

come and dwell together in Villages in a Civil Community, where they instructed them in the Christian Religion, taught them Mechanicks, to play upon Musical Instruments, and several other Arts convenient to Human Life. *Thus the Missionaries who came upon a Religious Motive, are largely recompenc'd by the Temporal Advantages which they reap here.* The report that there were Golden Mines in this Country, could not be kept so close, but that the *Spaniards* had some inkling of it, and among others, *Don Hiacinto de Laris* Governor of *Buenos Ayres*, who about the Year 1653, had orders from the King of *Spain*, to go and visit these Settlements, and examine into their Wealth. At first coming he was well receiv'd, but perceiving that he began to inspect their Riches, and search for Gold, The Savages who are shy of working in the Mines, took up Arms, and forc'd him and his Followers Fifty in Number to depart out of their Country. The Governor who succeeded him, inform'd himself more particularly of this matter, and to make the best use of his Intelligence, inter'd into a strict Alliance with the *Jesuits* of his own Government, who hold a Correspondence