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Galleons of 1643 and 1644

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Events in the Philippines, 1643-44

Relation of the news and notable events in these Philippine Islands in the years of 43 and 44.

Of the two galleons which set out in the past year of 1643 for New Spain, two months later the flagship returned, dismasted, and entered the new port of Lampon where it was made ready for sailing again this year. The almiranta, which made the voyage successfully, has already arrived from its return voyage; and the news came today that it is remaining at Cagayan, and that the [new] governor, Don Diego Faxardo, was coming as fas as he could overland.¹

¹ Ed. note: The rest of the report deals with China, Japan, Macao, Ternate, Eastern India, Mindanao and Jolo. The almiranta in question was the galleon San Luis.