

Caroline Islands.

to be found in the eighteenth volume of the *Lettres Edifiantes et Curieuses des Missions de la Compagnie de Jésus*. He places all these islands between 6° and 11° N., so that they run over 30° of longitude east of Cape Espiritu Santo. There are many blacks among these islanders, who are supposed to come from New Guinea, mestizoes, and whites. These are supposed to be descended from some Spaniards, who were put ashore on one of these islands in 1566, for conspiring against their commander on a voyage from Mexico to the Philippine Islands. In 1722 they were preparing in the Ladrones to explore these islands, to which the name of Caroline Islands was given, but we have no intelligence of the result of the enterprise. It is pretended that there are silver mines in one of these islands.

1732.

New Georgia.

Settlement of New Georgia by Mr. Oglethorpe, in the name of the king of England, between Carolina and Spanish Florida. All this country was comprised in French Florida, which extended northward to Charleston, in Carolina. This new colony is bounded on the north by the Savannah River, and on the south by the Altamaha, and it is only sixty or seventy English miles in length on the coast, between $31^{\circ} 30'$ and $32^{\circ} 45'$ N., but it widens as it goes inland.

1738-1739.

Austral Lands.

In the month of July, 1738, two of the French India Company's ships, commanded by the Sieur Bouvet, sailed from l'Orient to discover the Austral Lands; and on the 1st of January, 1739, this captain descried, in latitude 54° S. and longitude 27° to 28° , a very high land, covered with snow and very foggy, which he called Cape Consolation. The fogs and ice prevented his landing or coasting near enough to make out whether it was an island or a continent. He only remarked that it extended eight or ten leagues E. N. E.

1739.

Islands north of Japan.

In the beginning of the year 1740, information reached St. Petersburg that Captain Spanberg, sailing north of Japan, had discovered thirty-five islands of different sizes, the inhabitants