

XIII.\* By my Memoirs, page 281, and supplement, page 90, you will perceive that there is a difference of 27' between Captain Bellinghausen's and Captain Kotzebue's longitude of the west point of *Prince of Wales's Island*\* and the island situated to the westward of it.† What may be the cause of this difference? since the two navigators do not differ, either before or after, more than three minutes. Either the length of Vlighen Island has been overrated by Captain Kotzebue, or some other error has crept into the longitude of either the one or the other. As both are excellent observers, it would be very desirable to settle this point, by examining and surveying carefully all the islands lying to the westward and eastward of Vlighen Island, and determine with the greatest precision the width of the channels separating the different islands, as well as the exact length of Vlighen or Prince of Wales's Island: the error will, most likely, be detected in the length of that isle.

XIV.\* There is a difference of 17' in the longitude of the isle *Clermont de Tonnerre* between Captain Duperrey and Captain Beechey. At Serle Island, close to it, there is hardly any difference at all. The same difference of 17' exists in the longitude of Prince William Henry, which Captain Beechey has proved to be the same with Captain Duperrey's isle *Lortingo*; whereas at *Mollu Island*, both Captains Beechey and Duperrey agree perfectly well. It would be worth while to search for the cause of such anomalies.

XV.\* Captain Beechey is of opinion that Captain Duperrey's isle *Clermont de Tonnerre* is one and the same with the island of Minerva. Captain Duperrey, on the contrary, maintains that the island Minerva is the same as Serle Island. I am of this latter opinion; although the solution of this problem will much depend upon the distance of the island Clermont de Tonnerre from Serle Island, which is much less on Duperrey's chart than on Captain Beechey's.

XVI.\* There has been lately discovered an island of considerable extent, of the name of *Raraka*. It would be well to examine it, since the account given of it is not quite satisfactory. It is stated to be situated in 16° 3' S., and 145° 0' W.

XVII.\* I have placed on my chart of the Low Islands, several islands, the position of which is rather doubtful; for instance, the *Bunyer's Group* of Turnbull, the island of *Britomart*, the islands discovered by Quiros, and several others. In order to have any certainty about their existence and precise position, it is necessary to search for and make a survey of them.

\* On some charts this island is named Dean's Isle; on my charts Vlighen Isle.

† By Captain Porter called Gamble; by Captain Kotzebue, Krusenstern Island.