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Cigatoo, Ciguatea

[cf. Taino cigua sea snail (Taylor 1977:21); Cuban Sp. idem WFF] n. Obs. a former name of Eleuthera, a major island of the Bahamas: [On] the Turin map of 1523 ... Eleuthera is shown as Ziguateo (later it was to be caled Cigateo, Segatoo, and Eygatea [sic]) (Craton 1962: 45). 1635 Ciguateo (Atlas Novus). As early as 1656 ships were sailing fairly often between "Cigatoo" and Bermuda, and it is clear from 16th and 17th century maps that Cigatoo, called on the maps Ciguatea or Cigateo, was the original name of Eleuthera (Miller 1945: 36).

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