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ICARAGVA incolæ hac consuetudine in suis saltationibus uti solent. Conveniunt ducenti, trecenti, interdum ter aut quater milleni in unum locum, prout regio populosa est. Loco in quo saltare debet bene repurgato, unus ex ijs reliquos præcedit, qui saltationis dux erit, magna ex parte in posteriorem partem gradens & interdum sese convertens, reliqui eum sequuntur terni simul, aut quaterni, servato commodo ordine. Interea tympanista cantilenam aliquam modulatur: saltationis dux primus respondet, deinde reliqui repetunt eius verba, miris gestus facientes. Unus enim flabellum manu tenet, alter cucurbitam vacuum lapillis impositis crepitantem, tertius caput pennis ornatum habet, quartus nolas à conchis paratas filo traiecit, & cruribus aut brachijs alligatas, alij convertunt se in unam partem, alij in alteram, alij crura subleuant, alij brachia expandunt, alter luscum se fingit, alter surdum, alter ejulat, alter ridet: denique mille alios mirabiles gestus faciunt. Durante autem saltatione propinatur Cacauate, portionis genus apud eos familiare, & sese mutuò ad bibendum inuitant, atque ita saltationem in totum diem producant, & sæpenumero in totam etiam noctem.