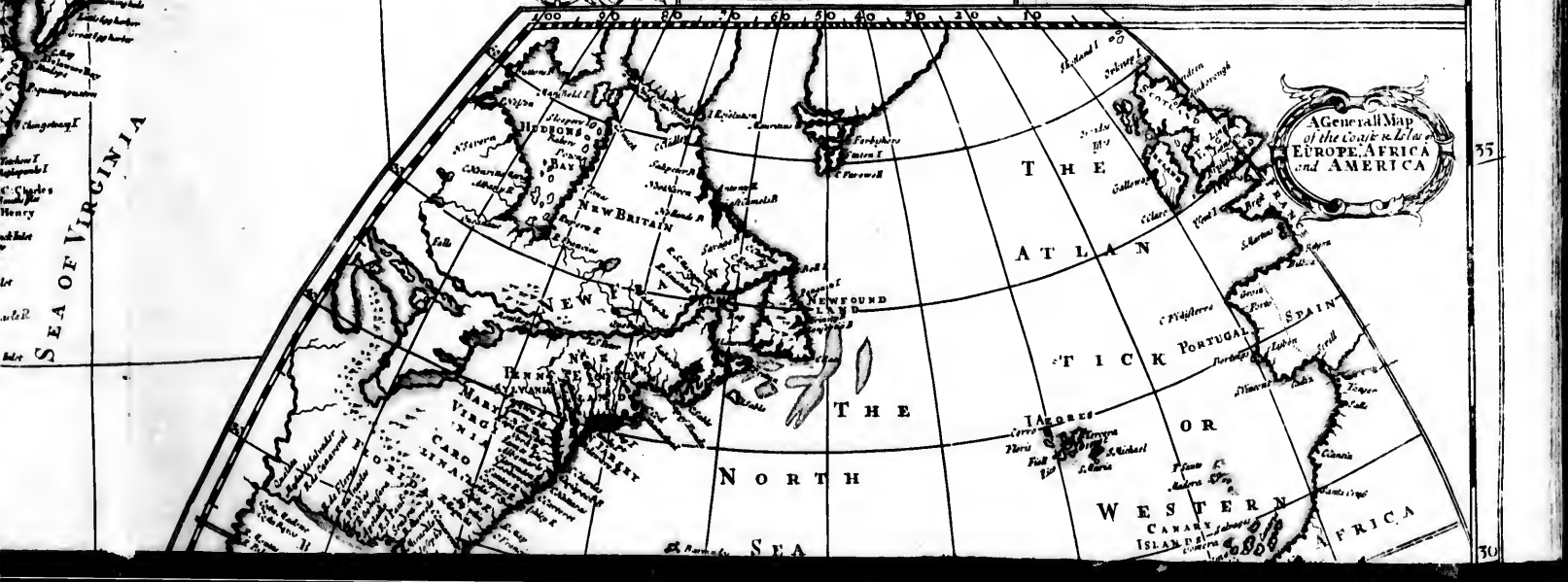


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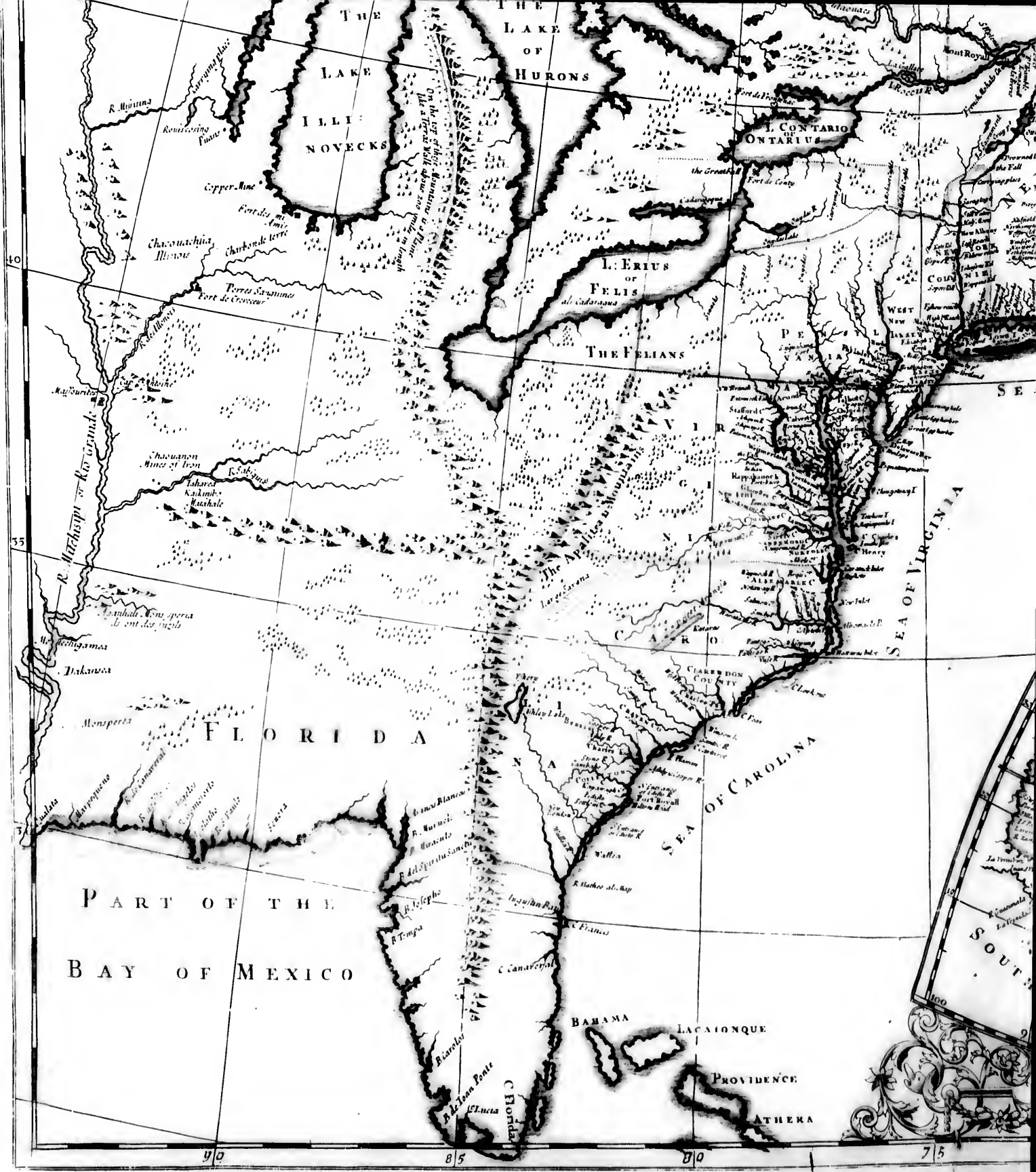
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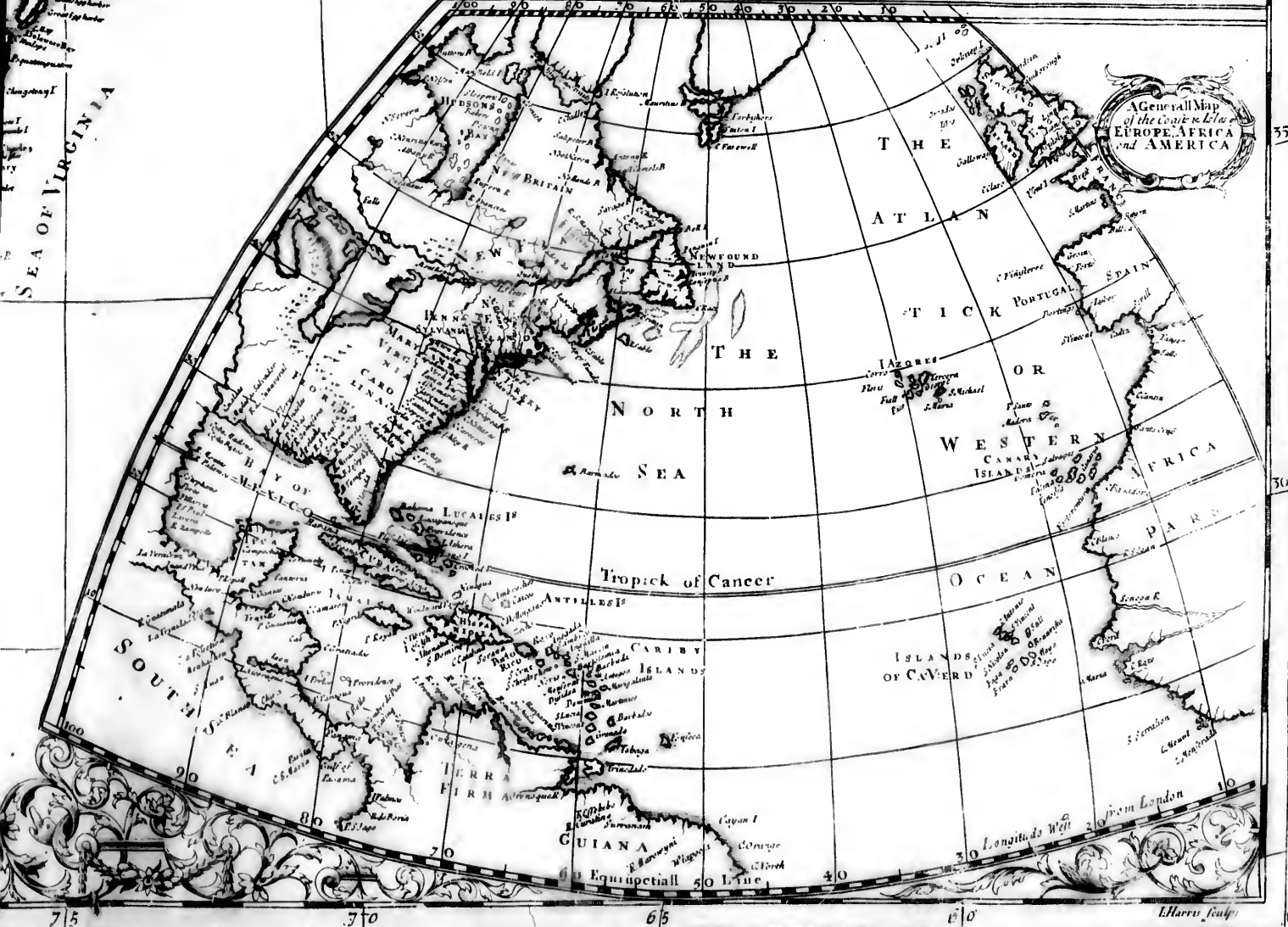


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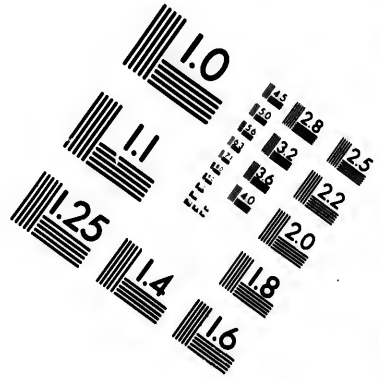
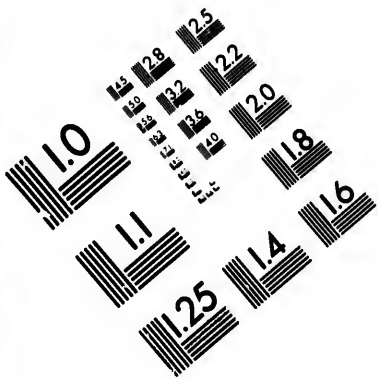
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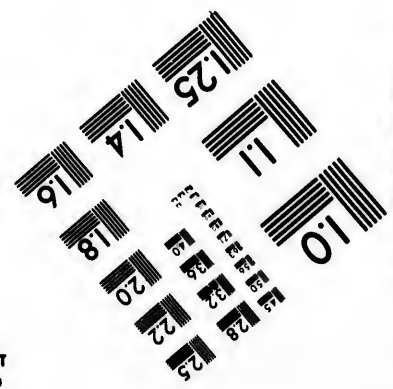
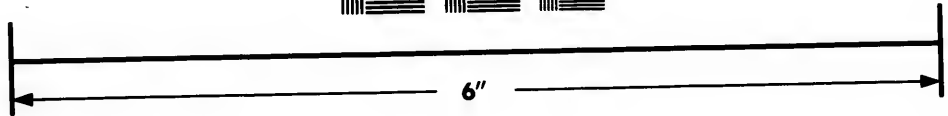
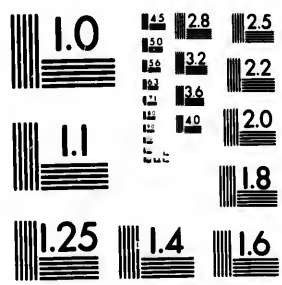








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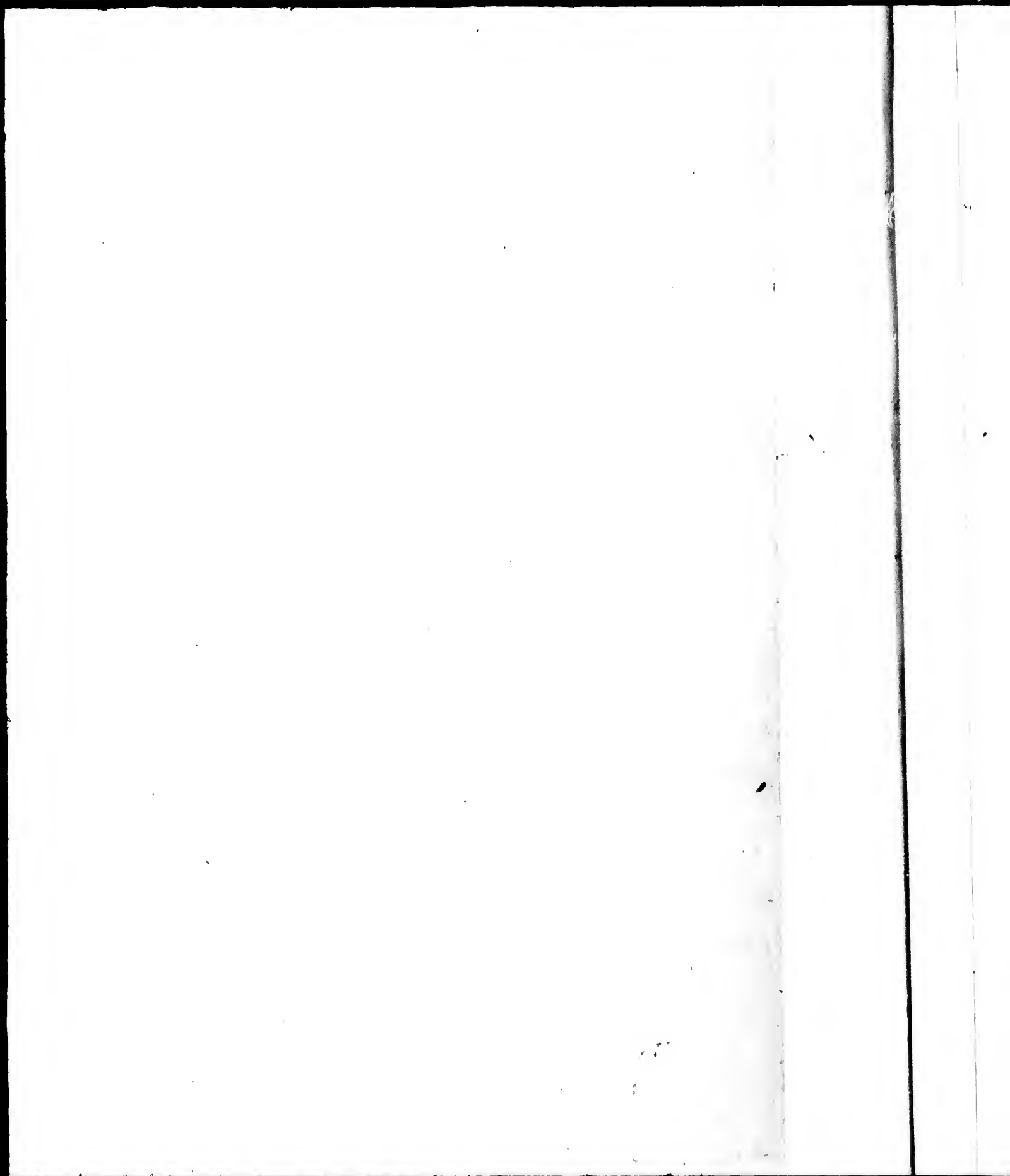


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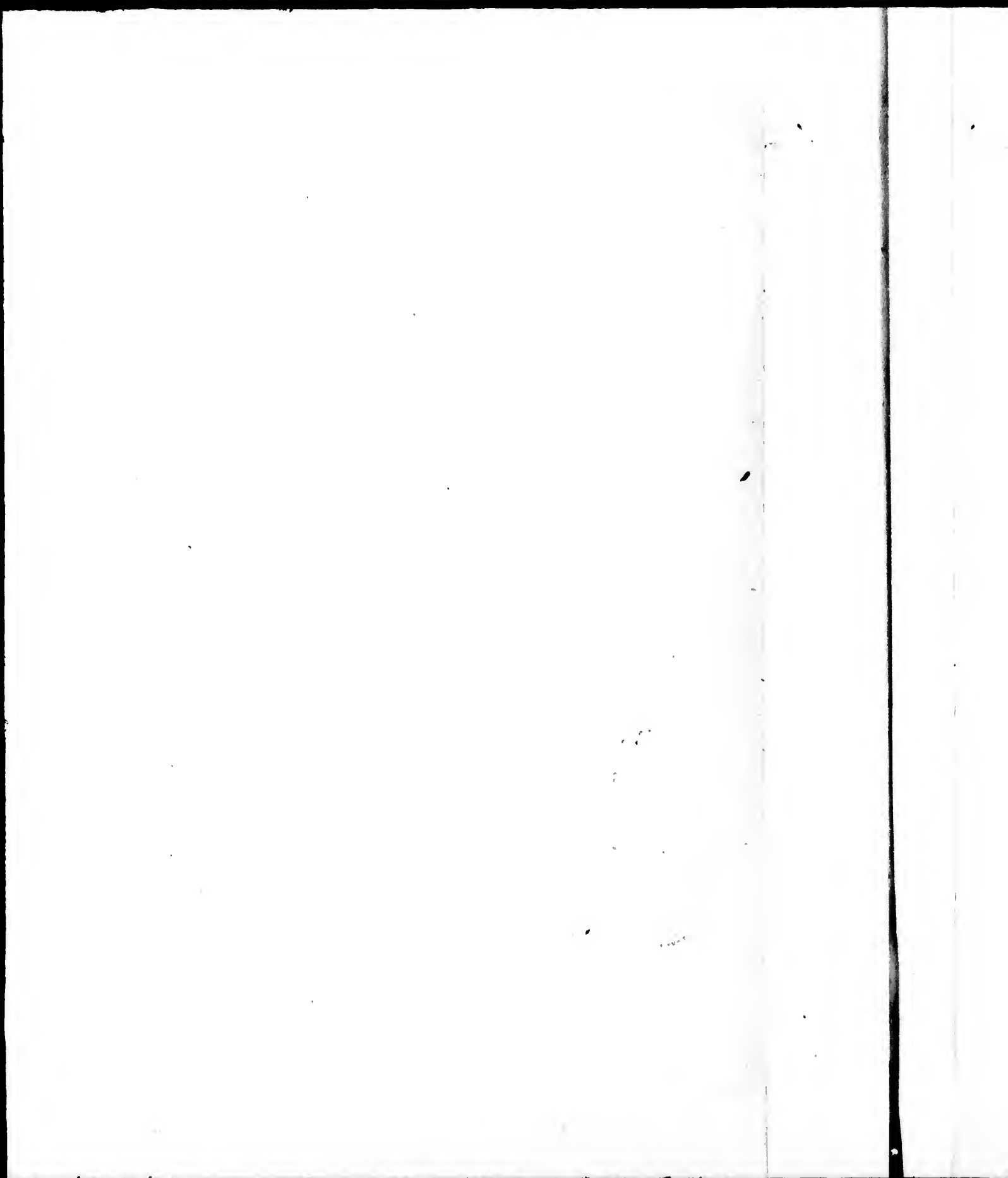
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II. Davis's-Straits had their Name from Mr. John Davis, who made three Voyages in 1585, 1586, and 1587, to find out the North-west Passage. These Straits lie in the South-east Corner of Baffin's-Bay, have James and Cumberland's Isles on the West, New Greenland on the East, and reach as far South as the Arctick Circle. He found a barbarous People in several Parts of the Country, clad with Skins of Seals or Birds with the Feathers on. They had Canoes which they row'd with Oars, and were arm'd with Darts. They barter'd Skins of Seals, Stags, Hares, and Fish, for Knives, &c. and some of them

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III. Sir Martin Frobisher's Straits lie betwixt Greenland and some Islands South of it, about Lat. 61. They were discover'd by Sir Martin in 1576. The Natives resembled the Tartars in Complexion and Features, and were clad with Seal-Skins. They took a Boar with some of his Men. He return'd that same Year, and brought a piece of black Stone, which being essay'd by some Refiners, they said it contain'd a good Proportion of Gold; so that he made another Expedition thither in 1577, found more of that Ore, which contain'd a

good Quantity of Gold; but was drove from the Place by Ice, and could not bring off much Ore. The Natives had Huts of Whalebone, cover'd with Seal-Skins. They trappan'd some of his Men. Hereturn'd, brought home some of the Ore, which being tried, and promising well, he went on a third Expedition, and advanc'd as far as *Warwick Sound*, at the East-side of *Furbyber's Straits*; but could not again find either the Inhabitants or the Ore.

IV. *Hudson's Straits* lie betwixt *Terra di Labrador*, or *New Britain*, and *James's Island*, Lat. 60 & 65. They were discover'd by *Henry Hudson*, an *Englishman*, in four Voyages in 1607, 1608, 1609, and 1610. When he came to the Island of *Defolation*, he was stopp'd by contrary Winds and great Shoals of floating Ice. It appear'd by his Chart, that he had enter'd a hundred Leagues further into those Straits than any *Englishman* had done before him; but had the Misfortune of a mutinous Crew, who put him and eight others into a Sloop with very little Provisions; so that he was never more heard of. The Leaders of the Mutiny came to miserable Ends; and the Ship was brought home by one *Pricket*, who gave an Account of the Affair.

V. *Hudson's Bay* had its Name from the same Person, who first discover'd it; but a further Discovery was made by *Sir Thomas Button*, from whom the North-west Part of it was call'd *Button's Bay*, and the Coasts on the West-side were call'd *New North and South Wales*. This Bay lies betwixt Lat. 52 & 66. The greatest Length is about 840 Miles, and the greatest Breadth 540. The best Account of it is given by *Capt. James*, who sail'd hither from *Bristol* in 1631, gave his own Name to the South part of it, and winter'd there at an Island which he call'd *Charlton*. His Account of the Tempests, Shoals and Mountains of Ice, and the Barrenness of the adjacent Country, with what he and his Men suffer'd, by which many of 'em died, was enough to deter any other from going thither again: Yet in 1667 one *Gilliam* enter'd this Bay, and sail'd as far South as Lat. 51. to a River, which he call'd *Rupert's*, where he corresponded with the Natives for Furs, &c. built a Fort which he call'd *Charles*, after *King Charles II.* who gave a Patent for the Bay and Straits to *Prince Rupert* and the Owners of *Gilliam's Ship* in 1670. This laid the Foundation of the *Hudson's-Bay Company*, who created several Forts, and dealt with the Natives for Beaver-Skins. The *French* seiz'd it in 1682; but the *English* recover'd it. The *French* from *Quebec* seiz'd all in 1686, but *Port Nelson*. It was several times after taken and retaken by the *French* and *English*, but restor'd to us by the Treaty of *Utrecht* in 1713.

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VII. *Newfoundland* is separated from *Terra di Labrador* by the Straits of *Bell Me* on the South, has the Gulph of *St. Lawrence* on the West, the Ocean and the great Bank on the East, and the *Atlantic* on the South. 'Tis of a triangular Figure, reckon'd as big as *Ireland*, and three hundred Leagues in Compass. The greatest Length is 345 Miles, and the greatest Breadth 211; but it contracts to a Point in the North and South Parts. It lies betwixt Lat. 45 & 52. and Long. 55 & 50. It has many excellent Harbours and Bays on the East-side. Some of them run twenty Leagues within Land. *Trinity Bay*, in Lat. 49. is very convenient for Ships in bad Weather, and has three Branches large enough for many Hundreds of Vessels to anchor in. That of *Trepaske*, near the South-east Corner of the Island, is bold, safe, and convenient for Ships in Distress, as they pass to or from *Virginia*, *New England*, &c. We have not Room to insist on the History of the Island, and of the Actions betwixt us and the *French* there; but only that it was restor'd to us by the Treaty of *Utrecht*, tho' with such Concessions to the *French* to fish and cure there, by the thirteenth Article, as were much objected against, because they were allow'd to fish and dry in the best Part of it, tho' we are at all the Expence of the Forts and Garisons.

The Climate here is very hot in Summer; but so cold in Winter, which lasts six Months, that there's scarce any stirring abroad; and the Inhabitants of the North Parts are forc'd to remove from the Harbours into the Woods, where they build Cabins, and provide themselves with Firing from the Woods. The Island is full of inaccessible Mountains and Forests. What they call their Meadows, are Heaths cover'd with a sort of Moss, and the Soil is a Mixture of Gravel and Stencks. Here's Fir and other Trees fit for Masts, building of Ships, &c. Deer, Hares, Foxes, Squirrels, Wolves, Bears, Bevers, and Otters. The Seas and Rivers are full of Fish, viz. Cod, the Staple Commodity of the Country, Herrings, Mackarels, Salmon, and Flounders, and abundance of Trouts. Here are no *Indians* but what come from *Lake Huron*, or *Eskimaw*, by the Way of the Straits of *Bell Me*.

They fish always by Day; for the Cod don't bite by Night. They also draw off Train-Oil from the Livers of the Fish, which yields great Profit. The neighbouring Sea is often pester'd with floating Islands of Ice. *Lowthorp*, in his *Philosop. Triant.* mentions one a League long, and higher above Water than the Main-Mast of a Ship.

The *English* Settlements here, before the last War with *France*, were reckon'd to consist of two hundred and sixty seven Families, and about four thousand People. The most remarkable Plantation is at *St. John's*, about fifty five Miles North from *Cape Race*, in Lat. 47. The Harbour is about half a Mile broad, defended by a Battery on the North-side, and another on the South, with a Boom which they lay across the Bay. Here's also a Fort and Outworks mounted with fifty Guns, a handsome House for the Governor, and Barracks for the Soldiers.

The *French* Settlements lay on the South-end of the Island. The chief of them was *Placentia*, in a Bay of the same Name, Lat. 47. where they had a Town and Fortrefs, which was surrender'd to the *English* by the Treaty of *Utrecht*. *La Hontan* says, it was a Harbour of the greatest Consequence which the *French* had in those Parts of the World.

VIII. *Cape Breton*, or *Gaspé Island*, lies East from *Acadia*, from which 'tis separated by the Straits of *Cansaux*, and South-west from *Newfoundland*, from which 'tis separated by the Straits or Passage up to the Gulph of *St. Lawrence*. *La Hontan* says, the Straits of *Cansaux* is a better Passage to *Canada*, if Ships set out early from *Europe*, than that call'd the Channel of *Cape Ray*, betwixt *Newfoundland* and *Cape Breton* Island, which is often cover'd with Ice in *April*, whereas the other is clear in all Seasons. This Island is about a hundred and ten Miles long, and sixty where broadest. 'Tis indented by many Bays, particularly by one on the East-side, that runs in from North-east to South-west, and almost divides it into two. This Island was always reckon'd a part of *Nova Scotia*, included in it by *King James* the First's Patent, and demand'd as such by the late Duke of *Shrewsbury*, according to *Queen Anne's* Instructions; but 'twas given up to the *French* by the Treaty of *Utrecht*, tho' a Place of such Importance, that in case of a War with *France*, it endangers our Trade in *Newfoundland*, *New England*, &c. commands the Entrance into *St. Lawrence's Bay* or Gulph, and by consequence covers all *French Canada*.

IX. *Acadia*, or *Nova Scotia*, lies West from *Cape Breton* Island, South from *French Canada*, North-east from *New England*, and has the Sea on the South. It lies betwixt Lat. 42 & 46. is about 448 Miles East and West, and 230 North and South, where broadest; but indented in the Middle by that call'd the Bay of *Fouci*, or the *French Bay*. The first Discovery was claim'd by the *French*; but *Sebastian Cabot* having been there before them, it was claim'd by the *English*; and *King James I.* by his Patent, dated *September 10. 1621.* did, by Advice of his Council of *Scotland*, grant this Country to *Sir William Alexander*, Secretary of State for that Nation, to be held of the Crown of *Scotland*, and govern'd by the Laws of that Kingdom. We cannot insist on the Controversy betwixt the two Crowns about it, and its being several times taken and retaken by the *French* and *English*, but shall only take notice that it was restor'd to the *English* by the Treaty of *Utrecht*. *La Hontan* says, 'tis extreme cold here for three Months in Winter; but the Climate is otherwise pretty temperate, the Air good, and the Water clear and light. It has good Accommodations for Fishing, Hunting, and Fowling, is as well furnish'd with Materials for building Ships as *Norway*, and their Oak is reckon'd better than that of *Europe*. It abounds with Bevers, Otters, and Sea-Calves. The Coast is inhabited by Savages, many of whom were in the Interest of *France*, and us'd to invade our Colonies in time of War.

The only Place of Note here is *Port Royal*, now call'd *Annapolis Royal*, on the East-side of a Bay, Lat. 45. Long. 63. The Town is little, and contains only a few Houses of two Stories high: but here's a fine Basin two Leagues long, and one broad, capable of 1000 Ships. It has sixteen or eighteen fathom Water on one side of the Entrance, and six or seven on the other, and is divided by the Isle of *Goas* in the middle. There's good Anchorage all over the Basin; and at the bottom there's a Point of Land which separates two Rivers, where the Tide rises ten or twelve Foot. On the Banks of those Rivers are pleasant Meadows, which in Spring and Autumn are cover'd with all sorts of Fresh-water Fowl. The chief Trade here is in Skins, which the Natives truck for *European Goods*. Here are six or seven other good Harbours on the Coast. *Long Island* lies off of *Port Royal* at a small Distance. Some say it has a Silver Mine, and one of Copper, so rich, that the *French* reckon it contain'd much Gold. They also found Diamonds here, and blue Stones as good as *Turquoises*.

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of these Counties are high Mountains and large Forests; but upon the Rivers, and towards the Coasts, there's plenty of Corn and Pasture. The chief Trade here is in Bever, Lumber, and Fish.

(3.) *Essex* County has seventeen Towns, and twenty Ministers. The Capital is *Salem*, which has a weekly Market, and two Fairs per Ann. and lies pleasantly betwix two Rivers. *Lyn* is another Market-Town here. The East-side of the County is water'd by the great River *Meer-mack*, which is navigable about forty Miles.

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(2.) *Barnstable* County has six Towns and six Ministers. *Barnstable*, the chief Town, lies in a Bay of the same Name: And on the Coast there are two Islands, 1. That call'd *Martha's-Vineyard*, which has two *English* and several *Indian* Ministers, most of the Natives being *Indian*. 2. *Nanuckter*, inhabited by *Indians*, who have Ministers of their own.

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V. *Hudson's Bay* had its Name from the same Person, who first discover'd it; but a further Discovery was made by Sir *Thomas Button*, from whom the North-west Part of it was call'd *Button's Bay*, and the Coasts on the West-side were call'd *New North and South Wales*. This Bay is betwixt Lat. 52 & 66. The greatest Length is about 840 Miles, and the greatest Breadth 540. The best Account of it is given by Capt. *James*, who sail'd hither from *Bristol* in 1631, gave his own Name to the South part of it, and winter'd there at an Island which he call'd *Charlton*. His Account of the Tempests, Shoals and Mountains of Ice, and the Barrenness of the adjacent Country, with what he and his Men suffer'd, by which many of 'em died, was enough to deter any other from going thither again: Yet in 1667 one *Gilliam* enter'd this Bay, and sail'd as far South as Lat. 51. to a River, which he call'd *Rupert's*, where he corresponded with the Natives for Furs, &c. built a Fort which he call'd *Charles*, after King *Charles II.* who gave a Patent for the Bay and Straits to Prince *Rupert* and the Owners of *Gilliam's Ship* in 1670. This laid the Foundation of the *Hudson's-Bay Company*, who erected several Forts, and dealt with the Natives for Beaver-Skins. The *French* seiz'd it in 1682; but the *English* recover'd it. The *French* from *Quebec* seiz'd all in 1686, but Port *Nelson*. It was several times after taken and retaken by the *French* and *English*, but restor'd to us by the Treaty of *Utrecht* in 1713.

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VII. *Newfoundland* is separated from *Terra di Labrador* by the Straits of *Bellefleur* on the South, has the Gulph of *St. Lawrence* on the West, the Ocean and the great Bank on the East, and the *Atlantick* on the South. 'Tis of a triangular Figure, reckon'd as big as *Ireland*, and three hundred Leagues in Compass. The greatest Length is 345 Miles, and the greatest Breadth 211; but contracts to a Point in the North and South Parts. It lies betwixt Lat. 45 & 52. and Long. 55 & 50. It has many excellent Harbours and Bays on the East-side. Some of them run twenty Leagues within Land. *Timothy Bay*, in Lat. 49. is very convenient for Ships in bad Weather, and has three Branches large enough for many Hundreds of Vessels to anchor in. That of *Trepasie*, near the South-east Corner of the Island, is bold, safe, and convenient for Ships in Distress, as they pass to or from *Virginia*, *New England*, &c. We have not Room to insist on the History of the Island, and of the Actions betwixt us and the *French* there; but only that it was restor'd to us by the Treaty of *Utrecht*, tho' with such Concessions to the *French* to fish and cure there, by the thirteenth Article, as were much objected against, because they were allow'd to fish and dry in the best Part of it, tho' we are at all the Expence of the Forts and Garrisons.

The Climate here is very hot in Summer; but so cold in Winter, which lasts six Months, that there's scarce any stirring abroad; and the Inhabitants of the North Parts are forc'd to remove from the Harbours into the Woods, where they build Cabins, and provide themselves with Firing from the Woods. The Island is full of inaccessible Mountains and Forests. What they call their Meadows, are Heath cover'd with a sort of Moss, and the Soil is a Mixture of Gravel and Stones. Here's Fir and other Trees fit for Masts, building of Ships, &c. Deer, Hares, Foxes, Squirrels, Wolves, Bears, Bevers, and Otters. The Seas and Rivers are full of Fish, viz. Cod, the Staple Commodity of the Country, Herrings, Mackarels, Salmon, and Flounders, and abundance of Trout. Here are no *Indians* but what come from *Labrador* or *Esquimaux*, by the Way of the Straits of *Belle Isle*, for Fishing and Plunder.

The Fishery here is reckon'd one of the most beneficial Trades in the World; for a Ship of a hundred and fifty Tun, and twenty Men, provided with Victuals and Fishing-Tackle, will in a good Year cure 3000 *l.* worth of Fish. The *English* and *French* seldom load less than 500 Ships per Ann. with Cod and Poor-John to Europe. The Banks are vast Seas of Sand, at several Distances from the Shere. The great Bank is near a hundred Miles East from Cape *Race*, and reckon'd three hundred Miles long, and seventy five broad. There is two hundred fathom Water all round it; and those call'd the *Little Islands of Cod-Fish*, which lie South from *Newfoundland*, and over against Cape *Breton* Island. The Water above it at Flood is several Fathoms deep, and the largest Ship may venture over, except at a Place call'd the *Virgin*, where several have been cast away. The next is that call'd the *Vert*, or *Green Bank*, South from *Newfoundland*, about eighty Miles long, and forty broad. The fishing Season is from Spring to September, when there's frequently seven hundred Sail fishing at a time.

VIII. Cape *Breton*, or *Gaspé Island*, lies East from *Acadia*, from which 'tis separated by the Straits of *Canseau*, and South-west from *Newfoundland*, from which 'tis separated by the Straits or Passage up to the Gulph of *St. Lawrence*. *La Hontan* says, the Straits of *Canseau* is a better Passage to *Canada*, if Ships set out early from Europe, than that call'd the Channel of Cape *Race*, betwixt *Newfoundland* and Cape *Breton* Island, which is often cover'd with Ice in April, whereas the other is clear in all Seasons. This Island is about a hundred and ten Miles long, and sixty where broadest. 'Tis indented by many Bays, particularly by one on the East-side, that runs in from North-east to South-west, and almost divides it into two. This Island was always reckon'd a part of *Nova Scotia*, included in it by King *James* the First's Patent, and demanded as such by the late Duke of *Shrewsbury*, according to Queen *Anne's* Instructions; but 'twas given up to the *French* by the Treaty of *Utrecht*, tho' a Place of such Importance, that in case of a War with *France*, it endangers our Trade in *Newfoundland*, *New England*, &c. commands the Entrance into *St. Lawrence's Bay* or Gulph, and by consequence covers all *French Canada*.

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(2.) *Barnstable* County has six Towns and six Ministers. *Barnstable*, the chief Town, lies in a Bay of the same Name: And on the Coast there are two Islands, 1. That call'd *Martha's-Vineyard*, which has two English and several Indian Ministers, most of the Natives being *Indian*. 2. *Nantucket*, inhabited by *Indians*, who have Ministers of their own.

(3.) *Bristol* County has four Towns and three Ministers. *Bristol*, the chief, and has most Trade. *Swanzy* is also a Town of some Note. *Rhode* Island belongs to this County, and has two Churches. *Elizabeth* Island, at the Mouth of *Monument* Bay, belongs also to this County.

3. *Connecticut* Colony is about seventy Miles long, and fifty broad, and divided into four Counties:

(1.) *New London* has nine Towns and eight Ministers. The East Part of the Shire is pleasant and fruitful; the West swampy and mountainous, but has good Trade in Furs and Lumber. *Saybrook* is the oldest Town, on the West of *Connecticut* River, which is very large, divided into several Branches, and Navigable for fifty Miles. *New London* lies on a River call'd *Thames*, which receives several others.

(2.) *Hartford* County has eleven Towns and twelve Ministers. In the West Part are several Ridges of Hills and thick Forests, with plenty of Timber and Game. *Hartford*, the chief Town, has two Parish Churches. There's an Island here in *Connecticut* River, thirty Miles above its Mouth.

(3.) *New Haven* County has six Towns and six Ministers. The chief Town is of the same Name: And near *Brentford* there's a small Iron-Work.

(4.) *Fairfield* County has nine Towns and nine Ministers. Here's no navigable River but *Hudson's*, which divides it from *New Jersey*.

XI. *New York* has East and West *Jersey* on the West and South, *Long* Island on the North, and *New England* on the East. 'Tis separated from the *Jersys* by *Hudson's* River, and from *New England* by a Line betwixt *Rochford* and *Greenwich*. 'Tis about a hundred and seventy Miles long, and twenty broad. 'Twas formerly call'd *New Belgia*, and possess'd by the *Dutch*, when 'twas much larger than now, and became a flourishing Colony: But their Title being disputable, our King,

King, *Charles II.* granted this Country to his Brother, the Duke of York, in 1664, when Sir *Richard Cro* reduced it and gave it the present Name. The Duke granted that Part now called *East and West Jersey* to Under-proprietors. It lies betwixt North Lat. 41 & 45. The Climate is more temperate than that of *New England*; yet hotter in Summer, and colder in Winter, than any *European* Countries in the same Latitude. The Soil is so fruitful, that one Bushel of *English* Wheat has produc'd a hundred.

Places of Note here are,

1. *New York*, the Capital, which was built by the *Dutch*, and call'd *New Amsterdam*. The Houses are of Brick and Stone, handsomely built, and cover'd with red and black Tile. The Situation being high, it makes a very fine Prospect. It consists of about 1000 Houses, and has one *English* Church, which is a large and beautiful Structure, a *Dutch*, a *French*, and a *Lutheran* Church. *James-Fort* commands the River and Town, and lies in an Island, Lat. 41. fourteen Miles long, but the Breadth not proportionable. This Town is the Seat of the Governor, has a Mayor, &c. like our Corporations, and is the Place where the Assembly meets.

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On the Coast of this Province lies *West-Chester* County, which has several Towns and Parishes, and but one Church.

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2. *Elizabeth-Town*, in *Essex* County, South from *Bergen*, has 250 Families, and 40000 Acres of Ground. The Proprietors have a Plantation; and the chief Trade of the Colony is here, this Town being the Seat of the Government, of the Assembly, and Courts of Justice.

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*West Jersey* is not divided into Shires, nor so well planted as *East Jersey*. Most of the Inhabitants in *Cape May* County are Fishermen, and there's a Whalery on both sides the Bay.

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1. *Cobanz*, a Town on a River of the same Name, consisting of about eighty Families. The Bay and River of *De la War* waters all the South-east and South-west Parts of this Country; and the Plantations on this Bay are so thick, that they resemble Towns.

2. *Fort Elsingburg*, at the Mouth of *De la War* River.

3. *Salham* Town, on a River of the same Name, is chief of its County, and has about a hundred and twenty Families.

4. *Gloucester*, chief of its County, lies pleasantly, and has a hundred Houses.

5. *Burlington*, Capital of the Province and its County, the Seat of the Assembly and Courts of Justice. The Houses are most of Brick, well built; and here's a good Market for Provisions.

6. *Maidenhead*, a Town of fifty Families.

The Soil of this Province in general is fertile; and there's a Communication betwixt it, *New York*, and *Maryland*, by Rivers.

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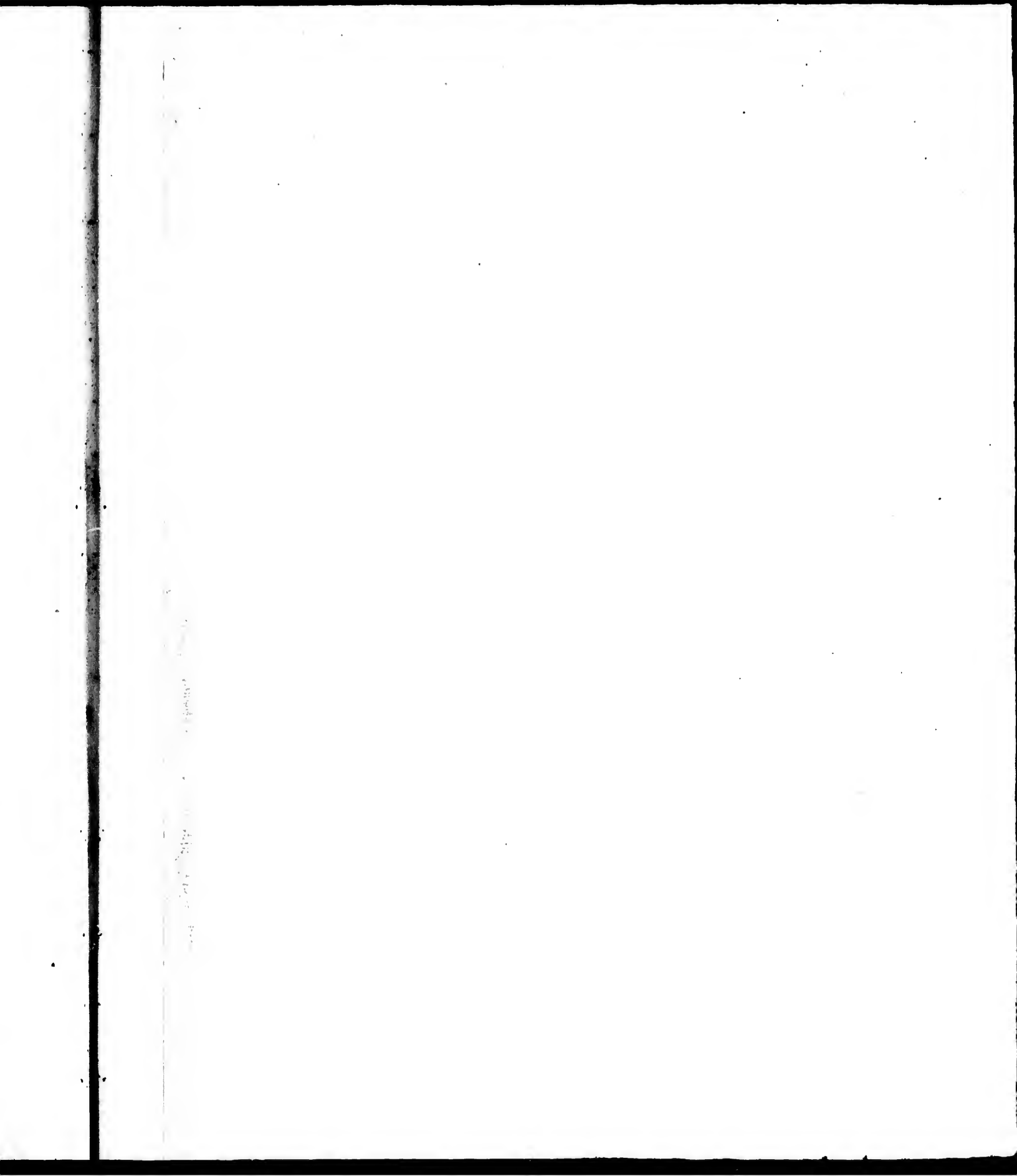
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8. *Shrewsbury*, the chief Town of its County, has 160 Families, and 30000 Acres. There's an Iron-Work and a Church betwixt this Town and *Middletown*.

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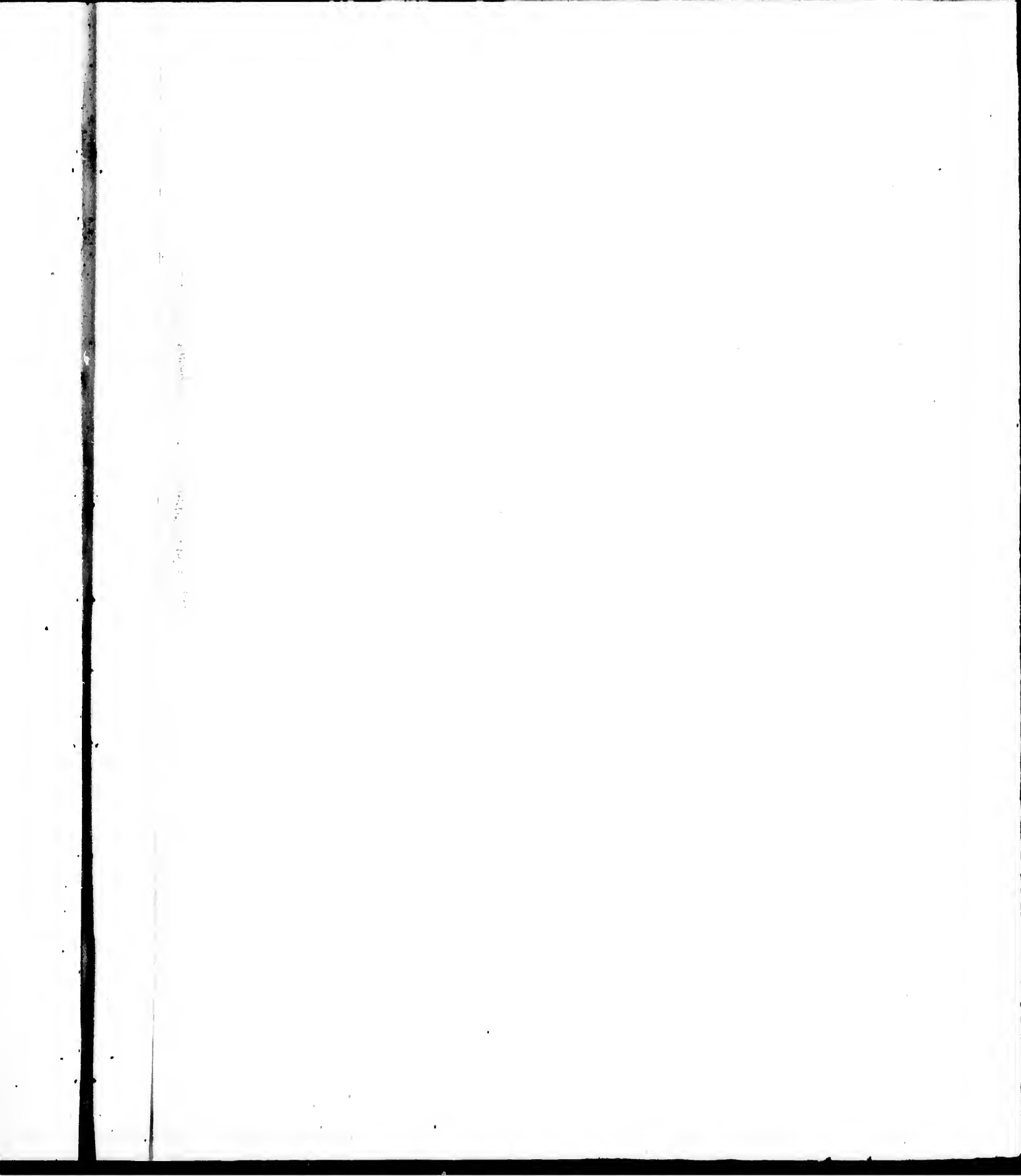
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Their Rivers and Bays have all sorts of Fish. The Water is good, the Ground of the Rivers being generally Gravel and Stones; and no Country is better furnish'd with navigable Rivers and Creeks; and near to *Philadelphia* there are Mineral Springs of the same Nature with ours at *Barnet* and *North-hall*. The Country has many Mines, and Samplers of most sorts of Ore are found here.

The Rivers of most Note are *De la War* and *Susquahamangh*. The former is navigable three hundred Miles by small Vessels, rises West in the *Boquis* Country, and falls into the Bay of its own Name, at

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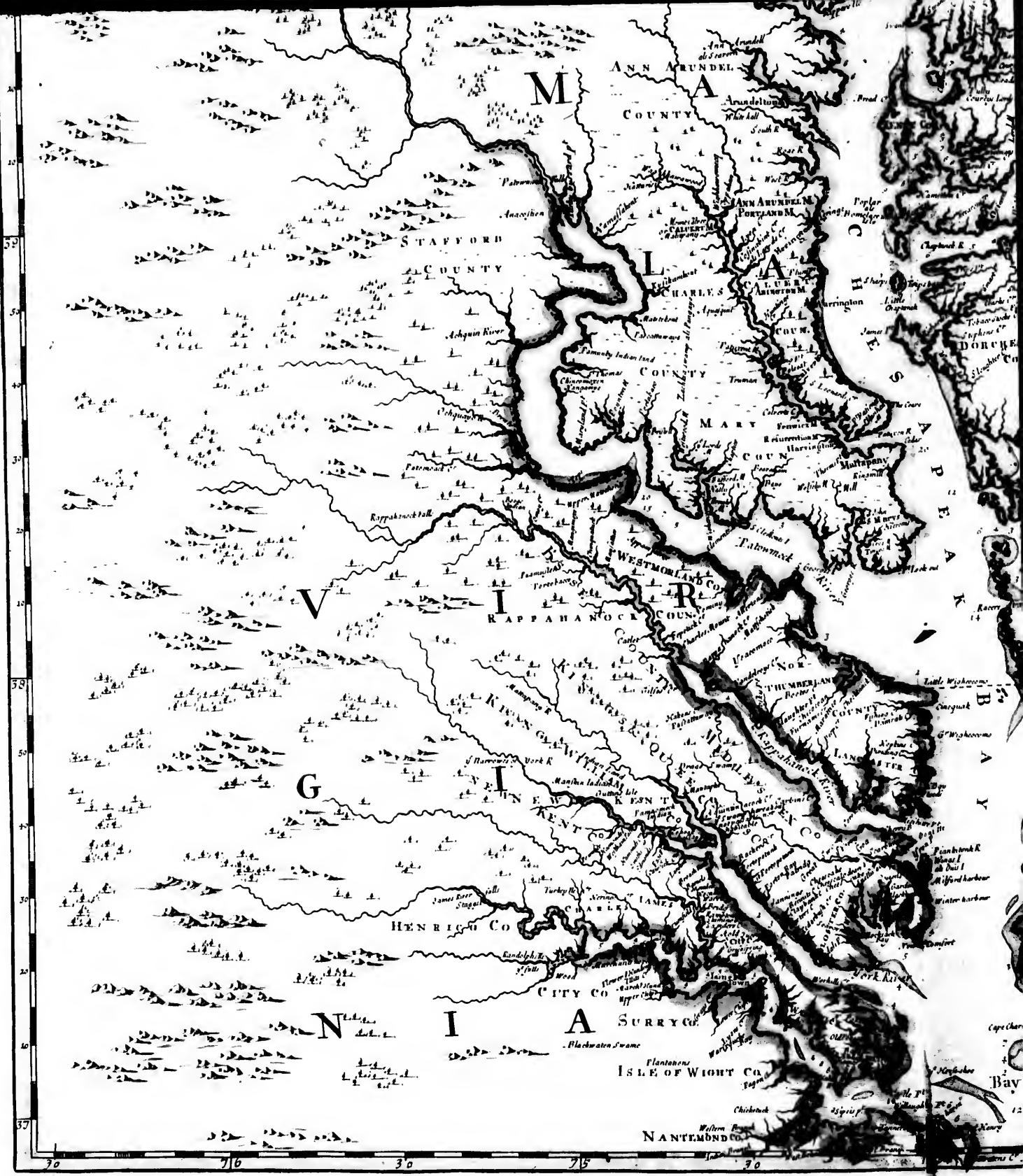
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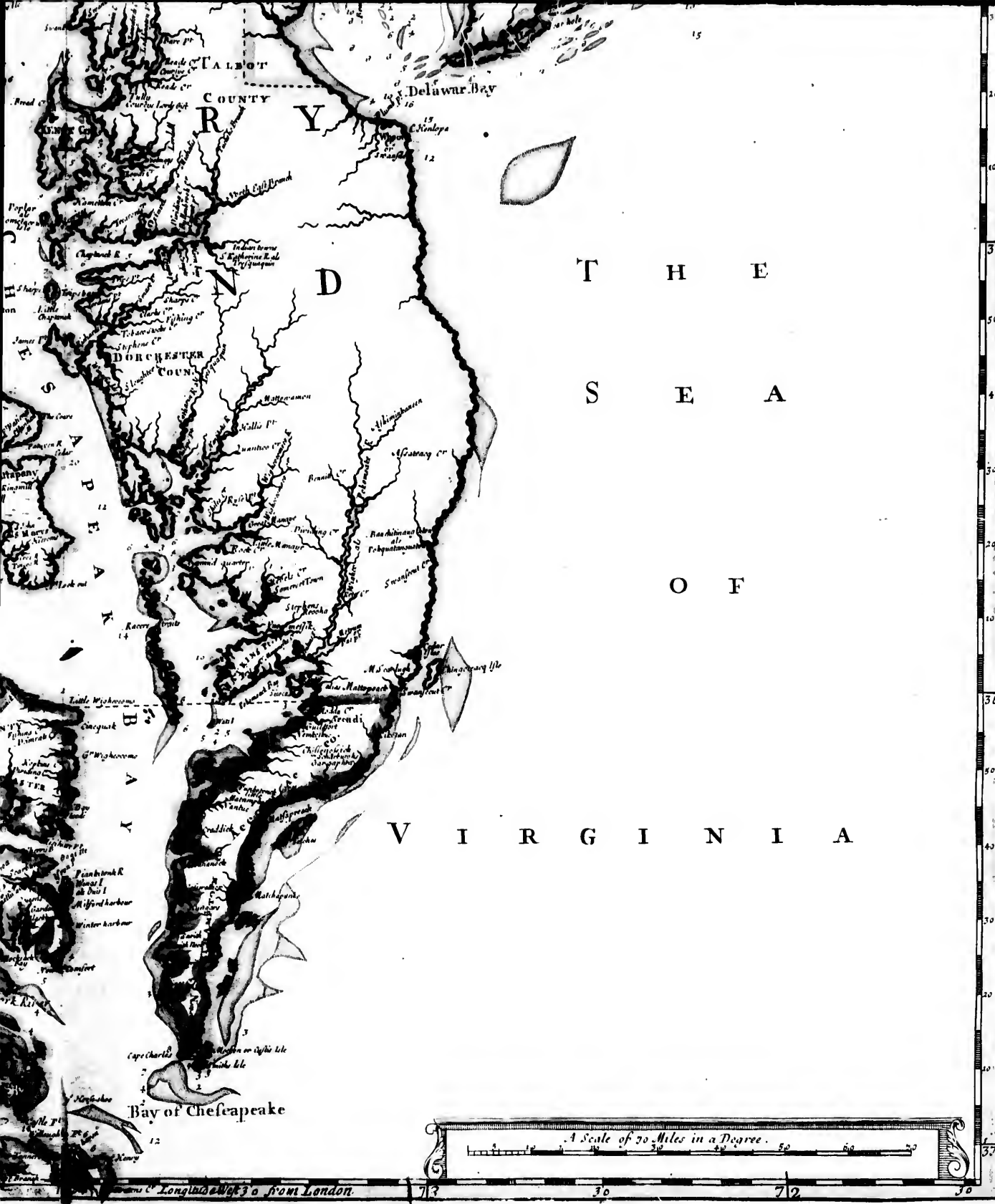
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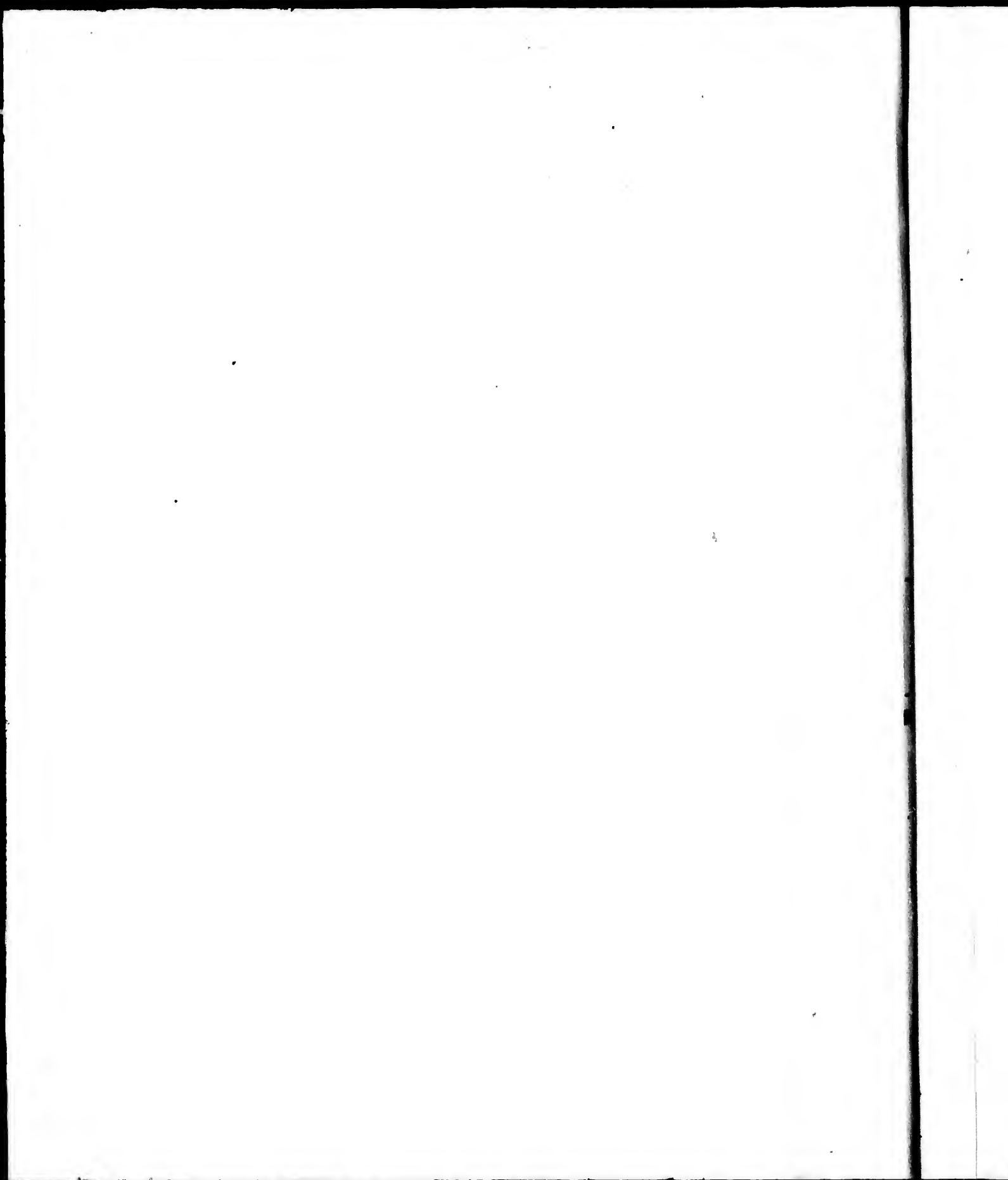
Bay of Chesapeake

A Scale of 70 Miles in a Degree.

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The West-side of *De la War Bay* is inhabited by *Suedes* and *Dutch*. The Marshes are drain'd and fruitful. Here's a Town call'd *Oxford*, consisting of 150 Houses. It has a Church-of-*England* Congregation, supplied by Ministers from *Philadelphia*.

Other Places of Note are,

1. That call'd the *Falls-Town*, which consists of thirty Houses, and is the only one in *Buckinghamshire*.

2. *Bristol*, Capital of its County, has fifty Houses, and Mills of several sorts, and lies over-against *Burlington* in *North Jersey*.

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4. *Philadelphia*, Lat. 41. Long. 77. the Capital of the Colony and its County, lies commodiously betwixt the *De la War* and *Subookill*, which is navigable by Boats 100 Miles above the Falls. The Plan of the Town is so form'd, that it fronts both Rivers for a Mile in length, it being two Miles from one River to the other. There's a Street along the *Schookill*, three quarters of a Mile long, with good Houses, many Warehouses, and convenient Wharfs. The Town consists of 1200 Houses, which are generally well built, have large Orchards and Gardens, and are inhabited by rich Traders. The High-Street and Broad-Street, which lie in the middle of the City, are a hundred Foot broad: The former runs from the middle of the one Front to the other. All Owners who have 1000 Acres of Ground and upwards, have their Houses in the High-Street, or in those which front the two Rivers; every Owner of 5000 Acres has about an Acre in Front; and the lesser Purchasers about half an Acre in the Back-Streets. In the Centre of the Town there's a Square of ten Acres for the Stadthouse, Market-House, School-House, and Quakers Meeting-House. Those of the Church of *England* have a large Church, and are reckon'd about 700. Their Minister has 50 *l.* per Annum, and the School-Master 30 *l.* The *Suedes* have a Church, and the Presbyterians and Anabaptists have Meeting-Houses. This Town is the Seat of the Assemblies, of the Courts of Justice, and of the chief Trade and Business in the Colony. Here's a fine Key above 200 Foot square, where Ships of 500 Tun may lie. They have a Dock for building of Ships, form'd by an Inlet of *De la War* River; and several Creeks run into the City from the two Rivers. Here are two Fairs a Year, and two Markets a Week.

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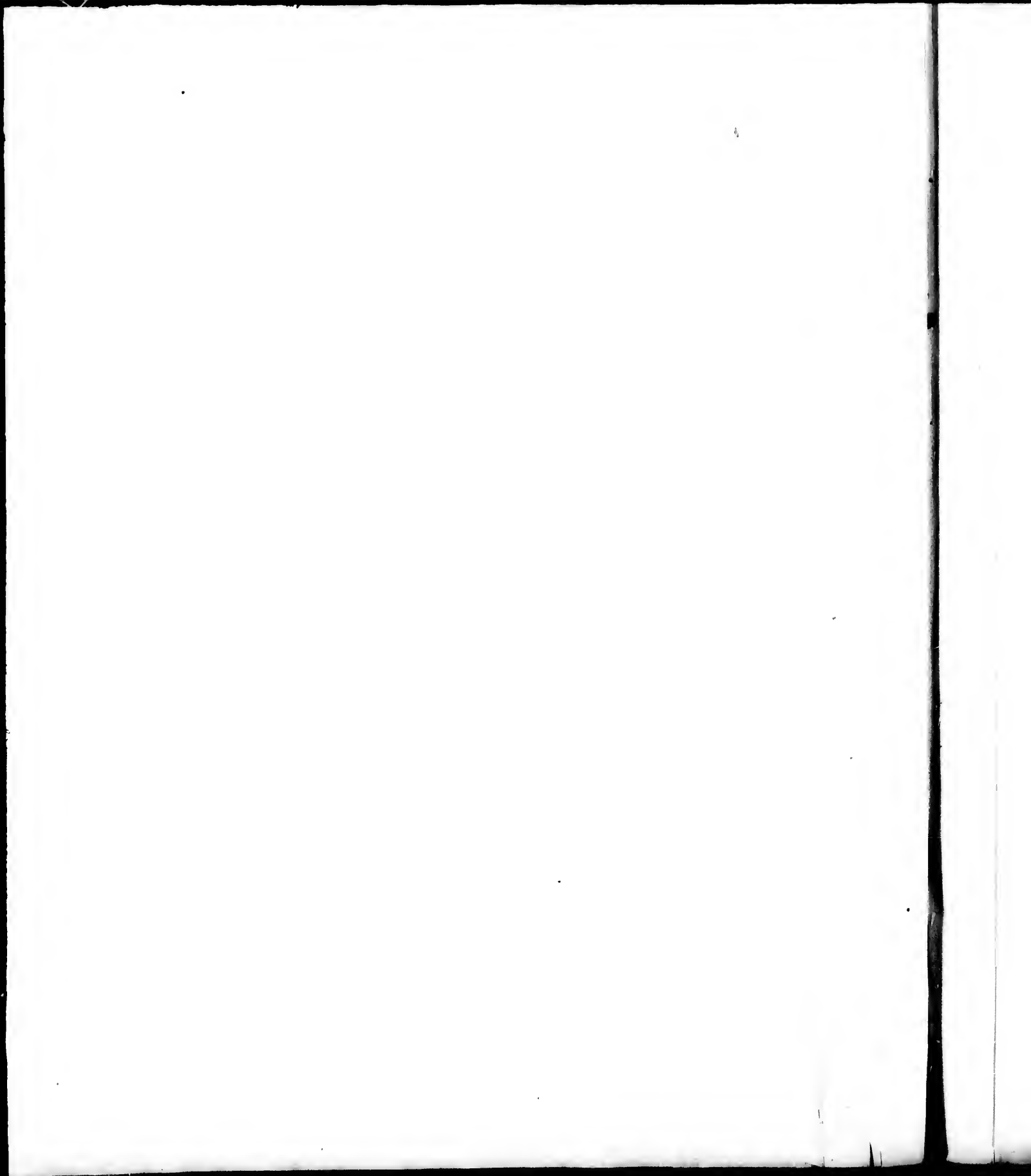
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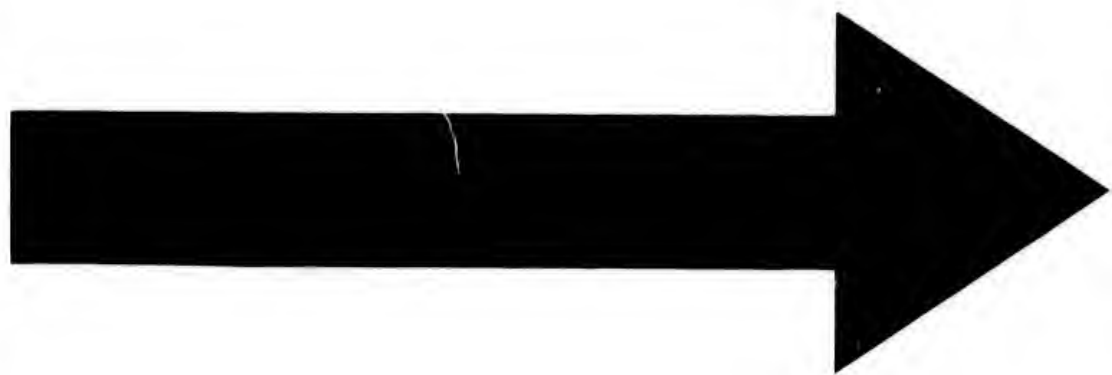
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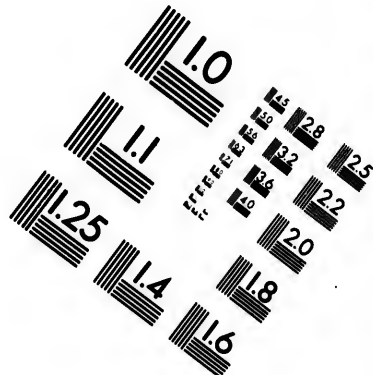
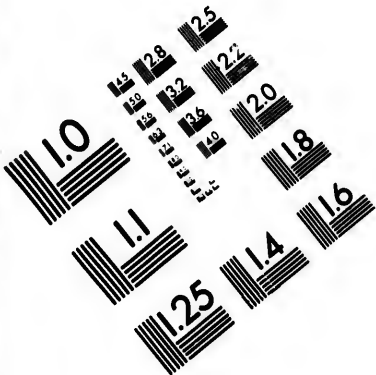
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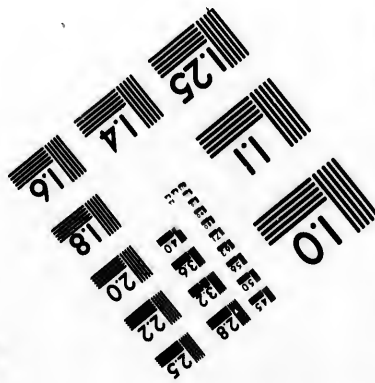
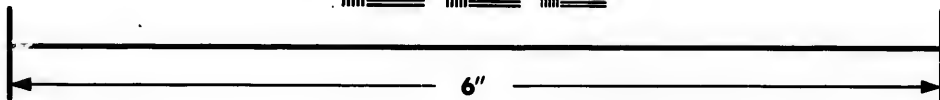
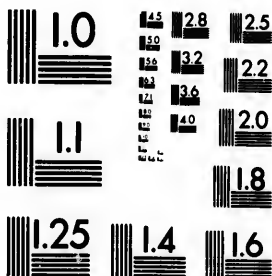
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Fish of all sorts abound in their Rivers and Seas. There's one fort call'd Stinggrass, which is good Meat, but has a long Tail with a dangerous Sting; and another call'd the Toad-Fish, which when taken out of the Water, swells till it be ready to burst. Here's plenty of Mussels, and big Oysters that contain Seed-Pearl. In the Spring the Creeks swarm with Herrings that come to spawn; and there are Whales, Sharks, and Porpoises on the Coast. Here's a sort of Fishing Hawks, that catch large Fish, and fly to the Woods with them; but are frequently pursu'd by one call'd the Bald-Eagle, which makes 'em drop their Prey, and catches it before it falls to the Ground.

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Counties.	Parishes	Acres.	Number of People.	Males.	Females and Children.	Militia.	Horse.	Foot and Dragoons.
Howick,	2	148787	2413	915	1498	345	98	247
Prince George and Charles,	3	161239	4045	1406	2639	625	203	422
Simon,	2	111050	2230	880	1350	350	62	288
Isle of H'ght,	2	142796	2714	841	1873	514	140	374
Newfoundland,	3	131172	2530	1018	1512	591	142	449
Norfolk,	1	112019	2289	717	1572	380	48	332
Prince-Anne,	1	98305	2037	686	1351	284	69	215
James,	5	108362	2990	1297	1693	401	123	278
York,	3	60767	2357	1208	1149	390	68	322
Westwick,	2	38444	1377	482	895	201	49	152
Elizabeth,	1	29000	1188	469	719	196	54	142
New Kent,	2	171314	3374	1325	2049	420	120	300
King William,	1	84324	1854	803	1051	698	189	509
King and Queen,	2	131716	2842	1244	1598	594	121	473
Gloucester,	4	142450	5834	2628	3206	594	121	473
Northhampton,	1	49500	1632	776	856	199	56	143
Essex,	3	140920	2400	1090	1310	438	139	299
Richmond,	3	2622	2622	1392	1230	504	122	382
Stafford,	3	Acres	2033	863	1170	345	84	261
Westmoreland,	2	not sur-	2736	1131	1605	451	133	318
Lancaster,	2	v'y'd.	2155	941	1214	271	42	229
Northumberland,	2		2099	1168	931	522	130	392
Accomack,	1	200923	2804	1041	1763	456	101	355
Northampton,	1	99384	2081	712	1369	347	70	277
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Their Trees, Fruits, and Animals, are much the same with those of *Virginia*. Their Pines Cedars, Cypress, and other fragrant Trees, are green all the Year, and yield store of Pitch and Tar.

The Inhabitants send their Product to other Places in *America* and *Europe*: But especially to *Jamaica*, *Barbadoes*, the *Leeward* Islands, and *England*, they send Rice, Skins, Pitch, and Tar. The other Commodities which they chiefly export, are Beef, Pork, Corn, Pease, Butter, Tallow, Hides, Tann'd Leather, Pipe-Staves, Hoops, Cotton, and Silk.

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*South Carolina* is divided from the North by *Santee* River, which runs about a hundred and fifty Miles, and falls into the Sea, Lat. 34. The first County here is *Craven*, on the South-side of the River, and is pretty well inhabited by *English* and *French*. Here are also some Families from *New England*, who in 1706 beat off the *French* Invaders. This County sends ten Members to the Assembly. 2. *Berkley* County lies South from *Craven*. The North Parts are not planted; but the South abounds with Plantations, because of the two great Rivers, *Cooper* and *Abley*. The North-west Parts have several good Plantations upon *Wando* River. This County sends ten Members to the Assembly.

*Charles* Town, at the Conflux of *Abley* and *Cooper* Rivers, Lat. 34. is the Capital of the Province. It lies on a Neck of Land between the Rivers, and has two Creeks. 'Tis the only free Port in the Province; but no Ships of above two hundred Tuns pass the Bar; which is a great Disadvantage to its Trade. 'Tis the Market, however, for the whole Product of the Country, and trades near a thousand Miles into the Continent. The Fortifications are more for Beauty than Strength, and consist of six Bastions, with a Line round them. The adjacent Country is fruitful and pleasant, and the Avenues extremely delightful, especially that call'd the *Broad Way*, which is planted for three or four Miles, and looks green all the Year. There are several fair Streets and Buildings in the Town, and the Church is large and stately. Here's a publick Library, a *French* Church in the chief Street, a Presbyterian and Baptist Meeting-House, and another in the Suburbs for the Quakers. The Inhabitants are about 3000. This Town is the Seat of the Governor, Assembly, Courts of Judicature, and all publick Offices.

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<i>Norfolk</i> ,	1	112019	2289	717	1572	380	48	332
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<i>Stafford</i> ,		not surveyed.	2033	863	1170	345	84	261
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<i>Accomack</i> ,	1	200923	2804	1041	1763	456	101	355
<i>Norhampton</i> ,	1	99384	2081	712	1369	347	70	277
	49		60616	23033	35583	9522	2363	7159

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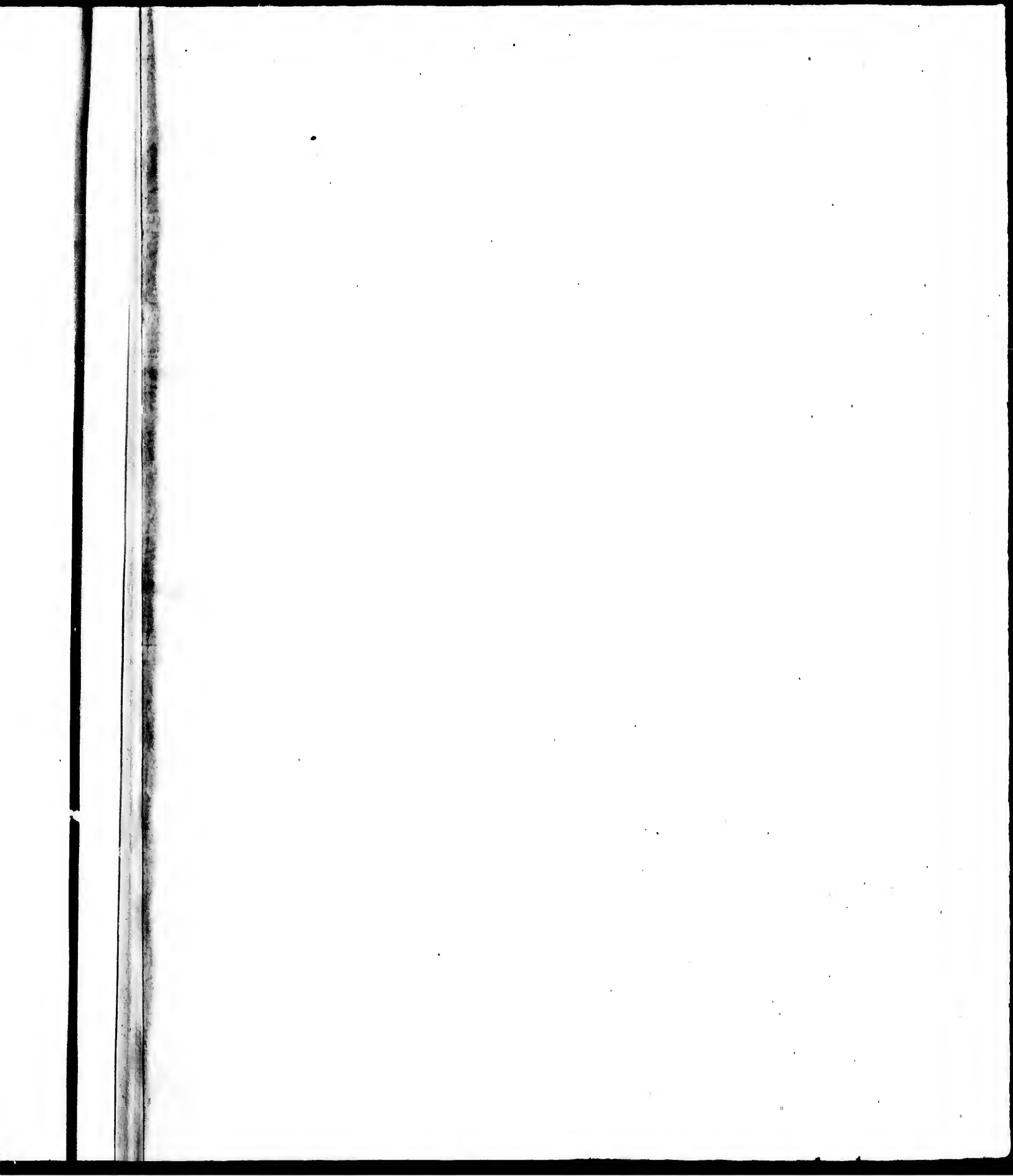
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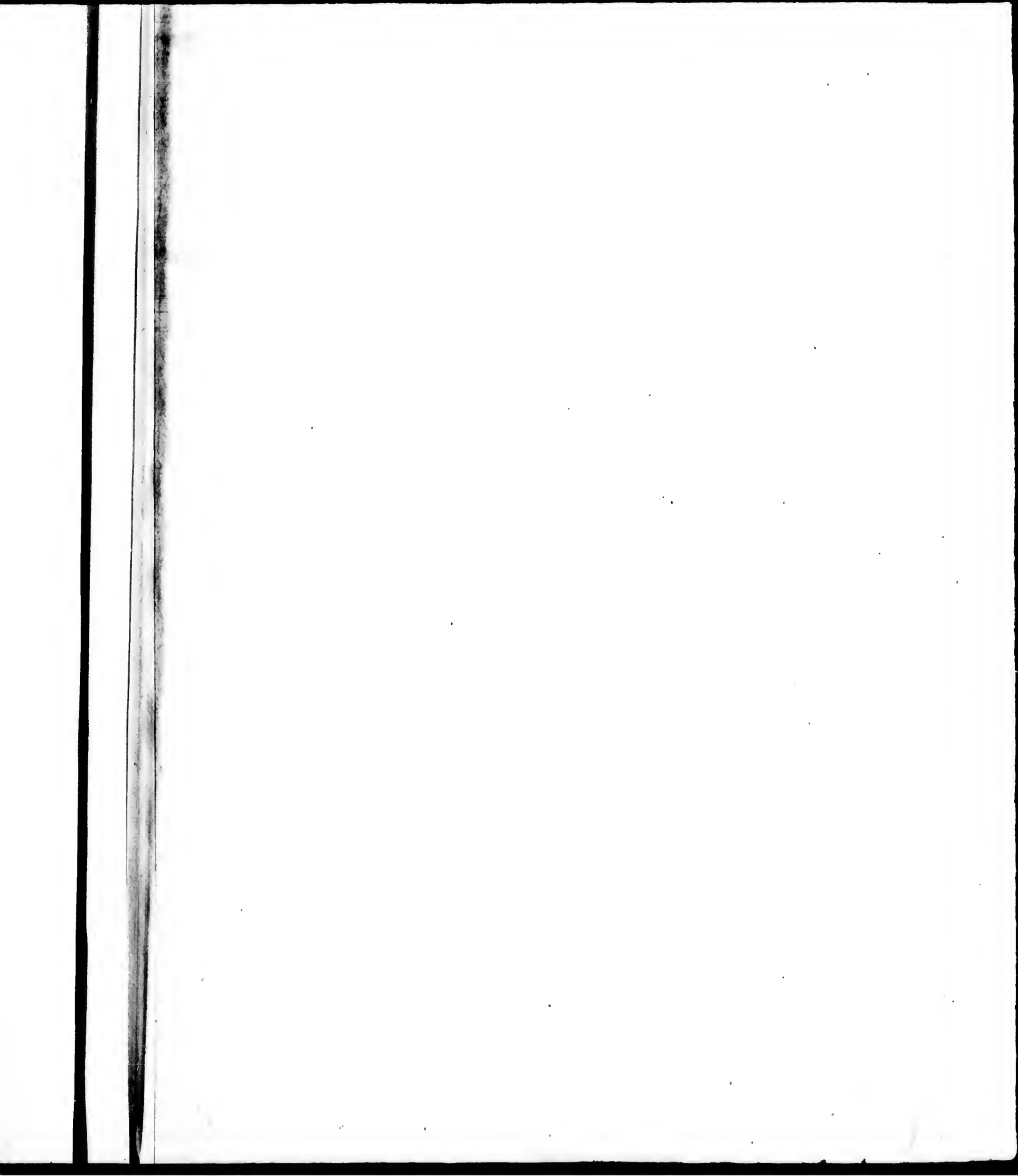
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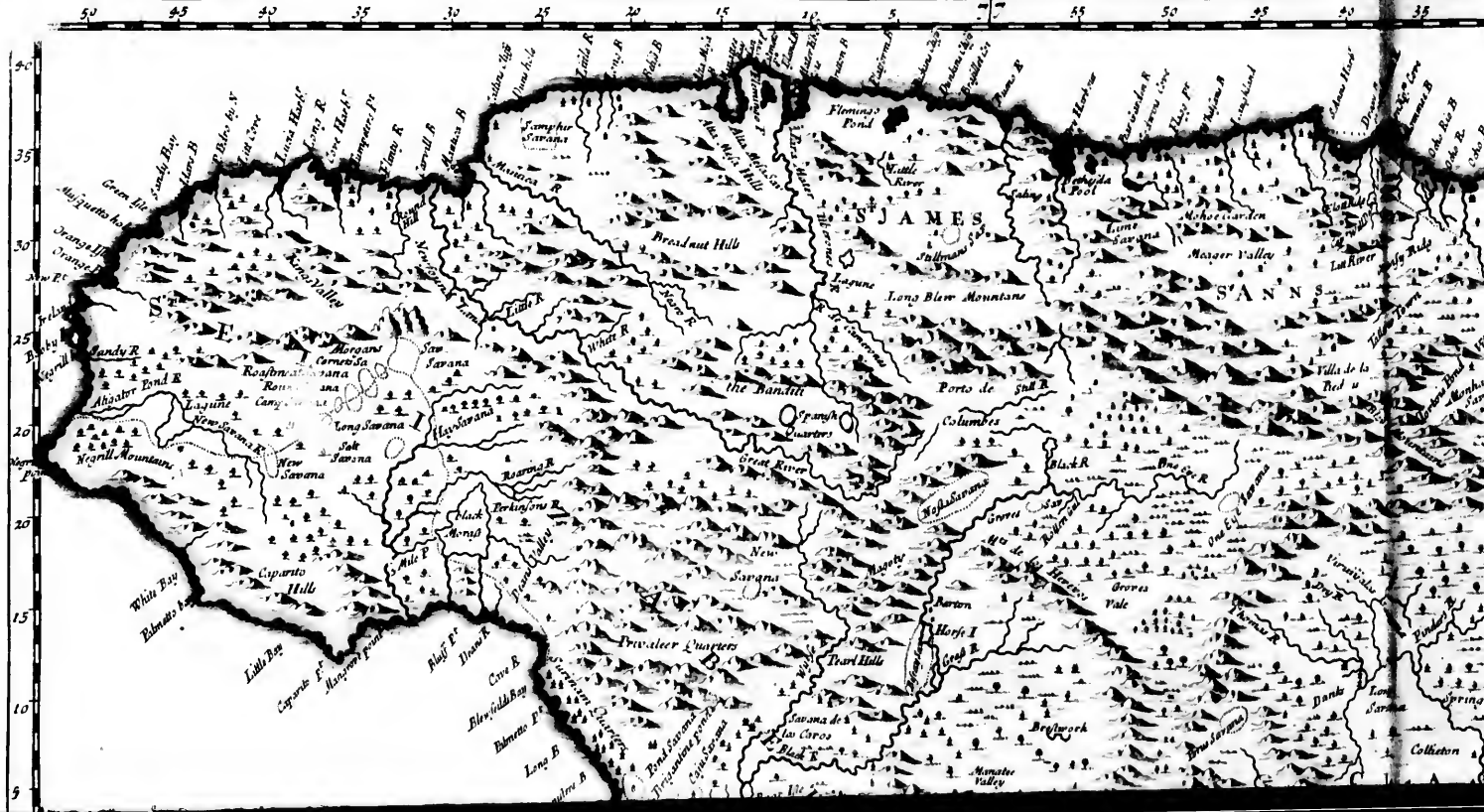
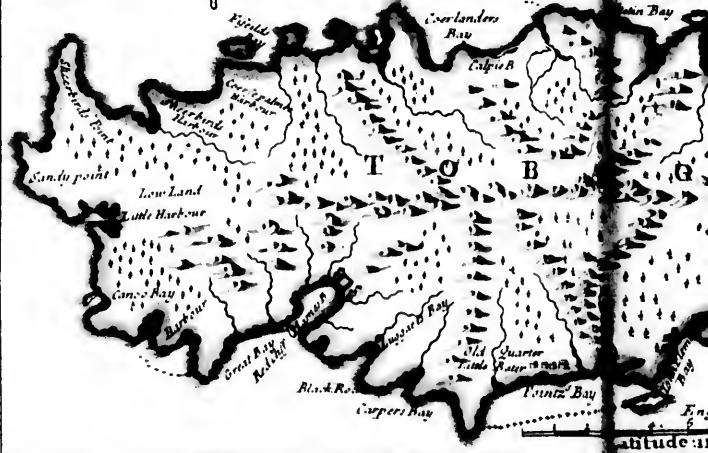
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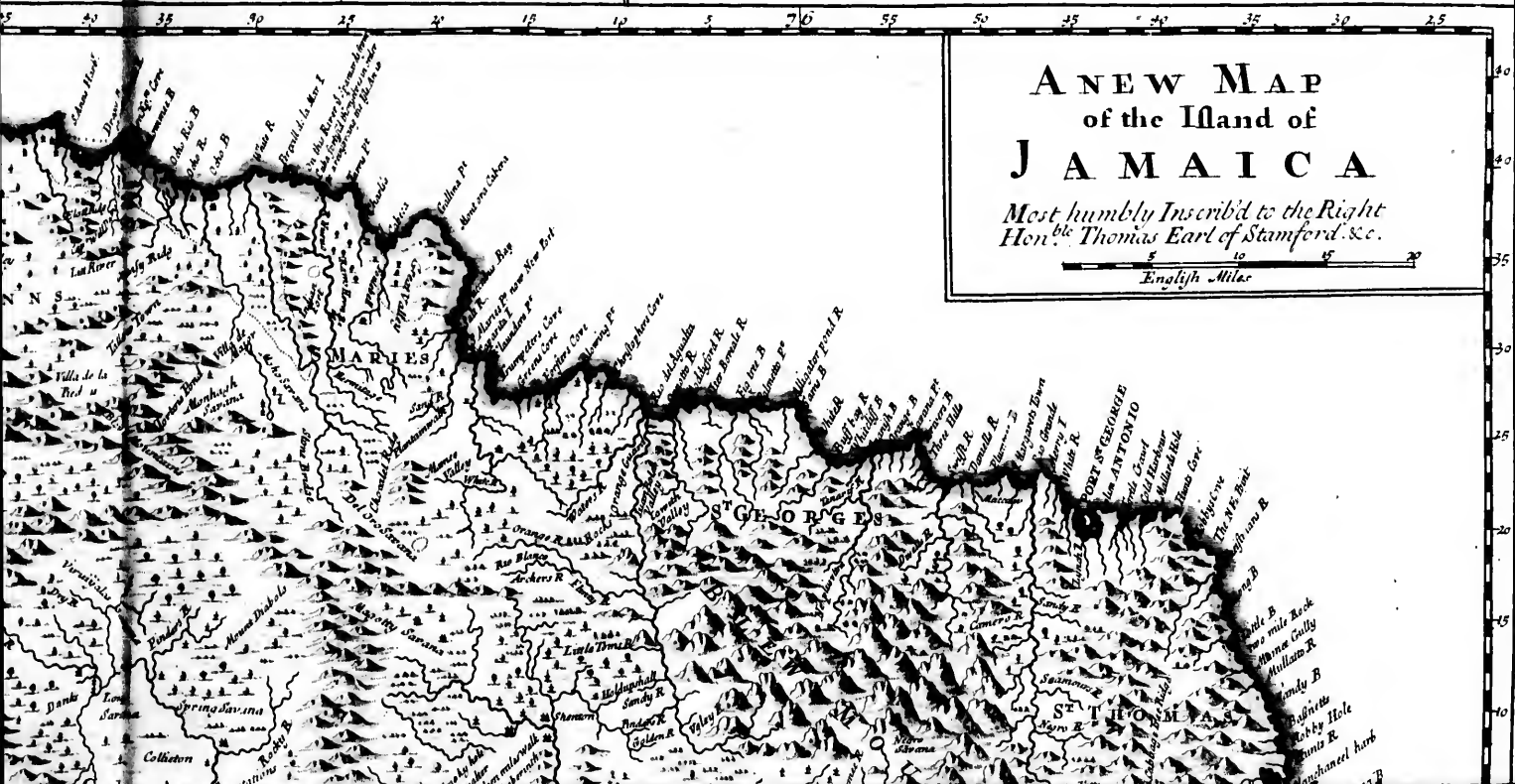
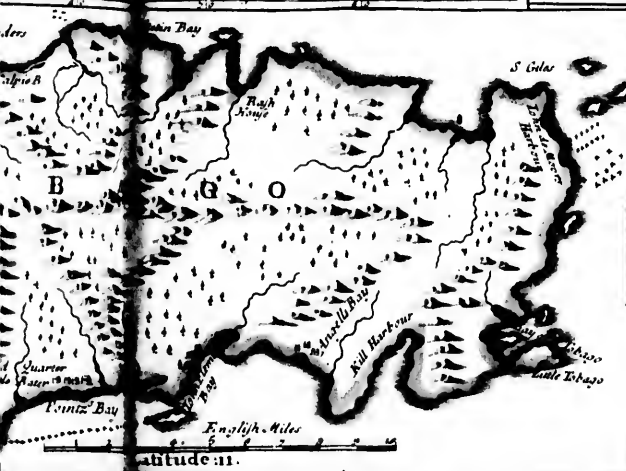
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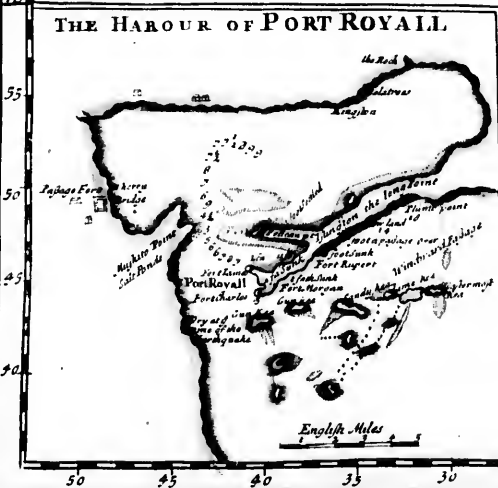
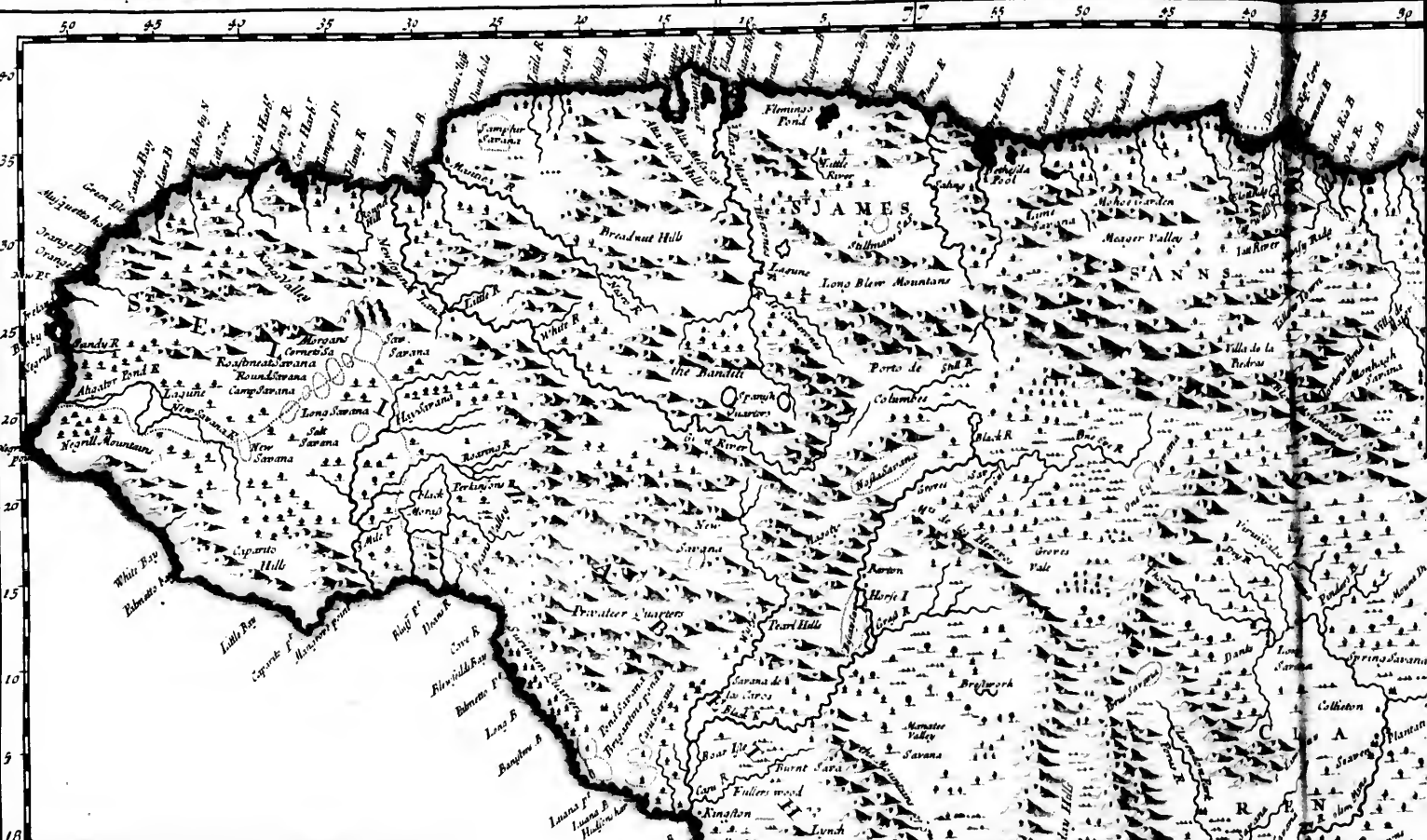
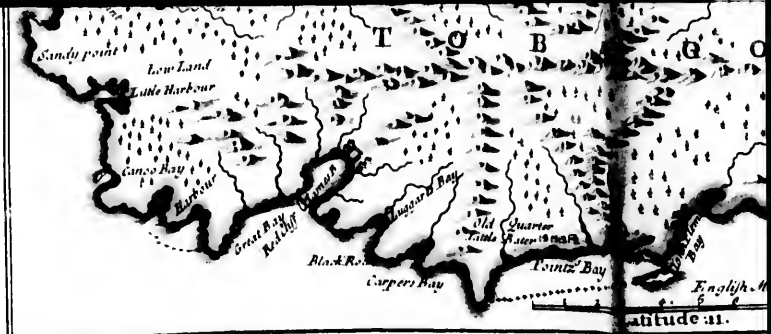




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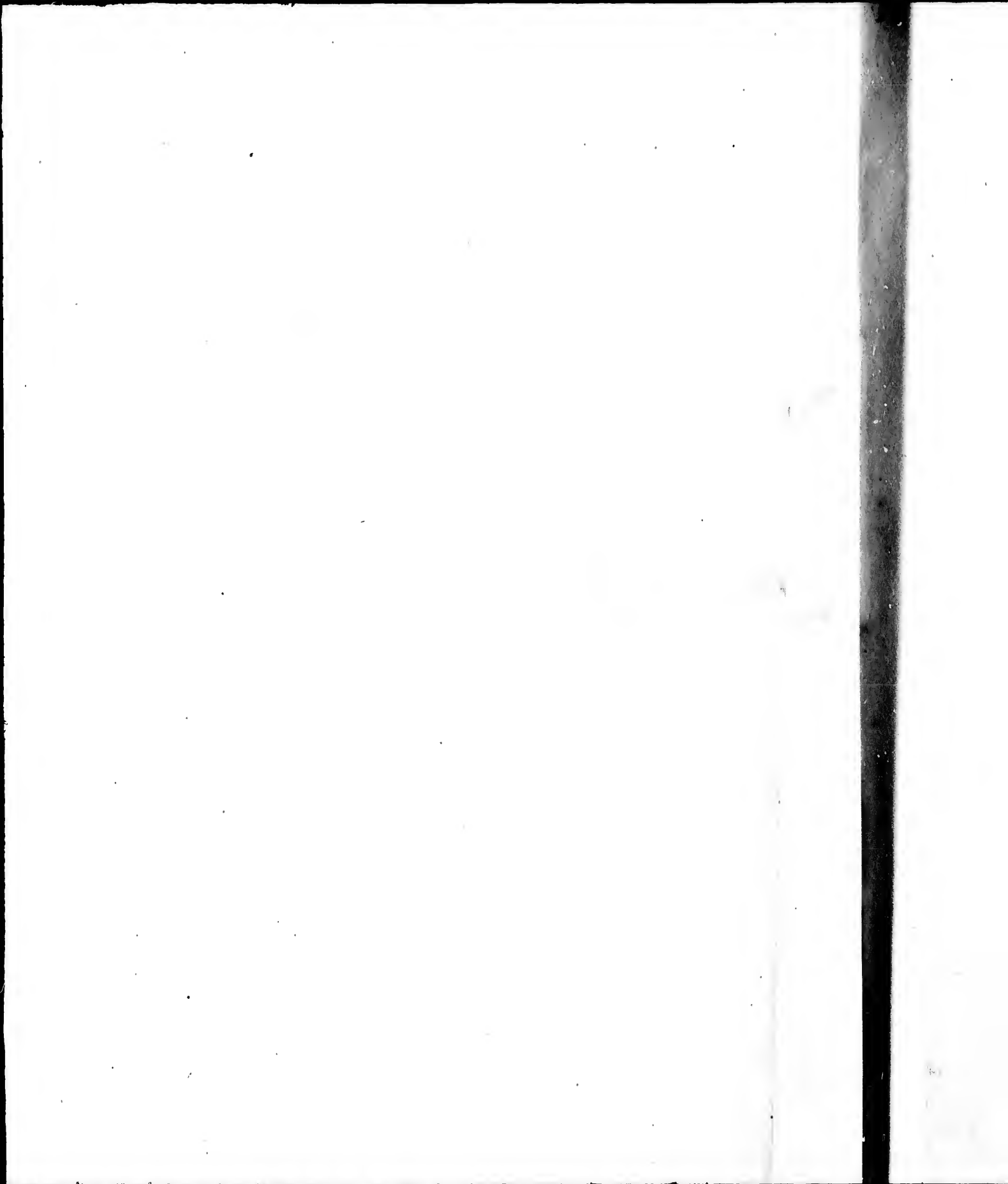


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English Miles





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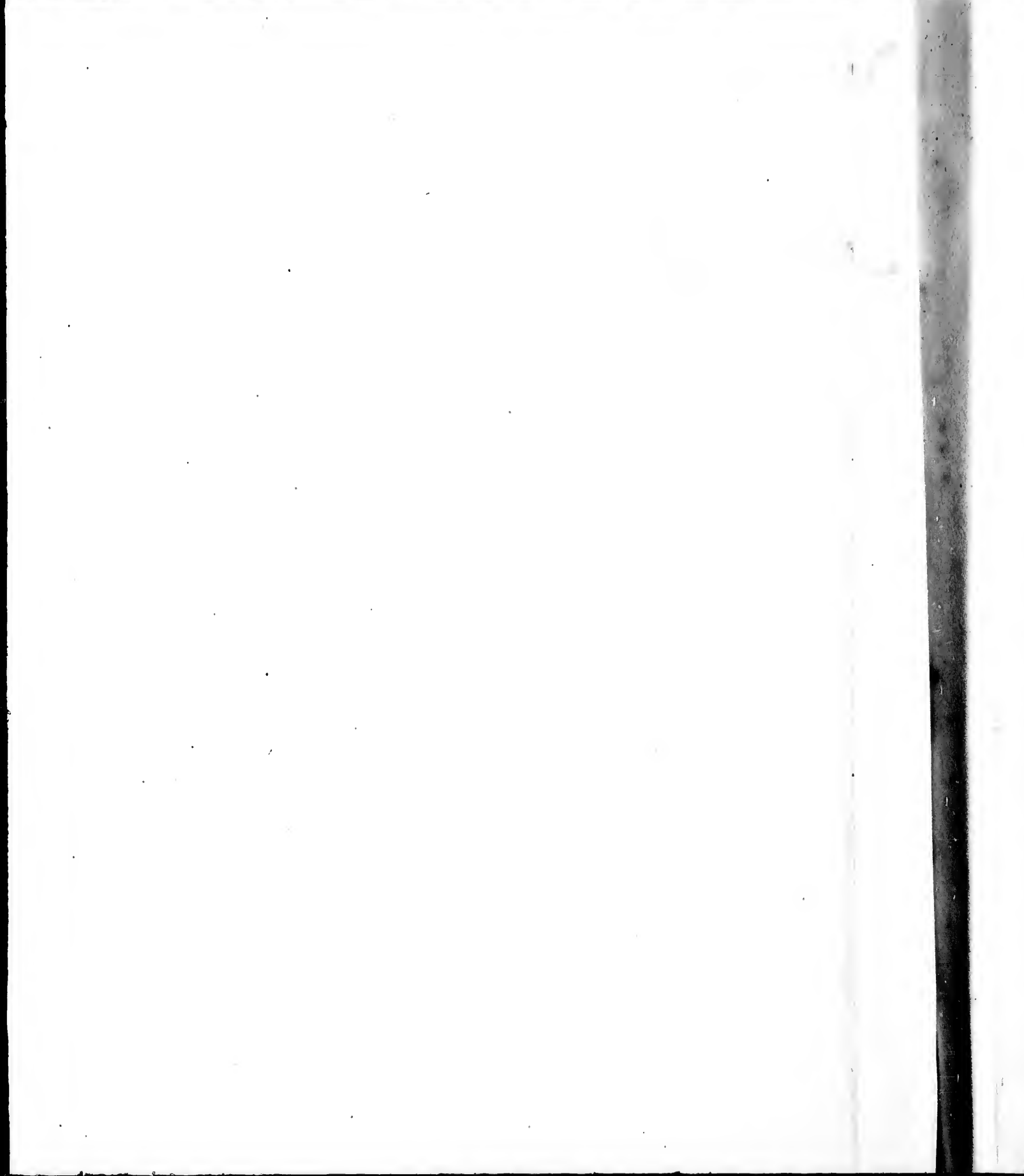
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The first *English* Planters were *Sir William Curteen* and *Mr. John Prael*, who left his Son here as Governor. *William Earl of Pembroke* was the chief Adventurer. First they sow'd Potatoes, Plantanes, *Indian* Corn, and Tobacco, &c. but the latter would not turn to account; and Supplies from *England* not coming duly, they were often driven to Extremity. The Earl of *Carlisle* obtain'd a Grant of this Island from King *Charles I.* and it being pleasant, soon grew populous. The first Settlement was made about the Bay of the *Bridge-Town*. The Colony prosper'd, and great Quantities of *Indico*, Cotton, Wool, Ginger, and Tobacco, were sent to *London*, from whence there came more Ships with Necessaries; and in 1646 it became a flourishing Colony. The first Planters of *Nore* were Gentlemen from the West of *England*; some of whom retir'd thither during the Civil War. The Royalists and Parliamentarians liv'd peaceably here for many Years, till the Death of King *Charles I.* when the former proclaiming King *Charles II.* who made Lord *Willoughby* of *Purham* Governor, the Parliament sent *Sir George Aysough*, who reduc'd them, and was join'd by the most leading Men in the Island against Lord *Willoughby*. But a Treaty was soon concluded on honourable Articles for that Lord, who had an Indemnity for his Person and Estate, and return'd. The Government was settled about this Time in a Governor and ten Councilors. The Island was divided into four Circuits and eleven Parishes, who were each to send Representatives to the Assembly. Ministers were settled, Churches built, and the Inhabitants drove a great Trade, and grew rich.

They had Sugar Plants from *Brasil*; which multiply'd so fast, that they set up a Mill, and learn'd to work their Sugars by Direction from some *Dutch* or *Portuguese*, who had been there. Of 60000 or 70000 Negroes, suppos'd to be in this Island, 40000 are Natives, and very well attend'd; tho' formerly they were so exasperated by the Severity of the *English*, that they laid Plots, especially in 1649 and 1687, when they appointed a Day to cut their Masters' Throats, and in 1707, when they design'd to burn the *Bridge-Town*, and seize the Forts. But they were all three timely discover'd: The Conspirators were secur'd, and the Chief of them put to death. King *Charles II.* purchased this Island of the Earl of *Carlisle's* Heir for 1000 *l.* a Year, and restor'd Lord *Willoughby* to the Government. About 1685, it became a Custom here to make Presents to the Governors, which added to their Salary and Perquisites, made the Place worth 4000 or 5000 *l.* a Year: But in 1703, a Stop was put to this by Orders from *England*, for the Ease of the Country; and to compensate the Governor, his Salary was increased from 1200 *l.* to 2000 *l.* a Year; and there are some lawful Perquisites besides, which make his Government worth near as much again; and 500 *l.* a Year is paid by the Publick for his House-Rent. His Title is, *Captain-General, and Chief Governor of the Islands of Barbadoes, St. Lucia, St. Vincents, Dominico, and the rest of his Majesty's Islands, Colonies and Plantations in America, known by the Name of the Caribbee Islands.*

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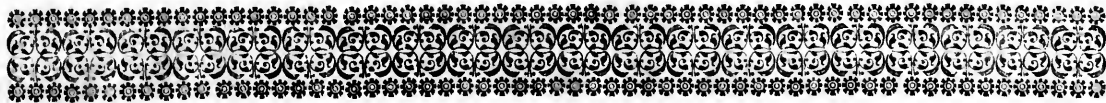
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their Sloops. 3. Black and Silver-colour'd Foxes; the first so scarce, that they are very dear. 4. Squirrels, that have black and white Streaks. 5. And wild Cats, so fierce, that the Natives call 'em the Devil's Children. The French truck Corn, and Flax, Hard Ware, Strong Liquors, Cloth, and Fire-Arms, with the Savages, for their Furs, Cod, and Whale-Oil.

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took this Island by the Treachery of the Savages, and made the *English* Governor, who was the first Man that submitted, with his Family, and above 300 *English* Prisoners of War, took sixteen Cannon, a great Number of Negroes and Cattel, and destroy'd above forty Sugar-Houses, and several Ware-Houses full of rich Merchandise. Monsieur *De la Barre* left five hundred *Irishmen* here, who took the Oaths to the Conqueror, and with their Families made up above two thousand Souls. This Island was afterwards restor'd to the *English*; and by the Treaty of *Utrecht*, the *English* were to be compensated for the Damages done them here by the *French* in the late War.

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They had Sugar Plants from *Brasil*; which multiply'd so fast, that they set up a Mill, and learn'd to work their Sugars by Direction from some *Dutch* or *Portuguese*, who had been there. Of 60000 or 70000 Negroes, suppos'd to be in this Island, 40000 are Natives, and very well accord; tho' formerly they were so exasperated by the Severity of the *English*, that they laid Plots, especially in 1649 and 1687, when they appointed a Day to cut their Masters Throats, and in 1707, when they design'd to burn the *Bridge-Town*, and seize the Forts. But they were all three timely discover'd: The Conspirators were secur'd, and the Chief of them put to death. King *Charles II.* purchas'd this Island of the Earl of *Carlisle's* Heir for 1000 *l.* a Year, and restor'd Lord *Willoughby* to the Government. About 1685, it became a Custom here to make Presents to the Governors, which added to their Salary and Perquisites, made the Place worth 4000 or 5000 *l.* a Year: But in 1703, a Stop was put to this by Orders from *England*, for the Ease of the Country: and to compensate the Governor, his Salary was increased from 1200 *l.* to 2000 *l.* a Year; and there are some lawful Perquisites besides, which make his Government worth near as much again; and 500 *l.* a Year is paid by the Publick for his House-Rent. His Title is, *Captain-General, and Chief Governor of the Islands of Barbadoes, St. Lucia, St. Vincent's, Dominico, and the rest of his Majesty's Islands, Colonies and Plantations in America, known by the Name of the Caribbee Islands, lying and being to windward of Guadaloupe.* The nearest Part of the Continent to this Island is *Surinam*, which lies but a day and a half's Sail from it. The Ground is in general a gradual Rising, with some high Hills which are always verdant. There are several vast Caves here, to which the Negroes often fly from their Masters, and hide themselves for Weeks together. The Churches here in general are handsome Stone Buildings, and the Pews and Pulpits of Cedar. The private Buildings are not very lofty, tho' the Planters are rich; for after the great Storm, which threw down so many in 1676, many, for fear of another, lower'd their Houses. Yet there are some three or four Stories high, with lofty Rooms; but the Walls are too damp for Hangings. The Planters Houses are more for Convenience than Splendor, cover'd with Pantiles, and their Out-houses and Negroes Huts with Shingles.

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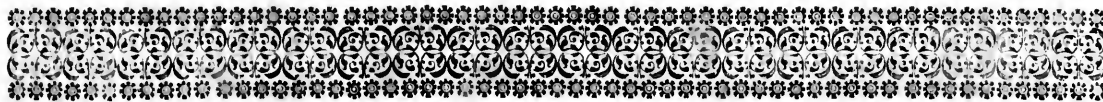
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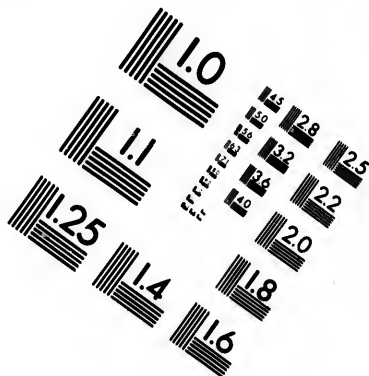
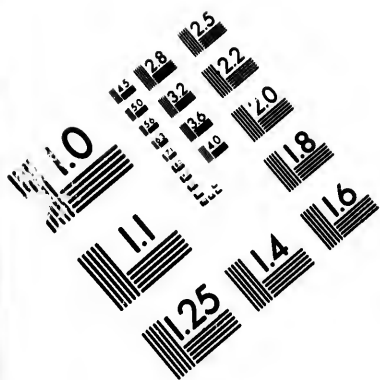
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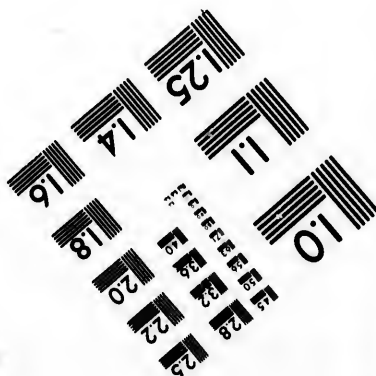
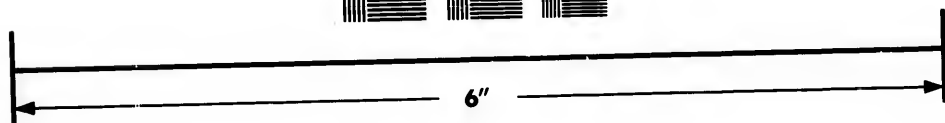
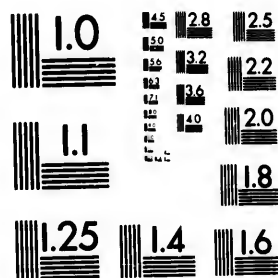
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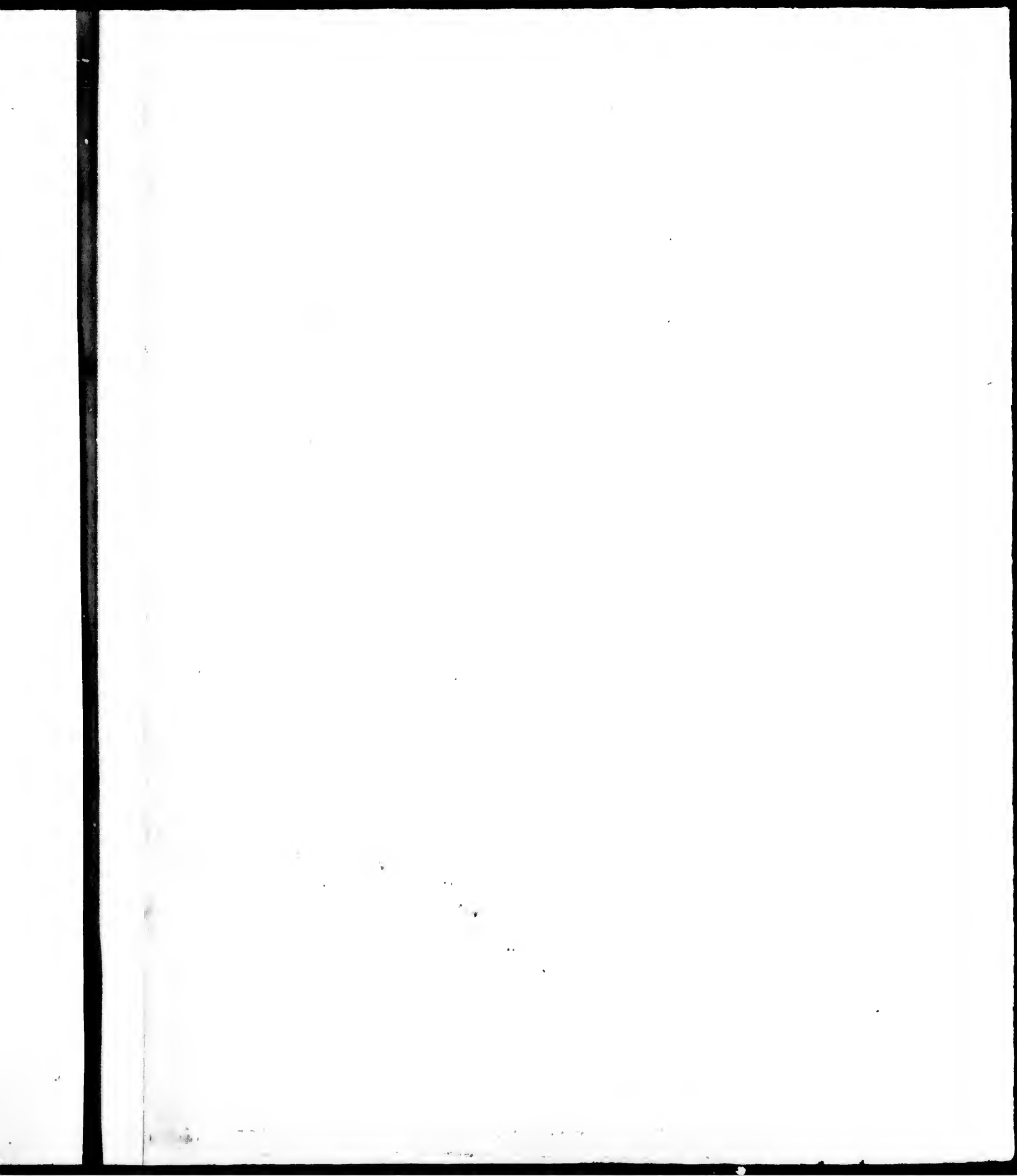
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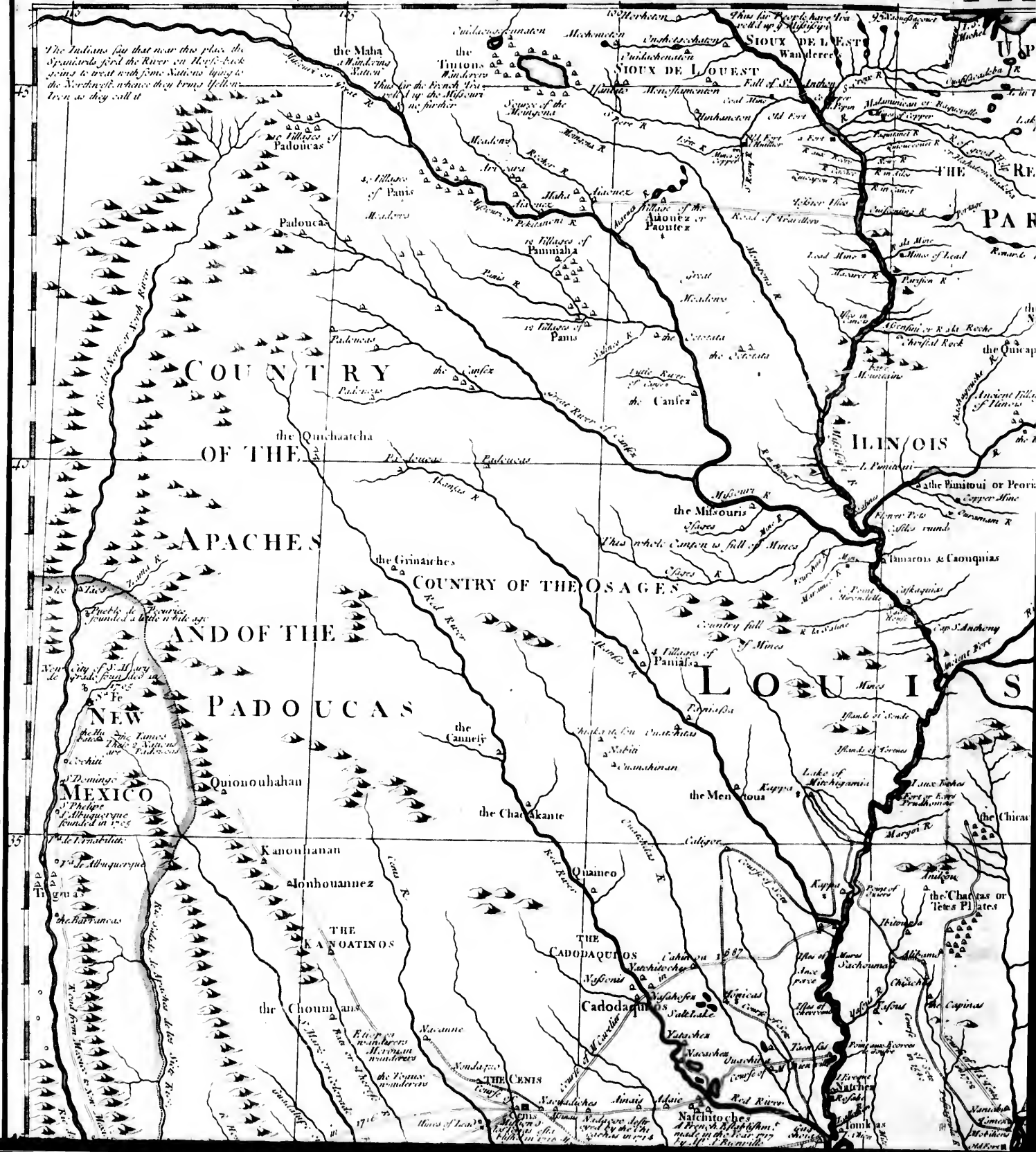
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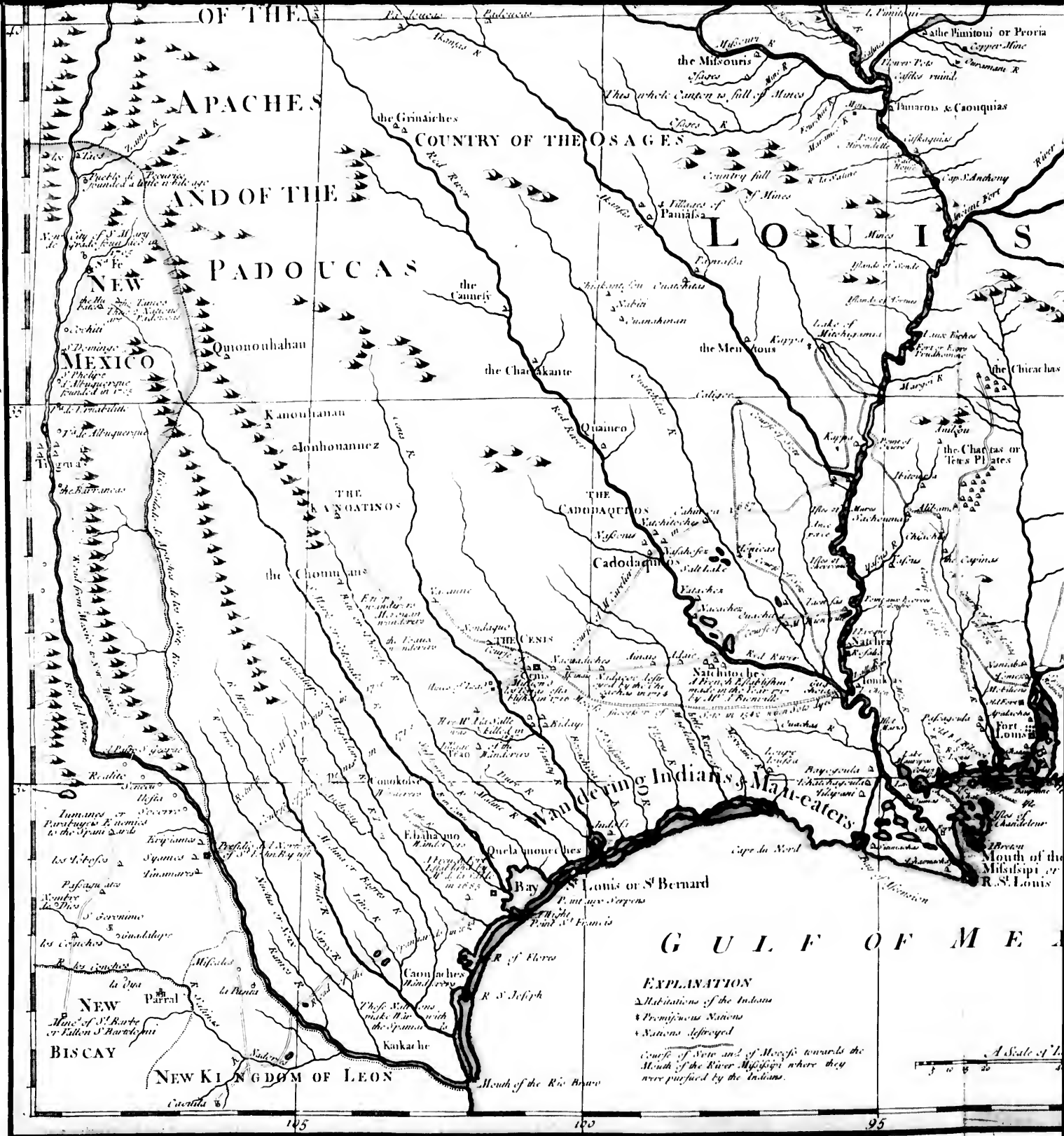
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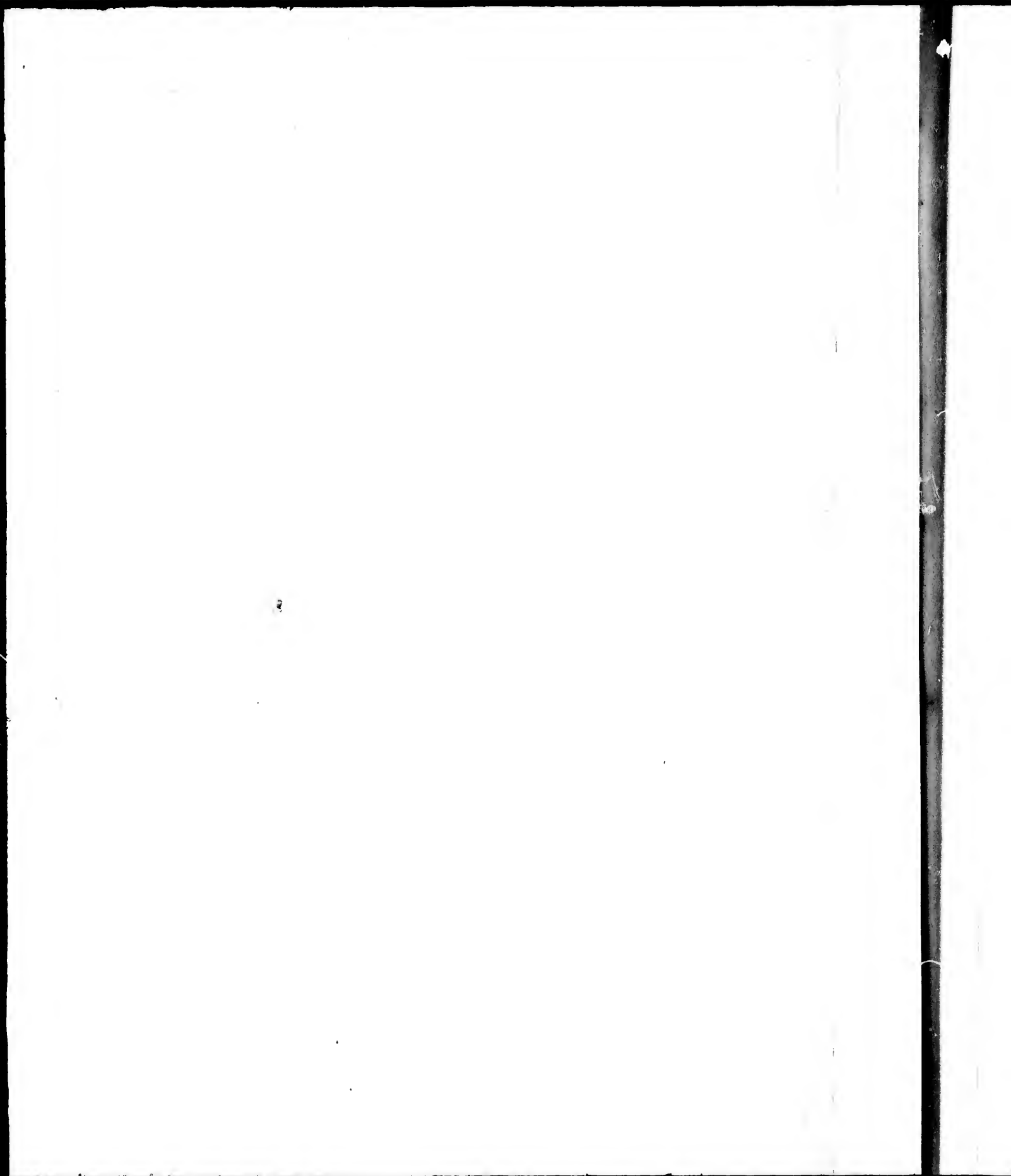
**EXPLANATION**

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*Course of New and of Mexico towards the Mouth of the River Mississippi where they were purified by the Indians.*

A Scale of 1°







upon a large Tree, from whence they went to the Lake of the *Astini-  
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on his Left the River *Onbache*, now *St. Jerom's*. He visited several Na-  
tions; and on the Left of *Mississippi* built a Fort, which he call'd *Prou-  
dome* from one of his Adventurers, in Lat. 36. Long. 96. From thence  
he came down to the *Taenkas*, with whom he made an Alliance.  
From thence he pass'd by the Mouth of the River *Sablioniere*, and ar-  
riv'd at that of *Mississippi*, in the Gulph of *Mexico*, the 7th of *April*,  
when he planted a Cross, and engrav'd the Arms of *France* upon a  
Tree. The 11th he sail'd up the River in a Canoe, in order to ac-  
quaint the Governor of *Quebec* with his Discoveries; but falling sick by  
the way, he did not arrive there till the end of 1683; from whence he  
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away; but the greatest part of the Men and Goods sav'd. He him-  
self was taken ill; but after his Recovery view'd the Country, and  
call'd the fatal Bay, where he lost his three Ships, *St. Louis*, and a River  
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then went in quest of the Mouth of *Mississippi*, which he discover'd by  
the Marks he had left in his first Voyage. Then he went upon discov-  
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with a design to return that Way to *Canada*. To which end he set out  
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tains there are Mines of Gold and Silver; but neglected for want of  
Hands. Their Fields abound with Cattel and wild Horses. Here  
are all the Birds common to the *West Indies*; and there are many par-  
ticular sorts of Fish on their Coasts, some of which are excellent Meat.  
The Soil is one of the richest in the World, and the Trees and Her-  
bage continually green; so that they have excellent Fruit all the Year.  
Gold Dust is found in the Sands of their Rivers. Here are so many  
Harbours, that Sailors can scarce miss one, where they may have fresh  
Water and Provisions. Here are many Sugar and Salt-Works, and se-  
veral Rivers, of which that call'd *Ocoa* is the chief. The Insects are  
Musketoes of three sorts, and one call'd *Cucufo*, which has four Eyes,  
two on its Side, and two on its Wings, which shine so by Night, that  
the Inhabitants use them instead of Candles. This is the greatest  
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Bay, where they us'd to have some Men of War. The *French* Part  
of the Island is chiefly inhabited by Buccaniers and Free-Booters of se-  
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try. The Eastern Part, possess'd by the *Spaniards*, is the largest, and  
has most Towns: The chief is *St. Domingo*, from whence the Island  
had its Name. It lies on the South-side of the Island, Lat. 20.  
Long. 70. at the Mouth of the River *Hayua*. It is well fortified, has  
a strong Castle and several other Works to defend the Harbour, which  
is safe and large. 'Tis not so considerable as formerly, since the *Ha-  
vanna* was made the chief Place for the *Spanish* Trade. They have still  
some Commerce in Hides, Tallow, Sugar, Cassia, Horses, and Hogs.  
Its chief Splendor now consists in its Royal Audience, or Court of Ju-  
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### III. The Dutch Dominions in AMERICA.

1.  *VINCENT'S* Island, about sixty Miles West from *Burbaodes*, is divided betwixt the *Dutch* and *English*. 'Tis eight Leagues long, and six broad; and has several Mountains, seen at a great distance. It abounds with wild Sugar-Canes, and a pleasant Fruit which resembles a green Cucumber. It has convenient Bays for Anchorage on the West and South Sides; and produces Sugar, &c. Most of it is possess'd by the *Dutch*.

2. *Bonaire* Island, in Lat. 12. Long. 68. is seventeen Leagues round, and has a good Harbour in a deep Bay, about the middle of the Island, on the South-side. It abounds with Cotton-Trees, Guatacum, Maiz, and *Guinea* Corn; Sheep and Black Cattel. The *Dutch* have a Garrison here; and there are some Villages inhabited by Natives, who live peaceably. Here's also a good Salt-Pond.

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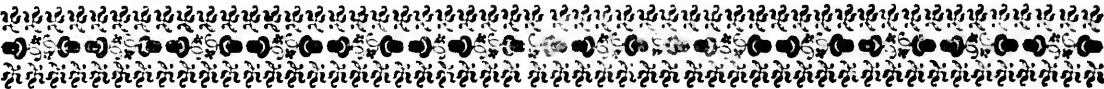
4. *Oruba*, or *Aruba*, about twenty two Miles W. from *Curassaw*; but

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Horse in several Garisons, besides Foot, to keep them in awe; that they have conquer'd about a hundred and fifty Leagues to the West, but being at a great distance from *Old Mexico*, the Savages often revolt, because they know the *Spaniards* cannot speedily be supply'd with fresh Troops. Our Maps place this Country betwixt Lat. 28 & 38. seven hundred and ten Miles South and North, and seven hundred and seventy East and West, where longest, from the Straits of *California*, to the Frontiers of *Florida*, now call'd *Louisiana*. Some divide it into eighteen Provinces, inhabited by People of different Languages and Customs. Many Places of it are fertile, and produce all our Fruits, besides others: and here are likewise Mines of Gold and Silver. But there are such wide Defarts, that the Soldiers and Travelers encamp every Night, and keep strong Guards, to prevent a Surprise by the Savages. Travellers carry on horseback Mattraffes and Pillows of Leather, which at Night they blow full of Wind, and lie upon them, and let it out in the Morning when they pack them up; for they travel in some Places several Days without seeing a Cottage; so that upon the whole, it seems to be one of the worst Countries in that part of *North America*.

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### III. Old Mexico, or New Spain.

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7. *Guadalajara*, or *Guadalaxava* Proper, is South of *Gallicia*, and East of *Xalisco*. 'Tis the capital Province of the Audience, healthful and fruitful, has some Mines of Silver in the Mountains, and good Timber. The chief Town of the same Name lies on a River, is large, beautiful, the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Mexico*, the Seat of the Courts of Justice, and has several Monasteries.

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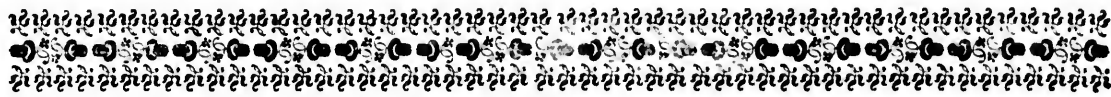
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2. *Mexico* Proper lies South of *Panuco*, abounds with Corn, Cattel, Fruit, and Fish: But Mr. *Gage* says, they are not so nourishing as ours; which is ascrib'd to their Soil's not being so regularly water'd as ours, so that the Grass is short, and soon withers. The Climate is unequal all the Year, being hot in the Sun, and cool in the Shade, but neither of 'em to Excess, so that it agrees well enough with *Europeans*. The Natives complain of the cold Mornings, of the Heat at Noon from *March* to *July*, and of the cold Nights from *November* till *February*; but *Europeans* think them pleasant. Here are three Harvests in a Year, occasion'd by their great Rains at certain Seasons; and their Cattel bring forth twice per *Ann*.

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(1.) *Mexico*, the Capital of the Province and Empire, Lat. 20. Long. 100. about two hundred Miles West of the Gulph of *Mexico*, and two hundred and forty North from *Acapulco*, its Port on the *South Sea*. The Curious may consult Mr. *Gage* for the State of the ancient City, that was burnt by the *Spaniards*, by which it appears to have been one of the largest and most magnificent in the World. We refer also to him for the Description of its Lakes, which together are a hundred Miles round. The great Lake is divided into two Parts: The Water of the Upper is sweet, wholesome, and has many Fish. It runs into the other, which is bitter and brackish, ebbs and flows, has no Fish, sends forth pestilential Vapours, but boil'd up with Salt-Petre, yields good Salt, which is a great Branch of their Trade. These Lakes have several times endanger'd the City by Inundations, being swell'd by the many Rivers that fall into them. There are five Ways into the City by Causeys and Banks thro' the Lakes. The Town is square, and the Streets cross one another so regularly, that the Plan of it looks like a Chess-Board. They are long, wide, and well pav'd. The Compass of the City is two Leagues, and the Diameter half a League. We can't insist on the Description of their magnificent and rich Cathedral, the other Churches, Monasteries, Palaces, Hospitals, &c. but according to *Gemelli* and *Gage*, they exceed any thing we have in *Europe* for Ornaments, Plate, and rich Vestments. The Archbishop has fourteen Suffragans, whose Tenths amount to 50000 Pieces of Eight, and their whole Revenue to 5160000. The Cathedral had cost 1050000 Crowns in 1667, tho' not near finish'd. The Archbishop has 60000 Crowns per *Ann*, the Dean 11000, five dignified Priests 8000 each, ten Canons 6000, six Demi-Canons 5000, six Half Demi-Canons 3000, four Curates 4000, twenty Chaplains 300, and the other Priests and Attendants, who are three hundred, have lesser Salaries in proportion. The Revenues of the Cathedral are above 300000 Crowns per *Ann*. The King gives an annual Allowance out of his Revenue towards carrying on the Structure, and every Person in the Diocese pays half a Rial per Head annually towards it. The High Altar and its Ornaments is valued at 50000 Crowns, and the Chalice set with Emeralds at 11000, and the Image of the Virgin 30000. Tabernacles for common Saints usually cost 20000 Ducats. There's a Coach and four Mules for carrying the Host to the Sick in rich Tabernacles of Gold or Chrysal. There's a Branch in the *Dominicans* Cloister for Candles and Lamps, valued at 400000 Ducats. Here are two and twenty Nunneries, and nine and twenty Monasteries of the several Orders, all very rich; besides many Colleges and Parish Churches. But Mr. *Gage* says, nothing can be more scandalous than the Lives of the Clergy and Nuns. Here are reckon'd seven hundred Palaces; and those of the Archbishop and Viceroy may vie with any of those cry'd up by the Antients. The Town-House consists of nine Courts, has a large Garden, and a spacious Place for their Bull-Feasts, with Places for the Mint, the Royal Prison, and Foundry for Bells and Cannon. The chief Market is very spacious, has a Piazza, where the People walk in time of Rain, with rich Shops of Silks and Stuffs. The Gold Smiths Street, next to the Market, is very beautiful, where a Man, as he passes by, may see many Millions in Gold, Silver, and Jewels.

The chief Place for the Recreation of the Citizens is a pleasant shady Field, call'd *Alameda*, full of Trees and Walks. 'Tis common in an Afternoon to see 2000 Coaches here, with Gallants of both Sexes.

Thof:

Those of Quality are usually attended by six or twelve Blacks, with Swords, in rich Liveries lac'd with Gold and Silver; and the Ladies attended by Female Blacks, who walk by their Coaches richly dress'd. Quarrels and Murders happen here frequently on the account of Amours; and if Murderers escape to a Church or Monastery, they are safe. Most of the Inhabitants are extravagant in their Apparel; and even the Black Female Slaves go as rich and gay as Ladies, and are often prefer'd by their leud Masters before their Wives.

The Viceroy here is usually a Spanish Grandee: He has the power of placing and displacing the Governors of the neighbouring Countries, who pay him well. The King allows him 100000 Ducats per Annum; but by engrossing Trade, and other Methods, he commonly makes it worth a Million; and tho his Commission be but for five Years, he easily gets it prolong'd by bribing the Courtiers at Madrid.

There are many fine Palaces, Country-Seats, and Monasteries in the Neighbourhood, one particularly, call'd the *Desart*, tho the pleasantest Place in the Province, where the bare-footed Carmelites have a Cloister upon a Hill surrounded with Rocks, in which they have dug Caves for Oratories and Places of Penance, to make the People admire their Mortification. The Friars of the Order in the City come hither by turns every Week, and they live in the greatest Luxury by the Presents of Provisions, Money, Plate, and Jewels, made to their Churches. Here's a Cloister for fifty two Monks, where the Provincial Chapter is held. They have Gardens with the best European Fruit in the Country, which, besides their other Fruits, and what they eat, yields them 12000 Crowns per Annum. The Inclosure belonging to this Monastery is seven Leagues round, encompass'd by a high Stone Wall, with a River running thro it, and has many Mountains and Woods that abound with Deer and Beasts of Prey, kept for Pleasure.

(2.) *Acapulco*, on a Bay of the *South Sea*. 'Tis the chief Mart on that Coast, about two hundred and forty Miles South from Mexico. The Houses are forty Huts of Mud, Timber, and Straw, and the Place very unhealthy from the end of November till May, during which Time they have no Rain, and 'tis as warm here in January, when the Fair begins, as in the Dog-Days with us; so that the Merchants must do their Business in the Morning. And when the Fair is over, every body leaves the Place, but a few Blacks and Mulattoes. Here's nothing good but a safe winding Harbour, defended by a high strong Castle, and a Platform well mounted with large Brass Guns, and small Garifons to protect the Ships. The Harbour is capable of some Hundreds of Ships; and the Mouth of it cover'd by an Island, on both sides of which Vessels come in and go out safely by Sea and Land Winds, which succeed one another alternately in their proper Seasons. A League further East, there's a good Harbour call'd *Pori Marquis*, where Ships from Peru land Contraband Goods, and sell 'em privately. The settled Trade at *Acapulco* is carried on by three Ships, two of which go once a Year betwixt this Place and *Manila*, one of the *Philippine* Islands, and another to and from *Lima* in Peru, of twenty Guns, which commonly arrives before Christmas with Quicksilver, Cocoa, and Pieces of Eight, stays till the *Manila* Ships arrive, and then returns with East-India Commodities. The Ships that trade to *Sanila* are commonly of a thousand Ton, well mann'd, and mounted with many Guns. They make the Voyage alternately; set out from *Acapulco* the beginning of April, and arrive at *Manila* in June; and when the one arrives, the other sets out. They commonly carry ten Millions of Dollars from *Acapulco*, and make great Returns.

(3.) *Pachaca*. *Genelli* places it sixty Miles North of Mexico; and says, that within six Leagues of it there are a thousand Silver Mines, one of them call'd the *Trinity*, where a thousand Men are employ'd every Day, from whence, in ten Years time, they dug forty Millions of Silver; but some of these Mines were wore out, and others dangerous to work.

The third Province is *Mchoacan*, betwixt Mexico and the *South Sea*. The Climate is hot on the Coast, and cold in the Mountains. It produces Cocoa, Cassia, Cotton, Silk, Ambergrease, Mines of Gold, Silver, and Copper, Mulberry-Trees, Honey, and Wax. Here are black shining Stones which serve for Looking-Glasses, and abundance of Medicinal Plants, of which one, call'd *Oleacraan*, is reckon'd a Specifick against all Poisons, and a Restorative in Weakness. The Soil yields a hundred-fold. The Mountains are cover'd with Woods, from whence Lions and Tygers infest the Country. This Province is populous, and has a hundred and fifty Boroughs, besides Villages. The Capital, *Mchoacan*, in Lat. 20. Long. 103. is the See of a Bishop, and lies on the West-side of a Lake almost as large as that of Mexico, which abounds with Fish, and brings the Inhabitants great Profit.

Here are several Towns for defence of the Mines, and Roads and Harbours on the *South Sea*. The chief are, (1.) *Acatlan*, or *Zacaula*, which has a good Trade. (2.) *Natividad*, whence Ships go to the *Philippine* Islands. (3.) *Colima*, a large rich Town, to which this serves as a Port, lies in a Valley that is the most pleasant and fruitful in Mexico, where there is a Volcano with two sharp Peaks, which constantly send out Flame and Smoke.

The fourth Province of *Tlascala* lies East and South-east from that of Mexico, and reaches from the North to the *South Sea*. 'Tis very populous; and the *Indians*, says *Aosta*, are free from Tribute, because they assisted the Spaniards to conquer Mexico. It abounds so with Pastures and Corn, that 'tis reckon'd the Granary of America. Here's plenty of Wine, Sugar, Cattel, Venison, Fowl, several Mines of Silver,

*Barloveno* Fleet, which is a small Squadron employ'd to clear the Coast of Pirates and Interlopers, comes hither constantly in October. Here are great Rains from April to November; but from thence to the end of March, they have none at all: And the North Winds make the Air as wholesome as any where else in *New Spain*. Ships load and unload here from April to August. There's good Hunting and Fowling in the Neighbourhood; but the Woods are infested with Gnats, and a Vermin like Crab-Lice. *Old Vera Cruz* lies six Leagues West from the new one, and there's a great River with a Ferry betwixt them; but it was abandon'd because of the bad Air, and is now only a Fishing Village.

(1.) *Xalappa de la Vera Cruz* is about fifty six Miles North-west, and the See of a Bishop, who has a thousand Ducats per Annum. The *Franciscans* have a Cloister here, where they live sumptuously, and make a Jest of their Vows of Poverty and Chastity. The Neighbourhood abounds with Maiz and Spanish Wheat, and rich Farms of Sugar and Cochineal, and breed abundance of Mules and other Cattle. There are several good Towns betwixt this Place and Mexico; but we can't insist upon them.

(3.) *Puebla de los Angelos*, a hundred and seventy Miles North-west from *Vera Cruz*, and seventy six North-east from Mexico, is a large Town of 1500 Families, and the See of a Bishop, who has 20000 Ducats per Annum. Here are four Monasteries, four Nunneries, and a College for 1500 Indian Children. Here's a Manufacture of Cloth, as good as any in Spain, and of the best Felts in the Country. The Cathedral is sumptuous and rich, the Revenue being 300000 Pieces of Eight per Annum. The Jesuits have also a rich College here; and all their Churches and Monasteries are richly endow'd.

(4.) *Tlascala*, Capital of the Province, twenty six Miles North from *Los Angelos*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, was large, well built, had a spacious Market-Place much frequented, and a noble Town-House. The Town is govern'd by an Alcaldi Major, sent once in three Years from Spain; and has Jurisdiction for twenty Leagues round the Town. These Governors, by their Tyranny, have reduc'd the Town to a Village, and in a manner laid waste the neighbouring Country.

The fifth Province is *Guaxaca*. It lies East and South-east from *Tlascala*, and reaches from the Bay of *Campeachy* to the *South Sea*. The Air is good, and the Soil fruitful, especially in Mulberry-Trees; so that it produces more Silk than any Province in America. It abounds with Corn, Cattel, Sugar, Cotton, Honey, Cocoa, Plantanes, and other Fruits. Here are rich Mines of Gold and Silver; and all their Rivers have Gold in their Sands. But the Natives conceal their Mines all they can, because the Spaniards use them as Slaves to work them. Cassia, Cochineal, Chrystal, and Copperas, do likewise abound here; so that were the People industrious, they might be the richest in the *West Indies*: But they are eat up by their own Slothfulness, and by the Clergy, who have a hundred and twenty Monasteries here, besides several Hospitals, Schools, and other Places of publick Charity; so that the *Indians* subsist chiefly by Gold which the Women gather in the Rivers, with which they purchase Provisions.

Curiosities of Nature in this Country are, 1. A poisonous Herb, which is said to kill those who pluck it according to the time of its own Age, i. e. if it be a Day old, he dies the same Day, and so in proportion. 2. A high Mountain that has a strange Cave, with a narrow Entrance; within which there's a large Square, with Steps down to Pits on one Side, and near them a crooked Way for a League long; and at the end of it a spacious Place, with a good Fountain and a Brook. 3. Another call'd *St. Antonio*, on the top of which there's a Rock, and Caves inhabited by *Indians*. 4. Six Rocks call'd *Denules*, formerly garison'd by the Kings of Mexico. They have Mines of Gold and Lead, and a Root that washes like Soap.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Spirito Sancto*, at the Mouth of a River that falls into the Bay of *Campeachy*, Lat. 18. Long. 93. It has fifty Indian Towns under it, and was built by the Spaniards to curb the Natives.

(2.) *Guaxaca*, Capital of the Province, about three hundred and forty Miles South-west of *Spirito Sancto*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, the Seat of a Governor, has four Convents of Monks, and two of Nuns, all very rich; the Treasure of the *Dominicans* Church being valued at three Millions of Crowns. This City has a great Trade both with the *North* and *South Sea*. The River here is not fortified; so that small Vessels might easily sail up and subdue the Country. The best Chocolate and Atolle in America is made here by the Nuns, and exported to Spain. In a neighbouring Valley there are many rich Towns, Cloisters, and Churches, an excellent Breed of Horses, and great Herds of Black Cattel and Sheep, which afford Wool to the Clothiers of *Los Angelos*, and Hides for Spain. The best Preserves in America are also made here; for there are many Sugar-Farms, and store of Fruit. The *Creslian* Clergy here are as great Enemies to the Spanish Clergy as the original Americans.

(3.) *Antiquera*, a great Town, ninety Miles South-east from *Guaxaca*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, and has a stately Cathedral.

(4.) *Aquatulco*, at the bottom of a Bay that comes up from the *South Sea*, ninety Miles South-east from *Antiquera*, is one of the best Ports in Mexico, frequented by Ships that trade to Peru. 'Twas formerly a great Town, was taken and plunder'd by Sir *Francis Drake*, and afterwards by Sir *Thomas Cavendish*, but is now decay'd.

(5.) *Tecoantepeque*, on the same Coast, at the bottom of the Bay, a hundred Miles South-east from *Aquatulco*. 'Tis a large well built Town, with many stately Churches. 'Tis the chief Fishing Town in



full of Lions, Tygers, wild Hogs, Deer, Rabbits, Apes, Polecats, and Squirrels. The only Town of Note is *Tabasco*, or *Victoria*, so called because the *Spaniards* obtain'd a great Victory here over the Natives. It lies in an Island at the Mouth of a River, on the Bay of *Campeachy*, ninety Miles East from *Spirito Santo*. *Gage* says, that by this River the Country might be easily subdued, as far as the *South Sea*, which is very fruitful; and the Valleys on both sides the River abound with Black Cattel, and those call'd Mountain Cows, or *Dantes*.

The seventh Province is *Chiapa*, which lies South from *Tabasco*, and South-east from *Guaxaca*. It abounds with Oaks, Pines, Cedar, Myrrh, Cypress, and other Trees that yield good Rosin, precious Gums, and Balsams of several sorts, Trees whose Fruit tastes like Pepper and Cloves, Cabbage-Trees, and one, whose Leaves cure all Ulcers. Here's plenty of European Birds, and others unknown to us, good Horses, Goats, Sheep, Rabbits, wild Hogs, and a Beast call'd *Taquarin*, with a Bag under its Belly, in which it carries seven or more of its young. Here are many poisonous Serpents, and Beasts of Prey. Some of their Serpents are eaten by the Natives, who like them as well as Venison.

*Gage* says, 'tis a very large Province, has many fine Cities, is of great importance to the *Spaniards*, and ought to be well fortified, because it might be easily subdu'd by Ships on the Rivers *Tabasco* and *Puerto Real*. It has a great Trade with the neighbouring Provinces, chiefly in *Cochineal*.

Places of chief Note are,

1. *Ciudad Real*, or *Spanish Chiapa*, Lat. 17. Long. 93. It lies in a Valley near the River *Tabasco*, is the See of a Bishop, and was that of the famous *Bartholomew de las Casas*, who wrote an Account of the Cruelties of the *Spaniards* in the *West Indies*, complain'd of it to the Court of *Madrid*, and get the People of this Country great Privileges, and Exemption from Slavery. It is very large and rich, and has many fine Cloisters and Churches. The River abounds with Fish; and no Town has so many Dons of *Indian Blood* as this.

2. *Ciudad Real*, or *Spanish Chiapa*, lies about forty Miles South-east of the other, is the Seat of a Court of Justice, the See of a Bishop, who has 8000 Ducats *per Annum*, and has several Monasteries. Their chief Trade is in *Cocoa*, Cotton-Wool, Sugar, *Cochineal*, and small Pedlars Wafe. The Friars are the chief Merchants for European Goods, and the richest Men in City and Country. The *Spanish* Gentry here are a Proverb for their fantastick Pride, Ignorance, and Poverty. They all pretend to be descended of *Spanish* Dukes that conquer'd the Country. One of the chief ask'd *Mr. Gage* very seriously, whether the Sun and Moon were of the same Colour in *England* as there; and if the *English* were Cannibals, or had such a dainty Dish as *Frixoles*, which is no better than *Grey-Peaase*.

The eighth Province is *Soconusco*, which lies South from *Chiapa*, to the *South Sea*. The Air is extreme hot, subject to Thunder and Lightning, and the Country produces nothing but some *Indico*, *Cochineal*, *Cocoa*, and other Materials for *Chocolate*. *Soconusco*, the chief Town, lies near the *South Sea*, a hundred and ten Miles South from *Chiapa*, and is the Seat of a *Spanish* Governor.

The ninth Province is *Yucatan*, which lies in form of a Peninsula betwixt the Gulph of *Honduras* and the Bay of *Campeachy*, East from *Tabasco*, and North from *Chiapa*. The Air is somewhat hot. The Soil produces store of Corn, and different sorts of Fruits. It abounds also with Beasts, Fowls, Honey, and Wax; and on the Coast there are found great Pieces of Amber. Here are many excellent Ports, near which the *Indians* build their Houses.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Merida*, Lat. 20. Long. 87. about the middle of the Peninsula, and is the See of a Bishop.

(2.) *Valladolid*, a hundred and five Miles South-east from *Merida*, near the Gulph of *Honduras*. Some make it also the See of a Bishop.

(3.) *Campeachy*, or *St. Francisco*, lies near the Mouth of a River which falls into the Bay of that Name, almost two hundred Miles South-west of *Merida*. 'Twas a large Town of three thousand Houses when taken by the *Spaniards*; and had such Monuments of Art and Industry, as prov'd the People to have been polite. It was surpriz'd by *Captain Parker*, an *Englishman*, in 1596, when he carried off the Governor with some others of Quality, and a large Ship with Gold and Silver. It was also taken by the *English* in 1659, and 1678. The Port is large and shallow, and is noted for a Trade in *Campeachy* Wood. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, and the Seat of a Governor; has a Rampart with great Guns, and a Dock, and a Fort at one end, which commands the Town and Harbour. 'Tis still a handsome Town, and store of *Logwood* grows in the Neighbourhood. There are abundance of Bees in their *Savannahs*, and Fish and Fowl of all sorts on the Coast. There are several Ilands in the Bay; and among others, one called *Beef-Ile*, because the *Spanish* Farmers there us'd to furnish the Privateers with Bees.

III. The Audience of *Guatemala* lies East from *Soconusco*, upon the *South Sea*, as far as the *Isthmus of Darien*. 'Tis in general a fruitful Country, abounds with good Pastures and Cattel, and is divided into the following Provinces:

1. *Suchatpeques*, which is of the same Nature with *Soconusco*. 'Tis small, and has only one Town of its own Name, near the Mouth of

Places of Note are,

(1.) *St. John de Guatemala*, the Capital, Lat. 14. Long. 19. It stands near the Ruins of the old City of the same Name, which the *Spaniards* say was ruin'd by a Flood of Waters that issued from a neighbouring *Vulcano*, upon the Blasphemy of a *Spanish* Gentlewoman, who lost her Husband in a Battel, and all her Children by natural Deaths, in one Year. *Gage* says, on one side of the Town there's a *Vulcano* nine Miles high, which abounds with pleasant Springs, Gardens, Fruits, and Flowers; and on the other side, another as dreadful, which vomits out Fire and Smoke with the Noise of Thunder and terrible Roarings, by which the old City was destroy'd; and the new one is frequently fill'd with fiery Ashes, tho it be three Miles distant.

The Town is mean; has but one Parish-Church, but several Cloisters belonging to divers Orders. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, and the Seat of the *Spanish* Government, which consists of a President, six Judges, and other Officers. He has as much Power as the Viceroy of *Mexico* and *Peru*; and tho he has but 12000 Ducats *per Annum* from the King, he may raise it to what Sum he pleases by Raikes and Traffick. One of them, he says, in fourteen Years time raised an Estate of several Millions of Ducats. The Judges grow likewise very rich by letting Murderers and other Criminals escape for Bribes. The *Dominican* Cloister here is so rich, that their Treasury is worth 100000 Ducats, and their annual Revenue 30000. The Nunnery of the *Conception* consists of 1000 Women, including Servants and Scholars; and they receive none but what bring from 500 to 1000 Ducats into the Stock. *Mr. Gage* says, the Wealth of the Place has made the Inhabitants as vicious as those of *Mexico*; so that Adultery, Fornication, &c. are scarce reckon'd Crimes. The Town consisted in *Gage's* time of 7000 Families; and had so great a Trade both by Land and Sea with *Europe*, that there were five Merchants worth 500000 Ducats apiece, and many others from 20000 to 100000.

(2.) *Petapla*, fifty Miles South-east from *Guatemala*, on the same River, a large rich Town, the Seat of a Governor, and a Place of great Trade. The Governor is always chose out of a Family call'd *Guzman*, descended from the ancient Kings of the Country; and tho he lives in great State, is not allow'd to wear a Sword, nor to do any thing without the Consent of the chief *Spanish* Friar, upon whom he is oblig'd to attend. There's a great Lake in the Neighbourhood, which supplies them with Fish; and on the Sides of it Salt appears every Morning like a Frost, of which they make great Profit, as they do of rich Sugar-Farms; and hot Baths about five Miles distant; and by grazing of Mules upon the fat Soil about the Lake.

The only Port of Note here is *Trinidad*, or *La Soconusco*, on the *South Sea*, fifty five Miles South-east of *Petapla*. 'Tis the chief Place of Trade betwixt *New Spain* and *Peru*, and the nearest Landing-place to *Guatemala* from *Panama* and *Mexico*; so that 'tis much frequented. There are three *Vulcano's* in the Neighbourhood, and good Anchorage on the Coast.

The third Province is *Vera Paz*, North-east from *Guatemala* Proper. 'Tis mountainous and woody, subject to Earthquakes and Thunder. It rains here nine Months in a Year, and the unconquer'd *Indians* inhabit the greatest part of it, and have a Town of 12000 Inhabitants. Their chief Commodities are *Achiotte*, Liquid Amber that drops from Trees, and is much esteem'd, Mastic, Dragons-Blood, *Cocoa*, Cotton-Wool, Honey, *Cassa-Fistula*, *Sarsaparilla*, Gum *Anima*, *China* Wood, with other Drugs; Maiz, Wax, and Feathers, of which the *Indians* make curious Works. Here are Trees and Canes of a wonderful height, and *Iron-Wood*. Here are abundance of *Dantes*, Tygers, and Rofs-Lions, which sleep by Day on high Trees, Bears, Leopards, *Armado's*, Hogs, wild Goats, and Apes. 'Tis govern'd by a High-Justice sent from *Spain*, but subordinate to the Court of *Guatemala*. The Capital is *Coban*, or *Vera Paz*, Lat. 16. Long. 89. noted only for being the Seat of the Government.

The only Sea-Port is *Golfo Dulce*, or *St. Thomas de Castilia*, on the bottom of a Gulph which comes from that of *Honduras*, almost a hundred Miles East of *Vera Paz*. The Entrance is betwixt two Rocks, and might easily be defended. 'Tis large enough within for a thousand Ships. Two or three Vessels come hither in *July* or *August* with Goods from *Spain* and embark those from *Guatemala*, of which great Quantities are lodg'd here in *July*, *August*, and *September*. The Air is unwholesome, so that 'tis little frequented; and 'tis defended only by an old Castle.

The fourth Province is *Honduras*, or *Comiagua*, East from *Vera Paz*, and North from *Guatemala* and *Nicaragua*, along the Gulph of *Honduras*. The Air is generally good, and the Soil rich in Corn and Pasturage, occasion'd by the over-flowing of the Rivers about *Michaemas*, which the Natives carry by Canals into their Fields. In many Places they have three Crops of Maiz in a Year. They have also store of Wheat, Honey, and large Calabashes. The Natives live chiefly on Roots, Flech, Vermin, *Cocoa*, and a Drink made of Honey. Here are also some Mines of Silver and Gold.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Comiagua*, Lat. 14. Long. 87. which the *Spaniards* call *Valladolid*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, the Seat of a Governor, is well built, and has Silver Mines in the Neighbourhood, which keep a Melting-House always employ'd.

(2.) *Porto de Cavallos*, on a Bay that comes up from the Gulph of *Honduras* about seventy five Miles East from *St. Thomas de Castilia* in the

in the Country, which, besides other Fruits, and what they eat, yields them 13000 Crowns per Annum. The Inclosure belonging to this Monastery is seven Leagues round, encompass'd by a high stone Wall, and is surrounded thro' it, and has many Mountains and Woods that abound with Deer and Beasts of Prey, kept for Pleasure.

(2.) *Acapulco*, on a Bay of the *South Sea*. 'Tis the chief Mart on that Coast, about two hundred and forty Miles South from *Mexico*. The Houses are forty Huts of Mud, Timber, and Straw, and the Place very unhealthy from the end of *November* till *May*, during which Time they have no Rain, and 'tis as warm here in *January*, when the Fair begins, as in the Dog-Days with us; so that the Merchants must do their Business in the Morning. And when the Fair is over, every body leaves the Place, but a few Blacks and Mulattoes. Here's nothing good but a safe winding Harbour, defended by a high strong Castle, and a Platform well mounted with large Brass Guns, and small Garisons to protect the Ships. The Harbour is capable of some Hundreds of Ships; and the Mouth of it cover'd by an Island, on both sides of which Vessels come in and go out safely by Sea and Land Winds, which succeed one another alternately in their proper Seasons. A League further East, there's a good Harbour call'd *Pera Marquis*, where Ships from *Peru* land Contraband Goods, and sell 'em privately. The ferted Trade at *Acapulco* is carried on by three Ships, two of which go once a Year betwixt this Place and *Manila*, one of the *Philippine* Islands, and another to and from *Lima* in *Peru*, of twenty Guns, which commonly arrives before *Christmas* with Quicksilver, Cocoa, and Pieces of Eight, stays till the *Manila* Ships arrive, and then returns with *East-India* Commodities. The Ships that trade to *Manila* are commonly of a thousand Ton, well mann'd, and mounted with many Guns. They make the Voyage alternately: set out from *Acapulco* the beginning of *April*, and arrive at *Manila* in *June*; and when the one arrives, the other sets out. They commonly carry ten Millions of Dollars from *Acapulco*, and make great Returns.

(3.) *Pachaca*. Generally places it sixty Miles North of *Mexico*; and says, that within six Leagues of it there are a thousand Silver Mines, one of them call'd the *Trinity*, where a thousand Men are employ'd every Day, from whence, in ten Years time, they dug forty Millions of Silver; but some of these Mines were wore out, and others dangerous to work.

The third Province is *Melchocau*, betwixt *Mexico* and the *South Sea*. The Climate is hot on the Coast, and cold in the Mountains. It produces Cocoa, Cassia, Cotton, Silk, Ambergrease, Mines of Gold, Silver, and Copper, Mulberry-Trees, Honey, and Wax. Here are black shining Stones which serve for Looking Glasses, and abundance of Medicinal Plants, of which one, call'd *Oleazaran*, is reckon'd a Specifick against all Poisons, and a Restorative in Weakness. The Soil yields a hundred-fold. The Mountains are cover'd with Woods, from whence Lions and Tygers infest the Country. This Province is populous, and has a hundred and fifty Boroughs, besides Villages. The Capital, *Melchocau*, in Lat. 20. Long. 103. is the See of a Bishop, and lies on the West-side of a Lake almost as large as that of *Mexico*, which abounds with Fish, and brings the Inhabitants great Profit.

Here are several Towns for defence of the Mines, and Roads and Harbours on the *South Sea*. The chief are, (1.) *Acatlan*, or *Zacatula*, which has a good Trade. (2.) *Natividad*, whence Ships go to the *Philippine* Islands. (3.) *Colima*, a large rich Town, to which this serves as a Port, lies in a Valley that is the most pleasant and fruitful in *Mexico*, where there is a Vulcano with two sharp Peaks, which constantly send out Flame and Smoke.

The fourth Province of *Tlascala* lies East and South-east from that of *Mexico*, and reaches from the North to the *South Sea*. 'Tis very populous; and the *Indians*, says *Acosta*, are free from Tribute, because they assisted the *Spaniards* to conquer *Mexico*. It abounds so with Pastures and Corn, that 'tis reckon'd the Granary of *America*. Here's plenty of Wine, Sugar, Cattel, Venison, Fowl, several Mines of Silver, Copperas, and Allum. Here's also Manna, Liquid Amber, and a fragrant Gum that drops from Trees, and great Quantities of *Cochineal*.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Pera Cruz*, or *St. John de Ulva*, on the Bay of *Mexico*, Lat. 19. Long. 97. 'Tis the most noted Harbour in the Province, defended by two Forts and a Castle; but the Entry is dangerous without a Pilot, because of Rocks and Quick sands. The Air is unwholesome; so that as soon as the Flora is gone, the richer sort retire to the Country with their Effects, and leave only Blacks and Mulattoes. Here's but one Parish Church, and several Convents for Men and Women. The *Spanish* Flota comes hither once in three Years with Goods from *Acapulco*, being first brought to *Mexico*, and from thence hither by Land. The

Cathedral is sumptuous and rich, the Revenue being 300000 Pieces of Eight per Annum. The *Jesuits* have also a rich College here; and all their Churches and Monasteries are richly endow'd.

(4.) *Tlascala*, Capital of the Province, twenty six Miles North from *Los Angeles*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, was large, well built, had a spacious Market-Place much frequented, and a noble Town-House. The Town is govern'd by an *Alcaldi Major*, sent once in three Years from *Spain*; and has Jurisdiction for twenty Leagues round the Town. These Governors, by their Tyranny, have reduc'd the Town to a Village, and in a manner laid waste the neighbouring Country.

The fifth Province is *Guanaca*. It lies East and South-east from *Tlascala*, and reaches from the Bay of *Campeachy* to the *South Sea*. The Air is good, and the Soil fruitful, especially in Mulberry-Trees; so that it produces more Silk than any Province in *America*. It abounds with Corn, Cattel, Sugar, Cotton, Honey, Cocoa, Plantanes, and other Fruits. Here are rich Mines of Gold and Silver; and all their Rivers have Gold in their Sands. But the Natives conceal their Mines all they can, because the *Spaniards* use them as Slaves to work them. Cassia, *Cochineal*, *Chrystal*, and *Copperas*, do likewise abound here; so that were the People industrious, they might be the richest in the *West Indies*: But they are eat up by their own Slothfulness, and by the *Cergy*, who have a hundred and twenty Monasteries here, besides several Hospitals, Schools, and other Places of publick Charity; so that the *Indians* subsist chiefly by Gold which the Women gather in the Rivers, with which they purchase Provisions.

Curiosities of Nature in this Country are, 1. A poisonous Herb, which is said to kill those who pluck it according to the time of its own Age, i. e. if it be a Day old, he dies the same Day, and so in proportion. 2. A high Mountain that has a strange Cave, with a narrow Entrance; within which there's a large Square, with Steps down to Pits on one Side, and near them a crooked Way for a League long; and at the end of it a spacious Place, with a good Fountain and a Brook. 3. Another call'd *St. Antonio*, on the top of which there's a Rock, and Caves inhabited by *Indians*. 4. Six Rocks call'd *Devules*, formerly garison'd by the Kings of *Mexico*. They have Mines of Gold and Lead, and a Root that washes like Soap.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Spirito Santo*, at the Mouth of a River that falls into the Bay of *Campeachy*, Lat. 18. Long. 93. It has fifty *Indian* Towns under it, and was built by the *Spaniards* to curb the Natives.

(2.) *Guanaca*, Capital of the Province, about three hundred and forty Miles South-west of *Spirito Santo*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, the Seat of a Governor, has four Convents of Monks, and two of Nuns, all very rich; the Treasure of the *Dominicans* Church being valued at three Millions of Crowns. This City has a great Trade both with the *North* and *South Sea*. The River here is not fortified; so that small Vessels might easily sail up and subdue the Country. The best Chocolate and Atolle in *America* is made here by the Nuns, and exported to *Spain*. In a neighbouring Valley there are many rich Towns, Cloisters, and Churches, an excellent Breed of Horses, and great Herds of Black Cattel and Sheep, which afford Wool to the Clothiers of *Los Angeles*, and Hides for *Spain*. The best Preserves in *America* are also made here; for there are many Sugar-Farms, and store of Fruit. The *Crolian* Clergy here are as great Enemies to the *Spanish* Clergy as the original *Americans*.

(3.) *Antiquera*, a great Town, ninety Miles South-east from *Guanaca*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, and has a stately Cathedral.

(4.) *Aguarico*, at the bottom of a Bay that comes up from the *South Sea*, ninety Miles South-east from *Antiquera*, is one of the best Ports in *Mexico*, frequented by Ships that trade to *Peru*. 'Twas formerly a great Town, was taken and plunder'd by Sir *Francis Drake*, and afterwards by Sir *Thomas Cavendish*, but is now decay'd.

(5.) *Tecoantepecque*, on the same Coast, at the bottom of the Bay, a hundred Miles South-east from *Aguarico*. 'Tis a large well built Town, with many stately Churches. 'Tis the chief Fishing Town in the Country, and is divided by a great rapid River. 'Twas attack'd and plunder'd by the Freebooters in 1687, who drove the *Spaniards* from their Intrenchments, and from an Abbey which is like a Fort, and commands the Town.

The sixth Province, *Tabasco*, lies East from *Guanaca*, upon the Bay of *Campeachy*. The Air is moist for nine Months, when they have great Rains; and during the hot Season, which lasts three Months without Rain, People are infested with Gnats, and other troublesome Insects. Here are three or four Harvests of Maiz in a Year, plenty of Rice, Barley, Vines, Figs, Lemons, and Oranges, all sorts of Garden Herbs, and *European* Fowl, besides others unknown. The Coasts abound with Fish; and here are great Woods of Cedar, Brazil, &c.

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Puerto Real. It has a great Trade with the neighbouring Provinces, chiefly in Cochineal.

Places of chief Note are.

1. *Chiapa de los Indos*, Lat. 17. Long. 93. It lies in a Valley near the River *Tabasco*, is the See of a Bishop, and was that of the famous *Bartholomew de las Casas*, who wrote an Account of the Cruelties of the *Spaniards* in the *West Indies*, complain'd of it to the Court of *Madrid*, and get the People of this Country great Privileges, and Exemptic from Slavery. It is very large and rich, and has many fine Cloisters and Churches. The River abounds with Fish; and no Town has so many Dons of *Indian Blood* as this.

2. *Ciudad Real*, or *Spanish Chiapa*, lies about forty Miles South-east of the other, is the Seat of a Court of Justice, the See of a Bishop, who has 8000 Ducats *per Annum*, and has several Monasteries. Their chief Trade is in Cocoa, Cotton-Wool, Sugar, Cochineal, and small Pedlars Wafe. The Friars are the chief Merchants for *European Goods*, and the richest Men in City and Country. The *Spanish* Gentry here are a Proverb for their fantastick Pride, Ignorance, and Poverty. They all pretend to be descended of *Spanish Dukes* that conquer'd the Country. One of the chief ask'd *Mr. Gage* very seriously, whether the Sun and Moon were of the same Colour in *England* as there; and if the *English* were Cannibals, or had such a dainty Dish as *Frixoles*, which is no better than Grey-Peafe.

The eighth Province is *Soconusco*, which lies South from *Chiapa*, to the *South Sea*. The Air is extreme hot, subject to Thunder and Lightning, and the Country produces nothing but some *Indico*, *Cochineal*, *Cocoa*, and other Materials for *Chocolate*. *Soconusco*, the chief Town, lies near the *South Sea*, a hundred and ten Miles South from *Chiapa*, and is the Seat of a *Spanish* Governor.

The ninth Province is *Tucatan*, which lies in form of a Peninsula betwixt the Gulph of *Honduras* and the Bay of *Campeachy*, East from *Tabasco*, and North from *Chiapa*. The Air is somewhat hot. The Soil produces store of Corn, and different sorts of Fruits. It abounds also with Beasts, Fowls, Honey, and Wax; and on the Coast there are found great Pieces of Amber. Here are many excellent Ports, near which the *Indians* build their Houses.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Merida*, Lat. 20. Long. 87. about the middle of the Peninsula, and is the See of a Bishop.

(2.) *Valladolid*, a hundred and five Miles South-east from *Merida*, near the Gulph of *Honduras*. Some make it also the See of a Bishop.

(3.) *Campeachy*, or *St. Francisco*, lies near the Mouth of a River which falls into the Bay of that Name, almost two hundred Miles South-west of *Merida*. 'Twas a large Town of three thousand Houses when taken by the *Spaniards*; and had such Monuments of Art and Industry, as prov'd the People to have been polite. It was surpriz'd by Captain *Parker*, an *Englishman*, in 1596, when he carried off the Governor with some others of Quality, and a large Ship with Gold and Silver. It was also taken by the *English* in 1659, and 1678. The Port is large and shallow, and is noted for a Trade in *Campeachy Wood*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, and the Seat of a Governor; has a Rampart with great Guns, and a Dock, and a Fort at one end, which commands the Town and Harbour. 'Tis still a handsome Town, and store of Logwood grows in the Neighbourhood. There are abundance of Bees in their Savannahs, and Fish and Fowl of all sorts on the Coast. There are several Islands in the Bay; and among others, one called *Beech-Isle*, because the *Spanish* Farmers there us'd to furnish the Privateers with Bees.

III. The Audience of *Guatemala* lies East from *Soconusco*, upon the *South Sea*, as far as the *Isthmus of Darien*. 'Tis in general a fruitful Country, abounds with good Pastures and Cattel, and is divided into the following Provinces:

1. *Suchutepeques*, which is of the same Nature with *Soconusco*. 'Tis small, and has only one Town of its own Name, near the Mouth of a River that falls into the *South Sea*, Lat. 14. Long. 92.

2. *Guatemala Proper*. 'Tis Country is colder than one might expect from the Situation. 'Tis subject to Earthquakes; but produces excellent Balm, Bezoar, Liquid Amber, Salt, Corn, Cotton, Brimstone, and abundance of Cocoa, with other *Indian Fruits*; and those from *Europe* grow well. Here are many hot Springs of several Qualities, and also choice Gums. Great Numbers of Cattel are sent hence annually to *Spain*. They run wild in the Mountains, where they are hunted by Blacks. Some Grasses here are so rich, that they have Herds of 40000 Black Cattel, and as many Sheep. The Rivers abound with good Fish of all sorts, and some unknown to us. *Gage* says, there are more good *Indian* Towns here than any where in *America*; that the Natives exceed the *Spaniards* a thousand to one; but are kept under by cruel Oppression, and depriv'd of Arms. We refer to him for the Manners and Customs of the Inhabitants, and their barbarous Treatment by the *Spaniards*, in which he is very particular.

Ducats, and their annual Revenue 30000. The Nunnery of *San Augustin* consists of 1000 Women, including Servants and Scholars; and they receive none but what bring from 500 to 1000 Ducats into the Stock. *Mr. Gage* says, the women of this Place have made the *Indians* bitants as vicious as those of *Mexico*; so that Adultery, Fornication, &c. are scarce reckon'd Crimes. The Town consisted in *Gage's* time of 7000 Families; and had so great a Trade both by Land and Sea with *Europe*, that there were five Merchants worth 50000 Ducats apiece, and many others from 20000 to 100000.

(2.) *Penapla*, fifty Miles South-east from *Guatemala*, on the same River, a large rich Town, the Seat of a Governor, and a Place of great Trade. The Governor is always chose out of a Family call'd *Guzman*, descended from the antient Kings of the Country; and tho he lives in great State, is not allow'd to wear a Sword, nor to act any thing without the Consent of the chief *Spanish* Prier, upon whom he is oblig'd to attend. There's a great Lake in the Neighbourhood, which supplies them with Fish; and on the Sides of it Salt appears every Morning like a Frost, of which they make great Profit, as they do of rich Sugar-Farms; and hot Baths about five Miles distant; and by grazing of Mules upon the fat Soil about the Lake.

The only Port of Note here is *Trinidad*, or *La Soconusco*, on the *South Sea*, fifty five Miles South-east of *Penapla*. 'Tis the chief Place of Trade betwixt *New Spain* and *Peru*, and the nearest Landing-place to *Guatemala* from *Panama* and *Mexico*; so that 'tis much frequented. There are three Vulcanos in the Neighbourhood, and good Anchorage on the Coast.

The third Province is *Vera Paz*, North-east from *Guatemala* Proper. 'Tis mountainous and woody, subject to Earthquakes and Thunder. It rains here nine Months in a Year, and the unconquer'd *Indians* inhabit the greatest part of it, and have a Town of 12000 Inhabitants. Their chief Commodities are *Achiotte*, Liquid Amber that drops from Trees, and is much esteem'd, Mastic, Dragons-Blood, Cocoa, Cotton-Wool, Honey, Cassia-Fistula, Sarsaparilla, Gum Anima, China Wood, with other Drugs; Maiz, Wax, and Feathers, of which the *Indians* make curious Works. Here are Trees and Canes of a wonderful height, and Iron-Wood. Here are abundance of Dantes, Tygers, and Rofs-Lions, which sleep by Day on high Trees, Bears, Leopards, Armadillo's, Hogs, wild Goats, and Apes. 'Tis govern'd by a High Justice sent from *Spain*, but subordinate to the Court of *Guatemala*. The Capital is *Coban*, or *Vera Paz*, Lat. 16. Long. 89. noted only for being the Seat of the Government.

The only Sea-Port is *Gulfonake*, or *St. Thomas de Castilia*, on the bottom of a Gulph which comes from that of *Honduras*, almost a hundred Miles East of *Vera Paz*. The Entrance is betwixt two Rocks, and might easily be defended. 'Tis large enough within for a thousand Ships. Two or three Vessels come hither in *July* or *August* with Goods from *Spain* and embark those from *Guatemala*, of which great Quantities are lodg'd here in *July*, *August*, and *September*. The Air is unwholesome, so that 'tis little frequented; and 'tis defended only by an old Castle.

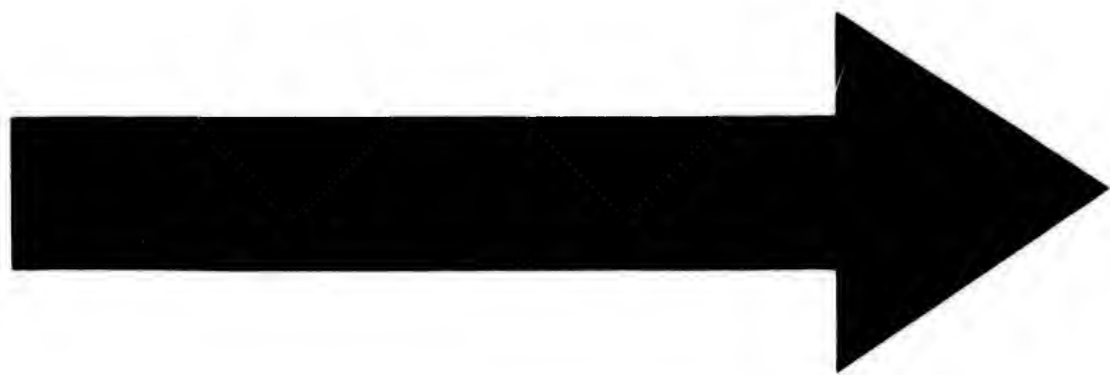
The fourth Province is *Honduras*, or *Comagua*, East from *Vera Paz*, and North from *Guatemala* and *Nicaragua*, along the Gulph of *Honduras*. The Air is generally good, and the Soil rich in Corn and Pasturage, occasion'd by the over-flowing of the Rivers about *Michaelmas*, which the Natives carry by Canals into their Fields. In many Places they have three Crops of Maiz in a Year. They have also store of Wheat, Honey, and large Calabashes. The Natives live chiefly on Roots, Fleish, Vermin, Cocoa, and a Drink made of Honey. Here are also some Mines of Silver and Gold.

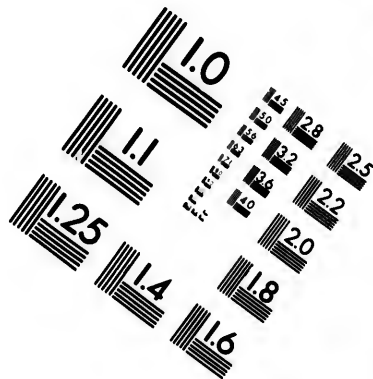
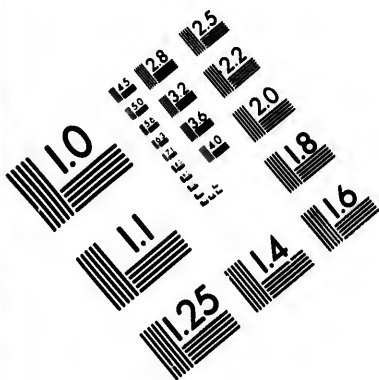
Places of Note are,

(1.) *Comagua*, Lat. 14. Long. 87. which the *Spaniards* call *Valladolid*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop, the Seat of a Governor, is well built, and has Silver Mines in the Neighbourhood, which keep a Melting-House always employ'd.

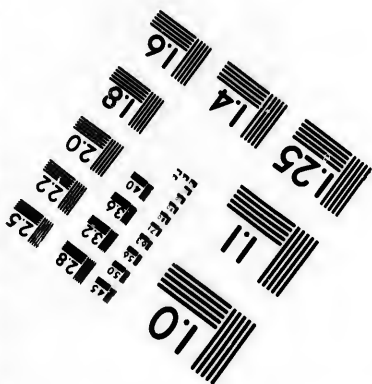
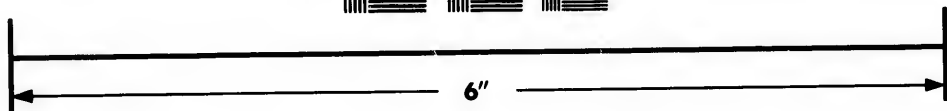
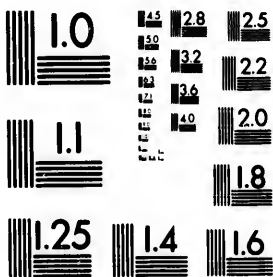
(2.) *Porto de Cavallos*, on a Bay that comes up from the Gulph of *Honduras*, about seventy six Miles East from *St. Thomas de Castilia*, is the most noted Harbour in the Gulph, but the Situation unwholesome; and being frequently taken by *Buccaniers*, its Trade is much decay'd.

(3.) *Truxillo*, on another Bay that comes from the Gulph of *Honduras*, a hundred and fifty five Miles East from *Porto Cavallo*. 'Tis a good Harbour, two Leagues broad, secure from Storms; and there are Rivers on both sides the Town, full of Fish. The Town is wall'd, and defended by a Castle, and the Harbour by a Battery. It was the See of a Bishop, till it was transferr'd to *Valladolid*. Here's a Cathedral and some other Churches. The Town has been several times taken by the *English* and *Dutch*. The adjacent Country abounds with Provisions; and they have two Vintages and Harvests in a Year. Here's also plenty of Oranges and Lemons. There are several Islands in the Gulph of *Honduras*, inhabited by Savages.





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The fifth Province is *Nicaragua*, or the New Kingdom of *Leon*, South from *Honduras*, and East from *Guatemala*. The Air is healthful, tho' hot; the Soil fruitful and pleafant, and bears ftore of Fruit and Balm, but little Wheat. It abounds with Black Cattel and Hogs; but has few Sheep. Here's plenty of Cotton, Sugar, Honey and Wax, Liquid Amber and Turpentine, with which and Silver Work the Inhabitants drive a confiderable Trade to *Panama* and *Nombre de Dios*. Here are great Numbers of Turkeys, and fo many Parrots, that they are an Annoyance. Whales and other Sea Monfters are frequent on the Coaft. The *Spaniards*, when they firft arriv'd here, were fo pleas'd with the Fruitfulness and Agreeablenefs of the Country, th' they call'd it *Mahomer's Paradife*. The moft remarkable Animals here, not common to us, are, 1. A black Beaft nam'd *Casca*, fomewhat like a Hog, which makes a frightful Noife. 2. The Fox-Ape, which has a Bag under its Belly, where it carries its Young till they are able to fuit for Food. It has the Body of a Fox, Ears like a Bat, and Feet like Mens Hands.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Leon de Nicaragua*, near the *South Sea*, Lat. 13. Long. 85. 'Tis Capital of the Country, the See of a Bifhop; and befides the Cathedral, has five Cloifters, lately Houfes for the Governor and others of the King's Officers, and 120000 Families of Tributary *Indians* in the City and adjacent Country. 'Tis well built. The Inhabitants have fine Gardens, are rich, well fupply'd at eafy rates with Fish and Flefh, which makes them vain and idle. They have a Trade both with the *North* and *South Sea*. It has been feveral times plunder'd and burnt by the *Buccaniers*. The Lake adjoining to the Town is reckon'd a hundred and feventeen Leagues round, and fends forth a River Eaft to the Gulph of *Darien*; but is not navigable becaufe of Cataracts. The Banks of it are well inhabited. The *Spaniards* design'd to have cut a Canal betwixt it and the *South Sea*, from which it is about fifty Miles diftant; but dropp'd it. The Lake ebbs and flows like the Sea, has plenty of good Fish; but is infested by Crocodiles. About three Leagues from this City there's a Vulcano, which formerly did much Damage to the Country; but now only fmoakes.

(2.) *Realjo*, on a River which falls into the *South Sea*, forty fix Miles North-weft from *Leon*. It ferves that City as a Harbour, is capable of two hundred Veffels, and the King of *Spain's* Ships for the *South Sea* were formerly built here. The *Spaniards* have Intrenchments for defence of the Harbour, and very fine Decks; but it fuff'r'd much by the *Buccaniers*. The Town is pretty large, has three Churches, and an Hofpital with a fine Garden, of which they stand in much need, becaufe the Place is unhealthy. Their chief Trade is in Pitch, Tar, and Cordage.

(3.) *Granada*, fifty fix Miles South-eaft of *Leon*, near the Lake. 'Tis defended by a Caftle, is more populous, and better built than *Leon*, and the Inhabitants trade both to the *North* and *South Seas* at the time of fending away the Frigates. 'Tis the moft frequented of any Town in *North America*; for the Merchants of *Guatemala* difpatch their Goods from hence by the way of *Carthage*, becaufe they think it fafer than by the Gulph of *Honduras*, where they are frequently intercepted by the *Engliſh* and *Dutch*. This Town was taken by *French* and *Engliſh* Freebooters in 1686, who fet fire to it.

(4.) *Jaen*, a Town on the North-fide of the River that runs from the Lake of *Nicaragua*. Here Goods are usually lodg'd that come to or from the *North Sea* by the River, where they unload at the Cataracts, and embark them in other Veffels.

The fixth Province is *Cofa Rica*, South-eaft from *Nicaragua*, which reaches from the *North* to the *South Sea*. The Country is for the moft part barren and mountainous; yet it deferves the Name of the Rich Coaft, becaufe of its rich Gold Mines.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Carthago*, Lat. 10. Long. 80. 'Tis Capital of the Country, the See of a Bifhop, and has rich Merchants, who trade to the other Parts of the *West Indies*, and alfo to *Europe*.

(2.) *Nicoa*, on the *South Sea*, Lat. 11. Long. 82. is a pretty Town, and Head of a *Spaniſh* Diftrict, near the Mines. The neighbouring Gulph abounds with Shell-Fish, by whose Purple Juice they dye Wool and Yarn to mix with their *Segevia* Cloth. They trade from hence to *Panama* in Salt, Hency, Maiz, Wheat, Fowls, and this Purple Dye. The Town was taken by the Freebooters in 1687, when they carried off fome Prifoners, and a great deal of Plunder. The Bay is large, receives fix Rivers, has many Iflands, good Anchorage, and Magazines for Merchants Goods; and the Banks of the Rivers are full of Villages, Farms, and Sugar Plantations.

The feventh Province is *Veragua*, Eaft from *Cofa Rica*, and extends from the *North* to the *South Sea*. The Country is for the moft part mountainous, woody, and barren; and abounds with inexhaufible Mines of Silver and Gold: and Gold Duft is found in their Rivers.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Smela Fe*, Lat. 10. Long. 78. Here the *Spaniards* melt their Gold into Bars.

(2.) *Conception*, near a Bay on the *North Sea*, fifty Miles North-weft of *Smela Fe*, is Capital of the Province, and the Seat of the Governor.

(3.) *Pueblo Nuevo*, on a Bay of the *South Sea*, feventy five Miles

ten, and 'tis much indented on all Sides. 'Tis feperated from *Hispaniola*, or *St Domingo*, by a Strait of forty eight Miles, and lies North-eaft from *Yucatan* about a hundred and fifteen, and South from the Cape of *Florida* about a hundred and eighteen.

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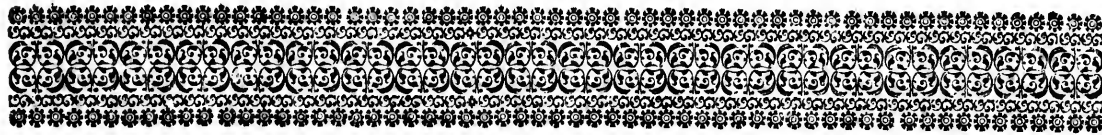
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is defended by two Castles. This Town is the See of a Bishop, and the Seat of a *Spanish* Governor. Here's no Water but Rain, kept in Cisterns.

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(5.) *La Trinidad*, sixty Miles North-west of *Sancta Fe*, famous for a rich Mine of Emeralds; from whence an *Indian* brought one of so great a Value to *Philip II.* of *Spain*, that his Goldsmiths! wnc what Price to set upon it. It was put into the Treasury of the *Escuria*. and the *Indian* had his Liberty and a large Reward. This Country was discover'd and conquer'd by *Gonsale Ximenes* of *Granada* in *Spain*. who found here, as it is said, 250000 Pefo's of pure Gold, and 1800 Emeralds of different sizes; and *Ferdinand Cortez* found here some Years after five Emeralds of so great Value, that one of 'em was sold to a *Gemeffe* Lapidary for 40000 Ducats.

2. The Province of *New Carthagena* lies North from *Sancta Fe*. 'Tis in general a moist and unhealthy Country; but rich, because of its Gold, Emeralds and excellent Balm. 'Tis nam'd from its Capital on the Gulph of *Mexico*, Lat. 11. Long. 75. and is call'd *Carthagena la Inda*, to distinguish it from others. It lies in a Peninsula, join'd to the Continent by a Causey of two hundred and fifty Paces. 'Tis not



*North and South Sea.* It has been several times plunder'd and burnt by the Buccaneers. The Lake adjoining to the Town is reckon'd a hundred and seventeen Leagues round, and sends forth a River East to the Gulph of *Darien*; but is not navigable because of Cataracts. The Banks of it are well inhabited. The *Spaniards* design'd to have cut a Canal betwixt it and the *South Sea*, from which it is about fifty Miles distant; but dropp'd it. The Lake ebbs and flows like the Sea, has plenty of good Fish; but is infested by Crocodiles. About three Leagues from this City there's a Vulcano, which formerly did much Damage to the Country; but now only smokes.

(2.) *Realijo*, on a River which falls into the *South Sea*, forty six Miles North-west from *Leon*. It serves that City as a Harbour, is capable of two hundred Vessels, and the King of *Spain's* Ships for the *South Sea* were formerly built here. The *Spaniards* have Intrenchments for defence of the Harbour, and very fine Doocks; but it suffer'd much by the Buccaneers. The Town is pretty large, has three Churches, and an Hospital with a fine Garden, of which they stand in much need, because the Place is unhealthful. Their chief Trade is in Pitch, Tar, and Cordage.

(3.) *Guanada*, fifty six Miles South-east of *Leon*, near the Lake. 'Tis defended by a Castle, is more populous, and better built than *Leon*, and the Inhabitants trade both to the *North and South Seas* at the time of sending away the Frigate. 'Tis the most frequented of any Town in *North America*; for the Merchants of *Guatemala* dispatch their Goods from hence by the way of *Carthagen*, because they think it safer than by the Gulph of *Honduras*, where they are frequently intercepted by the *English and Dutch*. This Town was taken by *French and English* Freebooters in 1686, who set fire to it.

(4.) *Juan*, a Town on the North-side of the River that runs from the Lake of *Nicaragua*. Here Goods are usually lodg'd that come to or from the *North Sea* by the River, where they unload at the Cataracts, and embark them in other Vessels.

The sixth Province is *Cista Rica*, South-east from *Nicaragua*, which reaches from the *North to the South Sea*. The Country is for the most part barren and mountainous; yet it deserves the Name of the Rich Coast, because of its rich Gold Mines.

Places of Note are,

(1.) *Carthago*, Lat. 10. Long. 80. 'Tis Capital of the Country, the See of a Bishop, and has rich Merchants, who trade to the other Parts of the *West Indies*, and also to *Europe*.

(2.) *Nueva*, on the *South Sea*, Lat. 11. Long. 82. is a pretty Town, and Head of a *Spanish* District, near the Mines. The neighbouring Gulph abounds with Shell-Fish, by whose Purple Juice they dye Wool and Yarn to mix with their *Sagezia* Cloth. They trade from hence to *Panama* in Salt, Heney, Maiz, Wheat, Fowls, and this Purple Dye. The Town was taken by the Freebooters in 1687, when they carried off some Prisoners, and a great deal of Plunder. The Bay is large, receives six Rivers, has many Islands, good Anchorage, and Magazines for Merchants Goods; and the Banks of the Rivers are full of Villages, Farms, and Sugar Plantations.

The seventh Province is *Veragua*, East from *Cista Rica*, and extends from the *North to the South Sea*. The Country is for the most part mountainous, woody, and barren; and abounds with inexhaustible Mines of Silver and Gold: and Gold Dust is found in their Rivers.

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## The ISLANDS belonging to the Spaniards in North America.

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(5.) *La Trinidad*, sixty Miles North-west of *Sancta Fe*, famous for a rich Mine of Emeralds; from whence an *Indian* brought one of so great a Value to *Philip II.* of *Spain*, that his Goldsmiths knew no what Price to set upon it. It was put into the Treasury of the *Escuria* and the *Inkian* had his Liberty and a large Reward. This Country was discover'd and conquer'd by *Gonsale Ximenes* of *Granada* in *Spain*, who found here, as it is said, 250000 Pefo's of pure Gold, and 1800 Emeralds of different sizes; and *Ferdinand Cortez* found here some Years after five Emeralds of so great Value, that one of 'em was sold to a *Genoese* Lapidary for 40000 Ducats.

2. The Province of *New Carthagena* lies North from *Sancta Fe*. 'Tis in general a moist and unhealthy Country; but rich, because of its Gold, Emeralds and excellent Balm. 'Tis nam'd from its Capital on the Gulph of *Mexico*, Lat. 11. Long. 75. and is call'd *Carthagena la Inda*, to distinguish it from others. It lies in a Peninsula, join'd to the Continent by a Causey of two hundred and fifty Paces. 'Tis not large, but well built and fortify'd, and has a commodious well-frequented Harbour, cover'd by an Island at the Entry, which is also fortified. 'Tis reckon'd one of the best *Spanish* Towns in *America*, is the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Sancta Fe de Bogotta*, and the Place where the *Spanish* Gallies land part of their Goods before they go to *Porto Bello*. It was taken by Sir *Francis Drake* about 1585, and by the *French*, under *Monseigneur Pointu* in 1697, who found a Booty here of eight or ten Millions. Other Towns in this Province are *St. Jago de Tili*, fifty two Miles South from *Carthagena*, famous for its excellent Balm; *St. Maria*; *St. Cruz de Munpez*; *St. Jago de los Cavallos*; *La Concepcion*; and *St. Sebastian de Buenavista*, upon the Gulph of *Darien*.

3. The Province of *St. Martha* is much like that of *Carthagena*, from which it lies North, upon the Coast, but has more *Brazil* Wood; in which, with its Gold and Emeralds, it drives a considerable Trade.

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The chief Towns are,

(1.) *St. Martha*, at the Mouth of the River on the Coast, a hundred and sixty Miles North-east of *Carthagena*. 'Tis a handsome Town, the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Sancta Fe*, and has a commodious Harbour, with a Pearl-Fishing in the Neighbourhood.

(2.) *Baranca*, near the Mouth of *St. Magdalen* River, sixty Miles South-west of *St. Martha*, is small, has a good Trade and a commodious Harbour.

III. The Audience of *St. Domingo* lies East from that of *Sancta Fe*, and is divided into the six following Governments:

1. That of *Rio de la Hacha*, which lies East from *St. Martha*. 'Tis small, but fruitful; and very rich in Gold, Precious Stones, and Salt.

The chief Towns are,

(1.) *La Hacha*, the Capital, at the Mouth of the River, a hundred and five Miles East of *St. Martha*. 'Tis a pretty Town on a Hill, has a very good Harbour, and was taken by Sir Francis Drake in 1585.

(2.) *Raucheria*, fifteen Miles North-east of *La Hacha*, has a small Harbour, and a good Pearl-Fishing.

2. The Government of *Venezuela* lies East of *La Hacha*. 'Tis a very pleasant Country, and fruitful in Wheat and Maiz; and abounds with Cattel, Tobacco, and the best Cocoa in the World. 'Tis divided from *Rio de la Hacha* by a Bay.

The chief Towns are,

(1.) *Venezuela*, alias *Cora*, the Capital, Lat. 11. Long. 66. The Name signifies *Little Venice*, because 'tis situate upon several little Islands like that City. It has been often pillag'd by Freebooters; but is a pretty Town, the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *St. Domingo*.

(2.) *Corraças*, on the Gulph of *Cubagua*, is a large rich Town, and Capital of its District, which produces the best Cocoa.

(3.) *Guaire*, is a small open Town; but defended by a good Fort, and has a rich Pearl-Fishery.

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4. The Government of *Paria* lies South from *New Andalusia*, and has its Name from the River which crosses it. 'Tis little known, and inhabited only by Savages, who live in Woods and Huts.

5. *Guiana* Government lies South from the Province of the *Amazon*, and North from *Caribana*. 'Tis as little known as *Paria*. What some Authors have said of its pretended Capital *Munua el Dorado*, and of its Lake *Pavima* under the Equator, is by modern Travellers rejected as a Fable.

6. The Government of *Caribana* lies North of *Guiana* on the Sea, and has its Name from the *Caribbees*, who retir'd thither after being drove from the *Barlovento* Islands by the *Spaniards*. This Country is little known, except some Places on the Coast, where the *English*, *Dutch*, and *French* made some Settlements. The *English* and *French* have abandon'd theirs for want of being supported; tho Mr. *Harcourt*, in his *Voyage*, says, it might have been so manag'd, as to bring the *English* as much Profit as the *Spaniards* have from their richest Mines. The *Dutch* have a Settlement here at *Surinam*, near a River of the same Name, Lat. 4. Long. 56. which falls into the *North Sea*. The Town is small, and built on a Height almost encompass'd with Morasses, which makes the Air unwholesome. 'Tis however very populous. The *Dutch West-India* Company employ abundance of Negroes in curing Sugar and Tobacco here, and drive a considerable Trade with *Crossaw*, &c. It was first taken by the *French* in 1640, and afterwards by the *English*, who in 1667 yielded it to the *Dutch* by the Treaty of *Breda*; since which they have made it very strong, and rais'd two good Forts at the Mouths of two neighbouring Rivers.

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Islands belonging to the *Spaniards* on this Coast, and reckon'd part of the *Sorovento's*, or *Leeward* Islands, are,

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2. *Margarita*, North of *Cubagua*, sixteen Leagues long, and eight broad, had its Name from the Pearls found here: But the *Spaniards* ruin'd the Fishery by their greediness in catching young ones, and their Cruelty to the Negroes whom they employ'd in it. The Soil produces Maiz, and store of Salt; but has no Trees, nor fresh Water but . . . at they bring from the Continent, or save by Rain. The *Spaniards* have a Town and some Forts; but the Natives are most numerous.

3. *Trinidad*, the most Easterly of the *Sorovento* Islands, lies off of the Mouth of the River *Oronoko*. 'Tis about twenty five Leagues long, and eighteen broad. The Air is very unwholesome. It produces Sugar, Cotton, the best sort of Tobacco, store of Fruit and Cattel, plenty of Pitch, and has several Veins of Gold and other Metals. *St. Joseph*, upon a Bay in the West-side of the Island, is the only Town here.

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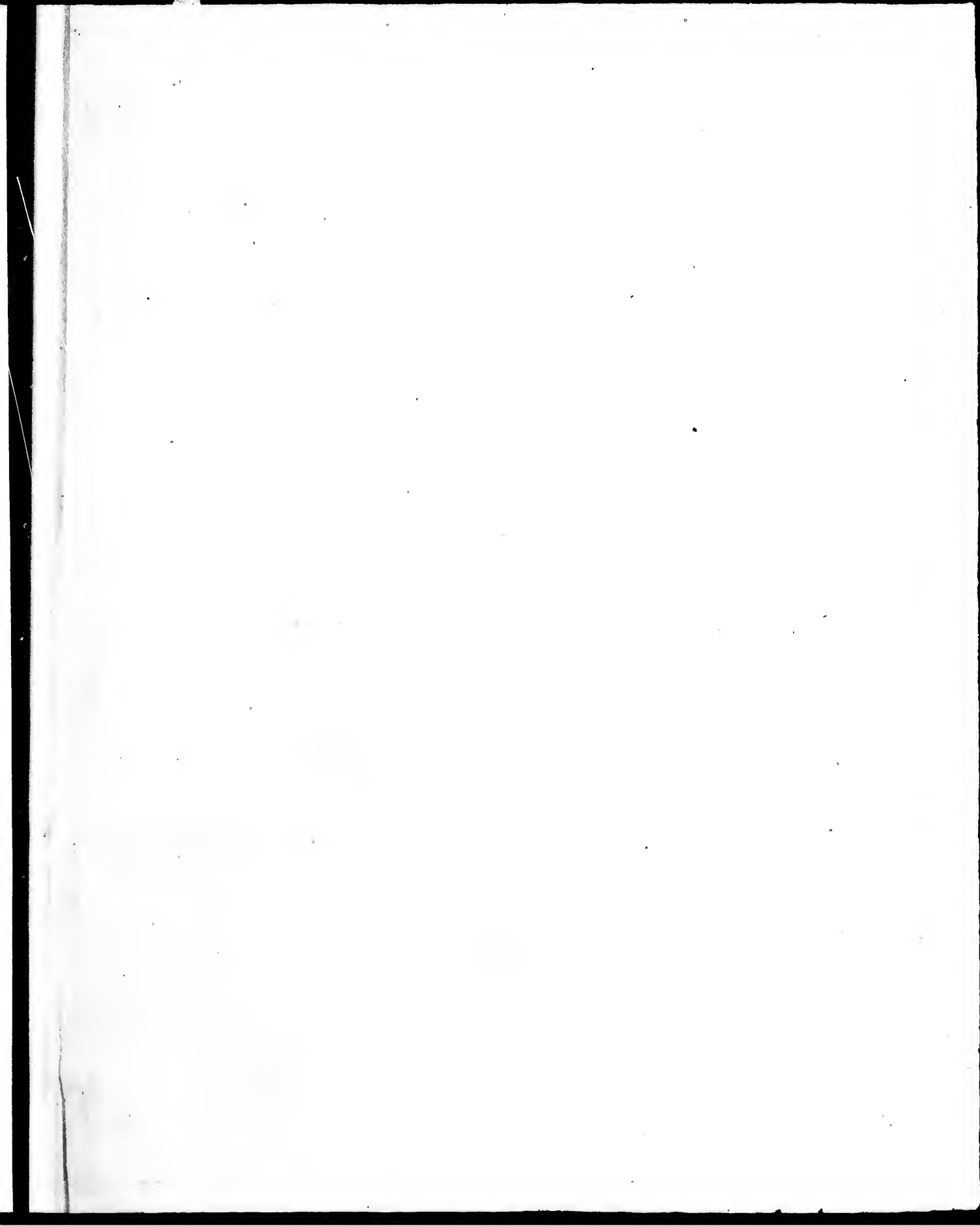
'Tis reckon'd the richest Country in the Universe, because of its many Gold and Silver Mines; and *South America* is sometimes from hence call'd *Peruviana*. The Air is commonly hot and unhealthful, except in the Mountains, where 'tis extreme cold, because of the great Snows and Rains that commonly fall there. The Soil is very dry and sandy in the Plains; but the Valleys are water'd with several little Rivers, which render them very fertile, especially in Fruits and Cattel. They have abundance of Game, Fowl, Parrots, and some Lions. Their Sheep are extremely large, and often serve to carry their Burdens. Their Flesh is very tender, and their Wool fine. The Valleys produce a great deal of Corn and Maiz, Sugar-Canes, Cotton, and a Plant call'd *Coca*, whose Leaf, held in the Mouth, allays Hunger and Thirst. 'Tis also said, that the Vine produces excellent Grapes here, when 'tis planted on the sides of hot Valleys; but the Climate is so bad for Horses, that it kills all that are brought hither from *Europe* in two Months. 'Tis very liable to Earthquakes. 'Tis not populous in proportion to its Extent. It was subject for about four hundred Years to Kings call'd *Incar*, till 1533, when it was subdu'd by *Pizaro* the *Spaniard*, who discover'd it in 1525. 'Tis said, that at his Arrival he found Gold so plenty, that all their Kitchen Utensils, and even their Houses were cover'd with that Met-

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The *Spaniards* have a Viceroy here, three Royal Audiences, and two Archbishopsricks, viz. *Lima* and *Plaza*. Under the former are the Bishopsricks of *Cusco*, *Quito*, *Arequipa*, *Truxillo*, *Guamanga*, *Panama* in *Terra Firma*, *St. Jago*, and *Concepcion* in *Chili*. Under *La Plaza* are *Pax*, or *Chuguiaca*, *St. Michael d'Elstero* in *Tucuman*, part of the Audience of *La Plaza*, *St. Cruz de la Sierra*, *La Nueva*, or *Barranca*, *Trinidad*, *Buenos Ayres*, *Assumption* on *La Plaza* River, and *Assumption* on the *Uruguay*.

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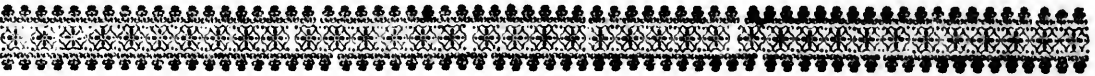
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The Inhabitants, especially near the Line, are of very little Stature, and swarthy. They have a simple Aspect, but are no Fools, especially those that live on the Mountains, who are great Dissemblers, treacherous, inconstant, and sluggish. The Women are handsome, somewhat fairer than the Men, are great Pains-takers, and the honestest Women in *America*. Those who are more immediately under the Dominion of the *Spaniards*, profess Christianity; but those on the Mountains, &c. are Idolaters. There's no noted River in *Peru*,

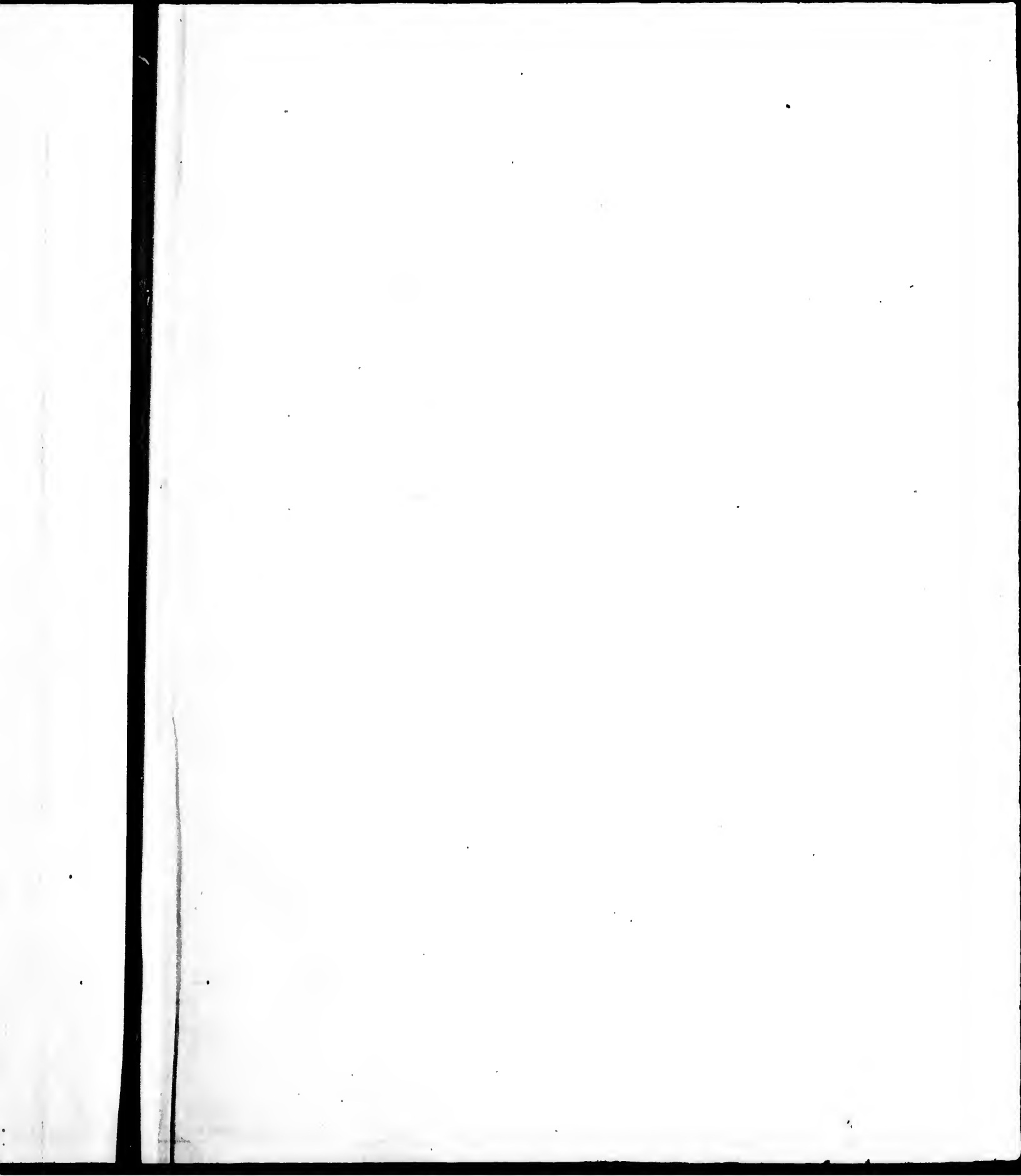
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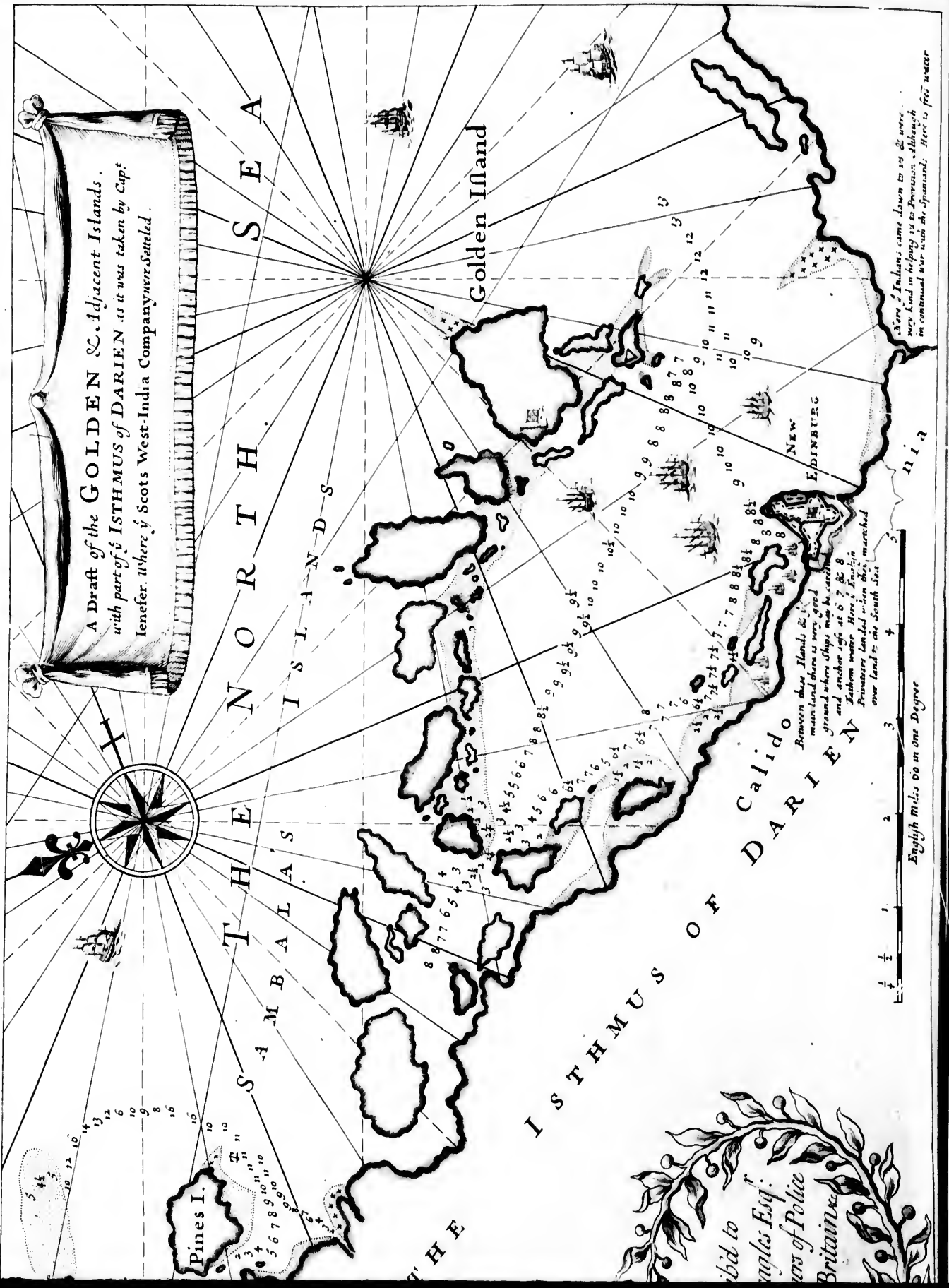
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2. *Cusco*, four hundred Miles South-east from *Lima*, Lat. 14. Long. 69. It was formerly the Capital of *Peru*, and the Residence of its *Incas*, or Kings. 'Tis encompass'd with Mountains, water'd by two small Rivers, and divided into two great Parts, call'd *Huayan Cusco* and *Ozen Cusco*. 'Tis the See of a Bishop Suffragan to *Lima*, and has the finest Square of all the Towns in *America*. Its Houses are also well built, and it has eight Parishes, with four Convents, a Nunnery, and a fair College of *Jesuits*.



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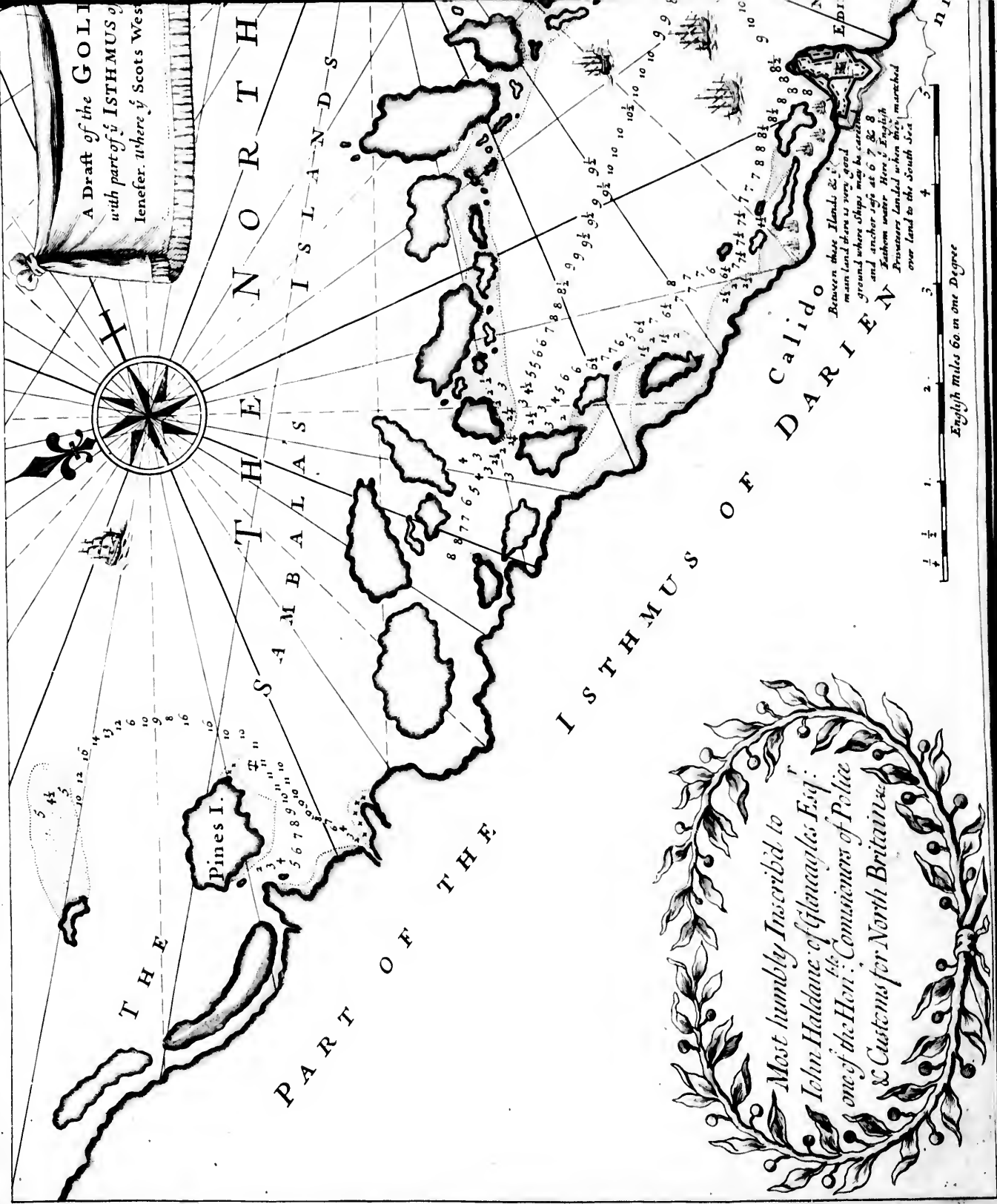
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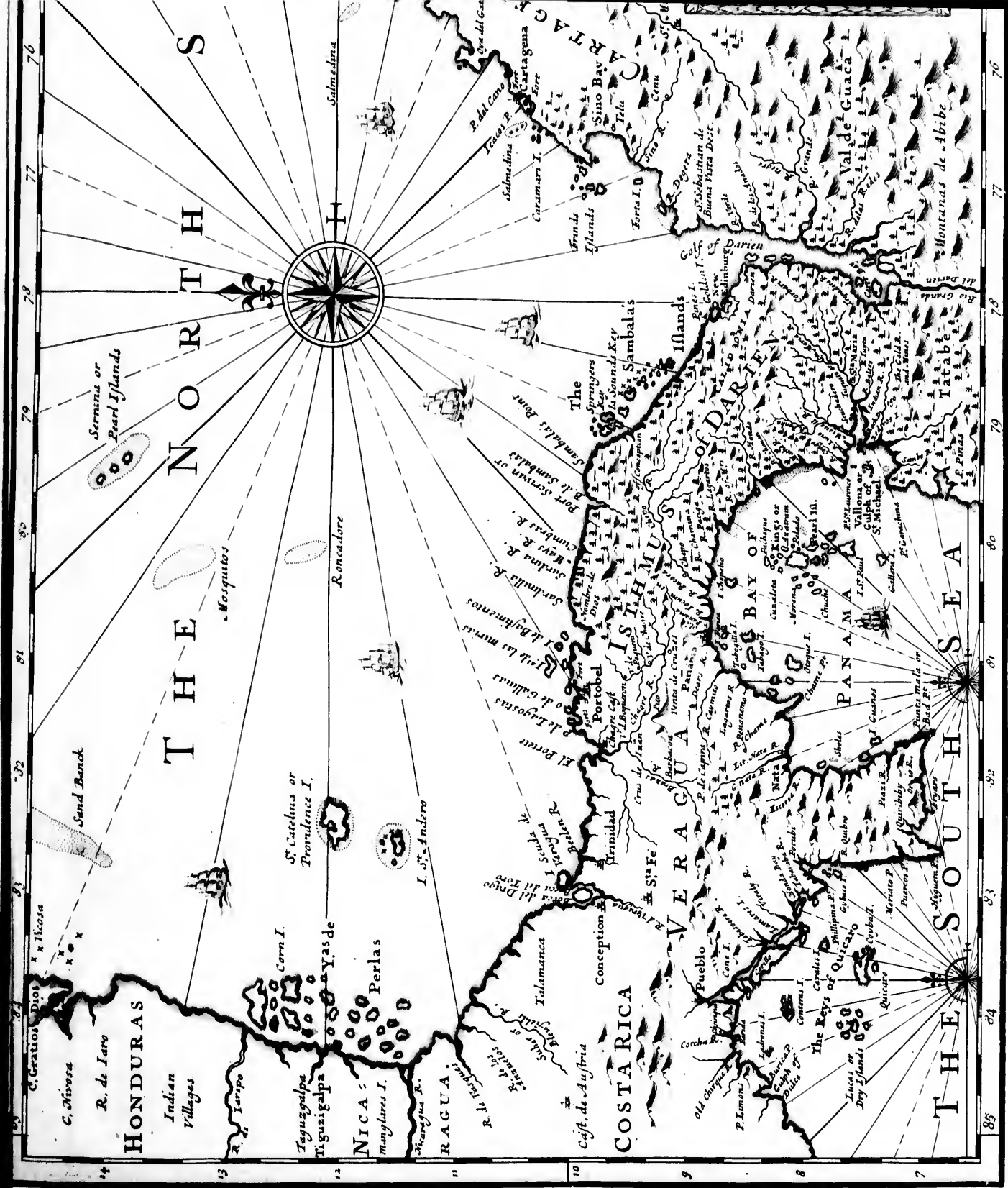
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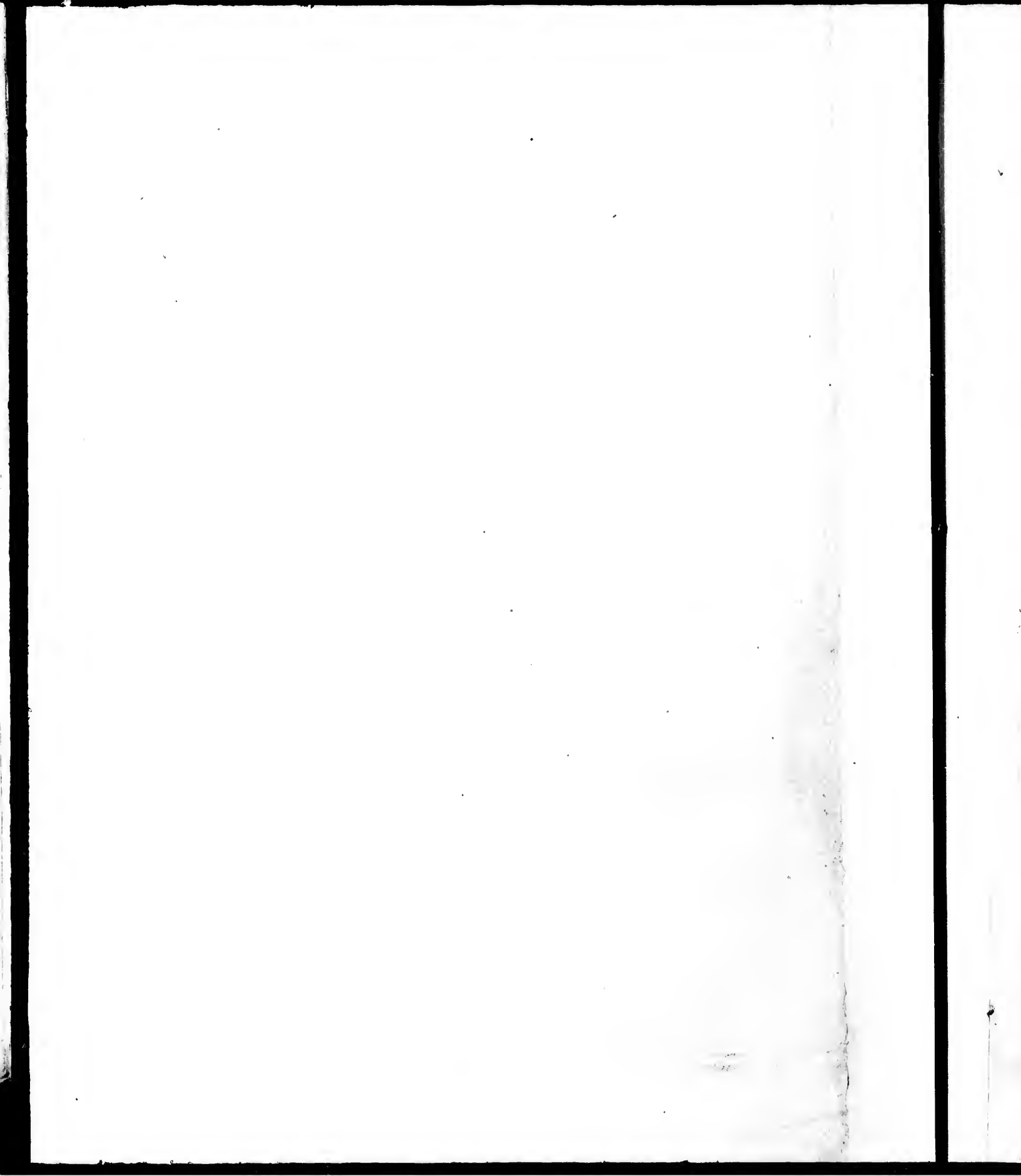
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III. The third Audience is *La Plata*, or *Los Charcas*, in the South Parts of *Peru*. It contains the Provinces of *Los Charcas* and *Tucuman*. The former abounds with Gold and Silver.

- The chief Towns here are,
1. Its Capital *La Plata*, in South Lat. 21. Long. 64. 'Tis a fine Town, the See of an Archbishop, and the Seat of a Royal Audience.
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a Plain, and resembles a Sugar-Loaf. 'Tis above a quarter of a League high, and half a League in Circuit. The neighbouring Soil is barren for three or four Leagues, and only produces an Herb which the Natives call *Icho*. Here are Wind-Mills to refine the Metall of those Mines, in which 20000 Negroes are commonly employ'd. The Mountain has been so dug, that 'tis in a manner but a Shell; and they scarce get an Ounce and a half of Silver out of a Quintal of Earth, which formerly yielded above as much again. The Town of *Potosi* lies at the bottom of this Mountain.

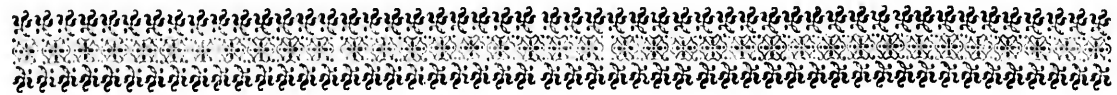
3. *Avica*, South Lat. 19. Long. 70. three hundred and forty Miles North-west from *Potosi*, stands on the Sea-Coast, is well fortified, and has a good Harbour, whither they bring the Silver from the Mines of *Potosi*, and transport it to *Lima* by Sea.

4. *La Paz*, two hundred and eighty Miles North from *Potosi*, and three hundred and fifty five North-east from *Avica*, is the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *La Plata*, and has Mines of very good Gold in the Neighbourhood.

5. *Pasco*, to the South-west, and thirty nine Miles West from *Potosi*, has a rich Mine of excellent Gold.

The Province of *Tucuman*, with which we must conclude *Peru*, was formerly a part of that of *Rio de la Plata*. It abounds in Cattel and very fine Cotton. The Inhabitants are for the most part Savages; but more for Peace than War. The Spaniards have but eight Towns here, and those of no great Note.

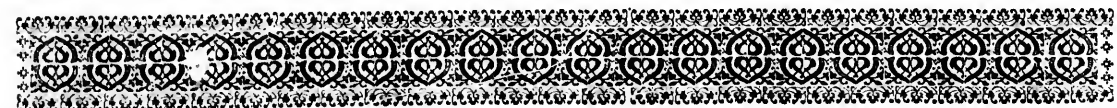
'Tis proper to take notice of two great Roads in this Country, which seem to exceed any ever made by the *Romans*, or even the great Wall betwixt *Tartary* and *China*. They reach from North Lat. 2. to South Lat. 20. which is 1320 Miles. They were call'd the Great Roads of the *Inca's*, because made by their Orders. One of them was carried thro Mountains and Rocks, and the other thro the plain Country. The Glory and Grandeur of this Work was augmented by the stupendous Piles of Rocks and Stones laid together, which is surprizing how it could be done, for they had no Beasts for Carriages or Draughts till brought from *Europe*. The Road thro the plain Country is defended by Walls twenty five Foot broad; and within those Walls there are Streams, with Trees planted on both sides. The other Road, cut thro the Rocks and Mountains, is of the same Breadth, and in the Valleys and Marshy Grounds there are good Canneys. At certain Distances on those Roads were large and pleasant Inns for Travellers, several of them capable of entertaining Kings and their Retinues. These Roads were repair'd by one of the *Inca's* not long before the Invasion of the *Spaniards*, who have fasten'd them to decay. This stupendous Work is us'd as an Argument to prove that this Country must have been inhabited for many Ages. This is farther confirm'd by their stately Palaces, Temples, and other Structures; which prove that they must have been a polite People, and under a well regulated Government.



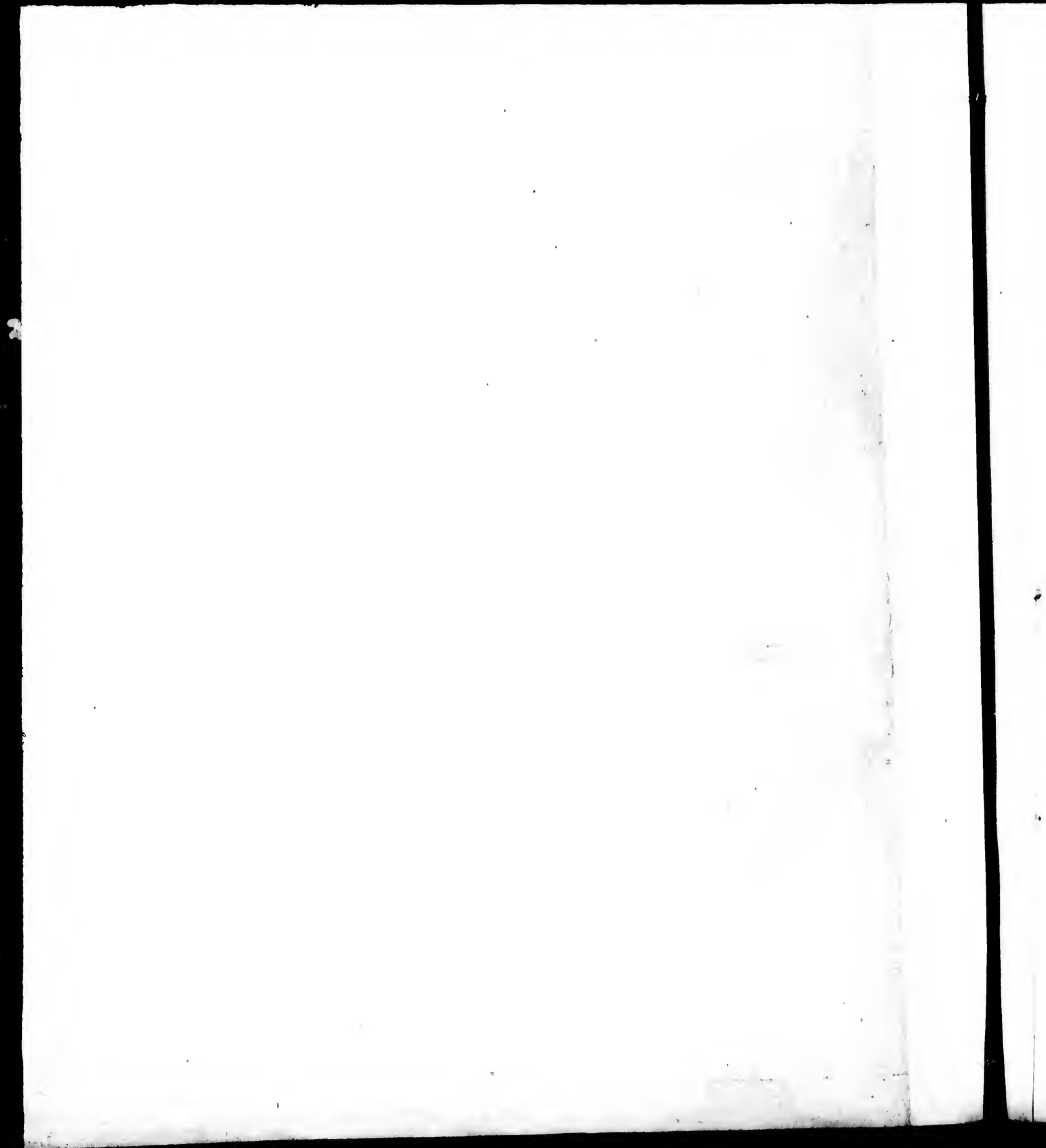
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Quito, near which is the Fountain of the *Amazon* River. The Province of *Pacamona* has some Mines of Gold, but no Town of great Note.

III. The third Audience is *La Plata*, or *Los Charcas*, in the South Parts of *Peru*. It contains the Provinces of *Los Charcas* and *Tucuman*. The former abounds with Gold and Silver.

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### IV. *C H I L I*.

**T**HIS Country, which in the Language of the Natives signifies Gold, was discover'd in 1535 by *Almagro*, a *Spaniard*, who march'd from *Peru* with a good Number of Soldiers, many of whom were freeze to death on the *Cordillera's*, or Mountains of the *Andes*, together with their Horses. Naturalists ascribe this great Cold to a Wind which is not boisterous, but by degrees extinguishes the natural Heat, and so freezes the Bodies, that when dead they appear in their natural Posture. Autho's differ as to the Extent of this Country. Some comprehend under this Name all that Part of *South America* which lies betwixt *Peru* and the Straits of *Magellan*, including *Paraguay*, and what others call *Terra Magellanica*: so that, according to them, it reaches almost from the Tropic of *Capricorn*, or at least from South Lat. 25. to

the Straits of *Magellan* in South Lat. 54. which makes it 1740 Miles long; but the Breadth is not equal, it being much contracted towards the South. The greatest Breadth is at Lat. 25. or rather under the Tropic of *Capricorn*, and amounts to 1650 Miles. The *Andes*, or *Cordillera* Mountains, run the whole Length of this Country. They are reckoned the highest Mountains in the World; are full of *Vulcano's*, yet many of them always cover'd with Snow, and extreme cold; but in the Plains 'tis hot, and towards the Coast 'tis healthful and temperate. The Soil produces abundance of Maiz and Fruit. The Meadows are full of Cattel, and particularly of a sort of Sheep, so high that they use them for Carriages. In the Mountains there are several Mines of Copper, and the purest Gold in *America*, which yield great Profit to the *Spaniards*, who are Masters of most of the Country, and have a

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Governor here, who depends on the Viceroy of *Peru*. This Country would be as pleasant as it is rich and fruitful, were it not for great Storms of Thunder and Lightning, which frequently do great Mischief. Much of the Country, especially the mountainous Parts, is inhabited by brave warlike Savages, whom the *Spaniards* have never been able to subdue.

*Chili* is divided into three Provinces, and each of these have their Subdivisions.

The first Province is that of *Chili* Proper, which is the most Northerly, bounds on *Peru*, and contains the following Jurisdictions:

1. *Seren*, which is furthest North, and has its Name from its Capital *La Serena*, alias, *Copimbo*, on the Coast, Lat. 30. Long. 72. It has a good Harbour, which is reckon'd the best in *Chili*, next to *Baldivia*, and the adjacent Country produces Gold and Copper, excellent Water, Corn, Wine, Cattel, Fruit, and Pot-herbs. This Town was taken by Sir *Francois Drake*, and afterwards burnt by the *Buccaniers* in 1680. Other Ports here are *Gusfo*, a hundred and twenty five Miles further North, which lies in a pleasant, populous, and fruitful Country, and has a good Harbour; and *Copiapo*, about a hundred and forty eight Miles North from *Gusfo*, which is also a good Harbour, in a fruitful Country, that abounds with Turquoises.

2. The Jurisdiction of *Quillana* lies South from *Copimbo*, is nam'd from its Capital, two hundred and twenty five Miles South from *La Serena*. *Talparaiso* lies near *Quillana*, and serves as a Harbour to *St. Jago*. This Place was taken by Sir *Francois Drake*, who found a Ship in the Harbour, with a great deal of Gold on board.

3. The Jurisdiction of *St. Jago de Chili*, so call'd from its Capital, Lat. 34. Long. 73. 'Tis the Capital of all *Chili*, the Residence of the *Spanish* Governor, the Seat of a Royal Audience, and the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Lima*. It lies about seventy Miles East from the Sea: is rich and has a good Trade by the River *Tipoalma*. The City is regular, well built, the Streets large, the Cathedral sumptuous; and here are several rich Monasteries.

West from this Coast, in Lat. 34. about three hundred and fifty Miles, lie the two desart Islands of *Juan Fernandez*, so call'd from the Discoverer, who plant'd, but afterwards left them. Here are several Bays, where Ships put in to refresh, good Water, Wood, and such plenty of Fish of all sorts, that in a few Hours one may take enough for some Hundreds of Men; so that the Fishery here is equal to that of *Newfoundland*. The *Spaniards* come often hither to fish, and sell them to *Peru*. There are Multitudes of Seals in the Bays, whose Fur exceeds that of our Otters, abundance of Sea-Lions, and Fowl of several sorts, with fere of wild Geats, and beautiful wild Cats, the Breed of these that were left by the Planter. The Climate is so good, that the Trees and Fields are verdant all the Year. The Product is chiefly Cotten, large Piemonto, or *Jamaica* Pepper-Trees, Cabbage-Trees, plenty of excellent Kitchen Herbs, sow'd by Ships that had put in to repair, some black Pepper, and Plums. *Alexander Selkirk*, a Scotch Mariner, liv'd alone here four Years and four Months. He had been Master of the *Cinque-Ports*. He was in Company here with Captain *Dampier*; but having a Difference with his own Captain *Stalling* about repairing the Ship, which was very leaky, *Selkirk* chose rather to stay here alone than go aboard her; and when he was willing to go at last, the Captain refus'd; which happen'd well for *Selkirk*, because the Ship was forc'd to put in to the Coast, where the Men were all taken by the *Spaniards*, and made Slaves; but the Captain ransom'd himself. *Selkirk* carried on Shore his Clothes and Bedding, a Firelock, a Pound of Powder, Bullets, Tobacco, a Hatchet, Knife, Kettle, Bible, and some practical Pieces, with his Mathematical Instruments and Books. He built himself two Hats in a Valley with Piemonto-Trees, cover'd them with long Grass, and lin'd them with the Skins of Goats, which he kill'd with his Gun. He had much ado to bear up against Melancholy the first eight Months; but applying himself to Devotion, he grew more easy. And when his Powder was spent, he subsist'd by catching young Kids and Fish, of which he had plenty; but wanting Bread and Salt, they prov'd laxative, so that he was forc'd to hunt Goats; in which he became so dextrous, and so nimble, by this way of living, which purg'd him of all gross Humours, that he took them at pleasure by Swiftness of Foot, especially as they clamber'd the Hills and Rocks. Captain *Regeers*, who brought him off in 1702, saw a Proof of it; for he sent out a Bull-Dog and some of the best Runners he had on board, to help him catch Goats; but *Selkirk* kill'd both Dog and Men, and soon caught a Goat. He had wore out all his Shoes and Clothes, and cover'd himself with Goat-Skins; and his Feet were grown so hard, that he ran thro the Woods and Rocks without any harm; and it was some time before he could wear Shoes again, or drink any thing but Water. His Knife being wore out, he made others, as well as he could, of some old Iron Hoops, that had been left ashore, where Ships had mended their Casks; and having no Needle, he made use of a Nail, and the Worked of old Stockins, to stitch some Linen Cloth he had by him into Shirts. The Piemonto-Wood was his Firing, which he kindled by rubbing two Sticks together on his Knee; and he season'd his Diet with the Pepper. He was at first pester'd with multitudes of Rats, which gnaw'd his Clothes and Feet when asleep; but he fed the wild Cats with Goats-Flesh, by which many of 'em became tame, and soon clear'd him of the Rats. He kill'd some Kids; and near and the discoverer, who plant'd,

on the Island in the Evening. This alarm'd the Captain, who being inform'd by his Pilot *Dampier* that the Island was desart, apprehended that the *Spaniards* had either fix'd a Garison there, or that some *French* Men of War might be in the Harbour. But being in want of Water, he resolv'd to land, and sent his Pinnace with arm'd Men to know how Matters were. *Selkirk*, clad in Goat-Skins, came to the Shore; and they were as agreeably surpriz'd to see him come with a Rag on a Stick as a Flag of Truce, and to hear him speak *English*, and tell them they might have good Water and Provisions, as he was with the Prospect of being deliver'd from his Solitude. He had prepared boil'd Goats-Flesh and Broth mix'd with Herbs for 'em, which was very refreshing, and they carry'd him on board the Captain with abundance of good Craw-Fish. So that he put in to the Bay, where he repair'd his Ship, took in Wood, Water, &c. and his Men, troubled with the Scurvy, recover'd space by the use of fresh Meat and Greens.

The second Province, call'd *Imperiale*, from *Imperial*, its Capital, lies South of *Chili* Proper, and contains the following Jurisdictions:

1. That of *Conception*, so nam'd from its Capital, Lat. 37. Long. 73. a fortified Town, defended by a good Castle, and the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Lima*. 'Twas formerly the Capital of *Chili*, and has a Harbour call'd *St. Vincent*, cover'd by the Islands *Quiriquina*. The neighbouring Country abounds so with Gold, that the *Spaniards*, says *Oxalle*, employ'd some Thousands of *Indian* Families to gather it. This Town has a large Territory, which is one of the most populous Parts of *Chili*. *Arauco*, about fifty Miles South of *Conception*, is Capital of its District, inhabited by the *Araucans*, the most warlike People of *Chili*, who gave the *Spaniards* a great deal of trouble before they submitted.

2. The Jurisdiction of *Imperiale* lies South from that of *Conception*, and is so nam'd from the Town *Imperial*, Lat. 42. Which is nobly situated in a fruitful Country, that has rich Gold Mines; and is the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Lima*. It was destroy'd by the Natives; but since rebuilt.

3. The Jurisdiction of *Baldivia* lies South of *Imperiale*, and is so nam'd from its Capital, on the bottom of a Bay, Lat. 41. In this Jurisdiction are Mines of the purest Gold in all *America*. Sir *John Naborough* places the Mouth of the Harbour in Lat. 39. 56. and Long. West from the *Lizard*, 70. 19. Sir *John* being sent by our King, *Charles II.* to make Discoveries, touch'd here for Refreshments: But was trick'd by the *Spaniards*, who traiterously seiz'd his Lieutenant and three Men, and design'd to have seiz'd his Ship. The Officers and Soldiers were richly apparell'd; the Sword-Hilts and Handles of the Officers Canes were all of Gold of great Value, and the Hilts of the Soldiers Swords were all of Silver; and they boast they had so much Silver and Gold, that they could not value it. He talk'd with some of the Natives, who inform'd him that the *Spaniards* were very cruel to them; that they often attack'd the *Spaniards* by way of Reprisal, so that they durst not stir out of the Bounds of their Fort; adding, that the Natives were Masters of the Gold Mines, were a very warlike People, and would readily join with any Power to drive out the *Spaniards*. He says, there are three fair Rivers that fall into the Harbour with great Screams; that the Town lies on the Point of a Peninsula, and the Harbour is defended by some Forts; but is so broad, that the Guns can't command it; so that it might easily be taken. They have no *European* Goods but by way of *Panama* and the River *La Plata*. And Sir *John* was of opinion, that a very good Trade might be carried on in these Parts, either by Leave from the King of *Spain*, or by four or five Ships of Force, from twenty to thirty Guns; and that a rich Trade in Gold might be had in the South Parts of *Chili* by any that would use the Natives well, and present them with Knives, Scissars, Glasses, Beads, Combs, and such like Commodities; for he found 'em very tractable, and over-joy'd, when he put them in hopes of returning to that Country with a Commission from his Master the King of *England*.

4. The Jurisdiction of *Osoorno* lies South from *Baldivia*, and is nam'd from its Capital, Lat. 39. 'Tis a small Town on a River, in a cold Country; but has some Mines of Gold. And Sir *John Naborough* mentions it as a Place where they might have a good Trade for that Commodity.

5. The Jurisdiction of *Chiloe* lies South from *Osoorno*, and consists of a Knot of Islands; the chief of which is *Chiloe* about a hundred and fifty Miles long, and thirty five where broadest. These Parts were formerly visited by the *English* and *Dutch* in Queen *Elizabeth's* Time, when they talk'd with the Natives, who inform'd them that there was plenty of Gold in the Country; but that the Mines were not wrought, most of the People having been destroy'd by the *Spaniards*, and those in the Mountains were Enemies to them. The *Spaniards* had several Forts upon the Island of *Chiloe*, and a Town nam'd *Castro*. At the West-end of the Island there's a Harbour call'd the *English Port*, or *Brower's Haven*, where both *English* and *Dutch* put in; but found the Natives very treacherous, and loth to part with their Gold. Here are several other Jurisdictions, but not worth insisting on.

The third Province is that of *Chicuito*, or *Cuyo*, which lies South from *Chili*, and is separated from it by the *Andes*. Some make it a part of *Chili*. 'Tis about seven hundred Miles long from South to North, and three hundred and twelve where broadest. *Quill* City lies

V. TERRA MAGELLANICA.

**T**HE Spaniards comprehend it under the general Name of *Chili*; and some call it the Country of the *Patagonas*. 'Tis of vast Extent. Part of it lies South of *Chili* and *Cuyo*, and reaches to the *North Sea*. The South Part of it reaches to both *Seas*, and lies as far South as the Straits of *Magellan*. It has *Tucuman* and the Province of *La Plata* on the North. Its Extent from South-west to North-east is above sixteen hundred Miles; and the greatest Breadth betwixt the two Seas is above five hundred: But there's little of it known, except a few Places on the Coast, as *Port Desire*, *Port St. Julian*, &c. where Sir *John Narborough* and other Sailors have touch'd, and furnish'd themselves with fresh Water, Fish, and Fowl; and 'tis so ill inhabited by a few shy and straggling Natives, that it jolly deserves the Name of the *Desart Coast*. Out of the South-east Part, Lat. 49. Long. 66. lie these Islands, call'd *Sibbal de Woor*, from a *Dutch* Sailor who discover'd them in 1599. They are of little Note, but on'y that Ships pass by them as they sail round *Cape Horn* into the *South Sea*.

The Straits of *Magellan*, so famous for being the first Passage that was discover'd by *Magellan*, a Spaniard, from the *North* to the *South Sea*, have been so often describ'd, and are now of so little use since the Way to the *North Sea* has been discover'd by *Cape Horn*, that we need say but little of them. *Magellan* gave an Account of a monstrous gigantick People that he saw in and about these Straits, and particularly at *Port St. Julian*; which modern Authors and Sailors are apt to think a Romance: Yet *Sibbal de Woor* and Admiral *Van Noort*, who were here in 1598, say, they saw several Savages that were ten or eleven Foot high. They were very fierce, kill'd several of the *Dutch* who land'd; and by their Accounts appear to have been the most brutish Savages that ever were heard of. Sir *Francis Drake*, Sir *Thomas Cavendish*, and several others, pass'd these Straits; but the last *Englishman* who did it was Captain *Narborough*, afterwards Sir *John*, who was sent out upon Discoveries by *Charles II.* in 1669. His Description is the best; and we refer to it. These Straits are generally dangerous, unless a proper Season be watch'd for passing and repassing them; and then it may be done with Ease. The last *European* who pass'd them, was Monsieur *D. Bernabae Gouin*, a *Frenchman*, in 1699. He observ'd that both the Climate and Navigation of these Straits are very unequal, and that 'tis dangerous to pass them in the Winter. The Spaniards had formerly some Garibans to hinder other Nations from passing these Straits, but to little purpose. These Straits lie about

Lat. 53. at both Ends; but towards the middle they bend farther South, to Lat. 43. The Length of them, in a direct Line, is near four hundred Miles; but the Turnings and Windings make them a great deal more.

*Terra del Fuego* lies on the South-side of 'em, and was so call'd because of the many Fires which *Magellan* saw upon it when he pass'd the Straits. Some make it one continued Land; but modern Discoveries show that 'tis divided into several Islands. One at the Mouth of the Straits on the East-side, is call'd *Fordland*, and divided from *Terra del Fuego* by a narrow Channel call'd *St. Sebastian's Inlet*; and there are two more on the West-side of *Terra del Fuego*, one call'd the Straits of *Jubate*, and another call'd *St. Iliore's Inlet*. The Country is inhabited by Savages, and is about 540 Miles from South-east to North-west, and from *Cape Horn* to the Mouth of the Straits on the East-side about 250. On the East-side are the Straits of *Le Maire*, so call'd from a *Dutch* Sailor, who discover'd them. They lie betwixt the *States Island* and *Terra del Fuego*; and East from that lies *Bouvet's* Passage. East from thence, Lat. 55. betwixt Long. 50 & 55. lie *La Roche's* Island, not fully discover'd, and another call'd *Unknown Land*; betwixt which lie *La Roche's* Straits, so call'd from a *Frenchman*, who discover'd them in 1675; and East of them lies the Coast which Capt. *Sharp* took in his Return from the *South Sea* in 1681. *Cape Horn*, which is now so famous, is the most South Part of *Terra del Fuego*, in Lat. 55. 40. and Long. 66. But the Coast West of it, is not well known. *Solomon's* Islands lie in the *Pacifick*, or *South Sea*. Authors differ much about them. *Ordello*, one of the latest Travellers, places them 800 Leagues West of *Peru*, between the seventh and twelfth Degrees of South Latitude. Monsieur *Da Fer* places them betwixt the eighth and ninth: And some place them in eleven. *Luyt* says, some reckon them twenty. *La Maite* thinks that the Islands of *Horn* and *Good Hope*, which he discover'd in his Voyage to *Guinet*, are two of them, because he found them to agree with the Description given by *Ferdinand de Quir*. They lie conveniently for Refreshment in the Way betwixt *Chili*, or *Peru*, and the *Moluccas*. They are said to abound with Provisions; and the Natives exchange Gold for other Commodities. They are very stout, and continually at War with the Spaniards. Some of them are black, others tawny, and all naked. But Authors are not agreed whether this Country be really Islands, or part of the South unknown Continent; so that we must leave it at an Uncertainty till further Discovery. We return to the Continent of *America*.

VI. The Province of Rio de la Plata,

**L**IES East from *Tucuman*, North from *Terra Magellanica*, and South of the Country of *Amazon* and *Brasil*, which also runs along the East-side of it as far as the Mouth of *La Plata* River. 'Tis so call'd from the great River *La Plata*, which runs thro it. This Country reaches from South Lat. 22. to 33. The greatest Extent South and North is above 1270 Miles, and the greatest Extent East and West in the North Parts, under the Tropick of *Capricorn*, is above 1200; but 'tis contracted at both Ends. 'Tis also call'd by the Name of *Paraguay*. The River is likewise call'd *Paraguay* till near its Mouth, where the Name is chang'd, because of the Silver Mines, and the great Quantity of Plate found in the Country. It receives many great Rivers on both sides; and according to most Authors, rises from the Lake *Xaray* in the *Amazons* Country, South Lat. 18. and falls into the *Ethiopic* Ocean, Lat. 35. where 'tis above a hundred and five Miles broad, from *Cape St. Mary* to *Cape St. Anthony*. And *Ovide* says, it runs with such a mighty Stream, as makes the *South Sea* be so turbulent. Don *Bartholomew*, who was here in 1691,

but extreme idle, dull, and sensual. The Missionaries pretend to have made many Converts; but even by their own Accounts they are but indifferent Christians; nor do their Instructors take much care to make them better. They govern the Natives, who submit to them, just as they please, assign every Family their Portion of Ground and Number of Cows and Oxen for Labour and Food; and when they prove lazy, make them endge one another, which they take very patiently. And they teach 'em to dance, as well as to sing in their Churches. This Country is divided into the six following Provinces.

1. *Chaco*, in the North-west Part, is very fruitful; but chiefly inhabited by Savages of different Nations; and many of them at continual War with the Spaniards. The Missionaries say, some of 'em are of a gigantick Stature. The Spaniards built some Forts here to curb the Natives, and particularly a Town call'd *Conception*, which is now destroy'd.

2. *Guayra* lies East from *Chaco*, and borders on *Brasil*. The Country is fruitful, but not cultivated. The Spaniards have several Towns here: The chief of which are, (1.) *Guayra*, alias, *Ciudad Real*, un-



From its Capital, two hundred and twenty five Miles South from *La Serena*. *Valparaiso* lies near *Quillota*, and serves as a Harbour to *St. Jago*. This Place was taken by *Sir Francis Drake*, who found a Ship in the Harbour, with a great deal of Gold on board.

3. The Jurisdiction of *St. Jago de Chili*, so call'd from its Capital, Lat. 34. Long. 73. 'Tis the Capital of all *Chili*, the Residence of the *Spanish* Governor, the Seat of a Royal Audience, and the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Lima*. It lies about seventy Miles East from the Sea; is rich and has a good Trade by the River *Tepocalma*. The City is regular, well built, the Streets large, the Cathedral sumptuous; and here are several rich Monasteries.

West from this Coast, in Lat. 34. about three hundred and fifty Miles, lie the two desart Islands of *Juan Fernandez*, so call'd from the Discoverer, who planted, but afterwards left them. Here are several Bays, where Ships put in to refresh, good Water, Wood, and such plenty of Fish of all sorts, that in a few Hours one may take enough for some Hundreds of Men; so that the Fishery here is equal to that of *Newfoundland*. The *Spaniards* come often hither to fish, and sell them to *Peru*. There are Multitudes of Seals in the Bays, whose Fur exceeds that of our Otters, abundance of Sea-Lions, and Fowl of several sorts, with fere of wild Goats, and beautiful wild Cats, the Breed of these that were left by the Planter. The Climate is so good, that the Trees and Fields are verdant all the Year. The Produce is chiefly Cotten, large Pimento, or *Jamaica* Pepper-Trees, Cabbage-Trees, plenty of excellent Kitchen Herbs, sow'd by Ships that had put in to repair, some black Pepper, and Plums. *Alexander Selkirk*, a *Scotch* Mariner, liv'd alone here four Years and four Months. He had been Master of the *Coque-Parr*. He was in Company here with Captain *Dampier*; but having a Difference with his own Captain *Stalling*, about repairing the Ship, which was very leaky, *Selkirk* chose rather to stay here alone than go aboard her; and when he was willing to go at last, the Captain refus'd; which happen'd well for *Selkirk*, because the Ship was forc'd to put in to the Coast, where the Men were all taken by the *Spaniards*, and made Slaves; but the Captain ransom'd himself. *Selkirk* carried on Shore his Clothes and Bedding, a Firelock, a Pound of Powder, Bullets, Tobacco, a Hatchet, Knife, Kettle, Bible, and some practical Pieces, with his Mathematical Instruments and Books. He built himself two Huts in a Valley with Pimento-Trees, cover'd them with long Grass, and lin'd them with the Skins of Goats, which he kill'd with his Gun. He had much ado to bear up against Melancholy the first eight Months; but applying himself to Devotion, he grew more easy. And when his Powder was spent, he suppli'd by catching young Kids and Fish, of which he had plenty; but wanting Bread and Salt, they prov'd laxative, so that he was forc'd to hunt Goats; in which he became so dextrous, and so nimble, by this way of living, which purg'd him of all gross Humours, that he took them at pleasure by Swiftness of Foot, especially as they elambred the Hills and Rocks. Captain *Rogers*, who brought him off in 1702, saw a Proof of it; for he sent out a Bull-Dog and some of the best Runners he had on board, to help him catch Goats; but *Selkirk* offend'd both Dog and Men, and soon caught a Goat. He had wore out all his Shoes and Clothes, and cover'd himself with Goat-Skins; and his Feet were grown so hard, that he ran thro the Woods and Rocks without any harm; and it was some time before he could wear Shoes again, or drink any thing but Water. His Knife being wore out, he made others, as well as he could, of some old Iron Hoops, that had been left ashore, where Ships had mended their Casks; and having no Needle, he made use of a Nail, and the Worst of old Stockins, to stitch some Linen Cloth he had by him into Shirts. The Pimento-Wood was his Firing, which he kindled by rubbing two Sticks together on his Knee; and he season'd his Diet with the Pepper. He was at first pester'd with multitudes of Rats, which gnaw'd his Clothes and Feet when asleep; but he fed the wild Cats with Goats-Flesh, by which many of 'em became tame, and soon clear'd him of the Rats. He likewise tam'd some Kids; and now and then diverted himself by running about and dancing with them and his tame Cats. So that by the Help of Providence and his Youth, being not then above twenty five Years old he conquer'd all the Inconveniencies of his Solitude, and became so easy, that when he heard Captain *Dampier*, whom he did not like, was in Company, he chose rather to stay ashore than go on board where he was. But Captain *Rogers*, who had the Command, finding *Selkirk* to be an able Sailor and a stout Man, made him his Mate; and he was very serviceable to him afterwards at the taking of *Guayaquil*. Two *Spanish* Ships put into the Island while *Selkirk* was here: Not knowing what they were till he came near, he fled back to the Woods as soon as he perceiv'd them to be *Spaniards*; for he knew they would murder him, or make him a Slave. They shot at, and pursu'd him; but he escap'd. When he saw Captain *Rogers's* Ship approach, he know' 'em to be *English* by their working, and kindled a large Fire

*Orsillo*, employ'd some Thousands of *Indian* Families to gather it. This Town has a large Territory, which is one of the most populous Parts of *Chili*. *Arauco*, about fifty Miles South of *Concepcion*, is Capital of its District, inhabited by the *Araucans*, the most warlike People of *Chili*, who gave the *Spaniards* a great deal of trouble before they submitted.

2. The Jurisdiction of *Imperial* lies South from that of *Concepcion*, and is so nam'd from the Town *Imperial*, Lat. 42. Which is nobly situated in a fruitful Country, that has rich Gold Mines; and is the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *Lima*. It was destroy'd by the Natives; but since rebuilt.

3. The Jurisdiction of *Baldivia* lies South of *Imperial*, and is so nam'd from its Capital, on the bottom of a Bay, Lat. 41. In this Jurisdiction are Mines of the purest Gold in all *America*. *Sir John Narborough* places the Mouth of the Harbour in Lat. 39. 56. and Long. West from the *Lizard*, 70. 19. *Sir John* being sent by our King, *Charles II.* to make Discoveries, touch'd here for Refreshments: But was trick'd by the *Spaniards*, who traitorously seiz'd his Lieutenant and three Men, and design'd to have seiz'd his Ship. The Officers and Soldiers were richly apparell'd; the Sword-Hilts and Handles of the Officers Canes were all of Gold of great Value, and the Hilts of the Soldiers Swords were all of Silver; and they boasted they had so much Silver and Gold, that they did not value it. He talk'd with some of the Natives, who inform'd him that the *Spaniards* were very cruel to them; that they often attack'd the *Spaniards* by way of Reprisal, so that they durst not stir out of the Bounds of their Fort; adding, that the Natives were Masters of the Gold Mines, were a very warlike People, and would readily join with any Power to drive out the *Spaniards*. He says, there are three fair Rivers that fall into the Harbour with great Streams; that the Town lies on the Point of a Peninsula, and the Harbour is defended by some Forts; but is so broad, that the Guns can't command it; so that it might easily be taken. They have no *European* Goods but by way of *Panama* and the River *La Plata*. And *Sir John* was of opinion, that a very good Trade might be carried on in these Parts, either by Leave from the King of *Spain*, or by four or five Ships of Force, from twenty to thirty Guns; and that a rich Trade in Gold might be had in the South Parts of *Chili* by any that would use the Natives well, and present them with Knives, Scissors, Glasses, Beads, Combs, and such like Commodities; for he found 'em very tractable, and over-joy'd, when he put them in hopes of returning to that Country with a Commission from his Master the King of *England*.

4. The Jurisdiction of *Osono* lies South from *Baldivia*, and is nam'd from its Capital, Lat. 39. 'Tis a small Town on a River, in a cold Country; but has some Mines of Gold. And *Sir John Narborough* mentions it as a Place where they might have a good Trade for that Commodity.

5. The Jurisdiction of *Chiloe* lies South from *Osono*, and consists of a Knot of Islands; the chief of which is *Chiloe* about a hundred and fifty Miles long, and thirty five where broadest. These Parts were formerly visited by the *English* and *Dutch* in Queen *Elizabeth's* Time, when they talk'd with the Natives, who inform'd them that there was plenty of Gold in the Country; but that the Mines were not wrought, most of the People having been destroy'd by the *Spaniards*, and those in the Mountains were Enemies to them. The *Spaniards* had several Forts upon the Island of *Chiloe*, and a Town nam'd *Castro*. At the Well-end of the Island there's a Harbour call'd the *English Port*, or *Brewer's Haven*, where both *English* and *Dutch* put in; but found the Natives very treacherous, and loth to part with their Gold. Here are several other Jurisdictions, but not worth insiting on.

The third Province is that of *Chicuto*, or *Cuzo*, which lies South from *Chili*, and is separated from it by the *Andes*. Some make it a part of *Chili*. 'Tis about seven hundred Miles long from South to North, and three hundred and twelve where broadest. *Ozelle* says, 'tis so fruitful, that in many things it exceeds *Chili*. The Crops are better, the Fruits larger, and of a finer Taste, because of the great Heats which ripen them more. They have store of Corn, Wine, Cattel, Olive-Yards, great Plantations of Almond-Trees, and all *European* Roots, Fruits, and Herbs: But 'tis subject to Thunder, Lightning, and excessive Heats in Summer, which fill the Houses with poisonous Reptiles and Insects, that the People during that Season are forc'd to sleep abroad in their Gardens or Court-Yards. Here are rich Silver and Gold Mines; which being view'd by the Miners of *Peru*, they said they were the richest in the *Indies*. The *Spaniards* began to work them; but he doubted of their Success, because of their great Distance from the Sea and navigable Rivers, and their want of Hands, and strong Guards; for the neighbouring *Indians* are their Enemies. The *Spaniards* have three little Towns here, but of no great Note.

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But there's little of it known, except a few Places on the Coast, as Port *Defave*, Port *St. Julian*, &c. where Sir *John Narborough* and other Sailors have touch'd, and furnish'd themselves with fresh Water, Fish, and Fowl; and 'tis so ill inhabited by a few shy and straggling Natives, that it justly deserves the Name of the *Desart Coast*. Off of the South-east Part, Lat. 49. Long. 60. lie these Islands, call'd *Sibbald de Wetters*, from a *Dutch* Sailor who discover'd them in 1599. They are of little Note, but only that Ships pass by them as they sail round Cape *Horn* into the *South Sea*.

The Straits of *Magellan*, so famous for being the first Passage that was discover'd by *Magellan*, a *Spaniard*, from the North to the *South Sea*, have been so often describ'd, and are now of so little use since the Way to the *South Sea* has been discover'd by Cape *Horn*, that we need say but little of them. *Magellan* gave an Account of a monstrous giantlike People that he saw in and about those Straits, and particularly at Port *St. Julian*; which modern Authors and Sailors are apt to think a Romance: Yet *Sibbald de Wetters* and Admiral *Van Noort*, who were here in 1598, say, they saw several Savages that were ten or eleven Foot high. They were very fierce, kill'd several of the *Dutch* who land'd; and by their Accounts appear to have been the most brutish Savages that ever were heard of. Sir *Francois Drake*, Sir *Thomas Cavendish*, and several others, pass'd these Straits; but the last *Englishman* who did it was Captain *Narborough*, afterwards Sir *John*, who was sent out upon Discoveries by *Charles II.* in 1669. His Description is the best; and we refer to it. These Straits are generally dangerous, unless a proper Season be watch'd for passing and repassing them; and then it may be done with Ease. The last *European* who pass'd them, was *Montieur D. Bernaboe Gouin*, a *Frenchman*, in 1692. He observ'd that both the Climate and Navigation of these Straits are very unequal, and that 'tis dangerous to pass them in the Winter. The *Spaniards* had formerly some Garrisons to hinder other Nations from passing these Straits, but to little purpose. These Straits lie about

degrees that 'tis divided into several Islands: One at the Mouth of the Straits on the East-side, is call'd *Fireland*, and divided from *Terra del Fuego* by a narrow Channel call'd *St. Sebastians Inlet*; and there are two more on the West-side of *Terra del Fuego*, one call'd the *Straits of J. Ushere*, and another call'd *St. Iphores Inlet*. The Country is inhabited by Savages, and is about 540 Miles from South-east to North-west, and from Cape *Horn* to the Mouth of the Straits on the East-side about 250. On the East-side are the Straits of *Le Maire*, so call'd from a *Dutch* Sailor, who discover'd them. They lie betwixt the *States Island* and *Terra del Fuego*; and East from that lies *Brouwer's* Passage. East from thence, Lat. 55. betwixt Long. 50 & 55. lie *La Roche's* Island, not fully discover'd, and another call'd *Unknown Land*; betwixt which lie *La Roche's* Straits, so call'd from a *Frenchman*, who discover'd them in 1675; and East of them lies the Course which Capt. *Sharp* took in his Return from the *South Sea* in 1681. Cape *Horn*, which is now so famous, is the most South Part of *Terra del Fuego*, in Lat. 55. 40. and Long. 67. But the Coast West of it, is not well known. *Solomon's* Islands lie in the *Pacific*, or *South Sea*. Authors differ much about them. *Ozelle*, one of the latest Travellers, places them 800 Leagues West of *Pom*, between the seventh and twelfth Degrees of South Latitude. *Montieur Du Per* places them betwixt the eighth and ninth: And some place them in eleven. *Luzes* says, some reckon them twenty. *La Motte* thinks that the Islands of *Horn* and *Good Hope*, which he discover'd in his Voyage to *Guinea*, are two of them, because he found them to agree with the Description given by *Ferdinand de Quir*. They lie conveniently for Refreshment in the Way betwixt *Chili*, or *Peru*, and the *Moluccas*. They are said to abound with Provisions, and the Natives exchange Gold for other Commodities. They are very flour, and continually at War with the *Spaniards*. Some of them are black, others tawny, and all naked. But Authors are not agreed whether this Country be really Islands, or part of the South unknown Continent; so that we must leave it at an Uncertainty till further Discovery. We return to the Continent of *America*.



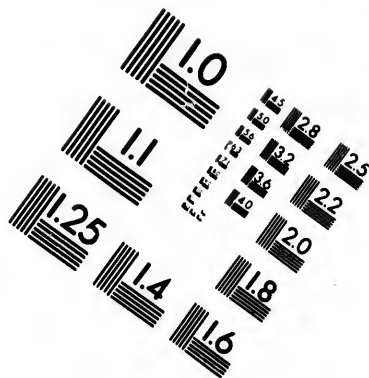
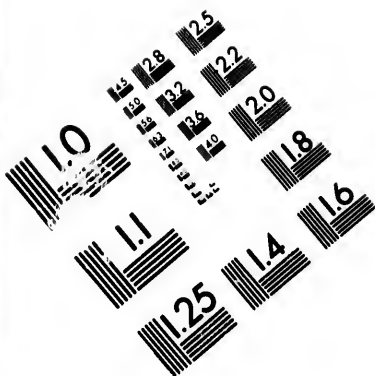
## VI. The Province of *Rio de la Plata*,

ITS East from *Tucuman*, North from *Terra Magellanica*, and South to the Country of *Amazons* and *Brasil*, which also runs along the East-side of it as far as the Mouth of *La Plata* River. 'Tis so call'd from the great River *La Plata*, which runs thro' it. This Country reaches from South Lat. 22. to 33. The greatest Extent South and North is above 1275 Miles, and the greatest Extent East and West in the North Parts, under the Tropic of *Capricorn*, is above 1000; but 'tis contracted at both Ends. 'Tis also call'd by the Name of *Platigena*. The River is likewise call'd *Paraguay* till near its Mouth, where the Name was chang'd, because of the Silver Mines, and the great Quantity of Plate found in the Country. It receives many great Rivers on both sides; and according to most Authors, rises from the Lake *Xarano* in the *Amazons* Country, South Lat. 18. and falls into the *Ethiopic* Ocean, Lat. 35. where 'tis above a hundred and five Miles broad, from Cape *St. Mateo* to Cape *St. Antonio*. And *Ozelle* says, it runs with such a mighty Stream, as makes the Sea boil for a great way. But *Father Sepp*, who was here in 1691, says, the Water at the Mouth of it is salt, and of a whitish Colour. It abounds with excellent Fish of many sorts unknown to us; they are generally larger than ours, of a dark yellow Colour, and excellent Taste. This he ascribes to the Nature of the Water, which is very sweet, much helps Digestion, even after eating raw Fruit, and never does any hurt, tho' drunk in great Quantities. *Ozelle* says, 'tis good to clear the Voice and Lungs; yet it petrifies the Branches of Trees, and other Things which fall into it; and that Vessels are naturally form'd in its Sand of various Figures, which look as if they were polish'd by Art, and keep Water very cool. The Course of it, in a direct Line, is near fourteen hundred Miles; but much more, including Turnings and Windings. This Country in general has a temperate Climate. The Soil is naturally fruitful, but little cultivated. Here are many Mines of Gold and Silver, which the *Spanish* Jesuits, who have the chief Government, know better than any others, and reap more Profit from them than all *Spain* together. The Savages are well enough shap'd, not so cruel as those in other Parts of *America*,

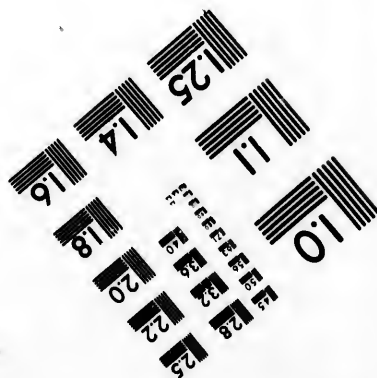
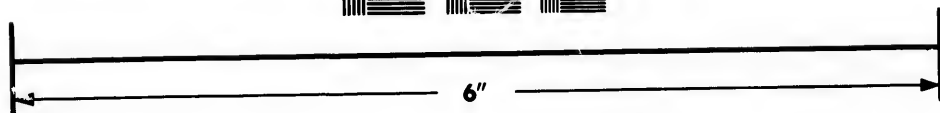
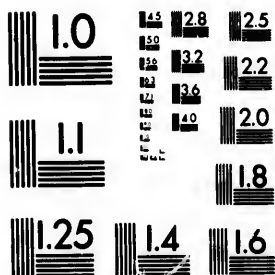
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3. The Province of *Parana* lies South-west from *Guayna*. The Air is good, and the Soil fruitful; but not cultivated, nor clear'd of the Woods with which it abounds. A River of the same Name runs thro' it, and falls into *La Plata*. It petrifies Wood, breeds Fish of a vast Bulk, and particularly abundance of Sea-Wolves. This River has several Islands, some of 'em very large. The Natives are warlike, stubborn, and very wicked. The *Spaniards* have five Settlements here; the chief of which is *Acurat*, on the West-side of the River *Parana*. It was built by the Jesuits; but is much infested with Gnats. The rest are of no Note.
4. The Province of *Paraguay* Proper lies betwixt *Chaco* and *Guayna*, reaches farthest North of any of the Provinces, is full of Morasses in the





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the North Parts, but fruitful in the South, where the Inhabitants apply themselves to Agriculture. The *Spaniards* have some Settlements here; but none of them worth describing. The Country produces abundance of Cotton, which the Women spin, and make into Clothes.

5. The Province of *Urvaig*, or *Uruguay*, lies South from *Parana* and *Guayra*, and West from *Brasil*, and reaches as far as the River *La Plata*. This Country is fruitful, produces abundance of Sugar, has a large River of its own Name, and several others which fall into it, and make it very large before it joins with that of *La Plata*. The *Spaniards* have several Towns here; the chief of which is *Assumption*, Lat. 29. Long. 52. at the Influx of another River into the *Urvaig*. 'Tis Capital of the Country, and the See of a Bishop. *St. Salvador*, in this Country, near the Mouth of the River *Negro*, where it falls into the *Urvaig*, Lat. 34. is a handsome little Town. The rest of the Country is inhabited by Savages.

6. The Province of *La Plata* Proper lies South of *Chaco*, *Parana*, and *Paraguay*, and West from *Urvaig*, or *Uruguay*; East from *Tucuman*, and North from *Terra Magellanica*. The whole Country being frequently call'd by this Name, 'tis hard to distinguish what Authors say of it in particular. The great River *La Plata* runs thro' the middle of it. *Aesta* and other *Spanish* Authors say, 'tis very fruitful, produces all sorts of *European* Fruit and Corn, besides what is proper to the Climate; and has as good and large Sugar-Canes as any in *America*. Here's excellent Pasturage, great Herds of Horses and Black Cattel, which run wild, but are very serviceable when tam'd; as also abundance of Sheep, Hogs, Deer, some Lions and Tygars, Mines of Gold and Silver, and many of Brafs and Iron. Father *Sepp*, who was here in 1691, says, the Inhabitants in general are Papists; that the native *Indians* live in thatch'd Huts of Clay, one Story high; but the *Spaniards* Houses are of Brick and Lime, and cover'd with Tiles, all which they make in the Country. Here are large Woods of Peach, Almond, and Fig-Trees, all which bear well. They have black and white Figs, very large and delicious. He says, they have Herds of Kine from thirteen to fifteen thousand. They are large, and generally white, and valued here only for their Hides. The *Spaniards* scarce take any thing but the Tongues, and leave the rest to the Natives, or for a Prey to wild Beasts. The Jesuits and other Missionaries make vast Profit of them, and send the Hides, which cost them nothing, to *Spain* by many Thousands at a time, where they yield six Crowns a-

piece. *Sepp* says, that when he was here they sent 30000 Ox-Hides to *Spain* at once. The Natives live mostly upon Beef, that they eat half-raw without Bread or Salt; which breeds Worms in their Bowels, so that they seldom live to fifty Years of Age. He tells us, that there are seventy six Cantons of Converts in this Country, from 6000 to 3000 People apiece; that they plant their Huts upon Ascents near the Rivers, which have no Windows nor Chimneys, and are intolerable smoky. They lie all together in one Room; the better fort in Hammocks, and the poorer upon the Hides of Oxen or Tygers. He says, there are two Missionaries in each Canton, who are their Cooks and Caterers, as well as Priests, and allot each Family their Share, otherwise they would devour all at once. He says, here are eighty Colleges of Monks, from a hundred to six hundred Leagues from one another, and but a hundred and sixty Persons in them all. He makes the Country call'd *La Plata* in general bigger than *Germany*, *Italy*, *France*, and the *Netherlands* together. The Missionaries have fine Churches in every Colony, richly adorn'd with abundance of Plate, and live in such Splendor and Luxury, that they suffer no Strangers or Merchants to settle among them, lest they should become the Objects of their Envy. The chief Places here are, (1.) *Buenos Ayres*, on the South-side of the River *La Plata*, Lat. 35. Long. 59. about two hundred and twenty five Miles up the River. 'Tis the Residence of a *Spanish* Governor, defended by a stone Fort with forty Guns, and garison'd by five hundred Men. It has a pretty good Harbour; but not very safe in a North or North-east Wind. The River here is seven Leagues broad, and navigable by Ships six Leagues higher; but no further, because of a Cataract. The Trade from hence to *Spain* is in Hides and Tallow, Silver from *Peru*, and Gold and Silver from *Chili*. All *European* Goods yield a good Price here. Captain *Rogers*, who was here in 1708, says, here was a Cathedral and five other Churches. *Sepp* mentions four Convents; and says, that in 1691, Silver was cheaper here than Iron. The *French*, during the late Wars, had begun to engross the Trade, and drove a considerable Commerce in Negroes from *Guinea*, which they sent from hence over Land to *Chili* and *Peru*. (2.) *Sancta Fe*, upon the Conflux of two Rivers into *La Plata*, two hundred and fifty Miles North-west from *Buenos Ayres*. The Country betwixt them is fruitful, well inhabited by *Spaniards* and *Indians*, and there are Mines of Gold and Silver in the Neighbourhood; but the *Spaniards* don't care to open them, lest it should tempt their Enemies to invade them.

## VII. B R A S I L,

**T**he most Easterly Part of *South America*, and lies upon the Mouth of the *Amazons*, at the Line to South Lat. 35. So that the Length is about 200 Miles, and the greatest Breadth East and West is near 1100. But in the South Parts, from the Tropick of *Capricorn* to the River *La Plata*, 'tis very much contracted, the greatest Breadth not exceeding 150. The Inland Parts are inhabited by barbarous Nations, very little known; and the Coasts are possess'd by the *Portuguese*. It was formerly call'd the Province of the *Holy Cross*, because discover'd on that Day in 1501 by *Alvares Cabro*, a *Portuguese*, in name of his Master. The *Dutch* made several Settlements here afterwards, but were drove out by the *Portuguese*; as they were again out of most of it by the *Dutch*, who lost it again in 1655, the *Dutch* being then at War with *England*, and not able to support their Colonies: Besides, the *Portuguese*, who had submitted to them, were very treacherous. The Air is a little hot, but healthful, and the People live long. Their Water is excellent, and the Country produces Tobacco, Cotton, Maiz, Millet, Citrons, Oranges, and other Fruit; but the chief Product is Sugar, in making of which the *Portuguese* employ vast Numbers of Negroes. Here's plenty of Cattel, and many Forests of *Brasil* Wood. The Natives are of an Olive Complexion, and a middling Stature, have big Heads, large Shoulders, and great flat Noses; and are so cruel and barbarous, that many of them eat their Prisoners. Most of them go naked; and others wear the Skins of wild Beasts. They are much inclin'd to War, love Hunting, Dancing, and Feasting; live almost without Law or Government, and couple promiscuously, except Parents and Children. They live for the most part in Woods, and lie in a sort of Hammocks fasten'd to Trees, to avoid Serpents and other venomous Beasts, with which the Country abounds. *Barleus*, a *Dutch* Author, and *Nenniff*, another, give the best Description of it; and to them we must refer for Particulars. The *Portuguese* have divided it into fifteen Captainships along the Coast, as follows:

1. The Captainship of *Pava* is the most Northerly, and lies East from the Mouth of the *Amazons* River. It produces Tobacco, Cotton, and Sugar. The *Portuguese* have two Towns here: (1.) *Pava*, or *Belon*, on

3. The Captainship of *Sicara* lies East from *Maragnan*; and part of it is inhabited by independent Savages. It furnishes Cotton, Chrystal, Precious Stones, Sugar, Salt, and several sorts of Wood. The chief Place is *Sicara*, a small Town with a Fort, at the Mouth of a River of the same Name, Lat. 4. Long. 40. They have other Settlements at *St. Sebastian* and *Coupan*; but the rest is inhabited by Savages: And the most Southern part of it, call'd *Petaguei*, is said to have rich Silver Mines.

4. The Captainship of *Rio Grande*, so call'd from a River which runs thro' it, and falls into the *Atlantick*, Lat. 6. Long. 32. The *Portuguese* have a little Town here call'd *Nual*, on the Coast; and another nam'd *Conhao* where they make great Quantities of Sugar.

5. The Captainship of *Paraiba* lies South from *Rio Grande*, has its Name from the River which crosses it, and tho' not large, is very populous. Here are Mountains cover'd with Woods. The Valleys produce Tobacco and Fruits; and the plain Country yields store of Sugar, wild Fowl, and Parrots. The *Portuguese* here are more numerous than the Savages. Their chief Settlements are at *Paraiba*, a pretty strong Town, on a River of the same Name, South Lat. 7. Long. 36. The *Dutch* formerly call'd it *Frederickstadt*, and the *Portuguese* commonly call it *S. Maria de las Nives*. It has a good Harbour, defended by four Forts.

6. *Tamaraca* lies South of *Paraiba*, and has its Name from a little Island on the Coast. Tho' 'tis the least of all the Captainships, being but two and twenty Leagues in Compass, yet 'tis the antientest, and extraordinary fruitful. The *Portuguese* have a little Town here call'd *St. Mary de la Conception*, South Lat. 8. Long. 36. It lies in the Island of *Tamaraca*, and is defended by a small Fort, to which the *Dutch* gave the Name of *Orange*.

7. *Pernambuco* lies South of *Tamaraca*, is one of the best Captainships in *Brasil*, abounds with Sugar, and has thirteen *Portuguese* Colonies, the chief of which is *Olinda*, Lat. 9. Long. 36. It stands upon a Hill, drives a great Trade, and contains above 2000 *Portuguese* Families, besides the Clergy and Slaves, who are very numerous. 'Tis the See of a Bishop Sullragan to *St. Salvador*, has many Religious Houses, and a

Merchandise from the Ships, or else carry them far about. The Churches here are fine, especially the Metropolitan, and the College of Jesuits. The Houses are of Wood, except the Custom-House, which is of Stone. *St. Salvador* is the See of an Archbishop. The *Dutch* took it, and set fire to the Magazines in 1623, when they found so much Plunder, that 'tis said the common Soldiers had 15000 Crowns a Man for their Share. But the *Portuguese* took it again about a Year after; since which they have fortified it, together with the Castle of *St. Antonio*, the Seat of the Viceroy, and of the Royal Audience and Sovereign Council. The Harbour is defended by some Forts, and well frequented, which makes it a rich trading Town. The Savages live along the River of *St. Francis*.

10. The Captainship of *Ilheos*, South of *Todos los Santos*, has the Name from one of its Rivers. It abounds with Sugar. Its chief Town is *St. George*, Lat. 16. Long. 40. It lies near the Mouth of the River *Ilheos*. They have another Settlement at *St. Cruz*, or *St. Antonio*. The rest of the Country is mostly inhabited by Savages.

11. The Captainship of *Puerto Seguro*, South of *Ilheos*, abounds in Rice, Maiz, Fruits, and Sugar. The Capital is of the same Name, Lat. 17. Long. 40.

12. The Captainship of *Spirito Santo*, South of the former, is one of the most fruitful in *Brazil*, is water'd by the Rivers of *Paraiba* and *Spirito Santo*, which soon after their Conjunction form an Island, in which there's a small City of the same Name, Lat. 21. Long. 41. The Savages inhabit the rest of Province.

13. *Rio Janeiro*, South of *Spirito Santo*. This Captainship abounds with Cotton and *Brazil* Wood, and has its Name from its principal River. The *Portuguese* took it in 1558, and built the City of *St. Sebastian* near the Mouth of the River *Janeiro*, on a Bay, in Lat. 21. Long. 24.

'Tis a Place of good Trade, and the See of a Bishop, Suffragan to *St. Salvador*. The next best Settlement which the *Portuguese* have in this Captainship is *Angra dos Reis*; but the rest of the Country is for the most part inhabited by Savages. There are some Islands near the Coast; in one of which the *French* built a Fort in 1555, but did not keep it.

14. The Captainship of *St. Vincent*, West and South-west of *Rio Janeiro*, lies under the Tropic of *Capricorn*. 'Tis a very pleasant fruitful Country, and has many Mountains, in which there are said to be Silver Mines. It has a Capital of its own Name, with a good Port in an Island, Lat. 25. Long. 45. The *Portuguese* have other Settlements here at *Santos*, *St. Amaro*, *Htauchin*, *Philippovilla*, and *St. Paul*; but the rest of the Captainship is inhabited by Savages.

15. The Captainship of *Del Rey* lies South-west from *St. Vincent*, on the Coast, as far as the River *La Plata*. It abounds with Pepper, Ginger, rich Furs, Cotton, Wool, and Wax. But we have no Account of any Towns here, most of it being inhabited by Savages; only the *Portuguese* have a Settlement on the North-side of the River *La Plata*, Lat. 35. Long. 56.

*Europeans* import into *Brazil*, in general, coarse and fine Linen Cloth, Bays, Serges, Perpetuana's, Nuts, Silk and Thred Stockings, Biscuit, Wheat Flower, Wine, Oil, Olives, Butter, Cheese, Salt, Salt Beef and Pork, Iron, and all sorts of Tools, Vessels of Pewter, Looking-Glasses, Beads, and Toys, which they exchange for Sugar, Tobacco, Snuff, Fultick, *Brazil* and other Dying Woods, raw Hides, Tallow, Train Oil of Whales, Monkeys, Parrots, and Parokites. The *Portuguese* have small Vessels that trade to *Guinea* with Rum, Sugar, Cotton Cloth, Beads, and bring good Returns in Gold, Ivory, and Slaves.

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and North from *Terra Magellanica*. The whole Country being frequently call'd by this Name, 'tis hard to distinguish what Authors say of it in particular. The great River *La Plata* runs thro the middle of it. *Acosta* and other *Spanijh* Authors say, 'tis very fruitful, produces all sorts of *European* Fruit and Corn, besides what is proper to the Climate; and has as good and large Sugar-Canes as any in *America*. Here's excellent Pasturage, great Herds of Horses and Black Cattel, which run wild, but are very serviceable when tam'd; as also abundance of Sheep, Hogs, Deer, some Lions and Tygars, Mines of Gold and Silver, and many of Brass and Iron. Father *Sepp*, who was here in 1691, says, the Inhabitants in general are Papists; that the native *Indians* live in thatch'd Huts of Clay, one Story high; but the *Spaniards* Houses are of Brick and Lime, and cover'd with Tiles, all which they make in the Country. Here are large Woods of Peach, Almond, and Fig-Trees, all which bear well. They have black and white Figs, very large and delicious. He says, they have Herds of Kine from thirteen to fifteen thousand. They are large, and generally white, and valued here only for their Hides. The *Spaniards* scarce take any thing but the Tongues, and leave the rest to the Natives, or for a Prey to wild Beasts. The Jesuits and other Missionaries make vast Profit of them, and send the Hides, which cost them nothing, to *Spain*: by many Thousands at a time, where they yield six Crowns a-

luxury, that they suffer no Strangers or Merenants to traffic among them, lest they should become the Objects of their Envy. The chief Places here are, (1.) *Buenos Ayres*, on the South-side of the River *La Plata*, Lat. 35. Long. 59. about two hundred and twenty five Miles up the River. 'Tis the Residence of a *Spanijh* Governor, defended by a stone Fort with forty Guns, and garison'd by five hundred Men. It has a pretty good Harbour; but not very safe in a North or North-east Wind. The River here is seven Leagues broad, and navigable by Ships six Leagues higher; but no further, because of a Cataract. The Trade from hence to *Spain* is in Hides and Tallow; Silver from *Peru*, and Gold and Silver from *Chili*. All *European* Goods yield a good Price here. Captain *Rogers*, who was here in 1708, says, here was a Cathedral and five other Churches. *Sepp* mentions four Convents; and says, that in 1691, Silver was cheaper here than Iron. The *French*, during the late Wars, had begun to engross the Trade, and drove a considerable Commerce in Negroes from *Guinea*, which they sent from hence over Land to *Chili* and *Peru*. (2.) *Santa Fe*, upon the Conflux of two Rivers into *La Plata*, two hundred and fifty Miles North-west from *Buenos Ayres*. The Country betwixt them is fruitful, well inhabited by *Spaniards* and *Indians*, and there are Mines of Gold and Silver in the Neighbourhood; but the *Spaniards* don't care to open them, lest it should tempt their Enemies to invade them.



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1. The Captainship of *Pava* is the most Northerly, and lies East from the Mouth of the *Amazon* River. It produces Tobacco, Cotton, and Sugar. The *Portuguese* have two Towns here: (1.) *Pava*, or *Belem*, on a Branch of the *Amazon* River, South Lat. 2. Long. 49. (2.) *Combray*, on the same River, fifty Miles further South. There are about six hundred *Portuguese* in this Captainship. The rest is inhabited by Savages of several Nations.

2. The Captainship of *Maragnan*, East from *Pava*, has its Name from its chief River. The Air is healthful, the Soil fruitful, abounds with *Brasil* Wood, Saffron, Cotton, Laque, Balm, Tobacco, and Sugar; and Ambergreese is sometimes found on the Coast. The chief Places are, (1.) *Tabicoru*, or *Igarupe*, a little Island at the Mouth of the River *Maragnan*, South Lat. 3. Long. 45. 'Tis forty five Leagues round, and has a Town call'd *St. Philip*. 'Tis well fortified, has a good Trade, and is the See of a Bishop Suffragan of *St. Salvador*. Here are also twenty five Villages well peopled. The rest of the Captainship is for the most part inhabited by Savages.

3. The Captainship of *Siara* lies East from *Maragnan*; and part of it is inhabited by independent Savages. It furnishes Cotton, Chrystal, Precious Stones, Sugar, Salt, and several sorts of Wood. The chief Place is *Siara*, a small Town with a Fort, at the Mouth of a River of the same Name, Lat. 4. Long. 40. They have other Settlements at *St. Sebastian* and *Coupan*; but the rest is inhabited by Savages: And the most Southern part of it, call'd *Petaguei*, is said to have rich Silver Mines.

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8. *Seregippe*, or *Cirigi*, lies South of *Pernambuco*. This Captainship is made an Island by the River of *St. Francis*, whose South Branch is call'd *Real*. The chief Place here is the little Town of *Seregippe del Rey*, or *St. Christopher*, on the River of *Vazarbaries*, with the Fort or Settlement of *St. Antonio*, South Lat. 11. Long. 39. The rest of the Country is inhabited by Savages.

9. *Labia todos los Santos*, or the Captainship of *All Saints Bay*, is without Dispute the most populous, and the richest of all *Brasil*. It lies South from *Seregippe*. Its chief Town is *St. Salvador*, Lat. 14. Long. 39. with a Harbour on the Bay, two hundred Toises from the Town, which stands on the top of a Hill, so rugged towards the Sea, that on that side 'tis inaccessible, and they are forc'd to crane up

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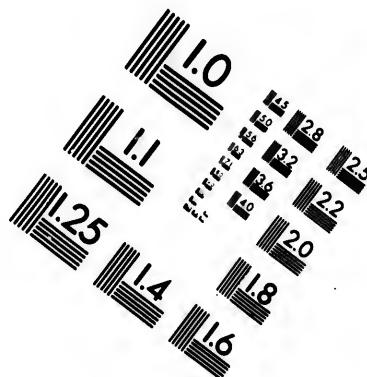
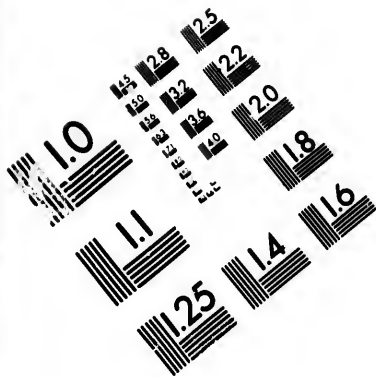
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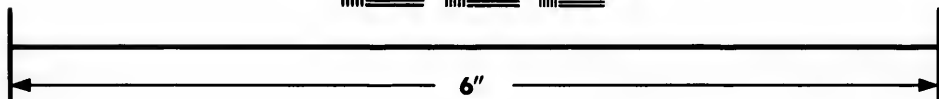
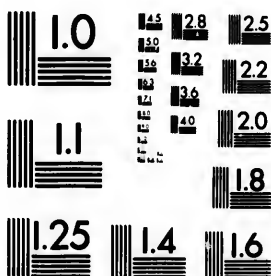


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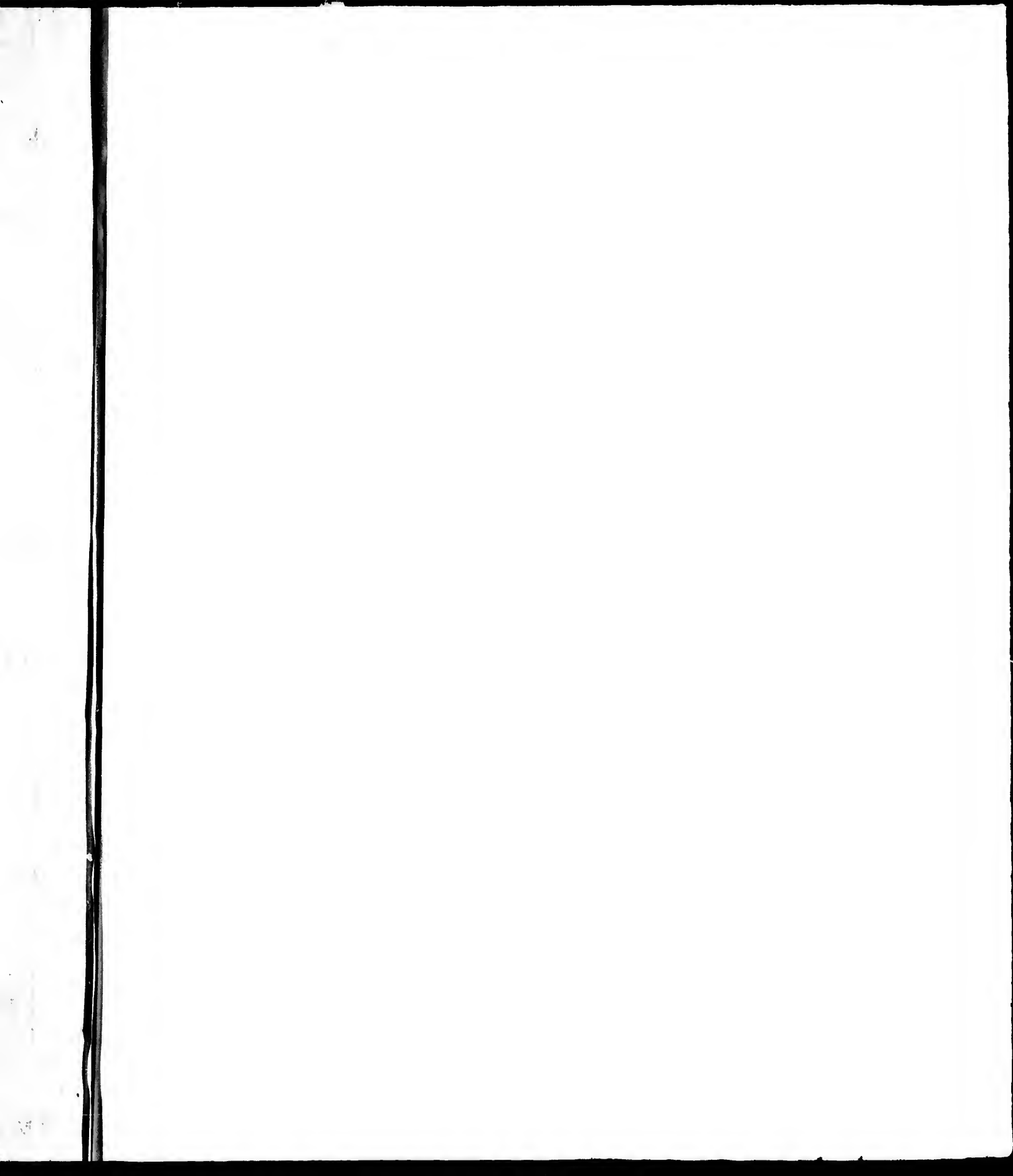
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