

Mouth of the Rivulet wherein they keep Guard, there are but Two Iron-Guns mounted upon it, each carrying a Three Pound Ball ; this commands the place where the Barks come ashore to deliver or take in goods, which are liable to be visited by the Officers of the Bastion when they lade and unlade. The Houses of the Town are built of Earth, because there is but little Stone in all those Parts up as far as Peru ; they are thatch'd with Canes and Straw, have no Stories, all the Rooms are of a Floor, and are very Spacious ; they have great Court-yards, and behind their Houses large Gardens full of Orange-trees, Lemon-trees, Fig-trees, Apple-trees, Pear-trees, and other Fruit-trees, with store of Herbs, Cabbages, Onions, Garlick, Lettice, Peas, Beans, and especially their Melons are excellent, the Soil being very fat and good ; they live very commodiously, and except Wine, which is something dear ; they have plenty of all sorts of Victuals, as Beef, Veal, Mutton, Venison, Hares, Coneys, Pullets, Ducks, Wild-geese, Partridges, Pidgeons, Turtles, and all kind of Wild-fowl ; and so cheap, that one may buy Partridges for a Penny a piece,