

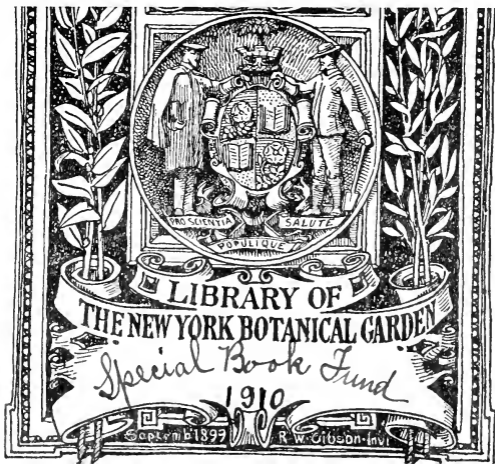
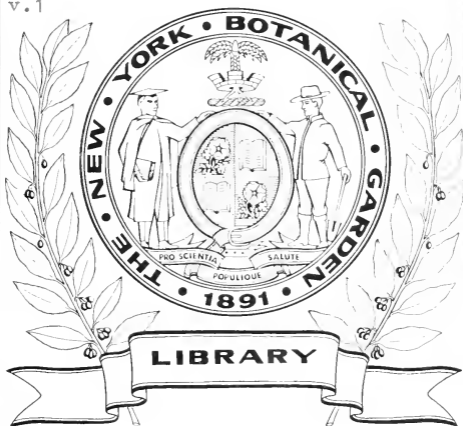


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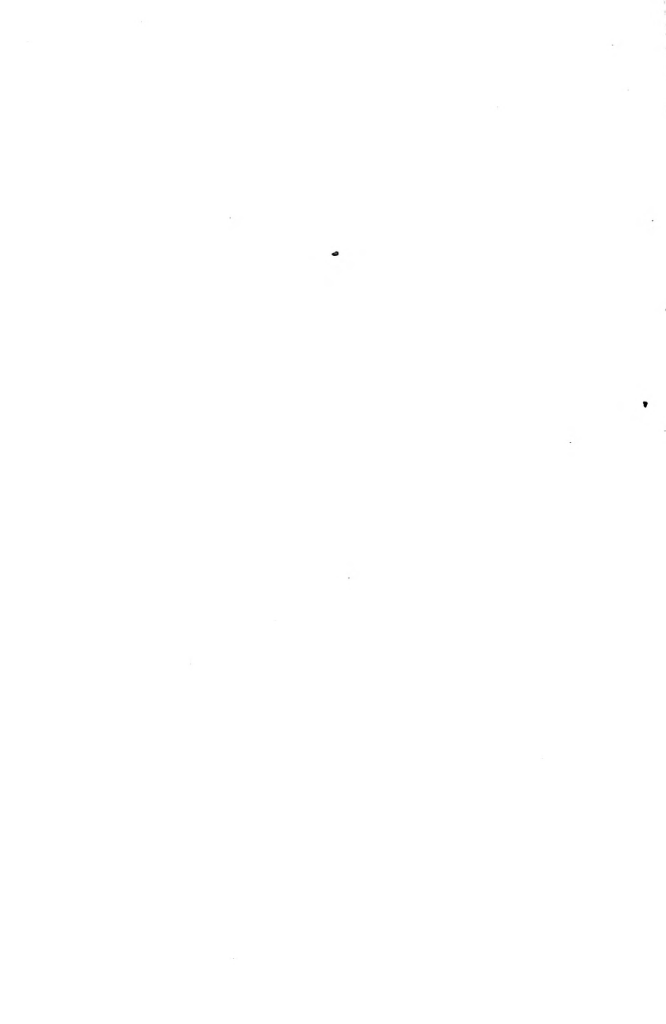
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TO  
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OF  
DOWNING, in FLINTSHIRE.

DEAR SIR,

**T**HE peculiar obligations your goodness has laid me under, have left me no room to hesitate one moment in the choice of a patron for this publication.

THIS work was undertaken with your approbation, enriched by you with many important additions; and has often been the subject of our conversation.

BUT my obligations to you are not confined to the assistance you have afforded me in this present work: by your favour, I, who was an utter stranger to  
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this country, have been introduced to a number of munificent and worthy friends, whose acquaintance is both my honour and my happiness.

THE similitude of our studies was what first recommended me to your notice; but your humanity was engaged to receive me to a nearer intimacy from a circumstance, which too frequently would have been the cause of neglect: the distresses I labour under affected your heart, and excited you to remove them in a most tender and benevolent manner.

HAVING no other way to express the strong impressions it has made on me, I beg leave to prefix your name to these Voyages; and thus publicly to acknowledge your great and most seasonable favours. But I will say no more on this subject; well knowing, that thanks are often least pleasing where they are most due. Permit me, however, to offer up the most sincere and earnest wishes of a  
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grateful heart for your happiness. May you and your family long enjoy, in full measure, all the blessings of life; and may these be heightened by the continuance of every intellectual and moral pleasure. And while you are distinguished even amongst foreigners, as a patron and promoter of learning, especially of natural history; may you continue to have in your own country the honour and pleasure of being a father to the afflicted and necessitous.

I am,

with the truest regard,

Dear SIR,

Your most obedient

humble servant,

JOHN REINHOLD FORSTER.

Warrington,  
Dec. 1, 1770.

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EDITOR'S PREFACE.

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**T**O a nation so enlightened as the *English*, the following translation can hardly be unacceptable, and therefore I might well have been excused the common appendage of a preface; but as there are many particulars relative to the author, which may contribute to stamp a value on this work, I shall briefly state them without any farther apology.

THE author, Mr. OSBECK, chaplain to an *East India* ship of *Sweden* (his native country),

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was a pupil of the great LINNÆUS, whose name alone is a sufficient encomium. He followed punctually and literally the rules prescribed by his excellent tutor in his *Instructio Peregrinatoris*. Nothing escaped the attention of Mr. OSBECK. The history, the antiquities, the religion, the manners, the dress, the character, the policy, the government, the military and civil establishments of the country, were equally objects of his attention; and what is very remarkable, and will of course prejudice this nation in favour of our author, is, that we find the judgment of Lord ANSON about the *Chinese* confirmed and justified in his observations on the character of that nation.

THE merchant will find a minute and accurate account of many commodities brought from the East, with an exact delineation of the whole commerce of *China*. The œconomist and husbandman will find many useful and agreeable remarks in Mr. OSBECK's and Mr. ECKEBERG's accounts, which might be considered as good hints even in this country, where

where agriculture and husbandry have been improved both in theory and in practice, to the great emolument of the inhabitants; while many facts here related are applicable to the *English* colonies and plantations. In short, the reader will find many remarks in the course of this work, that will assist him in the study of medicine, history, geography, and almost every other branch of learning.

BUT the natural historian will find the richest treasures in this useful performance; and as a taste for this branch of knowledge begins very justly to attract the attention of this nation, and to spread so universally that it even finds the protection of persons of the highest quality, and the patronage of the fairer sex: I thought my leisure hours could not be better bestowed, than on a translation of a work of so general utility.

HASSELQUIST's journey to *Egypt* and *Palestine* has very deservedly had the approbation of the nation, in its *English* dress; and confirmed the high opinion which the public

had before conceived of Professor LINNÆUS and his pupils; and it may be hoped, this performance will recommend itself equally to the reader, from the uncommon variety of objects described, and the usefulness of the author's remarks.

A WORD or two I must say in regard to the translation, which is made from the *German*, and not from the original *Swedish*; but as Mr. OSBECK not only revised the *German* translation, but also made some additions to it which are not found in the original *Swedish* edition, it is rather an advantage to the work than a prejudice. It was translated into *German* by Mr. J. GODLIEB GEORGI, under the direction of Dr. DANIEL SCHREBER <sup>a</sup>, who both understood the *Swedish* language perfectly well, having studied at *Upsal* for many years. The latter was a pupil and friend of LINNÆUS, and well known for many useful publications in œconomy, husbandry, and natural

<sup>a</sup> Dr. *Schreber* has enriched this work with several remarks, which are marked at the end with D. S. and those of the editor with an F.

history, and particularly a botanical and œconomical description of grasses<sup>b</sup>.

As I have met with great encouragement and generous assistance in the translation of this work, from many gentlemen of great worth, whose names would be an ornament, was I permitted to mention them; I take this opportunity to acknowledge in a public manner the great obligations I feel myself under; and that the remembrance of them will not be obliterated, but will ever fill my heart with the warmest sentiments of gratitude.

<sup>b</sup> The first part of this work, already published, contains twenty coloured plates, and twenty-seven different grasses, with a large introduction to the study of this branch of botany: and very accurate descriptions of each kind, together with remarks on the cultivation, uses, and soil proper for each species.





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P R E F A C E

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Mr. O S B E C K.

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**I**N the year 1750 I was chosen by the *Swedish East India* company, to perform the functions of a chaplain to a ship going to the *East Indies*; that is, to read prayers in the morning and evening, to confess the people, to administer the Lord's supper, to catechise, to visit the sick, to bury the dead, and to preach on *Sundays* and Holidays.

So tedious a voyage required some amusement: during all intermissions from our ordi-

nary business. Every one chose something adapted to his taste ; for my part I found nothing that could entertain more innocently both myself during the voyage, and my friends after my return, than natural history.

THE instruction I drew from the lectures which I had attended in this science at *Upsal*, obliged me to be grateful. I returned without any money ; more of which I could have employed during my voyage in the gratification of my thirst after knowledge : for I knew that to so learned a man, as LINNÆUS, I could no how express my obligations so well as by specimens of natural history.

I KEPT for my own amusement a journal of every thing worthy of observation during my voyage ; from this I gave him some descriptions of new plants found in *Spain*, *China*, and other places, which were immediately incorporated into that capital botanical book then printing under the title of *Species Plantarum*, and with which my names of plants agree <sup>c</sup>.

<sup>c</sup> The author's animals are also admitted into the *Systema Naturæ*, edit. 12; and where *Linn.* thought proper to alter the genus, his names are quoted as synonyms.

In his letters from time to time he put me in mind of publishing the account of my voyage; but I always opposed it, as believing that such descriptions could only please naturalists, or lovers of natural history; but all my objections were surmounted by the advice of other learned men, and especially by the order of a great personage, for whom I shall always retain the greatest deference. The following sheets however ought to be considered as written at first merely for my own amusement.

DURING the course of our voyage, I observed the latitude at all opportunities, and have so described several fish and birds, that if they should occur to others they may be known by them though they had never seen them before. Some which I have only seen at a distance, I have (till further examination) only mentioned under the name which the sailors generally give them in the latitude, where they either stay for a season or throughout the whole year. I have remarked swallows and other birds when they approached our ship, that by a variety of observations of that kind,

we may become better acquainted with the history of their migrations.

DURING my stay in *China* and other foreign places, I have been exceedingly attentive to the exterior aspect of the inhabitants, their dress, customs, religion, manner of subsistence, trade, &c. but especially to the condition of the country, the soil, the quadrupeds, amphibia, fish, birds, insects; likewise the trees, herbs, plants, feeds, &c. of which I have brought a good many with me. Most new plants and other natural bodies I have described in Latin<sup>d</sup>, that foreigners might likewise avail themselves of these descriptions: but some few run in my mother tongue, on account of those who understand no other. I have marked the particular spot in which I found every plant, such as plain, mountain, valley, whether in shade, &c. because an ignorance of such circumstances frequently frustrates the labour and expence used in the cultivation of foreign plants.

<sup>d</sup> In the *German* translation these descriptions are not in Latin, for which reason I have translated them into *Englisch*.

I HAVE shewn, that most foreign nations, and especially the *Chinese*, live for the greatest part on fruits, roots, and plants, and that they cultivate such plants in their marshes, as will not succeed in other places: we might also find sufficient provision among our own spontaneous plants. The *Chinese* instruct their children in a religion both irrational and pagan, yet the principal objects of their education are morality and œconomy.

IN some places I have taken notice of things not uncommon in *Sweden*; which are however worthy of remark, because they are found in such distant climates, where every thing else is different: from hence we might at least draw some useful conclusions.

WE are used to ask what a thing is good for? And often rashly think, that alone useful, which serves for medicine, cloaths, and food: as if the eye had no claim to its gratifications, and as if what is agreeable was not connected with what is useful. The dresses  
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and utensils of distant countries are admired and carefully collected; why should not then the works of the Creator deserve at least an equal degree of attention?

THE observations which I have made in several places, especially such as were much frequented, are short and inartificial: and it will appear from my style, in how languid a manner the pen performs its office amidst the scorching heat of the *Chinese* shores, where, to avoid the suspicion of the people, I frequently wrote with my hand in my pocket, on a pocket book. Let every reader consider my situation, and apply the case to himself. The hurry of the press has excluded some additions<sup>c</sup> which I intended to have made.

I ONLY wish that my observations may procure half as much approbation from the world, as they have cost me trouble and attention. I ventured on shore at the island of *Java*, where the woods are filled with tigers and crocodiles; and hazarded my life in *China*; (where

<sup>c</sup> These additions were inserted by Mr. *Osbek* himself in the *German* translation, which is here followed.

the heat of the sun on barren hills, robbers on the roads, and petulant children in back streets, are continually annoying a foreigner); and landed on the island of *Ascension*, where the sun hatches the eggs of the tortoises, and in a short time ruins the constitution of the most healthy. On the whole, however, I have no reason to be sorry for my voyage, from the kind reception with which the directors of the *East India* company have honoured me on my return: the same year they gave me leave to go on a second voyage, which some intervening obstacles obliged me to lay aside.

I HAVE added the letters of the late chaplain of the Gothic Lion, Mr. *Toreen*, to my journal. This person died soon after his return from *Suratte*; but deserves always to be remembered by his friends, on account of his learning and integrity. Other *Swedes* (desirous of extending knowledge) are ready also to publish accounts of their travels, would but the affluent give encouragement to those who endeavour to be useful to the public on their voyages, by promoting discoveries in natural history

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history or œconomy. But for this purpose expensive books are required, and money is very necessary for the voyage; on proper occasions, I have expended not only my salary, but the voluntary contributions of my protectors, whose munificence will always make the deepest impression on my mind.

*Stockholme,*  
*25th of April, 1757.*

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PETER OSBECK'S  
VOYAGE to CHINA.

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G O T H E N B U R G H.

North latitude,  $57^{\circ} 42'$ ; and  $6^{\circ}$  west longitude from Upsal.

The year 1750.

November the 18th.

FROM Gothenburgh (where the Swedish East India company's ships are fitted out, and to which place they have always returned, ever since the year 1731, when they obtained the first charter for carrying on this trade)

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trade) I went to *Vargoe Hoala*, in very bad weather, the place where the East India ships usually anchor, when *Riff* and *Fool*, and the other creeks in the Gothenburgh rocks, are filled with ice; by which means they avoid the inconvenience of sawing the ice in order to clear their passage. The above place, which derives its name from the Isle of *Vargoe*, or the *Isle of Wolves*, is a Swedish mile<sup>a</sup> and a half from Gothenburgh. I made this journey by land as far as *Hinsbolm*, and there went on-board the *Prince Charles*, which was the first three-deck ship employed by Sweden in the East-India-trade. It was lately built at Stockholm, and its bulk was 390 tons; it was manned with 132 men, almost ready to set sail, and bound for *Canton* in *China*.

WOOD is much wanted in this country; and for this reason the pilots, and all the other islanders, are obliged to buy this commodity in town, where of late its price is greatly risen; or to burn turf, which is dug in parallelipedes, as it was formerly in *Holland*. In

<sup>a</sup> Eleven Swedish miles make one degree; consequently two miles are  $12\frac{6}{10}$ , or still nearer  $12\frac{7}{10}$  English miles. F.

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this province turf was not common so early as 1670, so that the citizens of *Falkenberg* and *Labolm* petitioned for the free importation of it, but were refused. In 1672, the town of *Labolm* obtained, that the turf dug in that district should pay no duty. At present the turf is managed in Holland in a different manner from what it was before: which method the peasants of *Fiaré* learnt only 30 years since from the inhabitants of *Salkenberg* and *Wardberg*; it is thus done. As soon as the farmer has sown the summer corn, he goes to the turf-moor: the first comer takes the best place: several parishes divide a moor amongst themselves. They at first take off the green sods, as far as the roots of heath and grass reach: they then pour water upon the turf mould, and dig it out by little and little, till they reach a sandy soil. In the middle of the moor they may dig a fathom deep, but not so deep on the sides. The hole is made sloping on two sides, so that they may drive into it with a horse and cart. The mud is then carried out of the hole upon the field, there spread with the spade to the thickness of three or four inches, and cut cross-ways, so that it may be broken into quadrangular pieces. But those

who desire to have their turf still harder, squeeze the mud, whilst soft, into round pieces resembling loaves, and let them dry in the fields, laying them close by one another. The turf which is grown a little harder is laid in heaps, yet so that the wind may pass through, and is sheltered from rain. In summer, the turf is carried home, put under a roof, and used in brewing, baking, boiling, and for warming rooms. The turf soil is either reddish, brown, or black, all which is equally good according to the account of the peasants; but they add, first, that the turf must never be mixed with sand, which increases its bad smell; secondly, it must not be mixed with clay, which hinders it from burning; and thirdly, it must be clear of all wood and great roots, because the ground about them is always very loose. They commonly find the best moors in large fields, because the roots moulder better there than in woods, and the water is more easily carried off. Often the best turf soil is found upon moors where heath grows. This plant is always to be met with in good turf-moors, where the wind blows freely, and where other plants are mouldered

mouldered away <sup>b</sup>; as we find in Holland, and other countries, which are in want of woods, and where turf has been in use for a long time. Yet I know that the soil in such mosses or moors, where heath is not yet rooted, is used also for turf, especially where there is no choice. It has been observed, that turf-earth is a sort of soil produced from mouldered plants; and seems to consist chiefly of a mouldered, red moss, *Sphagnum palustre*, Linn. which in Westrogothia is called *hwætare Moss* (and from this probably the mosses, *Mossier*, take their name; which else are called *Myror*, perhaps from *Myror*, ants, or pismires, for they frequently are met with in this moss); I myself found this moss in a woody moor, every where at a fathom's depth, and always fresh.

<sup>b</sup> *Erica*, heath, never grows in turf moors before they are quite dry; for it cannot bear wet, and often perishes when the place where it grows is under water, as Dr. *Linnaeus* has observed in his *Iter Scanicum*. But the *Erica myricæ folio hirsuta*, Baub. pin. 485. grows in marshy mosses and moors; and I have found this variety of heath (which is uncommon in Germany) in Mecklenburgh, amongst the *ledum palustre*, or marsh cistus, and the *vaccinium uliginosum*, great bilberry bush. But in what manner the common smooth heath changes into this rough sort is unknown to me, and is worthy of farther enquiry. D. S.

December 6th, 61° 14' N. L.

THE *Færoe* isles, which we saw this morning, looked as gloomy as the weather of this season. You scarce see any thing else than high mountains covered with snow, a cloudy sky, and a roaring sea. These islands belong to Denmark, which provides them with corn; and the islanders, who are said to be very industrious, re-pay it with stockings, waistcoats, gloves, quilts, and train-oil, &c.; for breeding of sheep and fishing are their principal trades. It is said, that they catch a great many *wbales*; that they eat dry cod-fish instead of bread; and that they put their sheep-tallow under ground, in order to use it afterwards as butter or oil.

December 9th, 60° 10' N. L.

WE thought to have passed in the night-time, *Rochelle*, a small island about the size of a ship.

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December 19th, 56<sup>o</sup> 42' N. L.

OUR seamen gave the name of *Northcaper* to a sort of whale which is discovered by its throwing up the water; it is *Delphinus orca*, or the *Grampus*. The Danish missionary *Hans Egede* speaks thus of it, in his treatise called *Gamle Greenlands nye perlustration* (or a New Review of old Greenland): "The species of  
 "whales called the Northcaper derives its  
 "name from the North Cape, in Norway,  
 "where they are numerous; yet they are  
 "likewise found about Iceland, Greenland,  
 "and other countries; for they look for the  
 "places where herrings and other small fish  
 "are in plenty, and often a ton of herrings  
 "have been found in the stomach of such a  
 "whale. The Northcaper is very like the  
 "*Balæna physalus*, or fin-fish, which being a  
 "very nimble fish goes into the open sea, as  
 "if it were afraid of becoming a prey to its  
 "enemies if it approached the coasts. This  
 "kind has a more solid fat, and its whalebone  
 "is not so long and good as that of the for-  
 "mer, and therefore is seldom pursued." For  
 a further account, see Klein. Hist. Piscium,  
 Miss. II. p. 12. *Balæna Borealis*, *Northcaper*.

The year 1751.

January 1st, 36° 35' N. L.

IN the forenoon we saw *Cape Vincent*, a promontory in Spain. The flores appeared high and white, and the ever-green trees made the country look very fine.

January 4th.

THE *Granate mountain* shewed itself to the right at a great distance, on account of its prodigious height.

THE *Rock St. Pedro*, which was to the right, was quite fresh in our memories, on account of the ship called *Svecker*, which the crown of Sweden had designed for a present to the Turkish Emperor, but was lost here in November 1738, when Captain Wagenfeld, was conducting her to Constantinople. Of the artillery which was recovered out of the water, six brass cannon and a mortar are still to be seen at Cadiz, all inscribed with the name and arms of that most glorious King  
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Charles the Twelfth and are kept there for the Swedish service.

WHITE *gulls* and *herring gulls* (*Larus canus et fuscus*) were here in such flights, as if they would dispute with the fishermen about their right of fishing.

THE greater and lesser *Porcos* are two rocks on the starboard, at the entrance of the port of Cadiz: we happily passed by them. When the water is low, they are very conspicuous; but when it is high, they are known by the breakers only.

ST. *Sebastian's* is a castle upon a little island near Cadiz, which, with two other castles, serve to defend this town.

THE *Gulf of Cadiz*, or the Road, is well known under the name of the Spanish-bay, where the ships of many nations yearly come, and where we likewise cast anchor after a six weeks voyage, and having suffered a great storm. After saluting, we were welcomed by several of our countrymen. We saw *Cadiz* and *Puerto real*, on the bay; *Puerto de Sancta Maria*

*Maria* directly opposite Cadiz, and *Rota* further on towards the sea.

THE *Quarantine-boat* (or *practic-boat*, as the Swedes call it) was a sloop covered with green, which was rowed by twelve men, and in it were two or three gentlemen of the college of health in Cadiz. After the sloop had joined our vessel, they asked whence the ship came? what was her name, and that of her captain? how many men she had? &c. The answers they received were written down upon paper. We likewise shewed them our ship's journal, and told them that they would find in it the name and manner of the death of a man that was killed by a fall. They took the journal with them on shore, in order to shew it to the college; but first ordered us to let none go out of the ship before they had obtained leave: for this reason we put a goose upon our fore-top-mast, which is a sign of a ship's keeping the quarantine.

January the 13th, and the following days.

I SAW on-board a Swedish ship some orfelle, or oricelle (*Lichen roccella*), a species of moss

which grows upon the Canary Islands, especially on Teneriff; and I was told that it sold in Leghorn at two dollars copper coin <sup>c</sup> per pound, and that it was used to dye red with.

THE climate here is not very agreeable, for the heat obliges the inhabitants to keep within doors on the finest summer days, to sleep during the day, and to go out at night. Without doors the heat is very disagreeable; and from May to the middle of October they must suffer a great deal from gnats,

SEA plants are very scarce along the shores here, whereas the Swedish shore has all sorts of fuci, conservæ, &c. in plenty.

CADIZ *miol'ya* is a suburb without the city walls, where all travellers land that come to town by water. In this part are two columns of white marble, erected by the governor of the city during the reign of Philip the Fifth, as expressed in the inscription. Besides this, there is a watch-house for the soldiers, and a little custom-house.

<sup>c</sup> About 11d. English.

THERE are two gates in this approach, one for those that enter, and the other for those that go out. Both of them have draw-bridges, guarded with some soldiers; and about those are a number of lynx-eyed *visitors* (or custom-house officers) dressed in a sort of wide jackets, called *Casa guillas* in Spanish, which are used in this country as riding-coats. Under these coats they are said to have always a brace of loaded pistols, for their defence. The usual dress of their countrymen are these brown coats and flapping hats. They can make signs to one another through the gates if any thing happens; and they are obliged to look very strictly with regard to all unlawful importation or exportation, particularly that of money, which must pay somewhat *per cent*. Those that go out are visited with a strictness beyond description; as I once wanted to get out of the gate in great haste, with my pockets full of stones, it occasioned a suspicion in one of the visitors, who, in an earnest manner, put his hands into my pockets, and looking at me with a threatening countenance, searched every thing very carefully; but finding nothing but stones, he only smiled at my folly. To im-  
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port tobacco and snuff is capital, or at least the person who imports it is condemned to the galleys for life: but they except that which the Spaniards bring from their American colonies. A snuff-box therefore, if full of snuff, may occasion great trouble to the bearer.

CADIZ, or *Cadix*, or, as the English sometimes call it, *Cales*, is the principal sea-port in Spain; it contains a great number of inhabitants, is situated on the sea-shore of the province of Andalusia, at the extremity of an island, in 36 deg. 33 min. north latitude and 23 deg. 45 min. west longitude from Upsal. The city is surrounded with fine gardens and fortifications, and is said to have three hundred brass cannon <sup>d</sup>.

<sup>d</sup> The origin and antiquities of this town are described by *Juan Baptista Suarez de Salazar*, in his *Antigüedades de la ciudad de Cadiz*, 1610, quarto, 317 pages; and afterwards in the *Emporio de el orbe, Cadiz ilustrada, investigación de sus antiguas grandezas, discursada en concurso de el general imperio de España por el R. P. F. Geronimo de la concepcion, religioso descalzo de el order de nuestra Señora de el Carmine, y gaditano de origen, que la dedica a la muy noble y muy leal ciudad de Cadiz*, Amsterd. fol. 1680, 663 pages: the price of it here at Cadiz is four pesos duros, that is, about seventeen shillings and six pence sterling.

THE walls, and most of the houses in this town, are made of a sort of stone which they call *Selleria*, and which is

*TOPHUS particulis testaccis, argilla & arena coadunatus*, or a mixture of shells, clay, and sand. It is said that the before mentioned rocks *Porcos* consist of this stone. It is broken on the sea-shore and carried from the *miol'ya* (when the tide is low) in high carts to the town; and those pieces which are too heavy to be put into the cart are fastened with ropes below it. The stone is soft in cutting, and therefore very proper to build with, as it hardens by time. The inner terras of the wall, to which a staircase leads on the right hand side of the gates, is covered with Dutch clinkers \*, and as broad and even as the finest road. From thence you survey with pleasure (over the outward part of the wall, which is about four feet higher and very narrow) the ships riding at anchor, going out and coming in: among the first, is the silver-fleet. Towards the city you behold a street where salads,

\* Clinkers are a species of Dutch bricks.

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roots, and all sorts of fruits, are exposed for sale, winter and summer.

THE Spaniards make ropes and cables, for ships and other uses, of a certain grass which they call *Sparto*. This is the *Stipa tenacissima*, Linn. or *Spartum herba Plinii*, Clus. Hist. 2. p. 220. which is said to grow in wet places <sup>f</sup>. The ropes they make of it are so durable, that they need not be tarred; but the Spaniards dry and spin it without preparation, contrary to what we are used to do with our hemp. This might, perhaps, furnish hints to us to look out for some of our own wild grasses in order to employ them in the same manner, and we might make a beginning with the *Elymus arenarius*. The Spanish mats which are brought to Sweden are made of the same *Sparto*.

OLIVE trees (*Olea Europæa*) and white poplars (*Populus alba*) are planted on both sides the ramparts, and are watered by subterraneous pipes. Thus the city has the ad-

<sup>f</sup> Linnæus in his *Species Plantarum*, and Loeffling in his *Journey through Spain* say it grows on the sandy hills of Spain.

vantage of a garden's being within her walls; and therefore every one, if he choofes, can at once enjoy the pleasure of living in town and country. The road which goes further on will foon be adorned in the fame manner. The ramparts were, in all other places, of an equal breadth, and covered with fand, which makes it very eafy walking round the town.

ON the ramparts, and even in other places, wooden croffes were erected.

THE beggars were every where crying, *Una limoneta por el amor de Dios y por las benditas almas à este pobre*, or fome fuch other petition for God's or for the Saints' fakes.

THE foldiers upon the ramparts diverted themfelves with fifhing, when the tide was in. My defire of contemplating their art a little nearer was frustrated; as I experienced now, and at other times, that foreigners are not permitted to ftand ftill upon the ramparts, to look about them.

THE country fide has ftill higher walls; and its ditches, ramparts, and batteries, are more  
curious



curious than I can describe, and are daily improving.

THE market near the above mentioned sea gate, as well as a street on the right hand of it along the high walk, are always well provided with victuals in bags, &c. and every person cries what he has to sell; thus, one cries *Castanas calientas y cocidas*, boiled warm chestnuts; another has a mug of water upon his back and a glass in his hand, and cries *Agua del Puerto*, water from Port St. Mary.

FISH, in particular salted sea-fish, were sold in vast quantities in this market; and I heard them cry more than thirty different sorts.

THE houses, as well private as public, are built of the above mentioned stone (*Tophus*), and sometimes of limestone. They are generally two or three stories high, and have balconies which have no windows, except in the houses of people of quality, and are provided, instead of them, with two shutters, which are opened when you want to let in the day-light, or to look at the great crowd of people passing by. On these balconies they put their stone

water-jugs, in which the water used in the house keeps best.

FLOWER-pots, with rue, rosemarys, &c. are likewise ranged in the same place. The houses of the people of condition are built round a square: at the second story on the inside, a gallery goes quite round, except on one side, where they usually have a little garden, out of which the *Passiflora cœrulea* creeps over the second-story windows; where, upon particular stands, are seen cypresses (*Cupressus sempervirens*), *Capsicum frutescens*, lemon and orange trees, &c. which are likewise to be found below in the little gardens.

THE rooms are very high, white washed, and without tapestry or painting, but generally ornamented with portraits and gilt furniture.

THEY keep the species of parrot called *Psittacus garrulus*, canary birds (*Fringilla Canaria*), red-legged partridges (*Tetrao rufus*),

\* We bought such pots with flowers, to put upon the deck, for three pieces of eight each.

*Loxia*

*Loxia violacea*, and cardinal birds (*Loxia cardinalis*), which latter were said to eat the above mentioned *Capficum frutescens*.

STOVES and chimnies are as much unknown in this country as frost and snow.

FLOORS and roofs are made of bricks and tiles. The former are covered with mats made of *Sparto*<sup>h</sup>. The rafters, laths, and tiles or slates of the roof are by no means concealed, and are rather disadvantageous to the beauty of the house, was this mode not in some measure justified by the use resulting from it, and did it not increase the height of the rooms.

THE roofs are flat, and it is very agreeable walking upon them. They are most commonly adorned with flower-pots on the sides, which make them look like gardens; in the pots are queen's stock-july-flowers (*Cheiranthus incanus*); but where these are wanting, their places are supplied by maple-leaved blite (*Chenopodium hybridum*), chickweed (*Alfina media*), common sow-thistle (*Sonchus oleraceus*); and besides this *Parietaria Lu-*

<sup>h</sup> See page 15.

*sitanica*. Where the water gathers on the roofs, *Bryum murale* and navel-wort (*Cotyledon umbilicus*) are found; and on dry walls *Lichen parietinus*.

TOWERS without spires are put upon several roofs: they have four sides, a height of some yards, and command a fine view of the town and the ships.

IN the houses of consuls, the colours are hoisted upon such towers at the arrival of ships.

THE doors are high, commonly folding ones, and in the inner apartments often without locks.

THE gates are shut in the houses of people of rank, with a latch on the inside without any handle; but on the outside is a little bell: when this is pulled, the porter opens the gate from the balcony by a string, which pulls up the latch, and thus opens one half of the gates, which shuts of itself, by means of weights, as soon as the porter lets go the string. But if any one comes in the night-time,

time, the porter must go down to open the gates, lest some disagreeable guests should slip in.

IN the lowermost floor are the stables.

THEY use little caution against fire, for the coachmen go into the stables with torches; yet this accident seldom happens in Cadiz, as all the houses are built with stone.

OIL is used in lamps, instead of candles; and likewise in dressing meat oil is employed instead of butter.

THEIR yards are paved, some with flags of *Tophus*, and some with flags of *Talcum*.

SOME have wells in their yards; but the water is not fit to drink, and must therefore be used for other purposes in house-keeping.

THE streets are paved with round pebbles, and have a channel in the middle filled with shells of fish, peels of fruit, or the like; which, putrifying by the heat, occasion a disagreeable smell in many places.

THE inhabitants are tawny, from the heat of the sun; most of them have long but narrow heads, great ears and eyes, black eyebrows and hair. They are lively, and have an easy carriage.

A GREAT mixture of other European nations is to be met with here; and besides these, they have negroes who serve in the kitchens.

THEIR language is very expressive, for they accompany their words with motions of the head, shoulders, and arms<sup>i</sup>. The officers, as well as common soldiers, are reckoned very civil to foreigners: but the seamen are continually cursing and swearing; and when they meet each other in their boats, it is their common salutation.

THE dress of the men is very commodious, for if they do not dress sumptuously, they cover their heads with a linen cap, and above that they put a flapped hat, round which they fasten a ribband with a little buckle, and tie

<sup>i</sup> These gestures rather imply the contrary.

it to the head with another below the chin, so that the wind may not blow it off. They use no cravats. The rest of their dress is a waistcoat, the sleeves of which are open before, and the cuffs small, like those worn by the Prussian soldiers.

OVER these they put on a long wide jacket, which is commonly of a black or brown colour: they wear linen stockings, and under them linen socks, and shoes with low quarters and heels, though the dirty streets seem to require higher. They carry two handkerchiefs about them, a coloured one to wipe off the sweat, and a white one. I sometimes saw young people walking with muffs, though it was then as warm here as it is in Sweden in summer-time. Gold-laced cloaths are as scarce with the quality as with the poor. People of rank carry sticks (which are said to be particular badges of honour) when they are not dressed. Some who have survived heavy diseases, or have escaped great misfortunes, wear, agreeable to their vows, no other than grey cloaths.

THE ladies wear their own hair, either in long and broad tresses, or short with a toupee

and an aigrette, or tied up at top as the Swedish country girls do. Hoops are not usual here. They wear a sort of hood, which fits very close; this they put over their heads when they are in the streets, but throw it back when they are in their houses: two straps, of a hand's breadth, hang down from it to the feet. If they go to church, a rosary, or paternoster, and a fan, are necessary to their dress.

THE Swedish Consul, Mr. Jacob Bellman, is honoured and beloved by every one, on account of his obliging behaviour. At the gate of his house, opposite to the entrance, the Swedish arms are put up: in his rooms were the portraits of the late King of Sweden, Frederic, of the present King and Queen, and of the Hereditary Prince Gustavus.

CHURCHES, chapels, convents, and hospitals, are all very fine. The church of white marble, which is not yet finished, and to the building of which the town pays a certain sum yearly, is the finest and largest of them all. The subterraneous vaults below this church are almost as large as the entire structure of the other churches, and some corpses have already

ready



ready been deposited in them; they are said to be quite finished; but the walls of the church are not raised to the height intended; and yet candles are continually burning in it for its patron St. *Francis Xavier*, who suffered martyrdom from the heathens for preaching the gospel in Japan, and is said to have wrought as many miracles as there are wax tapers burning round his image; to which the inhabitants pull off their hats whenever they pass by.

WAX tapers are burning in the churches day and night. At the entrance is *Agua bendita*, or holy water, in a dish or vessel, into which they dip their fingers, and cross themselves when they go in and out. The church pavement is every where covered with mats; upon which men and women, of all ranks, kneel down for want of seats.

THE bells are always ringing, but not so as with us; for they make a noise almost all day, first in one steeple, then in another, then in all together, for prayers, or masses, on account of lightning, or the dead: the latter is always in the evening, for their masses for the dead are kept about that time.

ROSARIO,

ROSARIO, or a rosary, is necessary to both sexes, to regulate the number of their prayers; it consists of a fine silver or brass chain, with glass or coral beads, or pearls, &c. and a cross, from which hang two or three medals, with the images of saints, which are much valued.

CROSSING is performed with the thumb, before and after church service, or prayers, three times: viz. upon the forehead, mouth, and breast, so that nothing may befall their eyes, mouth, or heart; which is the more necessary, as the cross, according to their catechism, is the principal mark of a Christian.

THEY marry very young; and a boy of fourteen years may marry a girl of twelve.

THEIR burials differ from ours in many things: before the corpse a cross with lanterns is carried; as soon as it is deposited in the grave, some quick-lime is thrown in along with it. In the evening a mass is read for the dead, and the organ is played, though none but the living are the better for it. Their burying-grounds are out of the town; but they  
suffer

suffer no protestant to lie in their church-yards.

THE processions might almost be considered as funerals by strangers: they consist of a number of people of high and low rank, who follow a cross through the town, accompanied by many lanthorns, and singing the *Te Deum* and *Litany*. These processions are fixed to certain days; as the 2d of February, the 25th of March, the 15th of August, the 8th of September, and the 8th of December; and besides these, they have others on certain saints days, and when meat is to be gathered for the prisoners; and then they take kettles, dishes, pots, &c. with them. If they meet with such a procession, the people stand still, take off their hats, and fall on their knees, though the streets be ever so dirty. They have the liberty of making themselves merry three days before Lent; and then they throw carraway comfits at the people who pass by, with other things much more disagreeable.

THE schools have masters and ushers, who teach children the first principles of religion, and the form of the mass, which they instruct them to mumble all together.

THEY

THEY seldom teach any other than their own language ; and it is said, that, besides the Jesuits, there are but few who understand Latin, and those make use of a particular pronunciation ; thus, for *mibi* they say *micki*. The Hebrew language and the Jews are equally in disgrace with the Spaniards, and therefore are both excluded from the colleges.

THE Spanish poetry is greatly esteemed, particularly the works of *Quevedo* are praised beyond measure ; comedies in verse are frequently printed and acted, and the reading of them is the principal amusement of many people. The state of the sciences in Spain is best represented by the learned Spanish Benedictine friar *Geronimo Fejoo*, in his *Cartas Eruditas*, or Learned Letters, 1750, Tom. III. carta xxxi. p. 384.<sup>k</sup>

HERE are several bookfellers shops, in which may be procured Spanish books on religion, printed on a wretched paper, bound in soft pasteboard, with leathern straps instead of

<sup>k</sup> In the original is a long quotation from Fejoo's book, which the translator does not think interesting to an English reader.

clafps ; as alfo fome few French well-bound books, on natural hiftory, phyfic, hiftory, &c. Old books are expofed for fale, in the market and in other places, upon tables.

NONE but ecclefiasticks are permitted to read the Bible, and the Inquifition is very ftrict in this article. For this reafon it is only fold in Latin ; and as the Spaniards feldom trouble themfelves about any but their own language, this order is very feldom difobeyed.

THEIR catechifm, or, as it is called, *Doctrina Chriftiana*, is very fhort. The firft queftion is, What is the fign of a Chriftian ? anfwer, Croffing ; of which we have given an account above. In this catechifm, feven facraments are mentioned, baptifm, confirmation, penance, communion, extreme unctiion, orders, and matrimony ; and it is obferved, that the five firft are abfolutely neceffary.

WORKS of mercy are fourteen, among which one is the giving alms to ftrangers. It likewife mentions feven *Peccados Capitales*, or capital fins, and as many virtues :

1. Pride.

2. Luxury.

3. Avarice.

3. Avarice.
4. Anger.
5. Intemperance.
6. Envy.
7. Lazinefs.

Virtues are,

1. Humility.
2. Chastity.
3. Charity.
4. Patience.
5. Temperance.
6. Benevolence.
7. Industry.

IN order to learn the Spanish language, there is no better Dictionary than that of *Sobrino*, which was published in the year 1744, in two volumes in quarto. The Grammar and Dialogues of *Sobrino* are also of great use<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> In this place, Mr. Osbeck inserts, for the use of his countrymen, the Spanish alphabet, with the pronunciation of the letters; but as the great commercial connections of this country make all European languages more common among the English, and many grammars and teachers of the Spanish language are to be procured, it is entirely unnecessary to insert an alphabet which the author had made with a view to be beneficial to his countrymen only. F.

No protestant book is permitted to be brought into the city before the inquisitors have perused it.

To avoid this inconvenience, I did not venture to take any books on-shore, though I often wanted them, in particular such as treated of natural history.

THEIR dishes are sometimes very peculiar, on account of the many species of fish, fruit, and roots, which are unknown to us.

I HAVE seen no rye bread, and much less any of inferior quality; it is chiefly made in the Spanish or French manner. The latter, which is here made of English wheat, is well known to us. Great drought often occasions a bad crop, which was the case the year before I arrived.

THEIR sugar-bread, which is equal in taste to the French biscuit, is called *Viscocho* in Spanish, and is dipt into wine at table. They have likewise a sort of sugar-bread in Spain, which is like ginger-bread; it is gilt at top, and made of water melons, called *Calabassa*.

Nobody

Nobody is permitted to eat flesh in Lent, except the sick, who may obtain a dispensation for a certain fee. Cow beef is reckoned best in this country, because the cows are seldom milked; but in their stead goats, sheep, and asses. We bought two oxen for our ship; their flesh was exceedingly dry, occasioned both by the larvas of the gad-fly which nestle in their skins about this time, and by the want of good pastures; for our fine Swedish grass is much wanted here, and in its stead the pastures are covered with thistles, and other prickly plants, which I shall mention in another place.

SOVAJA is a sort of corn which is sown in the inclosures of the town, not for the use of men, but only for the cattle. They sold it to us in bundles, whilst it was green, and had no ears, which do not appear till March.

BEEES are here in great estimation, or else the Spanish proverb could not take place:

*Abeja y oveja,  
Y piedra que traveja,  
Y pendola trans oreja,  
Y parte en la Igreja,  
Desca a su hijo, la vieja.*

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THE best wishes of a mother to her son are, bees, sheep, mill-stones, a pen behind the ear, and a place in the church.

POT-HERBS (*Plantæ oleraceæ*) are sown both within and out of the town; as purslane, spinage, and onions. The gardens are inclosed with walls, on which the *Agave Americana* is planted instead of a hedge; but where this is not to be had, the prickly glasswort (*Salsola Kali* Linn.) or a hedge of twigs twisted together becomes the fence. *Origanum Creticum*, Spanish *Oregano*, known by the name of Spanish hops, is used to make anchovies and other meats more palatable<sup>m</sup>; and for that reason, it was bought up very much in the apothecaries shops, where there is plenty of it to be had.

ROSEMARY, which we reckon among the ornaments of our green-houses, is carried for sale by whole cart-loads.

SWEET or China oranges, and other fruit, are daily eaten after meals, and likewise at

<sup>m</sup> I was told that this sort of spice sold well in China.

other times; and that they may not occasion sickness, they use bread with them. It is no small advantage (at least to a Swede it appears so) to be able to take one's amusement all the winter-long in the gardens, and to pluck there the most delicious fruits; but, to balance these blessings of a genial climate, there is not one good draught of water in all the town, as it must all be brought from *Port Mary* in boats, or carried by asses, and is afterwards preserved in great stone jugs. This water-trade pays its merchants very well, for, if I remember right, each boat that fetched water at the abovementioned place gained about forty Swedish dollars silver coin (that is nearly 50 shillings): the passage is easily made in 24 hours, in case they go with the tide, and return with it.

WINE of Xeres <sup>a</sup> is the best and most common fort, which is made in a little town near Port St. Mary, called *Xerez de la Fronteras*, and derives its name from it. As our East India ships sail from their own port with but a small store of wine, they generally take in at Cadiz a proper quantity of Sherry for the

<sup>a</sup> Our Sherris or Sherry.

whole voyage and return ; because this wine is strong, and preserves its goodness in all climates. A quarter of a cask, containing from ten to eleven gallons, costs forty Swedish dollars silver, or nearly fifty shillings sterling. *Tinto* or *Rota* wine is reckoned less wholesome than the white, and is therefore cheaper. Raisins are also bought here, and sold in China with great profit.

SPANISH brandy is very strong, and may be used as spirit of wine. We gave it every morning to the men, mixed with two-thirds of water, and it was used in the punch which we had twice a week at dinner. Besides this, the captain usually cheered the sailors in a storm with punch or brandy.

THE people drink chocolate here in the morning, and sometimes in the afternoon instead of tea. The following is the manner of making chocolate : the chocolate nuts (*Theobroma cacao* Linn.) are dried and rubbed into a soft paste on a flat stone, and some cinnamon is added during the rubbing. This paste is made into proper forms, so that the chocolate-cakes resemble the shape of bricks. Such a

piece of chocolate weighs one pound. If chocolate is to be made for drinking, you take such a piece to ten dishes of water; it is broken, and whilst it is boiling it is stirred with a ladle, the thickest end of which comes to the bottom of the chocolate-pot which it fills. At each filling of a dish, they stir it over again. It is probable that the manner of preparing it is the reason why it has a better taste here than in Sweden, though they do not mix the vanilla (*Epidendrum vanilla* Linn.), a very precious American fruit, with it. I never saw tea or coffee drank here.

THE tradesmen are Frenchmen, Englishmen, or Italians, who work pretty well, but demand exorbitant prices. Cloth and stuff are generally imported by the French, English, and Italian merchants.

THE Exchange was kept in a broad street called *Calla nueva*, or New-street, close to the market. During the time that the merchants are assembled in it, the opening of the street towards the market is shut up by a bar, as is usual at our custom-houses,

THE Spanish pine-tree, (*Pinus pinea*) the olive-tree, and, as it is said, the cork-tree (*Quercus Suber* Linn.), are all sold for fuel by weight.

THE Spanish weights are accurately described in the Memoirs of the Swedish Academy of Sciences, 1746, p. 279. and afterwards both the measures and weights in the same Memoirs, 1755, p. 180.

THE quantity of specie which circulates here is rather astonishing to a Swede.

IT is said that some people carry a good deal of this out of the kingdom; and even the Spaniards themselves send great sums to the East Indies, and other places. If any one carries a sum of money out of town, and is discovered, he not only loses his money, but is sent to prison, and also suffers other punishments.

THE people of this country do not make use of horses for carriages or any other purpose; when an inhabitant of Cadiz goes out of town,

he puts on a wide jacket, or *Cassaquilla*, and wears neither coat nor boots, though both would be very necessary. He makes use of wooden stirrups, which have some likeness to a smoothing-iron without a cover; he puts his feet into them, and they not only serve as a support to him, but likewise as a case for his shoes, to keep off the dirt.

MULES (*Equus asinus mulus* Linn.), called *Mulo* and *Mula* by the Spaniards, draw their carriages, but they move very slowly. Their coaches have no seat for the coachman, so he is forced to ride on one of the mules. She-mules do not propagate their species, at least such instances are very scarce. They are the offspring of a mare and an he-afs, or of a mare and a mule. The common people believe that the sterility of the she-mule is in consequence of a curse laid upon it by the Virgin Mary at the birth of our Saviour, because it had eaten the hay which the ox had collected together. Their common food is cut-straw with corn.

THE afs (*Equus asinus*) is less than the least horse, and is very common in Spain, both in towns and in the country. The he-afs is  
called

called *Vurro*, and the she-ass *Vurra*, which is read as *Burro* and *Burra*. *Burrico* is the diminutive of this word, and denotes a little ass, whence the Swedish name *Borica* is derived. They are lean, and ash-coloured, but grow blackish after being shorn. They are fed like horses with cut-straw, but they likewise content themselves with what they find in the streets or road. When they come to market, their disagreeable braying even drowns the noise of the crowd. They are used to all sorts of work, except drawing a cart, which is never done but on the sea-shore, from whence they carry stones to town: sand, straw, street-dirt, in short every thing that is to be removed from one place to another, is loaded upon the backs of asses in panniers, made of mats, and open at top. But if they carry water or milk, they have saddles made of oaken planks, on which the casks are laid on both sides. When you have asses, you want no bridles to them; for as soon as the ass-driver cries out *Are* or *Araci*, all those which have strayed out of the road turn in again. Many hundreds of these animals were at the country-gate of Cadiz, whither they brought sand to make the ground even on the outside of the ditches, not to mention all those which are to be met

with in every part of the town. Their hoofs are never shoed, though asses are used like faddle-horses at the post-stations; but this kind of posting is very disagreeable to those who are not used to it, from the slowness of their motion.

PEOPLE of all ages smoke tobacco, though it is (as well as snuff) very dear. It is seldom smoked in pipes, but either in leaves rolled together, called *Cigarro* by the Spaniards, or the tobacco which comes in packs is wrapped up in paper, and this serves instead of pipes. The best Spanish snuff comes from Seville, and they generally put it into snuff-boxes of olive-wood, which are very pretty.

It is very agreeable walking before the gate towards the country, because you are not pestered there with custom-house officers, and only meet with a few civil centinels, who shew the way to strangers if they happen to miss it. The high-road is very magnificent, and has stone benches on both sides. The throwing of bombs into the air, and some other diversions of the same kind, attract a good many people hither, who repose themselves on these benches. In other places the  
high-road



high-road is not so grand. Travelling is much more inconvenient and expensive here than in Sweden, on account of the delays and bad accommodation. Travellers always carry fire-arms and pistols with them, and seem as if they were marching to a campaign; for they have reason to be afraid of robbers, which, though less frequent farther in the kingdom, are often met with in Andalusia; whence the Spanish proverb,

*De el Andaluz guarda tu capuz ;*

*Al Andaluz haze la cruz :*

*Al Sevillano con una y otra mano :*

*Al Corduves con manos y piés.*

Take care of thy head before an Andalusian, and sign thyself with a cross; before a Sevillian cross thyself with both hands; and before a Cordubian with hands and feet.

I FOUND neither animals of prey nor snakes; but I met a person having a long lizard, exceeding a foot in length, of green, yellow, and other colours, on a string. It was very spiteful, and when it was let down upon the ground, it opened its mouth at all who passed by it, especially if a stick was held near it,

it. The man who carried it said he could sell it to the apothecaries.

*EUPHORBIA Paralias*, a kind of *spurge*, was to be met with in the sandy grounds near the sea-shore, where the waves of the sea often reached. It was at that time without fructification.

*SPARTIUM monospermum*, which the Spaniards call *Retamas*, grows like willow bushes along the sea-shore as far as the flying sands reach. This plant was particularly plentiful in the peninsula on which Cadiz stands, which is covered with a fine white sand, and where, besides this, scarce any other plant grows, except the *Ononis repens*, or creeping restharrow. The *Retamas* sometimes grows to the thickness of a man's arm; its bark is ash-coloured, the numerous branches are all green; its leaves shine like silk; the fresh leaves are lanceolated, but the old ones are more obtuse, a little split at top, and reflected: the flowers are innumerable, small, white, and have red *Calices*. The use of this plant is very great in stopping the progress of the flying sand. The leaves and young branches of it are very  
delicious

delicious food for goats, but I have not observed that they touch the bark. It turns the most barren place into a fine odoriferous garden by its flowers, which last a long while. The twigs are used for tying bundles, instead of rushes; and all kinds of herbs which are brought to market are fastened together with them. The whole shrub serves to shelter hogs and goats against the scorching heat of the sun.

SWINE are kept in whole herds by a man who feeds them with acorns, which are commonly sold at Cadiz and at other places. The swine are very large, thin haired, and black as jet. It is probable they came originally from Africa, as I am told that this sort of hogs is very scarce higher up in the country. It would be worth while for an economist to get a breed of these swine; but they must also be fed as they are here, and have some exercise every day, which keeps them from growing too fat<sup>o</sup>, and makes them taste well. The exportation of a boar of this kind is forbidden, but a sow almost ready to farrow

<sup>o</sup> In England no man tries to prevent his hogs from growing too fat.

would

would be still better for the propagation of this kind of hogs. We bought a good many of these swine for our ship; and every Saturday we killed one of them, and had broth called *Puspas* boiled from part of it.

IN the same island were some little gardens, and in the midst of them here and there a palm-tree (*Phoenix dactylifera*) which gave them a fine appearance.

January the 23d, and the following days.

PUERTO *de Sancta Maria*, which our sailors called *Port St. Mary*, is a little unfortified seaport, about three quarters of a Swedish mile from Cadiz. I went this day to that place; It is situated in a plain, not far from the mouth of a river. If you go up this river, the town is on your left hand, and on the right a small island, whose situation is low, and which is covered with shrubs, among which the *Nerium oleander*, called *Terva mala*, or the noxious plant, by the Spaniards, grew in the sand near the water.

ON our arrival we were met by the custom-house officers, who came to us, with loaded fire-arms, in a boat. We afterwards went in smaller boats into more shallow water, where we found a good many fellows who offered to carry the people on shore for some small matter, and they did it very cleverly. For the same purpose asses and horses were kept in readiness. Though the city is less than Cadiz, yet its streets are finer; all the private and public houses are of stone, the same as in Cadiz, but less. Some of them were not yet rebuilt since the plundering of this place by the English. In a monastery of this town I saw several repositories full of relicks, but I suppose my readers will pardon my omitting to enumerate them. The houses were ornamented with pots, in which were rosemary, carnations, and other odoriferous plants, in full blossom; but the *Scmpervivum arboreum* had no flowers as yet. Where these ornaments were wanting, Flora herself had supplied the bare walls with *Bryum murale* and *Lichen parietinus*; and besides these, in some places with *Cotyledon umbilicus*, or navelwort, whose leaves grew between every little cleft, the *Mercurialis annua*, or French mercury, and *Parictaria Lusitanica*. The old ruined

walls were quite yellow with the *Sisymbrium Irio*, and with the *Senecio communis* or common groundfel. This town has good fresh water, in such plenty, that, besides its own inhabitants, it supplies Cadiz and the ships in that port. This water is reckoned the best in this country, wherefore in Cadiz they cry *Agua del Puerto*. I am told that it is brought a quarter of a Swedish mile by subterraneous canals to this place. There are several houses in this town from whence the water may be fetched; one in particular was built for that purpose on the river side, during the reign of King Philip V. The ship-boats come thither and fetch fresh water, without loss of time, because they open the water-canal for a very small matter. The other house is an English inn, where all the strangers generally lodge.

THE leaves of the samphire (*Crithmum maritimum*), pickled in vinegar<sup>p</sup>, are eaten here and in Cadiz with roasted meat. This juicy plant grows on the coasts of England, and perhaps on those of Spain, but not in this

<sup>p</sup> The manner of pickling this, and all the like salt and juicy plants, as is usual in England, is described by Mr. Professor *Kelen*, in his *Voyage to North America*, Vol. II. p. 97. of the Swedish edition. *Dr. Schreber*.

place :

place: it is not found in Sweden; but we have other juicy plants, such as (*Salicornia Europæa*) marsh samphire, or jointed glasswort.

THE country hereabouts was already beautified with many flowers. Dwarf-mallow (*Malva rotundifolia*), with large red flowers, grew both about the houses and out of town, and was greedily eaten by hogs and oxen; but they always passed by the sunspurge (*Euphorbia helioscopia*), and would rather eat the *Carduus Syriacus*, the white spotted leaves of which, though they ornament the fields, I think, afford but a poor food.

THE cow-herds go with long sticks, like the Polish bear-keepers. All the Spanish shores are mountainous, except in this place. The soil also varies much. On the sea-shore you find during low water a blue clay, and near it a fine white sand, which covers the country here and there at a little distance from the sea. It often looks like large hills of snow, where pine woods or other plants hinder it from flying. Higher up from the sea, you find a mould mixed with sand and pebbles, sometimes of a red, and sometimes of another colour.

In

In the vallies is fometimes a fky blue or other clay, the fame as in their wheat-fields.

THE plants on the fea-fhore were very few; *Spartium monospermum* and *Juncus acutus* were but juft fprung up from the ground. A little farther from the water grew *Schænus mucronatus involucri foliis fcapo longioribus*. Still further off began the woods of the *Pinus pinea*, which hindered the fand from fpreading any further. In thefe woods I found the reftharrow (*Ononis*); there grew likewise queen's ftock july-flowers (*Cheiranthus incanus*), broad-leaved moufe-ear chickweed (*Cerastium viscosum*), *Lotus cytifoides*, and *Crepis barbata*. The latter was in bloffom; the ftock-july-flower juft began to flower at my departure; but the reftharrow had no appearance of flowering at that feafon.

SOME insects are found in this fand; in particular, *Scarabæus facer*, *lævis*, *thorace inermi*.

GARDENS or plantations take up a great part of the fields; and they contain lemon, orange, almond, and olive trees, which turn to a confiderable profit to the owners.



THE lemon tree, the Seville and sweet orange trees, are much akin to one another, and are generally planted promiscuously <sup>a</sup>. The sweet smell of their flowers would almost revive a person when half dead. The fruit ripens so slowly, that the whole year is spent before it comes to perfection. It is said by some nursery-men, that they can produce fruits of which one quarter is Seville, the second sweet orange, the third quarter sweet, and the fourth four lemons.

SOVAJA was sown in some places amongst the trees; sometimes parts of the plantations were sown with salads, radishes, onions, &c.

THE *Phoenix dactylifera* <sup>r</sup> is seldom to be met with here: there were some near the monastery, almost as high as the house itself, the dates of which were fallen down, and were of the colour and size of white plumbs. The

<sup>a</sup> In the Linnæan System they are all included in one Genus, viz. *Citrus*.

<sup>r</sup> This is the Date-palm. There are two such in the Governor's garden at Gibraltar forty-five feet high, and supposed to be some hundred years old.

leaves are twisted together by the friers, who make presents of them to ornament the houses on Palm-sunday; and on that day they are likewise strewed about the streets.

THE vineyards looked very poorly, and are like our <sup>s</sup> burnt land (*Swedieland*), for there are neither leaves nor flowers to be seen. The vines were planted in rows, and little drains were made between each row. Medic or snail trefoil (*Medicago polymorpha*) and *Rumex spinosus* were now in flower.

THE almond-tree (*Amygdalus communis*), in Spanish *Almendro*, is an ornament to the vineyards with its white and reddish-coloured blossoms.

THE olive-tree (*Olea Europæa*) was planted in large fields, having a red-coloured soil mix-

\* In Sweden, Finland, Livonia, and the greatest part of Russia, where woods are plentiful, the countrymen cut down large tracts, burn them, and then they sow the land for three years and more together, because the ashes of the wood manure the land for all that time; after which they chuse another place, and proceed in the same manner; so that in twenty or more years they may return to the first place, which is then again entirely covered with wood; and this is called in the north *Swedieland*. F.

ed with little stones. The Spaniards call the tree *Olivo*, but its fruit, or the olives, *Aceytuna*. On them grew the *Lichen cristatus*, and below the trees bloomed a species of stock-july-flowers (*Cheiranthus trilobus*), and *Valeriana cornucopiæ*. In one of these olive-tree plantations I found *Arum arisarum*, the roots of which go very deep. The olive-trees shewed no blossoms as yet, and had but a poor inclosure.

I SAW here some small flocks of Spanish sheep: they were all white, with some black spots near the eyes, ears, and mouth. See Dr. Linnæus's *Voyage to Westrogothia*, page 58.

ARTICHOKES (*Cynara folymus*), in Spanish *Acañziles*, or *Alcachofa*, or *Cardillos*, were planted on little hills, as we do hops; the rest of the garden stuff, as beans, turneps, &c. is managed as in Sweden.

THE tender plants are covered with skreens, which are erected almost horizontally at two yards from the ground: to water the plants, water is drawn up out of the well by means of a great wheel, turned either by men or by

an afs. The circumference of this wheel touches the water, and there are several earthen pots fastened to it by double strings, which fetch up the water.

GARDEN beans (*Vicia faba*) were already in full blossom in the open air, which we never can have before Midsummer-day in Sweden. This is a clear proof of the difference of the climate.

THE earthen walls, with which the gardens and plantations are surrounded, are often three yards high, and are besides covered with prickly plants: among which

THE *Agave Americana* † is the most common, most beautiful, and most useful. This is called *Pita* in Spain, but it is by no means the *Aloe vera*, or *semperviva*, except you will call every thing *sempervivum* which is ever-green; which would be as ridiculous as to give the same denomination to the fir and the juniper, because they both continue green all the winter. The leaves of this plant, which I was told was about six years old, were three feet long. The last year's *scapi*, which were already mouldering, were about two men's

† Vulg. American Aloe.

lengths; and the fresh ones, which were already a yard in length, began to shew their long *antheræ*. The *corollæ* were for the most part eaten away, but the *stamina* and *pistillum* remained unhurt.

THE American aloe is useful in many respects; for, besides the use that is made of it in quick hedges, the leaves are soaked and managed like hemp, and may be spun for purses and other things. With the points of the leaves, which are as sharp and as stiff as an awl, they bore peoples ears, and clear tobacco pipes; but they must not be used for tooth-picks, for the wounds their prickles cause are not easily healed. It is said, that if its leaves, when roasted by the fire, be laid upon wounds, the pain will cease. The Americans use the juice of the root to cure the venereal disease. Some further account is to be met with, in the book called "The Memoirs of Sophia Elizabeth Brenner," printed at Stockholm, in folio. In it she speaks of the qualities of this plant: Upon the first American aloe's flowering in Sweden, it began to blossom in September 1708, and continued till the next winter in *Noors Sates gard*. "The *Agave*, says she, is

" a plant which supplies all the wants of the

“ Indian, according to the best authorities <sup>u</sup> ;  
 “ if he wants to make a hedge round his fields,  
 “ he plants the *Agave* round them, because its  
 “ leaves are stiff, and armed with innumerable  
 “ prickles. If he builds any thing, he makes  
 “ his planks of *Agave*, which he can use in-  
 “ stead of timber ; and he thatches his cot-  
 “ tage with its leaves. The latter are of still  
 “ greater use to him ; as from the same mate-  
 “ rial he makes his paper, linen, cloaths,  
 “ shoes, thread, dishes, plates, and other  
 “ utensils. The points of the leaves are as  
 “ good as nails, spears, or pins. If he chooses,  
 “ he can make wine, honey, sugar, and vine-  
 “ gar, from its juice. If he puts the thick  
 “ leaves of it under-ground for some time,  
 “ they taste better than melons, or lemons  
 “ with sugar.”

*CACTUS opuntia*, whose stem is thicker than  
 a man's arm, is likewise used to cover the  
 walls ; and besides this, several other plants,  
 such as holly (*Ilex aquifolium*), called *Hou* in  
 French.

<sup>u</sup> NARDUS ANTONIUS RECCHUS de re medica Nov.  
 Hisp. Lib. VIII. Cap. xii. Romæ, 1651.

AMONGST the thorny plants are several others ornamented with fine flowers; viz.

*Lycium Europæum.*

*Atriplex portulacoïdes*, sea purslane.

*Chenopodium ambrosioides.*

*Asparagus officinalis*, asparagus.

———— *falcatus.*

———— *acutifolius.*

———— *aphyllus.*

*Galium aparine*, cleavers, or goose-grass.

*Aristolochia rotunda.*

*Fumaria officinalis*, fumitory, called *Conojito* in Spanish.

*Arundo donax*, a species of reed called *Cana* in Spain, held up its head above all the rest; its flowers were already withered. It is used for walking-sticks and for fishing-rods.

ON the steep sides of these walls, towards the road, grew *Bryum acaulon ericæ tenuifoliæ folio*. Dillen. Muscor. 388. t. 49. f. 55. γ. *Anethum feniculum*, or fenel, *Phlomis purpurea*, *Teucrium iva*, *Targionia hypophylla*, and the *Palmetto*, or *Chamærops humilis*, which last throve best here, and hung downwards; but these were not in blossom; nor was the *Daphne gnidium*, a shrub which is very like to our

*Ledum palustre*, or marsh cistus, and grew near the road; where I found in blossom likewise

*Geranium cicutarium*, hemlock leaved crane-bill.

*Glycycola jonthlaspi*.

*Vinca major*, great periwinkle, in one single place.

*Hyacinthus scrotinus*.

————— *monstrosus*.

*Veronica agrestis*, germander speedwell.

*Myosotis scorpioides arvensis*, mouse-ear scorpion grass.

*Tblaspi bursa pastoris*, shepherd purse.

*Centaurea pullata*.

————— *spharoccephala*.

*Silene conoidea*.

*Reseda glauca*.

*Anagallis latifolia*.

*Arum maculatum*, wake Robin, or cuckow pint.

*Matricaria chamomilla*, corn feverfew.

*Biscutella didyma*.

In the gardens were the following plants growing spontaneously, in full blossom:

*Papaver rhoeas*, red poppy.

*Stachys hirta*.

*Vicia*



*Vicia lutea*, yellow vetch.

One *Physalis*.

*Solanum nigrum vulgare*, garden or common nightshade.

*Alfina media*, common chickweed.

*Borrago officinalis*, borage, in Spanish *Boraja*.

*Malva rotundifolia*, *flore majore rubescente*.

*Sonchus oleraceus*, fowthistle, in Spanish *Serajas*.

*Urtica urens*, annual nettle, } in Spanish or-  
 ——— *dioica*, common nettle, } *tega*.

*Ricinus communis*, in Spanish, *Higuera del inferno*, or infernal fig-tree; this was scarce.

*Sisymbrium irio*, smooth broad-leaved hedge-mustard.

*Senecio vulgaris*, common groundsel, which likewise grew on the roofs and gutters.

*Punica granatum*, the pomegranate-tree; it was then without blossoms.

IN poor and waste fields, the *Palmetto* (*Chamaerops humilis*), which is called *Palmito* by the Spaniards, is as common as the juniper-shrub with us: the *Palmetto* has a narrow, and as it were compressed stem, with thorns on the edges. The stem is about a quarter of a yard long, and ends with a leaf of the same length,

length, which at first is folded together like a fan, but higher up it opens and expands. When the stem grows longer, it lies down on the ground. At that time this little palm-tree had neither blossoms nor fruit. Its leaves are every where used for brooms. The roots, which spread very much, are sold in the towns, and eaten raw, after they have been peeled.

UPON the same fields grew the afore-mentioned thistle; and also

*Illecebrum paronychia.*

*Crocus Bulbocodium.*

*Salvia verbenaca*, wild clary.

*Tragopogon Dalecampii.*

*Cynoglossum cheirifolium.*

*Iris Xiphium.*

*Calendula officinalis*, garden marygold.

*Stachys arvensis.*

*Marrubium vulgare* (without flowers), white-hoarhound.

BETWEEN and below the *Palmetto* trees, the following plants were in blossom:

*Lamium amplexicaule*, great henbit.

*Ceranium molle*, dove's-foot crane's-bill.

*Andro-*

*Andropogon bicornis*?

*Linum usitatissimum*, flax.

*Sherardia arvensis*, little field-madder.

ON the road, between the gardens, I saw  
in flower,

*Anemone palmata*.

*Asphodelus fistulosus*.

*Asphodelus ramosus*, called in Spanish *Gamon*; this fine plant, which grows up to the height of five feet, was to be met with both within and without the gardens.

*Doronicum bellidiastrum*.

*Beta vulgaris*, beet.

*Echinops Ritro*.

*Anchusa officinalis*.

*Silene pendula*.

*Stellaria arenaria*.

*Lycopsis vesicaria*.

*Hypochaeris radicata*, long-rooted hawk-weed.

*Ranunculus bulbosus*, bulbous-rooted crow-foot.

*Lichen phlyodes*.

*Panicum crus galli*.

*Euphorbia*

<i>Euphorbia peplus.</i>	} different species of spurges.
———— <i>falcata.</i>	
———— <i>exigua.</i>	
———— <i>helioscopia.</i>	
———— <i>esula.</i>	
———— <i>myrsinites.</i>	
<i>Lagurus ovatus.</i>	
<i>Rumex acetosa,</i> Forrel.	

*Silene floribus lateralibus solitariis, calycibus lanatis, foliis ciliatis.* The stalk is thin, one foot long, almost quite rough, and without branches: the leaves are lanceolated, and below on the margin covered with a white wool; their other parts are quite smooth, out of the lower leaves shoot up some imperfect *petioli*: but the flowers come singly from the corners of the upper leaves alternately, and not two by two, on very short peduncles. The club-like *calyx* has ten points, covered with a long white wool.

January 28th, and the following days.

I WENT again to the fields which lye before the city of *Puerto de Santa Maria*; and found, besides the above-mentioned plants, the water-crowfoot (*Ranunculus aquatilis*), whose white  
flowers

flowers entirely covered the ditches and ponds. In them I found also the *Conferva bullosa*. I came into a little wood of Spanish firs, where the *Byffus candelaris* cloathed the trees. The wood was surrounded, like the gardens, with hedges of *Agave*, or American aloe. It is no wonder that these woods are inclosed, for the thin and hard boards they afford for chests to pack lemons in are often dearer than the fruit itself. In the fir-wood I found a good many scarce plants, and among the rest the *Sisymbrium sylvestre*, on which I discovered a hairy caterpillar, which afterwards became a smooth, pale-green coloured, oblong-pointed, angular, warty, black aurelia, having on the back a convex elevation. In its third change it became the *Papilio hyale* Linn. or *Papilio Carolinianus luteus apicibus nigris*. Petiv. Mus. p. 12, T. VII. fig. 10.

ORCHIS *fuscescens* Linn. *bulbis fasciculatis, nectarii labio ovato indiviso subcrenato*, was very worthy of observation, as appears from the following description: the root consists of two or more tuberous simple bulbs, excepting four or six fibres towards the beginning of the stalk; the stalk was about the length of a span, round and red; four leaves are near the  
root,

root, the lower ones are larger, and oblong-oval (*ovata lanceolata*); the upper ones are less speckled alternate, and cover the remainder of the stalk with the sheath in which they end at bottom: the *stipula* which is below every flower is lanceolated, and like the lesser leaves of the stalk of a red colour: the flowers at most are seven, flesh-coloured, and consist each of five petals, that is three outward and two inward, which are almost equal to one another, lanceolated, and rolled up (*convoluta*); the lower lip of the *nectarium* is oval, entire, and somewhat crenated; the two *stamina* had round green *antheræ*.

THE *Antirrhinum arvense*, or snap-dragon, was very small, but discoverable by its yellow flowers.

*ALLIUM subbirfutum*; the root consists of two, three, or more white bulbs, from which run out little fibres; their scales are hard, brown, imbricated, and very irregular; the stalk is round, and uncovered at top; the leaves grow commonly ensiform or sword-shaped towards the root, and carinated below; they end in a point, are hairy on the margin,

and longer than the stalk ; the *spatha* is torn, and generally withered : the flowers which form the *umbella* are white, and consist of six oval, oblong, concave, erected petals : the six filaments are pointed at the top, as long as the *corolla*, and come from the *thalamus* : the *antheræ* are oblong, short, and upright : the *germen* is round, blunt, and triangular ; the *stylus* is as long as the filaments ; the *stigma* is erected : the *capsula* is globular and trilocular ; the seeds are generally oval and angular. It thrives most under bushes of the

PASSERINA *hirsuta* ; the stem of which has many branches similar to those of the juniper shrub, has no leaves, is round and diffuse ; the branches are full of leaves, and bent every way : the leaves grow alternately, are sessile, carnosæ, small, ovato-lanceolated, depressed in the middle, with a concave margin, woolly and white at the top, and dark-green below : the flowers have no *pedunculi* ; they are small, of a yellow colour, and come in great numbers from the same buds with the leaves : instead of the *calyx*, which is wanting, are four or more leaves under the flowers : the *corolla* consists of an *infundibuli*-form petal, whose  
inside

inside is woolly; the tube is cylindrical; the *limbus* is quadrified and shorter than the tube; the *laciniæ* are oval and reflected; the filaments are fastened to the tube, and four of them are a little lower than the other two; the *antheræ* are almost oval, they lie across the filaments, and are composed of two valves. This shrub grows in the fir-woods like our juniper shrub, and in other places out of town: it is called *Torvicho* here, but in other places *Tomillo*. On this shrub lives the *Meloe majalis* Linn. *segmentorum abdominis marginibus dorsalibus rubris*.

SALTAMATOS are a species of locusts, so called by the people here, which are to be met with in the above-mentioned fir-wood. They were of so remarkable a size, that, when flying, they looked like little birds, which they imitated farther in not settling on the ground, but always on high trees, and often at such a height that they were scarce visible.

BESIDES the *Coccinella septem punctata*, I gathered many scarce insects, most of which were destroyed during my absence from the inn, all the apartments being open to every body.



body. Those that remained, and which I took on-board with me, were,

*Scarabæus (facer Linn.) lævis, thorace inermi, capite antico sexdentato. Habitat in arenosis maritimis.*

*Scarabæus (typhæus Linn.) thorace tricorni, intermedia minore. In campis.*

*Scarabæus (bilobus Linn.) thorace mutica, capite cornuto, elytris striatis.*

*Carabus totus niger, strigis septem in singulo elytro muricatis.*

*Tenebrio (muricatus Linn.) elytris muricatis.*

*Papilio (rumina Linn.) tetrapus, alis ex cocineo, lutco, argenteo et nigro variegatis, primoribus rotundis.*

*Papilio medius gaditanus ex nigro et sulphureo varius. Catesby.*

*Oniscus (asilus Linn.) abdomine foliis duobus obtecto, cauda semiovali. Habitat in piscibus marinis.*

February the 8th, and the following days.

As my greatest amusement was in the country about Port Mary, I went there again to-day, and had scarce gone in at my old land-

lord's, when I found something new; before the window was a plant which they called *St. Joseph's flower*, and which is said to grow hereabouts in low ground; the *scapus* was triangular, and the flowers quite white; it was *Allium triquetrum*. I went without any company on the road towards Puerto Real, but was forced to return again on account of the rainy weather. The following plants I found in blossom:

In low places.

*Geranium gruinum*.

*Bellis annua*, common daisy.

On the road.

*Anemone palmata*.

*Antirrhinum bipunctatum*, below the palmetto.

*Cistus Fumana*.

— *Tuberaria*.

— *salicifolius*.

On dry hills every-where.

*Satureja capitata* (*sine flore*).

*Lavendula stæchas*.

*Ornithogalum umbellatum*, star of Bethlehem.

*Ornithopus compressus*.

*Antirrhinum orientium*, least snap-dragon.

*Teucrium fruticans*.

*Leucojum autumnale*.

*Coronilla juncea*.

*Hippocrepis comosa*, tufted horse-shoe-vetch.

*Aniyllis tetraphylla*.

*Ruta graveolens*, rue.

*Cistus hirtus*, } two species of *Cistus*, of

— *salsifolius*, } which the latter is called

*Ro* in Spanish, and is a small shrub which made but a poor appearance at that time: for the branches were of the same colour as the ground they lay on, and so were the leaves; but in March it surpassed all its neighbours, by its large odoriferous white flowers.

It began to rain harder and harder, which made me hasten back; but I turned into another road, which led to the town of *St. Lucas*. I here found about the gardens the *Spartium spinosum*, with its fine golden yellow flowers. At last I was obliged to turn off to the left of the road, and came on a common, which, excepting some little hillocks, was all under water: upon it I found a plant till then quite un-

known, namely the *Verbascum Osbeckii* Linn. of which I made the following description: the plant spreads on all sides; the stalk lies on the ground, is undivided, triangular, and nerveless; the leaves are oval, and cut into irregular segments; the upper leaves are less, almost sessile, the lower ones have *petioli*: the peduncles are woolly, most of them bifid, and come from the bottom of the leaves; the *calyx* is deeply quinquefid, woolly, with lanceolated segments; the *corolla* is rotated, the tube short; the *limbus* quinquefid; the five filaments are very short, and rest on a *squama*, covering the *germen*; the *antheræ* are oblong, erected, and longer than the filaments; the *germen* is almost round; the *stylus* is longer than the filaments; the *stigma* is entire and pointed: the fruit was not yet visible: the whole plant had a smell of musk, and might probably find a place in the apothecary's shop.

AT three o'clock in the afternoon, I arrived at my inn quite wet; but an hour after I accompanied some of my countrymen who went out of town to buy lemons. I soon observed a particular tree in a garden, which had nothing but a few crooked pods, with neither leaves nor flowers, and consequently  
nothing

nothing by which it could be known. The Spanish name of it is *Aromas*; and our industrious Mr. Loeffling, who travelled into America, at the expence of his Spanish Majesty, in order to make observations on natural history, for some years together, wrote to me, in his letter from Madrid, that it was the *Mimosa Farnesiana*, a species of sensitive plant. One of the company said, he had seen this fruit eaten in the East in times of scarcity.

WE walked from hence into a lemon plantation, where the *Tanacetum balsamita*, vulgo *Costmary*, which is here called *Yerva de Santa Maria*, and the wall-flower, or *Cheiranthus cheiri*, were planted, and the latter in pots. Among the wild plants, the *Anchusa officinalis*, or officinal bugloss, and the *Spergula pentandra*, or spurrey, were in plenty.

Nor far from the town, we passed a well surrounded by a very high wall, round which there was a trough, for the cattle to drink. The well was covered with a sort of rush (*Juncus acutus*) called *Paron* in Spanish. At night we returned to our inn, where we paid

a piaſtre <sup>w</sup> a day for an open room and an ordinary. To this if you add ſome other unavoidable expences, the income of three thouſand copper dollars <sup>x</sup> for the whole voyage to China will not admit of many more amuſements on ſhore.

February the 10th.

THIS morning I left the town with an intention to go on board our ſhip; but a ſudden eaſt-wind made us paſs her, and brought us to Cadiz, where, to our great ſurprize, we landed at nine o'clock the next morning. The way by land is much longer; but you paſs through two little insignificant towas, *Puerto Real* and *Chiclana*.

I WAS glad to come from the boiſterous ſea into an agreeable garden; the ſummer-houſes of which were covered with our common ivy (*Hedera helix*), called *Tedra* in Spaniſh.

<sup>w</sup> Rather more than four ſhillings ſterling.

<sup>x</sup> A Copper dollar is about five pence, or five pence half-penny ſterling.

APIS *violacea* sought its nourishment on the bean-flowers in the forenoon, but in the afternoon it rested on the vine-tendrils, or on the dry bushes, which were laid over the covered walks to keep off the heat of the sun. These summer-houses were covered with the blue passion-flower (*Passiflora cœrulea*) which had neither flowers nor fruit at that time. Besides these beans, there were Indian cresses (*Tropæolum*), vulgo *Nasturtium*, wild roses, *Ricinus communis*, and borragé (*Borrago officinalis*); which are likewise common in our gardens.

SPANISH locusts, called *Grillo* in Spain, are by the people of fashion kept in cages called *Grilleria*; whereas our locusts are not in the least esteemed, and sing their song without being taken notice of.

February the 15th and 16th.

I AGAIN went to the *Puerto de Sancta Maria*, where I re-visited the above-mentioned inclosed fir-wood, in which I found the fine *Orchis*, already withered; but as I could find no other plants besides those I have already men-

tioned, I went into the open wood, which begins at the shifting sands, and goes a good way into the country. It was not furrounded by a hedge, and I saw nobody in it except an honest wood-man. In a low place I found a most beautiful flower, which would be an ornament even to a green-house: this was *Ophrys inflexifera adrachnites (labio trifido)*: the root is a bunch of oblong bulbs, whereof those in the middle are longer than those on the outside: the stalk is of the length of a span, green, and uncovered above the middle; the leaves are green, those near the root are ovato-lanceolated, and four or more in number; the *bractææ* are green, and are as long as the flowers; the flowers are about three in number; the three outward petals are oblong, and the two inner ones small, like teeth; the under-lip is softly lanated at top, dark-red, with very fine spots, and cut into three parts; the middlemost *lacinia* is the least, which makes the whole lip look quadrangular-heart-shaped; the *antheræ* are yellow, egg-shaped, and oblong.

AT last I returned to the ship; and the next Sunday, seventeen of the crew received the Lord's-supper before the sermon.

March



March the 1st and 2d.

RAIN and other circumstances had prevented me from going ashore: I therefore went with the Spanish water-boats to Port St. Mary, and from thence immediately proceeded on the road to Port Real, to which town I had got towards the evening; but I returned, as I longed to be at my former inn again. I found the following plants in blossom:

On a dry hill.

*Anagallis monelli.*

*Mercurialis tomentosa*; of this I found no more than two plants, one male, the other female; as they were but a few yards from one another, the fructification might easily be effected by means of the wind.

The *Conyza saxatilis* did not as yet shew its flowers.

The meadows which had no inclosure were ornamented with

*Adonis annua*, pheasant's-eye, which is one of our finest garden-flowers.

*Lupinus*

*Lupinus albus,*  
 ——— *varius,*  
 ——— *hirsutus,*  
 ——— *luteus,* } Species of lupins.  
*Cerintbe major.*

## On the roads.

*Echium Creticum.*

*Gistus tuberaria, calycibus hispidis, unguibus petalorum et calycibus punctatis.*

*Cynoglossum cheirifolium, corollá inflexá caruleá.*

*Anchusa angustifolia.*

## In low places.

*Chenopodium fruticosum* (now *Salsola fruticosa*), shrub-stone crop, or glass-wort.

*Cynara humilis.*

*Anthemis valentina.*

*Arenaria rubra,* purple spurrey.

*Chrysanthemum coronarium.*

————— *scgetum,* corn marygold.

## Near a ditch.

*Veronica anagallis aquatica,* water-speedwell,  
or brook-lime.

Near

Near the river.

*Salicornia fruticosa*, salt-wort.

On hills.

*Scorpiurus fulcata*, caterpillars, (the plant so called.)

*Hyoscyris radiata*.

———— *bedypnois*.

———— *rhagadioloïdes*.

*Rubus fruticosus*, common blackberry.

In a clay ground, on high grass fields,

*Scrophularia sambucifolia*; and near it,

*Ammi Hispanicum*.

In the olive plantations, and other dry places.

*Cheiranthus trilobus*.

In holes, and the like places.

*Carex caespitosa*.

Between the high-grass on a barren mountain grew nothing but the

*Ophrys insectifera myodes*, *labio quadrifido*, fly-orchis, the root consists of two almost round bulbs;

bulbs; the stalk is double-edged (*anceps*), flat and twisted; four leaves are at the root; they are ovato-lanceolated; the fifth is lanceolated, and ends below in a sheath; the *bractea* of every flower is as long as the *pericarpium*; the three outward petals are oblong, with reflected margins, and the two inner ones equally broad; the upper lip is bigger than usual in the other species, the lower or under-lip is quadrilacinated, very much reflected on the margin, softly lanated towards the point, and of a chefnut-brown colour, across which runs a shining stripe; the two middlemost *laciniæ* are the longest; the filaments are thread-shaped; the *antheræ* are oval, and yellow.

IN the evening I had the honour of speaking to two Spanish priests, one of whom offered to accompany me to the town of St. Lucar, but I was hindered from going by the night and other circumstances. The next day I went on-board, and this was the last time that I saw this agreeable place.

March<sup>1</sup>

March the 6th.

ON my arrival at Cadiz, I saw the *Hedysarum coronarium*, or French honey-suckle, in plenty. The Spaniards call it *Soya*, and the French *Saint foin*<sup>y</sup>; it was brought to town in great bundles, as food for the cattle: the *Tillæa procumbens*, or the small annual house-leek, on every wall.

March the 16th.

I WENT up the Gulph of Cadiz, in the boat belonging to Captain Eckeberg, to a place where fresh water could be got as easily as at *Puerto de Sancta Maria*, although the way to the ship called *The Peace* was somewhat longer, which ship the above-mentioned Captain brought hither to sell on the Swedish East-India Company's account, as she was now reckoned too small for that trade. We passed the Spanish silver-fleet and the little castle *Pontal*, where

<sup>y</sup> What we call *St. Foin* in *England* is the *Hedysarum Onobrychis*; the *Hedysarum Coronarium* is planted for ornament in our gardens.

the Swedes may bury their dead for a certain time : when we went out of our boat near the watering-place, I was delighted to find some natural productions which I had never seen before. Here were great dry heaths on all sides, which I should have been very glad to have gone through ; but the remainder of the day only allowed of a partial examination. We went towards the town of *Isla*, and found the following scarce plants :

*Spartium spinosum.*

*Genista Anglica*, needle-furze, or petty whin, called *Espino* in Spain.

*Pistacia lentiscus.*

*Smilax aspera.*

*Ulex Europæus*, furze.

*Orobanche major*, broom-rape.

———— *ramosa*, branched D<sup>o</sup>, which had the following characters: the stalk is about a span long, entire, smooth, and succulent; the *bractæ* are lanceolated, there is one of them under every flower; the *calyx* is quadrifid; its four *laciniæ* are linear and hairy at the margin; the *corolla* is monopetalous and gaping (*ringens*); the tube is almost cylindrical, and as long as the *calyx*; the *faux* is open (*debiscens*); the upper-lip is bifid, and emarginated before;

the lower-lip is trifid, with equal *laciniæ*; two *nectaria* are in the under-lip, and sometimes on the sides; the filaments are four, which are commonly pretty long, and almost all equal in size; the *antheræ* are white, didymous, erected, joined into a semi-cylinder, and end below the *stigma* in a short bristle (*seta*); the *germen* is oblong; the *stylus* is pointed; the *stigma* is elevated, great, bifid, and pointed downwards; the *capsula* is oblong, unilocular, and bivalve; the seeds are small and numerous.

*Ophrys bracteis cymbiformibus*, the root . . . . .; the stalk is of the length of a span (*scapus spithameus*); the leaves are three or more in number, their shape is ovato-lanceolated, they stand alternately; the *bractææ* are carinated, and like the leaves on the stalk not variegated; the innermost petals are small, oval, connivent, and not quite green: the upper-lip is the least, and coloured at the bottom; the lower-lip is succulent, oval, blunt, or emarginated with inflected sides, and coloured, except one part which is green, in the two opposite points; the filaments are thread-shaped, one of them is fixed to the lower-lip, and the others to the outward petal; the *antheræ* are globular,

globular, and yellow; the *germen* is furrowed. I only found a single plant, which was perhaps unnatural.

*Scrapias lingua*, bastard hellebore: the root consists of two hanging oval, black, bulbs; the stalk, and the flowers, are twisted to the left; the former is covered with about seven linear lanceolated leaves, which are red spotted, like the stalk itself; the *bractææ* are of equal size with the petals, and like them lanceolated, pointed (*acuminatæ*), pale-red on the upper-side, but not dark-red at the bottom as the petals; the two innermost petals are broader at the bottom, waved (*undulata*), narrow towards the point, sharp-pointed, and with entire margins: the lips are long and red; the upper has narrow reflected points; the lower is dark-red, large, and lanceolated, has incisions on both sides towards the bottom, and its surface covered with some dark hair; the filaments are very short and yellow; the *antheræ* are green: it grows on the plains among the above-mentioned *Asphodelus*, page 59.

*Serapidis linguae varietas minor*, is to be met with along with the former.

HERE



HERE I found likewise the *Cistus salvifolius*, and in the garden was the *Myosotis apula*. I observed the following things in this plant: the *calyx* has a thick wool upon its segments; the *corolla* is quinquefid; the tube is long and linear; the *limbus* is quinquefid, with oval *laciniæ*; the filaments are fastened at the bottom of the *corolla*, and are hardly visible on account of their shortness; the *antheræ* are very small and oblong; the stalk is of a span's length; the leaves grow alternately on the stalk, are equally broad, have a prominent line below, and are rough.

AT last we reached the town of *Illa*, which is a little unfortified place, less than any I have hitherto mentioned. It is about a quarter of a Swedish mile off the sea-shore, in a plain country; it has on one side a barren field, and on the other a river: the houses are not very large, but strong; the streets are broad and fine. The (*Spartium junceum*) Spanish broom shewed its admirable flowers over a garden-wall which was higher than a man's head; this plant is discoverable at a great distance by its fine smell. We lodged with an Englishman who lived in this town; he accompanied us over a bridge, be-

tween the town and peninsula of *Cadiz*, to shew us a sail-cloth manufactory which is carried on by gypsies and other prisoners, both men, women, and children. These people are locked up in their prisons on holidays, from whence they infest passengers through the rails, in the same manner as in *Cadiz*. In the yard of this building were the soldiers, who had mounted guard there. We were obliged to return without effecting any thing, and I only saw the *Arenaria rubra*, and some common plants around the Englishman's house, which was the last on this side.

AFTER dinner I was obliged to return to my congregation, on account of the next Sunday. I returned through a meadow, where I saw the following plants in blossom :

*Cratægus oxyacantha*, hawthorn.

*Ricinus communis*.

*Convolvulus althæoides*.

*Astragalus bœticus*.

*Heracleum sphondylium*, cow-parfneep.

*Malva mauritiana*.

*Hypochoeris maculata*, spotted hawkweed.

*Plantago coronopus*, buckhorn plantain.

In holes I found :

*Ranunculus muricatus.*

*Crepis fatida*, stinking hawkweed.

In the fields :

*Fritillaria meleagris*, fritillary.

*Poterium sanguisorba*, burnet.

*Anthoxanthum odoratum*, vernal-grass.

*Teucrium fruticans.*

*Reseda glauca.*

— *lutea* ? (*tetragyna procumbens*).

*Briza media*, quaking-grass.

*Gentaurea sphærocephala.*

*Asparagus officinalis*, asparagus, which is cut here in the fields, and sold when young for the same purpose as in our country.

Near the shore the following plants were in blossom :

*Hyoscyamus albus.*

*Corrigiola littoralis.*

*Statice armeria*, thrift.

At night the water shone in several places, which was owing to some pieces of rotten ray or other fish.

March the 18th.

To-day I got the *Meloe variegata* from a gentleman who had been near *Illa*. He said, that when he saw this insect, the Spaniards about him advised him not to take it into his hand, on account of its bite being poisonous. They feigned to take great precaution in catching this pretended noxious animal; probably in hopes of receiving a reward from strangers.

EUPHORBIA *ferrata*? I likewise received from the same place: its *umbella universalis* was trifid, triphyllous, with a cordato, lanceolated, reflected leaf.

AND also the *Scilla Peruviana*.

March the 20th.

ON weighing the anchor, some crabs were pulled up; they were *Cancer brachyurus*, *birsutissimus*, *subovatus*; and likewise

CHITON *leve*, which Petiver calls *Oscabrion*: the *shell* is carinated, and consists of eight transverse pieces, which are furrowed transverse; ;

transversly; the *margin* of the shell is soft, the rest is hard. The animal is flat, soft, and covers the inner part of the shell; which, when touched, it contracts, so that one point touches the other.

CANCER *brachyurus, ovatus, spinosus, posticè levis.*

IN the room of our surgeon, whom we left sick in Spain, we took an Englishman called *Thomas Druit* with us. A Spanish passenger also, *Joseph Garcias Domingo Rivero*, a merchant's son from *St. Ander*, about twenty years of age, came on-board in order to go to *Manilla*.

ANIMALS of all sorts, *viz.* oxen, hogs, chicken, pigeons, &c. were in so great plenty in our ship, that we still had some of them left on our return from *China*.

AFTER a stay of ten weeks in Spain, we failed at six o'clock at night from *Cadiz*, with a good wind, though the eastern trade-wind is seldom found below the thirtieth degree of latitude.

THE weather was very changeable during our stay in Spain : sometimes it was dry almost a whole week, sometimes foggy, often for three or four days together rainy, then we had thunder, and it was almost always stormy.

March the 23d, 33° 15' N. L.

WE little expected to meet with our *Hoopoe* (*Upupa epops* Linn.) so far from Sweden. This bird approached our ship to-day, and went along with us a good way. I have before seen it in Spain ; and in order to shew what alteration the season or the climate might cause, I drew up the following description : the *beak* is angulated, compressed, arcuated, long, sharp : both the *jaws* (*mandibulæ*) are equally long, and triangular : the *nostrils* are oblong : the *head* is adorned with a crest of yellowish brown feathers with black tops, of the length of the beak ; though the middlemost feathers (of which there are twenty-four) are somewhat the longest : the *neck*, the *breast*, the *belly*, and the foremost part of the *back*, are of a yellowish brown : the *went feathers* are white, and the *back* black, with white stripes ; but the *coverts*

*coverts* of the tail are quite white. The sixteen *quill feathers* are black, with broad white cross stripes; the nine foremost of which have one, the tenth two, and the rest three or four white lines a-cross, excepting the three lesser *coverts* of the wing. The eight *feathers of the tail* are black, and have at top and below a white stripe: the thighs, and the beak as far as the nostrils, are covered with little yellow-brownish feathers: the *feet* and *toes* are dark grey; of the three fore-toes the middlemost is the longest, the rest are of the same length with the back-toe. This bird was of the size of a pigeon. I was told that the Spaniards called it *Coccis* on account of the note which is peculiar to this bird.

March the 26th.

AT half an hour after six in the morning, we saw the Isle of *Teneriffe*, (in N. N. W.) which belongs to the Spaniards, with the other Canary isles, *Canaria*, *Palma*, *Gomora*, *Lancero*, *Ferro*, *Port Sancto*, *Forta Ventura*, and *Madeira*. *Teneriffe* seems very barren towards the sea side, on account of the high mountains without trees; but it is said to be very agree-

able further up the country, and to produce a quantity of wheat, lemons, oranges, but particularly grapes. The city of *Santa Cruz* lies on the sea-shore; we passed pretty near to it, and counted in its harbour about fourteen ships at anchor, one of which hoisted the Swedish, one the English, and one the French flag, after we had hoisted ours. This town is well known; we fetch many sweet wines from thence, such as Canary, sack, and malvasy, or malmsey; and carry them the staves with which they make their pipes. In the last war, Spain had the treasure of the silver fleet in this harbour: from whence also our East India merchants fetched the money necessary for the Chinese trade. The city is surrounded by walls, ramparts, and other fortifications. The bishop of the *Great Canary* is said to have chosen this place for his summer residence. The *Pico Teneriffe*, which is situated at twenty-eight degrees, and twelve minutes, northern latitude, and thirty-four degrees, and fifteen minutes western longitude from *Upfal*, was, at twelve o'clock, two or three leagues off to the N. W. this mountain is reckoned among the highest in the world. It lay on the other side of the isle, but was nevertheless very conspicuous above the other mountains,



mountains, and seemed in shape like a haystack. It is affirmed that its summit continues burning, and for that reason nobody dares ascend so high. *Teneriffe* being on our right, *Canary* was consequently on the left, but out of sight. The passage here is reckoned more safe than on the other side of *Teneriffe* <sup>2</sup>.

The 28th of March, 22° 12' North Lat.

PAST eight o'clock in the evening the wind abated, and such a continual lightning ensued, that it seemed as if the whole ship was on fire. Afterwards it likewise thundered a little, and about nine o'clock fell a violent hail-storm; the largest of the stones were of the size of beans. The figure of the hail-stones was not alike, yet they all had two or three white rings in the middle, like fishes-eyes. This was a remarkable Maunday-thursday, especially so near the tropic of Cancer, which we passed the midnight next following.

<sup>2</sup> For a full account of *Pico Teneriffe* see Bishop Sprat's History of the Royal Society.

The 30th of March, 19° 34' N. L.

BESANTYES is a word as familiar to our people who go to the East Indies, as it has been strange and unknown hitherto to naturalists. A multitude of *Besantyes* failed by our ship at this time, with their bow-like, expanded skins; but sometimes they turned over and dipped their sails into the water. I was not able to get one of these little animals, although I wished it very much. At a great distance they look like green fish-bladders, with little sails, from whence they derive their name.

THE flying-fishes (*Exocætus volitans*), which generally live about the tropics, and especially in the Western ocean, now began to appear near the ship. They have many enemies both in water and air: in the former they are pursued by the *Scomber Thyunnus*, or tunny, by the *Scomber Pelamis*, or bonnet-fish, and by other fishes; in the latter, the *Phaëton æthereus*, or tropic-bird, the *Pelicanus Piscator*, or booby, and the *Pelicanus Aquilus*, or man of war, are their enemies. All these look  
upon

upon the flying-fishes as created for their use. Providence has given them longer pectoral fins than any other fish, with which they fly as light and as swift as a bird; but are forced to dip into the water, at the distance of a common gun's shot. They sometimes fall upon the ship's deck when flying; they are then quite unable to help themselves off again, and die quickly. On the evening we saw a swallow in our ship; but it was so wet, that it seemed as if it was but just out of the water.

The 31st of March, 17° 40' N. L.

THE swallow which we saw yesterday, was so tired to-day, that we could catch it with our hands. It was the *Hirundo rustica*, or house-swallow. It is somewhat extraordinary, that it should be met with at so great a distance from Sweden, and in so different a climate. I do not pretend to assert, that it came yesterday from the bottom of the sea, as it was taken so near the Canary islands<sup>b</sup>.

<sup>b</sup> Our author, with the northern naturalists, takes it for granted, that swallows retreat under-water when they disappear in autumn; there is good evidence that many of them migrate from Europe to Africa; and it has been fre-

The 1st of April, 15° 20' N. L.

WE now saw a sea-turtle sleeping on the surface of the water, but it was wakened by the passing of the ship: we likewise saw a kind of birds which our ship's-crew called *boobies*<sup>c</sup>.

The 3d of April, 10° 22' N. L.

OUR passenger told me, that the *Sepia loligo* Linn. a species of cuttle-fish, or ink-fish, was eaten by the Spaniards, and that they called it *Cangrejo*. They have their enemies in common with the flying-fish. As soon as the *Sepia* wants to fly, it expands its arms (*tentacula*) like a brush, and also its rhomboidal tail-fin. It has peculiar characteristics:

THE black *bill* looks like that of a vultur; the *jaws* are pointed, short, and bent; the

quently asserted, that a few have, at times, been found in a torpid state, hid in old buildings: but how a bird so much lighter than water, can contrive to keep itself half a year at the bottom of the sea, seems inexplicable.

<sup>c</sup> Our sailors call the *Pelecanus fula* Linn. a booby.

bill is furrounded by a circular *mouth* which has ragged incisions (*os lacerum*); round the mouth ten arms are fixed, whereof eight are trigonal, pellucid, thread-shaped, ending in a point, at the outward end warty and dentated; the two others are round, thread-shaped, longer, smooth at the bottom, but warty at top. The *shell* is soft, cylindrical, thicker before, smooth, and red spotted: the *eyes* are large and black: the *head* and *tentacula* are transparent, marked with little black dots: the *back* is of a golden colour, inclining to brownish; and transparent towards the tail, with black dots: the *belly* is pale red: the *tail* is sharp pointed, and covered with a soft rhomboidal *fin*. The animal is said to contain an ink-like juice in a bladder; it is eaten by the Chinese.

THE bonnet, from the Spanish *Bonito* (*fine*), is a species of fish which is always very plentiful within the tropics, and lives upon flying-fishes and ink-fishes. The bonnet is a species of mackarel, but much larger than our sort. It is eaten, although its flesh is very dry. It is caught in the following manner: you take a fish made of lead or tin, put on a large fishing-hook and fasten the tops of two feathers

to it, opposite to each other, that it may look still more like a flying-fish; you add another top of a feather or two for the tail-fin; at the end of this artificial flying-fish you fasten a string: you then move it up and down over the water on either side of the ship, till the bonnet bites. The bonnet is likewise stricken by harpoons, which is another way of taking it. The name of this fish is to be met with in many accounts of voyages; however, I shall give the following description for those who have no opportunity of viewing the fish itself:

*Scomber pulcher*<sup>d</sup>, *pinnae dorsalis anterioris officulis quindecim, pinnalis subtus inter Caudam & Anum septem.*

In Swedish *Bonnet*; in Spanish *Bonito*.

THE *dorsal*-fin has fourteen or fifteen radii, the *pectoral* fins each twenty-eight, the *ventral* fins each seven, and the *anal* fin fourteen: the *tail* is large, bifurcated, and has twenty-six rays: the *head* is compressed: the *body* is rather elevated than flat on the sides: the *belly* is not so round as the back: the *mouth* is large, or rather very wide: the lower *jaw* is the longest: the *forehead* runs into a point: the *eyes* are of a middling size, they are placed in

<sup>d</sup> *Scomber Pelamis* Linn. Syst. Nat. p. 492.

the sides of the head, are roundish, oblique, and shine like silver. The *opercula branchiarum*, or coverings of the gills, are two round plates. The *membrana branchioftega* has six radii, and is covered; the upper radii are very long, the lower very short. The *teeth* are all in one row in the jaw; they are pointed and numerous. The *tongue* is wedge-shaped, with the skin a little convex on the sides. The *linea lateralis* is bent, near the head it approaches the back, and is thicker thereabouts. The *scales* are very small, and lie quite singly. The colour of the belly as far as the *linea lateralis* is silver-coloured; on each side run four blackish lines lengthways. The back is blueish and very little elevated. The appendages on the sides of the tail are very thin: the first dorsal fin from the head to the second has fifteen hard radii or rays distant from each other, ten of the hinder rays usually fold into a furrow of the back after the death of the fish. The second dorsal fins consist of ten or fourteen soft rays covered on the sides with little gristly scales, hardly to be distinguished. The pectoral fins are of an elliptical lanceolated figure, and have twenty-eight rays, divided at top, of which the lowest are the shortest. The ventral fins are long, with se-

ven ramose rays, which are almost grown together at the bottom; the inner ones are the shortest. The anal fin is somewhat nearer to the tail than the dorsal fins, and is about the same size and form, consisting of fourteen rays which are distinguished with difficulty. The ventral and anal fins are surrounded like the following little softer fins, with a gristly skin. Below the two dorsal fins are eight, and below the anal fin to the tail seven other little fins with different rays. The tail is furcated, very much extended, and consists of twenty-six rays. The pectoral and the ventral fins are directly opposite to the beginning of the dorsal fin, and their length is equal to that of the first ray of the first dorsal fin. The *swimming bladder* sticks to the backbone and is long. The heart is tetraedrous. The belly is an oblong oval. As this fish is dying, it trembles and quivers much. Its length is scarce two feet. I have been enabled to examine many of them, and always found that the first dorsal fin is the surest specific distinction.

The 4th of April,  $8^{\circ} 19'$  N. L.

L A S T night about one o'clock we passed in the 9th deg. 20 min. N. L. and  
 $3^{\circ}$



3° 15' West longitude from *Teneriffe*. The Sun being west in *Aries* 25° 25' 42". For this reason no observations were made to-day. A dolphin was wounded by an harpoon, but broke it and got off.

The 5th of April, N. L. 6° 28'.

THE heat was very great to-day as well as yesterday. Our water, which began to stink before we were quite clear from *Cadiz*, now grew sweet again. This change may be explained from natural causes; for on straining the water through a coarse cloth many gnats and *onisci* were found in it in a perfect state.

April the 6th, N. L. 4° 40'.

WE now lost the north-east trade-wind, which helps the ships forwards all the year thus far from the thirtieth degree of N. L. because it continually blows from north-east, or at least with little variation. In the morning it began to rain; afterwards it grew calm, as is always usual about the Line.

THE tunny is a fish very like the above-mentioned bonnet, but may be easily distinguished from it by the longer pectoral fins, and the white belly. The difference is more plainly seen in the following description :

*Scomber albicans* <sup>e</sup> *pinnæ prioris dorsi officulis quatuordecim, pinnulis subtus inter caudam et anum octo* P. D. *prior officulis quatuordecim: posterior duodecim.* P. *pectoralis triginta duo.* P. *ventralis sex.* P. *ani tredecim.* *Cauda triginta officulis.*

THE *first dorsal* fin has hard rays, and the hindmost of them fold into a furrow of the back: the *second dorsal* fin is flexible, triangular, as in the bonnet; its eight first rays are longest; they are single, and of the length of the first fin; the remaining rays were gradually shorter and divided into many branches; it is connected with the eight flexible small fins, whose rays are divided: the *pectoral* fins are about six inches long, and treble the length of those of the bonnet; they have thirty-two rays: the *ventral* fins have six rays:

<sup>e</sup> *Scomber Thynnus*, Linn. Syst. Nat. 493.

the *anal* fin consists of thirteen rays, the hindmost being the shortest; it is flabelliform and connected with the eight little fins: the colour of the second dorsal fin, of the anal fin, and of the eight little ones, is yellow at top and at bottom: the *tail*, which has thirty rays, is longer than that of the bonnet, but not so much expanded. The length of the fish is not quite two feet: the *body* is compressed, has flat sides, is white below to the *linea lateralis* and above it, with little scales: the *head* is less sharpened: the *mouth* is wide; the lower *jaw* longer than the upper: the forehead somewhat pointed: the *teeth* and *tongue* are similar to those of the bonnet, however the former are more distant from each other: the *opercula branchiarum* consist of two large round plates: the *eyes* are large, round, and silver coloured. It trembles as it dies. The vessel that is the conduit to the gall is formed like a worm, and is blueish. The *belly* is oblong.

THE tunny is caught in the same places, and much in the same manner, as the bonnet; they are equal in size, and are both eaten.

A LARGE sort of fish, called the *Springer* in Swedish, shewed its back fins above the water near the ship.

April the 7th, 3° 47' N. L.

WE caught the *dogfish* to-day, which is reckoned the most voracious animal of prey. Authors have already described several kinds of them, though not very clearly. The reason thereof is probably that some sorts are nowhere to be found but in great seas, where they can be but seldom examined by inquisitive people; whence all sorts are called by the same name, because they all look alike at a distance. Very seldom does an opportunity offer of comparing several sorts together, that specific marks might be ascertained, which otherwise is difficult, as their fins do not constitute the only difference. The dog-fish most commonly met with about the line is

THE *Squalus conductus*, *Squalus Canicula*, (Linn. Syst. Nat. p. 399. n. 8.) or the greater dog-fish.

Its *length* is five feet: the *body* is of a blueish grey above, and white below: the *head* is flat, with a short, half-round forehead: the lower *jaw* has four rows of serrated teeth: the *mouth* is lunular, large, about an inch from the point of the head: the *tongue* is thick, round before, and dentated: the eyes were covered on both sides with a skin after its death, excepting one cross stripe, which was to be seen in the middle. The *ventral* fins are near the *anus*, they are broad, short, blunt, and in some measure connected: the *anal* fin is short, and in the midway between the *anus* and the tail. At the tail there is a triangular cavity. The *pectoral*, *ventral*, and *anal* fins are white, with black points; the others are of the same colour with the body, but they have white points. It is viviparous, and is caught on very large hooks, which have a joint not far from the hooks, fastened to strong ropes: on this hook you put a large piece of bacon, or half a chick, or something which the fish swallows greedily. It is very tenacious of life; and will move about, though its head or tail be cut off; from the wound the blood gushes as out of a spout; nay even if the bowels be taken out of its belly, it lives more

than an hour, as we saw when we caught it. In its belly were bonnets, sepia, and whole chicken with feathers, which we had thrown over-board when dead. When a dog-fish is caught, it flounces about the deck; and people must take great care, for with its teeth it is said to bite off a leg with great ease, at least it would not be safe to try the experiment. When the seamen want to get into a boat where these fish frequent, they must take care not to put their feet into the water, for I once saw a dog-fish attempting to swallow a large wooden quadrant, but it was not able to do it, as it was too broad, and therefore only left the marks of its teeth on it. It is owing to its great greediness that the seamen are able to catch it: they cut off its fins, and then throw it again into the sea; besides many other cruel tricks, which I shall pass over. If a sailor dies in a place where dog-fishes haunt, and is thrown overboard, he is sure to be buried in the bellies of some of them. Large dog-fishes are never eaten, and small ones but seldom, and in cases of necessity only. They are cut into slices, which are squeezed in water till no train-oil remains in them: after being thus washed, it is boiled or roasted, and eaten with butter: the part towards the tail is the best; the

the fore-part is feldom eaten. The skin and fins are made use of in polishing, and are called *shagreen*<sup>f</sup>; they are found in plenty in the Chinese apothecaries shops, and in other places. In the head, above the eyes, in two cavities, is a thick white matter, which, the skin being taken off, is taken out, dried, reduced to powder, and used as an *Emmenagogue*.

THIS dog-fish had two companions :

*Echeneis Remora*, Linn.

THE *membrana branchiolega* has nine parallel bent rays, which are black, as well as the *opercula branchiarum*. The length of the fish is about one span: the *dorsal* fin has twenty-two rays; the *pectoral* fins twenty-six each: the *ventral* fin, which is joined together by a skin, has five rays: the *anal* fin is opposite to the dorsal, and has twenty-one rays: the *tail* is sickle-shaped, and has about sixteen rays. The whole *body* is covered with a black skin; but young ones have a greyish-white skin, shaded with black. The *head* is flat: the

<sup>f</sup> True shagreen is part of the skin of a wild ass, and is brought from *Turky*.

*tecth* are in two rows in the gums, and on the tongue: the upper *jaw* is the shortest: the *eyes* are small; their *iris* is white. From the foremost point of the head, to the point of the pectoral and ventral fins, runs a *skin*, or elevated flat *shield*, which is oblong, hangs on the back, is as broad if not broader than the fish itself, but its smooth margin is never fastened. This fish fastens itself on the belly or breast of the dog-fish with this skin, which consists of eighteen rough, double-crest-like, transversal lines, cut in-two length-ways by a middle line. The fish which *Arctedi* described was much larger than I ever found any. It often sticks so fast to the dog-fish, that it is pulled upon deck along with it.

April the 8th, 2° 49' N. L.

**PILOTS** are a sort of small fish which are similar in shape to those mackarels which have a transversal line across the body. Sailors give them the name of pilots, because they closely follow the dog-fish, swimming in great shoals round it on all sides. It is thought that they point out some prey to the dog-fish; and indeed that fish is very unwieldy. They are





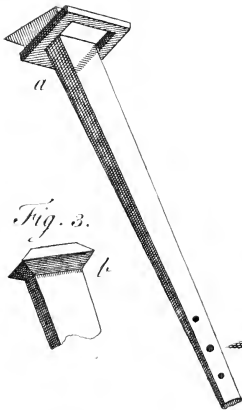
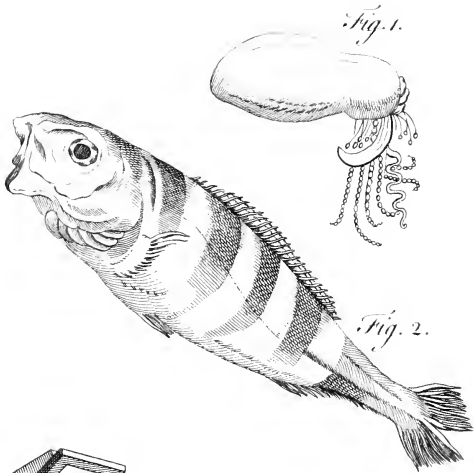


Fig. 1. HOLOTHURIA Physalis.  
 2. GASTEROSTEUS Ductor:  
 3. a chinese pair of Songs.  
 4. a chinese Roller or calendar:

not only not touched, but also preserved by it against all their enemies. Psalm cvi. ver. ii. "Who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord? Who can shew forth all his praise?" This scarce and remarkable fish I had an opportunity of describing: it is *Scomber coruleo-albus cingulis transversis nigris sex, dorso monopterygio*. See the Memoirs of the Swedish Academy of Sciences, for the year 1755, vol. xvi. p. 71, of the Swedish edition. Or

*Gasterosteus Ductor*, Linn. Syft. Nat. a species of stickle-back. *Pilote piscis*, by Ray Pisc. 156. Vid. tab. 12.

The *membrana branchiostega* has six rays: the *operculum branchiarum* consists of two entire gill-plates: the elevations on the sides of the tail are sharp and soft: the *dorsal* fin begins on the middle of the back and ends near the tail: it has thirty rays, whereof the three first are hard, short, and scarcely perceptible; the next following are longer; but the rest keep decreasing, and are divided: the *pectoral* fins are small, and have nineteen rays: the *anal* fin has sixteen rays: the tail is furcated, and has twenty-six rays, with black tops: the head is narrow: the forehead is blunt: the jaws are about equal in length, yet the lower  
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seems longer when the fish opens its mouth: the *mouth* is oblong and small: the *teeth* are very small, and very numerous in the jaws; in the palate are none: the *eyes* are small and round: the *pupilla* is black; the *iris* is shining like gold and silver: the *back* is blue, the *belly* is a silver colour: the *head*, the belly, and even the tail, are ornamented with seven blueish black lines: the scales are extremely small, and stick very fast.

The 10th of April, 1° 50' N. L.

THE *Southern-cross*, called the *Croziars* by the *English* sailors, is a constellation consisting of four stars, of which two are of the second, and two of the third magnitude. It is situated at the hindmost part of the constellation called *Centaur*, which appears on the south side of the line, as soon as the polar star disappears. This cross we now began to discover.

The 11th of April, 8' N. L.

IN the afternoon we passed the Line. On this occasion the old custom was observed; namely,

namely, all the men were called upon the deck, and some pails full of water were thrown upon those who had not crossed the Line before, and those who have very often partake of the bathing. It appears from *Holms's* Description of New Sweden, that this ceremony was usual in 1642, on his voyage to *America*. The first cause that gave rise to it is unknown. It is true, in the neighbourhood of the Line, it is usual to wash the ships every morning and evening with sea-water, that the intolerable heat may be less noxious; which, particularly if the sailors drink brandy, is sufficient to make them mad. But we cannot from hence derive the ceremony of drenching them in water, as it is a practice more likely to occasion diseases than to prevent them.

AFTERWARDS all those who had been here for the first time collected a sum of money among themselves, to serve as a treat at a *Gothenburgh* tavern, in case they should return; and it amounted to three hundred and sixty-four copper dollars, and fifteen oces. Another collection was made for the orphan-house at *Gothenburgh*; every one contributed to it, and it amounted to eight hundred and thirteen copper dollars, and twenty-four oces.

The 14th of April, 5° 16' Southern Latitude.

THE wind called *the south-east trade-wind* was of great use to us at this time. This wind has this name because it blows from the south-east, or nearly, all the year long. It forwards the ships on the side of *America* very much, till they get a west wind at about twenty-two degrees of southern latitude, which carries them on still farther.

April the 26th.

ABOUT half an hour after nine we passed the tropic of *Capricorn*. We saw flying-fishes (*Exocetus volitans*).

May the 2d, 31° 19' S. L.

MALMUCKS was the name given to a sort of brown gulls, with short wings and white bellies, which flew about the ship; and we saw them afterwards in other places, but were never able to catch one of them.

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THE south-east wind, which generally turns west about the tropic, did not turn before last night.

May the 5th,  $33^{\circ} 16'$  S. L.

SEVERAL sorts of birds flew about our ship, and in particular the *Albatros*, or *Diomedea exulans*: their size is that of a goose; they are white every where, excepting the quills and tail, which are black at the end, but white at bottom. We found them also in other places, viz. in thirty-six degrees, and likewise in thirty-five degrees and eighteen minutes of southern latitude.

CAPE *Pigeons* are a species of birds so called by mariners; they only resemble pigeons in size: their country is the *Cape of Good Hope*. A great many of these birds flew to and fro, and kept us company as far as the southern tropic. This bird is the

PROCELLARIA *Capensis* Linn. or the middling spotted Petrel of Edwards's Birds, 90. t. 90. part 2. The following is its description:

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The *size* is that of a common dove: it has very fine black and white down on its *body*: the *bill* is black, narrow, conical, and short: the *upper jaw* is pointed, bent, and gibbous in the middle near the nostrils. About the *nostrils* are elevated *lines* running lengthways, but not parallel: the *lower jaw* is straight, flat, somewhat elevated on the point, not very sharp-pointed, compressed, and has parallel incisions towards the point; below covered with a skin of a dirty black colour: the *skin* within the bill is whitish: the *teeth* are foliated, and stand cross-ways: the *tongue* is whitish, smooth, lacerated near the basis, broad, truncated at its extremity, and fits the bill exactly: the *epiglottis* is furcated: the body below is quite white. The *head* and all about the eyes is covered: the *upper* part of the *neck* is black, as is likewise the fore part of the back; because the feathers are grey, with black tips: the hindmost part of the back is black, spotted with white, and the feathers are white with black extremities: the *under* part of the neck is commonly white, but sometimes a little blackish, when the feathers have black tips. This is perhaps a difference of sex. The *wings* are long; below white,



white, with white sides; on the upper side black with two large white spots: the *quills* are white with black points; the three *first* are the longest; twelve or more *lesser* ones are joined by them, and next to these again ten longer *secondary* ones: the outside of the quills is black; as the next decrease in size, so their black margin decreases, and the rest of the short ones have only black tips: the *greater coverts* of the wings are white with black tips, and the *lesser* ones are quite black: the *lower coverts* are quite white, except those at the extremity, which are black. The fourteen outward feathers of the *tail* are short, and white with black tips; the others are of the same number, and are covered at the top and below: the *thighs* are covered to the knees, partly with the vent feathers, and partly with their own down: the *toes* are palmated, and, like the legs, of a dirty black colour: the *web* of the toes is very slightly notched: the *outward* toe is the longest, and has five articulations; the middlemost has four articulations, of which those two which are nearest the base of the toe are white on one side: the outward toe of the three fore toes has but two joints, and is whitish on the inner side: the fourth or *back toe* is the shortest, for  
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it has but one joint or nail; the last articulations of the toes are hooked (*hamofi.*)

THIS bird makes a noise like a parrot, and throws up train oil when touched. It is caught without any trouble, with some tarred string, or a piece of lard on the fishing-rod. They are seldom eaten, and only in great necessity. We once boiled and tasted some of them, but they were extremely oily.

THE two congeries of stars, of which the one which is near the *Polus eclipticæ* is called *Nubecula major*, and the other *Nubecula minor*, are well known to our *East India* navigators †. They observe how the one, which appears at night lower on the horizon, gradually mounts up higher than the other; and from this they can tell the hour of the night on the south side of the Line, as our common people can by the turning of the *Great Bear*.

May the 6th, 34° S. L.

WE were obliged to dress in our winter cloaths, for the cold was no less intense than

† Our sailors call them the *Magellanic clouds*.

in *Sweden* in winter time. This change occasioned many diseases, and no less than twenty-two men were laid up at once, most of them having an ague; some had the head-ach, and others different complaints.

THE storm-finch, (*Procellaria equinoctialis*) has got this name from seamen for shewing the bad omen which its appearance forebodes. A couple of these little birds accompanied us, and always flew quite close to the surface of the water, if the sea was ever so rough. We saw them likewise the following days.

May the 16th, 36° 22' S. L.

THE trumpeter, *Zetermark*, a comely and decent young man, died about noon of an ague, and was buried in the sea, about four o'clock in the afternoon.

May the 18th, 36° 8' S. L.

ALTHOUGH the abovementioned storm-finches were but very small, yet they were bold enough to feast along with the large sea-birds, when we threw the guts of pigs over-

board. They were generally first and last on such an occasion.

May the 21st, 35° 15' S. L.

WE caught a sort of dog-fish to-day, which I have often heard of: it was by far larger than any of this kind we had seen till then: its colour was grey, like steel, and white below.

THIS *Squalus catulus*, Linn. or less dog-fish, had the following characters:

The *body* without the tail is eight feet long: the *colour* of the back is grey, like lead, and that of the belly white, without spots: the *mouth* is thin, oblong, and near it are two small nostrils: below the head it has several small *apertures*: the *teeth* stand alternately, and their edges are slightly indented: the upper jaw is the longest: the teeth in the first row are straight, like those of the above described dog-fish (*Squalus canicula*), but they are more sharp pointed, and larger below: the teeth of the second and third rows are bent: the eyes are black, shining, and quite covered with a white skin, as soon as the fish is dead:

dead: both *dorsal* fins are short, and of the colour of pewter: the length of the *pectoral* fins exceeds a foot: they have parallel margins, but a joint on the infertion; they are white below, and above of the same colour with the back: the *ventral* fins are joined near the anus; they are white, short, and cylindrical at their infertion: the *anal* fin is of the same colour with the dorsal fin, and is very short: the *tail* is two feet long, and lead coloured. This whole animal shines, and is covered with a fine skin. The heart and the eyes were in motion a long while after it seemed to be dead. One of its bowels was like a long string of pearls, the joints of which were of the size of acorns, and contained thick blood. On one of the pectoral fins many *chrysalides mucronatae*, *thorace imbricato*, were fixed. But the pilot-fishes which accompanied the *Squalus canicula* did not attend on this species.

May the 22d, 35° 14' S. L.

It is in this latitude, that a seaman must be more cautious than any where else, for the least cloud often changes the finest weather into

such a storm, that the bare masts are sufficient without any fails.

THE continent of *Africa* began now to appear to us, between N. N. E. and E. N. E. About five o'clock in the afternoon we buried one of our men, who died of an ague. We now thought that *Cape Falso*, as being the nearest land, was eight or nine miles off, N. by E. We found that (by heaving the lead) we had ground at ninety fathoms depth; and here we fished for cod, but in vain.

May the 23d, 35° 46' S. L.

ABOUT one o'clock in the afternoon, we again found ground at ninety fathoms depth. The effects of the deceased were sold by auction.

May the 25th, 36° 56' S. L.

ONE of our men, who had been sick for some weeks together, died of an ague, and was buried the next day before the sermon.

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May the 27th, 37° 19' S. L.

Six dolphins <sup>h</sup> followed our ship, and generally were on the surface of the water. I never saw a finer fish than this for the variety of its colours. The dolphin is the same in a large size, as the gold-fish is in a small.

May the 29th, 37° 33' S. L.

THIS morning, about two o'clock, I saw an eclipse of the moon, which began on the south-east side, and continued till three quarters past three o'clock, when only the north-west border was eclipsed. The moon after-

<sup>h</sup> The reader must here take care not to confound this dolphin (which is the *Coryphæna hippuris*, Linn. and the *Dorado* of the *Portuguese*) with the dolphin of the ancients, (*Delphinus delphis*, Linn.) which is a cetaceous fish. If by *gold-fish*, Mr. *Osbek* means, as we do, to express the *Cyprinus auratus*, Linn. one cannot but wonder that so good a naturalist should use so little precision in his account as to say, "The dolphin is the same in a large size, as &c." merely from the resemblance of colour: for the *Dorado* and gold-fish are so little alike as to be not only of different genera, but also of different ordines: for the former is a thoracic fish, the latter an abdominal.

wards continued to increase on both east and west side, so that she was full about five o'clock. Yet before the end of the eclipse, a fog, as the certain fore-runner of an imminent storm, began to increase more and more; and the storm accordingly happened when the sky was quite covered.

At a great distance from the ship we saw some animals which were said to be *sea-lions*; but I could not distinguish whether they were fish or *belluæ marinæ*. According to the figure of the sea-lion in Anson's Voyage, it seems to be a species of seal. Those which that admiral caught and used as provision near the isle of *Juan Fernandez* were twelve or twenty feet long, and eight or ten thick.

June the 7th, 37° 30' S. L.

ABOUT eight o'clock at night we heard, at several times, a deep and harsh noise. We supposed this was the voice of some large fish, and perhaps of that which we saw the next day. Some said that they saw its way, and that it shone a little in the dark. This light might probably arise from the violent motion  
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which its swift passage gives to the water; for in the night something shone about our ship: yet this might also be occasioned by many sorts of little worms, dead fishes, and other putrified bodies.

June the 12th, 36° 54' S. L.

THE sea raged excessively, and was driven by the wind, as the snow is on the land. The colour of the waves, and their height indeed, resembled hills of snow. At three o'clock in the afternoon a great body of water burst into the cabbins through the windows, and spoiled all the sugar, cloths, books, &c. which it met with. This accident put us into great confusion. Such was the reception we met with at the rocks of *St. Paul and Amsterdam*, from whence, the next night, a storm attended with hail so effectually helped us away, that the reefed mizzen and fore-fails only, were sufficient, whereas at other times we were obliged to add twenty more fails.

June the 14th, 35° 16' S. L.

WE saw some sea-grafs swimming by the ship; it was perhaps a *fucus*, for our navigators

call this whole genus sea-grafs; which is one of the surest signs that rocks, islands, or lands, are near.

June the 15th,  $34^{\circ} 1' S. L.$

*ANAS nigra* Linn. or a *Scoter*, almost of the size of a goose, was seen to-day, and afterwards in thirty degrees of southern latitude. They look brown at a distance; the head and feet black; and the bill white: the wings are greyish at top, but blacker below.

June the 21st,  $50^{\circ} 49' S. L.$

WE assembled as usual to attend our morning service; but a sudden storm made us leave off, when we had scarce begun.

June the 22d,  $29^{\circ} 34' S. L.$

A GRAMPUS, or great fish of some fathoms length, which swam about the ship backwards and forwards, once swiftly passed before her, though the ship sailed very fast; but at last was forced to give the precedence to us; where:

whereupon it (and perhaps some others in its company) spouted the water up to such a height, that it was both heard and seen at a great distance.

July the 3d, 23° S. L.

THE sea being smooth, our sailors were employed in cleansing the ship.

SOME of the *Lepas anatifera* Linn. had fastened themselves during our voyage to the ship, and particularly to the rudder, but were now all destroyed. As soon as the water passes over them, they stretch out their *tentacula* like hooks to get their food by, which is either the *conferva rivularis* which grows about them, or some other things which the water carries to them. The reason which made the ancients call this lepas *Concha anatifera*, appears from *Grew's* Museum, p. 148. where he says, that some assert it as a certainty, that in the *Orcades* were some worms, which grew in hollow trees, and got, in time, a head, feet, wings and feathers, as perfectly as a sea-bird; and that they became as large as geese<sup>i</sup>.

<sup>i</sup> Dr. *Grew* did not believe this absurd tale of the *Bernacle*; but old *Gerrarde* asserts, that he has seen with his own eyes the several stages of this metamorphosis.

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The animalcules inhabiting it had the following shape :

THEY are of the *Triton* kind, and have ten pair of comb-like arms, which are bent towards each other like skrews, are black or grey, connected together at bottom, and are an inch long; each pair is inserted below, and entire. Besides these ten pair of arms, there is a single arm in the middle, like a worm, which is hairy at the top, and is perhaps the instrument they make use of to bring that kind of food to their mouth which they catch by their *tentacula*. Besides, there are a pair of arms on each side, which are like the abovementioned ten, but stand a little more off, are shorter, and as clear as water. The mouth consists of seven valves, which are serrated on the inside: on the sides of the mouth are some scales, that are like the former; they all stick to an oblong bladder: the shell sticks to the ship by means of a wrinkled leather-like tube, made of a spongy substance, which is tough and blueish, and has ten or more wrinkles: its shell is of the *lepas* kind, bivalve<sup>k</sup>, oval, compressed, water coloured,

<sup>k</sup> Linnæus in the last (twelfth) edition of his *Systema Naturæ*, ascribes to the *Lepas anatifera* five, smooth, compressed valves. F.

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and with yellow futures; each valve is divided in two by a cross future, of which that is the least which forms the summit: the side which opens has yellow linear edges: but the back describes almost a circle: the ridge of the back is brown, and has on both sides black and yellow futures: the bottom is saffron coloured.

ADELPHOZION I call a species of worms which were joined together in the water by hundreds, and we at first took them to be snakes; but when we caught them by a hook they parted: each of them was an inch long; scarce as broad as a finger; had compressed sides, and at first sight looked like a little fish without fins: the whole body was soft, pellucid, but a little more solid at the ends: there were no bones in them, and only a fine finew or side line; and a red brown edge quite in the middle somewhat distant from the snout. As I wanted time and opportunity to consider them more attentively, I preserved some in spirits, and others in sea water; but they lost their former figure in both. I afterwards saw a drawing of many worms connected together, at Mr. Assistant *Braad's*, who met with them in his voyage to *Suratte*, in the ship called  
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*The Gothic Lion*, which perhaps only differed from these in age; but they had, for the most part, a rhomboidal figure.

July the 6th, 19° 5' S. L.

WE were come so far, that we expected to see *New Holland* soon; but were disappointed, and fell into a very good trade-wind.

July the 9th, 14° 15' S. L.

Two tropic birds (*Phaëton aethereus*), so called by seamen because they live within the tropics, were observed soaring in the air at a considerable height, as larks do. They seemed to be large and white, with a long narrow tail, consisting of a few feathers, with smooth, black edges, and a red bill. The description of this bird may be met with further on.

July the 11th, 9° 37' S. L.

ONE of the greatest inconveniencies that attend a voyage to the East Indies is, that worms spoil both meat and drink. In our ship-

ship-bread some worms had lived ever since the beginning of May, and they now were of the following figure: the larva was white, somewhat hairy, and had a bristly tail: the fore part was flat; the hind part cylindrical: the three pair of feet were yellowish, and fixed near the head: the body has twelve articulations, the head included. The whole head, with the next articulation, and the tail, are dark brown: the jaws are prominent: the *antennæ* short and setaceous. I have also found smooth ones, less than the former, of a light brown colour, and middling ones likewise smooth. The head and tail of the latter was brown: but the former was not punctated; and the articulation nearest to the head was not brown as in the former. Perhaps these are only varieties arising from different ages.

July the 12th, 7° 53' S. L.

WE now got sight of *Asia*, and first of all of the isle of *Canibas*, the eastern point of which was about twelve o'clock N. E. by N. the western N. and the middle N. N. E. and it was reckoned two or three leagues from us. The eastern part of *Java* was to us E. N. E.

N. E. and the western N. N. W. We afterwards sailed along the coast of *Java*.

SOME thousands of porpeffes (*Delphinus phocæna*) were playing about our ship, and made a great noise in leaping. They seemed a yard and half long, and of a ferrugineous colour: the *tail* is horizontal, and the *dorsal* fin lacerated behind.

THE air was very cold here at first, though the climate is one of the hottest. This perhaps may be occasioned by a draught of air between the mountains.

THE country is covered, both vallies and hills, with green trees, the reflection of which gives a green cast to the sea, even at a distance from land. The sun shone very hot, so that a vapour rose from the land like the smoak which is seen in our country when woods are burnt down; yet the air along the coast was very cold.

July the 13th.

BUBBI, from the *English* word *booby*, is a sort of bird so called by those of our nation who



who sail to the East Indies, because, though they frequently fettle on ships, yet they never fly away if any one attempts to catch them; but only cry out, bite, and spout out the train-oil, or fishes, which they have swallowed. Such a bird we caught to-day with our hands, which enabled me to know it better than merely by name. It was the male of the

PELECANUS *Piscator* Linn. Its *bill* is pointed, elevated, narrow, blueish on the outside, has a ferrated margin, and is two palms long: the *throat* and all about its eyes are without feathers, and covered, as the bill, with a blueish skin: the *upper jaw* is elevated, and has on both sides a furrow running towards the *point*, which is bent, and has a prominence: near the head the bill has an elevated part: the *lower jaw* is narrow and streight; the tongue, which is fastened to it, is arrow-shaped: the *cere* is light blue: the *nostrils* are wanting, unless the notch at the base of the bill can be taken for them: the *pupils* of the eyes are black: their *irides* are white, and surrounded with black: the *head*, the neck, back, the upper side of the wing, and the inner margin thereof, together with the tail, are quite black: the *breast*, the belly,  
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and the *uropygium* are white, waved with blackish grey: the *down* and the *lower coverts* of the wings, in particular the ten longest and innermost, are white: all the sixty-four *quill feathers* are very black, with whitish grey below: the first quill feather is the longest; the next to it decrease gradually: there are ten quill feathers on the first joint; on the second thirty; and on the third or innermost fourteen; and more secondary feathers. The *upper coverts* are tipped with grey: the *lower* are dirty white, with little black edges: the tail has fourteen feathers: the *thighs* are covered with grey feathers: the legs naked and whitish, like the four toes: the *first toe* has five, the *second* four, the *third* three, and the *fourth* two joints: no *back-toe* is to be met with: the *heart* is oval; the *liver* is long. The bird is the size of a raven.

THE *female* is somewhat less: the *bill* is more ferrated, and reddish towards the head: the *neck* and the *upper coverts* of the wing are white: the three first quill feathers are quite black, as in the male: the next following ones are grey, spotted; and the last white, mixed with black: the *back*, the *coverts of the wings*, and the thirteen *feathers of the tail* are white,  
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spotted with a reddish yellow: the middlemost feather in the tail is the longest: the *toes* and *legs* are red: the rest the same with the male: Whether this is the female of the first described bird, I leave to others to examine. It may be compared with the *Anser Bassanus* of Albin, vol. i. p. 86. I found a black <sup>k</sup> *Hippobosca* upon it.

BOTH these birds were exceedingly lean, and not eatable on account of their oily taste. In flying they spread their tails like a fan, and bend their long necks towards the side they fly to. They settle upon ships, and sometimes stay on them (if not scared away) whilst they sail many miles. They are much plagued with lice, and for that reason are not agreeable to keep. These lice run very swiftly, and soon creep upon the men. They are small and white, and black on the middle: some are brown; and some have four long feet.

AT five o'clock in the afternoon, *Wincopers* point was N. by W. and the middle of the isle N. N. E. to us. *Flying-fishes* were to be met with here.

<sup>k</sup> *Hippobosca* abound on the *Hirundo apus*, or swift.

ON a little isle, which we passed by in the dark, we observed strong breakers.

July the 14th.

TO-DAY we had clear weather and but little wind. In the afternoon, at four o'clock, we found ground at ninety fathoms depth.

THE Cape of *Java*, which we passed at nine o'clock before noon, was at first N. N. W. to us, and at ten it was N. by W. This high steep promontory is called *Java head* by the *English* sailors and ours, or the *Pico* of the *Prince Island*. It is on the right if you are sailing into *New Bay*, which is the first port in that road. This mountain is of a brown red colour. Near *Java head* is a neck of land every where covered with trees, and therefore is entirely like that side of *Java* which we passed by. Higher up the country the ground was rising, and the palm-trees were taller than I ever saw any where else. In a few places we observed, between these thickets, some spots of ground the surface of which appeared quite yellow from the blooming flowers: this gave  
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a charming appearance to the country, but increased my chagrin as I was not to go on shore; and I was forced to languish like a hungry person who views his food only at a distance. These woods are said to be so full of tigers and other beasts of prey, that nobody ventures to live on the eastern shore of the island. At night it was extremely agreeable upon the decks, for we were refreshed by the sweet smell which exhaled from the trees and other vegetables. We were visited by many little white birds, like our gulls, which fluttered about us and whistled; and afterwards another larger sort of birds came to us, but soon after left us.

NIEU *Eyland*, or the *New Island*, whence the new bay, or the new road, derives its name, is the place where the *Swedish East India* company's ship *The Gothic Lion* (which had lost the trade-wind) was obliged to stay, and whence all our ships on their return fetch fresh water; and even on their voyage from *Europe*, if in want of it, or if detained by calms or by contrary winds. At eleven o'clock we had a coral bottom, twenty fathoms depth.

THE second port in *Java* is *Welcome bay*, the third *Pepper-bay* and the fourth *Angeri*, which are all on the right coming from *Europe*. On the left or south side is *Prince Island*, which is said to be very populous, and belongs to the king of *Bantam*. From this island the ships of other nations take water for their return, as the *Swedish* ships formerly did: but they have since found *New-bay* more convenient for that purpose.

SUMMATRA, which we saw at a great distance behind *Prince Island*, is much larger than *Java*, and is computed to be two hundred *Swedish* miles long<sup>1</sup>. The country was on this side like *Princes Island*, and for the most part covered with thick woods, between which were some open places.

ON the shore of *Java* we saw some small reddish rocks, and sea-turtles on the water. In the evening the sky was covered with some clouds shining like gold, upon which rain and thunder ensued. The inhabitants along the shore lighted several fires to frighten wild

<sup>1</sup> That is, about one thousand two hundred and fifty *English* miles. F.

beasts from their huts. About eleven o'clock all was silent, and we anchored in the fourth harbour, viz. *Angeri*.

July the 15th.

THE thunder clouds lay low on the mountains, so that the high rocks were prominent above them. Thunder and lightning, together with rain, ensued.

WE weighed anchor at eight o'clock in the morning, having had *Angeri* point N. N. E. and the island called *Quer im Wege* (that is *Across the way*) between N. and N. by E.

THE isle of *Kraka toa* was to the left of us. About nine o'clock we cast anchor; we had fifteen fathoms depth, and a clayey ground, on which lay little shells. We had the fourth bay from *Java*, between S. and S. by E. The before mentioned island N. E. and *Angeri Point* N. E. by E.

SOME moths came aboard our ship and were caught, viz. *Sphinx atropos* Linn. or the *Jasmine Sphinx*: its upper wings are black, with

whitish spots; but at the extremity of an orange colour: the under side of the upper, and both sides of the lower wings, have black lines: the *antennæ* are blackish, prismatic, and have a brown spot on the point: the *eyes* are large and black: the *back* of the *thorax* is marked with a blackish brown figure like a skull: the *body* is black below, with orange rings: it is marked at top with rings of black changing into blue: the *feet* are shaded black and brown; and their spines, which sting like nettles, have the same colour: this *Sphinx* has a strong spiral tongue. When caught, it made a noise something like a bird.

AT half an hour after four in the afternoon we failed, and about six o'clock we dropped the anchor at ten fathoms depth, in a blue sandy, clayey ground.

The island called *Across the way* was now N. N. W. and *Angeri* S. by E. We saw two fires on the coast of *Java*.

July the 16th.

FOR the greatest part, calm and fine weather.

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ABOUT eleven o'clock we weighed anchor, but soon after dropt it again, at a moderate distance from *Angeri*. Here at last I got leave to go on shore with the boat, which fetched some refreshments for our men, such as coconuts, &c. but only on condition of returning immediately as soon as the commanding officer should desire me. We had provided ourselves with fire arms in case of a bad reception.

As soon as we reached the land (which we did with great difficulty, on account of the coral bottom, and because the tide ran very much to the shore), some natives of the country met us: these at first seemed undetermined whether to look upon us as enemies or as friends; for they were then at war with the *Dutch*. Each of them had a dagger on his side, which looked like a kitchen knife hung in a belt, and its point was made poisonous by the *Toxicaria* of *Rumphius*. One of them carried a couple of javelins on his back, and a cane in his hand. They were almost naked, being covered with nothing but a brown cotton cloth, spotted with blue, tied round the body with a handkerchief; between which their dagger is put. With these poisoned daggers

they cut the cocoa-nuts, and other things; but they likewise defend themselves against their enemies with them. Round their black hair they wear a check handkerchief tied, yet so that the crown of their head remains uncovered. When they came on-board they sometimes dressed themselves in a loose shirt, which was commonly blue or check. Some of them wore on their fingers brass rings with seals of stones like blue sapphires. These Indians were of a middle size, but generally short; their hair and eye-brows black, their teeth of a blackish red, their eyes and noses little, their mouth large, and most of them had no beards. They were civil, grave, simple, and willing to oblige; but cried like children if any thing was taken from them. They want no chairs, because they sit upon their heels like monkeys. Their salute is *Taba tuani*, or Good day to you, Sir. At last they offered us their cocoa-nuts, plantains, chicken, beer, buffaloes, tortoises, and bed-mats; which latter were either *double*, that is, such as have larger meshes on one side; or *single*, which are always brought here and used as sheets, on account of their coolness. In payment they received *Spanish* silver money, or wares, such as old shirts, handkerchiefs,

kerchiefs, mirrors, glafs, knives, pins and needles, flints, &c.

THE sea-shore here consists of a grey sand, in which are several corals, such as madre-pores, millepores, &c. as also shells, viz. *Cypræa alba* and *Cypræa punctata*, two species of *Cowries*, were found here. The country was scarce a yard higher than the surface of the water. A number of small crabs ran very nimbly on the land.

A LITTLE hut, consisting of four poles, open on the sides, but covered with cocoa leaves at the top, and used for fires at night, was found on the shore. The people live so contented here amongst apes and parrots, that the stateliest palaces in *Europe* do not contain so happy inhabitants.

ALL the trees are different from those which are found with us, and stand so close together on the sea-shore, that it is almost impossible for a stranger to penetrate into the country.

THE inhabitants of *Java* had a little path through the wood, but they forbid me going through it. They accompanied us to-day  
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along the shore towards the side of *Angeri*, on a brook which was about the distance of a gun-shot from our boat, where we filled a tun full of water, which was not very good. On the side of the brook stood a tree of about ten or twelve feet high, which had both flowers and fruits, and which the *Indians* called *Vientaro*: it is *Cerbera Manghas*; the *germen* is oval like the *stigma*, which is bifid: the *outward shell* of the fruit contained a milky juice, which raised a suspicion of its qualities; and besides, the people of the country more than once told us that it was poisonous. It may be compared with the *Arbor lactaria*, Malaicè *Bintaro* Rump. iii. p. 234. and *Jasminum Indicum*, Merian Surin. p. & t. 8. *Quauthlepatli* f. *Arbor ignea*. Hern. Hist. Mex. cap. xxxiii.

THE other plants which I gathered here, were

*Acanthus ilicifolius*: the *perianthium* is double: the *outermost* is less; and both of them have two opposite leaves somewhat larger than the rest: the four *stamina* are shorter than the *corolla*, and two of them longer than the other two: the *filaments* are broad, pointed, and striated in the middle: the *antheræ*  
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are oblong, erect, hairy, and shorter than the filaments: the *germen* is almost oval, and situated below the *corolla*: the *stylus* is filiform, and is of the same length with the filaments: the *stigma* is undivided: the *pericarpium* is a bilocular oval capsula, turned upside down; in each partition were two flat, oval seeds: the *smell* is like that of an *Agaric*.

*Catechua? Javanica*: the *perianthium* is short and infundibulous-form: the *tube* of the *corolla* is very long, and nearly cylindrical: the *limbus* is short and quinquefid: the four filaments are filiform, remarkably long, and inserted in the tube of the *corolla*: the *antheræ* are small: the *germen* is round and small: the *stylus* is filiform, and longer than the *stamina*: the *flowers* are blue and axillar; each peduncle bears three flowers at the utmost: the *peduncles* of each flower in particular are short: the *plant* is a *frutex*: the *branches* hang downwards, and are quadrangular: the *leaves* are ovato-lanceolated, opposite, smooth, pointed, petiolated, inclining to one side and deciduous. It grows on the sea-shore.

*Convolvulus pes capræ* Linn. lay on the shore, with its long tendrils and fine flowers.

*Ischæmum*

*Ischæmum muticum procumbens* Linn. was the most common grass along the sea-shore.

*Vitex trifolia*: the *perianthium* is monopetalous, quinque-dentated, cylindrical, and very short: the *corolla* is monopetalous and ringent: the middlemost *lacinia* of the upper line is longer and broader than the four others, which are equal: the four *filaments*, two of which were longer than the others, are inserted in the base of the limb: the *stylus* is longer than the *stamina*: the *antheræ* are bifid; and so is the *stigma*, which is reflected: the *berry* is obovated: the branches are quadrangular, lanated, like the leaves and *petioli*: two, three, or four *leaves* sit together; but on the branches they are single: the *foliola* are lanceolated and ferrated. The *tree*, or *shrub*, has branches hanging down, and a *smell* of wormwood. It grows on the sea-shore.

*Asclepias gigantea*: the *nectarium* looks like a lion's mouth.

*Memecylon capitellatum*: its *styli* are filiform, as long as the *nectarium*: the *stigmata* are lamellated and joined together: the *leaves* are elliptical, and lanated below.

*Verbesina*

*Verbesina lavenia* : the leaves have two little glands at their base, and one or two about the middle.

*Sida cordifolia*.

*Urena sinuata* : the leaves are ovated, cordated, ferrated; and the lower ones have generally an angulated edge: the flowers are red and at the extremities. The plant is a little tree.

*Michelia champaca* : it has no calyx: its corolla is double: it has fourteen lanceolated petals, of which the outward six are greater: the filaments are numerous, short, inserted at the base, and surrounding the pistillum: the antheræ are longer than the filaments: the stylus, &c. like that of the *Nymphaea*: the flowers are yellow, and have a very fine smell. The Javanese offered them to us as an agreeable present.

The *Tetradapa* of the Javanese; *Erythrina corallodendron*? the perianthium is monophyllous, spathaceous, short, and oval: the vexillum of the corolla is great, including four oval, short petals: the filaments are ten in number, nine of which are grown together half-way in  
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one; they are all subulated: the *antheræ* are erected and oblong: the *germen* is long, and lanated: the *stylus* is subulated: the *stigma* is deflected and barbated: the *flowers* are verticillated, red and deciduous. The *fruit* which lay under this tree (if it may be called so) was a narrow rhomboidal *pod* (*legumen*): it contained two kidney-shaped *seeds*. The tree was as high as a man's head, and very ramose: it had no leaves at that time, but fine scarlet flowers. It may be compared with the *Gedala litorca*; Malaice *Gelala laut* et *Gelala itam*; *Badensibus Dadab*. *Rumph. Tom. iii. p. 231. t. 77*. This author says, the tree is in blossom at the latter end of July, and the leaves fall off about that time. In the middle of August the flowers drop. In September comes the fruit and the fresh leaves. The blood-coloured parrots called *Luris* like these flowers exceedingly; about the time that the trees are in blossom, they flock about them, and suck the juice out of the *Nectaria*; and at that time they are caught in springes fixed to the boughs of the trees. The above-mentioned author shews the use of the leaves and bark in physic; on the latter of which grew *Byffus candularis*, and on the root *Onoclea sensibilibis*

Linn.



Linn. vel *Filix indica polypodii facie*. Mentz. pugill. tab. penultima.

*Crinum Asiaticum* Linn. *Tulipa Javana*. Rumph. t. v. page 240. t. 105.

The *spatha* has two leaves: the *flowers* form a knob at the top of the stalk, and have an agreeable smell: the *corolla* is monopetalous: the *tube* is cylindrical, and very long: the *limbus* is sexfid, with long, linear, reflected *laciniæ*: the *stamina* and the *stylus* are very long, and also reflected: the filaments are inserted in the mouth of the tube: the *stylus* is longer than the filaments, but does not reach so high, because it stands much lower: the *leaves* are sword-like and broad. It grows in the sandy sea-shore. It was brought to Sweden perfectly alive.

*Coccus nucifera* (*Palma Indica major*, Rumph. t. i. p. 1.) called *Calapa* in the *Javan* language, is a very high, but not very thick palm-tree, with a rough bark, and a stem which is undivided up to the crown. On the bark grows a white flour-like moss. The cocoa-nuts, which hung at the top, looked like cabbages, and were somewhat triangular: the exterior shell of the nut is yellow when it begins to ripen,

ripen, and grows brown: it consists of an outer case, like hemp, and is used as such, and therefore is commonly peeled off before the nut is sold; excepting a narrow stripe, which is left to shew how ripe the nut is; and accordingly is either green, or yellow, or brown. Yet these nuts may be had quite perfect if they are ordered, and in that state they contain the greatest plenty of fresh water. The fibrous shell is used for matches and ropes, but the latter soon rot in fresh water. The next shell below this is white before it is ripe, but it afterwards becomes brown and very hard: near the stalk it is somewhat angulated. The *Java* people make use of it to put their brown sugar and other things in. People going to the *East Indies* make drinking vessels and punch ladles of it: and besides this some very pretty little baskets. Opposite to the base, or to the part where the stalk is fastened, are three little holes, but only one of them is easily opened. The innermost shell, which fits close to the hard shell, is white, and not much harder than a turnep before it is boiled: it may be eaten raw, and it has a taste of sweet almonds; and for that reason seamen mix it with cinnamon, and make a sort of almond milk with it. It may also be used

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as a sallad, when prepared with vinegar, salt, and oil. The nut is filled with a pale, sweet water, which turns sour if it is not drunk soon after the nut is opened. Every nut contains about a pint, or somewhat more, of this water. We used it for some weeks, whilst it was fresh, instead of tea. It is said that this juice, if it is used as water to wash one's self, gives a fine complexion. When the nut grows old, the water congeals into a spongy white kernel, from which, after the shell is opened, some leaves spring up, which keep very long without putting the nut into the ground or watering it. A hundred nuts cost a *peso duro*, or *Spanish* dollar. The trees stood along the shore in low places, and were very plentiful. Authors say very circumstantially, that this tree affords cloaths, meat and drink, houses, or huts, utensils or household implements, and other instruments, to the natives. To the last mentioned purpose the stem is of use; out of the branches they make the arched entrances to their huts, to which they fasten flowers on their wedding-days: the leaves are made use of for thatching, sails, baskets, brooms, and may be wrought upon with bamboo nails: the kernel and water of the nut afford them their meat and beverage: the outward shell

affords cloathing, painting-brushes, &c. If an incision is made into any bough, a clear juice runs from the wound in the night time, which makes fyrup and vinegar if properly prepared. Without this juice of cocoa no arrack can be made: and the Chinese, for this reason, are obliged to buy this liquor here. The Indians breakfast on the kernel of the cocoa-nut, fagoe-bread and dried fish: but those of higher rank add some boiled rice. The shell is used like *Areca*, for chewing, but first they mix it with *Betel* and chalk: it is likewise put into water, and afterwards they make a milk of it, which they call *Santar*, in which they boil herbs, cabbage, rice and fishes: this milk turns sour in one night. If it is mixed with a certain quantity of water and boiled in a pot, it loses its white colour; and when all the water is gone off, a pure oil remains, which it is said is as clear and sweet as oil of olives; it is used as butter, and is a very nutritive food. Both men and women anoint themselves with cocoa oil, both against certain diseases, and because it is fashionable to have black hair. The ladies of *Java* and *Balaya* mix part of the root of turmeric (*Curcuma* Linn.) with it, which gives a lustre to their complexions. The *Portuguese* doctors prescribe

scribe cocoa oil with fyrup of violets against coughs and asthma, and order gouty people to rub the parts affected with it, &c. The roots are used against dysenteries and fevers. The strangury and the *gonorrhœa virulenta* are healed by means of the flowers taken out of the spatha and eaten with *Lontaris* or a reddish sugar. If fresh cocoa-nuts are roasted and grow cold again, or when they are exposed to dew, they are said to put a stop to agues and the like diseases: it might be of use to try this receipt in the *East India* voyages. In *Malabar* the kernels of the ripe nuts are dried by the sun, and exported into other countries by the name of *Copra*; and oil is pressed out of it, with which all sorts of weapons are rubbed to prevent their rusting.

THE inhabitants of this part of *Java* had no wild birds to sell at present; however, for two knives, I got an *Ispida viridis supra ferruginea*: (*Merops viridis* Linn.) One might see by its aspect it was not formed for a songster, but only to clear the earth of grubs and other insects. It made some noise now and then as long as it lived; but it survived but a few days. After its decease I took down the following particulars: the *bill* is black, sharp,

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arched, and has a narrow ridge at the top: the *eyes* are black: the *irides* are red: the *jaws* are triangular: the *tongue* is every where equally broad, narrow, and lacerated towards the tip: the *nostrils* are round and naked: the *head* and *neck* are brownish: the *breast*, *belly*, and *tail* are white, and somewhat greenish: the *wings* are green on the upper side; the upper margin, the extremities, and the under side are ferrugineous: the *back*, the *throat*, and the *tail* are blue: it has twenty-one *quill feathers*: of the twelve feathers in the tail the two middlemost are the largest: the *legs* and *feet* are ash-coloured and naked: it has three *fore-toes* and one *back-toe*. This specimen is preserved in the *Museum Upsaliense*.

SEVERAL insects, particularly butterflies, flew about us on all sides; but it was their good fortune that we stayed no longer on shore. I only caught an *Apis rufa*, *thorace antice linea alba*, *abdomine fusco*; and some black ants. The latter were frequent in the trees.

THE *flying-boats* or *proas* of the *Java* people were pulled on shore and carried into the woods, lest the great heat of the sun should spoil them: they are sharp and very narrow, with an

an out-rigger of bamboo, going in the water on one-side, which makes it more secure<sup>m</sup>.

JAVA tortoises (*Testudo Javanica*) were sold here two for a piastre. They were both females. They are dressed for eating in the same manner as the tortoises in the *Ascension* Island, as will be found in the sequel; but the latter are much larger, and of a quite different kind, as will appear from this description: the *upper jaw* is striated inwardly; the *lower* is dentated: the *upper shield* is of a reddish brown, and striated: the five middlemost *scutella* are pentagonal: next to them are, on each side, four oblong pentagons, cross-ways; and on the margin are twenty-five lesser oblong quadrilateral ones: the *shield* on the belly is yellowish-white, and reticulated: on each side are eight ribs: the *paws* and *feet* are entire, but somewhat notched on the inner side.

AFTER we had paid a visit to the inhabitants of *Java* for about a quarter of an hour, and bought a hundred cocoa-nuts for one *peso duro*, the above tortoises, and other things, we returned on-board, where we arrived about

<sup>m</sup>See Lord Anson's Voyage, book iii. chap. 5.

twelve o'clock, and found other *Java* men there, exposing cocoa-nuts, and the following things to sale:

*Tobacco*, which they chewed with *Areca*. The tobacco was cut from broad, thin, green leaves, into narrow stripes. It is said that it is very good for smoaking, and might be the *Nicotiana peniculata*.

*Brown powder sugar* in half cocoa-nut-shells, put together and tied with leaves.

*Bottles of Gourds*, (or of the *Cucurbita lagenaria* Linn.) filled with water, as it is made up for their own use, and for sale.

*Shells*, particularly *Cowries*.

*Cucurbita pepo*.

*Citrus decumana* Linn. the shaddock, is a great, roundish fruit, like sweet or *China* oranges, and eaten instead of such; yet it is much larger than a *China* orange, and rather sourer, and is therefore better to quench thirst. The peel is spongy, of the thickness of a finger, bitter as a *Seville* orange, to which this fine fruit is very near akin.

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There was another round fruit like small *China* oranges, with a green warty peel, which was called *Pompelmufs* by the *Java* people: I have seen but few of them. They were reckoned more valuable than the *Citrus decumana*, and had a sweeter and more agreeable taste. *Limon tuberosus Martinicus*; Malaice *Lemon-Martin*, Rumph. ii. p. 101. t. 26?

*MUSA paradisiaca* Linn. *Plaintain* tree, or *Pifang*, has yellow, soft fruit, which looks like fingers, being seated on the stalks in such a manner as to resemble two hands. If you will keep the fruit for some weeks together, you must buy it green, and then it gradually ripens, and is pretty good to eat as soon as the rind is turned yellow, which easily peels off. It is said that this is the forbidden fruit, which threw our first parents into misery.

*Java* monkeys, *Simia Aygula* Linn. *caudata subbarbata eminentia pilosa verticis longitudinalis*. The seamen call them *Tjacko*, and this is perhaps the true name which the people of *Java* give to this animal. It is no bigger than a little cat, of a light grey, or greyish colour, and this is likewise the colour of the

tuft at the top of the head: below the belly it is whitish: the *snout*, from which an elevated finew runs down to the lip, is narrow: the *eyes* are brown; the *pupil* is black: the *eyebrows* are large: the *beard* is so small, that it scarce deserves that name: the *nails* are narrow and long, but the nail of the thumb is short. They flatter both men and those of their own species, and embrace one another. If they perceive an ape of a different kind, they greet him with a thousand grimaces. They play with dogs if they have no nearer friends about them; at first they are uneasy at being separated from their own species. When a number of them sleep, they put their heads together. They make a continual noise during the night time; and in day time, if they are tied to one place, they continually move backwards and forwards. If any body looks cross at them, they are angry, and begin a smacking. They resemble all others of that genus in dirtyness, lasciviousness, drollery, in shewing a liking to all glittering things, and an appetite for greens and fruits. They crack nuts and eat the kernel with great alacrity. It is said that the monkies in *China* gather rhubarb, and pound rice. Females are but seldom sold. These animals in general are

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not easily brought home from such distant parts. Their constant nocturnal mewing is intolerable. Sometimes they are attacked by the scurvy, which makes them so stiff that at last they can scarce move out of one place, and this very often kills them. If you let them go about freely, they play a thousand tricks, jump over every thing, steal the peoples meat away, hunt after chicken, break the necks of birds; and even carry their mischief further, which has been attested by many men of veracity: some years ago there was a great monkey in a ship, and the boys being ordered to get upon the yard to take in the sail, the monkey mounted after them, and one of them not doing his business to its liking, it bit off his ear. These and other inconveniences are the reasons why we bring no more of these diverting animals with us.

July the 17th.

FINE and calm weather.

A JAVANESE man, who conducted a Dutch yacht from *Batavia* to the western coast, with a Dutch flag, came on board us, after we had  
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fired a cannon, and presented us with two large water-melons marked with Chinese characters.

ABOUT three in the afternoon we failed from hence, with very little wind, and anchored again at five o'clock on a stony ground at twenty fathoms depth; the next night we had some lightning.

July the 18th.

THE weather was fine, but wind and current were against us.

THE *Java* men came to us, and had coconuts, large oranges, (*Citrus decumana*), great coffee-beans, chicken of different colours, pale-grey ducks, powder-sugar, tobacco, several mats to lie upon in the heat instead of sheets; some birds in cages, particularly little parrots of excellent green, blue, and red colours, especially the following:

*Psittacus galgulus, viridis, uropygio et gula rubra, vertice caeruleo* Linn. *Psittacus viridis, remigibus reetricibusque supra viridibus, subtus caeruleis, uropygio pectoreque coccineo, vertice caeruleo.* Edw. t. 6.

Its *size* is that of a little sparrow; the *bill* is of the same shape with those of other species of the same genus; the round *nostrils* are high up on the bill, and are surrounded by an elevated skin; the *eyes* are surrounded by a bluish skin, with elevated points near the margin; the *head*, the *back*, the *belly*, the *upper-sides of the wings*, and the coverts of the *tail* below, are green; but the under-side of each feather is purple at the bottom; the *crown* of the head is adorned with a blue spot; the *uropygium* and the *throat* are red; on the *neck* is a brownish spot; the lower part of the back has a yellow spot, and towards the uropygium it grows red; the nineteen *quill-feathers* are blue on the outward edges, the rest is green; the eleven tail-feathers are green on the upper and blue on the under side, and they are almost concealed under the coverts; the people of *Java* call these birds *Parkicki*, and our people call them *Paroquets*: these little birds are beautiful on account of their high colours, and this is the only thing that recommends them to all nations; if it is put into a cage, it whistles very seldom, and commonly grows quite sullen; it hangs itself with its feet so, that the back is turned towards the earth, and seldom changes this situation; it is fed with  
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boiled rice, in which manner, in the year 1752, one was brought alive to *Gothenburgh* in the ship the *Gothic Lion*, and I brought a stuffed one.

· *PSITTACUS Javanicus* (*Psittacus Alexandri* Linn.) This Parrot is twice as big as the preceding one, and is here universally exposed to sale. The *cere* is black; the *wings* have seven quill-feathers in the last joint; eleven secondary feathers are in the next; and in the lowest, which is very short, are a few small ones; the midlemost of the eleven *tail-feathers* is the longest; the *upper-jaw* is the longest and pale red; the *lower* is pale yellow; the *nostrils* stand very high up in the bill, and are round; the *membrane* of the head goes round about somewhat lower; the *head* is every where covered with very short feathers of a pale blue, and pale yellow; the *temples* are black on both sides; all the other parts of the bird are grass coloured, except the *throat* and *breast* which are pale red; the *wings* are light grey below, but five of the *coverts* are yellow; the *down* close to the body is grey; the *tail* is yellowish, the *thighs* are long and covered; the *legs* are short, and like the *feet*, of a greenish grey; the latter have two *fore-toes* and two  
*back-toes*

*back-toes* of which the innermost are the shortest.

CORVUS *Javanensis* (*Gracula religiosa* Linn.)  
 The *Java* people call them *May-noa*; they may be compared with the *Lef-koa* of the Chinese; it looks like a great blackbird with white membranes near the ears; the *bill*, the *legs*, and the *feet* are pale yellow; each of the outermost *quill-feathers* has a white spot; the whole bird is black besides; each *ear* has two white membranes; the *eyes* are black; its little oblong *nostrils* are in the middle of the bill; the *jaws* of the bill are of an equal size; the *irides* are mostly covered and blue; the *legs* and *feet* are whitish and scaly; the latter have three *fore-toes* and one *back-toe*; of the sixteen *quill-feathers* the seven outward ones have each a black spot in the middle; the ten *tail-feathers* are short; the *head* is naked: this bird eats greedily, cries loud, smacks with its bill, and it is said, it may be taught to speak: we bought one here, but it died at *Canton*.

MOTACILLA *familiaris* (*Emberiza familiaris* Linn. Syft. Nat. 311.) *capite & rostro nigro, uropygio luteo*: the *head* is black and has  
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a little tuft; the *bill* is fubulated, freight, narrow, black; the *neck*, the *breast*, and the *head* are afh-coloured; the *coverts of the tail* are yellow. It was one of the prettiest birds I ever faw; for, when a perfon whiffled to it, it fang very fweetly; and if any one offered his hand when the cage was opened, it would jump upon it; if it faw a difh of water, it went and bathed itfelf, which it did almoft every day; at night it was reftlefs till we hung fomething over its cage; we fed it with rice till it was devoured by rats at *Canton*.

JAVA Turtle doves (*Columba turtur*.) The *head* is reddifh-grey; the *bill* is blackifh and narrow; the *upper-jaw* is the longeft, and ends in a fharp point like a nail, but a little bent; the *lower-jaw* is freight; the *noftriis* are long, equally broad, oblique, raifed up at the edges; the *irides* are red; the *throat*, the *breast*, and the *belly* are of a reddifh grey; on the *neck* are white and ferrugineous fots; the *quill-feathers* and the *tail* are undulated with a red and ferrugineous colour; the *legs* and *feet* are red; it has three *fore-toes* and one *back-toe*.

JAVA Sparrows. *Fringilla capite & gula nigra, temporibus albis* (*Loxia oryzivora* Linn.) The  
Cock-paddy



*Cock-paddy* or *Rice-bird*. Edw. t. 41. The *bill* is sometimes more, and sometimes less red; the *lower-jaw* is a little longer than the upper one; the *tongue* is sharp and lacerated; the *head* and *cheeks* are black, but grey in young birds; the *temples* are white; the *neck*, the *back*, and seven of the *quill-feathers* are blue, and blackish grey on the upper side; the quill-feathers are whitish below; the *belly* is reddish; the twelve feathers of the tail are black; the *vent-feathers* are white; the *legs* and *feet* are of a pale colour; the *back-toe* is as long as the middlemost *fore-toe*.

WE now got a sight of the *Patiallinga*: they are small Dutch merchant ships, which cruize hereabouts, between the islands, to prevent smuggling on the coasts.

EVERY time we heaved the lead we got pieces of corals.

BEING obliged by the contrary current to anchor at *Topensbuth*, overagainst which is *Brabandshuth*, the Dutch Commodore's ship, the *Middelburgh*, commanded by Commodore *Suavenbourg*, with four other men of war, cruizing about the coasts of *Java*, passed by us.  
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They brought advice, that the Queen of *Bantam* was killed, that the King was taken prisoner, and that five thousand Dragoons and one thousand five hundred Huffars were at that time ready to kill all the inhabitants of *Bantam* without distinction, who would not acknowledge the King whom they had appointed, and who should refuse to look upon the Dutch as their protectors. The prince of *Madura* supported the Dutch in this affair with all his power.

THE island of *Great Java* is situated under the sixth degree of south latitude, between *Summatra*, *Banca*, *Borneo*, *Madura*, *Baly* or *Little Java*, and the country of *Eendraught* (Union). It appears from hence that it must be very hot, and the heat would be intolerable if the thick woods did not retain the moisture after the rains are over, and if all kinds of animals were not refreshed by the shade.

BATAVIA is the celebrated capital of the Dutch in this isle, who built it in the year 1610, in the place where the old town of *Jacatra* formerly stood; but as it lay on the other side of the isle we did not get sight of it. I am told there are fine houses in it, and that  
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it is inhabited by merchants of all nations, and even by Chinese, who contribute much to the riches of this place. The Dutch *Council of India* has its seat there; and from thence directs their *East-India* trade.

THE *Dutch* intend to possess themselves of *Bantam*, a town and kingdom which has formerly been governed by a *Mahomedan* King, and carries on a great trade in pepper.

IT is said that the language is either that of the natives or the *Malaic*. *Leidecker* has wrote the first *Malaic* and *Dutch* dictionary in *Batavia*, which Cardinal *Barberini* got published in *Latin* at *Rome*, 1631, in quarto, by *David Hixio*. *Hadrianus Relandus*, in his *Dissertationes miscellaneæ*, has likewise published a sylloge of the dictionary of *Leidecker*. Not to mention some other works which the *Dutch* have published in the *Malaic* language, such as the *New Testament*, &c. <sup>n</sup>

THE *Malaic* language is said to be more universal in *India*, than *Latin* in *Europe*.

BATS? of the size of ravens, flew every evening from *Summatra* to *Java*, to spend the

<sup>n</sup> Mr. *Bowrey* published a *Malayo* and *English* Dictionary, in Quarto, at *Lond.* 1701.

night there, and returned in the morning to *Summatra*. This is undoubtedly a singular circumstance, deserving a closer examination. In flight and size they were like our ravens; a man of veracity assured me, that he had seen them in a garden at *Batavia*; do these animals find some food at *Java* which they cannot meet with in *Summatra*? or are they molested during the nights in *Summatra* with enemies which are not to be found in *Java*? what else can be the reason why they so often change their habitations?

July the 19th.

WE passed by the point of *Bantam* in the morning, in fair weather and with favourable wind; and in the afternoon about two of the clock, two isles which are so like one another that they are called the *Two Brothers*. The ground was a blue clay mixed with white sand; it was at ten or thirteen fathoms depth.

July the 21st.

THE water looked yellow, and was now in blossom<sup>o</sup>, as our people told me.

<sup>o</sup> In the northern countries of *Europe*, it is said, that *the water is in blossom*, when it is tinged with a green or

WE saw *Lucipara* before us. It was a very shady isle, like all the isles hereabouts which have thick forests: it is thought that this isle had its own inhabitants. Our ship required at least eighteen feet depth of water before, and nineteen and a half behind; for which reason we always sent our boat and sloop before us, as soon as we had but five fathoms depth: in some places we had scarce four fathoms depth: thus we failed here according to the depth, and by the direction of our lead, and not according to the course, which was the cause that we did not approach *Summatra* nearer than at five fathoms depth; nor did we venture to keep further off than at seven fathoms depth.

THE isle of *Summatra*, which was continually on our left, and to which we failed so near, was low in this place, and covered with trees, which stood very close, whose stems were without branches, and all of a height; and for that reason, the forest looked like a cut

yellow hue, by a kind of *Byffus* or *Hair-weed*, with which it is then filled: and from thence even the sea is said to be in blossom, when its surface is tinged with a preternatural colour. F.

hedge, or as a clump of reeds in the water; but further on a row of higher and darker trees made their appearance. Perhaps the former trees were those called *Spanish* reeds: the landing is said to be very inconvenient, on account of the deep clay, which extends a good way into the wood: however, there are *Swedes* who have sometimes been on shore for pleasure, and to cut wood. *Juan de la Serna* says, in his *Diccionario Geographico*, that the above mentioned island is three hundred leagues long, and seventy broad; that it produced rice, several sorts of spice and fruit; that it is subject to a great deal of rain; and that the heat is much greater than in *Java*: that the petty Kings have a King superior to them all at *Akben*; and that the inhabitants are black, ugly, proud, tyrannical, treacherous, and faithless *Mahomedans*, who despise all strangers.

THE isle of *Banca* lay on our right. The mountain called *Monopin*, which is upon it, may be seen at a great distance.

WE cast anchor in the evening.

July

July the 22d.

WE failed with a fair wind, however, not above half a mile from *Banca*. The isle of *Nanka*, or *Polo Nanka*, where fresh water is to be got, was observed on our right. We approached very near to the North side of *Sumatra*, which looked as before mentioned; we anchored towards the third promontory or cape.

INSECTS came to us from the land.

The 23d July.

HAVING seen in the morning a *Junke* (for that is the name of a *Chinese* yacht), we happily passed a little rock hidden under water, which has frightned many *East-India* sailors, and which they call the *Frederick Henry*. This place is dangerous, because the low water prevents the ships from approaching the shore; but if they go too far off, the above rock may make an end of the whole voyage, as happened to a *Dutch* ship, and is still quite fresh in our memories.

I HAVE often been told that squirrels sometimes fall across the sea; but to-day I experienced, that birds likewise are possessed of that art; for a *Booby* (*Pelecanus Piscator*) failed by us on a rock.

MONOPIN upon *Banca* we left out of sight in the afternoon, together with *Summatra*.

The 24th July.

WE now saw those called the *Seven Islands* on the right; but they were at a greater distance than the isles *Polo-Taya* on the left: the isle of *Lingen*, which is one of the former and lies exactly under the line, was overagainst us at 6 o'clock in the evening.

The 25th July, 1° Northern Latitude.

THE wind was fair, and we saw land.

The 26th July, 2° 39' N. L.

WE thought that *Polo-Tingey*, where the *Swedish East-Indiaman* the *Ritter House*, was  
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loft, was on our left, among the ifles; but we afterwards found, when we had paffed by fome of them, that it was amongft the ifles of *Anambo*. The firft was a little high white rock; and the others were covered with foil and fome fmall plants. We therefore turned and took another courfe. We faw birds of feveral forts at a diftance; we were accompanied by fome dog-fifhes, and likewise a fpecies of eels, with yellow tranfverfal lines, if they were not fnakes; they kept behind the fhip, in that part of the water which the keel of the fhip had cut through; and I fhould fuppoze that they and feveral other little fifhes followed us from the Streights of *Sunda*. We likewise faw them the next day.

The 27th of July, 4° 20' N. L.

THE weather was fair, and we failed exactly before the wind.

Two fwallows came in the evening, and followed the fhip.

The 29th July, 7° 16' N. L.

THE *Globulus* is a little white shell like a waistcoat-button. It is an univalve, very elevated at the top, flat below, and has depressed rays on both sides. The worm which lived in it lay in a circle towards the spire, was very narrow, and was in length a finger's breadth; had two setaceous horns, and a filiform tail.

The 30th July, 8° 59' N. L.

POLO *Candor*, together with some other isles in the neighbourhood, appeared to the left. This isle is inhabited, and belongs to the king of *Cambogia*: it is fifteen leagues off *Cambogia*, and its latitude 8° 40'. In the year 1746 the ship *Calmar* was obliged to winter near *Polo Candor*. The chaplain, *M. Tarnstram*, who made the first trial what a *Swedish* naturalist might expect from such voyages, died here, on the 4th of December, and his funeral was honoured by the firing of two guns. The abovementioned ship was forced to stay near this island from the 11th of October 1746, to the 15th of April 1747, on account of contrary

trary winds; for in the *Chinese* sea two continual winds blow every year; so that six months are taken up by each of them: from April to September you may sail to *China* with a south west wind; but the other months from *China* with a north east wind. It is very unfortunate to be here when these winds change, for then are usually exceeding great storms (called *Tayfun*<sup>P</sup> by the *Chinese*) which continue to rage twenty-six hours with such fury, that the people on-board the ships cannot get out of their places, but must stand as if they were lashed to the mast: and this our

<sup>P</sup> Although Mr. *De Guignes* in his *Memoire dans lequel en prouve que les Chinois sont une colonie Egyptienne, Paris, 1759, 8vo.* has endeavoured to prove the *Chinese* to be the offspring of an *Egyptian* colony: I must however confess, that his arguments were by no means satisfactory to me; though I very willingly allow that there is a great probability in his opinion. For a further investigation of this matter by the curious, and such as go to *China*, I will only remark, that the *Typhon* of the *Egyptians* was a physical divinity, the symbol of a fiery malignant easterly wind, for which reason this divinity was called *Theou phou*, the *bad wind*, which bears a very great resemblance to this *Chinese* name *Tayfun*. Besides this, the pronoun of the first person NF in the *Egyptian* language is in the *Thebaic* or purest dialect, and which is pronounced *n'ye*, yet preserved in the *Chinese* language, both being equivalent to *J*. F.

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*East India* failors are able to assert from their own experience.

The 31st of July, 10° 30' N. L.

POLO *Zapata* (which is called a *last* by the *Swedes* from its figure) appeared, being a little, naked, white, high rock, in the open sea.

NEAR this rock are a great number of birds; and by catching one of them, upon our return from *China*, we found that it was *Sterna stolidus grisea, capite albo*. The boobies were plentiful here. I likewise caught a *Phalæna seticornis spirilinguis, alis planis, superioribus coerulescentibus, maculis luteis*: the body, wings, and feet were white: the head green: the tongue ferruginous.

THE *Mill beetles* (*Blatta orientalis* Linn.¶) annually come in ships from the *East Indies*. I was told that when the ship *Gothenburgh*, returning from *China*, foundered on a rock not far from the fortress *Elfsborg*, and the wet tea was carried to be dried in the ovens in the town, these insects came thither

¶ The Cock Roach?

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along with it; and have since continued there, and in other places. These insects, which conceal themselves in the day time, come out in the night, when they eat shoes and other cloaths, which are greasy: it is said that bugs are their most delicious morsels; so if any one chuses to exchange one pest for another, he might perhaps authenticate this notion. We found a female of this insect in a plantain tree (*Musa paradisiaca*) which came from *Java*.

The 3d of August.

THE sun was perpendicular to us to-day, and the latitude could not be observed for that reason; but as to our calculation, it was  $14^{\circ} 6'$  N. L.

I CAUGHT a *Libellula fusca, capite et lateribus viridibus*. The abdomen had eight articulations: the wings were all equal, and brown near the body; the outward edge had below a black right angled spot, but on the under side it was not quite black.

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The 5th of August, 16° 48' N. L.

THIS day and the preceding night we had mostly calm and clear weather; afterwards the wind was changeable; towards evening it lightened; about twelve o'clock at night it rained very hard, with much lightning, during which the whole sky was covered with clouds. On the foretop something like a little star was perceived. The Counsellor of Chancery, Mr. *Klingenskierna*, says, in the learned speech which he delivered in 1755, on the newest electrical experiments, when he resigned the office of President of the Royal Academy of Sciences, that such flames are electric, being emitted from an electrical cloud, which serves as a conductor. Among the ancient naturalists these flames were mentioned under the names of *Helena*, *Castor* and *Pollux*.

The 8th of August, 22° 4' N. L.

PIEDRA *Blanca*, or the *White rock*, came within our sight, towards noon. The wind abating,

abating, the heat became intolerable. Towards the evening we anchored.

BALISTES *Monoceros* is a species of fish which looks like a flounder at a distance, and has almost the same taste, but is not so fat. The fish was half a foot long, and its body covered with a dark-grey rough skin. We caught several with a hook, and this afforded me an opportunity of describing them.

ON each side is a *spiracle*, and next to it, within the skin, two transversal bones: the first *dorsal fin* near the eyes, consists of a reversed brittle bone, which is armed with little hooks; it is the length of a finger's breadth, and a little longer than the other fins: the second *dorsal fin* has forty-seven rays: the *pectoral fins* are the least; each has thirteen rays: the *ventral fins* are wanting; in their stead is a long bone under the skin: the *anal fin* is opposite to the second dorsal fin, and has 51 rays: the *tail* has 12 ramose rays: the *mouth* is oblong and narrow: the lower *jaw* is somewhat longer than the upper; on each side of it stand three pointed, broad *teeth*, connected together below, of which the middlemost is split: the *lips* are moveable.

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The 9th of August.

THE ship hardly moved from the place where it was the day before. We saw besides *Piedra Blanca* the isle of *Lantoa*, and some other isles on the *Chinese* coast, on our right.

The 10th of August.

IN the forenoon the sky was clear, but the wind against us.

*BALISTES scriptus*. Catesby, vol.ii.27. A fish equal in size and appearance to the *Balistes monoceros*, but marked over the whole body as it were with blue letters of an Eastern language, was caught here, and put into *Spanish* brandy; but the fine colours vanished as soon as it was dead. In the afternoon we had a tolerable good wind, but at night again stood out to sea; because a cloudy sky and lightning are said to be the forerunners of a storm. We had cloudy weather, contrary winds, and showers of rain, the following days.

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## The 13th of August.

To-day it was resolved to look out for land, where we could, but all our endeavours were in vain.

## The 14th of August.

RAIN, storms, and contrary winds, always drove us off from land: a swallow, which had been seen some days before, still accompanied the ship.

## The 15th of August.

DARK and inconstant weather: the flying fish, which we saw on the 11th, now accompanied us.

## The 16th of August.

CLOUDY and rain. We steered W. by S. along the shore, though we did not see it: about noon we anchored and saw *Piedra Blanca* to the North East; not from the deck,  
but

but from the foretop. *Porpeffes* tumbled in great numbers about the ship.

The 17th of August.

IN the morning we saw some land pretty near, and anchored afterwards, but were soon driven from shore with strong wind and rain. Contrary winds and calms hindered our gaining the *Chinese* coasts till the 22d of this month: in the mean time we got the following specimens of Natural History.

The 20th of August.

BALISTES *nigro-punctatus* and a lump of narrow, smooth, round, water-coloured worms, which hung together without any order, and seemed to be a torn *Medusa*, at least no mark of life appeared in it.

The 21st of August.

THE heat to-day and yesterday, was intolerable: the large dragon flies (*Libellula*) which

which had followed our ship for some days, were well pleased with this weather.

A GREAT dead snake floated on the water, and occasioned a poisonous stench, which commonly is ascribed to the flowering of the water.

BALISTES *Chinensis* is distinguished from the aforementioned sorts, by the following character; the *bone* which makes the first *dorsal fin*, is somewhat thicker, and behind it is a skin: the second *dorsal fin* has thirty-four rays; the *pectoral fins* thirteen rays; the *ventral fin* consists of a bone with eight bent rays; on that *bone* is a membranaceous fin, which gives a greater breadth to the fish; the eyes are very prominent, and have a red iris; on each side before the eye is a small hole; the *anal fin* has thirty rays; the *tail* has twelve rays: this fish is less than the others of that kind.

The 22d of August.

In the morning we weighed anchor and steered to the *Chinese* coast, having been obliged to linger near it fourteen days, and

having made a collection for the poor of 334 dollars in copper<sup>r</sup>. The pilot whom we got on board, and who brought us in, was to receive twenty *pesos duros* (four pounds seven shillings and sixpence), or 200 dollars in copper. We had *Lantoa* on our right and the Southern isles of *Limes* on the left: the sea formed high billows roiling in from the isles, which were quite green with plants, but had no woods. The most usual entry of *European* ships into *China* is by the *Ladrones*, which derive their name from the pirates who formerly lived upon them.

MACAO is a *Portuguese* town on an isle, which was now on our left, but so far off that we could not see it: our *Spanish* passenger left us here, and sailed for *Macao*, from whence he designed to go to the *Isle of Manilla*, where he intended to settle.

THE isle of *Linting* was on our left. We were obliged to anchor here, having no wind, and the tide against us: the fishermen failed by

<sup>r</sup> A dollar in copper is about five-pence or five-pence halfpenny sterling; thus 334 dollars are about seven pounds sterling. F.

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fastening their net to the mast. I here caught the *Papilio (Liningensis) tetrapus pallide luteus nebulosus, supra nigricans luteo impregnatus*. The *body* is whitish on the under, but blackish on the upper side: the *antennæ* are fetaceous, blackish: the *wings* are all dentated; the primary ones of a pale yellow on the under side, with a few black spots; the *secondary wings* blackish on the upper side, and yellow below; towards the *base* they have a blue *Gemma*, or *Ocellus*, but towards the outward edge they are of a dirty yellow.

The 23d of August.

WHILST we tacked here, we met with a *Comprador*, or *Chinese* who provides the ships with the necessaries of life, such as flesh, greens, and bread. He came from *Macao*, and had *Plaintains* or the larger sort of *Pisang*; *Gujaves*, *Lanteyes*, and water-melons: his name was *Attay*, and his servants were *No-bay* and *At-yan*. The latter came every day with a large *Sam-pane*, and kept near the ship (or *Bancskal*). I was told that this and other *Compradors* stayed all night in the *Wam-pu* custom-house: in the factory at *Canton* there is likewise a *Comprador*,

who in the same manner gets ready every thing required for our subsistence, and who is obliged to accompany every person going on board, to the next custom-house, in order to search what he takes with him. If any body dies, the *Comprador* is to order the funeral: he that was to be the *Comprador* of our factory, was called *Luffy*.

° The 24th of August.

Bocca *Tyger*, in the *Chinese* language *Pho-haö*, the mouth of the *Tyger* or *Phomunn*; the *Tyger*, at its opening, is a narrow river, where we anchored about noon for want of wind. On the right hand side of the entrance, was a low castle, surrounded by trees; on both sides of it a path ascended the mountain to a small house; before which stood a white hut, which is supposed to be a place dedicated to an idol: somewhat further on the left were two castles on two different hills, surrounded likewise by trees; the most outward of them was surrounded by water, and had a little hut close to it: the inner one is higher, so that it may command the other \*.

\* See Lord Anson's Voyage round the World, book iii. chap. 9.

MANDARIN, or *Commander*, is a denomination which our people borrow from the *Portuguese*, and which they give to all public officers in this country, even to lower officers of the customs: if a *Chinese* was to pronounce this word, he would say *Mandeli*, for they cannot pronounce the letter *r*; whence it plainly appears that the word *Mandarin* does not belong to their language: some of these gentlemen now came on board, to see what sort of people we were; two *Mandarins* accompanied us up the river, to *Wam-pu*, where we met two others, each of which joined the ship in his boat with his men, each having his appointed station. He who was on the right side of the ship, and was the nearest to it, belonged to the customs, and stayed with us whilst we were in *China*; but the other on the left was a military man, and was exchanged every month: their business is, to keep off the thieving *Chinese* from the ship, and to provide those, who must, on account of business, go to *Canton* or other places, with *Tiapp*, or passports, which must be shewn at the custom-house. Their people can almost get a sufficient subsistence by washing of linen: it is remarkable, that no *Chinese* can be a *Mandarin* in the place where he is born.

THE fishermen brought several sorts of fish, as eels, at least a sort of them, called *Paling* in the *Chinese* language, soals, rays, and *Chinese* crabs.

CANCER *Chinensis*. These are as big again as the *Swedish* crabs; the *body* is almost transparent, as long as a hand is broad: the *rostrum* has eight incisions above, and four below; the *eyes* are excessively prominent, as if they stood on stalks; on the sides are two little leaves; the *sides* are lacerated and notched; the *body*, besides the tail and head, has six articulations; the *tail* has four oval leaves, except the middle one, which is sharp pointed, concave, and cylindrical; the five pair of *hind feet* are red, and covered with hair towards the inward margin; the five pair of *fore feet* are *cheliferous*; instead of the two *foremost* are two pair of bifid feathered ones.

At night we advanced with wind and tide, and anchored near the *Lion's Tower*, which is the first of three remarkable towers in the way to *Canton*.

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The 25th of August.

THE weather was clear: a rich *Chinese* threw a tortoise out of his boat, for the use of such poor people as would give themselves the trouble to go and fetch it.

AFTER a voyage of five months and four days from *Cadiz*, we at last arrived at *Huan-pu*, or, as it is commonly called, *Wam-pu*. This is the place where all *European* ships in the river of *Canton* or *Ta-bo* ride at anchor, and where they stay as long as they trade in this country. We reckoned this anchoring place about four *Swedish* miles from the mouth of the river, or *Bocca-tyger*. To *Canton* we had a mile and a half, and the town of *Wam-pu*, which is to the left when you arrive, was about half a mile off from hence. On both sides of the river we saw large low rice-fields. Here were already sixteen *European* ships, and one came in after us; so that, besides the *Chinese* boats, which anchor near the town, or in another place, this year there were 18 ships.

The *European* ships were the following :

Two *Swedish* ones.

*Prince Charles.*

*The Gothic Lion*, which came a little before us, from *Suratte*.

One *Danish*.

*The Queen of Denmark.*

Two *French* :

*The Duke of Chartres.*

*The Duke of Monteran.*

Four *Dutch* :

The Commodore's ship, *The Constancy*.  
*Friburgh.*

*Amslevecn.*

*Geldermoufen.*

Nine *English* :

*The Effex.*

*Centurion.*

*St. George.*

*Cæsar.*

*True Briton,*

*Triton.*

*Hardwick.*

*Elizabeth.*

*Success Gally*, a country ship.

AT night we heard a sort of music, partly made by insects, and partly by the noise of the *Gungung* in the *Sampanes* and *Bancshals*.

ARRIVING at *Wam-pu*, you have a large field with rice on your right, for no other corn is usual in this country: part of this field near the river is separated from the rest by a ditch, leading to a *bancshal*, or warehouse for *English*, *Swedish*, and *Danish* ships; these ships annually raise this place higher with their ballast: but this time our people made a fine stone quay where large boats could land. The *French* have their warehouse on the *French* island, which lies on the left, somewhat nearer to *Canton*. The *Dutch* are forbid to come here with several ships at once, or to land any baggage, having once attempted to bring cannon on shore in water-tubs; but, as they broke to pieces, their scheme was discovered. I am told that the *Dutch* have since got a *bancshal*, in 1761.

BANGSAL (in *French* *bancafal*, in *English* *bancshal*) is the place, or warehouse, where we stow all our unnecessary wood and tackle, pitch and tar; and keep our chicken, hogs,  
&c.

&c. during our stay in *China*. The ship which comes first has the best place. Each ship is obliged to give a sum for the place it takes up, besides paying the *comprador* for erecting (immediately after the arrival of a ship) a warehouse in form of a barn, made of bamboo and mats, in which there are two chambers for the mate or *bancshal* captain, who continually watches with some sailors at both ends of the building. As long as they do not suspect any thieves, they shout out from one *bancshal* to another, *all well*, and often beat the *gungung*, to shew their vigilance. A liberty was formerly given to the centinels of firing upon the *Chinse*, who ventured to get into those *bancshals* at night ; but this is not now permitted.

WHEN an eminent stranger pays visits, or when the colours of a ship are hoisted, the flags are displayed in the *bancshal*. Towards the departure of a ship, the necessary oxen, hogs, &c. are killed in this warehouse.

GUNGUNG is the *Chinse* name of an instrument which has the greatest resemblance to a brass bason. In all *bancshals* and factories, a signal on this instrument is given every half hour, in the same manner as is done on-board  
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by a bell. They give one knock at half an hour past twelve, two at one o'clock, and so on till four o'clock, when they give eight thumps, to signify that eight half hours are past: at half an hour after four, they begin again in the same manner; so that at four, eight, and twelve o'clock, eight thumps are always given on this instrument.

THE *Chinese* drum on this instrument at their festivals, and set fire to little boats of gilt paper, and throw them into the sea, as a part of their morning and evening amusement on such occasions. On board the ships is a quarter-master, or cadet, who stands near the compass, and cries out, when the half-hour glass is run down, to him who is near the bell, how many pulls he must give.

THE *Danish Island* (which bears that name because that nation commonly bury their dead in that place) is opposite to the *Bancshal*.

THE *French* island is the next above the *Danish*: this is the burying-place of the *English*, *Swedes*, *French*, and *Dutch*. However, in both islands there are likewise some *Chinese* graves.

graves. There are every where gardens, producing such fruits as in our country would be cultivated in hot-houses as rarities. But high places are never cultivated, because the sun entirely burns up whatsoever grows upon them.

The 26th of August.

IT began to rain, and rained for four days together. In the morning we saluted, and the *Danish* ship returned the salute.

THE *East India* company had recommended it to us, that nothing should be taken from hence to *Sweden* by the crew, except a few pounds of sugar, tea, and some gallons of arrack, as provisions for the voyage. This order I read the next day after the thanksgiving for our happy arrival; and it was afterwards twice repeated before our departure.

CYPRINUS *Cantonensis* was thought to be the common carp, but it was nearer allied to the *Grislagine*: Faun. Sue. 367. It is above a foot long: the *dorsal fin* has 10 rays, and stands in the middle of the back: the *pectoral fins*

*fins* have 21 rays: the *ventral fins* have nine rays, and are equally distant from the pectoral fins and from the anus: the *anal fin* has 11 rays: the *tail* is bifurcated, and consists of 26 rays. This fish has no *beard* (*cirrhus*): the *iris* is yellowish: the *nostrils* are at the top, in the flat part of the head, and are but little: the *membrana branchiostega* is soft and prominent: the *scales* are rhomboidal, and are flabelliform.

The 30th of August.

FINE dry weather.

THE *French*, who saluted our ship, were honoured with some guns fired at their arrival and départure.

The 1st of September.

The lead which we unloaded to-day, and the day before, was weighed by a *Chinese*, who proclaimed the weight of it aloud, and  
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three other *Chinese* wrote it down, in the presence of several *Mandarins* <sup>r</sup>.

The 2d of September.

*SAM pan* is a *Chinese* boat without a keel, looking almost like a trough; they are made of different dimensions, but are mostly covered.

THERE are,

PASSENGER *Sampanes*, to carry people backward and forward between the town and the ships. These you may hire every day; and you may either take larger ones *Tow-cytin*, or less ones *Sutin*. They are quicker than you would expect, provided you take advantage of the ebb or flood.

THESE boats are as long as sloops, but broader, almost like a baking trough; and have at the end one or more decks of *Bamboo*

<sup>r</sup> Here our author has inserted an history of *China*, extracted from books in the hands of most *English* readers; we have therefore omitted it, as uninteresting.

flicks :



sticks: the cover, or roof, is made of *Bamboo* sticks, arched over in the shape of a grater; and may be raised or lowered at pleasure: the sides are made of boards, with little holes, with shutters instead of windows: the boards are fastened on both sides to posts, which have notches like steps on the insides, that the roof may be let down, and rest on them: on both ends of the deck are commonly two little doors, at least there is one at the hindmost end. A fine white smooth carpet spread up as far as the boards makes the floor, which in the middle consists of loose boards; but this carpet is only made use of to sleep on. As these boats greatly differ from ours in shape, they are likewise rowed in a different manner: for two rowers, posting themselves at the back end of the sampane, work it forwards very readily, by the motion of two oars; and can almost turn the vessel just as they please: the oars, which are covered with a little hollow quadrangular iron, are laid on iron swivels, which are fastened in the sides of the sampane: at the iron the oars are pieced, which makes them look a little bent: in common, a rower sits before with a short oar; but this he is forced to lay aside when he comes near the city, on account of the great throng of sam-

panes; and this inconvenience has confirmed the *Chinese* in their old way of rowing. Instead of pitch, they make use of a cement like our putty, which we call *Chinam*, but the *Chinese* call it *Kiang*. Some authors say that this cement is made of lime and a resin exuding from the tree *Tong Yea*, and *Bamboo ockam*.

THE sampane in which I went this time had, besides a couple of chairs, the following furniture: two oblong tables, or boards, on which some *Chinese* characters were drawn; a lanthorn for the night time; and a pot to boil rice in.

THEY have also a little cover for their household god, decorated with gilt paper and other ornaments: before him stood a pot, filled with ashes, into which the tapers were put before the idol. The candles were nothing else than *Bamboo* chips, to the upper end of which saw-dust of sandal-wood was stuck on with gum. These tapers are every where lighted before the idols in the pagodas, and before the doors in the streets; and, in so large a city, occasion a smoke very pernicious to the eyes. Before this idol stood some *Samsô*, or *Chinese* brandy,

brandy, water, &c. We ought to try whether the *Chinese* would not like to use juniper-wood instead of sandal-wood; which latter comes from *Suratte*, and has almost the same smell with juniper.

FISHERMENS *sampanes* are the least of all, narrow like some of our fishing boats, and have a very little deck, of straw or bamboo; or are even without that poor convenience. Bad as these boats are, yet parents and their naked children are seen to get their livelihood in them both summer and winter, by fishing, and by picking up what has been thrown over-board by others. For this purpose they tie several hooks to a cord, and throw them out in different places, almost in the same manner as fishermen in our country lay their eel hooks. They have better or worse fortune as it happens. There is nothing so filthy but what these people will use as food: and the hogs which die and are thrown over-board, and, by beginning to putrify, float in a few days, are often the occasion of such quarrels as end in battles. The reason why the *Europeans* sink the hogs which die on board their ships is, that the inhabitants of this place may not feed upon them; for it is said that the *Chinese*,

when they go on-board any ships, will give pepper to the hogs, which they think is poison to them, that they may get them again if they should die. It is certain that numbers of hogs die in the possession of the *Europeans*, whilst they stay in *China*.

Duck *sampans* are boats in which they feed four or five hundred ducks. They have on both sides a bridge which may be let down. In the day time the ducks feed in the river, upon herbs and fish; at night their master calls them into his boat; they immediately obey him, and come on-board as soon as he lets down his bridge.

SAMPANES of *burden* are the largest boats, by means of which all porcelain, silk, and other commodities, are conveyed from *Canton* to the *European* ships. But I do not mean that these boats serve for the above mentioned purpose only; for they are used besides as houses for whole families; which are born, marry, and die in them. They commonly have, besides hogs, some chicken, and dogs; and some flower pots, containing *Guinea* pepper, or some other plants, in these boats. All the  
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above mentioned sampanes are not embellished by painting.

MANDARIN *sampanes*, are greater or less red-painted boats, ornamented with dragons, and such like figures, or with little flags.

THE *Chinese* also use *Galleys*, *Sao-Sjo-an*, with eighteen or twenty oars, and as many men. They lie near the city of *Canton*, and some of them near the *European* ships, probably for the security of the country.

JUNKS, called *Yoan-sian* by the *Chinese*, or, as *Du Halde* calls them, *Thouen*, in the Portuguese language *Soma* or *Sommes*, are the greater vessels, about 200 feet long, and 20 broad. With these ships the *Chinese* sail along the coasts of *Batavia*, *Manilla*, *Ainam*, *Cochinchina*, *Cambogia*, *Chinchiu*. From the last mentioned place comes the white sugar candy, which at present costs six tale, three mace pekuls. Such a vessel holds 1000 chests of tea: it is high and round on each side: the rudder is very slender, and can be taken out with very little difficulty, and hung at the other end of the ship: it has no upper sails; but only one great sail, the fore-sail, the sprit-sail, and the mizzen-

mizzen-fail, all which are made of mats, tied together quite across with bamboo-sticks. They strike their sails with difficulty, as they can only effect it by sending a sailor up the yard to tread the sails down. In these vessels there is a continual noise, because the person in command does not insist on silence; they are painted either black or white, and have always an eye painted on each side. Their compass is divided into 24 points. The timber of which these ships are built, is called *Saaomock*: the anchors are made of hard wood, which is called *Tat-siew*, or *Tie-mou*; but they are commonly plated with iron at the extremities, and are more handy than our anchors of iron, and of more service to little vessels.

I SHOULD have overlooked the *Dung-Sampans*, if their smell had not been so disagreeable as we passed by; arising from the human excrements contained in these vessels.

IN *Canton*, near the port, some great tuns filled with it are put under ground, which after staying there some time, are emptied into these vessels and carried to the plantations, where they have walled pits into which they put this dung, mix it with water, stir it well, and afterwards

wards, use it every where in the country for manure.

THE rice fields, which are green on both sides of the river, as far as your eye can reach, the fine woods, which consist of many sorts of trees, the hills, and the vallies, make the view beautiful, particularly on the left side; but the wet condition of the rice fields, and a mistrust of the inhabitants, did not allow me to examine things more nearly.

THERE are three custom houses, where all those who go in the *Chinesse* boats between the town and the ships are forced to stay. Our people generally call them *Tiapp-Houses*<sup>u</sup>.

THESE *Tiapp-Houses* are built in part on a hard stony ground, and partly over the river, supported by posts. They have a bridge so contrived, that the boats may come to them at all times, as well during the ebb as the flood. And, that no one may plead ignorance, they paste their regulations on the walls; and besides that, close to the house, stands a flag, marked with large *Chinesse* characters. The

<sup>u</sup> Called by the English *Hoppo-Houses*.

sloops of the Europeans pass free with their flags, to the factory, where the custom-house officers receive them.

IF any one goes from a ship to *Canton*, and shews the *Tiapp* which the Mandarin gave him, in each of the two first custom-houses, an oblong red seal is put upon it; but in the last custom-house the *Tiapp* is left. Returning from *Canton*, you obtain a *Tiapp* from the Interpreter, and a Comprador goes with you to the next custom-house, where you are searched, and the *Tiapp* is sealed: in the other custom-houses they observe the same method as in the going to *Canton*.

To go with the tide to *Canton*, and likewise down with it, is by far the most expeditious and agreeable way. In coming from the ships, the first custom-house is on the right hand, not far from them, and is called—

The *Wampu Tiapp-house* by the *Europeans*; in the *Chinese* language it is called *Huamp-Siogun*. Near the entry stood a *Pomegranate Tree*, *Hibiscus mutabilis*, *Rosa Indica*, &c. *Huampu* is a little town behind the custom-house, having



ing a tower with nine stories, which the *Chinese* call *Pa-tiaro* <sup>w</sup>.

THESE towers serve as ornaments to the cities, and, as the *Chinese* affirm, as a measure to the roads: but the inhabitants contradict what some histories have advanced, that these towers are used in times of war, as watch towers: on the different stories of these towers grew trees and plants, but I could not determine their kinds, being at too great a distance; somewhat further on, I saw the mouth of another river, through which the larger *Chinese* boats pass. There was a *Pagoda*, with several houses. On the shore grew in several places, *Saccharum pluviatile* and *Cyperus odoratus*.

THE *Chinese* here catch fish, by putting up mats along the shore, while the tide is in, which hinder the fry from returning with the ebb. As soon as the water was fallen, many people were seen wading up to the knees in the blue clayey ground mixed with sand, after the little fry, which jumped about in the mud like lizards; but when they saw no means of saving themselves, they crept a foot deep into

<sup>w</sup> Pagoda.

the cozy ground, not without the knowledge of the *Ghinese*, who took care to observe them; and pulled them out with their hands; these fish, fryed in oil, are the principal food of the poor, besides rice; and are of two species, as will appear from the following descriptions.

1. *Fay-ye*, or (*Gobius pectinirostris* Linn.)  
 The *membrana branchiostega* has four very small rays; the *dorsal fins* are ash-coloured, with blue transversal lines, and black spots at the bottom: the first *dorsal fin* is higher, reaches from opposite the breast, to the middle of the back, and has six rays; the *second* has twenty-six very short rays, and reaches from the middle of the back, to over-against the *anus*; the *pectoral fins* have eighteen rays; the single *ventral fin* is infundibuliform, sits close to the head, and has ten rays; the *anal fin* has twenty-six parallel rays: all the fins but the dorsal ones are brownish; the *head* is narrow, smooth, and of the same breadth with the middle of the body; the *mouth* is large and oblong; the *fore-head* flat; the *tongue* lacerated and truncated; the *teeth* are little, pointed, strait, unequal in the *upper jaw*; they stand only in one row, in the *middle* are few, in the *lower jaw* they fill up the whole margin; the *lips* are short, and do  
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not cover the teeth: I have not discovered that they have any nostrils; the *eyes* are elevated, very prominent, oblong, and stand near one another on the head; the *pupilla* is blue; the *irides* of a golden colour; the *back* grey, with red and blue dirty spots; the *belly* whitish; the whole *body* oblong, as long as a man's hand, and as it were compressed.

2. *Tan-noao* (*Gobius niger* Linn.) The *membrana branchiostega* has four rays; the first *dorsal fin* is almost quadrangular in the middle of the back, and has eleven rays; the second is longer, and less, opposite the anus, has ten rays, is transparent on both sides, with transversal black lines; the single *ventral fin* forms a funnel, and has twelve rays; the *anal fin* has thirteen rays; the space between the second *dorsal fin* and the tail, and that between the anal fin and the tail, is equal to the breadth of one's little finger; the *tail* ends in a point, and has eighteen rays, of which the outermost are the shortest; the *body* is the same as that of the preceding fish, except its having more white and dirty black grey; the *head* is large, and has very small white dots; the *mouth* is much less, and almost round; I saw

saw here a net drawn by two *Chinese* up to their chins in water.

*Duck Sampanes* lay on the shore: hundreds of ducks came into the boat, as soon as the owner let down the bridge and called them.

THE *Brandy Tower* was somewhat further off, on the left; the *Chinese* call it *Tie-koang*; When the sailors come over-against it, and can see light quite across the windows of the tower, from their sloop, they are entitled to a draught of brandy. This custom gives name to the tower, which is half way between *Wampu* and *Canton*.

THE *Lazarus tree* is further up on the right; it was said, that people having the leprosy, and other nasty diseases, lived under this tree, which has very luxuriant branches. Some little inns, which stand several of them close together, somewhat higher up on posts, above the river, make the beginning of the suburbs: before them lie innumerable small and great sampanes quite crowded, as well as junks or large *Chinese* vessels; which occasion the passage to be very narrow and difficult, by the  
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boats meeting each other in so contracted a space.

WE now stopped at the second custom-house, called *Toang-pack-toy* in the *Chinese* language; having just before passed a castle in the middle of the river, which was on our left; another castle is somewhat higher up; both were surrounded by trees: I was told, that the *Dutch* had built one of these forts.

THE third custom-house is the principal: it is near the factories, and the *Chinese* call it *Tay-quam-Song-gunn*; it is the last you meet with before you get to *Canton*: the custom-house papers (*Tiaps*) are taken in and kept here. If you were to go from *Canton* to *Bocca-tyger*, you need not stop at any other custom-house, except these three, though there are many others between these places; for next to *Huam-po* is the fourth, called *Oty*; the fifth is called *O-tyoang*; the sixth, *Baxia-tunn*; the seventh *Toann-tao*; and the eighth, *Pho-munn*, or the custom-house of *Bocca-tyger*, or the mouth of the *Tyger*.

THE tower of *Canton* was the third that we saw on this route,

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THE Factory is the first place in the suburbs to which the *Europeans* come : this is a general denomination of the houses built towards the river, or over it upon piles, and which are let by the *Chinese* merchants to the *European* ships during their stay : this time is sometimes five months, and sometimes a year ; which long delay, though it may arise from accidental causes, is often by design, lest several ships coming home at once should glut the market with *Chinese* goods : during this time the *Europeans* lend money to a great advantage in *China* ; but a person who has not borrowed considerable sums himself runs great risque, when he lends his money in a place where the debtor is often sought for in vain. Commonly each ship takes a factory for itself ; but sometimes two ships of a nation, may be together, and this time it happened so to two *Swedish* ships, and if I remember right, they paid 900 tel for it, which, at the rate of seven dollars per tel, make 6300 dollars in silver.

THE above-mentioned houses are but two stories high, but very long ; and one end of them stretches towards the river, and the other to the factory-street : some are built of unburnt bricks, others of bricks and wood laid

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cross-ways; but the partitions and upper floors, &c. are sometimes entirely of wood: therefore they are so poorly provided against fire, that on the seventh of *December* 1743, in three or four hours, more than 150 houses were reduced to ashes: the fire, for want of proper regulation, would have spread farther, if it had not been for Commodore *Anson* and his men: the inhabitants, who believe an inevitable destiny, were merely spectators, not attempting to extinguish it. The factories look like two houses built parallel and near to each other, between which there is a courtyard; the floor of the lower story is covered, like the court yard, with square or rather oblong stones; in these stones are here and there little holes, through which the water may run into the river; the stair-cases are either of stone or wood; the rooms are high, and the roofs are sloping and covered with tiles, like those in *Spain*.

Windows are made in the roofs, but they are square, and less than those in the walls: there are no ceilings up stairs below the roof: a room has seldom windows on more than one side; these are long, and narrow, with wooden bows, and have square panes of mother of pearl,

pearl, but the poorer fort make use of other shells; which are the breadth of a hand each way. Lead and glafs are never to be met with in a *Chinese* window: these windows stand open in day time, because they do not give sufficient light; at night they are shut, to keep out gnats, bats, &c. In the lower story are few windows, and those look into the inner court.

NEAR some of the rooms is a little garden, of the size of a middling room. The doors, when opened, give sufficient light to these apartments; for the side towards the garden is quite free. The garden encroaches no farther on the court yard than the projection of the building. From the excessive heats, the doors are mostly kept open; but a *nanking* curtain is commonly hung up before them, with three pieces of wood plated with brass; one of which is at the top, one in the middle, and one at the bottom.

OUR hangings consisted of white *Chinese* paper, pasted to the wall. Though this paper is very smooth, yet lizards (*lacerta Chinenfis*) run with such agility up and down the walls, that they can scarce be caught. In summer  
time



time they abound in the houses, but in winter they disappear: they do no harm, but merely seek for their food, which is mill-beetles and other insects.

THE *Chinese* padlocks are made in such a manner that many of them may be opened with one key; and therefore it is a proper precaution to bring some from *Europe*.

THE company finds in every room a table, chairs, and a bed, with curtains of gauze, or blue *nanking*-stuff.

You are obliged to draw your curtains quite close, to keep out *Musquitoes*, a species of gnats, which is very troublesome at night; and whose sting is sometimes the cause of incurable complaints.

HENCE the influence of different climates appears: for in our country the bite of a flea, and the sting of a gnat, are reckoned equal; but it is quite otherwise in *China*, though these gnats are the same with ours.

IN each room is likewise a lamp, fastened to the roof by a long rope. The *Chinese* do the

same in their houses, though they have both white wax candles and others, which they call *Lapp-tiock*. These latter looked as if they were made of tallow; but, as I suppose, were made of the fruit of the tallow-tree. The outward layer of these candles, which is red and stiff, is called *Nan-cy* in the *Chinese* language.

SOME kept, on the outside before the windows, in a glass bowl, gold and silver fishes, called *Kamni-ko* by the *Chinese*.

THEIR colours shift like those of the finest birds. For their food, a species of plants was put into the water, the leaves of which resemble *Ceratophyllum demersum* & *Pistia stratiotes*, which is here called *Siu-yan-gai*.

OTHERS had, besides these fishes, several little trees in flower-pots, before the windows, such as are likewise cultivated in their nurseries and gardens; *videlicet*, a sort of low sweet orange trees, with a small fruit which is called *Gatt* here; moreover the *Lent-yes* tree, which bears little round four lemons called *Namang* in *China*, and which are used instead of tamarinds, or common lemons, in punch, and generally

generally before they are ripe. Besides these are the following plants :

*Capsicum frutescens.*

*Thuja orientalis.*

*Lanfa, or Leenfa Chinenfium.*

*Moquaifa Chinenf.*

*Nyctanthes orientalis*, wood of rofes.

*Celosia cryftata*, in the *Chinese* language *Lat-feo*.

*Narciffus Tazetta*, or *Chinese lilies*, which flower in January, and are called *Soifinn-fatt* by the *Chinese*.

THEIR culture requires little art ; they only put fo much coarfe fand upon a tin plate as juft covers it, and upon this they fet the bulbs quite naked. Thefe were fooner in flower when the bulbs were prevented ftriking downwards.

*Gomphrena globofa.*

*Impatiens balsamina.*

*Ipomoea Quamoclit*, in China called *Kam-fan-fang*, which adorned the hedges without the city.

THE tea-chests and porcelane-chests, and other effects which are to be taken home, are piled up on both sides of the yard. This yard is divided quite across by three arched walls: in some places of the yard buildings like coach-houses run quite across it, which are sometimes supported by arched roofs.

A FACTORY is mostly built in the following manner: near the entrance of the street of the factory, on both sides of the gate, is a little apartment, upon which are commonly some papers with figures like arms, and two round lanthorns of bamboo, covered with skins; for glass or horn lanthorns are quite unusual here. The gate of the factory is on the inside built over: directly behind it stands a high board almost as broad as the entrance, to hinder the people in the streets from looking into the yard or court, without being any obstacle to those who pass to and fro. In almost all corners are buckets into which people make water, which is afterwards carried upon the fields.

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The foremost rooms on the sides look like kitchens, and have rails before them. Further on, quite across the court, in the second story, is an open hall, with a sort of gallery, upon which is an altar covered with flowers and incense, provided with a gilt picture and a table. Behind this the yard is quite open in front, but on the sides are rooms both above and below. In the side roofs are here and there some lanthorns of painted gauze, in some of which they burn lamps at night. Before the side roofs, and on their sides, are little gardens, with bamboo trees, citrons, and plaintains, and other trees already mentioned. The wall about these trees towards the yard is made of brick, which, except the foundation, are laid like lattice work. Next to these gardens is an inclosed court-yard, and then an open one, with rooms and gardens for pleasure on the sides: the last of all is a hall in the second story across the yard, having rooms on its sides, and another hall goes towards the water, which we fitted up for a dining-room. Below it is the kitchen, the watch-house of the sailors, and the lodging of the captain of the factory. The captain of the factory has a mate, who is to take care that the sailors and *Cbinese* workmen do their business: and he notes

down those people who come from or go to the ships with sampanes of burden. In the factories live the supercargo, the assistants, the purfers, the cooks, and other servants, during the whole time of their stay; and besides them, those who come occasionally thither from the ships.

THERE are continually some sailors, who watch with drawn swords in their hands, to hinder those from entering who have no right. They indicate the time upon the *Gungung*; and beat upon it as it were upon a drum with sticks, when dinner or supper is ready. Every thing is carefully kept in the factories, both effects coming from the ships, *videlicet*, money, lead, cloth, raisins, almonds, &c. and those which are to be embarked, as porcelane, tea, silk, and many other things, which are brought on board by the sampanes of burden, after some mandarins, appointed for that purpose, have weighed them, and stamped a seal upon them. In each sampane, loaded with these and other things, goes a mandarin and some armed sailors from the factory to the ship to guard them, lest the master of the sampane should defraud them, as often happens notwithstanding these regulations. The super-  
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cargo always fends a letter to the captain, or whoever has the command of the ship, with an account of all the boxes and packs, and the sailors bring an answer back. The flag of the factory stands on the water-side, and is hoisted on all festivals.

OUR ships are obliged to have a *Fiador*; For that purpose one of the richest and most respectable merchants is generally chosen, who is answerable for all damages to the company; and in case an *European* should wrong a *Chinese*, must make up matters in the best manner possible, &c. Our *Fiador's* name was *Suqua*.

THE name we give to the *Chinese* servants is *Kulier*. These wait at table in the factories, bring in the meat, wash the dishes, &c. clean the knives and forks, fill the lamps in the yard and rooms with oil at night, clean the vessels, and do the like business; which the *Chinese* valets de chambre look upon as trifling, in regard to sweeping the rooms, assisting in carrying the tea-chests, and other wares in and out, &c.

THESE, and a *Chinese* cook, are paid by the company. Besides these, every one, or several

ral together, hire a *Chinese* servant, who is paid some dollars *per* month. This person buys every thing you want, and frequently by this means avails himself more than by his wages. Happy is the man who has not the misfortune of hiring a thief into his house; but often however it is the case,

THE city of *Canton* is the trading place of *China*, whence all the *European* ships fetch their *Chinese* wares, since the trade upon *A-moy* has ceased: the merchants came hither from thence. *Canton* lies in a province of the same name, under 23 deg. 8 min. north latitude, and 95° 30' longitude, or 6 hours 22 min. east from *Upsal*; but 3 deg. 31 min. west from the meridian of *Peking*. One side of it lies on the banks of the river, from which one or more canals cross the suburbs. The houses are built on both sides close to the stone bridges which go over the canal; which, for this reason, is not immediately perceived. Both the old and the new city have the name of *Canton*: the latter is not fortified: the old town, which has been built many centuries, has high walls and several gates: each gate has a centinel, in order that no *European* may get in, except under particular circumstances, with the leave



leave of people of note; in this case you are carried into the city in a covered chair, and thus you do not get a sight of any thing worth notice in the place. The centinels have whips instead of muskets. Three fourths of this fortified town (which, as we are told, is inhabited on one side by the *Tartars*, on the other by *Chinese*) is furrounded by the suburbs. On the outside of that part of the city which is open to the country, is a fine walk between the wall and the ditch. The plantations begin close to the ditches; they are mostly on low grounds, contain all sorts of greens, roots and rice, and reach as far as you can see. The dry hills serve for burying places, and pastures for cattle.

THE city wall consists of hewn sand-stones, is covered with all sorts of little trees and plants, *videlicet*, *Ficus Indica*, *Urtica nivea*, &c. and on the top of them are centry boxes; however, the watch is so ill observed, that strangers passing by are often welcomed with such a volley of stones that their lives are endangered; as happened to an *Englishman* during my stay. It is said that on the walls are some eight or nine pounders; at least it is certain, that at eight o'clock at night their report is

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heard. I had no opportunity of measuring the circuit of the city, but it seemed to me to be above a *Swedish* mile\*.

I KNOW nothing of the inside of this city, except what report says of it; namely, that besides the merchants and ladies, it is inhabited by people of the highest rank.

TSANG-TO, or *Tsan-tack*, is the principal person in this town, who has the whole command not only of the militia, but also of the province and the cities round about; and is compared to a viceroy by the *Europeans*. The inferior lords fall upon their knees before him: his retinue is magnificent, as we had an opportunity of observing when he honoured us with a visit.

FU YENN is the next in rank to *Tsang-to* in this town.

HAPPA is the principal officer of the custom-house.

THE high court of judicature at *Canton* has 17 other towns under its jurisdiction, one of

\* That is, about six miles three quarters *English*. F.  
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THE suburbs of *Canton* (in which the *Europeans* live during the time they trade here) are much greater than the fortified city.

THE streets are long, seldom strait, about a fathom wide more or less, paved like the court yards, with oblong sand-stones, (*Cos Chinenfis*) without any gutters. The stones are full of holes, that the water may run off; for the town, at least a part of it, is built on piles. Nothing is more common than to see *Chinese* hogs, dogs, and chicken, about the streets, and in the houses: yet every thing is cleanly here, because poor people continually go about with baskets and gather up all the filth. I never saw any other animals, such as are usual with us, not even horses, though they are to be met with in the country: where also I saw buffaloes, which were kept off from the plantations (which have seldom any fence round them) by people appointed for that purpose. No carriage is to be met with in the city; and whatever is brought from one place to another, such as hogs, ducks, frogs, snails, roots, greens, &c. is all carried on  
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men's shoulders in two baskets, hanging on the extremities of a pole.

LIVING fish were carried about in buckets; The *Chinese* keep them in the following manner in their houses:

THE fish are put into large water vessels in the streets, but each vessel stands under a spout which comes out of the wall; out of which the water runs continually, but slowly, upon the fish: and for this reason they were always to be got quite as fresh as if they had just been caught.

FISH cut to pieces were carried about for sale on little tables, which hung on poles as above described: the same was done with bacon, and *Fdaufu*, a dish which is like our sweet cheese, but which was prepared of *Chinese* beans (*Dolichos Chinenfis*).

PERSONS that carry any thing must continually be calling to the people that throng the principal street, *to clear the way*.

PALANKIN, or *Chinese* chairs, carried by two half naked *Chinese*, on the shoulders without

out straps, were to be hired out of the city, at the rate of half a piaſtre.

MOST of the houſes are built of bricks, and are in general as high as the aforementioned factories, but ſometimes lower. They contain merchants ſhops, working-places, and the ladies houſes, which are far removed from the ſtreets.

THE ladies are continually confined; and in ſhops or working-places are only men, and perhaps ſometimes a blind beggar woman.

SOME merchants have ſeveral ſhops in one houſe, and quite cloſe to one another, in a line; but beſides them ſcarce any other apartments. They leave their houſes at night, and go home to their ladies. In the outward ſhop they commonly have coarſe porcellane, ſuch as the *Chineſe* themſelves buy, a quantity of toys, and the like. This ſhop is quite open towards the ſtreet, ſo that the people that paſs by may ſee every thing in it. In the middle of it is an opening to another vault, filled alſo with porcellane on both ſides, but of a finer kind, and for the *Europeans*, who are here not ſo much peſtered with impudent *Chineſe*.

*use.* Behind this is another for silks, velvets, and such like commodities. In some shops the next vaults have tea or other commodities of this kind. On great festivals these long, narrow houses are opened, illuminated and ornamented with artificial flowers and trees, which look as if they were the work of nature itself. The last vault is for the musicians.

IN the porcellane street, which is the broadest in the whole town, are several of these houses, with many arches or vaults one after another, in which is nothing but porcellane.

THE less merchants are satisfied with about two shops, one behind another; in the first of which, as just mentioned, is coarse porcellane, and in the other all sorts of other wares, as silk, stuffs, handkerchiefs, ribbands, cotton-stuffs, *Indian* ink, painted paper, tea, snuff-boxes of mother of pearl, tortoise shells (*cypressa*), fans, tea-boxes made of tutanego, or of copper, with a porcellane enamel, *English* knives, &c.

IN the inward vault is a stair case to a gallery which goes above the outermost vault, and gets its light from windows towards the street.

street. They use it as a dining-room, or sometimes to work in, &c. In a place like this, the famous *Face-maker* was at work, who makes mens figures, mostly in miniature. *Europeans* often go to this man to be represented in their usual dress; and sometimes he hits them exceedingly well. The upper rooms above-mentioned, the floor, the partition, the lattice-work, as also doors, stair-cases, and rails towards the streets, are commonly all of wood. On the outside, before the shops and working-places, hang boards, on which the name of the merchant or tradesman is written, in large *Chinese* characters: on the sides are other boards, on which the wares are marked.

INSTEAD of ovens and chimnies, stoves are made use of here, which draw very well. The pots in which they boil rice and other meats look clumsy, as if they were made of cast iron; their shape was pretty much like the cup of an acorn.

PEOPLE of the same trade commonly live in the same street together. The factory street has merchants shops, joiners, japanners, and workers in mother of pearl.

THE porcellane street is known for its fine vaults, containing porcellane. In the other streets are a number of druggists, and apothecaries, flower-makers, dyers, umbrella-makers, book-binders, mirrour-makers, smiths, taylors, shoe-makers, distillers of samfu, stone-masons, and some goldsmiths. In the apothecaries shops (of which there are a great many) hung some stags horns on the ceiling and walls, as also a number of dried plants, unknown in our country.

I NEVER could observe that they mixed several things together, or that they sold any electuaries, essences, and the like; but only some roots, partly entire, partly cut in pieces. The people bought these medicines without prescriptions, and cured themselves as well as they could.

YAN-SAM, or *Yan-som*, is the *Chinese* name of a root, which is to be got in our apothecaries shops by the name of *Ninfi* (*Panax quinquefolia*, Linn.); every ounce of it costs at present 30 or 40 ounces of silver: the root is whitish, somewhat like parsnips, but scarce so large; it often divides into two stalks, in which the  
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*Chinese* find the resemblance of a man, for which reason they have given it the aforementioned name. It is somewhat knobby, or as it were in rings; and so it is in the inside. It is hard; and the heavier the better.

YAN-SAM, or, as we commonly say, *Ginseng*, is not allowed to be imported into *China*, because it grows wild in that country. *Dubalde*, in his Description of *China*, Vol. II. says, that it grows in *Tartary* from 39 to 49 degrees latitude; that it was to be met with in fields surrounded with woods, as also in woods on the banks of rivers, on the roots of trees, and near mountains, but was never to be found in vallies, morasses, and open fields; and that the *Tartars* call it *Orhota*, that is, *Captain of the Plants*. When Father *Jartona* undertook to make a map of *Tartary*, he described this plant; which is likewise, though seldom, found in *Setchuen*. In *America* it is called *Garentouges*, or human thighs. Notwithstanding the order against importing it, the *Europeans* buy that in *Spain* which comes from *America*, and import it privately; but I fear that they get scarce half what it costs in *China*. The *Chinese* are of opinion that the *West Indian* roots of *Ginseng* are not so good as theirs; for

that reason they hang it over a boiling pot, so that it may sweat, and dry it afterwards. I never looked into their apothecaries shops, but they were always selling *Ginseng*. Both poor people and those of the highest rank make use of it. According to their opinion, it is an excellent remedy for a consumption, and other diseases, if they boil half an ounce in their tea or soup, every morning. In 1709 the Emperor gave orders to 10,000 *Tartars* to go in quest of these roots, and to bring as much as they could find; of which every one was to give two pounds of the best to the Emperor, and to sell the rest for the same weight of fine silver. In this manner the Emperor got 20,000 *Katye*, or *Chinese* pounds of *Yan-sam*, in that one year.

I WAS greatly desirous of getting some knowledge of the *Chinese* officinal herbs, and the diseases against which they are made use of. On this account I applied to those who were able to instruct me in this branch of knowledge; and offered moderate rewards: but it was absolutely impossible; for first I could form no idea of their inward diseases, as the people themselves are not able to give a clear description of them; and the mere

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names of diseases are as incomprehensible to us, as ours to them. When they grow sick, they go into the ladies apartments, which no stranger is allowed to enter. Secondly, their officinal plants themselves were unknown; and that the more, as none of them are to be met with in the apothecaries shops with the parts of fructification: and I could not, even for money, get one to shew me the place where they grew. It is probable they get them at a considerable distance; since, notwithstanding my walks about the town, I never found a single one in the places I was allowed to go to, such as gardens, environs of villages, hills, ditches, and rice fields. Thirdly, As soon as a *Chinese* observes you want to be acquainted with these particulars, he is either silent, or gives you a false account; as I have often observed from the different relations of several persons; which at last made me very loth to make any more enquiries. I finally considered, that the *Chinese* officinal plants would not thrive in our climate; that if any were of use in some diseases, we should be forced to get them from *China*, and so increase the revenues of its inhabitants unnecessarily, when we are already provided with a sufficient number of medicines. We have many plants

in our country, which have not yet been tried in medicine.

THE goldsmiths work pretty well, and commonly cheaper than in our country; but they do not think it inconsistent with their characters to cheat. In silver snuff-boxes, plates of lead have been found; not to mention other frauds. Their touch-stones nearly resemble an egg in shape, and were like our pebbles. Snuff-boxes are made of several sorts of stones, commonly called fluors, of mother of pearl, false agate from *Sumatra*, and of tortoise shells; some have *Japan* copper on the inside, in-laid with figures of silver. The *Europeans* get buttons, heads of canes, &c. made, in which manner part of the silver comes again to *Europe* after the *Chinese* have wrought it. Gold is not so much esteemed as with us, and is not so fine. Great quantities of gold are brought from *China* into *France* and other countries.

THE joiners here make use of a less number of tools than ours do, but they are not so skilful as ours. For want of a bench, they sit down on the ground, put the board against the belly, and hold it only with the feet. Their hatchets, or *tu-pao*, are small, and somewhat excavated

excavated on the inner sides, but like our hatchets on the outward side, and in the rest of their shape. They do not make use of hammers, but content themselves with these hatchets. Their pincers are not at all like ours, for they consist of an iron a foot long, scarce as thick as a finger, and an inch broad; however one end of it is somewhat broader and thinner, in which are two or three holes; on the other end it has a quadrangular foot, which is an inch square, and sharp on the corners; on it a loose quadrangular ring is hung, just fitting to the foot, so that the extraction of a nail is easily effected. [See tab. xii. f. 3.] Their whet-stones are of a fine sand-stone, and were much admired by our carpenters. Their saws are like ours, but less; the whole frame is wooden. The handle of their piercers, and the piercers themselves, are like those which we employ to pierce iron, and other hard bodies. They work in many sorts of wood, both hard and soft, which are no further known to us, than that the bureaux, draught, and cheff-boards, &c. which we bring to *Europe*, are made of them. The black ebony, which is *ghome*, is not plentiful here, because it is brought hither from other places in the *East Indies*, particularly the *French Isle of Maurice*.

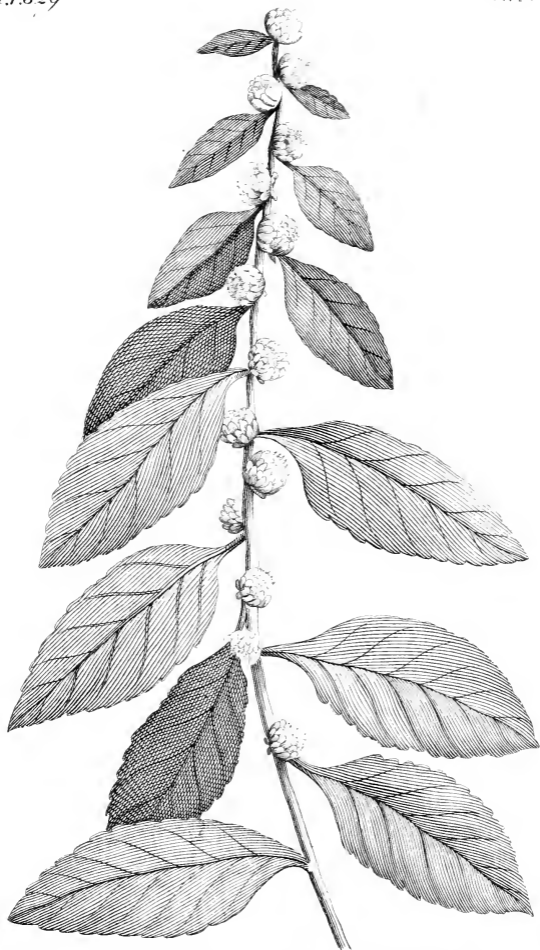
ROSE wood is heavy, red, has a fine smell, has black and light veins, and is very dear. A certain species of light-brown wood is much esteemed here, and the *Europeans* have chests made of it. All tea-boxes are made of a soft sort of wood, which cracks in the fire like fir; and, as it is used to contain tea, the *Chinese* call it *Tia-mock*, or the *Tea-tree*. The light-brown wood, of which *Europeans* get chests made for their cloaths, is sold pretty dear. I bought a chest of five feet long, two feet broad, varnished over, and plated with brass, to lay my cloaths in, for 100 dollars of copper. *Chests-boards* of rose-wood, inlaid with ivory and black ebony, were to be sold here.

SHAUPANN is the *Chinese* name of that sort of wood of which they make coffins, which are almost every where of an equal breadth, and therefore are more like our bee-hives<sup>y</sup> than our coffins: the sides and the lids of them are of planks of the thickness of some

<sup>y</sup> In *Sweden*, and in the northern countries, a bee-hive consists of a piece of fir-wood of about five or six feet length, excavated on one side like a canoe; and then a board is clapped before this long hollow, with a small hole in it, for the bees to go in and out. F.

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inches: the bottom and the sides are likewise of planks. On the ends, which stand out a little, the boards are cut obliquely, and very sharp on the outward edge. The coffins are made so close, that no smell can come through.

THE Japanners have ready-made bureaux, tea-boards, boxes, &c. besides the work that is bespoke. These men, as well as those who work in mother of pearl, and the painters of porcelane, have little boys who are very diligent and active. That kind of varnished work which comes from *Japan* is reckoned the most valuable.

KILONG, or the blackish-brown thick varnish, which is spread with a broad stiff brush upon boxes, and other such like things, is very hurtful to the eyes. *Dubalde* says, that this varnish is made of rosin which exfudes out of trees growing in *Setchuen* and *Kiangsi*; the dearest varnish is said to come from the neighbourhood of *Kantcheou*, which is one of the most southern cities of *Kiang-si*. The rosin is gathered as soon as the trees are seven years old. They gather it in the summer nights; and to that purpose they make incisions in the tree, of which the lowest is seven inches from

the ground, and the rest at the distance of seven inches from each other, along the whole stem. Under the incisions they put oyster shells, out of which they take the varnish the next morning. See *Du Halde's* Descript. p. 303. Any thing covered with this varnish must by all means be dried under cover, and not in the open air.

THE dyers make use of brazil or *fernambuco* to dye purple, which is most in fashion here. Their other dying materials I never saw; though I have often been in their dying manufactories. I am of opinion that we can learn very little from the *Chinese* dyers, since there is scarce any comparison between the colours of their stuffs and those of ours.

THOSE people who work in mother of pearl, have a quantity of counters, boxes, tea-spoons, &c. to sell.

HERE are barbers in plenty. Their razors are small, and somewhat bent; they are well skilled in their work. The hair is preserved, and employed to manure the ground.

RUBBING is usual among the *Chinese*, to put the blood in motion, instead of bleeding. The people who do this business rub and beat the body all over with their clenched fists, and work the arms and other limbs so that their crackling may be heard at a considerable distance. Some young fellows follow this trade; they carry a chain with several instruments on their shoulders; among these instruments are tongs, with which they make a noise like that of a Jew's trumpet, and give notice of their being at hand. They cut the nails with an iron which has the look of a narrow plane; as also the hair within the nostrils, and on the eye-brows, for such a trifle, that even the lowest rank of people are enabled to make use of them.

PORCELLANE comes hither from other places; some is painted, and some not. That which is painted here according to particular directions, or with names, or coats of arms, is very dear. The porcellane from *Nanking* is reckoned the best, next to that from *Japan*: though a certain author says, that the best porcelane comes from the village of *Sinktesmo*. See *L'Ambassade des Prov. unies*, p. 118. The

*Stone porcellane* is the heaviest, and its price the greatest. *Dubalde* says, that this porcellane is only made in the province of *Kiangsi*, in the city of *King-te-ching*, which is said to be a league in length, and to contain a million of inhabitants. Porcellane is a composition of two kinds of clay, one of which is called *Petun-tse*, and the other *Kaolin*; the latter contains shining particles, and keeps the whole together. They have lately found out a sort of stone, or lime, which they call *Ho-a-khe*, and use instead of *Ka-o-lin*. [Their physicians give six parts of this stone with one part of powder of liquorice wood, to cool the blood]. The porcellane is glazed with *Chekao*, a species of stone like allum, or with *Ho-a-khe*. The *Chekao* is first burnt in an oven; to make the blue colour, they take *Lapis lazuli*; and to the purple they add a kind of stones which they call *Tsin*. *Dubalde* seems to mean by it *Cobalt*, with which our porcellane is painted. See *Dubalde's Description of China*, Tom. ii. p. 310, 312, 314, 324.

UMBRELLOS are made in great quantities, of black waxed paper and bamboo-wood, and sold at two dollars in copper apiece.

Books are only stitched in white, and sometimes in gold paper. The leaves are thin and always double. The size is large octavo. No books of any other language than the *Chinese* are to be met with in the country: and in the suburbs of *Canton* are scarcely any others than almanacks: the paper is made of the inner bark of bamboo tree. See *Le Comte's Descript. of China*, p. 186. May not the bark of the juniper shrub, and of other trees, be of the same use? The mirrour-makers have some little pitiful looking-glasses. I was told of a glass-house in *Canton*, but never had an opportunity of going to see it. It is said, the importation of glass from *Europe* is forbidden. However, the *Europeans* often bring glass with them, and get roses or other flowers painted on them, as the *Chinese* are pretty skilful that way.

THE shoe-makers have learned to make *European* shoes and flippers, and sell four pair for a piece of eight, or ten dollars in copper: but they are indeed not worth more; for they are sewed with cotton thread, and therefore, as soon as they are used in the wet, the seams part, and the soles and heels get loose. They  
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are made of hogs leather, and often rough on both sides; the hair is burnt off with a red-hot iron.

TAYLORS offer their service as soon as any *Europeans* arrive, as almost every one wants waistcoats of fatin, paduafoy, or taffety; for which the black colour is commonly chosen. All *Europeans* go here, as well as aboard, only in their waistcoats, with a white cotton cap, and a hat over it, carrying a stick in their hands. Coats are only made use of when one *European* visits another. The taylor commonly find the stuffs, and are paid for all together afterwards: a waistcoat and a pair of breeches of fatin came to five tel, or seventy dollars in copper. The *Chinese* taylor scissars are small, but exactly like ours in every other respect. Their needles have round eyes, 100 of them cost a mes. Pins are not made here. Instead of the smoothing iron, they have a little pan, without feet of brass or copper, into which they put some burning charcoal, and rub the seams, or all that must be smoothed with it. Their silk buttons and button-holes are strong and well made. These taylor are often contented with worse silver than the *Spanish*. The ell which the taylor make use of is sometimes longer,

longer, and that used in shops shorter, than it ought to be.

THE hatters twist all their hats, both for men and women, of bamboo. The *Chinese* never make use of other hats. They at first make their hats like a round mat, and beat them afterwards to the right size. Hats for women are higher than mens hats.

THE distillers of *famsu*, or the people who make the *Chinese* brandy called *famsu*, live likewise in the suburbs. This drink smells like the worst sort of common brandy, and does not taste much better. It is made of rice, and is by no means, as some imagine, the same as arrack, which the *Chinese* and we buy of the *Dutch*; because the cocoa-nuts of which arrack is made do not grow here, but only near the Line, in *Java* and other places.

THE *Chinese* make the *famsu* warm, and drink a tea-cup full at their meals. They do not use strong liquors to excess, unless some of them learn to drink from the *Europeans*. During my stay in *China*, I never saw a drunken *Chinese* among such a number of people. The heathens, who have no law naturally, do what  
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the law requires; but the christians are not ashamed to dishonour God by some vice or other amidst the heathens.

THE houses of the stone-masons take up a whole lane, and perhaps more. They hew tomb-stones and mill-stones, the former of red and the latter of grey sand-stone. The millers live in great numbers in a separate part of the town, and make the rice-groats. They first grind off the husks by a wooden mill; they then stamp the grains in a stone mortar with a pestle, which is fastened with an iron pin to a wooden lever; one arm of which is weighed down, and then the pestle by its own weight falls upon the rice in the stone mortar: this motion is continued till the work is finished.

WATCH-MAKERS are very much wanted here. The *Chinese* buy large and little watches of the *English*. In their shops they have sometimes *English* watches to sell, and sometimes at moderate prices, but mostly of the worst kind.

PERRIWIGS, gloves, bread, and coffee, are things which the *Chinese* can do without; and for  
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for this reason we find no places where they are made. They do not cut their tobacco, but smok the leaves such as they naturally are. Taking snuff and chewing of tobacco are not yet in fashion among them.

THE silk manufactures are as far off as the apartments of the ladies, whose business it is to spin and to weave. Their looms are level with the floor, and so situated that they may sit on them and put their feet into that part on which the loom stands. I once came into such a place towards the street, where a mat of bamboo was hung up instead of a door. This occasioned an outcry from the person who stood at the door; the dog received me as an enemy, and the female weavers left their work in a great hurry. The *Europeans* order their silks as soon as they arrive, and they get them ready a little before they set off again. Old stuffs are seldom bought, because they are good for nothing when they return from such a long sea voyage. The silks are rolled or calendered between two smooth stones, whose thickness is the breadth of the silks: the lower of these stones is fast in the floor, and is like the concave side of half a cylinder; the upper one fits into the lower, in the form of a half.

half-moon. The stuff is rolled upon a cylinder of yellow brass, and put between the two stones; then a fellow gets upon the upper stone, so that he has one foot on each side; and holding himself by a fixed piece of wood, thus with his treading he calenders better than four persons in our country are able to do it upon our inconvenient and dear wooden rolls. [See tab. xii. f. 4.]

COTTON is plucked asunder and made clean with an instrument which would be worth procuring: and though I ordered one, the *Chinese* was not so good as his word; and the same happened to me in many other things.

IN the markets, where the people every day run about like ants, they sell fruit, garden herbs, fish, bacon, &c.

A PAGODA, or idol-temple, is near one of these markets. In this they offer incense to their idols, which the *Europeans* call *yos*, from the *Portuguese dios*, and which are represented by one or more gilt pictures of several sizes, according as their faint looked when he was alive. The honours they bestow upon him are in consequence of his writings, or of any

other services he has done to the public. These pictures, together with some foliage on the sides, are in the place of an altar table. Both upon the altar, and upon particular tables, are flower-pots, incense, and all sorts of meat and drink, such as fruit and the like; in particular large oranges <sup>2</sup>, a species of fruit like sweet oranges, but much larger, and having a spongy peel of the thickness of one's finger. This fruit has an agreeable taste, is somewhat sourer than a sweet orange, and sweeter than lemons. They offer the same sacrifices in private houses; for every body has his own idol. A bell without a clapper hangs on one side, and a drum on the other side, before the altar. In other places at the entrance there are many areas and terrasses, but on both sides stand very tall figures of men. The pagodas have never any steeple. The roofs are ornamented with large dragons, lying length-ways along the walls. Rich people build pagodas sometimes, that their relations may be every day employed in burning incense, sacrificing, and other ceremonies, in commemoration of their saint. The priests are called *Vau-song* by the *Chinese*,

<sup>2</sup> These are shaddock.

and *Bonzes* by the *Europeans* <sup>a</sup>. They go with their heads bare and shaved, dress in steel-coloured silk coats with wide sleeves, which look like surplices, and wear rosaries about their necks. When they officiated on the festival of the lanthorns, they had red coats and high caps. Perhaps this was an order different from the former. Hundreds of bonzes sometimes perform their functions in one temple. The houses of these priests surround the pagodas, instead of a church-yard wall. They live upon the revenues from the legacies of their patrons, which afford likewise subsistence to the steward. Rice, which is their principal food, is boiled in a pot, which is fixed near the pagoda. They eat all together in a hall.

TRADE is carried on here by the inhabitants and by the *Armenians*, and other *Asiatic* nations, besides the *Europeans*.

A QUANTITY of foreign commodities, and of their own country, is annually exported from *Canton*, especially porcellane, commonly called *China* ware, which is used many ways. They bring it hither from the inner parts of

<sup>a</sup> The priests in *Japan* are likewise called bonzes.

the country, some painted, and some not. The *painted china* from *Nanking* is much esteemed. The *Japan china* is reckoned best. The *stone porcellane* is heavier, harder, and dearer than the common china. *Du Halde* says, that the finest comes from the little town of *Kin-te-ching*.

*RAW silk*, such as is clean and dry, does not rub off its colour; if well packed up in chests, is the best.

*SILK stuffs*, are of all sorts, of one colour, as well as of many, such as *damasks*, *fatins*, *paduasoy*, *taffeties*, *pelings*, *velvets*, &c.

*COTTONS*, white, a piece commonly contains ninety-two *koabi*, or thirty-seven and a half *Swedish* ells, and are not in width above half such an ell. A piece costs two *pesos duros*, or about twenty dollars of copper, though some cost more, when the bottomry is reckoned in: a piece of their common linen, which is much finer, closer; stronger, and not bleached, contains 113 *koabi*, or seventy-one three quarters *Swedish* ells, and costs four *piastres* and an half. Quilts, cotton-tick at four or

or five mefs; stockings, handkerchiefs, &c. are plentiful here.

BUT all these cottons are to be got at *Madras*, and other *Indian* trading towns, much stronger, and with more laſting colours.

FINE *chintz*, *Madras* linen, *Madras* handkerchiefs, &c. are likewise to be had at *Canton*; the *English* ſhips bring them to that place; but they are very dear, ſince they are ſecond or third hand goods.

LINEN, made of other raw materials, ſuch as *Hannoës*, *Kantyoa*, *Chincao*, is to be got here at four kandarin, four kafs, an ell.

UMBRELLAS are here made in great quantities, of horſe bones, ivory, mother of pearl, tortoiſe ſhells, and bamboo.

THE painting of this country, repreſenting men and their employments, trees, plants, flowers, fruit, birds, and the like, by their lively colours compenſate for the want of art <sup>b</sup>.

<sup>b</sup> Some years ago the *Chiñeſe* were very defective in their drawings: but of late, ſince they have had opportu-

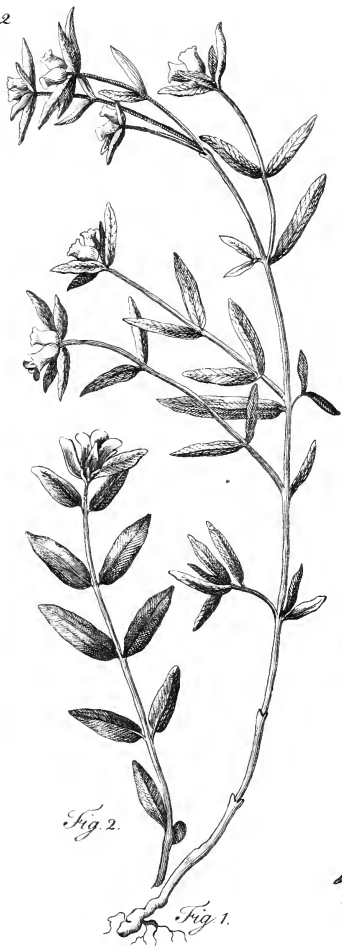


Fig. 3.

金香薷

Fig. 2.

Fig. 1.

*OSBECKIA chinensis*  
kom hocang-Loaa or Goldroß' feather.





FLOWERS of paper, and silk stuffs. Of the innumerable quantity of painted flowers which are to be had here, none are like nature; and either the leaves or the petals are misrepresented. As for the animals, they seemed to me like horses with birds feet, and men with claws.

JAPANNED goods are bureaux, shrines, band-boxes, powder-boxes, and other boxes, tea-boards, tables, snuff-boxes, &c.

GOLD is exported in great quantity to *France*, and other *European* places.

COPPER in bars. *Japan* copper is much employed to in-lay boxes of mother of pearl, and of other kinds. Tortoise shell boxes are plated on the inside with such copper, gilt.

TINTENAGUE, or tutanego. See *Wallenius's Mineralogy*, p. 464. spec. 32. is to be got in long pieces, each of five or six pekuls, at the rate of three or four tel. It comes in

nitics of seeing the performances of *European* artists, they are much improved, and particularly in perspective; with which they were before perfectly unacquainted.

great quantities from *Queda* and *Jabor*, on the *Malacca* coast, with the *English* country ships<sup>c</sup>. It is universally believed, that this metal when mixed with lead, is used to plate the tea-chests.

**TIN** comes in small pieces from *Pegu* and *Jabor*.

**LEAD** is used for tea-cannisters, and to line tea-chests.

**ALUM.** The katty of the fine and clear fort is sold at two kandarin.

**LAPIS lazuli** comes from the north of *China*, and from *Tibet*.

**BORAX**, we used to buy annually of the *Dutch*, after it had been refined, as a thing absolutely necessary for our goldsmiths. But probably we have already begun to refine it at home, which will enable us to be satisfied with crude *borax* for the future; which we can get from *Suratte* in our ships, with considerable gain<sup>d</sup>.

<sup>c</sup> Country ships are *European* ships, going from *India* only to *China*, and to other *Asiatic* places.

<sup>d</sup> The *Venetians* were the first that refined *Borax*, or *Tinical* as it is called before it is refined: since whom the

QUICK-SILVER is tried by squeezing it through shamoy, or any thin leather: and if the quick-silver is good it will leave nothing at all behind. Another way of trying it is, to evaporate some in a spoon over the fire: if it leaves a spot behind, it is looked upon as impure and adulterated.

CINNABAR is looked upon as not pure when it is in cakes, or ground. The best must be clean, of a shivery compact texture, of a shining crimson colour, very heavy, and in large lumps, of two or three inches thickness. It generally bears the same price as quick-silver.

INDIAN ink. The best comes from *Nanking*.

MUSK comes from *Tonkin* in bladders. The true musk burns with a flame when set on fire, which it does not when it is adulterated with goat's blood. *Du Halde* relates, that a *Chinese* who has musk about him may sleep in the fields without any fear of snakes.

*Dutch*, and of late the *English* have obtained the method, which is still a secret in few hands.

SUGAR is to be got at a reasonable price here. Powder-sugar is prepared in the *French island*. Sugar-candy comes from *Cochin, China*, and other places. The whitest and clearest sugar-candy comes from *Chinkew* in loaves: a pekul of it was sold at six tel, and three mefs. Loaf-sugar is not made in *China*.

TEA <sup>e</sup>. The *Europeans* learned to drink this infusion in the fifteenth century, and since that time have vied with each other in giving the *Chinese* the most money for this and other goods which are become fashionable: it grows both in *China* and in *Japan*, of which see *Kämpfer's Amoenitates Exot.* p. 505. et seqq. where both the gathering and drying of the leaves are described. It likewise grows in *Tonkin*; but the best tea, according to *Du Halde*, comes from *Fokien*. We have as many names for tea as there are places where it grows; and different ways of preparing it; <sup>f</sup> though all the *Chinese* tea is said to be of one

<sup>e</sup> Tea in the *Chinese* language is called *Tia*, in *Fokien* it is called *Te*, and as the *Europeans* landed first in that province, that dialect has been preserved.

<sup>f</sup> It has been universally believed that all teas came from the same shrub, and are only distinguished by the different shrub.



Tea	茶 <sup>1</sup> Tja	茶 <sup>9</sup> hey	六 <sup>f</sup> lück
		春 <sup>9</sup> Heyson Tea	六 <sup>f</sup> six Catty
Honang-Tea	向 <sup>2</sup> há	春 <sup>10</sup> kián	六 <sup>f</sup> kann
	南 <sup>2</sup> nam	沫 <sup>10</sup> tic'	七 <sup>g</sup> satt
Ankai-Tea	庄 <sup>3</sup> an	茶 <sup>10</sup> thé	七 <sup>g</sup> seven Catty
	首 <sup>3</sup> kaj	成 <sup>11</sup> 'sing	八 <sup>h</sup> patt
Tao-kuen-Tea	白 <sup>4</sup> tao'	茶 <sup>11</sup> tja	八 <sup>h</sup> kann
	春 <sup>4</sup> kjánn	大 <sup>12</sup> tday	九 <sup>i</sup> kau
Cengc-Tea	夫 <sup>5</sup> kong	头 <sup>12</sup> sjó	九 <sup>i</sup> nine Catty
	se	第 <sup>13</sup> lao	十 <sup>k</sup> siapp
Soatchuen-Tea	事 <sup>6</sup> fca	一 <sup>a</sup> jatt	十 <sup>k</sup> ten Catty
	事 <sup>6</sup> gánn	一 <sup>a</sup> daam	十 <sup>k</sup> kannu
Linkisaim-Tea	事 <sup>7</sup> linkis	一 <sup>b</sup> jatt	月 <sup>l</sup> jatt
	心 <sup>7</sup> äm	一 <sup>b</sup> kann	月 <sup>l</sup> leá
Pekhe-Tea	白 <sup>8</sup> pack	三 <sup>c</sup> sam	一 <sup>m</sup> jatt
	向 <sup>8</sup> hê	三 <sup>c</sup> kann	一 <sup>m</sup> one Mace
Bohea-Tea	第 <sup>8</sup> mo	四 <sup>d</sup> sé'	一 <sup>n</sup> jatt
	吏 <sup>8</sup> jü	四 <sup>d</sup> kann	一 <sup>n</sup> one Kandarín
		五 <sup>e</sup> en	二 <sup>o</sup> nji
		五 <sup>e</sup> kann	二 <sup>o</sup> two Kandarín
		六 <sup>f</sup> f. teh	分 <sup>p</sup> jatt
		六 <sup>f</sup> Kaempf. amoen	分 <sup>p</sup> jann
		六 <sup>f</sup> 817.	一 <sup>p</sup> jatt
			一 <sup>p</sup> one Cash
			尹 <sup>lái</sup>
			茶 <sup>tu</sup>
			茶 <sup>S. sa</sup>
			茶 <sup>f. teh</sup>
			茶 <sup>Kaempf. amoen</sup>
			817.

shrub. Tea is generally distinguished into brown and green, according as it tinges the water.

BROWN tea is *Honam Té*, or *Kuli-Té*, which grows in some places about *Canton*, and is drunk by the *Chinese*, but not by the *Europeans*: its taste being the least agreeable of any. [See tab. xiii. fig. 2.] The dried leaves are either yellow or brownish. The tea shrubs, which are sold in flower-pots here, scarce grow to the height of an ell. The flower consists of six white petals, of which the three lowest are the smallest.

AN-KAY is a coarse sort of tea, from a place of this name. [Tab. xiii. f. 3.]

age, gathering, and preparation. But Doctor *Hill* has lately discovered that the brown tea comes from the tea shrub with six petals, or flower leaves, which *Kæmpfer* has described, and represented: but that the green tea is taken from the tea shrub with nine leaved flowers. The former in *Linnaeus's* Spec. Plantarum, Ed. ii. p. 734. is *Thea bohea*, and the latter *Thea viridis*. *Linnaeus* distinguishes it, besides the flowers, by the longer and narrower leaves. Dr. *Schræber*. It is notwithstanding, very doubtful whether the plant of the green tea is really different from that of the bohea tea. F.

TE-BOHE, which we usually call *Bohea-tea*, is called *Moji* by the *Chinese*. This sort is brought to *Sweden* in greater quantities than any of the others. The best sort smells agreeably, and in a short time gives a brown colour to the water, and consists of leaves of one colour; if any black ones are among them, it is a bad sort. [Tab. xiii. f. 3.]

TAO-KYONN is the name of the best sort of bohea tea. [Tab. xiii. f. 4.]

KONGO, or as the *Chinese* call it *Kong-fo*, has an agreeable scent: its leaves are finer than those of *Té-bohé*; though it is scarce distinguishable from the best *Bohea*, except in price; for *Congo* is somewhat dearer. [Tab. xiii. f. 5.]

SUTCHONG, or *Sootchuen*, which the *Chinese* call *Saatyang*, or *Su-tyann*, is the dearest of all brown teas, and is most usual among our people of quality; as green tea is among the *English*. This tea gives a fine yellow green colour to the water, and has an agreeable taste; unless you put too much into the pot,  
which



which spoils both taste and colour. [Tab. xiii. f. 6.]

PADRE *futchong* is the best tea that can be drunk: for even the best *Russia* tea, which comes by land by carravans to *Russia*, is not better in taste or scent. The leaves of this tea are large, yellowish, not rolled up, but expanded; and packed up in papers of half a pound each, like tobacco. If it is not taken great care of at sea, it is much altered for the worse.

LIN-KISAM is a sort of tea which hath narrow rough leaves, and foot-stalks. It is seldom used by itself, but mixed with other sorts. The *Chinese* can turn *Congo* into *Pecko*, if to the first they add some *Lin-kisam*. This may be compared with what *Kæmpfer* mentions about the word *Zasanqua* §. [Tab. xiii. f. 7.]

§ *Aman.* p. 853. “*Zasanqua* is a less sort of *Tsubacki*, “has a simple flower, with five petals, many filaments, “and a pear-like fruit, with three grains, of the size of a “*Pistachio Kernel*; the grains are white and globose; the “leaves are prepared and mixed with tea, to give it a fine “sinnell.”

BACK-HO, or *Pack-ho*, is that which we call *Pecko*, which has leaves with dots. It is a mild tea, has a good taste, and is said to be the least heating of any. [Tab. xiii. f. 8.]

Of Green Teas, there are

HYSON, called *Hy-tiann*, or *Hi-kiong* by the *Chinese*. [Tab. xiii. f. 9.]

SINGLO, or *Sanglo*, is so called from the place whence it comes. The *Chinese* likewise call it *Sing-tia*. [Tab. xiii. f. 11.]

BING, or imperial tea.

TIO <sup>h</sup> is rolled up like pease <sup>h</sup>. [Tab. xiii. f. 10.]

HYSON-UTCHIN, is distinguishable from the *Hyson skin* by its narrow and short leaves.

GO-BE' hath long narrow leaves.

THE *Chinese* likewise make *tea cakes*, which they sell very dear.

<sup>h</sup> This sort is rolled up between the hands in a rounder shape than the others. A smaller kind is called *Gurperwder tea*.

It is almost incredible what quantities of tea are annually exported into *Europe* and other parts; and what innumerable hands are employed in so unnecessary an article. The countryman must with great care plant and nurse the tea shrubs; pluck every leaf in due time; separate the new leaves from the old, and dry them with extreme accuracy. The green tea is said to differ from the others only by consisting of young leaves, or by means of repeated dryings. But since some sort of brown tea likewise consists of tender young leaves, the afore-mentioned reason is not probable. I imagine the difference arises from the plates on which (according to their own accounts) the tea is dried. It is not unlikely that green tea is dried on copper plates, and the brown on iron plates: which is the more likely, since green tea occasions purging, which seems to be the effect of verdigrease: but brown tea hath the contrary effect. At last when the merchant has got the baskets of tea, at a low rate, from the country people, he must often take care of it for years together; and is always uncertain when or at what price he shall sell it. When the *Europeans* have fixed upon a place where they will make their bargains, they empty the  
baskets

baskets (but let it be noted I am now speaking of *Bohea tea*, for the finer sorts are sold in chests); and if any bad tea is found in these baskets, it is separated from the rest. The good tea is then packed up in new chests, the weight of which is deducted; and these chests are marked, and lined with lead in the inside. A *Chinese* gets into these chests, and treads down the tea as it is emptied out of the baskets: this is very hard labour; and throws the treader, who is almost naked, into a profuse perspiration<sup>i</sup>. Though great care is taken to prevent any thing from coming into the tea, yet it is hardly to be avoided: and sometimes their feet are wounded and bleed. But the tea has already passed through so many dirty hands, that those who use that drug have no reason to be disgusted with this last mark of indelicacy in the package<sup>k</sup>. As soon as some

<sup>i</sup> This disgusting circumstance remarkably attends the bagging or treading of hops into their bags. Nor are the circumstances regarding the treading the wine-press, or of sugar or raisins into hogheads or barrels, very delicate; yet such kind of package is unavoidable.

<sup>k</sup> The veins on the feet of some *Chinese* are very strong, and run in extraordinary directions. The bamboo sticks, upon which they carry tea chests and other heavy things, make deep impressions on their shoulders.

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of the chests are packed by a number of *Kulleers*, or *Chinese* servants, they are pasted over with paper, and carried out of the warehouse to the factories, where they are weighed by the *Chinese* custom-house officers, in the presence of the interpreter, and marked red with a stiff brush, or with a wooden stamp. Some poor people are satisfied with the leaves of *Rhamnus Thea*, which they put into their clayey water instead of tea, to make it more palatable. In the account of the *Dutch* embassy to *China*, it is related that the *Chinese* make use of a species of moss instead of tea.

SOYA, or the *Tyong-yao* of the *Chinese*, (*Dolichos Soja* Linn.) the *Japan Soya*, is better and dearer than the *Chinese*. For its preparation see *Kæmph. Amœn.* p. 839. and likewise *Soja Dolichos, Flor. Zeylan.* 354. It was sold the katty at three kanderins.

CAMPHIRE is sold here unrefined at a good price. If it is to go far, it must be well packed up in a tintenague. When camphire is packed near tea, it spoils its smell and taste. A *Chinese* told me, that the camphire tree was to be found near *Canton*, (*Laurus Camphora* Linn.) and that it was called *Tyong-sio*; he also began

to tell me in what manner the camphire or *Tyong-noao* of the *Chinese* was extracted from the wood by boiling; but as soon as he understood that this tree was unknown in my country, I waited in vain for further information. I desired him to shew me a branch of it; but he answered that the leaves were already fallen off, and that it was not to be distinguished; but what he endeavoured to hide from me may be read in *Kæmpher's Amœn.* p. 770.

RICE (*Oryza Sativa*) is the daily bread of the *Chinese*, and grows in such plenty here, that both *Europeans* and other nations provide themselves and their countrymen with it at a very low rate. If there is a famine in the country, the people run by thousands to *Canton*, where they can get their livelihood better, and may live upon rice groats for two stivers (*id.*) a day. For on the sea shore no other grain is in use.

RHUBARB, in the *Chinese* language *Tay-boang*, is sold the katty at two mès, and sometimes less. If we are to believe the *Chinese*, no rhubarb grows about *Canton*. But I saw in one part of the town quite fresh roots drying in the sun; which therefore could not  
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come a great way off. *Du Halde* tells us, that the best rhubarb grows in *Setchuen*. The marks of its goodness are, that it is dry, old, and as it were marked with oriental characters. The *Chinese* doctors never use rhubarb by itself<sup>1</sup>, but prescribe it always fresh, and mixed with other medicines. They cut the root into slices and put it into a cullender over a boiling kettle, that it may imbibe the steam of the boiling water. These slices are then exposed to the sun for six hours together: this is nine times repeated. The *Portuguese* at *Macao* boil it in water, and drink it as a stomachic<sup>m</sup>.

CHINA root, (*Smilax China*) by the *Chinese* *Long-fan-tao*, ought to be heavy, and not pierced by worms: it is very cheap here. In our ship we only threw it in between the chests of tea, and thus brought them to our apothecaries shops. It grew near the river, on dry hills, where the wind can blow freely.

<sup>1</sup> The Jesuit *Martini* died of half an ounce of rhubarb. See *Bayer's Mus.* the Preface, p. 23.

<sup>m</sup> *Bayer's Mus.* the Preface, p. 24.

GALGANT, *Galangal*, or *Radix Galangæ* (*Marranta Galanga*) is likewise an agreeable root. It ought to be red, and not eaten by worms. It is used, like *China-root*, to fill up the empty spaces in the ships, between the tea chests:

INDIGO is sold here: but the best comes from *Biana* near *Agra* in the *East Indies*.

MOTHER of *pearl* is plentiful here.

THE *Chinese* sell their goods even in *Java*, *India*, *Japan*, in the *Philippines*, and other *Asiatic* isles. They export not only their own goods, but also those which they have got from the *Europeans*, to supply their wants and those of others.

GOODS from *Europe* are silver, lead, thin cloaths, scarlet cloth, blue, black, dark, and violet woollen stuffs; flints, pistols, guns, blades of swords, watches, wines, raisins, bottles, and other glass, *ginseng*<sup>n</sup>, &c.

<sup>n</sup> *Ginseng* is a *Chinese* plant, but it grows likewise in *North America*, on plains in shady places, and was fre-



THE *Chinese* get many commodities from several parts of *Asia*; and in particular,

*Parrots,*

*Ivory,*

*Tortoise shells,*

*Afa-fatida.*

PINANG, or *Areca Catechu* Linn. is a fruit which looks like a nutmeg in the inside. Our East Indiamen begin to bring *areck* from *Suratte* to *Canton*. A quarter of one of these nuts is wrapt up in a betel-leaf, and covered with lime of oyster-shells. In *India* it is looked upon as a mark of ill-breeding not to eat *Pinang* before you speak to a man of quality; and you will think yourself neglected if he does not likewise treat you with the same.

THE *Chinese* keep the shells of the *areck-nuts*, and make a decoction of them against dysenteries, &c. It is likewise reported that

quently gathered for the *Chinese* trade in the neighbourhood of *Quebec*. See *Kalm's Journey through North America*, 1749, the 7th Aug. Mr. *Osbeck* mentions it under the *Chinese* merchandizes. F.

they communicate to each other by means of *Pinang* lascivious medicines, their antidotes, and the leaves of *Obeat goena*, together with other poisons. *Old Pinang-nuts*, made round and polished, put during one night into water in which some snake-tree wood has been soaked before, are sometimes given for *Piedra del Puerco*°, as *Rumph.* says.

BIRDS nests<sup>P</sup> are a scarce and dear dish: they look like little dishes, or like half the rind of a lemon; the best are white and clear, almost like isinglass. They grow tough like a

° *Piedra del puerco* is a concretion found in the *cystis fellea*, or gall-bladder of the *Malacca Porcupine*, which, when soaked in water for some hours, impregnates it with a considerable bitterness; although the *Piedra del puerco* loses scarcely a grain of its weight. This infusion is used in *India* as a cordial in malignant putrid fevers, and in the jaundice. The high price of these *Piedras del puerco*, which sometimes amounts to fifty pounds sterling apiece, has caused that they are frequently counterfeited and adulterated. See *Kæmpfer's Amœn. Exot.* p. 395. F.

<sup>P</sup> *Nidus avis* is the name they bear in our apothecaries shops. *Yenowa Yenika*, vulgo *Yens*. *Nidus halcyonum*, vulgo *nidus avium*, pro obsoniis ad coquinas expetitus. *Nidos* hos rupibus oceani orientalis affixos parant hirundines *marinæ*, domesticis multo majores ex *holothuriis* mari innatantibus materiam decerpentes. *Kempf. Am.* p. 833.

piece

piece of leather : they are got at *Borneo*, *Java*, the *Molucca Isles*, *Cambogia*, and *Cochin-China*. These birds are said to build their nests of little fishes on the rocks in the sea, and to belong to the swallow kind. A slimy juice is said to issue out of their bills, by means of which they fasten their nests to the rock : it is also related of them, that they make use of the slime swimming in the sea, to make all the parts of their nests much in the same manner as swallows do with clay. Their nests are taken after the young ones are flown <sup>9</sup>.

*SANGUIS Draconis*. The goodness of its colour is tried upon white paper.

*SAGU*,<sup>r</sup> or *Sago*, from the *Molucca Islands*, *Java*, *Sumatra*, *Jabora*, and *Borneo*. *White Sago* is more scarce, and must be of a different sort.

*COSTUS dulcis* (*Costus Arabicus* Linn. Mat. Med.) or *Putchuch*, is a root usual in our apothecaries shops. It ought to be clear, and smell like violets.

<sup>9</sup> *Du Halde's* Descript. of *China*, 8<sup>o</sup> tom. ii. p. 201.

<sup>r</sup> This is the *Malait* Name ; in *Java* it is called *Bulum*, and is made of the pith of the *Cycas circinnalis* Linn.

SPICES; videlicet, *Pepper* (*Piper nigrum*); *Long Pepper*, (*Piper longum*); *Cubebes* (*Cubeba* Linn. Mat. Med. 526) *Cloves* (*Caryophyllus aromaticus*), *Cardamum* (*Amomum cardamomum*), come from *Cochin-China*, *Cambogia*, and *Siam*.

STICKLACK from *Pegu*: The gum which quite covers the sticks is clear and high coloured. The lack from *Vizapatnam* is not so good.

GUMM *Benjamin*, or *Benzoin*, comes from *Sindi*, and the *Spice Islands*, in large chests of 50 or 60 pounds weight, packed up in mats. The best looks like white marble. There is likewise a coarse kind, which is black and soft: it is packed in chests.

CAMBOGIA, *Gamboge*, or *Gum-gutta*, of a high yellow gold colour, from *Cochin-China*, *Cambogia*, &c. in bundles.

SANTAL (*Santalum album*) is sweet-scented, and comes from *Suratte*, where our *Swedish* ship the *Gothic Lion* (the first that ever came to that place from *Sweden*) bought, in 1750, some of this wood for seven tell, and sold a great deal of it at *Canton*: the pekul at 13 tell.

tell. The *Chinese* make use of this wood instead of incense. They take the saw-dust of it, and glew it to a stick, light it, and put it before their idols, or in any place where they would have an agreeable scent.

KOBI, or the *Chinese* ell, is about fifteen *Swedish* inches long. It is divided into ten pann, and each of them into ten kanderin. The taylor's ells are commonly longer, and their length is sixteen inches two-thirds. These ells are commonly made of bamboo.

EVERY thing either received or given out is weighed. However, *Spanish* money has a fixed price; and a piastre is valued at seven mes, and four kanderins. At *St. Helena* it is taken for five shillings. The *Chinese* puts his stamp upon the piastre, the more easily to avoid taking false ones, which are sometimes made of tin or copper, plated over with silver. For want of small coin, a *Chinese* has, besides the weight, a pair of scissars about him, with which he cuts the silver money in pieces, and either gives or receives such pieces on buying of goods. These scissars, which are very thick, they call *Kiapp-chin*. When a *Chinese* wants to cut a piece of silver, he puts it between the

sciffars, and knocks them against a stone till the pieces drop off.

KAS, which the *Chinese* call *Lai*, is the only current coin which is struck in *China*, and is equal both in size and value to our one-sixth ocre silver coin. This coin is made of yellow brass, and round; hath a quadrangular hole in the middle; the edge is plain, but its sides are marked with *Chinese* characters.

DATCHIN is their larger weight, with which they weigh by pekul and katty.

LAY-TANG is a less weight, with which they weigh little things.

A PEKUL, or *Idaam* as the *Chinese* call it, is 100 katti, or 139 lb.  $21\frac{7}{8}$  half ounces,  $\frac{1}{3}\frac{7}{8}$  <sup>6</sup> *As*, victual-weight; but is generally reckoned equal to 142 *Swedish* grocers pounds.

A KATTY, or *Chinese* *Kann*, which is 1 lb.  $12\frac{1}{16}$  of half ounce, and  $\frac{2}{3}\frac{2}{2}$  *As*, contains 16 tel.

A TEL <sup>t</sup>, which the *Chinese* call *Lea*, has ten *mes*, about 14 dollars of copper coin.

<sup>s</sup> The smallest *Swedish* weight.

<sup>t</sup> The *English* write it tale, the *Portuguese* taël. It contains 100 *French* fous, or  $2\frac{2}{3}$  half ounces, and 12 *As*, *Swed-*

A MES<sup>u</sup>, by the *Chinese* called *Hane*, contains 10 kanderin.

A KANDERIN, or as the *Chinese* call it *Fann*, is 10 kas.

A KAS, or *kash*, is the smallest coin which is used in every part of this country, and its value is about  $\frac{1}{8}$  ocre silver coin; though *Du-Halde* mentions several less, which perhaps may be used in particular places, and be necessary only on particular occasions.

The *Chinese* count thus :

*Yatt* <sup>w</sup> *Ydaam*, a pekul. [Tab. xiii. fig. a.]

*Yatt Kann*, a katty or catti. [Tab. xiii. f. b.]

*Ngbee kan*, 2 ditto.

*Samm kan*, 3 ditto. [Tab. xiii. f. c.]

*disb* vidual weight. See Memoir of the *Swed.* Acad. of Sciences for 1750, p. 110, the *Swed.* Edition.

<sup>u</sup> The *English* write mace, the *Portuguese* maz.

<sup>w</sup> *Yatt*, or *Yett*, is one.

*Tjockan*, or *sa kan*, 4, (*Tjin*, *Tji*, *Tfoe*, or *Tsey*, is 4.) [Tab. xiii. f. d.]

*On kan*, 5. This is lisped through the teeth, and leaves one to guess whether it must be *un*, or *n*, or *aen*. [Tab. xiii. f. e.]

*Lock kan*, 6. [Tab. xiii. f. f.]

*Satt-kan*, 7. [Tab. xiii. f. g.]

*Patt-kan*, 8. [Tab. xiii. f. h.]

*Kau-kan*, 9. [Tab. xiii. f. i.]

*Siapp-kan*, 10. [Tab. xiii. f. k.]

*Siapp Yatt-kan*, 11.

*Siapp-ngee*, 12.

*Ngee-siapp*, 20.

*Ngee-siapp-yett*, 21.

*Sam-siapp*, 30.

*Tji-siapp*, 40.

*On-siapp*, 50.

*Lack-siapp*, 60.

*Ifat-siapp*, 70.

*Patt-*



*Patt-siapp*, 80.

*Kau-siapp*, 90.

*Yett-pa*, *Ye-pa*, or *Ghee-pao*, 100.

*Ye-pa-yett*, 101.

*Ye-pa-ngce*, 102.

*Yatt-tsin*, 1000.

*Sam-tsin*, 100,000.

*Siapp-pack-tsin*, 1,000,000.

*Yatt-leo*, a tel. [Tab. xiii. f. l.]

*Yatt-fane*, or *Siane*, a mefs. [Tab. xiii. f. m.]

*Yatt-fann*, a kanderin. [Tab. xiii. f. n.]

*Ngee-fuen*, or *fann*, 2 kanderins. [Tab. xiii. f. o.]

*Yatt-lai*, 2 kas. [Tab. xiii. f. p.]

SYAN-PANN, or the *Chinese* accompting-board, is oblong, divided into two equal parts, and has little beads, which are moved backwards or forwards on wires, of which there are sometimes more or less, sometimes 25 on each side. One side of each of these beads signifies

signifies one, but on the other it stands for five. If you count by thousands, 100, or 20, &c. the first row on the right is one, the second 10, the third 100, the fourth 1000. If the *Chinese* knew how to reckon with cyphers, they would do their business very quickly, since all their weights, measures, and money accounts, are decimals; *videlicet*, when I have 464 kanderins, I immediately see they mark four tel, six mefs, and four kandarins.

THE inhabitants of this country, whom we call *Chinese*, are quite white, excepting those who are tanned by the sun. Most of them look alike; they have short noses, small eyes, short black eye-brows, a broad face, great ears, and black hair, which the men always shave off, having a tuft at the top of the head, which grows as long as it will, and is made up into a broad stiff plait. In this manner the *Chinese* have worn their hair ever since the *Tartars* began to reign over them. They formerly let the hair grow on the whole head, which we see the *Chinese* in *Batavia* do still. Old men, who have few hairs, make their plait more conspicuous with ribbands, lest at first sight they should be looked upon as criminals, whose hair is cut off, if we may believe  
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their own accounts. The men let their beards grow, and divide them into several locks. The *Chinse* are some of them greater and others smaller in size than we are. In conversation they are civil: in their demeanor gentle; in social life diligent, having genius for trade in particular: but they are likewise talkative, inquisitive, loving to take presents; are obstinate, proud, and suspicious. They sit upon their feet, for want of chairs. When they meet one another, they lift up their hands; but touch neither hat nor cap, and do not move their feet, but bow a little, saying, *Hoaw, Hoaw*,<sup>\*</sup> which is a friendly salute, with which they wish all manner of good to each other. The lower sort of people kneel down before men of high rank, and shew them their submission both by words and gesture.

THE *dress of the men* generally is as follows: They wear two wide coats of silk or cotton, the lower of which is white, but the upper purple or black; they are like our long night-gowns, and have no lining, stiffening, button-holes, folds, and facings; they are buttoned

<sup>\*</sup> *Good, Good.* A repetition of the positive makes their superlative, as in the *Hebrew* language.

before with little round gilt buttons, which are at a distance from each other, and catch into little strings, fastened a little inward, and this makes the coats to be double upon their breasts. They do not quite cover their feet. The sleeves are so wide and of such a length as to be sufficient to cover the hands. Their breeches are wide and white, and are laced about the body, and about the knees. The stockings are thick, embroidered, and made like boots, of a dark-coloured silk-stuff; people of quality have the edges and clocks of the stockings embroidered with gold or silver; sometimes they are fastened to the shoes, sometimes not; their shoes are like slippers without heels, but without quarters; and a white sole as thick as ones finger; they are as it were chopped off before: the upper leather is embroidered: every thing belonging to them is of hog's leather, and sewed with cotton yarn. The workmen who are frequently exposed to the sun, particularly peasants and fishermen, cover their heads with hats of bamboo, whose brims are of different colours. They use caps; some of which look like an inverted funnel, with a button at the top. They are covered with a tuft of raw red silk, which is fastened at the top, and hangs down loosely to the bottom

bottom of the cap. None but men of high rank make use of these caps. Others wear caps of black silk, with brims of velvet: sometimes the whole cap is made of velvet, with or without tufts of red silk, in threads, which hang at the top; and in the middle is a button of gold, precious stone, amber, glass-flour, or even something less valuable, according to the difference of rank and fortune of the wearer. No one is allowed to cloath himself above his rank. Some men of high rank distinguish themselves from the rest by the badges of some orders, which they carry on their breasts: others carry behind in their caps two squirrels tails; and others distinguish themselves by the value of the button on their cap. But a *Chinesse* is never seen to wear a wig, cravat, sleeve buttons, gloves, garters, knee buckles, and buckles in the shoes; and seldom walks with a stick. Instead of these things, their tobacco-pipe, tobacco-bag, and purse, hang down to the knees by long strings. In winter they frequently put on thirteen or fourteen garments one above another, or get them lined with furs. Instead of muffs they carry a live quail (*Tetrao coturnix*) in their hands. The poorer sort of people are content with a little coat of cotton, with wide trowsers, and  
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with caps of bamboo leaves; they go bare-foot, and most of them are half naked. It is a very common thing to see small boats full of naked children, and of half-naked parents, who have no other habitations than these on the surface of the water, and live by thousands by fishing, picking up old rags, dead hogs, or whatever else is thrown from the ships.

LABOURERS are obliged to pare their nails<sup>y</sup>, but people of quality let them grow as long as they will; keep them very clean and transparent, and at night put little cases of bamboo on them.

THE dress of the ladies is little known to me, since ladies of fashion always keep in their houses. I saw, however, a head-dress at the goldsmith's, which was twisted of a coarse silver-wire, and looked like a little basket; in it were fastened pieces of red cloth, to heighten the lustre. Their round silk fans are well known. They can scarce walk, on account of their little feet. As this inability

<sup>y</sup> Very long nails are a token of elegance, and shew that the wearers are arrived at a thorough pitch of genteel helplessness.

for walking is a mark of gentility, people of rank prefs the feet of their daughters from their very infancy in iron fhoes. It is faid that this was a punifhment on the female fex, for attempting to betray their husbands in an irruption of the *Portuguefe*; but they look upon this as an injurious report, which cannot be proved. Common women are every day feen, particularly in the boats, and they are drefsed like men, in a coat and trowfers; but they do not fhave their heads; they tie their long hair together in a knot at the top of their heads; and faften it with a great long filver bodkin. The hair of the unmarried women is cut on the fides, and hangs round the head about an hand's breadth. To paint the face, is univerfally the fafhion. Tobacco is ufed only for fmoaking; but its ufe is very general with both fexes: and women are frequently feen in the boats at the helm, with their children at their backs, and a tobacco pipe in their mouths. The mothers, who always educate their own children, tie them to their backs, that they may not be troublefome to them in working: and as the children often knock their nofes againft their mothers backs, it is probable that this is the caufe of their broad nofes, which are a general characteristic of this nation.

nation. The children are adorned with silver rings about their hands and feet, and with medals hanging on their breasts. Their parents tie a gourd, or a large fruit which the *Chinese* call *Po-o* (*cucurbita lagenaria*) which is shaped like a bottle, to their childrens backs, that they may not be drowned in case they should fall into the river. The business of the women in general is to take care of the children, the kitchen, weaving, and spinning. The elder children must help to carry the younger on their backs. The men help to wash.

THE eye is every where struck with the populousness of this healthy country, in which the people chuse rather to want, than to seek a plentiful subsistence elsewhere. They are allowed but little more navigation than what they can carry on by their inland canals. Their foreign trade is chiefly to *Batavia*, and some places adjacent. An *Englishman*, whose men were run away during his stay in *China*, could with difficulty get so many *Chinese* failors as were necessary to navigate his ship to the *East Indies*; though he assured them he would send them back by the first opportunity. The streets are as full of people here, as if there



was a fair every day, at least during the stay of the *Europeans* in this country, which is from *July* to *February*.

IN *China* are said to be 58 millions of inhabitants, all between 20 and 60 years of age, who pay an annual tax. It is reported that many were starved to death this year on account of the bad crop, and that great numbers were come from different provinces to get their livelihood here. Notwithstanding the industry of the people, their amazing populoufness frequently occasions a dearth. Parents who cannot support their female children, are allowed to cast them into the river; however, they fasten a gourd to the child, that it may float on the water; and there are often compassionate people of fortune who are moved by the mournful cries of the children to save them from death. *Le Comte* relates, that in the conquest of *Nankin* by the *Tartars*, women were sold in bags, and he who had bought an old woman, cast both bag and woman into the river<sup>2</sup>. The boys which cannot be brought up by their parents are educated at the expence of the public.

<sup>2</sup> *Le Comte*, p. 301.

THE language of the country has nothing in common with any other ; it has no alphabet, but as many characters and different figures as they have words ; which have different significations according as they are differently pronounced, and have different accents ; *videlicet*, *Tchu* signifies a master, a hog, a kitchen, and a pillar. *Le Comte* shews that by the pronunciation only they make 1665 words quite different from each other out of 333. He is reckoned very learned among the *Chinese* who knows half their words ; for they have 80,000 characters <sup>a</sup> ; and for this reason the *Europeans* think it impossible to learn the *Chinese* language any other way than by abiding many years in *China* ; and they likewise look upon it as unnecessary, since they can avail themselves of the *French*, *Portuguese*, or *English* languages, which the *Chinese* servants employed in trade have learned ; though they have a particular dialect, and think that he does not speak well who does not intermingle *English*, *Portuguese*, and *Dutch*. Some of the *Chinese*

<sup>a</sup> It is said that the emperor *Koambi*, 4300 years ago, introduced the characters ; and afterwards wrote himself astronomical, arithmetical, and medical treatises. *Le Comte*, p. 189.

servants speak *Swedish*; we likewise saw a man who had taken the Roman catholic religion in *Siam*, where he had been taught Latin, which he spoke readily. This man's name was *Thomas Tya*, and he related that he was born in *Nansiong*, a place ten days journey from *Canton*. It is the more difficult for a foreigner to learn the *Chinese* language, as there is a mixture of nations here, who all distinguish themselves by their dialect, beside the eastern *Tartars*, who speak their own *Mantcheore* language. In *Tonking*, *Cochin China*, and *Japan*, they make use of the same characters as in *China*; however, a *Chinese* does not understand their languages.

SOMETIMES the names of animals correspond with the noise which these animals make; *Miaa*, a cat, &c. The composed characters likewise deserve some attention; thus *Tsai*, which signifies a *misfortune*, is composed of *Miane*, a house, and *Ho*, fire, since they can image to themselves no greater misfortune than that of a house being reduced to ashes. We can by no means pronounce some words so well as the *Chinese*, because to my knowledge the teeth of their upper jaw stand out forwards a little: on the contrary,

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they are unable to pronounce all the *Swedish* letters, but pronounce *b, d, r, x, z*, like *p, t, l, f, f*; they do not speak alike, and pronounce a great many of their words with a singing tone. When they are heard speaking to each other, one would frequently be induced to believe they were quarrelling, in particular when they shake their heads, and when they speak very loud, which is the case on ship board, and in other great companies; where they far exceed the clamour of our poorest pot-houses.

PAPER is made of the inner bark of bamboo (*Arundo bambos*); it is not at all like our paper, except in colour. Their sheets are as large as four of ours. On one side it is as smooth as glass, but not on the other; and for this reason they always lay their leaves double, and always write or paint on one side only, and from the right to the left, from top to bottom. The *printing paper* is as thin as an egg's skin, for which reason the letters show through it. The fine paper which comes to *Europe* with the tea is common enough. A sort of writing paper stronger than the common writing paper, and which is bought by the name of *Macao paper*, is to be had here ;  
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it may be written on with ink, and in my opinion is to be preferred to any *European* sort, especially for drying plants. The *Chinese*, who neither make use of pens nor of our ink in writing, but write with hair pencils dipt into *Indian* ink, can very well do with thinner paper. Instead of an ink pot, they make use of a small marble table with elevated borders, of the size of one's hand; this serves to mix the *Indian* ink, which, being dissolved in water, gathers in a little hole at one end of the stone.

Books in all sorts of sciences are to be had here, stitched in thin white paper; but none in a foreign language. The size of their books answers to that of our royal octavo. All their books are printed with wooden plates, in the manner that the manufacturers in *Europe* print cottons.

THEIR observations on the heavens and earth, and their history, are remarkable on account of their antiquity<sup>b</sup>. Their morals are looked upon as a master-piece; their laws are considered as excellent maxims of life; their medicine and natural history are both of them

<sup>b</sup> According to their accounts, they go as high as the times of *Noah*.

founded on long experience<sup>c</sup>; and their husbandry is admired for the perfection it has risen to. But the want of the true knowledge of the Supreme Being is an imperfection which outweighs all their other knowledge.

THE religion in *China* is pagan; but by their own accounts, there are almost as many sects as persons among them: for as soon as a *Chinese* expects the least advantage from it, he is without any consideration to-day of one religion, to-morrow of another, or of all together: however, there are three principal sects, of which we have an account in *Du Halde's Description of this Empire*.

THE first principal sect is called *Tao-tsa*, and their founder *Daokiun*. Its followers endeavour to disengage themselves from every thing which tends to disquiet the rest of the soul, to

<sup>c</sup> This is proved by their *Pent-sa-o*, or books of plants, which were wrote by little and little. The emperor *Shin-nong*; made a beginning with it, and described 360 medicinal plants, in three volumes. Afterwards several things were published concerning natural history, all which was at last reduced to 16 classes by *Li-khe-tchin*; who likewise added their use in physic, and their other uses. Of this see *Du Halde's Description of China*.

live free and void of cares, to forget the past, and not to be in apprehensions for the future. They have fictitious spirits, which are independent of the Supreme Being, and among these they comprehend some of their ancient kings. They look upon it as a folly to procure another person's happiness, and lose their own rest by it. They brag of a preservative against death, lest the remembrance of it should cause them trouble. They think to get their wishes fulfilled by the assistance of the evil spirit. The emperor *Fou-ti* drank several times of their pretended draught of immortality; but he at last found he was as mortal as others, and pitied his own credulity. The heads of this sect are very learned, and live in towns in fine houses. Numbers of people come to them out of the adjacent provinces, and fetch remedies for their diseases; and by the way get them to tell them the fate of the remainder of their lives; and the principal man gives them a paper full of particular letters, which they pay for very thankfully. This sect has decreased or increased according as the court has favoured or neglected it.

THE second and most common sect, are the *Fo*, or *Fo-é*. The emperor *Ming* introduced it

in the year 65 after *Christ's* birth, having dream-  
ed of, and recollected an opinion of the great *Con-  
fucius*, that the Most Holy was to be found in the  
western countries. He, therefore, sent to en-  
quire for him in *India*; and his people meeting  
with the idol *Fo*, or *Fo-é*, they believed they  
had found the true worship, and brought this  
idol to *Cbina*, and together with it those tales  
which fill the *Indian* books. This infection  
began at court, and soon took root in the pro-  
vinces, and afterwards spread through the  
whole empire. Their religion consists in not  
killing any living creature, for they believe  
that the souls of their ancestors transmigrate  
into irrational creatures, either into such as  
they liked best, or into such as they resembled  
most in their behaviour: for which reason  
they never kill any such animals; but while  
they live feed them well, and when they die  
bury them with splendour <sup>d</sup>.

<sup>d</sup> Mr. *Des Guignes*, in his *Histoire des Huns, des Turcs &  
des Mongols*, is of opinion, that the religion or sect of *Fo* is  
originally the Christian religion, perhaps corrupted by length  
of time so far as to admit these absurd tenets. Perhaps the  
decay of his own religion was the only foundation he had  
for this opinion. F.



LE COMTE gives the following account of that which happened to himself: “ I once  
“ was called to baptize a sick man 70 years  
“ old, who lived upon a little pension, which  
“ the emperor bestowed on him. When I  
“ came to him, he said, I am much obliged to  
“ you, for you will deliver me from a great  
“ punishment. I replied, This is not all; bap-  
“ tism not only delivers a man from hell, but  
“ it also leads to a happy life. I do not un-  
“ derstand you, said the sick man, and per-  
“ haps I have not expressed myself plain  
“ enough: you know, that I have for some  
“ time lived upon the emperor’s bounty; and  
“ our bonzes, who are well instructed concern-  
“ ing what happens in the other world, have  
“ assured me, that I shall be obliged out of  
“ gratitude to serve the emperor after my de-  
“ cease; and that my soul will undoubtedly  
“ animate a post-horse, to bring the posts to  
“ court out of the provinces. They exhort  
“ me, therefore, when I shall have assumed  
“ my new form, to do my duty well, and take  
“ care not to snort, nor to kick, nor hurt any  
“ one. They further exhort me to trot well,  
“ to eat sparingly, and to be patient, in order  
“ to move the compassion of the gods, who  
“ often

“ often change a good animal into an human  
 “ being, and make a great lord of him. I  
 “ own this thought makes me shudder, and I  
 “ cannot think of it without trembling; every  
 “ night I dream of it, and sometimes when I  
 “ am asleep, I think I am saddled, and already  
 “ start at the first lash of the rider’s whip;  
 “ after this, I awake in great trouble and  
 “ anxiety, uncertain whether I am a man or  
 “ a horse. But alas! what will become of  
 “ me, when I am to be a horse in reality! I  
 “ have therefore taken this resolution: It is  
 “ said, that those of your religion are not ex-  
 “ posed to this misfortune; but that with you  
 “ men remain men, and will be such in the  
 “ world to come. I beseech you, receive me  
 “ among you. I know it is difficult to live con-  
 “ formable to your religion; but if it was  
 “ even more difficult, I am however ready to  
 “ embrace your faith, and at any rate to be a  
 “ Christian rather than a creature void of  
 “ reason.” This sect particularly prohibits  
 pride, uncleanness, and drinking of wine.  
 They acknowledge a God, who dwells in  
 heaven, sees every thing, rewards virtue and  
 punishes vice; for which reason, if I made a  
 doubt of what they said, they answered with  
 great emotion, that I being a priest should ask

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*Yofs*<sup>e</sup> in heaven if it were true or not. Yet they have a very limited knowledge of the Supreme Being; for being asked who was the Creator of heaven and earth and of every visible thing, they said it was a great Lord. If they were further asked, whether he was yet alive, they answered no, he died some years ago. However, their priests, in their morning, evening, and other prayers, and when they sacrifice, bowed three times to the ground, as if the Trinity was not unknown to them<sup>f</sup>. They are greatly afraid of the evil spirit, and believe, that if he was not withheld by a superior Power, he would be able to do as much mischief as he pleased; for which reason they pray to him to spare them. They have a num-

<sup>e</sup> This is a name they have learned from the *Europeans*, by which they mean *God*; but in the *Chinese* language he is called *To-en*, heaven, &c.

<sup>f</sup> It is from these and the like feeble hints that the party of unbelievers have got so frequent opportunities to ridicule the sacred doctrines of the Christians. Such is the argument of the Trinity doctrine discovered even among the *Tibetans*, by a late learned writer, and which he deciphered from an idol with three heads, on a paste coin, with some *Tibetan* characters: which his friend so well acquainted in the *Hibernian* antiquities gave out to be an old *Irisb* Inscription. F.

ber of tales ready to support the truth of this opinion. They sometimes pretend to see in their rooms small lights which on a sudden grow very large, together with many other things which they attribute to the devil. They believe that the dead come back, and that the deceased husband visits his surviving wife, and the dead wife her husband. This is the reason why at every little alarm in the night-time they are afraid of spectres; and I myself have often seen how fearful they were. But they likewise believe every human being has his angel, who attends him during his life and after his decease. They reckon the sun, moon, and deceased great men, such as kings and the like, among their Gods.

THE third sect consists of those philosophers who ground themselves upon the writings of *Confucius*, and the disciples of *Mencius*. *Confucius* <sup>s</sup> was born in the year 551 before *Christ's* birth, in the province of *Canton* in the city of *Kiofian* <sup>h</sup>; his works are highly esteemed, and on account of his excellent morality deserve to be read by those who would embrace the

<sup>s</sup> From *Cun* a peacock, and *Su* the sun.

<sup>h</sup> *Boie's* Journal, p. 79.

good and reject the bad. They are printed at *Canton*, and a part of them at *Goa* in *India*, in *Chinese* and *Latin*, under the inspection of the *Sicilian Intorcetta*, subscribed by 16 *Roman* catholic fathers, in the year 1676. *Kircher* promised to publish this philosophy with the commentaries upon it, which he had translated into *Latin* at *Rome*; but soon after the writings of these philosophers were published in *Latin* at *Paris*, 1687. The editors of this edition were, *Intorcetta*, *Herdtrich*, *Rougemont* and *Couplet*. However, this edition little differs from that published at *Goa*. A greater book of the writings of this philosopher was that which *Couplet* had with him, which has been published by *Aymon*, after it had been corrected by the most learned members of the society, and some *Chinese*. *Franciscus Noel* published, anno 1711, at *Prague*, the six *Libri Classici* of the *Chinese* empire<sup>1</sup>. The philosophers of the sect of *Confucius* endeavour to persuade the people that the creation and government of the world are effected by material causes, not to mention other unreasonable maxims with which they dishonour their Creator.

<sup>1</sup> *Baieri Præf. Mus.*

THE *Roman* catholics have, by means of the jesuits and other learned men, converted many *Chinese* to their faith; but are now expelled the country, after having experienced the vicissitudes of favour and persecution; all except those who were allowed to stay in the empire (though not at court) in order to teach mathematics, and are, it is said, only about 20 in number. Others hide themselves in desarts, or in distant villages, waiting for the recovery of the liberty of teaching their doctrine.

THE *Chinese* priests, who in their language are called *Wo-aw-siong*, pay their morning and evening worship in those idol temples which we call *Pagodas*. They are daily clothed in grey coats reaching down to their feet, with very wide sleeves. About their necks they wear a large string of beads. Their heads are every where shaved. In this dress they appear at the above places by hundreds, and go in pairs, one after another, several times round the altar, at which they sometimes stop, and with a low voice repeat their service, which they call *Wo-aw-siong-lam-king*. at which they sometimes fold their hands, and sometimes hold them up to heaven. This they continue for

an hour together, during which time they look at nobody. During service several *Chinese* instruments are played upon, at certain times. Sometimes they fall down three times with their faces to the ground, burn incense and sacrifice. They sometimes go about in the town and sacrifice in the houses, and on that occasion their dress is a little different. They do not marry, and eat neither flesh nor eggs. The chief priest of the whole empire is called *Wo-aw Siong Tao*. The people go into the *Pagoda* on certain festivals only, when they bring their sacrifices; but during service they stand at the doors, and look in through the rails. However, every body says his morning and evening prayer besides, both in the houses and in the boats, kneeling before their God; in the latter they light on this occasion a trough, or *Chinese* boat, which they call *Lintkyee*, of gold or silver paper, which they throw into the water; because, according to their opinion, it will turn into gold or silver if it is thrown into the sea when it is burnt during the music of the *Gungung*.

THEY have four holy feasts every year; among which is the lanthorn feast, which will be described hereafter.

THE parents of a boy marry him sometimes when he is yet a child, and even before the children are born; in this case, two men whose wives are with child agree, that if one gets a son and the other a daughter the children are to marry one another, whether they be born with defects or become maimed afterwards, whether they be handsome or ugly. Or if a man has a little son, whom he would gladly see married, he goes to the father whose daughter he thinks most fit for his son, strikes a bargain with him about the daughter, and settles the day of his son's marriage. 'Till that day the bridegroom does not see his bride, but must be content with the choice of his father. The bridegroom receives his bride at his house door, and delivers her to his mother, or to some other women in the house, while he treats the men in another room. If he does not like his bride he may send her home again, but the father-in-law keeps the money which was paid for the bride. Before the *Chinese* give their daughters in marriage, they teach them to respect their fathers and mothers in law, to live peaceably with their sisters in law, to honour their husbands, to teach their children, to be compassionate towards their ser-

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vants, to take care of their silk work, to be sparing, temperate, diligent, and patient, not to love prating, nor to meddle with any thing which does not belong to their housewifery. If they get a son, they make great feasts, and treat such of their friends as have congratulated them on this account, and have made some presents. The third day, when the child is to be washed, the ceremony is still greater; they then in particular eat painted eggs (which are presents of the grandmother), comfits, and other presents. If a man attains to 40 years of age and has no children, he may marry more wives than he has already, to prevent the extinction of his family, provided he is able to maintain them. He may use them as he pleases, and suffers no punishment if he kills his own wife in anger.

NUPTIALS are likewise celebrated in the decked boats, which on this occasion are ornamented as well as can be imagined, both within and without. They put little banners upon the deck of the boat, and hang it round with crowns, flowers, and fruits made of paper, and in the night-time lanthorns are placed on it. During this, several musical instruments

are heard, in particular the *Gungung*, which is used on all occasions.

IF a woman suffers herself to be deflowered, she is carried into the market by her superiors, as soon as it is known, and sold to the highest bidder; these are bought to be servant-maids for life, at the price of 100 dollars copper money, sometimes more and sometimes less.

THIEVES and other offenders are punished with bamboo lashes, which punishment may be compared with the gantelope.

THE malefactors are laid on the ground, and beaten with switches of split bamboo wood; and the *Chinese* ell being made of the same wood, a stroke with it is very ignominious in the eyes of a *Chinese*. I likewise saw another way of punishing a thief; a board was hung on his neck, and his hands were put through two holes in the board, and were screwed fast into them. He was carried about the streets in this posture for two months together, and was obliged to wait for his further punishment: behind the thief went one who was very probably the beadle, holding up money in both hands, undoubtedly to shew the people (who  
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come from all the streets) what the fellow's crime was.

ALMANACKS, or *Tong-sioe* of the *Chinese*<sup>k</sup>, were sold in those streets where fruits were exposed to sale. The derivation of the word seems to denote, that they formerly may have carved their chronologies in wood, as we on our *Runic* sticks; for wood in the *Chinese* language is called *Sioe*, or *Si-e*. Three thousand almanacks are annually printed for each province. They are either smaller ones, or greater historical ones. I bought one of the latter sort for eight kandarin, about 12 stir. It was for the year 1752, or the 17th year, which they call *Daat sing kan long siapp sut miang*, or the great emperor *Kang-long's* 17th year, counting from the accession of the present emperor to the throne; for the *Chinese* begin a new period at the beginning of every emperor's reign. This year was to begin with them the fourth day of *February*. The 12 months are marked with large letters at the top of every page in the almanack; each day takes up a line, and in this is marked every thing which may be successfully undertaken on that day;

\* *Bayer de heris Sinicis. Petrop. 1735, 4to.*

which are the best days for building, fishing, travelling, sowing, offering, bargaining, marrying, &c.

THE first month hath	30 days.
The second,	29
The third,	30
The fourth,	29
The fifth,	29
The sixth,	29
The seventh,	30
The eighth,	29
The ninth,	30
The tenth,	30
The eleventh,	29
The twelfth,	30

Accordingly their year hath 354 days.

THE 11 days which are wanting are supplied every third year, which has 13 months. An example of this is the present year 1751.

THE *Chinese* divide the day into 12 hours, beginning at midnight; accordingly an hour of theirs is equal to two of ours.

IN each town is a tower, and on it an hour-glass, with sand or water, by which the hours are divided.

DAYS and nights in this latitude being continually equal, we often longed for a thing which we do not take any notice of at home, to wit, the agreeable change-of unequal days and seasons.

SOLDIERS are feldom feen, though the army is faid to be very numerous. Thofe which I faw, had only fabres, and their drefs was not diftinguifhable from that of the other *Chinefe*, except by their caps which were like thofe of grenadiers.

THE *Chinefe* bought arms of the *Europeans*, efpecially old mufkets and guns, at a very moderate price, and they fold their air guns of yellow brafs.

ACCORDING to *Du Halde's* account, the *Chinefe* knew nothing of the management of cannons before the year 1621, when they got three cannons from the *Portugueze* at *Macao*. In the year 1636, when the roman catholics were feverely perfecuted, and the *Tartars* made inroads into *China*, the government had notice that the jefuits could fhoot with guns; father *Adam-fchall* was defired to affift them;

however, he excused himself with his unexperience in those matters. But *Ferdinand Verbieft*, a *French* jesuit, and president of the mathematical tribunal, very successfully fired 130 cannon shot, for which the emperor allowed the free exercise of his religion.

HUSBANDRY, especially agriculture and gardening, are in a most flourishing state; but as the *Chinese* sow and plant such herbs and trees as we can scarcely maintain in our hot-houses, our observations must be less advantageous than if they made use of the same plants for their food as we do. Their emperors have always shewn great regard for agriculture and planting, and even put their own hands to work. *Du Halde* relates that the emperor *Yao* (who, according to the accounts of the *Chinese*, lived about 4000 years ago) once asked his courtiers whom he should appoint his successor? upon which they proposed his eldest son: but the emperor knowing that his son's disposition would prevent him from being a good prince, offered this dignity to one of his most faithful ministers, who excused himself, and proposed a young country fellow, who in his opinion was most able, on account of his fidelity and prudence; for as  
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he was able to command his passions under a bad father, unnatural mother, and quarrelsome brother, so he would likewise have sufficient strength of mind to direct the helm of an empire. They say that he really ascended the throne, and that during his reign he took great care of husbandry, made several canals for the convenience of the country, and wrote several books on agriculture. His successors have always contributed more and more towards the improvement of the country: in particular the emperor *Ven-ti*, who lived 179 years before the birth of *Christ*. He assembled his council, and consulted with its members how his subjects, after destructive wars, might be most strongly induced to practice agriculture. Their resolution was, that he himself should give them a good example. Accordingly he himself began ploughing, and the queen planted mulberry trees. This is looked upon as the foundation of a great festival which is held every year in *China*. The emperor goes into the fields in spring, and ploughs some acres to encourage the countrymen; the nobles who accompany him have each their business; one prepares the sacrifice, another makes the speech which the emperor is to deliver on this occasion; another

erects the tent in which the emperor is to eat ; and another gets 40 or 50 old venerable peasants together, who are presented to the emperor ; the younger ones direct the plough, lead the oxen, and get the corn ready which is to be sowed. The regard of the emperor, and of the greatest lords, for agriculture is such, that when deputies are sent to the governors, the emperor always enquires in what condition agriculture is. The governor of *Peking* often visits the fields, and is greatly rejoiced in case he finds all in a good condition. The emperor *Cang-ti* particularly favoured countrymen ; he ordered the governors annually to send in an account of what was most remarkable, because he intended to reward the diligence of the husbandmen with peculiar honours, so that they should be dressed like the king's servants, visit the governor of the city, sit down in his presence, and drink tea with him ; and after their deaths be handsomely buried, and a decent monument erected to their memories.

THIS nation prepares its food in the most simple manner : rice, which they make use of instead of bread, and which is their principal food, they boil in water, letting the water  
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run off, and eating the swelled rice quite warm. The people in the boats seat themselves about the pot, each has a large tea dish of coarse porcellane, into which they put the rice with a spoon. They hold the tea dish to their mouths with the left hand; and between the two first fingers of the right hand, they hold two slender sticks, almost a foot long, with which they cram one dish full after another into their mouths. Between this they eat a bit of fish, bacon, or a reddish fruit like figs, but longer, and almost every where equally thick, called *Ay-qua* or *Kca* by the *Chinese*; besides this they also make use of a sort of greens, which they eat out of another saucer along with the rice. The workmen in the factories seat themselves in the yard in a circle, after each has filled his pot out of a great tub, which stands by and is full of fresh boiled rice: this is eaten in the same manner one pot full after another, along with the other victuals. Those who are somewhat higher in quality make use of tables and chairs; but have neither table-cloth, knife, fork, or napkins; but handkerchiefs supply the place of the latter. Knives are unnecessary at table, since they eat no bread. Fish, bacon, &c. are cut into little pieces, and put upon  
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the table like the greens, in tea dishes, or little pots, that every one may take what he likes best. Spoons are of use. Their meat has no sauce, nor do they make soups, or the like. Two little sticks for each person, and some tea dishes or pots with meat cut in pieces, make the whole arrangement in a collation. They drink either tea without sugar, or a wretched sort of brandy called *famsu*, during their meals. And with this they treat one another, so that no one drinks off his own cup, but each carries his cup to the other's mouth and lets him drink, and the other returns this civility with his cup of *famsu*. They make no compliments before or after meals. They eat hastily, and take three or four good meals a day. Their provisions are not dear, and it is said a workman may maintain himself upon two shivers a day, (*1d.*) at least one who lives upon plucking of tea leaves will scarce be able to get more a day.

PORK and fish are the common food the *Chinese* eat with their rice. But flesh is less usual; the most uncommon is beef, then goat's flesh and mutton, next rabbits, &c. hares and venison I have never seen. It is said the *Chinese* like horse-flesh, dogs, and rats.

FROGS,

FROGS, called *Kopp-na* by the *Chinese*, are sold here in every street. They tie them together with a thread about their bodies, and carry them alive in baskets; and they are the dainties of the *Chinese*, though they are little different from our common frogs, as appears from the following description :

RANA (*Chinensis*) *palmis tetradactylis fffis, plantis hexadactylis digito indice reliquis longiore.* The *paws* have four distinct *fingers*, which are almost of equal length; but the second and fourth is a little shorter: on the feet are six joined toes, these are palmated: the first and third are equally long; the fourth is shorter; the fifth still shorter; the sixth, or innermost, the shortest; but the second the longest of all. The body is warty at the top, with streaks of black brown; white below: the throat is white, speckled with black: the belly is white, without spots, except on the sides: the eyes are black, the irides yellow gold: the fore and hind legs blackish yellow, with whitish spots on the outward side. The <sup>i</sup>*palmæ* and <sup>k</sup>*plantæ* are flesh-coloured, and inclining to black. I here am put in mind of what I read in the *Turkish Spy*, Lond. 1748,  
vol.

<sup>i</sup> Paws,

<sup>k</sup> Feet.

vol. iii. p. 167. viz. that the *French* in 1646, began to eat frogs and mushrooms, being pressed by hunger.

BUFFALOES (*Bos Indicus*) are used to plough with, and foreigners buy them to kill. These oxen are generally wilder than ours; however I ventured through the midst of a whole herd of them. They are generally grey, their hams almost strait, somewhat angulated. A buffalo costs at present 10 tel, and a calf two tel and five mefs.

THEIR goats are (as far as I could see) no way different from ours.

THE sheep of this country have little horns, and short tails, which are one lump of fat, and oblong. These sheep are no bigger than the *Swedish* sheep, but grow so fat on the dry *Chinese* mountains, that mutton tastes better here than in any other place in the world: and they likewise sell dearer than in any other country. A sheep costs here 15 plates, and sometimes more. At present it is sold at four tel and eight mefs, which is thought very cheap. In a climate which is so warm, where wool is not wanted, and cotton and silk are plentiful, they are less necessary.

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THE *Chinese Swine* (*Sus Chinenfis*) are already so well described<sup>1</sup> that I can add nothing. They are generally either black or white. They propagate more than ours, and are cleanly; for which reason they are kept in houses like dogs. They also sometimes go into the streets, but never wallow in dirty places; however, I have been told by one of our husbandmen, that when they come to *Sweden* and see the uncleanness of our swine, they sometimes take to the same manner of living. The *Chinese* hams are much esteemed by the *Europeans*. The katty is commonly sold for one mess, or a piastre apiece, which is nine dollars and six ocre copper money; but they are very little, and what they want in weight is made up by a piece of string to which the ham is fastened. The goodness of the hams doubtless depends upon the manner of salting and smoaking, but likewise much upon the food of the animal, by which they get a better taste, and more flesh. It is more agreeable to nature to allow the animal during its fattening some moderate exercise, than

<sup>1</sup> *Linnaei Iter Westrogothic.* p. 62, and *Iter Scanicum*, p. 72.

to confine it in a narrow sty; in which, though they get more fat, yet it is not so good; and who knows whether it is not more unwholesome?

CHICKEN of several sorts are to be met with here, and are sold at such a price, that a pound came to about 10 stivers. But here, as well as in every other transaction with the *Chinese*, you must take care of being cheated. One of my countrymen can testify this, who buying some chicken, the feathers of which were curiously curled, found in a few days time, the feathers growing straight, and that his chicken were of the most common sort. The *Chinese* had curled the feathers up like a wig, a little before he was going to sell them. This is an instance of a *Chinese* who spares neither time nor pains if he can only gain money, whether by fair or fraudulent means.

EGGS were sold at three stivers apiece, (two *cas*.)

THE *Chinese* goose is not unknown to us (*Anas cygnoides*  $\beta$ . *orientalis*); some had yellow bills, but they are usually black. Compare with this *Linn. Iter Westrogoth.* p. 145.

THE *Chinese quails* (*Tetrao Cbinensis*) have already been mentioned as being used instead of muffs by the *Chinese*. We bought several females to make into pies on our voyage. We gave three kandarin apiece for them. The cock quails are larger, dearer, and more scarce.

CONUS (*Cbinensis*) *striis transversis retrorsum imbricatis*, called *Ha-ing* by the *Chinese*, is a sort of almost round shells; the animal of which is taken out, put into water, and sold in every street by the name of *Ha-in-yo*.

As the *Chinese* live mostly on roots, fruits, and pot-herbs, the country hereabouts is almost all garden. Besides rice, sugar-canes, and *Chinese* potatoes, I have observed the following sorts :

PEASE of several kinds are sown here, and likewise two species of beans, which are not usual in our country, for they require more warmth than our climate affords. I have perfected some however in *Sweden* by a hot-bed. One sort is called by the *Europeans*

CALLVANSES (*Dolichos Sinensis*<sup>m</sup>). They are planted on dry hills, and are treated like dwarf kidney beans. They do not grow high, and therefore do not much want to be supported; this however is done in some places, and especially where they stand in the open fields, which have no hedge or fence round: nor are fences necessary, as the cattle are always kept in the pastures by herdsmen. These beans are of the smallest kind, and are quite white, except the germen, which is black, but white in the middle. The *Europeans* buy them in great quantities, and make use of them in their return from *China* instead of pease. They have thin husks, and are very palatable. A katty, which answers to a pound we use for grocery, was sold for two kandarin, or about three stivers.

LACK-TAO<sup>n</sup> is the *Chinese* name of another sort of beans, or rather pease, which are much less than our wild vetches. The plant itself grows like the former, upright, and

<sup>m</sup> *Dolichos (Sinensis)* caule erecto ramosissimo, pedunculis erectis multifloris, leguminibus pendulis; Chinesibus *Tao*.

<sup>n</sup> *Phaseolus* Max, *Mungo Perfarum*.



wants no support in case it is not too much exposed to the wind. It is treated as the former: With these pease they feed the parrots. Among the many feeds which I brought to *Sweden*, was a kind of small green pease, which was so nicely eat up by the worms at my arrival, that nothing but the husks were left, which served as a nidus to the little beetles, with which they were almost filled. They were doubtless stifled in the paper into which I had put the pease.

FDAU-FU, or *Tou-fu*, which has been mentioned page 218; was sold by pieces in several places. The *Chinese* shewed me a sort of small pease, which they call *U-ang-teo*, and of which cheese is said to be made, though the name gives reason to conjecture that it has been made from *Tao*, which are the *Chinese* beans, or *Callwanfes*.

LING-KAMM, or *Leng-ka* among the *Chinese*, (*Trapa natans*\*) is a fruit which looks like two horns put together, and has a kernel in the middle. It was sold in the shops which we should call hucksters, and eaten by poor

\* *Trapa bicornis*, Vid. *Plum. Icon.* T. 67.

people. I saw in one place a very small tea pot, whose handle was made of this fruit.

KAMM-KATT is the name of a sort of small lemons, which are not much larger than cherries.

AYQUA, see page 297.

SAMM-NIM is the name which is here given to an oblong, yellow, fourish fruit, with five deep furrows (*Averrhoa Bilimbi*) which has the quality of lemons, but is sooner spoiled. The *Chinese* make a conserve of this fruit, because it then becomes more palatable. I have been told that it is called *Kala-mang*.

LEMTYES (*Citrus medica*). With this compare page 208 P. Though the *Chinese* are forbid to sell punch prepared with the juice of *Lem-tyes* to the men on board the ships, yet

P The *stem* is round, somewhat rough, ash-coloured, with pale streaks. The *boughs* grow in no particular order, are expanded, bent backwards, and have seldom any thorns. The *young shoots* have strait thorns, which are very sharp, and stand either alternately or in the corners of the boughs. The *leaves* are alternate, lanceolato-oblong, petiolated, somewhat emarginated, The *petiols* are sharpened, and of an equal breadth.

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they hand many a bowl full through the port holes ; but sometimes the sellers have the mortification of not being paid for their forbidden goods, and the buyers get dysenteries or other bad diseases ; for the juice which is taken before the fruit is ripe for this purpose, is very unwholesome. The trees which are sold in pots are seldom above a yard high, and looked like lemon trees. A hundred of those fruits were sold for one silver and a half.

HERE are two sorts of *China oranges* (*Citrus sinensis*). The first is that called the *Mandarin-orange*, whose peel is quite loose, and the *Chinese* call them *Kamm*, and it is the best kind. The peel of the other sort fits close ; it is called *Tiang*, or rather *Kang*, the better to distinguish them from oranges.

HERE also are two sorts of *Lemons* (*Citrus decumana*) See page 150, which are called *Tao* by the *Chinese*. The first is round, and its name is *Lo-yao* ; and the second, called *Han-yao*, is long, and is usually offered as a sacrifice to their idols.

REINETTES, and other sorts of apples, are eaten in the country ; but I doubt whether they grew about *Canton*.

LAT-YEE is the *Chinese* name of a fruit, which is here eaten with tea. This fruit tastes almost like a sort of our plumbs, and looks like large gall-apples, covered with a brownish, thin, and warty skin.

LANG-AN is less than *Lat-ye*; they have a smooth skin, and sweet pulp, as in the *Lat-ye* <sup>9</sup>.

PLAINTAIN tree, (*Musa paradisiaca*) see page 151, is called *Tseu* by the *Chinese*. When the yellow skin is pulled off, which must be done by the fingers without a knife, that the iron may not alter the taste, the fruit itself is as soft as dough, and of an agreeable sweetness. It is believed that *Adam* after his transgression in paradise covered himself with the spreading leaves of this plant <sup>r</sup>.

MANGO (*Mangifera Indica*) is the name of that fruit which is in *China* sold by the name

<sup>9</sup> An *Cassambium*? *Rumph.* lib. i. p. 154. T. 57.

<sup>r</sup> The *Plaintain tree* has flowered for the first time in the year 1755, in the *Upsal* garden, and has also brought forth ripe fruits.

of *Quaimao*, and in the *Javanic* language is called *Po*.

GUAYAVA (*Psidium Guajava*) is likewise eaten here †.

ORIENTAL Mustard (*Sinapis orientalis*.)

PACK-LA are *Chinese olives*.

TAMARINDS, (*Tamarindus Indica*) in *Java* called *Sunda assa*: but the tree and fruit are called *Thampahou*.

GOURDS, *Melons*, and *Water-melons*, which are red on the inside.

LECK of two sorts, viz. *Tsong*, and *Lofra*. The katty is sold for two *kanderin*.

RADISHES. A *kanderin* is the price of a hundred of these roots.

LONG turneps, at one stiver and a half the hundred.

† The inhabitants of *Java* call it *Nyamba-cuneng*, *Rumph. I. p. 141. T. 47.*

CARROTS of the white fort were not very good. The *Chinese* pound of them was sold for four stivers.

GNAO, or *Laen-gao* (*Nymphaea Nelumbo*) is a sort of white roots of the thickness of carrots, but longer, articulated like a bamboo-stick, and hollow in the inside. Poor people eat them raw, but they are not very palatable. They are planted in a moist clay ground.

O-O-TAO are roots so called by the *Chinese*; they cannot be eaten raw, because the acidity would prevent the action of swallowing. None of us *Europeans* would taste them.

BAMBOO roots (*Arundo bambos*) is what we call *Afia*, when preserved with salt, vinegar, leek, and *Guinea* pepper (*Capsicum*). This is the only root of all those above mentioned which we make use of. A pot of *Afia* is sold here for eleven dollars copper money.

PRESERVED ginger, or the *Kaong* of the *Chinese*.

DRY *ginger*. This is valued at six stivers per pound.

FANN-SIO, or *Fay-sio* †, the *Chinese* potatoes, grow with long tendrils, which they extend along the ground. They are multiplied either by planting the tendrils which are cut off in the ground ; or by cutting the roots as we do. These potatoes are quite different from ours, and seem to be natives of a warmer climate, for they never flower in *China*, so that they would hardly grow with us, though they are more palatable, and perhaps more wholesome than ours. They are planted in the dry sandy fields, at a distance from each other, manured with human dung, and kept clean from weeds, which rule is observed in all plantations. A hundred *Chinese* potatoes were sold for about one stiver and a half.

TDAI-SIO †, or *Yams* (*Dioscorea alata*) is a dry root of different shapes, about as big as

† This plant is, to my certain knowledge, the *Spanish* potatoe, *Convolvulus batatas*, Linn. or *Convolvulus radice tuberosa esculenta minore purpurea*, Sloane Cat. Mill. Dict. ii. c. fr. *Kalm's American voyage*, Part II.

‡ The stems wind to the left, and arise between leaf and stalk. The leaves are opposite to each other, cordato-

two fists, sometimes larger, sometimes less. In many places of *India* it is used instead of bread. The katty was at present sold for a kanderin and two kas. These roots are planted like the potatoes on high places, about half a yard asunder, and a quarter of a yard deep. They grow ten months; and when such a root is taken out, it weighs some pounds. In winter they keep them in sand. Before they are planted, the rotten parts are cut off; and before they are eaten, they are put into water, that their bitter taste may in part be extracted. The lowermost joint of the root is pentagonal, the next hexagonal, the third heptagonal, the fourth tetragonal, which I observed in those roots which I planted in pots, and took with me to *Sweden*; which grew very well. If they bear so great a change of climate, they may very likely in time be inured to our air and short summers, and be of no small advantage to our husbandry.

Sivu, *Chinese* truffles \*, are carried about for sale in the streets.

legitated or heart-shaped, though almost like the head of an arrow, pointed, and have three strong nerves.

\* Confer. Siooro tubera esculenta. *Kemph. Amoen.* p. 832.



CHINESE *cabbage* †, is very like our white cabbage. Among all the cabbages which we bought for our ship I did not see one head but they were all in flower. This makes me doubt whether the white cabbage, which in our country requires more than one year before it arrives to fructification, may not by the warmth of this country blossom the first year, instead of forming heads.

CELERY and *Spinage*, which is here called *Bout-say*.

CONVOLVULUS *reptans*, by the *Chinese* called *Or-say*, was sold to our men instead of spinage, but is, in regard to genus, totally different from the true spinage. This creeping *Convolvulus* grows spontaneously every where, in ditches, and low places: of the true spinage I only saw the feeds. We daily eat of the new fashioned spinage, without suffering the least inconvenience. This may give us a hint to make use of our common *Convolvulus* in the

† *Brassica Chinenfis* or as the *Chinese* call it *Kay-lann*: the leaves of the calyx are alternately narrower. Another sort, which the *Chinese* call *Pack-se-a*, with a bulbose root, is sold here likewise.

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fields, which is very like this *Chinese* spinach, instead of true spinach.

THE leaf of a kind of pepper called *Betel* (*Piper betle* Linnæi) is wrapt about the nuts, which the *Chinese* are continually chewing.

CHINESE *mushrooms* <sup>z</sup>; of these the katty, or pound, is sold at *Canton* for two *mes*, but they took four kanderin more per katty when they brought them on board the ships.

HERE is no other water than that which is taken out of the river. For six hours together the salt water is brought up into it by the tide, and during that time its water is by no means drinkable. And though the water required for common uses is taken during the six hours of ebbing, yet it is somewhat brackish and muddy. Thus the people here, for want of good water, are obliged to boil the bad, and to mend its taste with some tea.

THE *Chinese* always drink tea without sugar or milk. The fresh *Honam*, or *Canton* tea, which is not agreeable to other peoples palate, is most usual in town. They make use of no

<sup>z</sup> *Agaricus Chinenfis*, cfr. *Fungus*, *Kempb.* 832.

tea-pot,

tea-pot, but only a tea-kettle, which they put into a wooden vessel, to keep it warm the longer; but the poor have none but these wooden vessels, without any brass or copper kettle in it.

CHINESE brandy, (*Skee-et sa oa*) which we likewise call *famsu*, is never drunk except at meals, and instead of tea. It is unnecessary here to hang up signs to denote the houses where spirituous liquors are sold; for the disagreeable smell of the *famsu* is a sufficient guide.

THE *Chinese* wine, which our *East India* traders call *Mandarin* wine, is squeezed out of a fruit which is here called *Pausio*, and reckoned the same with our grapes. This wine was so disagreeable to us, that none of us would drink it. The *East India* ships never fail taking wine to *China*, where they often sell it to considerable advantage. The *Xeres*<sup>a</sup> wine, for which at *Cadiz* we paid 13 piastres an anchor, we sold here at 33 piastres an anchor. But in this case you stand a chance of having your tons split by the heat during the voyage. I have since been told, that in 1754, the price of wine was so much lowered at *Can-*

<sup>a</sup> Sherry.

ton, that our people could with difficulty reimburse themselves. The *Spaniards* send wines to *Manilla* and *Macao*, whence the *Chinese* fetch a considerable quantity, especially for the court of *Peking*. The wine of *Xeres* is more agreeable here than any other sort, on account of its strength, and because it is not liable to change by heat. The *Chinese* are very temperate in regard to wine, and many dare not empty a single glass, at least not at once. Some, however, have learned from foreigners to exceed the limits of temperance, especially when they drink with them at free cost.

BEER, and *small beer*, is not brewed in this country: all the strong beer which is sold at *Canton* comes from *England*, in very strong casks.

ARRACK is well known among us, since the use of punch has been introduced. This liquor comes from *Goa* and *Batavia* to *China*, but is not, as some have related, made in *China*, of rice alone. It might sooner be imagined that it is made of *Areca*, since this tree is called *Araquero* by the *Portuguese*. If *Arrack* was distilled of rice, the *Chinese* (who have

have such plenty of rice) would, without doubt, take this advantage from others, and keep it to themselves. These people do not want industry. But to make *arrack*, not only rice, and sugar canes, but likewise cocoa-nuts are required, as I have been told by a person that comes from *Batavia*. While a sufficient degree of heat is wanted in *China* for the *Cocoa-tree*, its inhabitants will be obliged to fetch *arrack* from those countries where this sort of palm grows spontaneously; among which *Goa*, on the *Indian* coast, and *Batavia*, on the isle of *Java*, are the most noted. The *arrack* from *Goa* is weaker, paler, more scarce, and commonly dearer, because that place is the furthest off. The *arrack* from *Batavia* is like *French* brandy, but is so variable, that sometimes it is but half as strong as at others, though the price continues the same. For this reason the buyers ought to provide themselves with an instrument, which by its rising or falling shews how strong the *arrack* is. Our *East India* traders buy the *Batavia arrack* from the *Dutch* ships, and the *Goa arrack* from the *English*; but in *Suratte* it may be had at first hand. A ligger of *Batavia arrack* was sold from 44 to 50 piastres; and a quart of it came to 12 dollars of copper money,

money, instead of six plates, which it was sold at about two years ago. The duty upon *arrack* is three dollars of copper money *per* quart. The company has lately begun to carry *arrack* to *Sweden* on its own account ; all was conveyed before by private persons, under the name of provision for the voyage. It is known to almost every one how punch is made ; but, that it may be observed for the future where it is made to its greatest perfection, I will mention the true proportion of its constituent parts<sup>a</sup>. To a quart of boiling water, half a pint of *arrack* is taken, to which one pound of sugar, and five or six lemons, or instead of them as many tamarinds as are necessary to give it the true acidity, are added : a nutmeg is likewise grated into it. The punch which is made for the men in our ship was heated with red hot iron balls which were thrown into it. Those who can afford it, make punch a usual drink after dinner. While we stayed in *China*, we drunk it at dinner in-

<sup>a</sup> If the *English* reader should be inclined to smile at seeing a receipt for punch so gravely introduced, let him consider that it proves the simple and abstemious life of the *Swedes*, and how little they are acquainted with those luxuries so common to the rest of *Europe*. F.

stead of the wine which the company allowed the first table.

THE *Chinese* drink no coffee, except with the *Europeans*, though the berries might be procured from *Java*.

TURKISH *tobacco* (*Nicotiana rustica*) which has the colour of our dried *tobacco*, is universally smoaked in *China*, both by the old and young. Their pipes are long and black; the heads are very small, have the shape of the cups of acorns, and are made of white metal. They very often smoak while their tobacco pipes hang on a ribband on one side.

BLINDNESS is esteemed the infirmity of this country. Authors relate, that many *Chinese* are blind; but I have not observed it. It is true, they may stay in their houses; but in the streets I never saw more than three or four blind old beggar-women, and one or two blind children, among so many thousand people. It was lucky that I found so few, as a stranger could else scarcely pass. For a blind old woman comes with a wooden dish in her hand, and cries, *Lou-taya Tslaves-lamma*; if she then catches a stranger, by the directions of the  
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other *Chinese*, she hangs with all her might about his feet or body, and cries, with an agreeable look, *Palata, Senior*<sup>b</sup>, which signifies *Money, Sir*, and does not loose her hold till she has been satisfied. Some are of opinion that the eating of rice is the occasion of blindness. Perhaps it is the effects of the steam rising from the hot rice. But why should not the same happen in other places of *India*, where the same food is made use of? It may be ascribed to many other causes. The husbandmen, who have a great deal of business with human dung, may have their eyes hurt by it. The japanners too may be injured by the strong varnish, which affects the eyes worse than horse-radish. The strong smoak arising every evening from their perfuming chips, may likewise contribute to it. I once asked a *Chinese* about it, and he told me that the washing with warm water, which they do every morning, was the cause of it. But none of the causes can be considered as universal, for most of the blind people are, according to the accounts of the *Chinese* themselves, born blind. And in this case, the cause is to be looked for in the mother.

<sup>b</sup> From the *Spanish* words *Plata Señor*.



FEVERS, and other diseases usual in our country, are likewise not unfrequent here. But those who have had an opportunity of being better acquainted with the sick in this town, are better able to describe their distempers. It is said that a consumption is in this country cured by a glue of asses skin, called *Okecao*. This glue has a very bad taste, and you either take a piece of it into your mouth, or dissolve it in tea.

WOUNDS and fores are the worst disorders here. Poor people who are plagued with them, must not only suffer the greatest pains during the great heats, for want of surgeons; but must likewise carry their disgrace about them; and only cover themselves with mats, when they are obliged to go about the streets.

WOOD is seldom or never made use of, but coals supply its place; and their consumption is so much the greater. There is no occasion for a fire in the rooms, except in the most rigorous cold, or on account of sick people. On this occasion the room is warmed by means of a little stove, which is set in the middle of the room. These little stoves are

extremely convenient, and deserve to be made known univerfally in our country. Some of our company took fuch ftoves with them to *Gotthenburgh*, as models for thofe who might want to know their conftruction.

THERE is no occafion to fear any beafts of prey ; but the men have affumed their ferocity, and affault ftrangers frequently with ftones and infults. Murders are feldom heard of : but a *Chinefe* makes very little of ftripping people to the fhirt. I here will add an account dated at *Canton*, *November* the 7th, 1747. “ Captain *Congreve* being happily arrived at *Canton*, with the *Engliſh* ſhip *Onflow*, “ took a walk upon the *French* *Iſland* (an iſle “ near the road where the *Europeans* anchor), “ where he was ſoon attacked by ſome *Chinefe*. “ They took, without much ado, all his money, “ gold, ſilver, and buckles ; they cut the gilt “ buttons off his coat, and he would hardly “ have preferred his finger, if he had not “ pulled a ring off with all his might and “ given it them. After he had been quite “ ftripped, he returned to his boat. But the “ next day, being *Sunday*, he armed his boats, “ and landed in the ſame iſle with fixty of his “ men, who had fixed their bayonets, and  
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“ were provided with four small cannons: he  
 “ marched his men before *Wam-pu*, a town in  
 “ this isle, and began to fire. The inhabi-  
 “ tants were immediately put into the greatest  
 “ confusion, and the principal mandarins im-  
 “ mediately came to him, to desire him to  
 “ cease the attack, being very willing to give  
 “ him satisfaction. The captain told them,  
 “ that he had been stripped the day before,  
 “ and now was come to revenge himself and  
 “ other people who had been insulted by  
 “ those rogues; that he would not cease till  
 “ satisfaction should be made him by the pu-  
 “ nishment of the malefactors. During this  
 “ time, the robbers were searched for in the  
 “ town, and four of them were apprehended,  
 “ who, in the presence of the captain, had  
 “ their hands and feet tied together, and were  
 “ sent to *Canton* to receive further punish-  
 “ ment <sup>c</sup>.”

PLAYS were acted *gratis* in the streets. A  
 scaffold is built quite across the streets, here  
 and there, but commonly at the corner  
 houses, from one corner to the other. The

<sup>c</sup> A like example see in Lord *Anson's* Voyage round the  
 World, p. 360, &c. *D. Schreber*.

scaffold is about six yards above the ground, so that any one may with ease pass under it. It is closely covered with boards, and chairs are placed on it for the actors and musicians. The players generally wear long gowns, and sometimes are dressed like harlequins. The inhabitants are no doubt better pleased with their singing, bawling, and mimickries, than the *Europeans*, who are used to see their own theatrical entertainments much more skilfully conducted. These plays are acted in the beginning of autumn, both in the streets on account of good success in trade, and likewise in houses after meals, to inspire the guests with mirth. The spectators sit upon the roofs or in the windows, those excepted who stop in the streets while passing. The *Chinese* play at cards sometimes; but their cards have a different form from ours, and have but half their breadth. They likewise play at another game which requires a great deal of thought, and goes on very slowly, and is managed with two stones, which are moved on a board, somewhat after the manner of chess.

THE children play at night with their birds, kites, and butterflies of paper, which they send up into the air.

September

September the 8th, 1751.

TO-DAY, being the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, I preached in the factory in the suburbs of *Canton*, and some *Chinese* came to hear me. In the afternoon I passed the river in a boat, and landed at the little town of *Holam*, or *Honam*. Here was a large pagoda, or *Chinese* place of worship (if there are not several one above another); round about it were built houses for the priests and their stewards. Between the shore and these houses is a broad way, or great space, surrounded with large high trees, which were called *Leean-see*. At the entrance stood two gilt images, somewhat bigger than life. On the sides lay large blocks of wood, which were intended for the imperial palace at *Peking*.

My company sat down at the uppermost *Pagoda* and eat some water-melons, but I had a greater inclination towards the plants that grew hereabouts; for which reason I went to the other side of the house. Here I was met by a *Chinese*, who offered me a filled tobacco pipe; but, on my refusing to accept of it, he took hold of my coat, and endeavoured

with all his might to take my knee-buckles. I at last got rid of this fellow, who, however endeavoured to do me a favour in return, and set a number of boys at me, who pelted me with sand and pebbles. I was therefore obliged to join my company, and give over my amusement. In the mean while I had found the following plants:

*Mirabilis odorata*, which grew in the same situation as nettles generally do in our country.

*Convolvulus hederaceus*.

*Scirpus glomeratus*.

*Nymphaea Nelumbo*, growing in a ditch in the yard, which was dry.

NEAR this place was a garden, but neither entreaties nor money could procure me an entrance. We saw *Lemon* trees, and the *Nymphaea*, through the door. We went to the house where the surveyor of it lived. Here was a little gilt human figure, on an altar, which was one of the *lares* of this *Chinese*. We were well received in his room: and he immediately ordered a dish of tea without sugar, and a tobacco-pipe to be given us, but did not desire us to sit down. We were afterwards presented with two sorts of fruit, which  
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in their language are called *La-tyce* and *Long-an*<sup>d</sup>, and which have already been mentioned. We went further on to the right, into a little wood, consisting mostly of *Bamboo* trees, of which our light *Bamboo* walking-sticks are made, which we get from the *Chinese*. The wood is light and exceeding tough, for which reason it is more used than any other sort. The *Chinese* cover their boats with it, and build their warehouses, called *Bancsbals*, near *Wam-pu*, for the *European* ships, of that sort of wood; and their own houses are partly of the same. It supplies them with sticks to carry any thing upon, for chairs, beds, tables, rails, sails, angling-rods, hats, cases for guns, fans, weavers combs, painting-brushes, bowers, spouts, and troughs for cattle; in which latter case, the wood is split asunder. These *Reed-trees* are of all sizes, from the bigness of a quill, to that of a yard round, and more; and many yards long. The tree flowers, as the *Chinese* say, every sixtieth year only<sup>e</sup>. It appeared to me that there are two sorts of this tree in this country: one grew on the hills, no

<sup>d</sup> The leaves of this tree are palmated, and have eleven lanceolated *laciniæ*, smooth at top, and downy below; The flowers grow in clusters, and have five filaments.

<sup>e</sup> In the year 1754 I got some flowers from *Cbina*.

higher than about two yards, and is very ramose and full of spines<sup>f</sup>; and the other in lower places, as high as eighteen feet, and without spines<sup>g</sup>. We went through the little wood of *Bamboo* trees, and came to a high even spot, where the *Chinese* buried their dead.

SOME coffins stood above the ground, and were put close to the trees like bee-hives. They occasioned a stench, which made me keep off. In this manner they bury those whose kindred is either unknown, or who come from very distant parts.

IN the burying-place I found

*Euphorbia neriifolia*, which is used for hedges.

*Solanum diphyllum*.

*Hibiscus ficulneus*.

*Frutex baccis albis, foliis obverse ovatis*.

*Nyctanthes hirsuta*: the *calyx* is cylindrical, sixfid, with equal *laciniæ*. The *corollæ* have

<sup>f</sup> *Arundo arbor spinosa*, *Rumph.* iv. p. 14. t. 11.

<sup>g</sup> *Arundo arbor fera*, *Rumph.* iv. p. 16. t. 3. cfr. *Gron. Flor. orient.* 22, 23, *Rauwolf. iter.* p. 97.



eight oblong pointed *laciniæ*, which are shorter than the tube: the filaments are short: the *antheræ* are oblong, and longer than the filaments. The leaves are elliptically lanceolated, frequently oval, undulated, opposite. The flower stalks stand between the leaves and stem, (*axillares*).

*Curcuma Chinensis.*

*Gratiola Virginica.*

*Citrus aurantium.*

*Clematis Chinensis*: it has many characteristics in common with the *Clematis vitalba*; but the leaves are narrow, lanceolated, and the flowers smaller.

*Achyranthes Chinensis*: the calyx is double, and longer than the pentapetalous corolla, which it includes: the exterior calyx, or flower-cup, is less and bifid; the interior quinquefid: the flowers grow at the top of the stalks, in clusters: the flower-stalks proceed from the corner of the leaves: the leaves are lanceolated, opposite, venose, smooth: the stem is red.

*Achyranthes lappacea, fol. oppositis.*

*Carpesium abrotanoides.*

*Sida spinosa.*

*Polygonum*

*Polygonum Chinense.*

*Vitex Negundo.*

*Poa Chinenfis.*

*Poa tenella.*

In shady places :

*Canna Indica.*

*Cassia sophora.*

*Hedysarum Gangeticum.*

*Apluda mutica.*

*Panicum arborescens*, which grew out of the wall, is a sort of grass of an odd sort; for it grows to ten or twelve feet high, and is very ramose.

As night advanced, we were obliged to return to *Canton*, for which reason I reserved my amusement for another day.

*PHALÆNA atlas* Linn. is one of the finest moths which can be met with<sup>h</sup>. I found some of them in a merchant's shop: they were all alive, upon a branch of the *Nerium*

<sup>h</sup> Cfr. Petiv. Gazophyl. nat. et artis, decas I. t. 8. f. 7. *Papilio Indicus maximus*, Valentini Museum, ii. p. 168.

*Oleander*, and suffered themselves to be carried on it to the factory, where I stuck them upon pins; but the windows being open in the night, a bat came in and eat them all but the wings. However I got some afterwards in a little box of insects, which the *Chinese* bring to sell. These boxes were made of *Tya-mock*, and other coarse wood, without covering, and lined with paper. Such a box full of butterflies, the *Chinese* sold at half a piastre. In the box were about ten or twelve sorts, but many of each sort. In their shops are no *Hemiptera* except *Cicada Chinensis*, nor any *Coleoptera* except *Buprestis maxima*. Perhaps it is the opinion of the *Chinese*, that other insects do not strike the eye so much as butterflies. I seldom found any but butterflies in the fields; but it is probable that others may be met with in spring, though they were not visible in the other seasons of the year. The butterflies which were exposed to sale in the afore-mentioned boxes were:

*Papilio Helena.*

———— *Deiphobus.*

———— *Diffimilis.*

———— *Similis.*

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- Papilio Trypbe.*  
 ——— *Agamemnon.*  
 ——— *C. Aureum.*  
 ——— *Orythia.*  
 ——— *Pammon.*  
 ——— *Aonis.*  
 ——— *Leucothoë.*  
 ——— *Demolcus.*  
 ——— *Troilus.*  
 ——— *Paris.*  
 ——— *Midamus.*  
 ——— *Mineus.*  
 ——— *Euipe.*  
 ——— *Almana.*  
 ——— *Plexippus.*  
 ——— *Chryfippus.*  
 ——— *Philoctetes.*

The 10th of *September.*

THE weather was fine and clear, such as it had been for some days past.

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THE fruit of the *Avicennia tomentosa*, which by our apothecaries is called *Anacardium orientale*, was brought hither in a *Swedish* ship from *Suratte*. This fruit in bulk and hardness equals a nut, but is blackish, and somewhat compressed, and contains, instead of a kernel, a thick black juice, with which names are written upon cotton, stuffs, and handkerchiefs, as with ink, though it does not flow so well. The letters are covered while wet with quick lime, which makes them last in washing, and prevents them from hurting the stuff.

I now longed to see the country without the town, and some of my fellow travellers honoured me with their company. We had scarce passed through the principal streets of the suburbs, but a croud of boys gathered about us, who perhaps looked upon us as ambassadors from the moon, or some such odd animals, whom they were obliged to attend out of the city with an universal clamour: the croud continually increased, and particularly in the *Miller's-street*, in all the houses of which, on both sides, rice is pounded and ground. Little stones, sand, and dirt being thrown at us, we made the best of our way

out of the suburbs, to get rid of our disagreeable retinue.

WE left the city with its wall on the right, and saw on both sides of the road only ploughed grounds, or great narrow clay fields, covered with rice, *Nymphaea Nelumbo*, and *Sagittaria bulbis oblongis*<sup>1</sup>. The last mentioned plant is just like our *Swedish* arrowhead above the ground, it only grows larger, which may be owing to the culture; the roots of the *Chinese* sort are the size of a clenched fist, and are oblong, and the *Swedish* are round, and not much larger than pease.

WE change the quality of the ground by draining the water, and other arts, till we make it agreeable to our few sorts of corn; but the *Chinese* make use of so many plants for their subsistence, that they can scarce have any sort of ground, but what will fit some one of them. Thus they do not improve the

<sup>1</sup> The *Chinese* call it *Succoyee-fa*. It is larger than ours: the stem and the flower-stalks are hexagonal, and pretty strong: the leaves have eleven red nerves, of which the middle ones are ramose on both sides: the leaves under the flowers (*Bractææ*) are oval-pointed: the flowers are umbellated, and commonly thirty-three in number.

field for the feed, but chuse the feed for the field. *Rice* (*Oryza sativa*) grows under water: *Nymphæa* and *Sagittaria* grow in water: *Sugarcane* (*Saccharum officinale*) and *Potatoes* (*Convolvulus Batatas*) want a less moist soil. If it is still more dry, it will do for *Yams* (*Dioscorea alata*). *Indigo* (*Indigofera tinctoria*) and *Cotton* (*Gossypium herbaceum*) grow on the highest mountains. If a mountain should happen to be too dry, it serves for a burying-place. But if a soil be ever so wet, the *Chinese* have a plant that grows in it, and serves for food to men. If we could not imitate the *Chinese* in our tillage; yet we might manage the pastures in the same manner. Let us suppose a piece of ground whose situation will not afford so much fall to the water as to let it run off: now no meadow is so wet but *Poa aquatica* grows on it; which we fetched out of other countries, till we discovered this excellent grass in *Westgotland*, in ponds, rivers, and the like places. No hill is so dry but *Festuca ovina* grows well on it. For want of money, and the workmen necessary to work in the ponds, a poor farm may be greatly improved by a simple imitation of nature; namely, if the husbandman brings such plants upon his meadows as will fit each soil, this

would make up what is wanted, and take up the place of such plants as we should like to get rid of.

BUT let us proceed on our road, where we saw hedges of *Euphorbia Nerii folia*, or *Fuyong-fa*, here and there twisted along with *Ipomœa quamoclit*, which, with its fine red flowers, would be an ornament even in an arbour. We have likewise found our *Swedish* hops (*Humulus Lupulus*) climbing over the hedges; and likewise *Periploca Græca*, whose flowers seem to be of velvet in the inside.

AT last we found a burying-place, where the bones of many of our countrymen rest, as the epitaphs shew. This mountain lies on the right as we come from the town, near the road, without any enclosure, like a common. It is said to be half a mile distant from our lodgings. I found in this burying-place the following scarce plants:

*Cassia procumbens.*

*Crotalaria juncea.*

*Celosia argentca.*

*Achyranthes aspera.*

And



*Cassida nigra, oblonga, fasciis duabus transversis testaceis, punctis quatuor ad basin.*

ON our return we met three *Chinese*, who desired money; but their demands not being complied with, they attacked us with great stones; I in particular was in danger, being somewhat behind my companions, in quest of plants. I found

*TORENIA Asiatica*: the *calyx* is pentagonal, erected; its five segments are lanceolated, narrow, and shorter than the *tube* of the flower: the *corolla* is lanceolated: the upper *lip* is almost entire, and reflected: the lower lip has three *laciniæ*, and is bent downwards. The *filaments* are four, shorter than the *corolla*, two of them are even shorter than the tube of the *corolla*, they are fastened in pairs in the lower lip, the two upper ones have a sterile excrescence by their side: the *stylus* is filiform: the *stigma* is bifid: the *capsula* is long, and seems to be unilocular: the seeds are numerous: the flowers are axillar: the leaves are oval, emarginated, opposite, and have very short stalks.

THIS plant likewise grows in the rice fields, in the *Danish* island. It may serve now as a monument of the discoverer Mr. *Torcen*, and remind his friends of their loss.

WE met a *Chinese* burial. We were then sufficiently protected. There were wooden idols in the procession. First and foremost went two *Chinese*, with little banners; next were the pipers and other musicians, who sometimes sounded their instruments. Behind these, the idol, a gilt human figure, was carried in a palankin; it was followed by the coffin, which was carried on a pole of bamboo. The mourners had white handkerchiefs about their heads. When they have let the coffin down into the grave, they lay a couple of stones upon it, and besides that, for the subsistence of the dead, and for the reconciliation of the idol, they put rice, fruit, tea, money, &c. by him. At night they likewise perform all sorts of musick in the boats, and row up and down the river in them.

WIVES and husbands only mourn 49 days, or seven weeks, for each other. No *Chinese*, and much less a foreigner, can be buried in  
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the town. I once asked a *Chinese* whether, at least, people of the highest rank were never buried in the town? Is this, said he, with a sneer, your custom? And I answering in the affirmative, he proceeded to say, What honour can this possibly be to the deceased? We bury our dead in the free, blooming fields, and erect a stone by the side of their graves, on which all their remarkable actions are inscribed, that every body may read them. If we should bury them in the houses, they would be noisome to their children, and their merit would, as it were, be buried with them.

THE *Chinese* graves are made on the side of hills, and look like ice-cellars. They are elevated on both sides with stones. Instead of the door stands a stone, on which the epitaph is hewn in large *Chinese* characters.

September 11th.

I HAD a mind to have a nearer sight of the *Moorish Pagoda* (*Delubrium Mauritanum*), which is at a good distance from the *European* graves: for this reason I left the town by the same road we had taken the day before, in com-

pany with Mr. *Braad*, whose attention to all that is curious is well known, and two other gentlemen. On the road, a *Chinese* covered only with rags ran after us, and desired *Kam-fa-a*, or alms. We did not mind him, but went on as fast as the great heat would allow; but he came nearer, and pulled one of us by the coat, and would not leave his hold till he had money given him. We did not know how to act; for though we could have made him depart, we were afraid that by his cries he would bring hundreds of the *Chinese*, who were every where working in the fields around us; to whom we could not have proved our innocence, since none of us understood the language. When we were in doubt what we should do, another *Chinese* came and lashed our follower about the legs with a whip, which made him cry out exceedingly, and jump into the rice fields, where he was up to the knees in mud. This man called himself and his comrade officers of the government; he afterwards accompanied us to the *Pagoda*, which lay upon a high mountain, and its inside was somewhat different from that of the *Chinese* temples. Having observed all the trees that were planted hereabouts, we made haste back. In the hurry we found no other  
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than the trees which have already been mentioned before, except the *Plaintain* tree (*Musa Cliffortiana*), which was now fully in blossom.

GOING down the hill I observed the *Té-limm*, or *Melastoma octandra*, on both sides of the road. This little plant is an ornament to the most barren hills, by means of its red flowers, which stand open during night, at least a long while after sun-set, while others are closed to escape the nocturnal dews, which would injure the tender parts of the flower. Its description is as follows :

THE *calyx* is urceolated, or cylindrically oval, covered with stiff, short bristles, and includes the *germen*; its segments are quinquefid, equally brown, and downy, except the five lesser ones in the incisions: the *corolla* is pentapetalous; the petals are obovated, and fastened to the inner margin of the *calyx*, whose segments they surpass in length: the eight *filaments* are subulated, inflected, and fastened to the *calyx*: four of the *antheræ* are equally broad and erected; the other four are sterile and hamose, and longer than the filaments; they are all inflected when they are not yet evolved: the *pistillum* is longer than

the *stamina*: the *germen* is almost round (*obrotundum*): the *stylus* is pointed and bent at top: the *stigma* undivided: the *seed capsula* is an almost round urceolated berry, which is black without, but red within, and is surrounded by a fetiferous *calyx*. The *seeds* are numerous, very small, almost in form of rings, and dispersed in the berry. The *plant* is bushy: the *root* is ramose, creeping: the *stalk* is round, and lies on the ground: the *leaves* are oval, a little emarginated, trinervous, opposite, and petiolated: the *flowers* are on the top of the branches. I found another plant here, the flowers of which, by a cursory view, was like the preceding; though it is quite different from all the other *genera*: in the natural order it is like the *Lyfimachia*, and the *Chinese* call it *Komm-Heyong-loaa*, or *Feather of Goldrobes*. Sir Charles à Linnè, thinking that my labours deserved some remembrance, has thought fit to call this plant *Osbeckia Chinensis* [See Tab. ii. f. 1, 2. 3.]. The whole plant is sold in the apothecaries shops; they boil it together with old *Kuli-Tea*, and drink the decoction in colics. In strains and swellings it is used in the bath. The following are the characteristics of the plant;

THE *root* is woody, and sometimes consists of a little knob with branches, but sometimes it has no knob; it is perennial, and sometimes shoots into a number of stalks: the *stalk* is quadrangular, of the thickness of a pack-thread, seldom exceeding half a yard in length, generally ramose, and sometimes like a little bush. The branches, which are quadrangular and somewhat hairy, are commonly opposite, and single, or not divided. On the top are commonly two flowers, surrounded with four leaves, two of which are short, but longer than the flowers: the leaves are opposite; each couple is about an inch or more from the other, and the nearer to the flower the further asunder. They are somewhat obtuse in young plants, and about an inch long; but in old ones they are longer, and run sharp: those which grow at the bottom of the branches are frequently as long again as the others. They have most of them no *petiolus* or stalk, and are lanceolated sometimes, yet narrower; almost every where of equal breadth; have entire margins, are covered on the upper side with stiff hairs, which lie down, and have some thin down on the under side only, on the margin, and upon the three veins, which

run almost the whole length of the leaf, in a strait line. The *calyx* is monophyllous, campaniform, or bell-shaped, quadrifid, with four oblong, sharp segments, which are somewhat downy on the out side; in each incision is a *squamula*, with hair on its margin. The *corolla* consists of four upright, oval, red petals: the *stamina* are eight in number, narrow, inflected, and, together with the petals, fastened to the *calyx*: they are the same length with the *calyx*, and are accordingly shorter than the petals: the *antheræ* are upstanding, oblong, and end in a point which looks like the *calyptra* of a moss. The *pytillum* has an oval *germen*, a narrow and bent *stylus*, and a short entire *stigma*: the *capsula* looks like a little pot, runs narrower towards the bottom; is quadrilocular, and on the outside covered with the tube of the *calyx*. The *seeds* are numerous, small, and in a microscope look like little worms, which lie in a circular form.

COMING down the hill between the rice fields, we saw, in a field which was partly covered with water, *Impatiens Chinenfis*, which, if taken particular care of, might be made to



adorn our windows with its fine red flowers, in the same manner as its relation the *Balsamines*.

TOWARDS the city we found a species of small bushes (*Cryptanthus Chincnsis* <sup>k</sup>), of the size of gooseberry bushes, which had white double flowers. The leaves are as large as those of the *Rose-mallow*, cordated, obtuse; their margin is unequally serrated; they are somewhat rough at the top, but smooth below, and have at least eight pretty large veins. The flowers grow in bunches, at the top of the branches.

OUR companions, who joined us without being asked, called themselves government officers; and having reminded us of their rewards, put their whips into their pockets. We desired them to accompany us as far as the factory, where we would pay them; but they refused, and left us.

<sup>k</sup> With opposite leaves. The bush bears a great resemblance to a *Blackberry* bush.

*September*

September 12th.

AMONG the hay which was given to our cow in the factory, I found the following scarce grasses, which would adorn the *Hortus siccus* of an *European* botanist :

*Nardus articulata.*

*Agrostis Indica.*

*Panicum crus Galli.*

———— *Dissectum.*

———— *Patens.*

———— *Brevifolium.*

*Andropogon Schœnanthus.*

———— *Ischæmum*, and likewise

———— *Fasciculatum.*

*Hedysarum lagopodioides.*

THE *Chinese* needs not make hay for his cattle, for they may run all the year in the pastures. He does not want cows at home, for he can do without milk, butter and cheese. He does not want horses, for he either goes on foot, or is carried in a chair. Thus can a *Chinese* employ all that time in agriculture, which

which in our country is spent in improving the growth of grafs, and in the hay harvest. But he is obliged to have continually a person with his cattle, in order to prevent their doing any damage in the plantations; for, if they are furrounded with a thin hedge, it is too weak to be capable of keeping off unruly oxen. All other fences are unusual in *China*, though perhaps a little spot within the hedge may be furrounded with a wall of common pebbles.

THIS day I returned on board, to look after the sick.

THE *French Island* is an isle in the river of *Canton*, which is reckoned to be two *Swedish* miles from that place. The *Chinese* name of the island is said to be *Som-so-ang*. It has the name of *French Island* because the *French* ships have their *bancshal*, or warehouse, on it. Near it is the place where the *European* ships ride at anchor; and when the sailors have a mind to divert themselves on holidays upon *Chinese* ground, they go hither, because they are, in some measure, secure from the insults of the *Chinese*. The love of plants likewise drew me thither, as to a place where for some  
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days I could not want new objects. I could here meet with nothing that decorates our *Swedish* soil. Trees, herbs, birds, insects, nay the earth itself, was a new sight in my eyes. On this island (for so I call it, though I have never been far enough on the other side of it to know whether it is one, or whether it is joined to the continent) are two steep mountains toward the river, with horizontal stages, or terrasses, like steps, on their sides, on which indigo, cotton, and *Chinese* potatoes, were planted. On the lowest terrasses, on the side of the *bancshall*, are several graves of our countrymen, *Danes*, and *Englishmen*, who died here some years ago, as the inscriptions on the tomb-stones show. For each corpse which is interred here, we pay one tel, four mels, eight kanderin, to the *Chinese*. Somewhat higher is a *Chinese* burying-place; and at the top grow fruit trees, such as *Lang-ann*, &c. and the *Chinese Pine* (*Abies Chinenfis*).

THE *soil* on the hills consists of a reddish sandy earth, which by the great heat often cakes, and forms a friable sand-stone, excepting the surface, which is kept loose by dung and vegetable earth. In these hills are great and small quarry-stones, some of which are  
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like crystals, but opaque, and of the colour of coarse writing paper. The highest hills seldom produce any thing besides some dry grasses and trees, and these but very sparingly. This is the reason why they are used for burying-places, or they let cattle graze upon them; but, these excepted, it is very difficult to find a place which is not used for gardens, plantations, or ploughed land. Cattle are kept here, but in small numbers; but what dung is lost by this means, is supplied by another kind of manure before mentioned; and besides that, by bones, ashes, hair, men's beards, and many other things, which we make no use of. The *Chinese* never fail carefully to gather the bones (which are else thrown into the river) from the *European* ships. I have been told, that they burn them, and extract a lye from the remainder, with which they wash their cotton stuffs, which are always whiter in *China* than we can make them; and for this reason we ought to try the experiment.

THE *Cotton plant* (*Gossypium herbaceum*) was now in blossom, and had fruit. It is annually sown in the high grounds, and commonly in  
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rows, which are at half a yard's distance from each other.

THE *Indigo plant* (*Indigofera tinctoria*), by the *Chinese* called *Tong-am*, or *Va*, is annually sown in high places, and is in flower almost at the same time with the *Cotton*.

AMARANTHUS *tristis*, or the *In-foy* of the *Chinese*, likewise grew here. I have been told, that its leaves are used instead of *Cale*.

SOLANUM *diphyllum* likewise, but very sparingly.

SUGAR cane (*Saccharum officinarum*), the *Chinese* name of which is *Kee-a*, was planted in rows between the hills. The plants were tied together, to prevent their bending to the ground. They were above a fathom long, but I could neither at that time nor afterwards discover its flowers. *China* therefore is not the place whence it originally came from, which must be a far warmer climate.

RICE (*Oryza Sativa*<sup>1</sup>) is by the *Chinese* called *Waa* while it is yet in the ground, but

<sup>1</sup> From this account we may judge of the possibility of sowing rice in *Germany* with advantage.

*Wo-kock* when it is not yet pounded. The rice groats before they are boiled are called *Mabee*, and when they are boiled they go by the name of *Tann*. Rice is at first sown in *April* in high places; when it is grown half a yard long, it is dug out of the ground, and transplanted in rows upon a deep clay ground, in so low a situation, that it is always laid under water by the tide for six hours together, and then is left dry for six hours next following. Accordingly rice requires a natural ebbing and flowing, and a warm climate. If this were not the case, it would be worth while to plant it on our shores. The ground on which it grows is called paddy-ground by our people who go to the *East Indies*, and consists for the greatest part of a blue clay, which looks brown at top from the different manures. The *Chinese* make use of a kind of dung which we reject, to manure their rice fields and other fields with, though not very plentifully: it occasions a great stench upon the grounds in dry places; but in the rice fields is so tempered with, or washed away by, water, that it is but little regarded. The dung is brought to the innermost bays of the water, in order that when it runs into the land every part of the field may have its share. When the water cannot

cannot overflow the field, this inconvenience is remedied by water machines, but mostly by two *Chinefe* who stand near the water, and water the ground with buckets. To each of the ears of the bucket they fasten a string, and stand opposite to one another, each twisting his cord together: they then sink the bucket into the water, and when it is full each pulls at his string, by which means the bucket is both drawn out of the water and overturned by the rope that was twisted together and untwists itself; and by this means the water runs over the higher rice fields, which cannot be overflowed. Ditches are scarce observable in the rice fields; but there are little canals, in order to enable them in harvest time to get between with their boats, and carry the rice from them to the high places, in order that it may be dried, after that they have paid the tythe in the custom-house. This species of corn bears very plentifully here, but costs a deal of labour. The bread which is baked for the *Europeans* (a katty or pound of which at present was sold at four kanderin two kas) is not made of rice, but of wheat, which, together with rye and barley, is said to grow further up in the country. When the *Chinefe* mix rice flour with it (which they often do unless







*RHAMNUS Lincastrus.*

unless you take great care) it renders the bread heavier and less palatable. About the hills we met with several scarce plants, and among these were :

*Polygonum barbatum*, by the Chinese called *Ka-yong-maa*.

*Polygonum orientale*, in the Chinese language *Yong-maa*.

*Rhamnus lineatus, inermis, floribus hermaphroditis, foliis ovatis integerrimis multinerviis.* [See Tab. vii.] A bush which till now has escaped the notice of botanists. It often grows to the height of a man, and is remarkable for its small and beautiful leaves, which are of a yellow-green colour below, and have red veins: the *antheræ* are black.

*Valeriana Chinenfis.*

*Hedysarum triflorum.*

*Nardus ciliaris*, in high places.

*Fiscum baccis rubentibus.* *Kampf. Amen.* 785.

*Convallaria Chinenfis, foliis linearibus, corollis sex-partitis.* This species of *Lily of the Valley* is a medium between *Scilla* and *Convallaria*.

It grows below and along with *Canna Indica*, in shady places.

On the road I found :

*Torenia Asiatica*. And in poor ground,

*Lawsonia inermis*.

*Melastoma Malabarica*, with fine red flowers.

*Hedysarum Hedrocarpon*.

*Urena lobata*.

*Aira feminibus hirsutis, aristis terminalibus flore longioribus*.

*Scirpus (Chinensis) culmo triquetro subnudo, spicis ternis sessilibus terminalibus, involucro diphylo reflexo*; a species of grass with long narrow leaves, one of which, next the ear, is much longer than the rest. In *Van Reede's Hort. Malab.* tom. xii. p. 71. t. 38. is a print of it, under the name of *Motte pullu*.

*Ixora coccinea*, by the Chinese called *Kan-long-fa*, or *Emperor's flower*, is a shrub, or small tree, which grows every where hereabouts on the hills, a yard high; but has the finest red flowers, in bunches at the tops of the branches. I made the following remarks

remarks upon it: The segments of the *calyx* are obtuse: the tube of the *corolla* is very long: the *filaments* are very short, inserted in the incisions of the *limbus*: the *antheræ* longer, pointed and inflected: the *germen* is very small, and somewhat shorter than the *calyx*: the *stylus* filiform, longer than the tube: the *stigma* pretty thick: the leaves are opposite, oval, without incisions, almost without stalks, and smooth. On account of these magnificent flowers this shrub has got a place in the *Chinese* gardens, where it grows higher than a man's head. I here am put in mind of the many fine flowers which grow spontaneously in *Sweden*; which, if they were transplanted into gardens, would look better than many of those which we get as ornaments from the most distant places.

Between the stones on the hills, grew,

*Nauclea orientalis.*

*Spermacoce verticillata.* The *antheræ* are oblong and upright: the *pisillum* is longer than the *corolla*: the *germen* is small: the *stylus* hairy: the *corolla* is rolled downwards: the *leaves* lanceolated, opposite, with

nine nerves, and gibbose: the *flowers* grow verticillated.

Near the rice fields the following plants were in blossom:

*Verbena prostrata.*

———— *calendulacea.*

On the hills were:

*Polygala ciliata.*

*Lycopodium varium.*

———— *nudum.*

———— *cernuum.*

*Polypodium cristatum.*

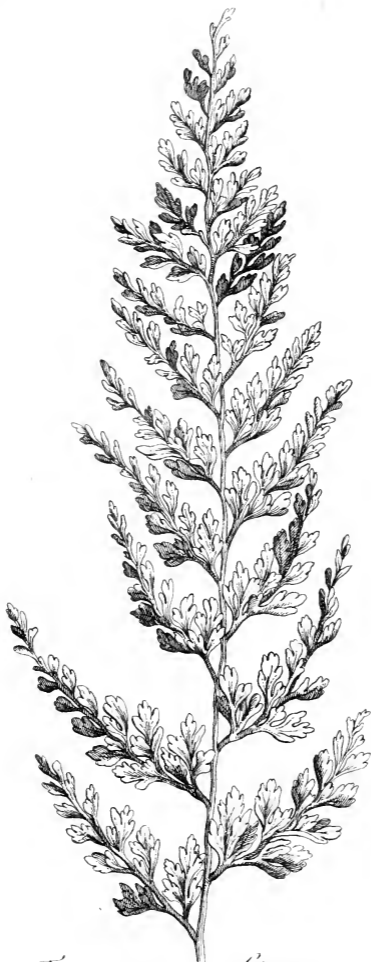
———— *Barometz.*

*Jungermannia Chinensis.* Dill. Musc. 64.  
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*Lichen Chinensis*, or *Lichenoïdes glaucum perlatum*, *subtus nigrum et cirrhosum*, Dill. Musc. 147. t. 20. f. 39.

*Agaricus Chinensis*, *stipite albo, spithomeo, pileo lutescente.*





*TRICHOMANES chinense*



*Blechnum occidentale.*

*Trichomanes Chincnsis.* [Tab. vi.]

Of Insects I found:

*Cancer oryzae*, a small kind of rough crabs, which crept about the rice fields.

*SOLANUM Indicum* grew by the graves. On this spinose plant I found a grub, which I kept and fed in my hut till its third change, which was into one of the *lepidoptera* kinds. The wondrous changes of these little creatures may inspire us wretched men (who are justly compared to worms in Holy Scripture) with the sublimest thoughts. The grub in its first state was reduced to creep over its little world with just as much trouble as we creep on earth and seek our subsistence, frequently with the greatest fatigue: how many needless journeys do we take, and to how many dangers are we exposed! one worm does not spare the other on the road. And as the grub in its next change into an *aurelia* enters into a dark house, in which it loses every sensation of former pleasures; thus we descend into the obscure grave, where we rest the appointed space: but when

the grub has staid its proper time in its narrow lodgings, without any nourishment, it at last appears, by its third change, in its true perfection and splendor; often enriched with the most glorious colours. This gives an excellent hint, that the grave shall not for ever hold our bodies; but that at last, at the general resurrection on the last day, we shall be clothed with splendour and glory.

*Larva Solani Indici.* It is smooth: together with the head and tail, it is of the length of a span, and of the thickness of an eagle's quill. That articulation which contains the head has a great black line on the sides: the mouth is large: the *antennæ* are thickest at bottom, white, with blackish-brown tops, and two black rings. The three pair of fore legs are black, have claws, are dotted with white, and are placed at the first, second, and third articulation, beginning at the head. The five pair of hind feet are fastened to the seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, and tail articulation; they are shorter, truncated, green, and have as it were short bristles at their extremities; the fourth, fifth, and sixth articulations have no feet. The body is green below: the sides have nine black spots: the equilateral triangles  
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(of which one surrounded the other), which stand on each articulation between the fourth on the back and the tail, are shaded with green, yellow, and blue, (the lowest is yellow) and dotted with black. The tail is sharpened in form of a horn, and consists of many joints.

THE *Croton sebiferum* was the food of another kind of *larvæ* or grubs (*Larva fenestrata* ?); which, the next night, changed into *aurelias*. The *larvæ* were green, with many rows of blue spots. Of their change into moths you will have an account the 3d of *February* next year. On the road I found, besides the *Cassida cinerea*, a *Swedish* insect, the *Coccinella septem-punctata*, which seems to have been brought by chance from *Europe* as it were in exchange for the *Blatta orientalis*.

The 14th *September*.

THE hoppo, happa, or first inspector of the customs, (see p. 216.) whose business in particular it is to measure the newly arrived *European* ships, came to us to-day. He sent his own stairs, covered with red cloth, before him, by which he was to ascend into the ship; and afterwards

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came in a great sampane painted with red, accompanied by some musicians, to entertain him in his passage. In his train were, besides his servants, beadles and soldiers, who had each their badges; some had feathers in their caps, others had sabres at their sides, one had a belt hanging from his shoulder, another held the umbrella over him while he got on-board. After he had feasted himself, he ordered two of his attendants to measure the length and breadth of our ship with a rope: this admeasurement came very high in price to us; for by his own decision our ship was obliged to pay 600 piaftres, or about 6000 dollars of copper, for duty. He, in return, presented the ship, as usual, with two live oxen, eight bags of flour, eight pitchers of *Chinese* wine, &c.

BOTH on his arrival and at his departure, 16 canons were fired off.

The 15th of *September*.

A CHINESE *shining insect* sat on the ceiling of the great cabin, and gave a considerable light in the dark.

It was the *Cantharis Chinenfis* (*Lampyrus Chin.* Linn.) *thorace & elytris testaceis, apice nigris.* The *thorax* and the *wing-cases* are highly margined: the *scutcheon* is black: the *wings* are black: the *feet* are blackish: the last ring of the *abdomen*, or belly, is of a brownish-yellow; but the last but one is white below, and this is it which shines like fire in the night time: the two rings next to this are blackish: the *breast* is brownish-yellow.

September 17th.

As I landed at the *Bancshal*, I again saw the *Gobius pectinirostris* and *niger*, which I have already described, page 200 and 201.

*Cyperus odoratus.* The stalk of it is triquetrous, but round near the root; with a short, even, obtuse leaf, which furrounds the stalk towards the bottom.

The 18th of September.

TO-DAY the first *Chinese* boat came on-board with porcellain in chests, and bales for the company's

company's account, and ten *Chinese* boys who were to splice cables.

The 22d of *September*.

AFTER I had preached and administered the sacrament, I was tempted by the fine weather to make a little excursion on the *French Island*, where I found the following plants in flower :

*Barleria cristata*, [Tab. viii.] by the *Chinese* called *Abliey fa*, is a shrub which exceeds three yards in height. The stem is so weak, that it cannot stand upright without a support. Its flowers are blue, and fall off easily: the tube of the *corolla* is bent: the *filaments* are fastened to its lower part; two of them are very short, and two almost as long as the  *pistilla*, besides a barren one: the upper lip of the *corolla* is broad and oval, the lower is quadrifid, with long sharp points.

*Chinese Gourds* (*Cucurbita Chinenfis*) grew here and there spontaneously; and in other places they were supported near the houses by little sticks, or shrubs.

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*BARLERIA cristata?*





*Convolvulus Pes capræ*, a plant with thick leaves, whose stalks lie on the sea-shore, which is ornamented with its red flowers.

*Urena Chinensis*, *caule erecto, floribus majusculis*, grew at the foot of the hills.

*Verbena nodiflora*, with its flowers, hung from a wall not far off the shore. I found it no where else. It is one of those plants which shew how much *America* is like *Asia*; for it is to be met with in both.

*Pa-kock-fa*, or *Morinda umbellata*? grew on the shore, together with the *Periploca Græca*. The flowers of the latter are an ornament to our hot-houses, on account of their velvet colour.

*Mussaenda frondosa*, is a shrub which the *Chinse* call *Kaulimang*. It grew some yards high, and, on account of the weakness of its stem, it likes to lean on other trees. It spreads its boughs over the *European* graves. The following is its shape: the *calyx* is monopetalous, divided into six parts, and bristly: its *laciniæ* are long, narrow, and pointed: the *mouth (faux) of the corolla* is hairy: the *limbus* of it is expanded, horizontal, sexfid, with pointed *laciniæ*: the *filaments* are commonly  
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five in number, sometimes six, and even seven, all very short, and fastened about the middle of the tube. The *antheræ* are erected, of equal breadth; many times as long again as the filaments, and touch each other at the *limbus*: the *germen* is almost round: the two *styluses*, which are joined together, are thread-shaped: the two *stigmas* are simple: the *stem* is round, hairy, brownish: the *leaves* are opposite, lanceolated, petiolated, not divided, reflected, have five nerves, and are downy, particularly below. The *flowers* sit close together at the ends of the branches; they are yellow, and have sometimes oval, white, petiolated *bractæ*. The *seed capsule* is oblong, unilocular. The *seeds* are numerous and very small. It grows near the shore among the *Zanthoxylum trifoliatum*, and in other places.

The 23d of *September*,

ANOTHER boat with porcellane came to our ship. The air was fine.

KAY-PO-Y, *Diodon ocellatus* (*Tetrodon ocellatus* Linn.) is one of the finest fish I ever saw, but so poisonous that whoever eats of it generally dies

in two hours time. The *Chinese*, who affirmed the fact, seeing me take the fish into my hands, earnestly desired me to wash myself, adding that it is forbidden under some great penalty, to be sold among other fish. It is very like to the *Tetrodon lagocephalon*, and is able to blow itself up, which makes its fore part look like the breast of a cropper pigeon. Yet it differs in some things from the last mentioned fish, as in the number of rays in the back-fin, which is seldom found to vary in the same species: the same likewise happens to it sometimes with respect to the other fins; not to mention the colour, and some less constant marks, which however, upon the whole, distinguish it pretty well from all other fishes.

THIS fish has an *operculum branchiostegum* on each side: the dorsal-fin is single, directly opposite, the anal-fin is oval, and has fifteen rays: the *pectoral-fin* has eighteen divided rays. It has no *ventral-fins*. The *anal-fin* is oval, and has eleven rays: the *tail* is truncated, and has eight ramose rays: the two last fins are moveable according to the fish's inclination. The *body* is globose-oval, with a skin over it. Its length is scarce a quarter of a yard. The *back* is green: the *line on the sides* is bent: the

the green colour of the back goes a little below it, but further down it is white. The breast and the belly are covered as it were with thick threads, or white pipes, which are best observed by stroking the fish with the hand upwards from the belly to the head. Behind the pectoral fins ran two brown-yellow spots from the back, and a circle of the same colour surrounded the dorsal-fin: the spot in the circle is black. The *head* is somewhat flat, and oval: the *mouth* round and small: the jaws are equal, and consist of two flat bones. In the midst of the mouth two *teeth* are visible, which are covered with moveable lips: the *tongue* is somewhat round: the *eyes* are small, naked, and round: the *pupil* in the eye is black: the *irides* are yellow: the nostrils are small, and close to the eyes. The fish was taken in the river at *Canton*; and a civil sailor, who was present when the *Chinese* caught it, gave it to me.

The 25th of *September*.

FINE weather.

A LITTLE bird, which was a good singer, was shot about the rice fields, whither it resorted  
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ed to seek its livelihood among the rice. It was,

*Lanius Schach*, or the crested red or ruffet butcher-bird, *Edw.* 54. Its shape is as follows: the *bill* is short and narrow, the *upper jaw* is the longest, it is sharp and bent at the point. Near the head it has seven or more bristles: the *lower jaw* is spotted: the *tongue* is lacerated at the point: the seven *tail feathers* are long, but the middlemost are longer than the rest: its forehead is black, and about the eyes there is the same colour. The *wings* are black at the top; but below, and in particular on the inside, they are whitish, and outwardly quite white: the *head*, the neck, and the fore-part of the back, are ash-coloured: the hind part of the back, and the *uropygium* are red: it is red mixed with white at the top. The thighs are covered with down: the legs and feet are naked, and blackish. It has three fore-toes; and one hind-toe, which is as long as the middle fore-toe.

The 27th of *September*.

GENERALLY clear weather.

I CROSSED

I CROSSED over in a *Chinese* boat to the *Danish Island*, which the *Chinese* call *Tsiang-liao*. This is an island without woods, only separated from the *French Island* by a stream; but is exactly like it in regard to the quality of the soil, and has, like the former, hills, cultivated vallies, and rice fields in the low places by the river side. There is seldom any thing planted on the hills, since it would be burnt up by the sun, and the cowherds keep the cattle upon them. In some places were *Chinese* graves, towards the river of *Canton*; but here we saw *European* ones.

I HERE met with the following natural curiosities:

*Coccinella quadri-pustulata?* the foremost spots near the head are rhomboidal, but crossways; the hindmost are round points, on whose sides are little atoms, scarce visible to the naked eye.

*Andrachne fruticosa*. The male plant has no calyx. The corolla is bell-shaped, reflected, divided into six parts, and green: its laciniae are very short, and the extreme edge as it were emarginated. The female plant has no calyx; it





*CLERODENDRUM fortunatum.*



it has a *germen*, three *styli*, and six *stigmas*: the *capsula* is almost round, has six partitions with six *seeds*. The leaves are oval, smooth at top, and downy below. Both male and female plants are shrubs.

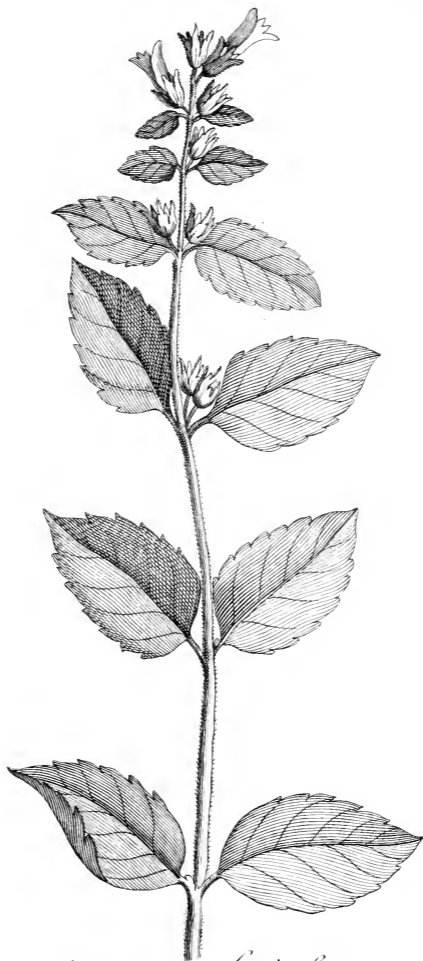
✓ *Clerodendron fortunatum* [Tab. xi.] grew by the *European* graves; and has not yet been described by any botanist. The plant smells like musk, by which it distinguishes itself from all other plants growing near the graves. It is called *Hatag-nang* by the *Chinese*: the *calyx* is monophyllous, angulated, red, divided into five parts, and persistent: its *segments* are oval, pointed, of the length of the tube of the *corolla*, but broader than it. The *corolla* is monopetalous, quinquefid: the *upper lip* is trifid, rolled up: the *lower* bifid, bent downwards: the *filaments* are inserted in the mouth of the *corolla*; they are bearded below, and longer than the *corolla*; two of them are somewhat shorter than the others: the *germen* is oval: the *stylus* filiform, and shorter than the *filaments*: the *stigma* pointed and bifid: the *drupa*, or stony fruit, stands together in couples, is green, and surrounded with the *calyx*. The *plant* is ramose, about one foot high, and smells

like musk. The *flower stalks* are axillary, and each bears several flowers.

*Gerardia glutinosa.* [Tab. ix.]

*Ruellia ringens* grew every where in the water on the shore, and was above half a yard high. It distinguishes itself from the *Ruellia antipoda*, which generally grows along with it, in the following particulars: the *calyx* is monophyllous, cylindrical, quinquefid, with small lanceolated *segments*. The *corolla* is monopetalous, ringent: the *tube* cylindrical: the *faux* inflated; the *opening* bifid: the *upper lip* bifid, and reflected: the *lower* deflected, trifid, dotted in the inside (like the *corolla* of the *Scutellaria*); the four *filaments*, of which the two lowest are the least, hang on the lower lip: the *antheræ* are sagittated, and erected: the *germen* is oblong: the *stylus* is filiform, longer than the filaments, and bent near the top: the *stigma* is undivided, and pointed: the *capsule* is oblong, narrow, trilobular, and contains only eight flat seeds. The *root* is big, and repent: the *stalk* round, erected, simple: the *leaves* are opposite, petiolated, lanceolated, smooth, and somewhat carnosæ.

*Cyperus*



*GERARDIA glutinosa?*



*Cyperus Iria?*

*Cyperus dichotomus?*

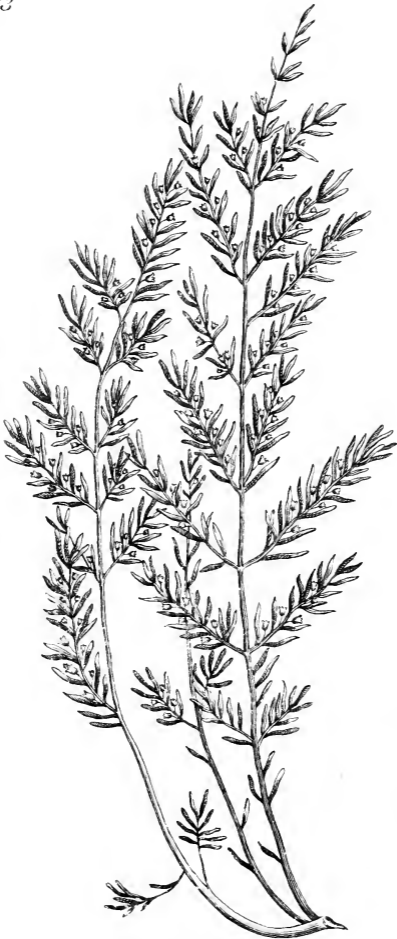
*Onoclea sensibilis*, or *Filix Indica polypodii fascic*, Menz. pug. [Tab. x.]

*Pange-ka* (*Columnnea?* *Chinensis*) is the Chinese name of a plant which is here plentiful along the river side; and generally grows in the water, together with the afore mentioned plant, and has an agreeable smell. It is with difficulty ranged under any of the *genera* yet known, as appears from the following description: the *calyx* is double; the interior one is diphyllous, very small, with pointed leaves; the superior *calyx* is quinquefid, with narrow lanceolated segments, which are shorter than the tube of the *corolla*: the *corolla* is monopetalous: the *tube* is cylindrical: the *faux* bearded: the *limbus* quinquepartite: the *laciniae* oval: the incision between two of the *laciniae* on one side is less deep than on the other; and on this lean the *pisillum* and the *stamina*, and are surrounded with a beard: the four *filaments* are filiform, two of them shorter; they stock together in pairs: the *antherae* sit on the sides, and are small: the *germen* is ovated, or

egg-shaped: the *stylus* filiform: the *stigma* in some manner represents a hat (*subcapitatum*) and is bent downwards: the *capsule* is oval, and contains many *seeds*. The plant has a *stalk* which lies on the ground, is round, thick, carnosé and hairy: the *leaves* are oblong and ferrated: the *flowers* are axillary, and likewise grow on the tops of the branches, and are of a blue colour: the *foot stalks* are rough. This plant grows on the banks of the river.

*Justicia purpurea* adorned the *European* graves. This plant too has hitherto escaped the notice of botanists. The *Chinese* call it *Happ-key-lee*, or *Happ-key-sa*. The *calyx* is double (which distinguishes it from the other species of *Justicia*), monophyllous, cylindrical; the exterior ends in four teeth, the interior in five bristles; the latter is shorter, is covered by the exterior, and includes the *germen*: the *corolla* is monopetalous: its *tube* cylindrical: the limb ringent: the *upper lip* oblong, broad towards the point, trifid; and the *lower lip* small, of equal breadth, and revolute towards the point: the two *filaments* are fixed to the incision of the *corolla*, they are subulated and bearded towards the inside: the *antheræ* are oblong and erect: the *pisillum* is of equal length





*ВЯСЬКАЯ прутисценс.*



length with the *stamina*: the *germen* is egg-shaped and small: the *stylus* filiform: the *stigma* undivided: the *stalk* is almost round, very ramose, about a foot long: the *branches* are axillary, they are thicker at the place where they are inserted, and dichotomous: the *leaves* are oval, petiolated, run sharp at both ends, are smooth, and entire: the *flowers* are red, and form at the top and on the sides spikes scattered without order (*spicæ sparsæ*): the *bractææ* are lanceolated. This plant, which looks like *Galeopsis tetrahit* is an ornament to the graves of the *Europeans*, since I have not met with it any where else.

*Bæckeæ frutescens* [Tab. i.] is a little shrub, which grows above a quarter of a yard high, looks like *Mugwort*, and smells agreeably. On my return I put some of it into my box, which preserved my cloths from *tinias*, or moths. The *Chinese* call it *Tiongma*. This was the first time that it was carried to *Europe*. It is described in *Linn. Species Plantarum*: its flowers are small, white, and smell somewhat like primroses.

NEAR the hedges the following plants were in flower:

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*Bryonia*

*Bryonia cordifolia.*

*Hedysarum pulchellum.*

———— *triquetrum*: *Kafong-fo* in the Chinese language. It grows to a man's height, and is very ramose.

*Sigesbeckia orientalis*, by the Chinese called *Chimag*, was supported by another shrub near the water, which was called *Fo-kay*.

*Volckameria inermis* on the shore.

N. B. I counted five *stamina* in this specimen: the flowers were white.

*Katong-qua*, a shrub. The *corolla* is quadrifid, has four *filaments*, and a *pistillum*: the *leaves* are shaped like a heart, and thick. It twists round other plants.

*Gonyza hirsuta*, by the Chinese called *Kylat-foy*.

*Panicum glaucum.*

*Kay-in* has four *filaments*: the *pistillum* is longer than the *filaments*: the *flowers* are blue: the *leaves* are lanceolated, and woolly on the under side.

*Ophioglossum*





Fig. 1.

*PTERIS semipinnata*



Fig. 2.

<sup>a</sup>  
The Flower. <sup>b</sup>  
The Fruit.

*UTRICULARIA bifida*

*Ophioglossum scandens*, by the *Chinese* called *Ka-yin-sey*, winds about other plants.

*Rhus Chinense* (or, as the *Chinese* call it, *Monkbi*) was in flower about the graves.

*Rhus Javanicum*, *germine rubro*, which the *Chinese* call *Tay-sba*.

*Pteris semipinnata*, by the *Chinese* called *Ka-lao*, (S. t. 3. f. r.)

*Waltheria Indica*. Its flower is yellow, the leaves are woolly, reflected.

*Rhamnus Thea*, or poor man's tea, is a shrub which grows a fathom high, and whose leaves are like those of the common tea; but the flowers belong to the first order of the fifth class of the *Linnaean* system of plants. They are very small, and rest on the top of the branches, which are again sub-divided into lesser boughs. The poor make use of its leaves instead of tea; but in this place it served as a hedge. The *Chinese* call it *Tia*.

*Min tao*, *Dolichos scandens floribus caeruleis magnis*.

*Panicum alopecuroideum*.

On the shore grew :

*Alcopecurus hordeiformis.*

*Cyperus haxpan*, or *Cyperus litorum echinato capite.* cfr. *Ily Mullu*, Hort. Mal. 12. Tab. 175. grew by the river side.

On the hills grew :

*Ocimum gratissimum.*

*Bartramia Indica.* In the Chinese language *Hongfa-mo.*

The creeping *Convolvulus hirtus*, with its yellow flowers, by the Chinese called *Taqua.*

*Cynofurus Ægyptius,*

*Ischænum aristatum,*

*Helicteres angustifolia*, by the Chinese called *Kay-ma*, which has hitherto not yet been found.

BESIDES the eatable roots which I have already mentioned, another sort is planted here, which is quite white, and is of the size of a  
pigeon's



*HELICTERES angustifolia* )





pigeon's egg, and by the *Chinese* is called *Fy-shin*. The plant is *Arachis hypogæa*.

WE likewise saw three sorts of birds, which we met with in other parts of this country.

*Ley-kao*, which kept together in flocks.

*Chinese black Ravens*, with white necks.

*Grey-spotted Chinese Magpies*, which they call *Datt-sow*. And likewise

CHINESE *Locusts* (*Whom-ma*), or *Gryllus viridis, capite acuminato, obtuso, ense adscendente*.

October the 3d.

THE cold northern winds now coming killed the gnats, which had hitherto been troublesome.

The 6th of *October*.

FINE clear weather.

AFTER I had preached, I went to the *French Island* in a *Chinese* boat; where, besides the  
plants

plants already mentioned, I found the following along the river side.

*Mimosa Chinenfis, inermis, stipulis foliolo longe majoribus, semicordatis.* The leaves are seven or eight pairs: the *foliola* are numerous, lanceolated, but at the bottom more obtuse. It distinguishes itself from others of its kind particularly by the large semicordated *stipulae*, which are fixed on the stem and furround it. I did not see the flowers.

*Lichen (Euphorbia) foliaceus, pulverulentus.*

*Aralia Chinenfis* is a tree about two yards high, forms a crown, and is almost every where covered with thorns. Even the principal rib of the leaves (*rachis*) is thorny: the leaves are decomposite.

*Hedysarum biarticulatum.*

*Senecio divaricatus.*

*Cacalia incana.*

*Aster Indicus.*

*Poa angustifolia*, on high fields.

*Convolvulus reptans*, or wild spinage, on low places between the rice fields, in the road, but never in dry places.

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The tree *Long-ann*, whose fruit the *Chinese*, as aforementioned, eat with their tea, grows on the summits of the highest mountains, and its size is that of a middling plumb-tree. Its leaves were devoured by a sort of grubs, of the following shape :

The grub is white, oblong, bristly, powdered : it has eleven articulations besides the tail, each of which has six bristles : the last articulation is blue on both sides, and longer than the three first : the fourth articulation has middling bristles ; and the three first are the shortest. It has three pair of fore-feet, and four pair of hind-feet, which last are stronger, and have three joints : the tail has two prominencies, and its sides have a red ring, but at the top it is covered with a blue powder.

The 8th of *October*.

FINE weather : sometimes rain.

THE grub which I found the 13th, on the *Indian Nightshade* (*Solanum Indicum*) and which had been in the *aurelia* state for some days, changed into a *sphinx*. It was but a bad specimen ;

cimen; but as far as I could see, it was *sphinx atropos*, the same with what we had already caught in sailing by *Java*. See page 133.

The 11th of *October*.

THE Captain of the *Gothic Lion*, Swedish East Indiaman, Mr. *David Shierman*, invited me to go to *Canton* in his sloop; which offer I accepted with pleasure. We passed the custom-houses, and only shewed the colours.

SOME jugglers came to the factory, and offered to amuse us with their slight of hand. They suddenly brought living snakes before us, and restored little land-tortoises to life, &c. The whole trumpery was contained in an old ragged carpet, which they spread on the floor.

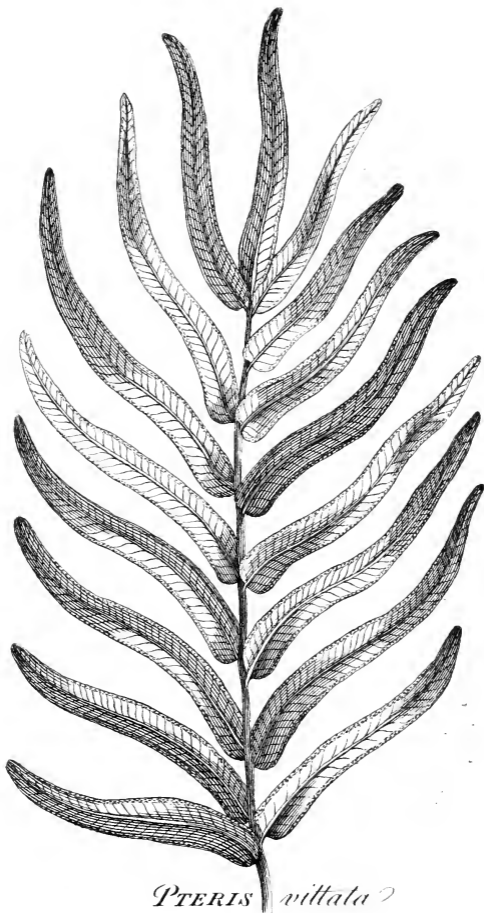
The 12th of *October*.

I THIS day took a journey in a *Palankin*<sup>a</sup> for two *mascé* and five *kandarin*, about half a Swedish mile up the country (about three English miles), to see the funeral of the *Dutch*

<sup>a</sup> *Kiao*, Bay. Mus. lib. i. p. 48.

supercargo





*PTERIS vittata?*

supercargo *Roberts*, who died the second of this month, in the 54th year of his age. All the captains and supercargoes were invited to come at two o'clock in the afternoon, and to follow the corpse to the aforementioned burying-place. On going thither I saw the following plants, which covered the old walls of the city.

*Pteris vittata*. [Tab. iv.]

*Barleria cristata*. Its blue flowers were in several places the ornaments of the wall.

*Ficus Indica*, with round figs.

*Urtica nivea*, which I have seen no where but on the walls of *Canton*.

*Convolvulus reptans* covered the graves, where some boys were met together with fishing-rods in their hands. They made use of a kind of large dragon-fly (*Libellula Chinensis*) as a bait. I understood they were catching frogs, but had as yet tried their luck in vain. It is happy for us that the art of fishing is not risen to such a pitch of perfection as hunting; for then fishes would be as scarce in our lakes as deer are in our woods.

*Justicia procumbens* grew on the road.

A GOOD way out of town, on the right of the high road, I arrived at the *European* burying-place, which was on a hill without any fence, or distinction from the other hills. The inscriptions on the tomb-stones are not all legible, on account of the rubbish lying on them: however, I could see that *Swedish* captains and supercargoes had died in this country. The corpse which was now to be buried was carried by six *Dutch* grenadiers. The procession followed in *Palankins* without order. The *Chinese* merchants who were here present, mourned with white, long, cotton handkerchiefs, which were tied as the ribbands of an order, over their common clothes. This sort of mourning was distributed to all the rest by the young widow of the deceased. She was born at *Batavia*, and had accompanied her husband hither, but got admission into the suburbs of *Canton* with much difficulty. The people in this country are very singular, looking upon foreign ladies as not much better than contraband goods.

A BLACK tomb-stone was laid upon the grave, on which an inscription to the memory of the deceased was engraved in great white letters



letters in *Dutch*, mixed with some *Latin*. On this occasion people of all nations were assembled together.

THE *Chinese* had erected tents about the tombs, and diverted the funeral procession with their rope-dancers.

The 13th of *October*.

AFTER I had a second time preached in the factory, the remainder of the day would not allow of any trip out of town; and for this reason I only walked about the neighbouring streets, to see whether the *Chinese* had any curiosities in their shops, for they make no distinction with regard to *Sunday*. I found a sort of linen somewhat rough to the touch, which was said (together with another very common brown stuff) to be made of a kind of bark. This linen was very white, and as narrow as the afore-mentioned *Canton cotton-linen*; but it was neither cotton nor linen.

FLAX is so rare a commodity in the East, that many have judged with great probability, that

the fine linen of the rich man, Luke xvi. 19. was no more than our common linen.

*ABRUS precatorius* Linn. *Syst. Nat. Ed. 12.* (in the third edition of the *Spec. Plantar. Linnæus* calls it *Glycine Abrus*) is a sort of little red pease, with a black spot, which were sold in the chandler-shops. I bought some for a low sort of coin; but some children seeing me buy them, gathered about me and desired me to give them some, which I did, and was glad to get rid of them in this manner: I was told, that they could buy fruit with them; that they were valued as the lowest coin, and used in weighing gold.

A SORT of *musk*, which the *Chinese* call *Wad-namm*, was kept in great bladders, and sold much cheaper than in our country.

<sup>b</sup> *BUPRESTIS maxima*, *Mus. Reg. Succ. 82.* a fine green insect, which the *Chinese* had dried, and fastened leaden wings to it (which were so painted as to make them look like butter-

<sup>b</sup> The *Buprestis max.* is a species of the *coleoptera*; and must make a strange monster when disguised by the wings of the *lepidoptera*.

flies),

flies), was to be sold in the vaults among other trifles.

THE next day I again returned on board the ship; but the minister from the *Gothic Lion*, Mr. *Torcen*, went to town. When two ships are at *Canton* at the same time, one chaplain generally officiates aboard the ships, and the other in town.

The 18th of *October*.

PACK-FANNY is the *Chinese* name of a long, transparent, white fish, which is caught in this river, and being dried is boiled and eaten. It is *Albula Chinensis*, and has the following characters: the single *dorsal-fin* opposite the *anus* is low, right-angled, and has 12 rays: the *pectoral-fins*, somewhat below the head, are oval, and have 10 rays: the *ventral-fins* are in the middle of the fish's length, and are wedge-shaped, and have eight rays: the *anal fin* is in some measure articulated, and has 26 rays: the tail is furcated: the body is of the length of a span, and is white, transparent, and without scales: the head is narrow, lanceolated: the *operculum branchiofeg.* consists

of two scales: the jaws are almost equal: the teeth are sharp, fastened in the jaws, and bent backwards: the eyes are placed on the sides, and are almost round: the body, as far as the ventral fins, is almost round, but lower somewhat broad.

RHAMNUS *anopolia*, is by the *Chinese* called *Kog-ne-imm*. On the leaves I found a *larva* *hirsuta, lutco, cæruleo, fusco et albo, variegata*. Its *antennæ* are long, like the hair of a whisker, black, but blue at the bottom: the head is brownish-yellow, like lattice-work: the articulated back is dotted yellow and white: between the third and fourth row of dots are two white hairy tufts. Twelve pair of (blue) *elevations* had black hair on the sides, some (white ones) on the tail excepted. The three pair of fore-feet are brown, the four pair of hind-feet likewise, and besides these is a pair under the tail. The *larva* is about an inch long, and of the thickness of a small goose-quill.

CONYZA *Chinensis* grew among the stones on high places. And also

*Eriocaulon sexangulare.*

*Oldenlandia umbellata.*

*Molugo*

*Mollugo pentaphylla.*

*Ammania baccifera.*

*Urena procumbens*, *floribus minoribus*, a little tree with a very low stem, whose boughs hung round about on the ground. I only found a single one of this kind, and that on the summit of a mountain. At first sight its fructification looked like that of our *agrimony*.

A PLANT like the *Bromelia* flood near the water; but I could not ascertain it, as the fructification was wanting.

OF such plants as are good against scurvy I found none growing spontaneously in *China*; nor one with a cruciated flower (*Tetradynamia*). Indeed I did not hear of any body here who had been much incommoded with the scurvy. But in those countries where this disease is common, anti-scorbutic plants grow in plenty, especially on the sea-shores; that the sailors, who are most afflicted with this distemper, may, as soon as they land, have the necessary remedies at hand. Thus we may see in every place the clearest marks of the all-wise dispositions of our great CREATOR; and the more we consider nature, the more we are led to

the knowledge of him, who is the LORD of the universe.

THE harvest time now came on, for which reason the *Chinese* assembled in great numbers, to mow their rice, carry it home, and dry it in convenient places.

THE sailor, who some days ago fell from our ship into the river, and had been by the rapid stream carried immediately to the bottom, was now found floating on the water, as commonly happens on the third day. We buried him very late at night, on the *Danish Island*.

The 20th of *October*.

TO-DAY our boat was sent to fetch water from the *Danish Island*, whither I went with it. We entered with the tide into a canal between the rice fields, nearer to the mouth of the river than in the above-mentioned burying-place. We fetched the water out of a pit at the bottom of a mountain; and nothing but the continual supply of water could make us believe that this was a spring; and even that  
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might arise from the water coming down the hills. The inhabitants, who were here in their plantations, had purposely stirred the water to make it muddy, that we might not go higher up; for mischievous people sometimes do them a good deal of mischief by pulling up their potatoes, sugar-canes, &c. As I went on between their uninclosed fields, I was asked by them, what countrymen we were? and upon my answering, we are all of us *Soyamen* (for so they call the *Swedes*), I met with no further opposition; but a *Chinese* told me, that some *Englishmen* had pulled up several roots in his garden the day before: he then accompanied me, and offered me some potatoes; but I was more thirsty than hungry, and the water was so wretched, though it was become clear, that when it was used for tea, it stained cotton with blue spots. From this we concluded it was a mineral water; but we wanted the necessary materials to try it. It became milky with sugar of lead.

*OXALIS corniculata*, by the *Chinese* called *Syn-mee*, grew near the spring, and in other low and shady places. The *corollæ* is as long again as the *calyx*: the *capsule* is pentagonal, oblong, with a point, and the whole plant is hairy.

RUELLIA

RUELLIA *crispa* grew under a tree on a high mountain. The *calyx* is double, persistent, and viscous; the lower one is biphyllous, its *foliola* linear and ciliated; the upper one is quinquefid, with segments as in the inferior one: neither of them are deciduous, but the flower is so: the *corolla* is infundibuliform, cylindrical below, and inflated at top: the *faux* is bearded: the *limbus* is quinquefid: the *laciniæ* are almost round, equal to each other, emarginated, and somewhat reflected: the four *filaments* are pointed, and set at the bottom of the cavity in the *corolla*: the two longer ones are woolly, and bend towards the incisions of the *limbus*: the *antheræ* are oblong, triangular, erected: the *pisillum* is longer than the *filaments*: the *germen* is oblong: the *stylus* is filiform, and dentated at the top: the *stigma* is long, sharp-pointed, and often bent. The plant is a *suffrutex*, and has the appearance of our yellow cock's comb (*Rhinanthus crista galli*) it is rough, and lies on the ground. The root is ramose: the stem is almost round, knobby, naked below, woody, and ramose: the leaves are alternate, lanceolated, oval, petiolated, undulated, green on the upper, but whitish on the under side. The flowers



flowers grow at the top in globose *cymæ*, and are yellow: the *bractææ* are lanceolated. It grows on open hills. The *Chinese* name is *Patt-fa*.

MONARDA *Chinensis* grew on a barren mountain. The *calyx* is double; the superior one is pentaphyllous, with leaves of equal breadth; the lower is diphyllous: the *corolla* is monopetalous: its tube is cylindrical, and longer than the *calyx*: the upper-lip is undivided, and small; but the lower is trilaciniated, inflected, and longer than the upper one: the *stamina* are two, with a single *pistillum*. Its yellow flowers are axillary, and very small. The stalk is fibrous. It grows on barren places.

LOBELIA *Zeylanica* flowered in the same place with the former. The *calyx* is quinquefid, expanded, hairy below, with oblong fringes of the length of the *corolla*, which is monopetalous and fastened to the *calyx*: its tube is cylindrical: the *limbus* quinquefid: the upper-lip is trifid, with oval, cuspidated, reflected, *laciniæ*: the lower-lip is bifid, its *laciniæ* are the same as those of the upper-lip: the five *filaments* are filiform, broad, of  
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the length of the tube, and come out of the bell-shaped *nectarium*; two of them are hairy below: the *antheræ* grow together into an oblong cylinder: the *pistillum* is of the length of the *filaments*: the *germen* is almost egg-shaped: the *stylus* is filiform: the *stigma* is bifid or bilabiated: the *capsule* is egg-shaped: the *seeds* are numerous, and very small. The plant grows in watry and shady places, and creeps: the *stalk* is round: the *leaves* are alternate, cordated, crenated, smooth, petioled: the *flower-stalks*, or *peduncles*, are axillar, are the length of the leaves, and each bears only one flower: the flowers are blue.

*EVOLVULUS alfinoides* is a very small, but fine and scarce plant, which likewise was an inhabitant of a barren mountain; and at a distance looked like flax: the *calyx* is quinquefid, with sharp *segments*, which are shorter than the *corolla*; this is monopetalous and inflated: the five *filaments* are shorter than the *corolla*: the *antheræ* are oblong: the *germen* is single: the *stylus* quadrifid: the *stigmas* entire. The plant is of the length of a span, and looks like the common flax.

*HEDYSARUM triflorum*; the flower of this plant has eight *antheræ*, whereof one is single,  
but

but the other seven are connate, or grow together.

**POLYGONUM** *Chinense*, by the *Chinese* called *Ka-yong-moa*.

**SOLIDAGO** *Chinensis*, *caule procumbente, ramis alternis, foliis radicalibus linearibus*. It grows scarce one foot high.

**POLYGALA** *ciliata*.

**VERBESINA** *Chinensis*, by the *Chinese* called *Kaling-fa*.

**CLEMATIS** *Chinensis*. It has from three to six *pistilla*: the *styli* are plumose, reflected, and placed in a circle. I have seen no filaments. The shrub is one of the climbers, and very ramose.

**COMMELINA** *communis*.

**COMMELINA** *Chinensis*, or, as the *Chinese* call it, *Ka-tyaa*. The *petals* are all equal in size: the *stem* is knobby: the *leaves* are narrow, lanceolated, rough, alternate, and end in a *vagina*. Perhaps it is the same with the *Commelina nudiflora*.

ARTEMISIA *vulgaris* is the only *Swedish* plant in this country<sup>c</sup>, though it varies in some measure from ours. The *Chinese* heal wounds with it; and to that purpose apply the fresh plant bruised. They call it *Gnai*.

BACCHARIS *Indica*, by the *Chinese* called *Kate-gnai*.

BUXOIDES *aculeata*, what the *Chinese* call *Sow-pann-ghipp*, is like our *box-tree*, but thorny. I did not see its parts of fructification.

ZANTHOXYLON *trifoliatum*. A tree which has not been observed before. The *Chinese* call it *Lack-fa*.

CONYZA *hirsuta*, of which the *Chinese* name is *Kang-gan-fa*.

KATOA is a long climbing plant, with round leaves and red flowers. It was without flowers when I saw it.

S'YOE-LOCK-TAO (*Dolichos scandens maximus*) had large black beans, which were said

<sup>c</sup> This is also an *English* plant, *mugwort*.

to be poisonous. The pods likewise grow black when the fruit ripens.

*NAUCLEA orientalis* grew on an hill, and was now in flower. I made the following remarks on it: the partial *calyces* are monophyllous, quadrifid, pilose on the margin: the *corolla* is infundibuliform: its tube is almost cylindrical: the *faux* is inflated and woolly: the *limbus* is quadrifid, and reflected: the four *filaments* are short, fastened in the *faux*: the *antheræ* are small, though longer than the *filaments*, and erected: the *stigma* is narrow, and bifid. The plant grows bushy, and is of the length of a span. The *root* creeps, and shoots many branches: the *stem* is quadrangular: the flowers form a *capitulum* or head: the *leaves* are oval, lanceolated, without incisions or foot-stalks, and opposite. The *Chinese* call it *Moy-fa*.

*CASSYTHA filiformis*. The description of the genus is to be met with in *Linnaei Gen. Plantarum*. The plant is scandent, filiform, rough, and commonly climbs on the *Euphorbia*. The little *branches* are in no order: the *flowers* grow in bunches like grapes: the *stipulae* on the branches are oval and small.

IN the *East Indies*, boats and vessels are neither tarred, nor their chinks caulked (filled up with tow); but they are made to keep out the water with a sort of cement, which is prepared in the following manner: the aforementioned plant is taken and beaten to a pulp; then some lime, both pounded and sifted, is kneaded amongst it, till it grows to a proper consistence. This cement secures their boats longer from springing leaks, than tarring; besides that it does not become fluid as tar does in hot countries. When a person's head is rubbed with the slime which is squeezed out of the *Cassjtha*, it makes the hair grow the thicker. When the bruised stalks are put into milk, it curdles, and the whey is useful in agues. See *Rumph. Herbar. Amb.*

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