

miles farther the *R. de las Anades* falls into the gulf. Ten miles from hence is *Punta de Meneses*, the western point of the *Apalache* river.

APALACHE or *Ogelagena* river enters the bay of *Apalache* about forty miles to the eastward of *Apalachicola* river, and rises above 130 miles from the sea, in the confines of *Georgia*. It is not known to receive any river of note in all its course, till near the bay, one considerable river unites with it. This is a very fine river, and its entrance forms a large bay, which has some shallows and rocks, stretching out from the land; but in the middle there is five fathom water. The course into the mouth of this river is N. and within is a good harbour. This place lies N.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Westerly from the *Tortugas*, and in the passage is found all the way navigable soundings. A trade is carried on between this place and the *Havana* by small craft. On the first of these rivers are the *Yapalage*, *Capela*, *Aspalaga* and *St Juan*, and on the other *Ocon* and *Ayavala*. On the west of the river is situated the town of *St. Mark de Apalache*, from whence the bay also derives its name. This, by some geographers, is very improperly called *Santa Maria d' Apalachia*; it is an old settlement, and stands exactly in the same place that *Garcilasso de la Vega* fixes the *Port d' Auté*. It was formerly very considerable, but the *English* from *Carolina* having taken, and, in a great measure, destroyed it in the year 1704, it never since has recovered its pristine state, tho' the *Spaniards* often endeavoured to re-establish it. The fort is built on a little eminence, surrounded by marshes, situated on the forks of the two rivers; and at about two leagues distance from the fort, there is on this river a village of *Apalachian* Indians, called *Santo Juan*, as also some others in the neighbourhood. The governour of *Santo Marco* is under the command of the governour of *St. Augustine*, receiving his instructions in any extraordinary affair either civil or military. The country is beautiful, being well supplied with wood and water; and we are also informed the country becomes more fertile the higher you advance into it.

THERE is a road over land from the mouth of this river to *St. Augustin*, which is as follows.