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Turning to the Hand immediately of the manhand and separated from it by only nerrow channels, on the North of the Jeta River are those of Brisas, Basis of Late ofile on the hands

The Bijouga or Bissaars Islands, W -Lat. 114 Long. 16 4.

By Edward Stallibrass F. R2 S. 5.
Perhaps there is no part of the West Crash of Africa less opened out to trade than that in the neighbourhood of these Islands. — Situated out of the route of any important steamers they remain from year to year unvisited except by the Portuguese mail which calls once a month in connection with the Mail to the Cape Verde Solands and by the small French Mail Junboat Dakar which runs between the French settlement of Conakri in the Soles do dos and 5 Louis the Capital of Senegal, calling on the

way at Melacoee , Pongas, Caches and other

small trading factories as occasion requires
The position of the Archipelago may perhaps be
best described as being situated in the the delta of
the Jeba , Rio Grande or Bolola and the
Cassini Rivers. It is divided into two parts by
the feta Channel on the North and the Grango
Channel on the South East. The western group

which perhaps contanis the Bigonga Islands proper is practically unexplored and trade is only carried ow by native cances which occasionally bring poultin and fruit up to Bulama with the object of gettine guns a powder in exchange. The natives althoug

not actually hostile have kept very much to themselves

Captain Beaver in Memoranda relative to and are as a race very different to those of the

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