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time a careful examination of the ruins in the Mombo district of the former, as well as of the better-known ruins at Zimbabwe and elsewhere. The results of these journeys were placed before our Society in a paper read in February, 1899, and published in the *Journal* for April of that year. During this expedition Dr. Schlichter discovered considerable deposits of gold, and he was, up to his death, a zealous champion of the prosecution of mining enterprise in Rhodesia.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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IN view of the vexed question of the correct nomenclature of Spitsbergen bays and capes, the following list is worth putting on record. I copied it in the Record Office, where it is preserved in 'S.P. Domestic, Interregnum,' vol. 179 (January, February, 1658), No. 11 (2). It is annexed to a report of a discussion in the Council of State, relative to whaling matters, on December 14, 1657. It is therefore unusually authoritative. The latitudes will be found very inaccurate.

"THE NAMES OF THE SEVERALL HARBORS IN GREENLAND AND THE DEGREES OF LATITUDE.

	Degrees.
Point Looke Out being in the height of	76 $\frac{1}{2}$
Hornesound and Mottle Bay	77
Bell Sound and Bottle Cove	77 $\frac{1}{2}$
Greenharbor and Port Nick	78
Osbornes Inlett	78 $\frac{2}{3}$
Fowle Sound	79
Cove Comfortlesse	79 $\frac{1}{4}$
Deere Sound	79 $\frac{1}{2}$
Crosse Road	79 $\frac{2}{3}$
Crooke Haven	79 $\frac{2}{3}$
Knotty Point	79 $\frac{2}{3}$
Maudlyn Sound	79 $\frac{2}{3}$
Faire Haven	79 $\frac{2}{3}$
Foxes Point, etc.	80
Foreland	79
Sir Thomas Smith's Bay	78 $\frac{2}{3}$
Pudding Bay to the Eastwards	77
Deicrowes Bay and others	77 $\frac{1}{4}$
Duckes Cove	77 $\frac{1}{2}$
Hunting Bay	78
Potty Harbor	77 "

Point Look-out is South cape. Mottle bay is a cove in the north side of Horn sound. Bottle cove (Willem van Muyden's haven) is identified from Pelham's 'God's Power and Providence' as a cove open to the south-west in the north shore of Bell sound, outside Axel island. Port Nick is Safe haven. Osborne inlet is St. John's bay. Cove Comfortless is English bay. Fowl sound is Foreland sound. Deere sound is King's bay. Crookehaven may be Hamburger bay. Knotty point is the point between Magdalena (Maudlyn) bay and the South gat. Foxes point is Flat hook. Sir Thomas Smith's bay is the north end of Foreland sound. I cannot identify Pudding bay (in Wybe Jans water). Deicrowes bay is in Edge island; so is Duke's cove (see *Geographical Journal*, June, 1900, p. 631, note). I cannot identify Hunting bay and Potty harbour.

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